

Infinite Series

Sequence is a fn $f(n)$ whose domain is set of natural numbers and whose range is a subset of real numbers.

e.g $f(n) = \frac{1}{n+1}$ Domain = $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ Range = $\{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \dots\}$

Generally seq is denoted by $\{a_n\}$, also $a_n = n^{\text{th}}$ term of seq.

Infinite Sequence has infinite number of terms, eg $\frac{1}{1}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \dots, \frac{1}{n}$
 $\frac{1}{n} = a_n = n^{\text{th}}$ term

Finite Sequence has finite number of terms

Convergence of a Sequence An infinite seq $\{a_n\}$ is said to be convergent if n^{th} term of seq tends to a definite real number 'l' as $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$$

Divergence of a Sequence A seq $\{a_n\}$ is said to be Divergent if n^{th} term of seq tends to $\pm \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ i.e. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \pm \infty$

Bounded Above If B is a fixed number such that $a_n \leq B$ for every positive integral value of 'n', then we say $\{a_n\}$ seq is bounded above.

Bounded Below If B is a fixed number such that $a_n \geq B$ for every positive integral value of 'n', then we say $\{a_n\}$ seq is bounded below.

Bounded Sequence is a seq which is bounded above & bounded below.

Monotonic Sequences A sequence $\{a_n\}$ is said to be

- i) Non-Decreasing if $a_{n+1} \geq a_n \quad \forall n$
- ii) Non-Increasing if $a_{n+1} \leq a_n \quad \forall n$
- iii) strictly Increasing if $a_{n+1} > a_n \quad \forall n$
- iv) strictly Decreasing if $a_{n+1} < a_n \quad \forall n$

Note

- 1) A convergent seq is Bounded but A Bounded seq need not be Convergent
- 2) A Bounded Monotonic Seq is Convergent
- 3) A Bounded above & Monotonic Increasing Seq is Convergent
- 4) A Bounded below & Monotonic Decreasing Seq is Convergent
- 5) An Unbounded Seq is Divergent

EXERCISES

The n th term of a sequence is given. Determine whether the sequence converges or diverges. If it converges find its limit.

①
$$\frac{2}{\sqrt{n^2+3}}$$

SOL. we have $a_n = \frac{2}{\sqrt{n^2+3}}$

then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{\sqrt{n^2+3}}$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{n\sqrt{1+\frac{3}{n^2}}} = \frac{2}{\infty \sqrt{1+\frac{3}{\infty}}}$$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ ∴ 0 is definite number. So the sequence $\{a_n\}$ is convergent, having limit '0'

②
$$\frac{(n-3)!}{(n-1)!}$$

SOL. $a_n = \frac{(n-3)!}{(n-1)!}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n-3)!}{(n-1)!}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n-3)!}{(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)!}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(n-1)(n-2)} = \frac{1}{\infty}$$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

∴ the sequence $\{a_n\}$ converges to 0

③
$$1 + \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$$

SOL. Here $a_n = 1 + \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$

then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{(-1)^n}{n}\right)$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 1 + 0 = 1$$

∴ $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 1$ ∴ $\{a_n\}$ is convergent seq.

Q.4
$$a_n = \frac{\sqrt{n+1}}{n}$$

SOL. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n+1}}{n}$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n} \sqrt{1+\frac{1}{n}}}{n}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{1+\frac{1}{n}}}{\sqrt{n}} = 0$$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

∴ 0 is definite number
so sequence $\{a_n\}$ converges to 0

Q.5

SOL. $a_n = \frac{1}{n^n}$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^n} \quad \left(\frac{\infty}{\infty}\right)$$

So let $y = \frac{1}{n^n}$

$$\Rightarrow \ln y = \ln \frac{1}{n^n}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \ln n = \frac{\ln n}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln y = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n}{n} \quad \left(\frac{\infty}{\infty}\right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n}}{1} \quad (\text{L'Hospital Rule})$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln y = 0$$

