

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n + 5}{3^n}$$

(Easy Way)

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{3^n} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{5}{3^n}$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{n-1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 5\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1} = \frac{1}{1-2/3} + \frac{5}{1-1/3} = 3 + \frac{15}{2} = \boxed{\frac{21}{2}}$$

Ratio Test

Let  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  be a series w/ positive terms.

• If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} < 1$  then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges.

• If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} > 1$  then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  diverges

• (If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = 1$  then we know nothing about  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ !)

(Ratio Test)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{2^{n+1} + 5}{3^{n+1}}}{\frac{2^n + 5}{3^n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{n+1} + 5}{3^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{3^n}{2^n + 5}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{n+1} + 5}{3(\cancel{3})^n} \cdot \frac{\cancel{3}^n}{2^n + 5}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{n+1} + 5}{3(2^n + 5)}$$

$$\stackrel{LH}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cancel{2}^{n+1} (\cancel{1})^n}{3(\cancel{2}^n (\cancel{1})^n)}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} < 1$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} < 1, \text{ so } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n + 5}{3^n} \text{ converges}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [2^{2x}] = 2^{2x} \ln(2)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [a^x] = a^x (\ln a)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4^n n! n!}{(2n)!}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{4^{n+1} (n+1)! (n+1)!}{(2n+2)!}}{\frac{4^n n! n!}{(2n)!}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4^{n+1} (n+1)! (n+1)! (2n)!}{(2n+2)! 4^n n! n!}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4 \cdot \cancel{4^n} \cdot \cancel{(n+1)!} \cdot \cancel{(n+1)!} \cdot \cancel{(2n)!}}{\cancel{(2n)!} (2n+1)(2n+2) \cdot \cancel{4^n} \cdot \cancel{n!} \cdot \cancel{n!}}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4(n+1)(n+1)}{(2n+1)(2n+2)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4n^2 + 8n + 4}{4n^2 + 6n + 2}$$

$$= 1$$

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \frac{\cancel{4} \cdot \cancel{(n+1)!} \cdot \cancel{(n+1)!}}{(2n+1) \cdot \cancel{(2n+2)}} = \frac{2(n+1)}{(2n+1)} = \frac{2n+2}{2n+1}$$

So  $a_{n+1} > a_n$ , so  $\{a_n\}$  is increasing.

$$\Rightarrow \{a_n\} \not\rightarrow 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum a_n \text{ diverges}$$

Root Test

Let  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  be a series with (eventually) all nonnegative terms.

• If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} < 1$  then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges

• If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} > 1$  then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  diverges

( If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} = 1$ , we know nothing new.)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n}$$

Easy way:

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

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

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{1}{2^n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{1}}{\sqrt[n]{2^n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(2^n)^{\frac{1}{n}}} = \frac{1}{2} < 1$$

So  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n}$  converges by Root Test.

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Useful fact:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{n} = 1$

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$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{2^n}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{n^2}{2^n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{n^2}}{\sqrt[n]{2^n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\sqrt[n]{n})^2}{2} = \frac{(1)^2}{2} = \frac{1}{2} < 1$$

So  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{2^n}$  converges by Root Test.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n^2}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{2^n}{n^2}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{2^n}}{\sqrt[n]{n^2}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{(\sqrt[n]{n})^2} = \frac{2}{(1)^2} = 2 > 1$$

$\therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n^2}$  diverges by Root Test.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{1+n}\right)^n = \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^4 + \dots$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\left(\frac{1}{1+n}\right)^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1+n} = 0 < 1$$

By the Root Test,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{1+n}\right)^n$  converges.