

Divergence Test states if

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0$ , then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  diverges.

If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ , then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  may or may not converge.

How to determine what test to apply to determine whether  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges:

① Does  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ ? If not, series diverges

If so :

- If so
- ① Is  $\{a_n\}$  (eventually) positive?
    - ① integral test only use if  $\{a_n\}$  are decreasing and easily integrable.
    - ② comparison test
    - ③ limit comparison test

Section 10.3

1. Determine whether the following series converge or diverge.

a.)  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \ln n}$  ① T.D.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n \ln n} = 0 \rightarrow$  Test fails.

②  $\frac{1}{n \ln n} > 0$ , decreasing + integrable

use integral test  $\int_2^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x \ln x}$

$$= \ln|\ln x| \Big|_2^{\infty}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u &= \ln x \\ du &= \frac{dx}{x} \\ \int \frac{du}{u} &= \ln|u| \\ &= \ln|\ln x| \end{aligned}$$

$$= \ln|\ln \infty| - \ln|\ln 2|$$

$= \infty \rightarrow$  integral diverges, so does

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \ln n}$$

b.)  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n^2 e^{-n^3}$  ①  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{e^{n^3}} = 0 \rightarrow$  T.D. fails

②  $\frac{n^2}{e^{n^3}} > 0$  and decreasing  
easy to integrate

$$\int_2^{\infty} x^2 e^{-x^3} dx$$

$$= -\frac{1}{3} e^{-x^3} \Big|_2^{\infty}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u &= -x^3 \\ du &= -3x^2 dx \\ -\frac{1}{3} \int e^u du &= -\frac{1}{3} e^u \\ &= -\frac{1}{3} e^{-x^3} \end{aligned}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{3} e^{-\infty} + \frac{1}{3} e^{-8}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3e^8} < \infty$$

integral converges,  
so does  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n^2 e^{-n^3}$

p-series test:  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$  converges if  $p > 1$   
 diverges if  $p \leq 1$

$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$  divergent p-series  $p = \frac{1}{2} < 1$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3}$  convergent p-series  $p = 3 > 1$

comparison Test (C.T) If  $0 \leq a_n \leq b_n$  (eventually)

① if  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  converges  $\rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  also converges.

② if  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  diverges  $\rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  also diverges.

If larger series diverges, test fails

If smaller series converges, Test fails

$$c.) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^4}{n^8 + n^2 + 1} \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^4}{n^8} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{converges} \\ \text{by p-series} \\ p = 4 > 1 \end{array}$$

↑  
 not easy to  
 integrate, but is positive  
 so try C.T.

larger series converges,  
 so does smaller by C.T.

$$d.) \sum_{n=5}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n - 2\sqrt{n}} \quad \frac{1}{n - 2\sqrt{n}} > 0 \quad \text{not integrable,}\\ \text{try C.T.}$$

$$\sum_{n=5}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n - 2\sqrt{n}} \geq \sum_{n=5}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{divergent} \\ \text{p-series } p = 1 \end{array}$$

smaller diverges,  
 so does larger by  
 C.T.

e.)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2 n}{n\sqrt{n}}$  T.D. fails bc  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin^2 n}{n\sqrt{n}} = 0$

$\frac{\sin^2 n}{n\sqrt{n}} > 0$ , not easy to integrate  
try C.T.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2 n}{n\sqrt{n}} \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n}} \leftarrow \text{convergent p-series}$$

$p = \frac{3}{2} > 0$

larger converges  
so does smaller.

f.)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 - n}{n^3 + 7n}$  T.D. fails

series of positive terms  
not easy to integrate

C.T.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 - n}{n^3 + 7n} \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{n^3} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$

divergent p-series.

larger diverges,  
C.T. fails

LCT (limit comparison test)

$0 \leq a_n + 0 \leq b_n$ .

and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = L > 0 \neq \infty$

then either both converge or both diverge.

f.)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 - n}{n^3 + 7n}$  Try LCT with  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{\frac{n^2 - n}{n^3 + 7n}}{\frac{1}{n}} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n^2 - n}{n^3 + 7n}}{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 - n}{n^3 + 7n} = 1 > 0 \neq \infty$$

