

11.2 SERIES

DEF'N:

GIVEN INFINITE SERIES $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i = a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots$

$$\text{LET } S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i$$

IF $\{S_n\}$ CONVERGES AND $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = S$

THEN WE SAY $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i$ CONVERGES AND $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i = S$

IF $\{S_n\}$ DIVERGES, THEN WE SAY

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i \text{ DIVERGES}$$

eg. $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i^2}$

1ST PARTIAL SUM = $S_1 = \sum_{i=1}^1 \frac{1}{i^2} = \frac{1}{1^2} = 1$

2ND PARTIAL SUM = $S_2 = \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{1}{i^2} = \frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} = \frac{5}{4}$

3RD PARTIAL SUM = $S_3 = \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{1}{i^2} = \frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} = \frac{49}{36}$

$$\left\{ 1, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{49}{36}, \dots \right\}$$

SEQUENCE OF
PARTIAL SUMS

DOES $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 1$ CONV/DIV? $1+1+1+1+\dots$

$$S_1 = \sum_{i=1}^1 1 = 1$$

$$S_2 = \sum_{i=1}^2 1 = 1+1=2$$

$$S_3 = \sum_{i=1}^3 1 = 1+1+1=3$$

$$S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n 1 = \underbrace{1+1+1+\dots+1}_{n \text{ TERMS}} = 1 \cdot n = n$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n = \infty$$

$\{S_n\}$ DIV, so $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 1$ DIV

NOTE: $\{a_n\} = \{1\}$ CONV

BUT THIS IS UNRELATED

TO WHETHER $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i$ CONV/DIV

DOES $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (-1)^i$ CONV/DIV ?

$$S_1 = -1$$

$$S_2 = -1 + 1 = 0$$

$$S_3 = -1 + 1 - 1 = -1$$

$$S_4 = -1 + 1 - 1 + 1 = 0$$

$$\{S_n\} = \{-1, 0, -1, 0, -1, 0, \dots\}$$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$ DNE $\rightarrow \{S_n\}$ DIV

SO ~~$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i$ DIVERGES~~

$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (-1)^i$ DIVERGES

~~$$\begin{array}{l} -1 + 1 - 1 + 1 - 1 + 1 \dots \\ \underline{\quad} \quad \underline{\quad} \quad \underline{\quad} \quad \underline{\quad} \rightarrow 0 \\ 0 + 0 + 0 + \dots \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$~~

~~$$\begin{array}{l} -1 + 1 - 1 + 1 - 1 + 1 - 1 \dots \\ \downarrow \quad \underline{\quad} \quad \underline{\quad} \quad \underline{\quad} \quad \underline{\quad} \\ \quad \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \\ -1 + 0 + 0 + 0 \rightarrow -1 \end{array}$$~~

DOES $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{i(i+2)}$ CONV/DIV? $\frac{2}{1 \cdot 3} + \frac{2}{2 \cdot 4} + \frac{2}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{2}{4 \cdot 6} + \dots$

$= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{i} - \frac{1}{i+2} \right)$ BY PARTIAL FRACTIONS DECOMPOSITION

$S_1 = \left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{3} \right)$

TELESCOPING

$S_2 = \left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{3} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \right)$

SERIES - LATER

$S_3 = \left(\frac{1}{1} - \cancel{\frac{1}{3}} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \right) + \left(\cancel{\frac{1}{3}} - \frac{1}{5} \right)$

TERMS CANCEL

PRIOR TERMS

$S_4 = \left(\frac{1}{1} - \cancel{\frac{1}{3}} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \cancel{\frac{1}{4}} \right) + \left(\cancel{\frac{1}{3}} - \frac{1}{5} \right) + \left(\cancel{\frac{1}{4}} - \frac{1}{6} \right)$

$S_5 = \left(\frac{1}{1} - \cancel{\frac{1}{3}} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \cancel{\frac{1}{4}} \right) + \left(\cancel{\frac{1}{3}} - \cancel{\frac{1}{5}} \right) + \left(\cancel{\frac{1}{4}} - \frac{1}{6} \right) + \left(\cancel{\frac{1}{5}} - \frac{1}{7} \right)$

$S_6 = \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{7} - \frac{1}{8}$

$S_n = \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} \quad n \geq 2$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} - 0 - 0 = \frac{3}{2}$

SO $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{i(i+2)}$ CONV TO $\frac{3}{2}$

GEOMETRIC SERIES

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} ar^{i-1} = a + ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + ar^4 + \dots$$



← MULTIPLY BY
SAME CONSTANT
TO GO FROM
EACH TERM
TO THE NEXT →
GEOMETRIC

ASSUME $a \neq 0$

IF $r = 1$, $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a \cdot 1^{i-1} = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a$

$$a + a + a + \dots$$

$$S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n a = na$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} na = \infty \text{ or } -\infty$$

IE. ~~IF~~ IF $r = 1$, $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} ar^{i-1}$ DIV

IF $r \neq 1$, $\sum_{i=1}^n ar^{i-1} = a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1} = S_n$
 $ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + \dots + ar^n = rS_n$

$$(1-r)S_n = S_n - rS_n = a - ar^n$$

$$S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r} = \frac{a}{1-r} (1-0)$$

$$= \frac{a}{1-r} \text{ IF } |r| < 1$$