

Math 1B
Test 3 Review

1. Determine whether $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{\pi}\right)^n$ converges or diverges. If it converges, find the sum.

Solution:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{\pi}\right)^n = 1 + \frac{3}{\pi} + \frac{3^2}{\pi^2} + \frac{3^3}{\pi^3} + \dots$$

the series is geometric with a common ratio $r = \frac{3}{\pi} < 1$. So

$$S = \frac{a}{1-r}$$

$$S = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{3}{\pi}}$$

$$S = \frac{1}{\frac{\pi - 3}{\pi}}$$

$$S = \frac{\pi}{\pi - 3}$$

convergent!

2. Consider the telescoping series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n^2 + 2n}$.

a) Find a formula a_i for the decomposition of the general term of the given infinite series.

b) Express the series as a partial sum s_n in sigma notation, $s_n = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i$.

c) Expand the partial sum s_n and simplify.

d) Find the sum of the infinite series, if it exists. Show all your work. NO CAS!

Solution

$$a) \quad \frac{4}{n(n+2)} = \frac{A}{n} + \frac{B}{n+2}$$

$$4 = A(n+2) + B \cdot n$$

$$\text{Let } n=0$$

$$4 = 2A$$

$$A = 2$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} n = -2 \\ 4 = -2B \\ B = -2 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$4 = -2B$$

$$B = -2$$

$$\text{Let } a_i = \frac{2}{i} - \frac{2}{i+2}$$

$$b) \quad s_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[\frac{2}{i} - \frac{2}{i+2} \right]$$

$$c) \quad s_n = \underbrace{\left(2 - \frac{2}{3}\right)}_{i=1} + \underbrace{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)}_{i=2} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{2}{3} - \frac{2}{5}\right)}_{i=3} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}\right)}_{i=4} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{2}{5} - \frac{2}{7}\right)}_{i=5} + \dots$$

$$+ \underbrace{\left(\frac{2}{n-3} - \frac{2}{n-1}\right)}_{i=n-3} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{2}{n-2} - \frac{2}{n}\right)}_{i=n-2} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{2}{n-1} - \frac{2}{n+1}\right)}_{i=n-1} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{2}{n} - \frac{2}{n+2}\right)}_{i=n}$$

$$d) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[2 + 1 - \frac{2}{n+1} - \frac{2}{n+2} \right]$$

$$= 3 \quad \text{Converges!}$$

For problems 3-6, determine whether the series converges or diverges. State any tests that you use and show all steps.

3. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1+3^n}{2^n}$ $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1+3^n}{2^n} \stackrel{?}{=} 0$, Maybe, Maybe Not

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

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

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n}$ converges, since it's geometric with $|r| = \left| \frac{1}{2} \right| < 1$

But $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^n$ diverges, since it's geometric with $|r| = \left| \frac{3}{2} \right| \geq 1$.

Hence, the series diverges by G.S.T.

$$4. \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{4k^2-3}{7k^2+6} \right)^k$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{4k^2-3}{7k^2+6} \right)^k = 0, \text{ Maybe}$$

Solution let's use the root test.

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[k]{\left| \left(\frac{4k^2-3}{7k^2+6} \right)^k \right|} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4k^2-3}{7k^2+6}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{LTE}}{=} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4k^2}{7k^2}$$

$$= \frac{4}{7} < 1$$

Hence, by the "Root Test" the series converges.

5. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1 + \sin^2 n}{5^n}$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \sin^2 n}{5^n} = 0, \text{ Yes.}$

Solution

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{5^n} + \frac{\sin^2 n}{5^n} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{5^n} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2 n}{5^n}$$

① $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{5^n}$ converges, since it's geometric with $|r| = |\frac{1}{5}| < 1$

② $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2 n}{5^n}$ converges, since $0 \leq \sin^2 n \leq 1$

and $\frac{\sin^2 n}{5^n} \leq \frac{1}{5^n}$. So the series converges

by the "Direct Comparison Test" (DCT)

Hence the given series converges.

6. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n)!}{n^{2n}}$ $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2n)!}{n^{2n}} \stackrel{?}{=} 0$, I think so.

Solution: let use the ratio test.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[2(n+1)]!}{(n+1)^{2(n+1)}} \cdot \frac{n^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

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

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

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

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \right)^{2n} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4n^2 + 6n + 2}{n^2 + 2n + 1}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n \right]^{-2} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4n^2 + 6n + 2}{n^2 + 2n + 1}$$

$$= e^{-2} \cdot 4 = \frac{4}{e^2} < 1$$

Hence, by the "Ratio Test" the series converges.

