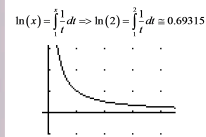
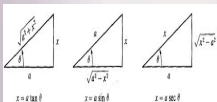


# Sequences and Series Review

If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{0}{0}$   
 or  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{\infty}{\infty}$   
 Then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$   
 provided that the latter limit exists.

$$f(x) = f(x) + f'(x)(x-x_1) + \frac{f''(x_1)}{2!}(x-x_1)^2 + \frac{f'''(x_1)}{3!}(x-x_1)^3 + \frac{f^{(4)}(x_1)}{4!}(x-x_1)^4 + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(x_1)}{n!}(x-x_1)^n$$



$$\int u dv = uv - \int v du$$

where it comes from:  
 the product rule for differentiation  $\frac{d}{dx}(uv) = u \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{du}{dx}$   
 put into reverse  $\int \frac{d}{dx}(uv) = \int (u \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{du}{dx})$   
 and then rearranged  $\int u \frac{dv}{dx} = uv - \int v \frac{du}{dx}$

$$2, 4, 6, 8, 10, \dots$$

$$a_n = a_1 + (n-1)d$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_1 + (k-1)d$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a_1 + a_n)$$

$$2, 4, 8, 16, 32, \dots$$

$$a_n = a_1 r^{(n-1)}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_1 r^{k-1}$$

$$S_n = a_1 \frac{1-r^n}{1-r}$$

A **sequence**  $\{a_n\}$  is a function such that the domain is the set of positive integers and the range is a set of real numbers.

Write five terms for each of these sequences:

$$a_n = \frac{n}{2n+1}$$

$$a_1 = -\frac{1}{3}, a_2 = \frac{2}{5}, a_3 = \frac{3}{7},$$

$$a_4 = \frac{4}{9}, a_5 = \frac{5}{11}$$

$$a_n = \frac{(-2)^n}{n!} \quad -2, 2, -\frac{4}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{4}{15}, \dots$$

$$a_1 = \frac{-2}{1!} = -2$$

A **series** is the sum of a sequence.  $\sum_{k=1}^n a_k$

A **partial sum** is the sum of the first  $n$  terms.  
An **infinite sum** is the sum from  $k=1$  to  $\infty$ .

$$a_2 = \frac{(-2)^2}{2!} = \frac{4}{2} = 2$$

$$a_3 = \frac{(-2)^3}{3!} = \frac{-8}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = -\frac{4}{3}$$

$$a_4 = \frac{(-2)^4}{4!} = \frac{16}{8 \cdot 3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Find these partial sums:

$$\sum_{k=0}^3 \frac{(-2)^k}{k!}$$

$$= \frac{(-2)^0}{0!} + \frac{(-2)^1}{1!} + \frac{(-2)^2}{2!}$$

(k=0)      (k=1)      (k=2)

$$+ \frac{(-2)^3}{3!}$$

(k=3)

$$= 1 + -2 + \frac{4}{2} + \frac{-8}{6}$$

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

$$\sum_{k=1}^5 \frac{k}{2k+1}$$

$$a_5 = \frac{(-2)^5}{5!} = \frac{-32}{5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2} = -\frac{4}{15}$$

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

$$+ \left(\frac{4}{8+1}\right) + \left(\frac{5}{10+1}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{5} + \frac{3}{7} + \frac{4}{9} + \frac{5}{11}$$

$$= \frac{7141}{3465}$$

Arithmetic Sequence, Series

$d$  = common difference

$a_n = a_1 + (n-1)d$  *n<sup>th</sup> term of arithmetic sequence*

ex 2, 5, 8, 11, 14, ...  
 $d=3$

Geometric Sequence, Series

$r$  = common ratio

$a_n = a_1 r^{(n-1)}$  *n<sup>th</sup> term in geometric sequence*

ex 2, 6, 18, 54, ...  
 $r=3$

partial sum

$$\sum_{k=1}^n (a_1 + (k-1)d)$$

$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a_1 + a_n)$  *n<sup>th</sup> partial sum arithmetic*

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_1 r^{k-1}$$

$S_n = a_1 \frac{1-r^n}{1-r}$  *geometric*

infinite sum

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_1 r^{k-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_1 r^k$$

$S_{\infty} = \frac{a_1}{1-r}$  *if  $|r| < 1$  geometric*

Determine the sum for each of these:

①  $\sum_{k=1}^{50} (2k-3)$   
*(arithmetic series)*

$S_{50} = \frac{50}{2}(a_1 + a_{50})$

$a_k = 2k-3$   
 $a_1 = 2(1)-3 = -1$   
 $a_{50} = 2(50)-3 = 97$

$\Rightarrow S_{50} = 25(-1+97)$   
 $= 25(96)$   
 $= 2400$

②  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^k$   $r = \frac{2}{3} < 1$   
*(geometric)*

