

**TASK 1.** Consider the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{2k+3}{3k+2} \right)^k$ . Before seeing a step-by-step explanation, spend a couple minutes estimating/ guessing whether this series is convergent or divergent.

### The Root Test

**TASK 2.** Go to pg 741. Fill in the blanks by copying the [the Root Test](#) boxed statement in the middle of pg 741.

#### **Theorem The Root Test**

Suppose  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is an infinite series with positive terms. Consider  $r = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n}$ .

- If  $0 \leq r < 1$ , \_\_\_\_\_.
- If  $r > 1$ , \_\_\_\_\_.
- $r = 1$ , \_\_\_\_\_.

**TASK 3a.** Go to page 741. Below, either copy word-for-word or rewrite in your own words the paragraph between the [Root Test](#) boxed statement and Example 6.

**TASK 3b.** Summarize the main point of the paragraph:

- The [Root Test](#) is inconclusive \_\_\_\_\_ the [Ratio Test](#) is inconclusive.

**TASK 4.** Stay in page 741. Copy the solution of Example 6, which is the solution to the following. Replace 'absolutely convergent' with 'convergent'.

Example: Use the Root Test to determine whether the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{2k+3}{3k+2} \right)^k$  converge.

**TASK 5a.** (Will be discussed in class)

1. Make an intelligent estimation/ guess whether the series  $\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{3^k \ln k}{2^k k^5}$  converges or diverges.

**TASK 5b.** (Optional - taken from the practice Exam 1)

2. Use the **Root Test**, **(Limit) Comparison Test**, and **Divergence Test** (attempt all three) to

determine whether the series  $\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{3^k \ln k}{2^k k^5}$  converge. Some of the tests will take a lot of computation space, so don't give up too quickly.

3. Check with Wolfram|Alpha after you work for at least 15 minutes. Below, write down what Wolfram|Alpha gives you.

4. Of all three suggested tests above, pick your favorite.