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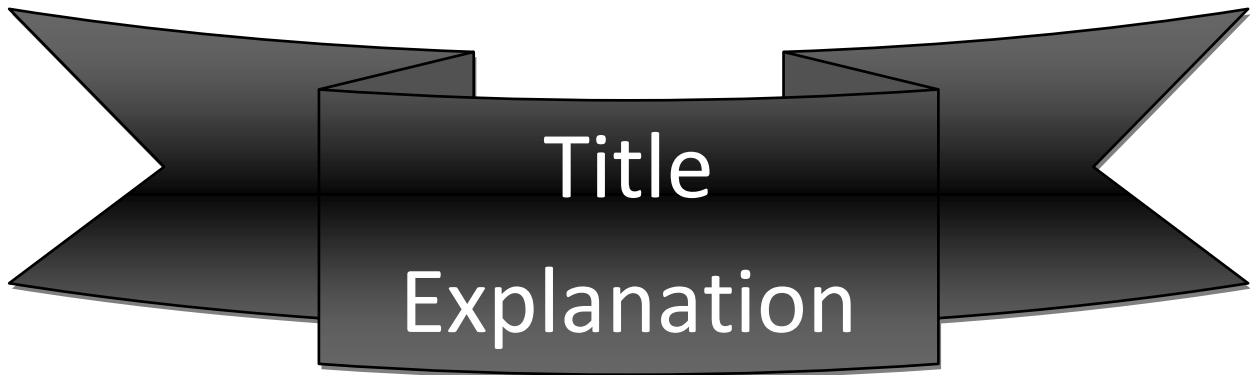
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## **INFINITE SERIES**

➤ The **sum** of infinite terms that follow a rule.

When we have an infinite **sequence** of values:

$$\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{16}, \dots \dots \dots$$

Which follow a rule (in this case each term is half the previous one), and we **add them all up**:

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

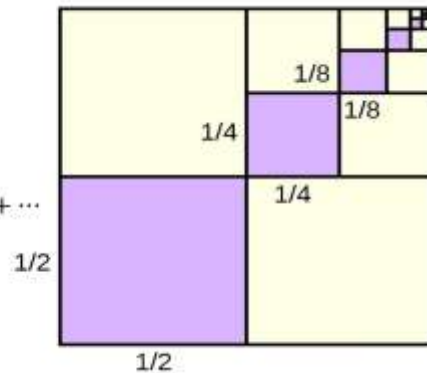
We get an **infinite series**.

➤ A “**SERIES**” sound like it is the **list of numbers**, but it is actually when we add them together.

# Trailer of Topic

## Infinite Series

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



Convergent and Divergent Series

**divergent series**

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 \dots$$

But can an infinite series be convergent?



Sum of an infinite geometric series

Absolute Convergence

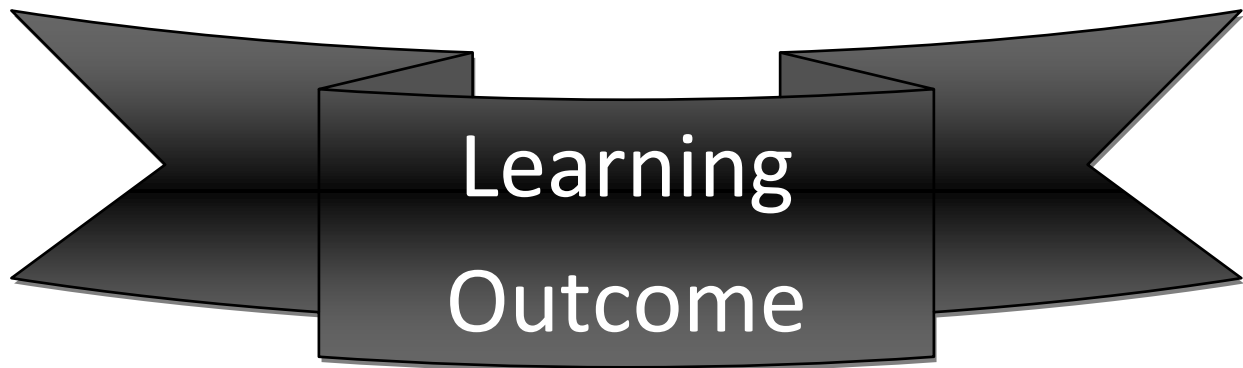
If  $\sum |a_n| \rightarrow C$  } Absolute  
then  $\sum a_n \rightarrow C$  } Convergence

