

**7.4#2(d)** Note that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} \frac{k}{4k^2 - 3}$$

is an alternating series. To show that it converges, by the Alternating Series Test, we need to show

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k}{4k^2 - 3} = 0$$

(which is obvious) and that

$$\frac{k+1}{4(k+1)^2 - 3} \leq \frac{k}{4k^2 - 3}.$$

The last inequality is equivalent to

$$(k+1)(4k^2 - 3) \leq k(4(k+1)^2 - 3)$$

which is

$$4k^3 + 4k^2 - 3k - 3 \leq 4k^3 + 8k^2 + k,$$

or,

$$-3 \leq 4k^2 + 4k.$$

But this is clearly true since  $k \geq 1$ .

**7.4#4** For any fixed  $n$ , by the triangle inequality, we have

$$\left| \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \right| \leq \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k|.$$

Taking  $n$  to infinity, we obtain

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \right| \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k|,$$

or

$$\left| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \right| \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k|.$$

By the definition of the value of series, this means

$$\left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \right| \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k|,$$

which is the desired inequality.

**8.1#1(f)** Since

$$\left| \frac{\sin(nx)}{\sqrt{n}} \right| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \rightarrow 0,$$

we have

$$f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin(nx)}{\sqrt{n}} = 0$$

for all  $x$ .

**8.1#1(i)** For  $x \in [0, 1)$ , we have

$$0 \leq f_n(x) = \frac{x^n}{1+x^n} \leq x^n \rightarrow 0, \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Therefore

$$f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = 0, \quad \forall x \in [0, 1)$$

For  $x = 1$ , we have

$$f_n(1) = \frac{1}{1+1} = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \forall n.$$

Therefore

$$f(1) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(1) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

For  $x \in (1, \infty)$ , we have

$$f_n(x) = \frac{x^n}{1+x^n} = \frac{1}{x^{-n}+1} \rightarrow 1, \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Therefore

$$f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = 1, \quad \forall x \in (1, \infty).$$