ALTERNATE-2

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n^4 + 1}{4n^2 - 1} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^4 (3 + \frac{1}{n^4})}{n^2 (4 - \frac{1}{n^2})} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 (3 + \frac{1}{n^4})}{4 - \frac{1}{n^2}} \\ &= \frac{\infty (3 + 0)}{4 - 0} = \infty \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow Then $\{a_n\}$ is a divergent sequence

Q.8 $a_n = \frac{\ln(n+1)}{\sqrt{n}}$

Sol

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(n+1)}{\sqrt{n}} \quad \left(\frac{\infty}{\infty}\right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n+1} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}} \quad (\text{by L'Hospital}) \quad \left(\frac{0}{0}\right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2\sqrt{n}}{n+1} \quad \left(\frac{\infty}{\infty}\right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}}{1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \quad (\text{by L'Hospital}) \end{aligned}$$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

Sequence $\{a_n\}$ Converges to 0

Q.9 $a_n = \frac{e^n}{n}$

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^n}{n} \quad \left(\frac{\infty}{\infty}\right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n e^{n-1}}{1} \end{aligned}$$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \infty$ So Seq $\{a_n\}$ is Divergent

Q.10 $a_n = \ln n - \ln(n+1)$ Easy

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\ln n - \ln(n+1)) \quad (\infty - \infty \text{ form}) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right) \\ &= \ln \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right) \quad \left(\frac{\infty}{\infty}\right) \\ &= \ln \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{n}} = \ln 1 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ \therefore Seq $\{a_n\}$ converges to 0

ALTERNATE Difficult

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore a_n &= \ln n - \ln(n+1) \quad (\infty - \infty \text{ form}) \\ \therefore a_n &= \frac{\ln(n+1) - \ln n}{\frac{1}{\ln n} - \frac{1}{\ln(n+1)}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y = e^0 = 1$$

or $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$ Definite number

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$$

\Rightarrow The sequence $\{a_n\}$ converges to 1.

Easy Q.6 $a_n = \frac{2^n}{(2n)!}$

SOL

$$= \frac{2^n}{(2n)(2n-1)(2n-2)(2n-3)(2n-4) \dots 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}$$

$$= \frac{2^n}{\left[(2n)(2n-2)(2n-4)(2n-6) \dots 6 \cdot 4 \cdot 2 \right] \left[(2n-1)(2n-3) \dots 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 1 \right]}$$

$$= \frac{2^n}{\left[2^n (n-1)(n-2)(n-3) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \right] \left[(2n-1)(2n-3)(2n-5) \dots 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 1 \right]}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{n! \left[(2n-1)(2n-3)(2n-5) \dots 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 1 \right]}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n! \left[(2n-1)(2n-3) \dots 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 1 \right]} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n! \left[(2n-1)(2n-3) \dots 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 1 \right]} = 0$$

\therefore Seq $\{a_n\}$ converges to 0

Difficult Method

Q.7 $a_n = \frac{3n^4 + 1}{4n^2 - 1}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n^4 + 1}{4n^2 - 1} \left(\frac{\infty}{\infty} \right)$$

using L'Hospital Rule

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{12n^3}{8n} \left(\frac{\infty}{\infty} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{24n^2}{8} = \infty$$

which is not definite number

\therefore Sequence $\{a_n\}$ is divergent sequence.

Difficult 2nd Method Q.6

Sol Let $a_n = \frac{2^n}{(2n)!}$ we prove that given seq is bounded & decreasing

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{2^{n+1}}{(2(n+1))!} = \frac{2^{n+1}}{(2n+2)!}$$

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \frac{2^{n+1}}{(2n+2)!} \cdot \frac{(2n)!}{2^n} = \frac{2 \cdot 2^n \cdot (2n)!}{(2n+2)(2n+1)(2n)!}$$

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \frac{2}{(2n+2)(2n+1)} = \frac{1}{(n+1)(2n+1)} < 1 \quad \forall n$$

$\Rightarrow a_{n+1} < a_n \therefore$ given seq $\{a_n\}$ is decreasing

$$\text{Now } a_n = \frac{2^n}{(2n)!} = \frac{2^n}{2 \cdot n \cdot (2n-1)(2n-2) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n(2n-1)(2n-2) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} < 1$$

\therefore Seq is bounded
 \therefore Seq is bounded & decreasing hence convergent.

