

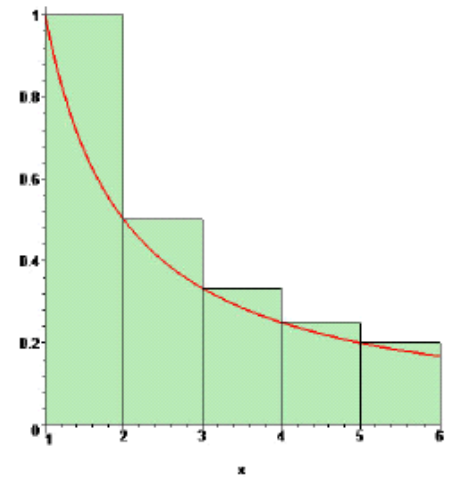
Section 11.3: The Integral Test and Estimates of Sums

Note: In this section all series have positive terms.

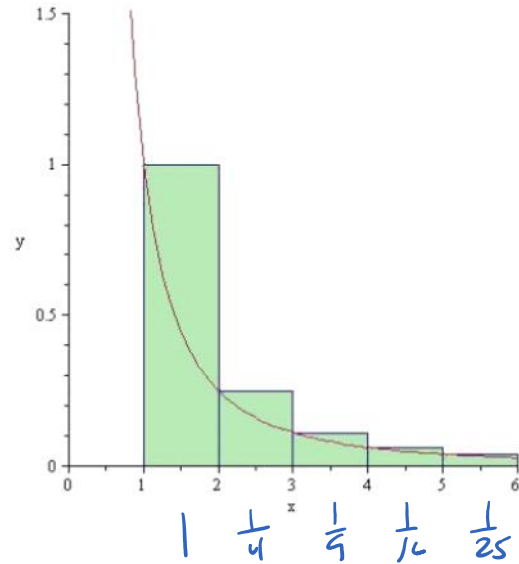
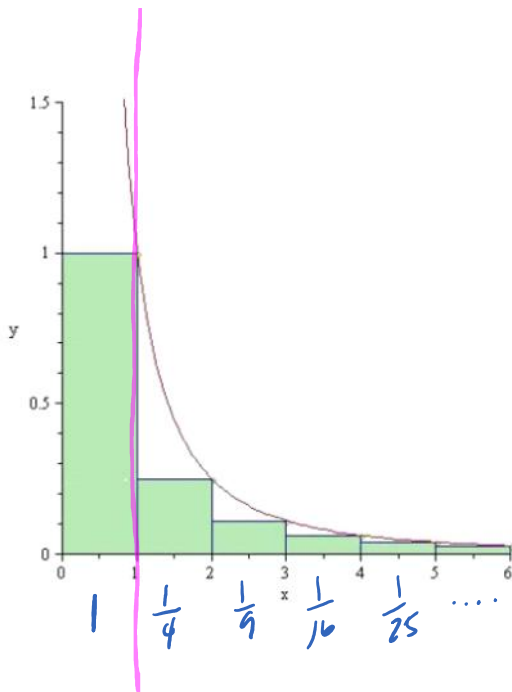
This graph was used to discuss the Harmonic series in section 11.2. We saw that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} > \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} dx > 0$$

and concluded that the Harmonic series diverged.



Here are the graphs for the function $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$. Does the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ converge or diverge?



$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} < \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx$$

p integrals
conv.
 $p=2$

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx < \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$$

no conclusion.

Thus $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ will converge

Thus $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ will conv.

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$
p-series

$p > 1$ the series will converge

$p \leq 1$ the series will diverge

p-series

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The Integral Test Suppose f is continuous, positive, decreasing function on $[1, \infty)$, or on $[A, \infty)$, and let $a_n = f(n)$. Then the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is convergent if and

only if the improper integral $\int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$ is convergent. In other words:

(a) If $\int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$ is convergent then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is convergent.

(b) If $\int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$ is divergent then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is divergent.

Example: Assume that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is a series where $f(n) = a_n$ and $\int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$ converges to the number L . Does this mean that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converge to L ?

no.

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx = 1$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$$

$$\int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx = L$$

Example: Do these series converge or diverge?

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

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{1+n^2} \stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} 1$$

by the test for d.v.
This series will diverge.

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

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

continuous ✓
positive ✓
dec. ✓

$$f'(x) = \frac{(1+x^2)(0) - 1(2x)}{(1+x^2)^2}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{-2x}{(1+x^2)^2} < 0$$

for $x > 0$

Dec ✓

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1+n^2} = 0$
may or may not conv.

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \arctan(x) \Big|_1^t$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (\arctan(t) - \arctan(1))$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4} \quad \checkmark$$

The integral converges.

by the integral test $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+n^2}$ will also conv.

Method 2

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

$$1+x^2 > x^2$$

$$\frac{1}{1+x^2} < \frac{1}{x^2}$$

Know $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx$ conv. p -integral
 $p = 2$

Know $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} dx$ conv. $p = 2$

Thus $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx$ will conv. by the comparison theorem

Thus $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+n^2}$ will conv. by the Integral test.

