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Today: 11.7: Review of convergence of series

Tmwk: series of polynomials (11.8)

Next Monday: Hmwk 12 due @ 5

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"Fundamental" Series

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

②  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n = \begin{cases} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} |x_i - r| : -1 < r < 1 \text{ (same as } |d| < 1) \\ \text{diverges : otherwise (same as } |r| \geq 1) \end{cases}$

"geometric series"

The Convergence Tests

- Comparison tes
- Limit comparison test
- Divergence test
- Alternating Series test
- Ratio test
- Root test
- Integral test

$$\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2+5}$$

$$0 \leq \frac{1}{n^2+6} \leq \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$$0 = \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} 0 \leq \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2+5} \leq \underbrace{\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}}_{\text{P-series } p=2 > 1} < \infty$$

By the comparing test,

P-series  $p = 2 > 1$

$$\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2+5} \text{ Converges}$$

Example

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{3n^5 + n^{7/4}}}{n^3 + 1} \rightarrow \text{compare to } \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{n^5}}{n^3} \Rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^{5/2}}{n^3} \Rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{1/2}} \Rightarrow \text{diverges}$$

p-series  $p = \frac{1}{2} \leq 1$

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Use limit comparison test:

$$a_n = \frac{\sqrt{3n^5 + n^{7/4}}}{n^3 + 1} \quad b_n = \frac{\sqrt{n^5}}{n^3}$$

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$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{3n^5 + n^{7/4}} / \sqrt{n^5}}{(n^3 + 1) / n^3} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{3 + n^{7/4-5}}}{1 + 1/n^3} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{3 + 1/n^{13/4}}}{1 + 1/n^3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Downarrow \\ &\text{Eventually } \frac{a_n}{b_n} > \sqrt{3} - 0.001 \leftarrow \sqrt{3} \leftarrow \frac{\sqrt{3+0}}{1+0} \\ &\Downarrow \\ &\text{Eventually } a_n > (\sqrt{3} - 0.001) b_n \end{aligned}$$

So... by the LCT,  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n = \infty$

Since  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n$  diverges,  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n$  diverges too!

In general, if

$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n}$  is a finite <sup>non-zero</sup> number, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  &  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$

either both converge or both diverge.  $\leftarrow$  section 11.4  
 $\leftarrow$  need  $a_n$  &  $b_n > 0$ .

Other tricks for comparisons:  $n \geq 1 \Rightarrow 0 \leq \ln(n) < n$   
for all  $n$ ,  $-1 \leq \sin(n) \leq 1$

Divergence test: If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0$ , then  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$  diverges.

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \sin(1/n)$  diverges because:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \sin(1/n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin(1/n)}{1/n} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1 \neq 0$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x}{1} = \frac{\cos 0}{1} = 1 \neq 0$$

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

Easy  $\sum_{n=5}^{\infty} n^2 = \infty$  because  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^2 = \infty \neq 0$



• Ratio test: good for products of  $n$  things like  $5^n, n!, n^n, \dots$  [p.3]

• Root test: good for  $n^{\text{th}}$  powers of variable things, like:  $n^n, \left(\frac{1}{2n(n)}\right)^n, \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^n, (\cos(3n))^n, \dots$

• Ratio + Root test are bad for things like  $\frac{n^3}{n^5 - 7n}$ . Use LCT instead.

• Alternating Series Test: good for:

$(-1)^n b_n$  or If  $b_0 \geq b_1 \geq b_2 \geq b_3 \geq \dots \geq 0$ , then

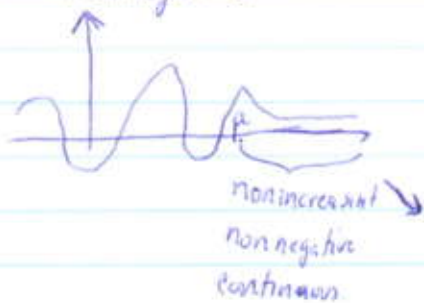
$(-1)^{n+1} b_n$  or  
 $(-1)^{n-1} b_n, \dots$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n b_n \text{ converges} \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n \neq 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n b_n \neq 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n b_n \text{ diverges} \end{array} \right.$

• Integral test: If  $f(x)$  is eventually non increasing,  $\neq$  nonnegative and eventually continuous, say on  $[a, \infty)$ , then

$$\int_a^{\infty} f(x) dx < \infty \Rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f(n) \text{ converges}$$

$$\int_a^{\infty} f(x) dx = \infty \Rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f(n) \text{ diverges}$$



Little example  $\rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \ln^2 n}$   $f(x) = \frac{1}{x \ln^2 x}$   $x > 1 \Rightarrow x \neq \ln x > 0$

$x, x^2, \ln x$  are  $\nearrow$  everywhere

so  $x \cdot (\ln x)^2$  is  $\nearrow$  everywhere

so  $\frac{1}{x(\ln x)^2}$  is  $\searrow$  on  $(1, \infty)$ . also cts on  $(1, \infty)$  b/c  $x + \ln x$  are contin.  $\neq 0$  on  $(1, \infty)$

$$\int_2^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x \ln x} = \int_{\ln 2}^{\infty} \frac{du}{u^2} \quad \frac{1}{u^2} < \infty$$

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$$u = \ln x \quad \begin{array}{l} x = 2 \Rightarrow u = \ln 2 \\ x \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow u \rightarrow \infty \end{array}$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow du = \frac{dx}{x}$$

$$\int_a^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^p} \quad \begin{cases} \text{converges: } p > 1 \\ \text{diverges: } p \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$a > 0$

by the IT,  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \ln^2 n}$  converges