Now let $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$

$$= \frac{1}{n(2n-1)(2n-2) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}$$

$= 0$
 So limit of seq is 0.

Q.7 ALTERNATE - Easy

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n^4 + 1}{4n^2 - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n^4 + 1}{4n^2 - 1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{3 + \frac{1}{n^4}}{\frac{4}{n^2} - \frac{1}{n^4}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{3 + 0}{0} = \infty$$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n^4 + 1}{4n^2 - 1} = \infty$ $\{a_n\}$ is a divergent Seq.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{\ln(n+1)}{\ln n}} \quad \left(\frac{0}{0} \text{ form}\right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{(\ln(n+1))(\ln n)}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1) - n}{1} \quad \left(\text{by L'Hospital Rule}\right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{\frac{1}{n} \ln(n+1) + \frac{1}{(n+1)} \ln n}{1}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{\ln(n+1)}{n} + \frac{\ln n}{n+1}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{(n+1)\ln(n+1) + n\ln n}{n(n+1)}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{(n+1)\ln(n+1) + n\ln n}{n^2 + n}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1) \cdot \frac{1}{n+1} + n \cdot \frac{1}{n} + \ln n}{2n+1} \quad \left(\frac{\infty}{\infty} \text{ form}\right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \ln(n+1) + 1 + \ln n}{2n+1} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n}}{2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+n+1}{2n(n+1)} \quad \left(\frac{\infty}{\infty}\right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1+1}{4n+2} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow the sequence $\{a_n\}$ converges to 0.

So Q.11 $a_n = \frac{\sin^2 n}{n}$

SOL

We know that

$$0 \leq \sin^2 n \leq 1$$

by

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{0}{n} \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin^2 n}{n} \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\frac{0}{\infty} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin^2 n}{n} \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin^2 n}{n} = 0$$

\therefore Seq. $\left\{\frac{\sin^2 n}{n}\right\}$ converges to 0.

ALTERNATE Easy

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin^2 n}{n}$$

\because value of \sin lies between $[-1, 1]$
 \neq value of $\sin^2 n$ lies between $[0, 1]$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{definite value in } [0, 1]}{n}$$

$$= 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{n} = 0$$

\Rightarrow Then sequence $\{a_n\}$ converges to 0.

Q.12 $a_n = \frac{(2n)!}{(n!)^2}$

SOL:

then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2n)!}{(n!)^2}$

or $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2n)(2n-1)(2n-2)(2n-3)(2n-4) \dots 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{(n!)(n!)}$

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2n)(2n-2)(2n-4) \dots 6 \cdot 4 \cdot 2}{(n!)(n!)} \cdot \frac{(2n-1)(2n-3) \dots 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 1}{(n!)(n!)}$

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^n [n(n-1)(n-2) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1] [(2n-1)(2n-3) \dots 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 1]}{(n!)(n!)}$

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^n \cancel{(n!)} (2n-1)(2n-3)(2n-5) \dots 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 1}{(n!) [n(n-1)(n-2) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1]}$

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^n \cancel{n!} \left[\left(2 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \left(2 - \frac{3}{n}\right) \left(2 - \frac{5}{n}\right) \dots \frac{3}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \right]}{\cancel{n!} \left[1 \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{3}{n}\right) \dots \frac{3}{n} \cdot \frac{2}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \right]}$

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^n \left[\left(2 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \left(2 - \frac{3}{n}\right) \left(2 - \frac{5}{n}\right) \dots \frac{1}{n} \right]}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{3}{n}\right) \dots \frac{1}{n}} = \infty$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \infty$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$ seq Diverges

Q.13 $a_n = \left(\frac{2-n^2}{3+n^2}\right)^n$

SOL

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

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{0-1}{0+1}\right)^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \pm 1$

for odd & even 'n'

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ does not exist because limit is not unique

So sequence is divergent.