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

$$f(x) = \frac{(\ln(x))^2}{x}$$

Cont. ✓ for $x > 0$

positive ✓

dec. ✓

$$f'(x) = \frac{x \cdot 2 \ln(x) \cdot \frac{1}{x} - (\ln(x))^2 \cdot 1}{x^2}$$

$$= \frac{2 \ln(x) - (\ln(x))^2}{x^2}$$

$$= \frac{\ln(x) [2 - \ln(x)]}{x^2}$$

$$f'(x) < 0 \quad \text{if} \quad \ln(x) > 2 \\ x > e^2$$

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{(\ln(x))^2}{x} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t \frac{(\ln(x))^2}{x} dx$$

$$u = \ln(x) \\ du = \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_{x=1}^{x=t} u^2 du = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left. \frac{u^3}{3} \right|_{x=1}^{x=t}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left. \frac{(\ln(x))^3}{3} \right|_1^t$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln(t))^3}{3} - 0 = \infty$$

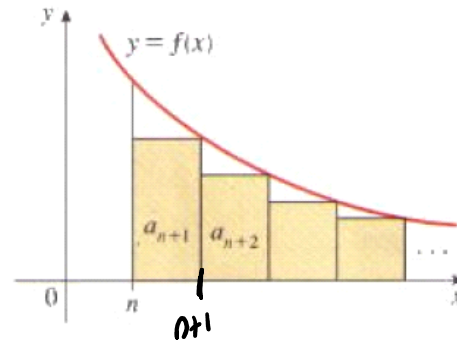
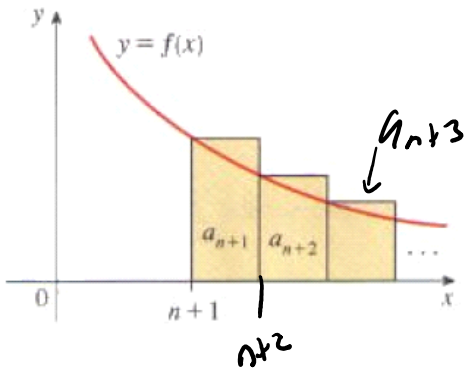
The improper integral diverges

by the Integral test the series will div.

Remainder Estimate For The Integral Test Suppose that $\sum a_n$ converges by the Integral Test to the number s . If s_n is a partial sum that approximates this series, define R_n to be the remainder, i.e. $s_n + R_n = s$, then we get the following bounds on the remainder and the sum:

$$S_n + R_n = S$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i = \underbrace{a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots + a_{n-1} + a_n}_{S_n} + \underbrace{a_{n+1} + a_{n+2} + \dots}_{R_n} = s$$



$$\int_{n+1}^{\infty} f(x) dx \leq R_n \leq \int_n^{\infty} f(x) dx$$

$$S_n + R_n = S$$

$$s_n + \int_{n+1}^{\infty} f(x) dx \leq \underline{\underline{s}} \leq s_n + \int_n^{\infty} f(x) dx$$

Example: Given that this series converges by the Integral test. $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{30}{i^4}$.

$$f(x) = \frac{30}{x^4}$$

- A) Find the bounds on R_{10}
- B) What bounds are on the sum for this series?
- C) If you wanted the error to be less than 0.005, what is the smallest value of n should you use?

upper bound

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{10} &\leq \int_{10}^{\infty} \frac{30}{x^4} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_{10}^t 30x^{-4} dx \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left. \frac{30x^{-3}}{-3} \right|_{10}^t = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left. \frac{-10}{x^3} \right|_{10}^t \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{-10}{t^3} - \frac{-10}{10^3} \right) = + \frac{1}{10^2} = \frac{1}{100}
 \end{aligned}$$

lower bound

$$R_{10} \geq \int_{11}^{\infty} \frac{30}{x^4} dx = \dots = 0 + \frac{10}{11^3} = \frac{10}{11^3}$$

A

$$\frac{10}{11^3} \leq R_{10} \leq \frac{1}{100}$$

Bound on S.

need $S_{10} = 1 + \frac{1}{2^4} + \dots + \frac{1}{10^4} = 32.4610975$

10 - 22.4610975 + $\frac{1}{100}$

$$32.4610975 + \frac{10}{11^3} \leq S \leq 32.4610975 + \frac{1}{100}$$

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$$R_n < .005$$

$$R_n \leq \int_n^{\infty} \frac{30}{x^4} dx < .005$$

$$\int_n^{\infty} \frac{30}{x^4} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_n^t \frac{30}{x^4} dx = \dots = \frac{10}{n^3}$$

$$\frac{10}{n^3} < .005$$

$$\frac{10}{.005} < n^3$$

$$2000 < n^3$$

$$\sqrt[3]{2000} < n$$

$$n > 12.599$$

$$n = 13$$

Example: The following series converges by integral test. Determine the smallest number of terms that should be used if the maximum error of the partial sum should be less than 0.05?

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i^3}$$

$$R_n \leq \int_n^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^3} dx < .05 = \frac{1}{20}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_n^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^3} dx &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_n^t x^{-3} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left. \frac{x^{-2}}{-2} \right|_n^t \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-1}{2t^2} - \frac{-1}{2n^2} = \frac{1}{2n^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2n^2} < \frac{1}{20} &\rightarrow 20 < 2n^2 \\ 10 < n^2 \\ \sqrt{10} < n &\rightarrow n=4 \end{aligned}$$