If  $\sum |a_n| \rightarrow D$  } conditional  
 $\sum a_n \rightarrow C$  } Convergence

Alternating Series  
Test of Convergence

Power Series =  
 $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(x-c)^n = a_0(x-c)^0 + a_1(x-c)^1 + a_2(x-c)^2 + \dots$

Geometric = **Power series**  
**radius & interval**  
**of convergence**



## Learning Outcome

- ☑ **Infinite series** are useful in mathematics and in such disciplines as physics, chemistry, biology, and engineering.
  
- ☑ Explain the meaning of the sum of an infinite series.
  
- ☑ Calculate the sum of a geometric series.
  
- ☑ Evaluate a telescoping series.

## ❖ Definition: Infinite Series

- If  $\{u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n, \dots\}$  is any sequence then the **infinite sum**  $u_1 + u_2 + u_3 + \dots + u_n + \dots$  is called infinite series OR simply series.
- This is denoted by  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n$  OR  $\sum u_n$
- If the **number of terms is finite** then the series is called finite series and if the **number of terms is unlimited** then it is called an infinite series.

## ❖ Examples:

$$(1) \sum n^2 = 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2 + \dots$$

$$(2) \sum (-1)^n = 1 - 1 + 1 - 1 + \dots$$

$$(3) \sum \frac{1}{n} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} + \dots$$

$$(4) \sum (2n - 1) = 1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + (2n + 1) + \dots$$

- A series  $\sum u_n$  is said to be a series of positive terms **if  $u_n > 0, \forall n \in N$ .**
- A series is said to be an alternating series if the terms of the series are **alternately positive OR negative.**
- The series (1), (3) and (4) in the above examples are series of positive terms, whereas series (2) is alternating series.

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Sr. No.	Question	Answer
1	Infinite sum of any sequence is called .....	<b>Infinite series</b>
2	Give the condition of series of positive terms.	<b><math>u_n &gt; 0, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}</math></b>
3	Which type of terms held in Alternating series?	<b>alternately positive OR negative</b>

## ❖ Definition: Sequence of partial sums of a series

- Let  $\sum u_n$  be any series.
- Let us consider the following sums:

$$s_1 = u_1$$

$$s_2 = u_1 + u_2$$

$$s_3 = u_1 + u_2 + u_3$$

.....

.....

$$s_n = u_1 + u_2 + u_3 + \dots + u_n$$

- Let  $\sum u_n$  be a given series and  $s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots, s_n, \dots$  be a **different partial sums of  $\sum u_n$** . The sequence  $\{s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots, s_n, \dots\}$  is called the sequence of partial sums of  $\sum u_n$ .

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Sr. No.	Question	Answer
1	The sequence $\{s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots, s_n, \dots\}$ is called	the sequence of partial sums of $\sum u_n$
2	Give the value of $s_2$ .	$s_2 = u_1 + u_2$

## ❖ Definition: Convergent Series

- Let  $\sum u_n$  be a series and  $\{s_n\}$  be the corresponding sequence of partial sums.
- The series  $\sum u_n$  is convergent, if the sequence  $\{s_n\}$  is convergent.

i.e.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = l = \text{finite and unique.}$

- In this case we say  $\sum u_n$  converges to  $l$ .

## ❖ Definition: Divergent Series

- Let  $\sum u_n$  be a series and  $\{s_n\}$  be the corresponding sequence of partial sums.
- The series  $\sum u_n$  is divergent, if the sequence  $\{s_n\}$  is divergent.

i.e.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = +\infty \text{ OR } -\infty$

## ❖ Definition: Oscillatory Series



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➤ Let  $\sum u_n$  be a series and  $\{s_n\}$  be the corresponding sequence of partial sums.

(a) The series  $\sum u_n$  is said to be **oscillate finitely**, if the sequence  $\{s_n\}$  is Oscillates finitely.

i.e.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n$  is finite but not unique.

