

The pattern emerging is that

$$d_n = 2^{n-1} - 2^{n-3} + 2^{n-4} - \dots + (-1)^n.$$

If we multiply this by 2,

$$2d_n = 2^n - 2^{n-2} + 2^{n-3} - \dots + 2(-1)^n,$$

and then add it to  $d_n$ ,

$$3d_n = 2^n + 2^{n-1} - 2^{n-2} + (-1)^n.$$

Thus,

$$d_n = \frac{1}{3} [2^n + 2^{n-1} - 2^{n-2} + (-1)^n] = \frac{1}{3} [5 \cdot 2^{n-2} + (-1)^n].$$

Finally then, for  $n \geq 2$ ,

$$c_n = \frac{d_n}{2^{n-2}} = \frac{1}{3 \cdot 2^{n-2}} [5 \cdot 2^{n-2} + (-1)^n] = \frac{5}{3} + \frac{(-1)^n}{3 \cdot 2^{n-2}}.$$

This formula also gives  $c_1 = 1$ .

### EXERCISES 10.9

1. Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{2n} = \frac{1}{2}$ , the series diverges by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test.
2.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{5^{n+1}} = \frac{1}{5} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^n$ , a geometric series with sum  $\frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{2/5}{1-2/5}\right) = \frac{2}{15}$ .
3. Since  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) = 0 - 1 + 0 + 1 + 0 - 1 + 0 + 1 + \dots$ , terms do not approach zero, and the series diverges by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test.
4. Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^n = \frac{1}{e}$  (see expression 1.68), the series diverges by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test.
5. This is a geometric series with common ratio  $49/9$ , and therefore the series diverges.
6.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{7^{n+3}}{3^{2n-2}} = \frac{7^3}{3^{-2}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{7}{9}\right)^n$  is a geometric series with sum  $7^3(3)^2 \left(\frac{7/9}{1-7/9}\right) = \frac{21\,609}{2}$ .
7. Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{n^2-1}{n^2+1}} = 1$ , the series diverges by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test.
8.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos n\pi}{2^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$  is a geometric series with sum  $\frac{-1/2}{1+1/2} = -\frac{1}{3}$ .
9. Since terms of the series become arbitrarily large as  $n$  increases, the series diverges by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test.
10. Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tan^{-1}n = \frac{\pi}{2}$ , the series diverges by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test.
11.  $0.666\,666\dots = 0.6 + 0.06 + 0.006 + \dots = \frac{6}{10} + \frac{6}{100} + \frac{6}{1000} + \dots = \frac{6/10}{1-1/10} = \frac{2}{3}$
12.  $0.131\,313\,131\dots = 0.13 + 0.001\,3 + 0.000\,013 + \dots = \frac{13}{100} + \frac{13}{10\,000} + \frac{13}{1\,000\,000} + \dots$   
 $= \frac{13/100}{1-1/100} = \frac{13}{99}$

$$13. \quad 1.347\ 346\ 346\ 346\ \dots = 1.347 + 0.000\ 346 + 0.000\ 000\ 346 + \dots = \frac{1347}{1000} + \frac{346}{10^6} + \frac{346}{10^9} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1347}{1000} + \frac{346/10^6}{1 - 1/10^3} = \frac{1\ 345\ 999}{999\ 000}$$

$$14. \quad 43.020\ 502\ 050\ 205\ \dots = 43 + 0.020\ 5 + 0.000\ 002\ 05 + \dots = 43 + \frac{205}{10^4} + \frac{205}{10^8} + \dots$$

$$= 43 + \frac{205/10^4}{1 - 1/10^4} = \frac{430\ 162}{9999}$$

15. If  $\sum c_n$  and  $\sum d_n$  converge, then  $\sum (c_n + d_n)$  converges.

Proof: Let  $\{C_n\}$  and  $\{D_n\}$  be the sequences of partial sums for  $\sum c_n$  and  $\sum d_n$  with limits  $C$  and  $D$ . The sequence of partial sums for  $\sum (c_n + d_n)$ , is  $\{C_n + D_n\}$ . According to part (ii) of Theorem 10.10, this sequence has limit  $C + D$ . Consequently,  $\sum (c_n + d_n)$  converges to  $C + D$ .

