

**7.1#1(e)** Since

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_k = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k}{2k+1} = \frac{1}{2} \neq 0,$$

by the Divergence Test, the series

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{2k+1}$$

diverges.

**7.1#1(f)** Notice that

$$a_k = \frac{2}{k^2+k} = \frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k+2}.$$

Therefore,

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

[More precisely, in the above argument you need to show that

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

and then take the limit  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .]

**7.1#4(a)** The statement is false. Consider

$$a_k = \frac{1}{k}, \quad b_k = -\frac{1}{k}.$$

Then both  $\sum a_k$  and  $\sum b_k$  diverge, but

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k + b_k) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 0$$

converges.

**7.1#4(c)** The statement is true. Assume otherwise that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k + b_k)$$

converges. Then

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [(a_k + b_k) - a_k] = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k + b_k) - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$$

converges, since  $\sum a_k$  converges. But this contradicts the assumption that  $\sum b_k$  diverges. Therefore  $\sum (a_k + b_k)$  must be divergent.

**7.1#17** We show by definition that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = 0.$$

Observe that

$$S_{2k} = (1 - 1) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\right) + \cdots + \left(\frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k}\right) = 0.$$

Therefore,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} S_{2k} = 0.$$

On the other hand,

$$S_{2k+1} = (1 - 1) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\right) + \cdots + \left(\frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k}\right) + \frac{1}{k+1} = \frac{1}{k+1}.$$

So we also have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} S_{2k+1} = 0.$$

Combining these we conclude

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = 0,$$

as desired.