

17. Does  $\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{3}{n} - \frac{3}{n+1} \right]$  converge? (Explain your answer.)

The  $n^{\text{th}}$  partial sum is  $\sum_{n=3}^M \left[ \frac{3}{n} - \frac{3}{n+1} \right] = \left( \frac{3}{3} - \frac{3}{4} \right) + \left( \frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{5} \right) + \left( \frac{3}{5} - \frac{3}{6} \right) + \dots + \left( \frac{3}{M} - \frac{3}{M+1} \right)$

$$= 1 - \frac{3}{M+1}$$

The sum of the series is the limit of the sequence of partial sums

$$= \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \left( 1 - \frac{3}{M+1} \right) = 1$$

This series  $\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \left( \frac{3}{n} - \frac{3}{n+1} \right)$  converges to 1.



18. Does  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{8}{n \ln n}$  converge? (Explain your answer.)

I use the integral test  $f(x) = \frac{8}{x \ln x}$  is positive and decreasing

$$\int_2^{\infty} \frac{8}{x \ln x} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ 8 \ln(\ln x) \right]_2^b = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} 8 \ln(\ln b) - 8 \ln(\ln 2) = \infty$$

The integral diverges so the series diverges.