16. If  $\sum c_n$  converges and  $\sum d_n$  diverges, then  $\sum (c_n + d_n)$  diverges.

Proof: Assume to the contrary that  $\sum (c_n + d_n)$  converges. Let  $\{C_n\}$  and  $\{D_n\}$  be the sequences of partial sums for  $\sum c_n$  and  $\sum d_n$ . It follows that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} C_n$  exists, call it  $C$ , but  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D_n$  does not exist.  $\{C_n + D_n\}$  is the sequence of partial sums for  $\sum (c_n + d_n)$ , and by assumption, it has a limit, call it  $E$ . But then according to part (ii) of Theorem 10.10, the sequence  $\{(C_n + D_n) - C_n\} = \{D_n\}$  must have limit  $E - C$ , a contradiction. Consequently, our assumption that  $\sum (c_n + d_n)$  converges must be incorrect.

17. If  $\sum c_n$  and  $\sum d_n$  diverge, then  $\sum (c_n + d_n)$  may converge or diverge.

Proof: We give an example of each situation. The series  $\sum n$  and  $\sum (-n)$  both diverge, but their sum  $\sum (n - n) = \sum 0$  has sum 0. On the other hand, the sum of  $\sum n$  and  $\sum n$  is  $\sum 2n$  which diverges.

18. Since  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{4^n}$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n}{4^n}$  are both geometric series with sums

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{4^n} = \frac{1/2}{1 - 1/2} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n}{4^n} = \frac{3/4}{1 - 3/4} = 3,$$

then, by Exercise 15,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n + 3^n}{4^n} = 1 + 3 = 4$ .

19. Since  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (3/2)^n$  is a divergent geometric series, and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1/2)^n$  is a convergent geometric series, it follows from Exercise 16, that the given series diverges. (It also diverges by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test.)

20. Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 + 2^{2n}}{4^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{n^2}{4^n} + 1 \right) = 1$ , the series diverges by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test.

21. Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^n + 4^n - 8^n}{2^{3n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{2^{2n}} + \frac{1}{2^n} - 1 \right) = -1$ , the series diverges by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test.

22. Since  $\frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}$ , the  $n^{\text{th}}$  partial sum of the series is

$$S_n = \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4}\right) + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}\right)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{n+1} = \frac{n}{n+1}.$$

Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = 1$ , it follows that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = 1$ .

23. The total distance travelled is  $20 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 40(0.99)^n$ . The series is geometric with sum  $20 + \frac{40(0.99)}{1 - 0.99} = 3980$  m.

24. The total time taken to come to rest is

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{\frac{40}{9.81}} + t_1 + t_2 + t_3 + \cdots &= \sqrt{\frac{40}{9.81}} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} t_n = \sqrt{\frac{40}{9.81}} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{\sqrt{0.981}} (0.99)^{n/2} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{40}{9.81}} + \frac{4\sqrt{0.99}/\sqrt{0.981}}{1 - \sqrt{0.99}} = 804 \text{ s.}\end{aligned}$$

25. The total distance run by the dog is  $\frac{2}{3} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{8}{3^{n+1}} = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{8/9}{1 - 1/3} = 2$  km.

We could also have reasoned this without series. Since the dog runs twice as fast as the farmer, and the farmer walks 1 km, the dog must run 2 km.

