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MAC 2312 WRITTEN HOMEWORK #8

Due Tuesday March 12th, in Canvas

Question 1. For each of the following, evaluate the limit or show that it does not exist.

(a) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3}{n^4 + 1}$

(b) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\ln(n^3 + 1) - \ln(3n^3 + 10n))$ Use $\ln a - \ln b = \ln\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)$

(c) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (5(-1.01)^n)$

(d) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^n}{3^n + 4^n}$

(a) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3}{n^4 + 1} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{n^4}}{\frac{1}{n^4}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n}}{1 + \frac{1}{n^4}} = \frac{0}{1+0} = 0$

(b) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln\left(\frac{n^3 + 1}{3n^3 + 10n}\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln\left(\frac{1 + \frac{1}{n^3}}{3 + \frac{10}{n^2}}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$
or $-\ln 3$

(c) DOES NOT EXIST because $(-1.01)^n$ gets larger in absolute value (and also oscillates between positive and negative)

(d) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^n}{3^n + 4^n} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{4^n}}{\frac{1}{4^n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n}{\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n + 1} = \frac{0}{0+1} = 0$

Question 2. For each of the following, evaluate the geometric series or show that it diverges.

(a) $1 + \frac{1}{\pi} + \frac{1}{\pi^2} + \frac{1}{\pi^3} + \dots$

(b) $\sum_{k=3}^{\infty} \frac{3 \cdot 4^k}{7^k}$

(a) Common ratio is $r = \frac{1}{\pi}$, which satisfies $-1 < r < 1$,

so the series CONVERGES.

First term is $a = 1$, so the sum is $\frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{\pi}}$
 $= \frac{\pi}{\pi - 1}$

(b) The first few terms are $\frac{3 \cdot 4^3}{7^3} + \frac{3 \cdot 4^4}{7^4} + \frac{3 \cdot 4^5}{7^5} + \dots$

The common ratio is $r = \frac{4}{7}$, which satisfies $-1 < r < 1$,

so the series CONVERGES.

The first term is $a = \frac{3 \cdot 4^3}{7^3}$, so the sum is

$$\frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{\frac{3 \cdot 4^3}{7^3}}{1 - \frac{4}{7}} = \frac{3 \cdot 4^3}{7^3} \div \frac{3}{7} = \frac{3 \cdot 4^3}{7^3} \cdot \frac{7}{3} = \frac{4^3}{7^2}$$

or $\frac{64}{49}$