

MATH 152-Spring 2020
Week in Review X



Section 11.4

Comparison/Limit Comparison Test

Comparison Test: Suppose $0 < a_n < b_n$ for $n > N$

- 1) If $\sum b_n$ converges, then $\sum a_n$ converges
- 2) If $\sum a_n$ diverges, then $\sum b_n$ diverges

(NO knowledge otherwise)

Limit Comparison Test: If $a_n > 0$ and $b_n > 0$, and $0 < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} < \infty$
then $\sum a_n$ and $\sum b_n$ both converge or both diverge

Determine whether the following series are convergent or divergent. Explain why.

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

for $n \geq 1$, $0 < \sin(\frac{1}{n}) \leq 1$

$$0 < \frac{\sin(\frac{1}{n})}{n^2} \leq \frac{1}{n^2}$$

We know $\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$ converges by p-Test ($\sum \frac{1}{n^p}$ converges if $p > 1$)

$\therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(\frac{1}{n})}{n^2}$ converges by Comparison to $\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$



$b_n > a_n$
 $0 < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} < \infty$ $a_n > b_n$
 dominating terms

(b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{(n+2)(n-3)}$
 $\sum_{n=4}^{\infty} \frac{n}{n^2-n-6}$
 $a_n = \frac{n}{n^2} = \frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{n}$ diverges by p-test want it smaller
 $b_n = \frac{n}{n^2-n-6}$

Comparison: $a_n < b_n$?
 $\frac{1}{n} < \frac{n}{n^2-n-6}$?
 $n^2-n-6 < n^2$?
 $-n-6 < 0$
 $-1 < \frac{1}{6}$
 $n > -6$ True because n starts at 4

since smaller series diverges, then $\sum_{n=4}^{\infty} \frac{n}{(n+2)(n-3)}$ diverges by Comparison

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

$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n}{(n+2)(n+3)}$ compare with $\frac{n}{n^2} = \frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{n}$ diverges

$\frac{1}{n} < \frac{n}{n^2+5n+6}$
 $n^2+5n+6 < n^2$
 $5n < -6$
 $n < -\frac{6}{5}$ "Wrong" inequality \Rightarrow Use Limit Comp

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n}}{\frac{n}{n^2+5n+6}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{n^2+5n+6}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2+5n+6}{n^2} = 1$ $0 < 1 < \infty$

\therefore both behave the same. $\therefore \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n}{(n+2)(n+3)}$ diverges by LCT with $\sum \frac{1}{n}$

(d) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{n+n^2}}{n+n^3}$ Compare with $\frac{\sqrt{n^2}}{n^3} = \frac{n}{n^3} = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum \frac{1}{n^2}$ converges by p-Test

LCT: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n^2}}{\frac{\sqrt{n+n^2}}{n+n^3}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \cdot \frac{n+n^3}{\sqrt{n+n^2}}$
 $= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+n^3}{\sqrt{n^3+n^6}} = \frac{n^3}{\sqrt{n^6}} = \frac{n^3}{n^3} = 1$
 $0 < 1 < \infty$

Since $\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$ converges, $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{n+n^2}}{n+n^3}$ converges by LCT.

2 Section 11.5 Alternating Series Test $a_1 - a_2 + a_3 - a_4 + \dots$

If $a_n > 0$, a_n decreasing, and $a_n \rightarrow 0$,
 then the Alternating Series $\sum (-1)^{n+1} a_n$ converges

If $a_n \rightarrow L \neq 0$, series diverges by Test for Divergence

Error Estimates: if $S_N = \sum_{n=0}^N (-1)^n a_n$, then
 $|S - S_N| < a_{N+1}$

1. Determine whether the following series are convergent or divergent. Explain why.

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \rightarrow$ AST $a_n = \left| \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \right| = \frac{1}{n} > 0$
 a_n decreasing $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) = -\frac{1}{x^2} < 0$
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$
 $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n}$ converges by AST

(b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} 3n^2 e^{-n^3}$ $a_n = \left| (-1)^{n+1} 3n^2 e^{-n^3} \right| = 3n^2 e^{-n^3} > 0$
 a_n dec $\frac{d}{dx} (3x^2 e^{-x^3}) < 0$
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3n^2 e^{-n^3} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n^2}{e^{n^3}} = 0$
 $\therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} 3n^2 e^{-n^3}$ converges by AST

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

$$a_n = \left| \frac{(-1)^n (n+1)}{n} \right| = \frac{n+1}{n} > 0$$

$$a_n \text{ dec } \left(\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{x+1}{x} \right) = -\frac{1}{x^2} < 0 \right)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{n} = 1$$

$\therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (n+1)}{n}$ diverges by Test for Divergence

