

§12.3#7] Consider $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ne^{-n}$. Use the \int -test to prove convergence or divergence of \sum .

① $f(x) = xe^{-x}$ is positive and $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (xe^{-x}) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x}{e^x}\right) \stackrel{?}{=} 0$

Note $f'(x) = e^{-x} - xe^{-x} = (1-x)e^{-x}$

thus f is decreasing on $[1, \infty)$

since $f'(x) \leq 0$ for $x \geq 1$.

Thus the \int -test applies.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^{\infty} xe^{-x} dx &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t xe^{-x} dx \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[(-xe^{-x} - e^{-x}) \right]_1^t \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[-te^{-t} - e^{-t} + e^{-1} + e^{-1} \right] \\ &= \frac{2}{e} \stackrel{?}{=} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{t}{et}\right) \\ &= \frac{2}{e} - \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{1}{e^t} \right] \rightarrow 0 \\ &= \frac{2}{e} \quad (\text{converges } \therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ne^{-n} \text{ converges.}) \end{aligned}$$

Remark: a better way to do this is the ratio test,

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

Thus $L = 1/e < 1$ \therefore the series converges by ratio test.

§12.3#12 | Conv/Div?

$$S = 1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{4\sqrt{4}} + \frac{1}{5\sqrt{5}} + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n}}$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{1.5}} \quad \text{Converges by } p\text{-test}$$

§12.3#17 | Conv/div?

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2+4}$$

Notice that $\frac{1}{n^2+4}$ corresponds to $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2+4}$ which is clearly positive, $f'(x) = \frac{-2x}{(x^2+4)^2} < 0$ for $x > 1$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{x^2+4}\right) = 0 \therefore \int\text{-test applies}$

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2+4} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left(\int_1^t \frac{1}{4 \left[1 + (x/2)^2\right]} dx \right)$$

$u = x/2$
 $du = dx/2$
 $2du = dx$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \therefore \int\text{-converges}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2+4} \text{ conv. by } \int\text{-test.}$$

Alternatively:

$$\frac{1}{n^2+4} \leq \frac{1}{n^2} \therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2+4} \text{ converges}$$

By the D.C.T. to the convergent series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ ($p=2$ series)

§12.3#31 | Find values for P for which $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n[\ln(n)]^p}$ converges.

How? Use the $\int\text{-test}$ and study the integral $\int u^{-p} du$ for $u = \ln(x)$.
I leave this to the students.

§12.3#34 | I also leave to the reader.

§12.2 # 67) Prove part (i) of Th^m 8; prove $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ca_n = c \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$

We're given $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges to L for some $L \in \mathbb{R}$.

Thus $S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k$ is a convergent sequence and

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (S_n) = L$. Consider that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n ca_k = c \left(\sum_{k=1}^n a_k \right) = c S_n$$

Therefore, $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ca_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (c S_n) = c \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (S_n) = cL = c \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ //

§12.2 # 68) Prove if $\sum a_n$ is divergent then $\sum ca_n$ is divergent provided that $c \neq 0$

Again observe that the n^{th} partial sum for $\sum ca_n$ is simply $c S_n$ where S_n is the n^{th} partial sum for $\sum a_n$. But $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$ diverges iff $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (c S_n)$ diverges provided $c \neq 0$. The theorem follows.

§12.2 # 70) The answer is no. Consider

that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \neq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{-1}{n}$ both diverge

but $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n} \right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 0 = 0$ (converges.)

Thus the convergence of $\sum (a_n + b_n)$ cannot insure the convergence of $\sum a_n$ AND $\sum b_n$.

(I just gave a counter-example)