(b) The series  $\sum u_n$  is said to be **oscillate infinitely**, if the sequence  $\{s_n\}$  is oscillates infinitely.

i.e.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = +\infty$  **OR**  $-\infty$

Sr. No.	Question	Answer
1	Limit of a sequence is finite and unique then it is said to be.....	<b>Convergent series</b>
2	Write down the condition for divergent series.	$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = +\infty$ <b>OR</b> $-\infty$
3	Limit of a sequence is finite but not unique then it is said to be.....	<b>Oscillate finite series</b>
4	How many types have Oscillatory series?	<b>2 types</b>
5	Give the name of two types of Oscillatory series.	<b>Oscillates finitely &amp; Oscillates infinitely</b>

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## NOTE:

Series which divergent OR oscillates are often classed as non convergent series.

## EXAMPLE-1:

Show that the series  $\frac{1}{1*2} + \frac{1}{2*3} + \frac{1}{3*4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)} + \dots$  is convergent.

## SOLUTION:

Since  $u_n = \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}$

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}$$

$$u_3 = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4}$$

.....

.....

$$u_n = \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}$$

$$\therefore S_n = u_1 + u_2 + u_3 + \dots + u_n = 1 - \frac{1}{n+1}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n+1}\right) = 1, \text{ which is unique and finite.}$$

Hence,  $\sum u_n$  is convergent and converges to 1.

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## **EXAMPLE-2:**

Show that the series  $\sum(-1)^n$  oscillates finitely.

## **SOLUTION:**

Here  $u_n = (-1)^n$

$\therefore S_n = 1 - 1 + 1 - 1 + \dots \dots \dots \text{up to } n \text{ terms}$

$= 1 \text{ OR } 0$  according to as  $n$  is odd OR even.

$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = 1 \text{ OR } 0$ , which is **finite but not unique**.

Hence,  $\sum(-1)^n$  **oscillates finitely**.

## **EXAMPLE-3:**

Show that the series  $1+2+3+ \dots \dots \dots +n+ \dots \dots \dots$  Diverges.

## **SOLUTION:**

Since  $S_n = 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots \dots \dots +n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \infty$

$\therefore \{S_n\}$  **is divergent**.

Hence,  $\sum u_n$  is **divergent**.

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## ■ **NOTE:**

- In the above examples we have determined the **nature of the series directly using the definition.**
- In this universe of series, we come across with it is either difficult OR impossible to compute the sequence of partial sums.
- Later we come across few sufficient conditions, known as the **tests for convergence, which will be useful to determine the nature of the given series.**

## + **Theorem-1:**

A series of positive terms either **converges OR diverges to  $+\infty$ .**

## + **Theorem-2:**

If a series  $\sum u_n$  is **convergent** then  **$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 0$ .**

## ■ **NOTE:**

- The **convergence of the above theorem is not true** in general.

I.e. if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 0$

Then the corresponding series  $\sum u_n$  is not convergent in general.

Consider the series  $\sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$

Here,  $u_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$

$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} = 0$

We consider,

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$$\begin{aligned}
 S_n &= 1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \\
 &> \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \text{ (n - times)} \\
 &= n * \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} = \sqrt{n}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n > \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n} = \infty$$

Thus  $\sum u_n$  is divergent even though  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 0$

▪ **NOTE:**

- (i)  $\sum u_n$  convergent  $\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 0$
- (ii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 0 \Rightarrow \sum u_n$  may be convergent OR not.
- (iii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n \neq 0 \Rightarrow \sum u_n$  is not convergent.
- (iv) If  $\sum u_n$  is a series of positive terms and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n \neq 0$  then  $\sum u_n$  diverges to  $\infty$ .

Sr. No.	Question	Answer
1	A series of positive terms either converges OR diverges to.....	$+\infty$
2	If a series $\sum u_n$ is convergent then.....	$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 0$
3	If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 0$ then the series is convergent.(T/F)	<b>False</b>
4	If $\sum u_n$ is a series of positive terms and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n \neq 0$ then $\sum u_n$ diverges to $\infty$ .(T/F)	<b>True</b>

❖ **Cauchy's General Principal of Convergence:**

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A necessary and sufficient condition for the series  $\sum u_n$  to be convergent is that, given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , however small, there exist  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that

$$|s_{n+p} - s_n| < \varepsilon, \forall n \geq m, p \in \mathbb{N}$$

OR

$$|u_{n+1} + u_{n+2} + \dots + u_{n+p}| < \varepsilon, \forall n \geq m, p \in \mathbb{N}$$

## ❖ **Definition: Geometric series**

The series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n = 1 + r + r^2 + \dots + r^{n-1} + \dots$  is called the Geometric series.