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

$$a_n = \frac{2 + \cos(n)}{n^2} > 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{2 + \cos x}{x^2} \right) = \frac{x^2 (-\sin x) - (2 + \cos x) 2x}{x^4}$$

$$= \frac{-x \sin x - 4 - 2 \cos x}{x^3} < 0$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2 + \cos(n)}{n^2} = 0$$

$$-1 \leq \cos(n) \leq 1 \quad \text{add 2 everywhere}$$

$$1 \leq 2 + \cos n \leq 3 \quad \div n^2$$

$$\frac{1}{n^2} \leq \frac{2 + \cos n}{n^2} \leq \frac{3}{n^2}$$

$\rightarrow 0$ by Squeeze theorem

2. How many terms of the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^3}$ do you need to add to estimate the sum to within an error of 10^{-6} ? Alt Series

$$|S - S_N| < a_{N+1} < 10^{-6}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{n^3}$$

$$\frac{1}{(N+1)^3} < \frac{1}{10^6}$$

$$(10^6)^{\frac{1}{3}} < ((N+1)^3)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$10^2 < N+1$$

$$N+1 \geq 100$$

$N \geq 99$ at least 99 terms

If ask error after 50 terms?

$$|S - S_{50}| < a_{51} = \frac{1}{51^3}$$

3 Section 11.6 Absolute Convergence and Ratio Test

Absolute Conv: $\sum |a_n|$ converges

if $\sum |a_n|$ conv, then $\sum a_n$ conv

Ratio Test - if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| < 1$ then $\sum a_n$ absolutely converges

if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| > 1$ then $\sum a_n$ diverges

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

1. For the convergent series in #1 of the previous section, determine which are absolutely convergent.

1a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n}$ converges by AST

$a_n = \left| \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \right| = \frac{1}{n}$ does $\sum \frac{1}{n}$ converge? NO by P-Test

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n}$ converges, but NOT absolutely

$1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{6} + \dots$ diverges

BUT $1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{6} + \dots$ converges

1b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} 3n^2 e^{-n^3}$ converges by AST
 $a_n = 3n^2 e^{-n^3}$ $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 3n^2 e^{-n^3}$ → Ratio Test

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

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 + 2n + 1}{n^2} \cdot \frac{e^{-n^3 - 3n^2 - 3n - 1}}{e^{-n^3}}$

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 + 2n + 1}{n^2} \cdot \frac{1}{e^3 \cdot e^{3n} \cdot e^1} = 0 < 1$

$\therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 3n^2 e^{-n^3}$ converges absolutely by Ratio Test

(c) diverged no N/A

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

$a_n = \frac{2 + \cos n}{n^2} \rightarrow$ Comparison Test

$\cos(n) < 1$ add 2
 $2 + \cos(n) < 3$ $\div n^2$
 $\frac{2 + \cos(n)}{n^2} < \frac{3}{n^2}$ $\sum \frac{3}{n^2}$ converges by P-Test

(larger series converges)

$\therefore \sum \frac{2 + \cos(n)}{n^2}$ converges by Comparison with $\sum \frac{3}{n^2}$
 $\therefore \sum \frac{(-1)^n (2 + \cos(n))}{n^2}$ converges absolutely

2. Determine if the following series are absolutely convergent, convergent (but not absolutely), or divergent:

(a) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 4^n}{n! 3^n}$ factorial & exponential \rightarrow Ratio Test

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4^{n+1}}{(n+1)! 3^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{n! 3^n}{4^n}$
 $= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4^{n+1}}{(n+1)! 3^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{n! 3^n}{4^n}$

or $3^{n-(n+1)} = 3^{-1} = 3^{-1}$

$n! = n(n-1)(n-2) \dots (2)(1)$
 $(n+1)! = (n+1)n(n-1)(n-2) \dots (2)(1)$
 $(n+1)! = (n+1)n!$

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n+1} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{4}{1} = 0 < 1$

\therefore series converges absolutely by Ratio Test

(b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} 4^n}{n 3^n}$ Exponentials \rightarrow Ratio Test

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4^{n+1}}{(n+1) 3^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{n 3^n}{4^n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+1} \cdot \frac{3^{n+1}}{3^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{4^{n+1}}{4^n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+1} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{4}{1} = \frac{4}{3} > 1 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore series diverges by Ratio Test

3. Find the values of x for which the series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^n (x-1)^n}{\sqrt{n}}$ converges. Power Series Exponential \rightarrow Ratio Test

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^{n+1} (x-1)^{n+1}}{\sqrt{n+1}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{n}}{3^n (x-1)^n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n+1}} \cdot \frac{3^{n+1}}{3^n} \cdot \frac{|x-1|^{n+1}}{|x-1|^n} < 1 \end{aligned}$$

(We want)

General Rule
if $|x| < a$ ($a > 0$)
then $-a < x < a$

$$\begin{aligned} |x-1| &< \frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} < x-1 < \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$\frac{2}{3} < x < \frac{4}{3}$ series converges absolutely when $x \in (\frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{3})$

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

$x = \frac{4}{3}$ $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^n (\frac{4}{3}-1)^n}{\sqrt{n}} = \sum \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n}}$ converges by AST

Series diverges when $x < \frac{2}{3}$ and $x > \frac{4}{3}$

$x \in (\frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{3}]$

1 Section 11.4

Convergence Tests $\sum a_n$

- 1) Does $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0$? YES series diverges by Test for Divergence
- NO 2) Factorials and/or Exponentials? YES Ratio Test
- NO 3) is there $(-1)^n$? YES AST (may have to continue for abs convergence)
- NO 4) Ratio of Powers? YES LCT
- NO 5) is sine/cosine? YES Comparison Test ($\sin \leq 1$)
- NO 6) Hope to Integrate it

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