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1. (8 points) Compute the following limits.

a. (2 pts)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 - 3n + 2}{n + 1}$

**Solution:**  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 - 3n + 2}{n + 1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n - 3 + \frac{2}{n}}{1 + \frac{1}{n}} = \infty$

b. (2 pts)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[3]{3n + 1}$

**Solution:**  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[3]{3n + 1} = 1$  because the  $n^{\text{th}}$ -root of any polynomial is 1.

c. (4 pts)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(2 + \frac{3}{n}\right)^{4n}$

**Solution:** Let  $L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(2 + \frac{3}{n}\right)^{4n}$ . Then

$$\ln L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left(2 + \frac{3}{n}\right)^{4n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 4n \ln \left(2 + \frac{3}{n}\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \left(2 + \frac{3}{n}\right)}{\frac{1}{4n}} \stackrel{l'H}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-\frac{3}{n^2}}{-\frac{1}{4n^2}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{n^2} \frac{4n^2}{1} = 6$$

$L = e^6$

2. (8 points) Find a power series for  $\arctan(x) = \int_0^x \frac{1}{1+t^2} dt$  centered at  $x = 0$ .

Hint: Write a series for each of the following:

**Solution:**

a.  $\frac{1}{1-r} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n$

b.  $\frac{1}{1+t^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-t^2)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n t^{2n}$

c.  $\int \frac{1}{1+t^2} dt = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n t^{2n+1}}{2n+1} + C$

d.  $\int_0^x \frac{1}{1+t^2} dt = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{2n+1}$

3. (8 points) Compute the sum of each series. Simplify each to a single rational number.

a. (4 pts)  $S = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n + 4^n}{12^n}$  HINT: First split the terms into the sum of two fractions.

**Solution:**  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n + 4^n}{12^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n}{12^n} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4^n}{12^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4^n} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3^n}$

Each sum is geometric. The ratios  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{3}$  are both less than 1. So

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n + 4^n}{12^n} = \frac{\frac{1}{4}}{1 - \frac{1}{4}} + \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{1 - \frac{1}{3}} = \frac{1}{4-1} + \frac{1}{3-1} = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{6}$$

b. (4 pts)  $S = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)}$  HINT: First find the partial fraction expansion for  $\frac{1}{n(n+1)}$ .

**Solution:**  $\frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{A}{n} + \frac{B}{n+1}$   $1 = A(n+1) + Bn$

$n = 0 \Rightarrow A = 1$   $n = -1 \Rightarrow B = -1$

$\frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}$   $S = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right)$  This is telescoping.

$S_k = \sum_{n=2}^k \left( \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right) = \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} \right) + \dots + \left( \frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k+1} \right) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{k+1}$

$S = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} S_k = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{k+1} \right) = \frac{1}{2}$

4. (10 points) An egg is taken out of the refrigerator at  $40^\circ F$  and immediately put in a pot of boiling water at  $212^\circ F$ . After 1 minute, the temperature has risen to  $126^\circ F$ . How long will it take for the egg to reach  $169^\circ F$ ?

NOTE: These numbers have nothing to do with the real world.

They are chosen to make two fractions simplify to  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

**Solution:** Newton's Law of Heating says  $\frac{dT}{dt} = -k(T - T_A)$  where  $T_A$  is the ambient temperature.

The solution is  $T = T_A + (T_o - T_A)e^{-kt}$  where  $T_o$  is the initial temperature.

Here,  $T_A = 212$  and  $T_o = 40$ . To find  $k$ , we plug in  $t = 1$  and  $T = 126$ .

$126 = 212 + (40 - 212)e^{-k}$   $e^{-k} = \frac{126 - 212}{40 - 212} = \frac{86}{172} = \frac{1}{2}$   $-k = \ln \frac{1}{2}$   $k = \ln 2$

So  $T = 212 + (40 - 212)e^{-t \ln 2} = 212 - 172 \cdot 2^{-t}$  We need to solve  $169 = 212 - 172 \cdot 2^{-t}$ .

$172 \cdot 2^{-t} = 212 - 169 = 43$   $2^{-t} = \frac{43}{172} = \frac{1}{4}$   $t = 2$

5. (16 points) A sequence is defined by  $a_1 = 4$  and  $a_{n+1} = 2\sqrt{a_n} + 3$ .

a. (2 pts) Find  $a_2$  and  $a_3$ .