26. According to Exercise 10.1-61,

$$\begin{aligned}A_n &= \frac{\sqrt{3}P^2}{36} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{3^3} + \frac{4^2}{3^5} + \cdots + \frac{4^{n-1}}{3^{2n-1}} \right) \quad (\text{a finite geometric series after first term}) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}P^2}{36} \left\{ 1 + \frac{(1/3)[1 - (4/9)^n]}{1 - 4/9} \right\} \quad (\text{using 10.39a}) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}P^2}{180} \left[ 8 - 3 \left( \frac{4}{9} \right)^n \right].\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = \frac{\sqrt{3}P^2}{180}(8) = \frac{2\sqrt{3}P^2}{45}.$$

27. The inequality is certainly true for  $x \geq 0$  and any  $n$ . To discuss the case when  $x < 0$ , we sum the geometric series

$$1 + x + x^2 + \cdots + x^n = \frac{1 - x^{n+1}}{1 - x}.$$

When  $x < 0$  and  $n$  is even, then  $1 - x^{n+1} > 0$  and  $1 - x > 0$ . Hence,  $(1 - x^{n+1})/(1 - x) > 0$ . When  $n$  is odd, and  $-1 \leq x < 0$ , then  $1 - x^{n+1} \geq 0$  and  $1 - x > 0$ . Hence,  $(1 - x^{n+1})/(1 - x) > 0$ . Finally, when  $n$  is odd, and  $x < -1$ , then  $1 - x^{n+1} < 0$  and  $1 - x > 0$ . Hence,  $(1 - x^{n+1})/(1 - x) < 0$ . Consequently, the inequality is valid for all  $x$  when  $n$  is even, and for  $x \geq -1$  when  $n$  is odd.

28. (a) If we subtract  $S_n = 1 + r + r^2 + \cdots + r^{n-1}$  from  $T_n = 1 + 2r + 3r^2 + \cdots + nr^{n-1}$ , we obtain

$$T_n - S_n = r + 2r^2 + 3r^3 + \cdots + (n-1)r^{n-1} = r[1 + 2r + 3r^2 + \cdots + (n-1)r^{n-2}] = r(T_n - nr^{n-1}).$$

When we solve this for  $T_n$  and substitute for  $S_n$ ,

$$T_n = \frac{S_n - nr^n}{1 - r} = \frac{\frac{1 - r^n}{1 - r} - nr^n}{1 - r} = \frac{1 - r^n - nr^n + nr^{n+1}}{(1 - r)^2} = \frac{1 - (n+1)r^n + nr^{n+1}}{(1 - r)^2}.$$

If we now take limits as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we obtain

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nr^{n-1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - (n+1)r^n + nr^{n+1}}{(1 - r)^2} = \frac{1}{(1 - r)^2}, \quad \text{provided } |r| < 1.$$

(b) If we set  $S(r) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nr^{n-1}$ , and integrate with respect to  $r$ ,

$$\int S(r) dr + C = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n = \frac{r}{1 - r}.$$

$$\text{Differentiation now gives } S(r) = \frac{(1 - r)(1) - r(-1)}{(1 - r)^2} = \frac{1}{(1 - r)^2}.$$

$$29. \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{2^2} + \frac{3}{2^3} + \frac{4}{2^4} + \cdots = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{2}{2} + \frac{3}{2^2} + \frac{4}{2^3} + \cdots \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{(1-1/2)^2} \right] = 2$$

$$30. \frac{2}{5} + \frac{4}{25} + \frac{6}{125} + \frac{8}{625} + \cdots = \frac{2}{5} \left( 1 + \frac{2}{5} + \frac{3}{5^2} + \frac{4}{5^3} + \cdots \right) = \frac{2/5}{(1-1/5)^2} = \frac{5}{8}$$

$$31. \frac{2}{3} + \frac{3}{27} + \frac{4}{243} + \frac{5}{2187} + \cdots = 3 \left( 1 + \frac{2}{9} + \frac{3}{81} + \frac{4}{729} + \cdots \right) - 3 = 3 \left[ \frac{1}{(1-1/9)^2} \right] - 3 = \frac{51}{64}$$

$$32. \frac{12}{5} + \frac{48}{25} + \frac{192}{125} + \frac{768}{625} + \cdots = \frac{12}{5} \left( 1 + \frac{4}{5} + \frac{16}{25} + \frac{64}{125} + \cdots \right) = \frac{12/5}{1-4/5} = 12$$

33. The probability that the first person wins on the first toss is  $1/2$ . The probability that the first person wins on the second toss is the product of the following three probabilities:

probability that first person throws a tail on the first toss =  $1/2$ ;

probability that second person throws a tail on first toss =  $1/2$ ;

probability that first person throws a head on second toss =  $1/2$ .

