

Review of §11.1 & §11.2

Sequence  $\{a_n\}$

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

partial sum:  $S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  convergent  $\iff \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = L$ .  
 $\implies L$

(i) geometric series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^{n-1} = \begin{cases} \frac{a}{1-r} & \text{if } |r| < 1 \\ \text{divergent} & \text{if } |r| \geq 1 \end{cases}$

(ii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0 \implies \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is divergent.

# Integral test:

$$~~f(x) = a~~$$

Given a sequence  $\{a_n\}$ , decreasing to zero

$$\text{Let } f(n) = a_n$$

(i) If  $\int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$  is convergent

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \text{ is convergent.}$$

(ii) If  $\int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$  is divergent

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \text{ is divergent.}$$

$$\text{Ex. } ~~f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}~~ \quad a_n = \frac{1}{n^2}, \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$(\text{then } f(n) = \frac{1}{n^2} = a_n)$$

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx = \frac{1}{-2+1} x^{-1} \Big|_1^{\infty} = 1. \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \text{ is } \begin{matrix} \text{Convergent} \\ \swarrow \\ \text{divergent} \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{Ex. } \textcircled{f(x)} \quad a_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \Rightarrow f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx = \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{2}+1} \sqrt{x} \Big|_1^{\infty} = \infty$$

$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$  is divergent.

$$\text{Ex. (p-series)} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p} \quad (\text{iff } p > 0, \frac{1}{n^p} \rightarrow 0)$$

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

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \frac{1}{-p+1} x^{-p+1} \Big|_1^{\infty} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{p-1}, & p > 1 \\ \text{divergent} & p < 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln x \Big|_1^{\infty} = +\infty$$

$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$  is convergent only if  $p > 1$ .

$$\text{ex. } a_n = \frac{\ln n}{n} \quad (\text{for } n \geq 3, a_n \rightarrow 0)$$

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

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

if  $x \geq e$

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{\ln x}{x} dx = \frac{1}{2} (\ln x)^2 \Big|_1^{\infty} = \infty$$

$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\ln n}{n}$  is divergent.

## 11.4 Comparison test

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n, \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \quad \text{with } a_n, b_n \geq 0$$

ⓐ then if  $a_n \leq b_n$ , for all  $n \geq N$

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(i) ~~and~~ if  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  is convergent

$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is also convergent.

(ii) ~~if~~ if  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is divergent

$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  is divergent.

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Ex.  $a_n = \frac{\ln n}{n}$ ,  $b_n = \frac{1}{n}$

so  $a_n \geq b_n$  ( $n \geq 2$ )

and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  is divergent  $\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\ln n}{n}$  is divergent.

$$\text{EX. } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{5}{n^3 + 2n + 3} \quad b_n = \frac{5}{n^3}$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{a_n}$

$$a_n \leq b_n \quad \text{for } n \geq 1$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{5}{n^3} = 5 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3} \text{ is convergent}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{5}{n^3 + 2n + 3} \text{ is convergent.}$$


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Limit test: Given  $\sum a_n$ ,  $\sum b_n$

with  $a_n, b_n \geq 0$

If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = c \neq 0$ , then

either  $\sum a_n, \sum b_n$  both are convergent,  
or divergent.

$$\text{Ex. } \sum \frac{5}{n^3 + 2n + 3}$$

||  
 $a_n$

$$\text{set } b_n = \frac{1}{n^3}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{5}{n^3 + 2n + 3}}{\frac{1}{n^3}} = 5 \neq 0$$

$\Rightarrow \sum \frac{5}{n^3 + 2n + 3}$  is convergent.

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

||  
 $a_n$

$$b_n = \frac{n^2}{\sqrt{n^5}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n^2 + 5n}{\sqrt{n^5 + 2n^3 + 1}}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{d}{dn}(n^2 + 5n) / \sqrt{n^5}}{\sqrt{n^5 + 2n^3 + 1} / \sqrt{n^5}} = 1 \neq 0$$

Since  $\sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$  is divergent  $\Rightarrow \sum \frac{n^2 + 5n}{\sqrt{n^5 + 2n^3 + 1}}$  is divergent