## + **Theorem-3:**

The Geometric series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n$  is

- (i) Convergent if  $|r| < 1$ ,  
i.e.  $-1 < r < 1$  and its sum is  $\frac{1}{1-r}$
- (ii) Divergent if  $r \geq 1$
- (iii) Finitely oscillating if  $r = -1$
- (iv) Infinitely oscillating if  $r < -1$

## **EXAMPLE-4:**

Test the convergence of  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{3^{2n}}{2^{3n}}$

## **SOLUTION:**

$$\text{Here, } u_n = \frac{3^{2n}}{2^{3n}} = \left(\frac{3^2}{2^3}\right)^n = \left(\frac{9}{8}\right)^n$$

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$$\therefore \sum u_n = 1 + \frac{9}{8} + \left(\frac{9}{8}\right)^2 + \dots$$

Which is Geometric series with  $r = \frac{9}{8} > 1$

Hence,  $\sum u_n$  is **divergent**.

Sr. No.	Question	Answer
1	Write down the Cauchy's general principle of convergence in mathematical form.	$ s_{n+p} - s_n  < \varepsilon,$ $\forall n \geq m, p \in \mathbb{N}$
2	The series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n = 1 + r + r^2 + \dots + r^{n-1} + \dots$ is called	<b>Geometric series</b>
3	Give the general form of Geometric series.	$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n$
4	In Geometric series, If we get $r \geq 1$ then the given series is.....	<b>Divergent</b>
5	Give the example of Geometric series.	$1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} - \frac{1}{2^3} + \frac{1}{2^4} - \dots$

## ❖ **Definition: Alternating series**

A series of the type  $u_1 - u_2 + u_3 - u_4 + \dots$ ;

Where  $u_n > 0, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , is called an alternating series and it is denoted by

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} u_n$ . For example, the series **3-9+27-28+ .....**and

$\frac{1}{4} - \frac{5}{7} + \frac{7}{10} - \frac{9}{13} + \dots$  are alternating series.

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## ❖ Libnitz test for the convergence of an Alternating series:

The infinite series  $u_1 - u_2 + u_3 - u_4 + \dots$  in which terms are alternatively positive and negative is convergent if **each term is numerically less than its preceding term** and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 0$ .

### EXAMPLE-5:

Show that Alternating series  $1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{9} - \dots$  is convergent.

### SOLUTION:

By comparing  $1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{9} - \dots = a_1 - a_2 + a_3 - a_4 + a_5 - \dots$

We see that  $a_1 = 1, a_2 = \frac{1}{3}, a_3 = \frac{1}{5}, a_4 = \frac{1}{7}, a_5 = \frac{1}{9}, \dots$

$$\therefore a_1 > a_2 > a_3 > a_4 > a_5 > \dots$$

$\therefore$  Each term is numerically less than its preceding term.

Now,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} = 0$$

Hence by Leibnitz's test the given series is **convergent**.



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Sr. No.	Question	Answer
1	A series of the type $u_1 - u_2 + u_3 - u_4 + \dots$ ; Where $u_n > 0, \forall n \in N$ , is called.....	Alternating series
2	Give an example of Alternating series.	$\frac{1}{4} - \frac{5}{7} + \frac{7}{10} - \frac{9}{13} + \dots$
3	Which test used for the convergence of Alternating series?	Leibnitz's test

## ❖ Test for convergence:

We have proved that a series converges by actually finding its sum. However, for most convergent series the exact sum  $s_n$  is difficult OR impossible to find. In this case we consider the following standard tests;

- (i) Comparison test
- (ii) P-test
- (iii) D'-Alemert's ratio test
- (iv) Raabe's test

### (i) Comparison test:

#### Test-1:

Let  $\sum u_n$  and  $\sum v_n$  be any two series of positive terms.

- (A) If  $u_n \leq v_n$ , for all  $n \geq 1$  and  $\sum v_n$  converges then  $\sum u_n$  converges and  $\sum u_n \leq \sum v_n$ .
- (B) If  $u_n \leq v_n$ , for all  $n \geq 1$  and  $\sum u_n$  diverges then  $\sum v_n$  diverges and  $\sum u_n \leq \sum v_n$ .