The resultant probability is  $(1/2)(1/2)(1/2) = 1/2^3$ . The probability that the first person wins on the third toss is the product of the following five probabilities:

probability that first person throws a tail on the first toss =  $1/2$ ;

probability that second person throws a tail on first toss =  $1/2$ ;

probability that first person throws a tail on second toss =  $1/2$ .

probability that second person throws a tail on the second toss =  $1/2$ ;

probability that first person throws a head on third toss =  $1/2$ ;

The resultant probability is  $1/2^5$ .

Continuation of this process leads to the following probability that the first person to toss wins

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \frac{1}{2^5} + \frac{1}{2^7} + \cdots = \frac{1/2}{1-1/4} = \frac{2}{3}.$$

34. The probability that the first person wins on the first toss is  $1/6$ . The probability that the first person wins on the second toss is the product of the following three probabilities:

probability that first person does not throw a six on the first toss =  $5/6$ ;

probability that second person does not throw a six on first toss =  $5/6$ ;

probability that first person throws a six on second toss =  $1/6$ .

The resultant probability is  $(5/6)(5/6)(1/6) = 5^2/6^3$ . The probability that the first person wins on the third toss is the product of the following five probabilities:

probability that first person does not throw a six on the first toss =  $5/6$ ;

probability that second person does not throw a six on first toss =  $5/6$ ;

probability that first person does not throw a six on second toss =  $5/6$ .

probability that second person does not throw a six on the second toss =  $5/6$ ;

probability that first person throws a six on third toss =  $1/6$ ;

The resultant probability is  $5^4/6^5$ .

Continuation of this process leads to the following probability that the first person to toss wins

$$\frac{1}{6} + \frac{5^2}{6^3} + \frac{5^4}{6^5} + \frac{5^6}{6^7} + \cdots = \frac{1/6}{1-25/36} = \frac{6}{11}.$$

35. Since the radius of convergence of the series is  $R = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1/2^n}{1/2^{n+1}} \right| = 2$ , the open interval of convergence

is  $-2 < x < 2$ . At  $x = 2$ , the power series reduces to  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 1$  which diverges by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test. At  $x = -2$ , it reduces to  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n$  which also diverges by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test. The interval of convergence for the series is therefore  $-2 < x < 2$ .

36. Since the radius of convergence of the series is  $R = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{n^2 3^n}{(n+1)^2 3^{n+1}} \right| = 1/3$ , the open interval of

convergence is  $-1/3 < x < 1/3$ . At  $x = 1/3$ , the power series reduces to  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2$  which diverges by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test. At  $x = -1/3$ , it reduces to  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n n^2$  which also diverges by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test. The interval of convergence for the series is therefore  $-1/3 < x < 1/3$ .

37. Since the radius of convergence of the series is  $R = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{2^n \left(\frac{n-1}{n+1}\right)^2}{2^{n+1} \left(\frac{n}{n+2}\right)^2} \right| = 1/2$ , the open interval of

convergence is  $7/2 < x < 9/2$ . At  $x = 9/2$ , the power series reduces to  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n-1)^2/(n+1)^2$  which diverges by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test. At  $x = 7/2$ , it reduces to  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n (n-1)^2/(n+1)^2$  which also diverges by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test. The interval of convergence for the series is therefore  $7/2 < x < 9/2$ .

