

Practice for Exam 2 - Math 3410

Intro to Analysis - Spring 2016

1. Determine whether each of the following series is convergent (absolutely or conditionally) or divergent. Indicate which test(s) you are using, and show all your work.

(a) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n e^{-n}$

(b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\sqrt{n^2 + n} - n)$

(c) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\sqrt{n^2 + 1} - n)$

(d) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n-1)}$

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

(f) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos n\pi}{n}$

(g) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \log \frac{n+1}{n}$

2. Determine whether the series below is convergent or not

$$\frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{8} - \frac{3}{16} + \frac{3}{32} + \dots$$

If convergent, find its sum.

3. Prove that $\lim s_n = 3$ where the sequence (s_n) is defined by

$$s_n = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2^2} + \frac{5}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{2n-1}{2^n}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

(Hint: see Problem 14.13(c)).

4. Show that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\log n}{n^p}$ diverges when $0 < p < 1$ and converges when $p > 1$. What happens when $p = 1$?

5. Prove that the monotonicity assumption in the Alternating Series Test is essential. That is, show that there exists an alternating series $\sum (-1)^n a_n$, for which its sequence of positive terms (a_n) satisfies $\lim a_n = 0$, but which is a divergent series.

6. (a) Show that if $\sum a_n$ converges and $\sum b_n$ converges absolutely, then $\sum a_n b_n$ converges absolutely.
(b) Construct two convergent series $\sum a_n$ and $\sum b_n$ for which the series $\sum a_n b_n$ diverges.
(c) Suppose $\sum a_n$ is a convergent series of positive terms. Show that the series $\sum \sqrt{a_n}/n$ is also convergent.

7. Suppose an alternating series $\sum (-1)^{n+1} a_n$, $a_n > 0$ and (a_n) monotone, converges to a sum s . Show that the remainder $R_n = s - s_n$ satisfies $|R_n| \leq a_{n+1}$ where s_n is the n^{th} partial sum of the series.

8. Suppose a series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is convergent. Show that for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists N such that the remainder

$$\left| \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} a_n \right| \leq \varepsilon$$

9. Define

$$a_n = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} - \ln n.$$

Prove that a_n is a decreasing sequence and that $0 < a_n < 1$, hence the limit exists and is a number between 0 and 1. (Hint: See Problem 16.9)

10. [18 pts] Determine the radius of convergence and the interval of convergence for each of the power series

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

(b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} x^{2n}$

(c) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(4x-3)^n}{n^2 2^n}$