**Solution:**  $a_2 = 2\sqrt{a_1} + 3 = 2\sqrt{4} + 3 = 7$      $a_3 = 2\sqrt{a_2} + 3 = 2\sqrt{7} + 3$

b. (4 pts) Assuming the limit exists, find the possible values of the limit.

**Solution:** Assuming the limit exists, let  $L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ . Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1} = L$  also.

The recursion formula says

$$L = 2\sqrt{L} + 3 \quad (L - 3)^2 = 4L \quad L^2 - 6L + 9 = 4L \quad L^2 - 10L + 9 = 0$$
$$(L - 1)(L - 9) = 0 \quad L = 1, 9 \quad \text{The limit must be } 1 \text{ or } 9.$$

c. (4 pts) Prove the sequence is increasing or decreasing.

**Solution:** We will show  $a_n$  is increasing, i.e.  $a_n < a_{n+1}$ .

Init:  $a_1 = 4 < a_2 = 7$

Induc: Assume  $a_k < a_{k+1}$ . Prove  $a_{k+1} < a_{k+2}$ .

Proof:  $a_k < a_{k+1}$      $\sqrt{a_k} < \sqrt{a_{k+1}}$      $2\sqrt{a_k} + 3 < 2\sqrt{a_{k+1}} + 3$      $a_{k+1} < a_{k+2}$     Proved.

d. (4 pts) Prove the sequence is bounded above (if increasing) or below (if decreasing).

**Solution:** We will show  $a_n$  is bounded above by 9, i.e.  $a_n < 9$ .

Init:  $a_1 = 4 < 9$

Induc: Assume  $a_k < 9$ . Prove  $a_{k+1} < 9$ .

Proof:  $a_k < 9$      $\sqrt{a_k} < 3$      $2\sqrt{a_k} < 6$      $2\sqrt{a_k} + 3 < 9$      $a_{k+1} < 9$     Proved.

e. (2 pts) State the theorem that shows the sequence converges and state the limit.

**Solution:** Since  $a_n$  is increasing and bounded above by 9, the Bounded-Monotonic Sequence Theorem says it converges.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 9.$$

6. (12 points) Determine whether each series is convergent or divergent. Name each Convergence Test(s) you use and check their assumptions. Use sentences!

a. (4 pts)  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{5}{n^3 + \sqrt[3]{n}}$

**Solution:**  $\frac{5}{n^3 + \sqrt[3]{n}} < \frac{5}{n^3}$  and  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{5}{n^3}$  converges because it is a  $p$ -series with  $p = 3 > 1$ .

So  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{5}{n^3 + \sqrt[3]{n}}$  also converges by the Simple Comparison Test.

b. (4 pts)  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^n}{(1 + e^n)^2}$

**Solution:** We apply the Integral Test. The function  $\frac{e^n}{(1 + e^n)^2}$  is positive and decreasing and

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^n}{(1 + e^n)^2} dn = \left[ \frac{-1}{1 + e^n} \right]_0^{\infty} = \frac{-1}{1 + e^{\infty}} - \frac{-1}{1 + e^0} = 0 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

So the series converges by the Integral Test. OR Use a Simple Comparison with  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{e^n}$ .

c. (4 pts)  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n + \sqrt{n}}{n^2 + \sqrt{n}}$

**Solution:** We want to compare to  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n}{n^2} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  which is the divergent harmonic series.

However, we cannot tell if  $\frac{n + \sqrt{n}}{n^2 + \sqrt{n}}$  is smaller or larger than  $\frac{1}{n}$ .

So we cannot use the Simple Comparison Test. We use the Limit Comparison Test.

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n + \sqrt{n}}{n^2 + \sqrt{n}} \frac{n}{1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 + n\sqrt{n}}{n^2 + \sqrt{n}} = 1$$

So the original series also diverges.

7. (8 points) The series  $S = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{24n^2}{(n^3 + 1000)^3}$  is convergent by the Integral Test.

If the series is approximated by its 10<sup>th</sup> partial sum  $S_{10} = \sum_{n=0}^{10} \frac{24n^2}{(n^3 + 1000)^3}$ ,

find a bound on the error in this approximation:  $E_{10} = S - S_{10}$ .

