
MAT 146

Quiz #8 (Sequences and Series)

Name _____

10 points

Impact on Course Grade: approximately 2%

Score _____

Show calculus evidence to fully support your responses. Show exact values unless otherwise requested.

6. Determine whether $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 + 3}{n^3 - 1}$ is a divergent series or a convergent series. Explain and justify your response.
7. Alfalfa is quite sure that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$ diverges, because, in his words, “it looks a lot like the Harmonic Series.” Is Alfalfa correct? Explain and justify your response, including a comment on any connection to the Harmonic Series.
8. Determine whether $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{5^n}{4^{n+2}}$ is a divergent series or a convergent series. Explain and justify your result.
9. Determine whether $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4n^2 + n}{\sqrt[3]{n^7 + n^3}}$ is a divergent series or a convergent series. Explain and justify your result.
10. Show that all three requirements of the **Integral Test** can be met for the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2n-3}{6n^2+1}$.
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Problem (C): Solve this problem. Use a *separate sheet* of paper marked (C) on one side, with each portion (i thru v) clearly indicated. Write your name on the paper.

- i. Prove that $S = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{3^n - 2n}$ is a convergent series. (5 pts)
- ii. Kelley claims that the *partial sums*, S_k , associated with this series, are **bounded above** by 1 and **bounded below** by $4/5$. Explain how you know Kelley is correct, or provide evidence to refute Kelley’s claim. (2 pts)
- iii. **Why** is it useful to have accurate information about upper and lower bounds, such as what Kelley conjectured in (ii)? Be specific. (2 pts)
- iv. Use technology to approximate S , accurate to **eight places** to the right of the decimal point. (1 pt)
- v. **BONUS!** Determine the smallest positive integer k such that $|S_{k+1} - S_k| \leq \frac{1}{100,000,000}$. Briefly describe how you determined k . (2 pts)