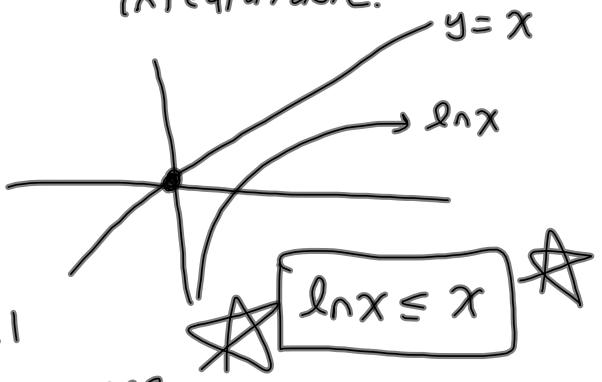
Both series diverges because  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  div

g.)  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\ln n}$

T.D. fails, positive, not easily integrable.

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\ln n} \geq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$$

smaller diverges by p-series,  $p=1$   
larger also diverges



h.)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right)$



$\sin x \approx x$  if  $x$  near 0

$\sin\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right) \approx \frac{1}{n^2}$  for large  $n$ .

$$\sin\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right) \geq 0$$

T.D. fails

$$\sum \sin(n)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sin\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right) = \sin 0 = 0$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin \frac{1}{n^2}}{\frac{1}{n^2}}$$

LCT with  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$$

$$= 1 > 0 \neq 0$$

Both series

converges

Because  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$  conv

$$2. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3}$$

a.) Find the sum of the first 5 terms

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3}$  converges by p-series  $\rightarrow$  sum exists.

$$\begin{aligned} S_5 &= a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + a_5 \\ S_5 &= 1 + \frac{1}{2^3} + \frac{1}{3^3} + \frac{1}{4^3} + \frac{1}{5^3} \end{aligned}$$

b.) Estimate the error in using the sum of the first 5 terms to approximate the sum of the series.

Remainder estimate for the integral test:

If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  was shown to be convergent by the integral test (this includes p-series and comparison test)

Then  $R_n = S - S_n \leq \int_n^{\infty} f(x) dx$ , where  $f(n) = a_n$ .

$$R_5 = S - S_5 \leq \int_5^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^3} = -\frac{1}{2x^2} \Big|_5^{\infty}$$

$$\therefore R_5 \leq \frac{1}{50}$$

c.) Find the sum correct to 10 decimal places.

① Find  $n$  so that  $R_n \leq 10^{-10}$

$$R_n \leq \int_n^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^3} \stackrel{\text{find}}{\leq} \frac{1}{10^{10}}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2x^2} \Big|_n^{\infty} \leq \frac{1}{10^{10}}$$

$$\frac{1}{2n^2} \leq \frac{1}{10^{10}}$$

$$\frac{10^{10}}{2} \leq n^2$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{10^{10}}{2}} \leq n$$

$$70710.6 \leq n$$

$n$  must be at least 70711

② use  $S_{70711}$  to approximate  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3}$

$$S_{70711} = 1 + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{(70711)^3}$$

3. Consider  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3 + \cos n}{n^5}$

a.) Prove the series converges.

$$\frac{3 + \cos n}{n^5} > 0 \quad \text{try C.T.}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3 + \cos n}{n^5} \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n^5}$$

↑  
convergent  
p-series  $p=5>1$

larger converges  
so does smaller.

b.) Approximate the sum of the series using  $s_6$ .

$$s_6 = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_6$$

$$= \frac{3 + \cos(1)}{1^5} + \dots + \frac{3 + \cos(6)}{6^5}$$

c.) Estimate the error in using  $s_6$  to approximate the sum of the series.

Since  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3 + \cos n}{n^5}$  was shown to be convergent by a comparison test,

$$R_n \leq \int_n^{\infty} f(x) dx$$

$$R_6 \leq \int_6^{\infty} \frac{3 + \cos x}{x^5} dx \leq \int_6^{\infty} \frac{4}{x^5} dx$$

$$= -\frac{1}{x^4} \Big|_6^{\infty}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6^4}$$

$\therefore R_6 \leq \frac{1}{6^4}$

## Alternating Series Test (AST)

If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n a_n$  satisfies: ①  $a_{n+1} \leq a_n$

then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n a_n$  converges. ②  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

### Section 10.4

4. Use the alternating series test to determine whether  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n+1}}$  converges.

$$\text{T.D. } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n+1}} = 0$$

AST: show  $\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1}} \right\}$  converges.  
 $\therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n+1}}$  converges.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{① } a_{n+1} &\leq a_n \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+2}} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1}} \checkmark \\ \text{② } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n &= 0 \rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1}} = 0 \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

