

# Math 243

(Ch 1) seq  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \rightarrow a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = ? \quad \textcircled{1} \text{ Know } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$$

or

$$\textcircled{2} f(x) \text{ such that } f(n) = a_n$$
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

Series:  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots$

test for divergence / convergence

1) Divergence Test

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0 \text{ or DNE}$$

$\rightarrow \sum a_n$  diverges

Convergence of  $\sum a_n$  means a limit exists... =  $S$

How: let  $S_n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$

finite number

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = S$$

$n \rightarrow \infty$   $\nearrow$  seq. of partial sums

or we can approximate  $S \approx S_n$  for a "large"  $n$

given some  $\sum a_n$ , test if it does converge (and when)

Tests (1) Integral Test if  $f(n) = a_n$   
and  $f(x)$  is cont, pos, and decreasing  
on  $[1, \infty)$

then  $\int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$  behaves like  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$

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

(3) Comparison Test,  $a_n, b_n$  are positive  
 $a_n \leq b_n$  for all  $n$

(1) if  $\sum a_n$  diverges  $\rightarrow \sum b_n$  diverges

(2) if  $\sum b_n$  converges  $\rightarrow \sum a_n$  converges

(4) Limit Comparison  $a_n, b_n$  are positive

if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = c > 0$  (positive finite number)

then they behave alike.

(5) Alternating series

$$\sum (-1)^n b_n \quad \leftarrow b_n \text{ is pos}$$

if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow$  alt. series converges.

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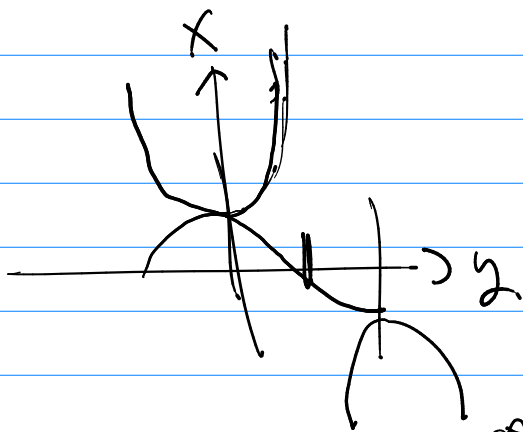
$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2-1}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2^2-1}} + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{3^2-1}} + \frac{1}{4\sqrt{4^2-1}} + \dots$$

① Divergence test  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2-1}} = 0$  (test fails)  
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x\sqrt{x^2-1}} = 0$  (don't know)

② integral test.  $\int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{x\sqrt{x^2-1}} dx$

Let  $b \rightarrow \infty$   $\int_2^b \frac{1}{x\sqrt{x^2-1}} = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \text{arc sec}(b) - \text{arc sec}(2) = \text{const.}$

Converges



So  $\sum \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2-1}}$  Conver.

③ Comparison test.  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2-1}}$

$\frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2-1}} \sim \frac{1}{n}$  is big.  $\frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2-1}} = \frac{1}{n^2}$  is Conver.

guess convergent  $\frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2-1}} < \frac{1}{n}$  & take bigger  $\frac{1}{n}$  & take smaller  $\frac{1}{n^2}$

④ Limit comparison test.  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2-1}}$

Guess  $\frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2-1}} \sim \frac{1}{n}$  is big.  $\frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2-1}} = \frac{1}{n^2}$  is Conver.

$$\text{find } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n\sqrt{n-1}}}{\frac{1}{n^2}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{n\sqrt{n-1}}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^2-1}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\frac{1}{n^2}}} = 1 \leftarrow \text{POSITIVE finite}$$

So  $\frac{1}{n^2}$  behaves like  $\frac{1}{n\sqrt{n-1}} \rightarrow \boxed{\text{conv}}$

back to

Comparison test.

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

guess

for large  $n$   $\frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2+3}} \sim \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2}} = \frac{1}{n \cdot |n|} = \frac{1}{n^2}$   $\text{conv}$

if you guess convergent  $\frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2+3}} \leq \frac{1}{n^2} \leq \frac{1}{n^2} \leq \boxed{\text{conv}}$

ex  $\frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2+3}} \leq \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2+0}} = \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2}} = \frac{1}{n^2}$  know this is conv.

conv  
 $\rightarrow \sum \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2+3}}$   
also conv.

Alt. series test

$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n^2-1}}$   $\leftarrow$  not alternating

So can't use this test

Ex  $\frac{1}{\ln(3)} - \frac{1}{\ln(4)} + \frac{1}{\ln(5)} - \frac{1}{\ln(6)} + \dots$

$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{\ln(n+2)}$  is an alternating series.

So  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ln(n+2)} = 0$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ln(x+2)} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$

and so  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{\ln(n+2)}$  is convergent.

Ex  $S_6 = \frac{1}{\ln(3)} - \frac{1}{\ln(4)} + \frac{1}{\ln(5)} - \frac{1}{\ln(6)} + \frac{1}{\ln(7)} - \frac{1}{\ln(8)}$

$= 0.285116009597483 \rightarrow \text{error} < 0.455119613313419$

$S_6$ 's error  $< \frac{1}{\ln(9)}$

11.6 Absolute Convergence  $\rightarrow$  convergence of the absolute value of the series.

Def when  $\sum |a_n|$  converges

we say  $\sum a_n$  is absolutely convergent.

Ex  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  is divergent by p-series test

but  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \left[ \frac{1}{n} \right] = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} - \dots$

by alt. series test  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$

so alt. harmonic does converge.