38. If we set  $y = x^3$ , the series becomes  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{3n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n y^n$ . Since the radius of convergence of this series is  $R_y = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^n}{(-1)^{n+1}} \right| = 1$ , the radius of convergence of the given series is  $R_x = 1$ . The open interval of convergence is  $-1 < x < 1$ . At  $x = 1$ , the power series reduces to  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n$  which diverges by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test. At  $x = -1$ , it reduces to  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 1$  which also diverges by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test. The interval of convergence for the series is therefore  $-1 < x < 1$ .

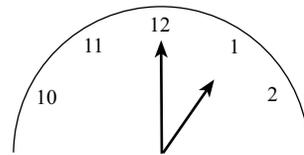
39. While Achilles makes up the head start  $L$ , the tortoise moves a further distance  $L/c$ . While Achilles makes up this distance, the tortoise moves a further distance  $(L/c)/c = L/c^2$ . Continuation of this process gives the following distance traveled by Achilles in catching the tortoise

$$L + \frac{L}{c} + \frac{L}{c^2} + \frac{L}{c^3} + \cdots = \frac{L}{1 - 1/c} = \frac{cL}{c - 1}.$$

40. (a) The minute hand moves 12 times as fast as the hour hand. While the minute hand moves through the angle  $\pi/6$  radians from 12 at 1:00 to 1 at 1:05, the hour hand moves a further  $(\pi/6)/12$  radians. While the minute hand moves through this angle, the hour hand moves through a further angle  $[(\pi/6)/12]/12 = (\pi/6)/12^2$ . Continuation of this process leads to the following angle traveled by the minute hand in catching the hour hand

$$\frac{\pi}{6} + \frac{\pi/6}{12} + \frac{\pi/6}{12^2} + \frac{\pi/6}{12^3} + \cdots = \frac{\pi/6}{1 - 1/12} = \frac{2\pi}{11}.$$

This angle represents  $\frac{2\pi}{11} \left(\frac{60}{2\pi}\right) = \frac{60}{11}$  minutes after 1:00.

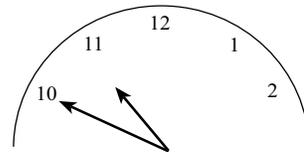


(b) If we take time  $t = 0$  at 1:00, the angle  $\theta$  through which the minute hand moves in time  $t$  (in minutes) is  $\theta = 2\pi t/60$ . The angle  $\phi$  that the hour hand makes with the vertical is  $\phi = 2\pi t/720 + \pi/6$ . These angles will be the same when  $\frac{2\pi t}{60} = \frac{2\pi t}{720} + \frac{\pi}{6}$ , the solution of which is 60/11 minutes.

41. (a) The minute hand moves 12 times as fast as the hour hand. While the minute hand moves through the angle  $5\pi/3$  radians from 12 at 10:00 to 10 at 10:50, the hour hand moves a further  $(5\pi/3)/12$  radians. While the minute hand moves through this angle, the hour hand moves through a further angle  $[(5\pi/3)/12]/12 = (5\pi/3)/12^2$ . Continuation of this process leads to the following angle traveled by the minute hand in catching the hour hand

$$\frac{5\pi}{3} + \frac{5\pi/3}{12} + \frac{5\pi/3}{12^2} + \frac{5\pi/3}{12^3} + \cdots = \frac{5\pi/3}{1 - 1/12} = \frac{20\pi}{11}.$$

This angle represents  $\frac{20\pi}{11} \left(\frac{60}{2\pi}\right) = \frac{600}{11}$  minutes after 10:00.



