

9.1 Practice (Infinite Sequences)

Ex1 Write first four terms +
determine if sequence converges
or diverges.

$$a_n = (2n)^{1/2n}$$

A sequence $\{a_n\}$
converges if
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \text{finite } \#$
otherwise, $\{a_n\}$
diverges

Ex2 Find explicit formula for a_n . Determine if
it converges or diverges.

$$1 - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{5}, \dots$$

Ex 3 Determine if sequence $\{a_n\}$ converges or diverges

(a) $a_n = 2 + (0.99)^n$

(b) $a_n = (1 - \frac{1}{4})(1 - \frac{1}{9}) \dots (1 - \frac{1}{n^2}), n \geq 2$

Ex 4 Write explicit formula + determine if sequence converges or diverges

(a) $-1, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{7}, -\frac{5}{9}, \dots$

(b) $a_1 = 1$
 $a_{n+1} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} a_n$

9.2 Practice (Infinite Series)

Ex1 Do these series converge or diverge?

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{5^{n+1}}{8^{n-1}}$

(b) $\sum_{k=3}^{\infty} \frac{2k+1}{2k-3}$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$$

① n^{th} term test for Divergence

if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0$, then

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

② Geometric series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ar^n = \frac{a}{1-r} \quad (\text{a constant})$$

if $|r| < 1$

otherwise, if $|r| \geq 1$,
this diverges

Notes:

$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a linear operator
on convergent positive
series, i.e.

$$\textcircled{1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k + b_k) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k$$

and

$$\textcircled{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ca_k = c \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$$

if $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$ and $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k$

are both convergent
positive series

Ex 2 Write as infinite series & then fraction.

0.12565656...

Ex 3 Do these series converge or diverge?

(a) $\sum_{n=4}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n-3} \right)$

(b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[2 \left(\frac{3}{5} \right)^n + 500 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^n \right]$

Ex 4 Show $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)$ diverges.

9.3 Practice (Positive Series Tests)

Ex 1 Do these series converge or diverge?

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^{-3n^4}}{n^e}$

(b) $\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n^{93}} + \frac{1}{3^n} \right)$

① n^{th} term test for Divergence
if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0$, $\sum a_n$ diverges

② Geometric series
 $\sum_{n=k}^{\infty} ar^n = \frac{ar^k}{1-r}$ if $|r| < 1$
diverges if $|r| \geq 1$

③ P-series
 $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p} \begin{cases} \text{converges, } p > 1 \\ \text{diverges, } p \leq 1 \end{cases}$

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⑦ Integral Test
 f continuous, positive, nonincreasing fn on $[k, \infty)$
 $\sum_{n=k}^{\infty} a_n$ converges $a_n = f(n)$
 $\Leftrightarrow \int_k^{\infty} f(x) dx$ converges

⑧ Argument of Partial Sums
if $S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k$
and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = S < \infty$,
then $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$ converges
if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$ DNE or goes to ∞ ,
 $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$ diverges

★ note: This is the order of tests I prefer. The other tests are filled in on page

Ex 2 How large should n be so that S_n approximates S w/ error no bigger than 0.001?

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j^{9/8}}$$

$$(E_n = \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j^{9/8}})$$

$$E_n < \int_n^{\infty} f(x) dx$$

when $f(k) = a_k \forall k=1,2,\dots$

and

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

Ex 3 Do these series converge or diverge?

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

(b) $\sum_{n=10}^{\infty} \frac{5}{(n+1)^2}$

9.4 Practice (Positive Series: More Tests)

Positive Series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$

Ex 1 Do these series converge or diverge?

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

(b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^{10}+1}{5^n}$

④ LCT (Limit Comparison Test)

$$a_n \geq 0, b_n > 0$$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = L$ if $0 < L < \infty$,
 $\sum a_n$ and $\sum b_n$
converge or
diverge together

(if $L=0$ and $\sum b_n$ converges,
then $\sum a_n$ converges)

⑤ RT (ratio Test)

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \rho$ $\begin{cases} \rho < 1 & \text{converges} \\ \rho > 1 & \text{diverges} \\ \rho = 1 & \text{inconclusive} \end{cases}$

⑥ OCT (Ordinary Comparison Test)

$$0 \leq a_n \leq b_n \text{ for } n \geq N.$$

$\sum b_n$ converges $\Rightarrow \sum a_n$ converges

$\sum a_n$ diverges $\Rightarrow \sum b_n$ diverges

also see
summary note on page 473
of book

EX2 Do these series converge or diverge?

$$(a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n^{1000}}$$

$$(b) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{5 + \cos^2 n}$$

$$(c) \frac{\ln 2}{2^2} + \frac{\ln 3}{3^2} + \frac{\ln 4}{4^2} + \dots$$

$$(d) 1 + \frac{2}{3^2 \sqrt{3}} + \frac{3}{5^2 \sqrt{5}} + \frac{4}{7^2 \sqrt{7}} + \dots$$

EX 3 Do these series converge or diverge?

$$(a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^n}{(2n)!}$$

$$(b) \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{2}{n}\right)^{5n}$$

$$(c) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{10^j + j^{10}}{(2j)!}$$

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