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## Test-2:

Let  $\sum u_n$  and  $\sum v_n$  be any two series of positive terms. If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_n}{v_n} = l$ .

Where  $l$  is non zero and finite then both the series converges OR diverges together.

Sr. No.	Question	Answer
1	In Comparison test, If $u_n \leq v_n$ , for all $n \geq 1$ and $\sum v_n$ converges then $\sum u_n$ is.....	Converges
2	In Comparison test, If $u_n \leq v_n$ , for all $n \geq 1$ and $\sum u_n$ diverges then $\sum v_n$ is.....	Diverges

## ❖ Definition: P-Series OR Harmonic series

The series  $\sum \frac{1}{n^p} = \frac{1}{1^p} + \frac{1}{2^p} + \frac{1}{3^p} + \dots + \frac{1}{n^p} + \dots$  is called P-series or Harmonic series.

### (ii) P-test:

The series  $\sum \frac{1}{n^p}$  is (1) Convergent, if  $p > 1$   
(2) Divergent, if  $p \leq 1$

## EXAMPLE-6:

Test the convergence OR divergence of the following series:

$$\frac{1}{1 * 2 * 3} + \frac{3}{2 * 3 * 4} + \frac{5}{3 * 4 * 5} + \frac{7}{4 * 5 * 6} + \dots$$

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## SOLUTION:

$$\text{Here, } u_n = \frac{(2n-1)}{n(n+1)(n+2)} = \frac{n\left(2-\frac{1}{n}\right)}{n^3\left(1+\frac{1}{n}\right)\left(1+\frac{2}{n}\right)} = \frac{\left(2-\frac{1}{n}\right)}{n^2\left(1+\frac{1}{n}\right)\left(1+\frac{2}{n}\right)}$$

We consider  $\sum v_n = \sum \frac{1}{n^2} \Rightarrow p=2 > 1 \Rightarrow \sum v_n$  is convergent.

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_n}{v_n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^2 * \frac{\left(2-\frac{1}{n}\right)}{n^2\left(1+\frac{1}{n}\right)\left(1+\frac{2}{n}\right)} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(2-\frac{1}{n}\right)}{\left(1+\frac{1}{n}\right)\left(1+\frac{2}{n}\right)} = \frac{(2-0)}{(1+0)(1+0)} = 2 \end{aligned}$$

By Comparison test  $\sum u_n$  is also convergent.

## EXAMPLE-7:

Test the convergence OR divergence of the following series:

$$\sum \sin \frac{1}{n}$$

## SOLUTION:

Since  $u_n = \sin \frac{1}{n}$

We consider  $\sum v_n = \sum \frac{1}{n}$ , which is **divergent as  $p=1$**

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Now,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_n}{v_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin \frac{1}{n}}{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{\frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \frac{1}{n}}{\frac{1}{n}} = 1 \quad (\text{Because, } \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} = 1)$$

By Comparison test  $\sum u_n$  is also divergent.

Sr. No.	Question	Answer
1	The series $\sum \frac{1}{n^p} = \frac{1}{1^p} + \frac{1}{2^p} + \frac{1}{3^p} + \dots + \frac{1}{n^p} + \dots$ is called.....	P-series
2	P-series is also known as.....	Harmonic series
3	Which test used for convergence of P-series?	P-test
4	Using P-test, we get $p > 1$ then the series is.....	Convergent

## EXERCISE – A

Test the convergence OR divergence of the following series:

- 1)  $\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} + \dots$
- 2)  $\sum \cos \frac{1}{n}$
- 3)  $\frac{1 \cdot 2}{3^2 \cdot 4^2} + \frac{3 \cdot 4}{5^2 \cdot 6^2} + \frac{5 \cdot 6}{7^2 \cdot 8^2} + \dots$
- 4)  $\sum (\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n})$
- 5)  $\sum \frac{n+2}{n^3+1}$

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## (iii) **D'Alembert's Ratio Test:**

Let  $\sum u_n$  be a series of positive terms and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = l$ .

(1) If  $0 \leq l < 1$  then  $\sum u_n$  converges

(2) If  $l > 1$  then  $\sum u_n$  diverges

(3) If  $l = 1$  then from this test alone, we cannot draw any conclusion the convergence or divergence of  $\sum u_n$ .