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Q.14 $a_n = \frac{(\ln n)^2}{n}$

Sol $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln n)^2}{n}$ ($\frac{\infty}{\infty}$ form)

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2 \ln n \cdot \frac{1}{n}}{1}$ (using L'Hospital rule)

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2 \ln n}{n}$ ($\frac{\infty}{\infty}$ form)

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2 \cdot \frac{1}{n}}{1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{n} = 0$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ \therefore Seq converges to 0

Q.15 $a_n = \sqrt{n}(\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n})$

Rationalize

Sol $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n}(\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}(\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n})(\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n})}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}}$

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}(n+1 - n)}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}}$ ($\frac{\infty}{\infty}$)

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}}{(\frac{n+1}{n} + 1)\sqrt{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{n+1}{n} + 1}}$

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n}} + 1} = \frac{1}{2}$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \frac{1}{2}$ \therefore Seq Converges to $\frac{1}{2}$

Q.16 $a_n = \frac{5^n + (-1)^n}{5^{n+1} + (-1)^{n+1}} = \frac{5^n + (-1)^n}{5 \cdot 5^n + (-1)(-1)}$

Sol

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5^n + (-1)^n}{5 \cdot 5^n + (-1)(-1)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \frac{(-1)^n}{5^n}}{5 - \frac{(-1)^n}{5^n}}$

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \frac{(-1)^n}{5^n}}{5 - \frac{(-1)^n}{5^n}} = \frac{1}{5}$

$\therefore (-1)^n = \begin{cases} -1, & \text{for } n \text{ is odd} \\ 1, & \text{for } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \frac{1}{5}$ \therefore Seq $\{a_n\}$ converges to $\frac{1}{5}$

Q.17 $a_n = (c^n + d^n)^{\frac{1}{n}}$

$d > c > 0$

Difficult 2nd Method

SOL

Then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (d^n + c^n)^{\frac{1}{n}}$
 $= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d \left(1 + \left(\frac{c}{d}\right)^n\right)^{\frac{1}{n}}$ $\frac{c}{d} < 1$
 $= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d \left(1 + \left(\frac{c}{d}\right)^n\right)^{\frac{1}{n}}$
 $\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = d(1+0) = d$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = d$ since seq $\{a_n\}$ is convergent

$a_n = (c^n + d^n)^{\frac{1}{n}}$
 $= c \left(1 + \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^n\right)^{\frac{1}{n}}$ ∞ for $\frac{d}{c} > 1$
 Let $y = \left(1 + \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^n\right)^{\frac{1}{n}}$
 $\ln y = \ln \left(1 + \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^n\right)^{\frac{1}{n}}$
 Solving easily

Now $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{c}{d}\right)^n = 0 \therefore \frac{c}{d} < 1$

Q.18 $a_n = \frac{5^n}{(n+1)^2}$

SOL $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5^n}{(n+1)^2}$ $\left(\frac{\infty}{\infty}\right)$

L'Hospital Rule.
 $\frac{d(a^x)}{dx} = a^x \ln a$

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5^n (\ln 5)}{2(n+1)}$ $\left(\frac{\infty}{\infty}\right)$

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(5^n \ln 5) \cdot (\ln 5)}{2}$

L'Hospital Rule

$(\ln 5)$ is const.

