

Math 4317

Sample Test 3

Problems selected from Tests in Math 4312, Fall 1988

1. By means of partial fractions, find a formula for the partial sums of the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+3)}. \text{ Does this series converge, and if so, to what?}$$

2. Discuss the convergence of

a. $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \log(n^2)}$

b. $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(\log n)^2}$

c. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 3^{-n}$

d. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{[n^2(2n+1)]^{1/2}}$

3. Let $b_n = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n-1} - \log(n)$.

a. Show that (b_n) is a bounded increasing sequence, and hence has a limit .

b. Letting $s_N = \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n}$ denote the partial sum of the harmonic series, calculate

$$\lim_N (s_{2N} - s_N).$$

4. Calculate the radii of convergence of

a. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+2)3^n x^n$

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

c. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^n x^{(n^2)}$