## **EXAMPLE-8:**

Test the convergence of the series  $1 + \frac{2!}{2^2} + \frac{3!}{3^3} + \frac{4!}{4^4} + \dots$

## **SOLUTION:**

Here,  $u_n = \frac{n!}{n^n} \Rightarrow u_{n+1} = \frac{(n+1)!}{(n+1)^{n+1}}$

Consider  $\frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \frac{(n+1)!}{(n+1)^{n+1}} * \frac{n^n}{n!} = \frac{n+1}{(n+1)^{n+1}} * n^n = \frac{n^n}{(n+1)^n} = \frac{n^n}{n^n \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n} = \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n}$

$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n} = \frac{1}{e} < 1$

$$\left[ \because \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = e \text{ \& } e > 2 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{e} < \frac{1}{2} < 1 \right]$$

Hence, by D'Alembert's ratio test,  $\sum u_n$  is convergent.

## **EXAMPLE-9:**

Discuss the convergence of  $\frac{1}{2\sqrt{1}} + \frac{x^2}{3\sqrt{2}} + \frac{x^4}{4\sqrt{3}} + \frac{x^6}{5\sqrt{4}} + \dots$

## SOLUTION:

$$\text{Here, } u_n = \frac{x^{2n-2}}{(n+1)\sqrt{n}} \Rightarrow u_{n+1} = \frac{x^{2n}}{(n+2)\sqrt{n+1}}$$

Now,

$$\frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \frac{x^{2n}}{(n+2)\sqrt{n+1}} * \frac{(n+1)\sqrt{n}}{x^{2n-2}} = \frac{(n+1)}{(n+2)} * \sqrt{\frac{n}{n+1}} * x^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)}{(n+2)} * \sqrt{\frac{n}{n+1}} * x^2 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)}{\left(1 + \frac{2}{n}\right)} * \sqrt{\frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{n}}} * x^2 \\ &= \frac{(1+0)}{(1+0)} * \sqrt{\frac{1}{1+0}} * x^2 = x^2 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  By ratio test, if  $x^2 < 1$ ,  $\sum u_n$  is convergent and if  $x^2 > 1$ ,  $\sum u_n$  is divergent.

When  $x^2 = 1$ , ratio test fails.

$$\text{For } x^2 = 1, \text{ then } u_n = \frac{1}{(n+1)\sqrt{n}} = \frac{1}{n^{\frac{3}{2}}\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)}$$

We choose  $\sum v_n = \sum \frac{1}{n^{\frac{3}{2}}}$ , which is convergent as  $p = \frac{3}{2} > 1$

Now,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_n}{v_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^{\frac{3}{2}}}{n^{\frac{3}{2}}\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)} = \frac{1}{1+0} = 1$$

$\therefore$  By comparison test,  $\sum u_n$  is convergent.

Hence, if  $x^2 \leq 1$ ,  $\sum u_n$  is convergent and if  $x^2 > 1$ ,  $\sum u_n$  is divergent.

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Sr. No.	Question	Answer
1	In ratio test we get $l > 1$ then the series is.....	Divergent
2	In ratio test we get $0 \leq l < 1$ then the series is.....	Convergent

## EXERCISE – B

Test the convergence of the following series:

1)  $\frac{1}{1!} + \frac{3}{2!} + \frac{5}{3!} + \dots$

2)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{3^n}$

3)  $2 + \frac{3x}{2} + \frac{4x^2}{3} + \frac{5x^3}{4} + \dots$

4)  $1 + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{5} + \frac{x^3}{10} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n^2+1} + \dots$

5)  $\frac{x}{1 \cdot 3} + \frac{x^2}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{x^3}{5 \cdot 7} + \dots$

### (iv) Raabe's Test:

Let  $\sum u_n$  be a series of positive terms and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left( \frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} - 1 \right) = l$ .

