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n. 429 # 3, 4, 6, 8, 27, 28,
31, 32

Review

Monotonic Sequence Thm

1. Any increasing sequence bounded above converges
2. Any decreasing sequence bounded below converges

"Bounded monotonic sequences must converge"

Rate This "theorem" is actually an axiomatic property of the real #s

Ex 3, 31, 314, 3141, 31415, 314159, ...
is a sequence of rational #s, monotonic increasing and bounded above, with no limit in rationals

Example

$$\text{Let } a_1 = \sqrt{3} \quad a_{n+1} = \sqrt{3 + a_n}$$

Claim $a_n < 3$. Proof by induction.

Claim a_n is increasing.
Proof by induction

$$a_n = \sqrt{3 + a_{n-1}} \quad \text{and } a_{n+1} > a_n$$
$$a_{n-1} = \sqrt{3 + a_{n-2}}$$

What is the limit?

$$x = \sqrt{3 + \sqrt{3 + \sqrt{3 + \dots}}}$$

$$x^2 - 3 = x$$
$$x^2 - x - 3 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{13}}{2}$$

limit is $\frac{1 + \sqrt{13}}{2} = 2.30277 \dots$

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Def. An infinite series arises when we add the terms of an infinite sequence,

$$a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n.$$

Problem What does this mean?

Example $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n}$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{7}{8}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} = \frac{15}{16}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{32} = \frac{31}{32}$$

$$a_1 = s_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a_1 + a_2 = s_2 = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$a_1 + a_2 + a_3 = s_3 = \frac{7}{8}$$

$$a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 = s_4 = \frac{15}{16}$$

Definition Consider a series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$. Define

the n^{th} partial sum

$$s_n = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$$

Def Given a Series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$, let s_n be the n^{th} partial sum,

If the sequence $\{s_n\}$ converges to s then

we say the series $\sum a_n$ is convergent and

write
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = s$$

Otherwise say the series is divergent.

Logical Order

1. Define Sequences
2. Define limits of sequences
3. Define Series
4. Given a series, obtain a sequence of partial sums
5. Use this sequence to decide if series converges

Example $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} + \dots$ $s_1 = \frac{1}{2}$ $s_2 = \frac{3}{4}$ $s_3 = \frac{7}{8}$ $s_4 = \frac{15}{16}$

$$s_n = 2^{n-1} \frac{1}{2^n} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = 1$$

Thus

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^i} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots = 1.$$

Geometric Series

Def A geometric series is of the form

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

$r =$ ratio $a =$ 1st term

If $r = 1$ then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a$ diverges

$$S_n = a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1}$$

$$r S_n = ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1} + ar^n$$

$$S_n - r S_n = a - ar^n$$

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

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \begin{cases} \frac{a}{1-r} & |r| < 1 \\ \text{diverge} & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Thm $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^{n-1}$ converges if & only if $|r| < 1$,

in which case

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^{n-1} = \frac{a}{1-r}$$

Ex $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots$ $a = \frac{1}{2}$ $r = \frac{1}{2}$ $sum = 1$