

## §9.3: INFINITE SERIES

1.] Evaluate the following geometric sums:

$$a.) \sum_{k=0}^7 2^k = \frac{a(1-r^8)}{1-r} = \frac{1(1-2^8)}{1-2} = \frac{-255}{-1} = \boxed{255}$$

$a=1, r=2$

$$b.) \sum_{k=3}^{10} \frac{3}{2^k} = \sum_{k=3}^{10} 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k = \sum_{j=0}^7 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{j+3} = \sum_{j=0}^7 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^j = \sum_{j=0}^7 \left(\frac{3}{8}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^j = \frac{\left(\frac{3}{8}\right)(1-\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^8)}{1-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{765}{1024}$$

$j=k-3, k=j+3$   
 $k=3 \rightarrow j=0, k=10 \rightarrow j=7$   
 $a=\frac{3}{8}, r=\frac{1}{2}$

2.] Evaluate the following geometric series:

$$a.) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 1.1^k \rightarrow \boxed{\text{Diverges}}$$

$r=1.1 > 1$

$$b.) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} e^{-k} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{e}\right)^k = \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{e}} = \frac{1}{\frac{e-1}{e}} = \boxed{\frac{e}{e-1}} \text{ Converges}$$

$a=1, r=\frac{1}{e}$

$$c.) \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} 3(-0.75)^k = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} 3(-0.75)^{j+2} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} 3(-0.75)^2 (0.75)^j = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{27}{16}\right) \left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)^j = \frac{\frac{27}{16}}{1-\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)} = \frac{27}{28}$$

$j=k-2, k=j+2$   
 $k=2 \rightarrow j=0, k=\infty \rightarrow j=\infty$   
 $a=\frac{27}{16}, r=-\frac{3}{4}$

$$d.) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{-3k} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (2^{-3})^k = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^k = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^{j+1} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{8}\right) \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^j = \frac{\frac{1}{8}}{1-\frac{1}{8}} = \boxed{7}$$

$j=k-1, k=j+1$   
 $k=1 \rightarrow j=0$

$$e.) \frac{1}{16} + \frac{3}{64} + \frac{9}{256} + \frac{27}{1024} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} \left( 1 + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{9}{16} + \frac{27}{64} + \dots \right)$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{16}\right) \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^k = \frac{\frac{1}{16}}{1-\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{\frac{1}{16}}{\frac{1}{4}} = \boxed{\frac{1}{4}}$$

3.] Evaluate the following telescoping series:

$$a.) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{k+1} - \frac{1}{k+2} \right) = \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{5} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{6} \right) + \dots = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$S_1 = \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right)$$

$$S_2 = \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} \right) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$S_3 = \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{5} \right) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{5}$$

$$S_4 = \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{5} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{6} \right) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{6}$$

$$S_n = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n+2}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{k+1} - \frac{1}{k+2} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n+2} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Partial Fractions  $\rightarrow$  b.)  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{6}{k^2 + 2k} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{3}{k} - \frac{3}{k+2} \right) = \left( \frac{3}{1} - \frac{3}{3} \right) + \left( \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{4} \right) + \left( \frac{3}{3} - \frac{3}{5} \right) + \left( \frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{6} \right) + \dots = \boxed{\frac{9}{2}}$

$$S_1 = \left( \frac{3}{1} - \frac{3}{3} \right)$$

$$S_2 = \left( \frac{3}{1} - \frac{3}{3} \right) + \left( \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{4} \right)$$

$$S_3 = \left( \frac{3}{1} - \frac{3}{3} \right) + \left( \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{4} \right) + \left( \frac{3}{3} - \frac{3}{5} \right) = \frac{9}{2} - \frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{5}$$

$$S_4 = \frac{9}{2} - \frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{5} + \left( \frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{6} \right) = \frac{9}{2} - \frac{3}{5} - \frac{1}{6}$$

$$S_5 = \frac{9}{2} - \frac{3}{5} - \frac{1}{6} + \left( \frac{3}{5} - \frac{3}{7} \right) = \frac{9}{2} - \frac{1}{6} - \frac{3}{7}$$

$$S_n = \frac{9}{2} - \frac{3}{n+1} - \frac{3}{n+2}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \boxed{\frac{9}{2}}$$

4.] Evaluate the following series:

$$a.) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 3 \left( \frac{2}{5} \right)^k - 2 \left( \frac{5}{7} \right)^k$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 3 \left( \frac{2}{5} \right)^k - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2 \left( \frac{5}{7} \right)^k$$

$$= \frac{3}{1 - \frac{2}{5}} - \frac{2}{1 - \frac{5}{7}} = \frac{3}{\frac{3}{5}} - \frac{2}{\frac{2}{7}} = 5 - 7 = \boxed{-2}$$

$$b.) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \arcsin \left( \frac{1}{k} \right) - \arcsin \left( \frac{1}{k+1} \right) \right) =$$

$$S_1 = \arcsin(1) - \arcsin\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$S_2 = \left( \arcsin(1) - \arcsin\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \right) + \left( \arcsin\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \arcsin\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \right) = \arcsin(1) - \arcsin\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$$

$$S_3 = \left( \arcsin(1) - \arcsin\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \right) + \left( \arcsin\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) - \arcsin\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \right) = \arcsin(1) - \arcsin\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$$

$$S_n = \arcsin(1) - \arcsin\left(\frac{1}{n+1}\right)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \arcsin(1) - \arcsin\left(\frac{1}{n+1}\right) = \arcsin(1) - \arcsin(0) = \boxed{\frac{\pi}{2}}$$