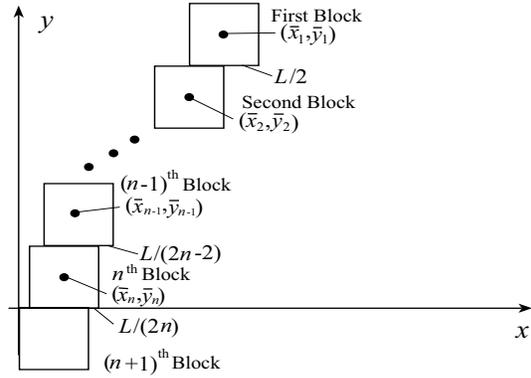
(b) If we take time  $t = 0$  at 10:00, the angle  $\theta$  through which the minute hand moves in time  $t$  (in minutes) is  $\theta = 2\pi t/60$ . The angle  $\phi$  that the hour hand makes with the vertical is  $\phi = 2\pi t/720 + 5\pi/3$ . These angles will be the same when  $\frac{2\pi t}{60} = \frac{2\pi t}{720} + \frac{5\pi}{3}$ , the solution of which is 600/11 minutes.

42. Suppose the length of each block is  $L$ . Taking the density of the blocks as unity, the mass of the top  $n$  blocks is  $nL^3$ . The first moment of the  $n^{\text{th}}$  block about the  $y$ -axis is

$$L^3 \bar{x}_n = L^3 \left( \frac{L}{2} + \frac{L}{2n} \right) = \frac{L^4}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} \right).$$

The first moment of the  $(n-1)^{\text{th}}$  block about the  $y$ -axis is

$$\begin{aligned} L^3 \bar{x}_{n-1} &= L^3 \left[ \frac{L}{2} + \frac{L}{2n} + \frac{L}{2(n-1)} \right] \\ &= \frac{L^4}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n-1} \right). \end{aligned}$$



Continuing in this way, the moment of the first block about the  $y$ -axis is

$$L^3 \bar{x}_1 = L^3 \left[ \frac{L}{2} + \frac{L}{2n} + \frac{L}{2(n-1)} + \cdots + \frac{L}{2} \right] = \frac{L^4}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n-1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{2} + 1 \right).$$

The  $x$ -coordinate of the centre of mass of the top  $n$  blocks is therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{x} &= \frac{1}{nL^3} \left[ \frac{L^4}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) + \frac{L^4}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n-1} \right) + \cdots + \frac{L^4}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n-1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{2} + 1 \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{L}{2n} \left[ n(1) + n \left( \frac{1}{n} \right) + (n-1) \left( \frac{1}{n-1} \right) + \cdots + 2 \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) + 1(1) \right] = \frac{L}{2n} (2n) = L. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the centre of mass of the top  $n$  blocks is over the edge of the  $(n+1)^{\text{th}}$  block. They will not tip, but they are in a state of precarious equilibrium.

The right edge of the top block sticks out the following distance over the right edge of the  $(n+1)^{\text{th}}$  block

$$\frac{L}{2} + \frac{L}{4} + \frac{L}{6} + \cdots + \frac{L}{2n} = \frac{L}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n} \right).$$

This is  $L/2$  times the  $n^{\text{th}}$  partial sum of the harmonic series which we know becomes arbitrarily large as  $n$  increases. Hence, the top  $n$  blocks can be made to protrude arbitrarily far over the  $(n+1)^{\text{th}}$  block.

43. Let  $\{S_n\}$  be the sequence of partial sums of the given series. It converges to the sum of the series, call it  $S$ . If terms of the series are grouped together, then the sequence of partial sums of the new series, call it  $\{T_n\}$ , is a subsequence of  $\{S_n\}$ . But every subsequence of a convergent series must converge to the same limit as the sequence. Thus,  $\{T_n\}$  converges to  $S$  also, and the grouped series has sum  $S$ .
44. To verify this, we first write the Laplace transform as an infinite series of integrals

$$F(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-st} f(t) dt = \sum_{n=0}^\infty \int_{np}^{(n+1)p} e^{-st} f(t) dt.$$

If we change variables of integration in the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term with  $u = t - np$ , then

$$F(s) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty \int_0^p e^{-s(u+np)} f(u+np) du = \sum_{n=0}^\infty e^{-nps} \int_0^p e^{-su} f(u) du = \left( \int_0^p e^{-su} f(u) du \right) \left( \sum_{n=0}^\infty e^{-nps} \right).$$

