

$\frac{9+9^n}{8^n} > \frac{9^n}{8^n} = \left(\frac{9}{8}\right)^n$  for all  $n \geq 1$ , so  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{9+9^n}{8^n}$  diverges by comparison with the divergent geometric series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{9}{8}\right)^n$ .