

# subseries

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Hey everyone

does a subseries by definition have to preserve order of the original series.

That is, if my original series sums the sequence  $\{1,2,3,4,5,\dots\}$  can by definition a sub series sum over the sequence  $\{3,2,4,\dots\}$  or must it preserve the order?

The reason I ask, is the following definition of subseries in my calc book:

Let  $f$  be a function whose domain is  $\mathbb{N}$  and whose range is an infinite subset of  $\mathbb{N}$ , and assume that  $f$  is 1-to-1 on  $\mathbb{N}$ . Let  $\Sigma(a(n))$  and  $\Sigma(b(n))$  be two series s.t.

$b(n)=a(f(n))$  if  $n$  is in  $\mathbb{N}$

Then  $\Sigma(b(n))$  is said to be a subseries of  $\Sigma(a(n))$

As far as I can tell, this definition doesn't imply anything about the order?

thanks  
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