7. Classify the series below as absolutely convergent, conditionally convergent, or divergent. State any tests you use and show all steps.

a) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n+4}}$

b) $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{k^2}{\sqrt{k^6+1}}$

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

a) Let's first check for absolute convergence.
Let $b_n = |a_n| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+4}}$. So we get

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+4}}$$

Let's compare it with $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{1}{n^{1/2}}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{n+4}}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}} \right] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n+4}} = 1$$

Hence, since $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$ diverges by the p-series Test, our series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+4}}$ diverges by the "Limit Comparison Test." Therefore our original series is Not absolutely convergent.

Next we will check for conditionally convergent.

a) Continued

$$\text{let } b_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+4}}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+4}} = 0$$

$\textcircled{2}$ Clearly $b_{n+1} \leq b_n$ since $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n+5}} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+4}}$.

Hence, by the "Alternating Series Test" the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n+4}}$ is conditionally convergent.

b) First we will check for absolute convergence. Let $b_n = |a_n| = \frac{K^2}{\sqrt{K^6+1}}$.
We get $\sum_{K=1}^{\infty} \frac{K^2}{\sqrt{K^6+1}}$

Using the "Limit Comparison Test" with $\frac{1}{K}$

$$\lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{\frac{K^2}{\sqrt{K^6+1}}}{\frac{1}{K}} \right] = \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \frac{K^3}{\sqrt{K^6+1}}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{LTE}}{=} \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \frac{K^3}{\sqrt{K^6}}$$

$$= \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \frac{K^3}{K^3}$$

$$= 1$$

b) continued

Since the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k}$ diverges by the "Limit Comparison Test", our series is not absolutely convergent.

Next will check for conditional convergence.

$$\text{let } b_n = \frac{k^2}{\sqrt{k^6 + 1}}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k^2}{\sqrt{k^6 + 1}} \stackrel{\text{DCE}}{=} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k^2}{\sqrt{k^6}} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k^2}{k^3} = 0$$

\textcircled{2} It is not clear that $b_{k+1} \leq b_k$
that is

$$\frac{(k+1)^3}{\sqrt{(k+1)^6 + 1}} \stackrel{?}{\leq} \frac{k^3}{\sqrt{k^6 + 1}}$$

$$\text{So we let } f(x) = \frac{x^3}{\sqrt{x^6 + 1}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{(x^6 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 2x - x^3 \cdot \frac{1}{2} (x^6 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 6x^5}{x^6 + 1} \\ &= \frac{x(x^6 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2(x^6 + 1) - 3x^6)}{(x^6 + 1)^1} \end{aligned}$$

b) continued

$$f'(x) = \frac{x(2-x^6)}{(x^6+1)^{3/2}} < 0 \text{ for } x \geq 2$$

Hence, $b_{k+1} \leq b_k$ for $k \geq 2$

Thus the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{k^2}{\sqrt{k^6+1}}$ is conditionally convergent by AST!

c) First we check for absolute convergence.
 let $b_n = |a_n| = \frac{2n-1}{n^3-1}$

We will use the "Limit Comparison Test," with $\frac{1}{n^2}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{\frac{2n-1}{n^3-1}}{\frac{1}{n^2}} \right] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n^3 - n^2}{n^3 - 1} \stackrel{\text{LTE}}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n^3}{n^3} = 2$$

Since $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ converges by the p-series

Test, our series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{2n-1}{n^3-1}$ converges by "LCT."

So our original series is absolutely convergent and therefore converges by "ACT."

A calculator may be used to help solve problem 8.

8. Solve the problems below. CAS may be used to help solve these problem.

- a) Consider the infinite series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^6}$. Using the **Remainder Estimate for the Integral**

Test, find the smallest n such that the approximation is accurate to five decimal places ($R_n \leq 0.000001 = 1 \times 10^{-6}$). Using the n you found, determine with your calculator an approximation for the given infinite series to four decimal places of accuracy.

- b) Consider the infinite series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{n^6}$. Using the **Alternating Series Estimation**

Theorem, find the smallest n such that the approximation is accurate to five decimal places ($R_n \leq 0.0000001 = 1 \times 10^{-6}$). Using the n you found, determine with your calculator an approximation for the given infinite series to four decimal places of accuracy.

a) Clearly the series converges by the Integral Test.

$$\text{Let } \int_n^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^6} dx \leq 1 \times 10^{-6}, \text{ by "REIT"}$$

By CAS we get

$$\frac{1}{5n^5} \leq 1 \times 10^{-6}$$

Solve for n we get

$$n \geq 11.487$$

Let $n = 12$, smallest n .

$$\sum_{n=1}^{12} \frac{1}{n^6} \approx 1.01734$$

b) Clearly the series converges by AST.

Let $b^{n+1} \leq 1 \times 10^{-6}$, by "ASET"

$$\frac{1}{(n+1)^6} \leq 1 \times 10^{-6}$$

By CAS $n \geq 9$

Let $n=9$, smallest n .

$$\sum_{n=1}^9 (-1)^n \cdot \frac{1}{n^6} \approx -0.98555$$