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 Unit 1: Sequences  
 Review Sheet

1. Express the general term of this sequence in bracket notation

$$1, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{7}, \dots \quad \left\{ \frac{n}{2n-1} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$$

2. Does the sequence below converge or diverge? If it converges, find its limit

$$\left\{ n^{2/n} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} ? \quad 1^2, 2^{1/2}, 3^{2/3}, 4^{2/4}, 5^{2/5}$$

3. Does the given sequence converge or diverge?

$$\left\{ \frac{n}{2n+1} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{Converges}$$

4. Give general term of this sequence. Determine if it converges or diverges. If converges, give the limit

$$\frac{1}{2}, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{9}{4}, \frac{16}{5}, \dots \quad \left\{ \frac{n^2}{n+1} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} = \infty \quad \text{Diverges}$$

5. Use the DIFFERENCE of successive terms to determine if the sequence is monotone. If so, classify (inc/dec nondec/noninc)

$$\left\{ 1 - \frac{2}{n} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$$

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

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

$$\frac{n^2 - n - (n^2 - 2n + 2)}{n(n+1)}$$

$$\frac{-n^2 + n + 2}{n^2 - 2n + 2}$$

$$\frac{2}{n(n+1)}$$

Inc  
 $> 0$   
 for all  $n$

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6. Use the DIFFERENCE of successive terms to determine if the sequence is monotone. If so, classify (inc/dec nondec/noninc)

$$\left\{ \frac{2n}{2n-1} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \quad \frac{2n+2}{2(n+1)-1} - \frac{2n}{2n-1} \rightarrow \frac{(2n+2)}{2n+1} + \frac{-2n}{2n-1}$$

$$= \frac{4n^2 - 2n^2 + 4n - 2}{(2n+1)(2n-1)} = \frac{2n^2 + 4n - 2}{(2n+1)(2n-1)}$$

$< 0$   
 Decreasing  
 $< 0$   
 for all "n"

7. Use the RATIO of successive terms to determine if the sequence is monotone. If so, classify (inc/dec nondec/noninc)

$$\left\{ \frac{3^n}{n!} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \quad \frac{3^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{n!}{3^n} = \frac{3}{n+1}$$

→ 'look at terms'  
~~3~~ This is only sometimes  $< 1$   
 Only decreasing for  $n > 2$

8. Use the DERIVATIVE of successive terms to determine if the sequence is monotone. If so, classify (inc/dec nondec/noninc)

$$\left\{ 2^n \left( \frac{2n}{n+1} \right) \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \quad \frac{1}{\left( \frac{2n}{n+1} \right)^2} \cdot \frac{(n+1)(2) - (2n)(1)}{(n+1)^2}$$

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

This derivative will always be + for  $n \geq 1$  so

9. Use partial sums (partial fractions and telescoping) to determine if the sequence converges or diverges

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2+5k+6}$$

$$\frac{1}{k^2+5k+6} = \frac{A}{k+3} + \frac{B}{k+2}$$

$$\frac{0k+1}{(k+3)(k+2)} = \frac{Ak+2A+Bk+3B}{(k+3)(k+2)}$$

So  $0k = Ak + Bk$   
 or  $0 = A + B$   
 Solve  $1 = 2A + 3B$

$$A = -1 \quad -\frac{1}{k+3} + \frac{1}{k+2}$$

$$B = 1$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{-1}{5} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{-1}{6} + \frac{1}{5} \dots$$

$\frac{1}{3}$