$S_{\infty} = \frac{(\frac{2}{3})}{1-\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{\frac{2}{3}}{\frac{1}{3}} = 2$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\text{ex}} \quad \sum_{n=5}^{\infty} 3\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n & \quad r = \frac{1}{4} < 1 \\ & = \frac{3\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^5}{1 - \frac{1}{4}} = \frac{\frac{3}{4^5}}{\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{3}{4^5} \cdot \frac{4}{3} = \frac{1}{4^4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\text{ex}} \quad \sum_{n=9}^{\infty} -5\left(\frac{7}{8}\right)^{n+3} & \quad r = \frac{7}{8} < 1 \\ & = \frac{-5\left(\frac{7}{8}\right)^{9+3}}{1 - \frac{7}{8}} = \frac{-5\left(\frac{7}{8}\right)^{12}}{\frac{1}{8}} = -5\left(\frac{7}{8}\right)^{12} \cdot \frac{8}{1} \\ & \quad = \frac{-5(7^{12})}{8^{11}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\text{ex}} \quad \sum_{k=4}^{\infty} 72\left(\frac{1}{3^{2k}}\right) & = \sum_{k=4}^{\infty} 72\left(\frac{1}{3^2}\right)^k \\ & = \sum_{k=4}^{\infty} 72\left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^k \quad r = \frac{1}{9} < 1 \\ & = \frac{72\left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^4}{1 - \frac{1}{9}} = 72\left(\frac{1}{9^4}\right) \cdot \frac{9}{8} \\ & \quad = 9\left(\frac{1}{9^3}\right) = \frac{1}{9^2} = \frac{1}{81} \end{aligned}$$

Common Elements of Sequences/Series:

Odd numbers  $1, 3, 5, 7, 9, \dots$

$$a_n = 2n+1, n=0, 2, \dots \quad \text{or} \quad a_n = 2n-1, n=1, 2, \dots$$

Even numbers  $2, 4, 6, 8, 10, \dots$

$$a_n = 2n, n=1, 2, 3, \dots \quad \text{or} \quad a_n = 2n-2, n=2, 3, 4, \dots$$

Factorials  $1, 1, 2, 6, 24, 120, 720, \dots$

$$= 0!, 1!, 2!, 3!, 4!, 5!, 6!, \dots \quad a_n = n!, n=0, 1, \dots$$

Alternating signs  $1, -1, 1, -1, 1, -1, \dots$

$$a_n = (-1)^n, n=0, 1, 2, \dots \quad \text{or} \quad a_n = (-1)^{n-1}, n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Powers of 2  $1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, \dots$

$$a_n = 2^n, n=0, 1, 2, \dots \quad \text{or} \quad a_n = 2^{n-1}, n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Arithmetic, Geometric or Neither?

$n^{\text{th}}$  term     $20^{\text{th}}$  term

$a_n \rightarrow 0?$

$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \rightarrow \text{some value?}$

a)  $1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, \dots$  (Fibonacci sequence)

$a_1 = 1, a_2 = 1,$

$a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}$  (recursive)

$a_{20} = a_{19} + a_{18}$

$a_n \not\rightarrow 0$

( $a_n$  does not go to 0 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ )

$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k = \infty$

b)  $a_1 = 2, a_{n+1} = \frac{a_n}{n}, n=1, 2, \dots$

$a_2 = \frac{a_1}{1} = \frac{2}{1} = 2$

$a_4 = \frac{a_3}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$

$a_3 = \frac{a_2}{2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$

$a_5 = \frac{a_4}{4} = \frac{1}{12}$

$a_6 = \frac{a_5}{5} = \frac{1}{60}$

$2, 2, 1, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{12}, \frac{1}{60}, \dots$  (neither)

$a_n \rightarrow 0$  (as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ )

$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  finite? don't know

c)  $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{16}, \dots$   
 $n=1, n=2, n=3$

$a_n = \frac{1}{2^n}, n=1, 2, 3, \dots$      $a_{20} = \frac{1}{2^{20}}$

$a_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k} = \frac{1/2}{1-1/2} = 1$

(geometric series)

d)  $.9, .09, .009, .0009, \dots$   
 $n=1, n=2, n=3$

$= \frac{9}{10}, \frac{9}{100}, \frac{9}{1000}, \frac{9}{10000}, \dots$

$= \frac{9}{10^1}, \frac{9}{10^2}, \frac{9}{10^3}, \frac{9}{10^4}, \dots$

$a_n = \frac{9}{10^n} = 9 \left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^n$

geometric

$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 9 \left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^n = \frac{9(1/10)}{1-1/10} = \frac{9/10}{9/10} = 1$

$0.9 + 0.09 + 0.009 + \dots = 1$

$\Leftrightarrow 0.\bar{9} = 1$

Write a formula for the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of these sequences.

a)  $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{7}{8}, \dots$   
 $n=1$   $n=2$   $n=3$

$$a_n = \frac{2n-1}{2n}, n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

b)  $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{256}, \dots$   
 $n=1$   $n=2$

denominator:  
 $2, 2^2, 2^4, 2^8, 2^{16}, \dots$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{2^{2^{n-1}}}, n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$n$	exponent
1	$1 = 2^0 = 2^{1-1}$
2	$2 = 2^1 = 2^{2-1}$
3	$4 = 2^2 = 2^{3-1}$
4	$8 = 2^3 = 2^{4-1}$
5	$16 = 2^4 = 2^{5-1}$

c)  $\frac{-2}{1}, \frac{8}{2}, \frac{-26}{6}, \frac{80}{24}, \frac{-242}{120}, \dots$   
 $n=1$   $n=2$   $n=3$

(alternating signs)

$$a_n = \frac{(-1)^n (3^n - 1)}{n!}, n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

or  $a_n = \frac{(-1)^{n+1} (3^{n+1} - 1)}{(n+1)!}, n=0, 1, 2, \dots$

numerator

$$2, 8, 26, 80, 242, \dots$$

$$= (3-1), (9-1), (27-1), (81-1), (243-1), \dots$$

$$= (3^1-1), (3^2-1), (3^3-1), (3^4-1), (3^5-1), \dots$$

$n=1$     $n=2$     $n=3$

denominator

$$1, 2, 6, 24, 120, \dots$$

$$= 1!, 2!, 3!, 4!, 5!, \dots$$