SERIES II

Theorem (Integral estimation theorem). When the integral test applies to $\sum a_n$,

$$s_k + \int_{k+1}^{\infty} f(x) \, dx \le \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \le s_k + \int_k^{\infty} f(x) \, dx$$

1 (Completion). Our goal is to find an estimate for the sum of the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ that is correct to 2 decimal places.

- a) Use the integral estimation theorem and s_2 to find an interval containing the sum of the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$. How wide is the interval?
- b) Use the integral estimation theorem and s_k to find an interval containing $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$. This time your interval will depend on k. How wide is the interval (this will also depend on k)?
- c) What k makes the width of the interval less that 0.01?
- d) Using the value you just found for k, s_k is then our estimate of $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ accurate to 2 decimal places.
- 2 (Completion). Determine if the following series converge or diverge.

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

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

c)
$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(\ln n)}$$

3 (Graded). Use a comparison to show that the following series converge.

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

b)
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n+1}}$$

4 (Graded). Use a comparison to show that the following series diverge.

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

b)
$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}(\ln n)}$$

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