**Solution:**  $E_{10} = \sum_{n=11}^{\infty} \frac{24n^2}{(n^3 + 1000)^3} < \int_{10}^{\infty} \frac{24n^2}{(n^3 + 1000)^3} dn = \left[ \frac{-4}{(n^3 + 1000)^2} \right]_{10}^{\infty} = 0 - \frac{-4}{(10^3 + 1000)^2}$   
 $= \frac{4}{(2000)^2} = 10^{-6}$

8. (10 points) The series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n^2 + 1}}$  is: (Explain all reasoning. Circle your answer.)

- a. Absolutely Convergent
- b. Absolutely Divergent
- c. Conditionally Convergent
- d. Conditionally Divergent
- e. Divergent

**Solution:** The Related Absolute Series is  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n^2 + 1}}$ . We apply the Limit Comparison Test

comparing to  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  which is a divergent harmonic series.

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n^2 + 1}} \frac{n}{1} = 1 \quad \text{So the absolute series is also divergent.}$$

We apply the Alternating Series Test to the original series.

The  $(-1)^n$  says it alternates.  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n^2 + 1}}$  decreases and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n^2 + 1}} = 0$ .

So the original series converges and so is Conditionally Convergent.

9. (12 points) A bucket contains 50 gal of salt water containing 5 lb of salt. Salt water with a concentration of  $0.2 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{gal}}$  is added at the rate  $5 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{min}}$ .

The water is kept well mixed and drained at  $5 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{min}}$ .

How much salt is in the bucket after 10 min?

**Solution:** Let  $S(t)$  be the amount of salt in the bucket at time  $t$ .

The differential equation is  $\frac{dS}{dt} = 0.2 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{gal}} 5 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{min}} - \frac{S \text{ lb}}{50 \text{ gal}} 5 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{min}}$

It's linear. The standard form is:  $\frac{dS}{dt} + \frac{1}{10} S = 1$  We identify  $P = \frac{1}{10}$ .

The integrating factor is  $I = \exp\left(\int P dt\right) = e^{t/10}$ .

We multiply the standard form and integrate:

$$e^{t/10} \frac{dS}{dt} - \frac{1}{10} e^{t/10} S = e^{t/10} \quad \frac{d}{dt} (e^{t/10} S) = e^{t/10} \quad e^{t/10} S = \int e^{t/10} dt = 10e^{t/10} + C$$

The initial condition is  $S(0) = 5$ , or  $t = 0$  and  $S = 5$ . So  $e^0 5 = 10e^0 + C$   $C = -5$

So the solution is  $S = 10 - 5e^{-t/10}$ .  $S(10) = 10 - 5e^{-1}$

10. (13 points) Find the Interval of Convergence of the series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n} 3^n} (x-2)^n$ .

Follow these steps. Be sure to name any Convergence Tests you use.

a. (4 pts) Find the Radius of Convergence.

**Solution:** We apply the Ratio Test.  $|a_n| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n} 3^n} |x-2|^n$   $|a_{n+1}| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1} 3^{n+1}} |x-2|^{n+1}$

$$\rho = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|a_{n+1}|}{|a_n|} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x-2|^{n+1}}{\sqrt{n+1} 3^{n+1}} \frac{\sqrt{n} 3^n}{|x-2|^n} = \frac{|x-2|}{3} < 1 \quad |x-2| < 3 \quad R = 3$$

Open interval of convergence is  $(2-3, 2+3) = (-1, 5)$

b. (4 pts) Check convergence at the left endpoint.

Be sure to name and check out any Convergence Tests you use.

$x =$  \_\_\_\_\_

**Solution:**  $x = -1$   $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n} 3^n} (-3)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$   $p$ -series with  $p = \frac{1}{2} < 1$  divergent

c. (4 pts) Check convergence at the right endpoint.

Be sure to name and check out any Convergence Tests you use.

$x =$  \_\_\_\_\_

**Solution:**  $x = 5$   $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n} 3^n} (3)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n}}$  Alt Ser, decr.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n}} = 0$  convergent

d. (1 pts) State the Interval of Convergence.

**Solution:**  $(-1, 5]$