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Quiz # 01
Math 102 - Calculus II - Section 03
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Solution Key

Q-1) In the following find the infinite sums explicitly if they exist and explain why if they don't exist.

(a) $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 2^n 3^{1-n}$.

(b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n+3}{n(n+1)(n+2)}$.

Grading: 5+5 points

Solutions:

(a)
$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 2^n 3^{1-n} = 3 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n = 3 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{n+2} = \frac{4}{3} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n = \frac{4}{3} \frac{1}{1 - (2/3)} = 4.$$

(b) First we apply partial fractions method to the general term to obtain

$$\frac{n+3}{n(n+1)(n+2)} = \frac{(3/2)}{n} - \frac{2}{n+1} + \frac{(1/2)}{n+2}.$$

The sequence of partial sums then becomes

$$s_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k+3}{k(k+1)(k+2)} = \frac{5}{4} - \frac{2n+5}{2(n+1)(n+2)}.$$

Hence

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n+3}{n(n+1)(n+2)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \frac{5}{4}.$$