(1) The series is **convergent**, if  $l > 1$

(2) The series is **divergent**, if  $l < 1$

(3) This test gives no information, if  $l = 1$

### EXAMPLE-10:

Examine the convergence of  $\frac{2}{3} + \frac{2 \cdot 4}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6}{3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7} + \dots$

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## SOLUTION:

$$\text{Here, } u_n = \frac{2*4*6*.....*(2n)}{3*5*7*.....*(2n+1)} \Rightarrow u_{n+1} = \frac{2*4*6*.....*(2n)*(2n+2)}{3*5*7*.....*(2n+1)*(2n+3)}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} &= \frac{2 * 4 * 6 * \dots * (2n) * (2n + 2)}{3 * 5 * 7 * \dots * (2n + 1) * (2n + 3)} * \frac{3 * 5 * 7 * \dots * (2n + 1)}{2 * 4 * 6 * \dots * (2n)} \\ &= \frac{2n + 2}{2n + 3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n+2}{2n+3} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(2+\frac{2}{n})}{n(2+\frac{3}{n})} = \frac{(2+0)}{(2+0)} = 1$$

Therefore, D'Alembert's **ratio test fails**.

Now,

$$\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} - 1 = \frac{2n + 3}{2n + 2} - 1 = \frac{1}{2n + 2}$$

$$\therefore n \left( \frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} - 1 \right) = \frac{n}{2n + 2}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left( \frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} - 1 \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{2n + 2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n \left( 2 + \frac{2}{n} \right)} = \frac{1}{(2 + 0)} = \frac{1}{2} < 1$$

By Raabe's test,  $\sum u_n$  is divergent.

## EXAMPLE-11:

Discuss the convergence of  $\sum \frac{1*3*5*.....*(2n-1)}{2*4*6*.....*(2n)} * x^n$



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## SOLUTION:

$$\text{Here, } u_n = \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n-1)}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n)} * x^n$$

$$\Rightarrow u_{n+1} = \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n-1) \cdot (2n+1)}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n) \cdot (2n+2)} * x^{n+1}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} &= \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n-1) \cdot (2n+1)}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n) \cdot (2n+2)} * x^{n+1} \frac{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n)}{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n-1) * x^n} \\ &= \frac{2n+1}{2n+2} * x \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n+1}{2n+2} * x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(2 + \frac{1}{n})}{n(2 + \frac{2}{n})} * x = x$$

$\therefore$  D'Alembert's ratio test,  $\sum u_n$  is convergent if  $x < 1$  and divergent if  $x > 1$ .

If  $x=1$  then ratio test fails.

$$\text{When } x=1, \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \frac{2n+1}{2n+2}$$

We consider,

$$\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} - 1 = \frac{2n+2}{2n+1} - 1 = \frac{1}{2n+1}$$

$$\therefore n \left( \frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} - 1 \right) = \frac{n}{2n+1}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left( \frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} - 1 \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{2n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n \left( 2 + \frac{1}{n} \right)} = \frac{1}{(2+0)} = \frac{1}{2} < 1$$

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By Raabe's test,  $\sum u_n$  is divergent.

Hence  $\sum u_n$  is convergent if  $x < 1$  and divergent if  $x \geq 1$ .

Sr. No.	Question	Answer
1	If the D'Alembert's ratio test fails, then what to do?	Apply Raabe's test
2	In Raabe's test if $l=1$ then the series is ...	Test gives no information
3	In Raabe's test if $l < 1$ then the series is .....	Divergent

## EXERCISE –C

Discuss the convergence of the following:

- 1)  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1*3}{2*4} + \frac{1*3*5}{2*4*6} + \dots$
- 2)  $\sum \frac{4*7*10 \dots (3n+1)}{1*2*3 \dots n} * x^n$
- 3)  $1 + \frac{3}{7}x + \frac{3*6}{7*10}x^2 + \frac{3*6*9}{7*10*13}x^3 + \dots$
- 4)  $\sum \frac{1^2*4^2*7^2 \dots (3n-2)^2}{3^2*6^2*9^2 \dots (3n)^2}$

### ❖ Definition: Absolutely convergent series

A series  $\sum u_n$  is said to be absolutely convergent if  $\sum |u_n|$  is convergent.

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## ❖ **Definition: Conditionally convergent series**

A series  $\sum u_n$  is said to be conditionally convergent if  $\sum u_n$  is convergent and  $\sum |u_n|$  is divergent.

## + **Theorem – 4:**

An absolutely convergent series is convergent.

### **EXAMPLE-12:**

The series  $1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} - \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots$  is absolutely convergent as the series  $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots$  is convergent as  $r = \frac{1}{2} < 1$ .