$= \frac{(\ln 5)^2}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 5^n$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \infty$

$\therefore \{a_n\}$ is Divergent

Easy

Q.19 $a_n = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}$

We know $e^x = 1 + \frac{x}{1} + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n}$ (upto n terms) as $n \rightarrow \infty$

Put $x=1$,

$e = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}$ (upto n terms)
 $e = 1 + a_n$
 $e-1 = a_n$

$a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (e-1) = [e-1]$

Seq $\{a_n\}$ converges to $e-1$

Q.19 $a_n = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}$

$a_{n+1} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n+1}$

$a_{n+1} - a_n = \frac{1}{n+1}$

$a_{n+1} - a_n > 0$

$a_{n+1} > a_n \therefore$ given seq $\{a_n\}$ is increasing

Now we prove $\{a_n\}$ is Bounded.

$a_n = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}$

$= 1 + \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n \cdot (n-1) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}$

$< 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \dots 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}$

$= 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$

$= 1 \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n\right)$

$= 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}$

$= 2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^n}\right)$

$= 2 - \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$

G. Series
 $a=1$
 $r=\frac{1}{2}$
 $a \left(\frac{1-r^n}{1-r}\right)$

$a_n < 2$ Seq $\{a_n\}$ is bounded above by and increasing so converges

Now $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}\right)$
 $= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}\right) - 1$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = e-1$

So the seq $\{a_n\}$ has limit $e-1$ and it is convergent

Q.20 $a_1 = \sqrt{2}$, $a_{n+1} = \sqrt{2+a_n}$, $n \geq 1$

Sol Since $a_{n+1} = \sqrt{2+a_n}$, Since $a_1 = \sqrt{2}$

for $n=1$ So $a_2 = \sqrt{2+a_1}$

$\therefore a_2 < \sqrt{2+2}$

$a_2 < \sqrt{4} \Rightarrow a_2 < 2$

Now for $n=2$ $a_3 = \sqrt{2+a_2}$

$\therefore a_3 < \sqrt{2+2}$

$a_3 < \sqrt{4} \Rightarrow a_3 < 2$

and so on so $a_n < 2$

\Rightarrow Sequence is bounded above by 2.

Now since $a_{n+1} = \sqrt{2+a_n}$

$\therefore (a_{n+1})^2 = 2+a_n$ subtracting $(a_n)^2$

$\Rightarrow (a_{n+1})^2 - (a_n)^2 = 2+a_n - a_n^2$

$= 2+2a_n - a_n - a_n^2$

$= 2(1+a_n) - a_n(1+a_n)$

$= (2-a_n)(1+a_n)$

> 0 $\because a_n < 2$
 $\therefore 2-a_n > 0$

$\Rightarrow (a_{n+1})^2 - (a_n)^2 > 0$
 $\Rightarrow (a_{n+1})^2 > (a_n)^2 \Rightarrow a_{n+1} > a_n$

\Rightarrow The sequence is monotonically increasing.

Since the sequence is bounded above and increasing, so sequence is convergent.

Since the given sequence is convergent, so its limit will exist and let its limit is $a > 0$

$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1} = a$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{2+a_n} = a$

$\Rightarrow \sqrt{2+a} = a$

squaring $\Rightarrow 2+a = a^2$

$\Rightarrow a^2 - a - 2 = 0$

$\Rightarrow a = -1, 2$

$\therefore a > 0, \therefore a = 2$, is required limit of sequence.

Note A monotonic increasing seq which is bounded above is convergent

ii) If $a_{n+1} \geq a_n$ then $\{a_n\}$ is Mon. Inc. Seq.

iii) If $a_n < B$ where B is fixed number then $\{a_n\}$ is bounded above.

Easy Method $a_{n+1} = \sqrt{2+a_n}$

let $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$ — (i)

then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1} = l$ — (ii)

$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{2+a_n} = l$ \because (given)

squaring $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (2+a_n) = l^2$

$2+l = l^2$

$l^2 - l - 2 = 0$ B.E.

$l^2 - 2l + l - 2 = 0$

$l(l-2) + 1(l-2) = 0$

$(l-2)(l+1) = 0$

$l = 2, -1$ $\therefore l = 2$

since the seq is a finite term seq so $l = -1$ is not possible

$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$

let $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 2$