Since the series is geometric with common ratio  $e^{-ps}$ ,

$$F(s) = \int_0^p e^{-su} f(u) du \left[ \frac{1}{1 - e^{-ps}} \right] = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-ps}} \int_0^p e^{-st} f(t) dt.$$

45. (a) When  $V$  is the voltage across the capacitor, and resistor  $R_2$  (they are in parallel), the currents through these devices are  $i_C = CdV/dt$  and  $i_{R_2} = V/R_2$ . The current through  $R_1$  must be the sum of these,  $i_{R_1} = V/R_2 + CdV/dt$ . The voltage across  $R_1$  is therefore  $R_1(V/R_2 + CdV/dt)$ , and it follows that for  $V_{\text{in}} = \bar{V}$ ,

$$\bar{V} = V + R_1 \left( \frac{V}{R_2} + C \frac{dV}{dt} \right) \implies \frac{dV}{dt} + \tau V = \alpha \bar{V},$$

where  $\tau = (R_1 + R_2)/(R_1 R_2 C)$  and  $\alpha = 1/(R_1 C)$ .

- (b) If we multiply the differential equation by  $e^{\tau t}$ , the left side becomes the derivative of a product,

$$e^{\tau t} \frac{dV}{dt} + \tau e^{\tau t} V = \alpha \bar{V} e^{\tau t} \implies \frac{d}{dt} (V e^{\tau t}) = \alpha \bar{V} e^{\tau t} \implies V e^{\tau t} = \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} e^{\tau t} + D \implies V = \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} + D e^{-\tau t}.$$

Using the condition that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 2(n-1)T^+} V(t) = V_{n-1}$ , we obtain

$$V_{n-1} = \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} + D e^{-2\tau(n-1)T} \implies D = \left( V_{n-1} - \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} \right) e^{2\tau(n-1)T}.$$

Hence, for  $2(n-1)T < t < (2n-1)T$ ,

$$V(t) = \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} + \left( V_{n-1} - \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} \right) e^{2\tau(n-1)T} e^{-\tau t} = \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} + \left( V_{n-1} - \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} \right) e^{-\tau[t-2(n-1)T]}.$$

At  $t = (2n-1)T$ ,

$$V((2n-1)T) = \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} + \left( V_{n-1} - \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} \right) e^{-\tau[(2n-1)T-2(n-1)T]} = \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} + \left( V_{n-1} - \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} \right) e^{-\tau T}.$$

- (c) When  $V_{\text{in}} = 0$ , the rectifier prevents the charge that has been stored in the capacitor from flowing back through  $R_1$ ; it simply discharges itself through  $R_2$ . Consequently,  $dV/dt + \sigma V = 0$  where  $\sigma = 1/(R_2 C)$ .

- (d) We separate the differential equation:

$$\frac{dV}{V} = -\sigma dt \implies \ln |V| = -\sigma t + D \implies V(t) = E e^{-\sigma t}.$$

If we now use the fact that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow (2n-1)T^+} V(t) = \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} + \left( V_{n-1} - \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} \right) e^{-\tau T}$ , we obtain

$$\frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} + \left( V_{n-1} - \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} \right) e^{-\tau T} = E e^{-\sigma(2n-1)T} \implies E = \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} e^{\sigma(2n-1)T} + \left( V_{n-1} - \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} \right) e^{-[\tau - \sigma(2n-1)]T}.$$

Hence, for  $(2n-1)T < t < 2nT$ , we have  $V(t) = \left[ \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} + \left( V_{n-1} - \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} \right) e^{-\tau T} \right] e^{-\sigma[t-(2n-1)T]}$ .