### **EXAMPLE-13:**

The series  $1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots$  is not absolutely convergent, since the series  $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots$  is divergent.

Also we know that the series  $1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots$  is convergent.

Hence, given series is **conditionally convergent but not a absolutely convergent**.

Sr. No.	Question	Answer
1	If $\sum  u_n $ is convergent, then the series is called.....	<b>Absolutely convergent series</b>
2	If $\sum u_n$ is convergent and $\sum  u_n $ is divergent, then the series is called.....	<b>Conditionally convergent series</b>

3	An absolutely convergent series is .....	Convergent
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## ❖ Definition: Power series

A series of the form  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_n x^n + \dots$  where  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots$  are constants, is called a power series in  $x$ .

OR

A series of the form

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x - a)^n = a_0 + a_1 (x - a) + a_2 (x - a)^2 + \dots + a_n (x - a)^n + \dots$$

Is called a power series in  $(x-a)$ .

## + Theorem-5:

Let  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  be a power series and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \frac{1}{R}$ ,  $R \in (-\infty, \infty)$

- (i) If  $|x| < R$  then the series is **convergent**.
- (ii) If  $|x| > R$  then the series is **divergent**.
- (iii) If  $|x| = R$  then we can draw **no conclusion by this test**.

- We call number **R** in above theorem, the **radius of convergence** of  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ .
- The **collection of values of x** for which  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  converges is called the **interval of convergence** OR the **range of convergence** of  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ .

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- It seems that the interval of convergence takes one and only one of the following forms:

$$[0, 0], (-R, R), [-R, R), (-R, R], [-R, R], (-\infty, \infty)$$

## EXAMPLE-14:

Find the radius of convergence for the series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n+2}$$

## SOLUTION:

$$\text{Here, } u_n = \frac{x^n}{n+2} \Rightarrow u_{n+1} = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+3}$$

$$\therefore \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \left( \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+3} \right) \left( \frac{n+2}{x^n} \right) = \left( \frac{n+2}{n+3} \right) x$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \left( \frac{n+2}{n+3} \right) x \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \left( \frac{1 + \frac{2}{n}}{1 + \frac{3}{n}} \right) x \right| = |x|$$

∴ By ratio test, the series is **converges** if  $|x| < 1$  and **diverges** if  $|x| > 1$ .

∴ The **radius of convergence R=1**.

## EXAMPLE-15:

Find the radius of convergence and interval of convergence of the series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^n x^n}{\sqrt{n+1}}$$

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## SOLUTION:

$$\text{Since } u_n = \frac{(-3)^n x^n}{\sqrt{n+1}} \Rightarrow u_{n+1} = \frac{(-3)^{n+1} x^{n+1}}{\sqrt{n+2}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \left( \frac{(-3)^{n+1} x^{n+1}}{\sqrt{n+2}} \right) \left( \frac{\sqrt{n+1}}{(-3)^n x^n} \right) = -3x \sqrt{\frac{n+1}{n+2}}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| -3x \sqrt{\frac{n+1}{n+2}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| -3x \sqrt{\frac{1 + \frac{1}{n}}{1 + \frac{2}{n}}} \right| = 3|x|$$

$\therefore$  By ratio test, the series is **converges** if  $3|x| < 1 \Rightarrow |x| < \frac{1}{3}$  and **diverges** if  $3|x| > 1 \Rightarrow |x| > \frac{1}{3}$ .

$\therefore$  The **radius of convergence** is  $R = \frac{1}{3}$  and the **interval of convergence** is  $\left(-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right)$

Sr. No.	Question	Answer
1	A series of the form $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_n x^n + \dots$ where $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots$ are constants, is	<b>Power series</b>

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	called.....	
2	If $ x  < R$ then the series is .....	<b>Convergent</b>
3	The collection of values of x for which $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ converges is called.....	<b>Interval of convergence</b>
4	Interval of convergence is also known as.....	<b>Range of convergence</b>

## EXERCISE –D

Find the radius of convergence and interval of convergence of the series:

1)  $x + 2x^2 + 3x^3 + 4x^4 + \dots$

2)  $2 - \frac{4}{5}x + \frac{6}{5^2}x^2 - \frac{8}{5^3}x^3 + \dots$

3)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{\sqrt{n}}$