5. Determine whether the following series converge absolutely, converge conditionally, or diverge.

a.)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2 \sqrt{n}}$

Then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$  is absolutely convergent.

use AST to establish convergence:

show  $\left\{ \frac{1}{n^2 \sqrt{n}} \right\}$  ①  $a_{n+1} \leq a_n$   
 ②  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

② If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges,

but  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$  diverges,

$$\text{① } \frac{1}{(n+1)^2 \sqrt{n+1}} \leq \frac{1}{n^2 \sqrt{n}} \checkmark \quad \text{then } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \text{ is conditionally convergent.}$$

$$\text{② } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2 \sqrt{n}} = 0 \checkmark$$

$$\therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2 \sqrt{n}}$$
 converges.

Test for absolute convergence, look at

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2 \sqrt{n}} \right| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{5/2}} \text{ converges p-series } p = \frac{5}{2} > 1$$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2 \sqrt{n}}$  converges absolutely

b.)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n}}$  First test for absolute convergence:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n}} \right| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \quad \text{divergent p-series.}$$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n}}$  does not converge absolutely.

But  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n}}$  does converge by AST  $\therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n}}$  converges conditionally  
since  $\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \right\}$  decreases to zero

c.)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n(\ln n)^2}$  Absolute convergence?

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(\ln n)^2} \quad \frac{1}{n(\ln n)^2} > 0 \quad + \text{decreases}$$

easy to integrate, use

I.T.

$$\begin{aligned} u &= \ln x \\ du &= \frac{dx}{x} \\ \int \frac{du}{u^2} &= -\frac{1}{u} \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_2^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x(\ln x)^2} = -\frac{1}{\ln x} \Big|_2^{\infty}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\ln \infty} + \frac{1}{\ln 2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\ln 2} < \infty \quad \text{integral converges,}$$

so  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(\ln n)^2}$  converges,

d.)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{n+1}$

$$\text{TO } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{n+1} \neq 0$$

$$\therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{n+1} \text{ diverges}$$

so  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n(\ln n)^2}$  converges absolutely

Ratio Test: If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \begin{cases} < 1 & \text{converges absolutely} \\ > 1 & \text{diverges} \\ = 1 & \text{test fails.} \end{cases}$

$n! \rightarrow \text{Ratio Test}$

$\underbrace{a^n}_{\hat{a}} \rightarrow \text{Ratio Test}$   
 $\hat{a}, \hat{a}^2, \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{\hat{n}}, e^{\hat{n}}, \text{etc}$

$$\text{e.) } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{(-4)^n}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RT: } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)^2}{(-4)^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{(-4)^n}{n^2} \right| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)^2}{(-4)(-4)} \cdot \frac{(-4)^n}{n^2} \right| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)^2}{-4n^2} \right| \\ &= \left| -\frac{1}{4} \right| = \frac{1}{4} < 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{f.) } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n n^2}{(2n)!}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{3^{n+1} (n+1)^2}{(2n+2)!} \cdot \frac{(2n)!}{3^n n^2} \right| \quad \text{converges absolutely} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{3 \cdot 3^n (n+1)^2}{(2n+2)(2n+1)(2n)!} \cdot \frac{(2n)!}{3^n n^2} \right| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{3(n+1)^2}{(2n+2)(2n+1)n^2} \right| = 0 < 1 \\ &\quad \text{converges absolutely} \end{aligned}$$

6. Show  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!}$  converges absolutely and then approximate the sum of the series with the third partial sum,  $s_2$ . How close is this approximation to the sum of the series?

If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n a_n$  is a convergent alternating series  
Then  $|R_n| = |S - S_n| \leq a_{n+1}$

$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!}$  converges absolutely by ratio test.

$$S_2 = 1 - \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{5!}$$

$$|R_2| \leq |a_3| = \frac{1}{7!}$$

7. Approximate  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2}$  correct to within 3 decimal places.

since  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2}$  is an alternating series,  
use  $|R_n| \leq |a_{n+1}| = \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} \leq \frac{1}{10^3}$

$$10^3 \leq (n+1)^2$$

$n$  must be at least 31

$$\sqrt{10^3} \leq n+1$$

$$31.6 \leq n+1$$

$$30.6 \leq n$$

use  $S_{31}$  to approximate the sum