- (e) When the function in (d) is evaluated at  $t = 2nT$ , its value is  $V_n$ ; that is,

$$V_n = \left[ \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} + \left( V_{n-1} - \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} \right) e^{-\tau T} \right] e^{-\sigma T} = p V_{n-1} + q,$$

where  $p = e^{-T(\tau + \sigma)}$  and  $q = (\alpha \bar{V}/\tau)(1 - e^{-\tau T})e^{-\sigma T}$ . If we iterate this recursive definition,

$$V_1 = p V_0 + q, \quad V_2 = p V_1 + q = p^2 V_0 + q(p + 1), \quad V_3 = p V_2 + q = p^3 V_0 + q(p^2 + p + 1).$$

The pattern emerging is  $V_n = p^n V_0 + q(1 + p + p^2 + \cdots + p^{n-1}) = p^n V_0 + \frac{q(1 - p^n)}{1 - p}$ .

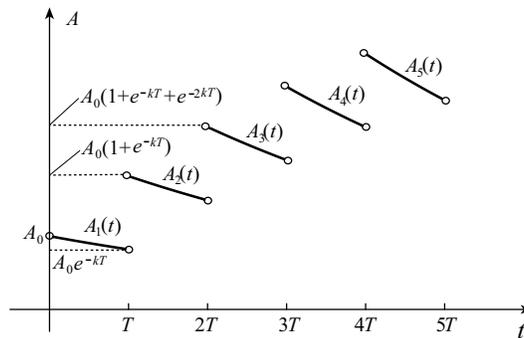
Since  $V_0 = 0$ , if the voltage across the capacitor is zero at time  $t = 0$ , we have

$$V_n = \frac{q(1 - p^n)}{1 - p} = \frac{\alpha \bar{V}}{\tau} (1 - e^{-\tau T}) e^{-\sigma T} \left[ \frac{1 - e^{-nT(\tau + \sigma)}}{1 - e^{-T(\tau + \sigma)}} \right].$$

46. (a) After time  $t$ , the amount of the first injection remaining is  $A_0e^{-kt}$ ; the amount of the second injection remaining is  $A_0e^{-k(t-T)}$ ; the amount of the third injection remaining is  $A_0e^{-k(t-2T)}$ ; etc. At time  $t$  between the  $n^{\text{th}}$  and  $(n+1)^{\text{th}}$  injection, the total amount remaining is

$$\begin{aligned} A_n(t) &= A_0e^{-kt} + A_0e^{-k(t-T)} + \dots + A_0e^{-k[t-(n-1)T]} \\ &= A_0e^{-kt} \left[ 1 + e^{kT} + e^{2kT} + \dots + e^{(n-1)kT} \right] \\ &= A_0e^{-kt} \left[ \frac{1 - (e^{kT})^n}{1 - e^{kT}} \right] \quad (\text{using 10.39a}) \\ &= A_0e^{-kt} \left[ \frac{1 - e^{knT}}{1 - e^{kT}} \right] \quad (n-1)T < t < nT. \end{aligned}$$

(b)



$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c)} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n[(n-1)T] &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_0e^{-k(n-1)T} \left[ \frac{1 - e^{knT}}{1 - e^{kT}} \right] \\ &= \frac{A_0e^{kT}}{1 - e^{kT}} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (e^{-knT} - 1) = \frac{-A_0e^{kT}}{1 - e^{kT}} = \frac{A_0}{1 - e^{-kT}} \end{aligned}$$

### EXERCISES 10.10

- Since  $l = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{2n+1}}{\frac{1}{2n}} = 1$ , and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  diverges, so also does the given series (by the limit comparison test).
- Since  $l = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{4n-3}}{\frac{1}{4n}} = 1$ , and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4n} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  diverges, so also does the given series (by the limit comparison test).
- Since  $l = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{2n^2+4}}{\frac{1}{2n^2}} = 1$ , and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n^2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$  converges, so also does the given series (by the limit comparison test).
- Since  $l = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{5n^2-3n-1}}{\frac{1}{5n^2}} = 1$ , and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{5n^2} = \frac{1}{5} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$  converges, so also does the given series (by the limit comparison test).