

TABLE 1. Most Important Series

<p>Geometric Series</p>	$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n$	<p>convergent to <math>\frac{1}{1-r}</math> if <math>-1 &lt; r &lt; 1</math>                      otherwise divergent</p>
<p>Harmonic Series</p>	$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$	<p>divergent</p>
<p><math>p</math>-Series</p>	$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$	<p>convergent if <math>p &gt; 1</math>                      otherwise divergent</p>
<p>Alternating Series</p>	$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} b_n$	<p>convergent if the <math>b_n</math> are                      positive, decreasing, and converge to zero</p>
<p>Telescoping Series</p>	$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (c_n - c_{n+1})$	<p>convergent if <math>\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n</math> exists                      otherwise divergent</p>

TABLE 2. Convergence/Divergence Tests for Series

<p>Test for Divergence</p>	<p>If <math>\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0</math>, then <math>\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n</math> diverges</p>
<p>Comparison Test</p>	<p>If <math>0 \leq a_n \leq b_n</math> and <math>\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n</math> converges, then <math>\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n</math> converges</p> <p>If <math>0 \leq a_n \leq b_n</math> and <math>\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n</math> diverges, then <math>\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n</math> diverges</p>
<p>Limit Comparison Test</p>	<p>If <math>a_n</math> and <math>b_n</math> are positive and <math>0 &lt; \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} &lt; \infty</math>,</p> <p>then <math>\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n</math> and <math>\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n</math> either both converge or both diverge</p>
<p>Integral Test</p>	<p>If <math>f</math> is continuous, positive, and decreasing and <math>a_n = f(n)</math>, then <math>\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n</math> and <math>\int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx</math> either both converge or both diverge</p>
<p>Ratio Test</p>	<p>Put <math>L := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left  \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right </math>. The series <math>\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n</math> is</p> <p>divergent if <math>L &gt; 1</math> and absolutely convergent if <math>L &lt; 1</math></p>
<p>Root Test</p>	<p>Put <math>L := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{ a_n }</math>. The series <math>\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n</math> is</p> <p>divergent if <math>L &gt; 1</math> and absolutely convergent if <math>L &lt; 1</math></p>