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Infinite Series  $\rightarrow$

If  $\langle u_n \rangle$  be a sequence of real no.,  
then the expression  
 $u_1 + u_2 + u_3 + \dots + u_n + \dots$  is defined.

as infinite series

it is usually denoted by  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n$   
or simply  $\sum u_n$

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

$S_n$  = sum up to first  $n$  terms.

Ex:  $\rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n = 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n + \dots$

$$S_n = 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n$$

Positive Term Series  $\rightarrow$  The series  $\sum u_n$  is  
called positive term series if  $u_n > 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

Alternating series  $\rightarrow$  An infinite series of  
type

$$u_1 - u_2 + u_3 - u_4 + \dots$$

where the terms are alternately positive  
and negative is defined as an alternating  
series.

Convergent series  $\rightarrow$

A series  $\sum u_n$  is said to be  
convergent if the sum of its first  $n$  terms  
can not numerically exceed a finite quantity  
however large  $n$  may be.

i.e.  $\sum u_n$  is convergent if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \text{Finite and unique}$$

Divergent Series  $\rightarrow$

$\sum u_n$  is divergent if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = +\infty \text{ or } -\infty$$

Oscillating series  $\rightarrow$

Oscillating series are of two types

(a) A series  $\sum u_n$  is said to oscillate finitely

if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \text{Finite but not unique}$

(b) A series  $\sum u_n$  is said to oscillate

infinitely if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = +\infty$

or  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = -\infty$

Remarks  $\rightarrow$  (i) The convergency or divergency

of a series is not affected by altering, adding or neglecting a finite no of its terms

(ii) The convergency or divergency

\* a series is not affected by the multiplication of all the terms of the series by a fixed a non-zero no

(iii) An infinite series in which all the terms are of the same sign is divergent if each term is greater than some finite quantity however small.

### Solved Example

1. Show that the series  $1 + 3 + 5 + 7 + \dots$  is divergent.

Solution  $\Rightarrow$  Given series

$$1 + 3 + 5 + 7 + \dots$$

$$\text{Here } S_n = \frac{n}{2} [2 \times 1 + (n-1) \times 2]$$

$$= \frac{n}{2} [2 + 2n - 2]$$

$$= n^2$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^2 = \infty$$

$\therefore$  the given series is divergent.

Ex  $\Rightarrow$  Discuss the convergency of the series

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

Solution →

Given Series is

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

$$\therefore u_n = \frac{1}{n(n+2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right]$$

putting  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{2} \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{3} \right]$$

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \right]$$

$$u_3 = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{5} \right]$$

$$u_4 = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{6} \right]$$

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$$u_{n-2} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{n-2} - \frac{1}{n} \right]$$

$$u_{n-1} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right]$$

$$u_n = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right]$$

On Adding we get-

$$S_n = \frac{1}{2} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow S_n = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right]$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{n(1+\frac{1}{n})} - \frac{1}{n(1+\frac{2}{n})} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{2} = \frac{3}{4} \quad \text{which is finite and unique.}$$

Hence the given series is convergent.

Test the convergent of the series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n$ .

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$$\text{Here } \sum k_n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n$$

$$S_n = (-1)^0 + (-1)^1 + (-1)^2 + (-1)^3 + \dots \dots \dots \text{to } n \text{ terms}$$

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

$$= 1 \quad \text{When } n \text{ is odd}$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{When } n \text{ is zero}$$

$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = 1$  or  $0$  i.e. finite but not unique.  
Hence,  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n$  is finitely oscillating series