Consider absolute convergence.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{n} \quad \xrightarrow{\text{abs value}} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{n} \right|$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \quad \text{diverges}$$

$\rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{n}$  is convergent  
but not absolutely convergent

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

① alt. series test  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = 0$

$\rightarrow$  converges

② abs value  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{n^2} \right| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$  is

a convergent p-series

$\rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{n^2}$  is absolutely convergent

$\sum a_n$  if a series is absolutely convergent  
 $\rightarrow$  it is convergent as well.

abs. conv vs conv

not conv.  
and not abs. conv.

(ex)  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (-1)^i$

not convergent  
(divergent)

convergent  
and not abs. conv.

(ex)  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{i+1} \frac{1}{n}$

conditionally  
convergent

convergent  
and absolutely convergent

(ex)  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{i+1} \frac{1}{n^2}$

abs. convergent

tests for abs. convergence

Ratio Test

(1)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = L$

if  $L < 1$  then  $\sum a_n$  is absolutely  
conv.

(2) if  $L > 1$  or  $L = \infty$  then  $\sum a_n$  is divergent

(3)  $L = 1$ , then test fails  $\rightarrow$  do something else.

Note:  $a_n = f(n) \Rightarrow a_n = 3n + n^2$   
 $a_{n+1} = f(n+1) \Rightarrow a_{n+1} = 3(n+1) + (n+1)^2$   
 $a_{\dots} = 3(\dots) + (\dots)^2$

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

Ratio test  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{(n+1)^2}}{\frac{1}{n^2}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{(n+1)^2}$   
 $= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{n^2 + 2n + 1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{2}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}} = 1$

test fails

Root test  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (|a_n|)^{1/n} = L$

① if  $L < 1 \rightarrow \sum a_n$  is abs. conv.

② if  $L > 1 \rightarrow \sum a_n$  is divergent

③ if  $L = 1 \rightarrow$  test fails  $\rightarrow$  do something else!

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{3^n}{2^n n^3}$

Ratio test  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{3^{n+1}}{2^{n+1} (n+1)^3}}{\frac{3^n}{2^n n^3}}$



$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^{n+1}}{2^{n+1} (n+1)^3} \cdot \frac{2^n (n)^3}{3^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^{\cancel{n+1}}}{\cancel{2}^{\cancel{n+1}}} \frac{\cancel{2}^{\cancel{n}}}{2^{\cancel{n+1}}} \frac{2^{\cancel{n}}}{(n+1)^3}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (3) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{(1+\frac{1}{n})^3}\right) = (3) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) (1) = \frac{3}{2}$$

So  $L = 3/2 > 1 \Rightarrow$  divergent

$\Rightarrow$   $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^{100} 100^n}{n!}$

ratio test  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)^{100} 100^{n+1}}{(n+1)! \frac{n^{100} 100^n}{n!}}$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)^{100} 100^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{n!}{n^{100} 100^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)^{100}}{(n+1)} \cdot \frac{100^{n+1}}{100^n} \cdot \frac{n!}{(n+1)!}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{(1+\frac{1}{n})^{100}}{1} \right) (100) \left( \frac{\cancel{n}(\cancel{n-1})\dots(1)}{(n+1)(n)(n-1)(n-2)\dots(1)} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1+\frac{1}{n})^{100} (100) \left( \frac{1}{n+1} \right) = (1)(100)(0) = 0$$

$L = 0 < 1 \Rightarrow \sum \frac{n^{100} 100^n}{n!}$  is abs. conv.

$\Rightarrow$   $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^n}{n^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{2^n}{n^n}$

root test  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (|a_n|)^{1/n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{2^n}{n^n} \right)^{1/n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{n} = 0$

$$\text{so } L=0 < 1 \rightarrow \sum \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} \text{ is } \boxed{\text{abs. conv.}}$$

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

Ratio test:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{\ln(n+1)}}{\frac{1}{\ln n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n}{\ln(n+1)} = 1$

→ consider  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln x}{\ln(x+1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{x+1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x+1}{x} = 1$

L=1 so test fails

Alternating test.

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ln n} = 0 \Rightarrow \sum (-1)^n \frac{1}{\ln n}$   
 is  $\boxed{\text{conv.}}$

$\sum (-1)^n b_n$   
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{conv.}}$

check the absolute value of the seq.

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^n}{\ln n} \right| = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\ln n}$$

guess this diverges  $\rightarrow$  compare to  $\frac{1}{n}$

limit-comparison test  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n}}{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1} = \infty$

b/c  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1} = \infty$

test failed

Comparison: guess divergent

$\frac{1}{n^2} \geq \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow$  divergent

$\therefore \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$  is conditionally convergent

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Strategy on  $\sum a_n$

① know div. and conv. series  
geometric, p-series

② Does  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0$  (divergence test)

③ alt. series  $\sum (-1)^n b_n$

↑  
check  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 0$

④  $n!$   $\rightarrow$  use ratio test.

⑤  $( )^n$  in  $\rightarrow$  maybe try root test

⑥ Integral test

⑦ limit comparison / comparison

ex  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2n e^{-n^2+1}$

div. test  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2n e^{-n^2+1} = 0$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 2x e^{x^2+1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x}{e^{x^2-1}}$

$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{2x e^{x^2-1}} = 0$

integral test

$\int_1^{\infty} 2x e^{-x^2+1} dx$

$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b 2x e^{-x^2+1} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} - \int_0^{-b^2+1} e^u du$

$du = -2x dx$

$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} (-e^u) \Big|_0^{-b^2+1} = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} -e^{-b^2+1} + 1 = 0 + 1 = 1$

So  $\int_1^{\infty} 2x e^{-x^2+1} dx$  is convergent

$\rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2n e^{-n^2+1}$  is also convergent

ex

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \cos\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n \cos\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n = \begin{matrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \neq 0$

$\rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \cos\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$  is divergent.

div. test.

