

Homework1

1. Determine the convergence or divergence of the sequence with the given nth term. If the sequence converges, find its limit.

$$a_n = \frac{\ln(n^3)}{2n}$$

2. Determine the convergence or divergence of the series.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right)$$

Sol:

1.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(n^3)}{2n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3 \ln(n)}{2n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{n} \right) = 0, \text{ converges}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2. \quad s_n &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{5}\right) + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n+1}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+2}\right) \\ &= 1 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} = \frac{3}{2}, \text{ converges}$$