

1 Definition A series $\sum a_n$ is called **absolutely convergent** if the series of absolute values $\sum |a_n|$ is convergent.

2 Definition A series $\sum a_n$ is called **conditionally convergent** if it is convergent but not absolutely convergent.

Conditionally convergent series:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} \frac{1}{\ln(k)}$$

2-6 Determine whether the series is absolutely convergent or conditionally convergent.

2. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{\sqrt{n}}$ cond.

3. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{5n+1}$

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4. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^3+1}$

The Ratio Test

- (i) If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = L < 1$, then the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is absolutely convergent (and therefore convergent).
- (ii) If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = L > 1$ or $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \infty$, then the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is divergent.
- (iii) If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = 1$, the Ratio Test is inconclusive; that is, no conclusion can be drawn about the convergence or divergence of $\sum a_n$.

7-24 Use the Ratio Test to determine whether the series is convergent or divergent.

7. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{5^n}$

8. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^n}{n^2}$

#9 $\frac{3^{n+1}}{2^{n+1} \cdot (n+1)^3} \cdot \frac{2^n n^3}{3^n}$

9. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{3^n}{2^n n^3}$

10. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^n}{(2n+1)!}$

$= \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{n^3}{(n+1)^3} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{2} > 1$

11. $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!}$

12. $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k e^{-k}$

So $\sum |a_n|$ diverges.

What about $\sum a_n$

13. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{10^n}{(n+1)4^{2n+1}}$

14. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{100^n}$

$\frac{3^n}{2^n n^3} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\infty}{\infty}$

15. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n \pi^n}{(-3)^{n-1}}$

16. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^{10}}{(-10)^{n+1}}$

$\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n \left(\frac{1}{n^3}\right) = \frac{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n}{n^3} \quad \therefore$

now ready for L'Hôpital

$\frac{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n}{n^3} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\infty}{\infty} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{L'H} \frac{\ln(3/2) \cdot \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n}{3n^2} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{L'H}$

$\frac{\left(\ln(3/2)\right)^2 \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n}{6n} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{L'H} \frac{\left(\ln(3/2)\right)^3 \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n}{6} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} \infty$

ONE way to fairly elegantly execute L'Hôpital's Rule.

$\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n = e^{\ln\left(\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n\right)} = e^{(\ln(3/2))n}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dn} \left[\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n \right] = \ln(3/2) \cdot e^{(\ln(3/2))n} = \ln\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n$

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$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{100^n}$

$a_n = \frac{n!}{100^n} \Rightarrow \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \frac{(n+1)!}{100^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{100^n}{n!}$

$= \frac{(n+1)}{100} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \infty$ Diverges

(#10) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{n^n}$ $a_n = \frac{n!}{n^n} \rightarrow$

$$\left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \frac{(n+1)!}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{n^n}{n!} = \frac{n+1}{1} \cdot \frac{n^n}{(n+1)^{n+1}}$$

$$= \frac{n+1}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n^n}{(n+1)^n} = \frac{n^n}{(n+1)^n} = \frac{n^n}{n^n + \text{smaller stuff}}$$

$$= \frac{n^n}{n^n \left(1 + \frac{\text{stuff of lower degree}}{n^n} \right)} \quad \begin{array}{l} \downarrow \\ n^n + n(n^{n-1}) + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \cdot n^{n-2} \\ + \dots \end{array}$$

$n \rightarrow \infty \rightarrow$ | should?

$$\dots = \frac{n^n}{(n+1)^n} = \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \right)^n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{e}, \text{ you feel!}$$

$$(x+y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^{n-k} y^k$$

$$= x^n + n x^{n-1} y + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} x^{n-2} y^2 + \dots$$

$$\frac{n}{2} = \frac{n!}{(2!)(n-2)!} = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

Ryan suggests Example 5 and would like it explained a bit...

Aha! $\frac{n+1}{n} = \frac{n}{n} + \frac{1}{n} = 1 + \frac{1}{n}$ way cool!

Back to # 18:

$$\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^n = \left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right)^{-n} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{-n} = \left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n\right)^{-1}$$

$\xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{-1} = \frac{1}{e}$, so there's a fallacy in my work on the previous page.

Yes, $\frac{n}{n+1} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 1$, but

$$\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{e}!$$

The Root Test

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- (iii) If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = 1$, the Root Test is inconclusive.

25-30 Use the Root Test to determine whether the series is convergent or divergent.

$$25. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{n^2 + 1}{2n^2 + 1} \right)^n$$

$$26. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^n}{n^n}$$

$$\neq 26 \quad \frac{(-1)^n \cdot 2^n}{n^n} = (-1)^n \left(\frac{2}{n} \right)^n$$

$$\sqrt[n]{\left(\frac{2}{n} \right)^n} = \frac{2}{n} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

$$27. \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{(\ln n)^n}$$

$$28. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{-2n}{n+1} \right)^{5n}$$

Converges

$$29. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{n^2}$$

$$30. \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\arctan n)^n$$

$$\textcircled{29} \sqrt[n]{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{n^2}} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{n \cdot \frac{1}{n}} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} e > 1$$

Diverges.

Riemann proved that

if $\sum a_n$ is a conditionally convergent series and r is any real number whatsoever, then there is a rearrangement of $\sum a_n$ that has a sum equal to r .

See #52 for outline of proof.

Take positive terms, 'til you're above L .

subtract negative terms, 'til you're below L .

Repeat.

Financial Math.

Simple Interest:

$$P + Pr = P(1+r) = A = \text{Future value}$$

Compound Interest:

$$i = \frac{r}{n}, \quad r = \text{APR}$$

$n = \#$ of periods per year.

period

A

1

$$P(1+i)$$

2

$$P(1+i) + P(1+i)i = P(1+i)(1+i) = P(1+i)^2$$

\vdots

n

$$P(1+i)^n, \text{ when } n = \# \text{ of periods}$$

Annuity: $R =$ monthly (periodic pmt)

$i = \frac{r}{n}$ as before.

$n = \#$ of periods.

Period

1

R

2

$$R + R(1+i)$$

3

$$R + R(1+i) + R(1+i)^2$$

4

$$R + R(1+i) + R(1+i)^2 + R(1+i)^3$$

\vdots

n

$$R + R(1+i) + R(1+i)^2 + \dots + R(1+i)^{n-1} = \frac{2(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

$$\text{After } n \text{ periods } FV = \sum_{k=1}^n R(1+i)^{k-1} = \frac{R(1-(1+i)^n)}{1-(1+i)}$$

$$a = R$$

$$r = 1+i$$

$$= R \left[\frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i} \right]$$

$P =$ Amount Borrowed

Present Value of an annuity

$$P(1+i)^n = R \left[\frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i} \right]$$

$$P = R \left[\frac{1 - (1+i)^{-n}}{i} \right] = \text{Present Value of the annuity.}$$

$$\frac{P_i}{1 - (1+i)^{-n}} = R \quad \text{Amortization Formula (Payments)}$$

$$Pe^{rt}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(1+i)^n &= P\left(1+\frac{r}{m}\right)^{mn} = P\left(1+\frac{r}{m}\right)^{mt} \\ &= P\left(1+\frac{r}{m}\right)^{\left(\frac{m}{r}\right)rt} = P\left(\left(1+\frac{r}{m}\right)^{\frac{m}{r}}\right)^{rt} \xrightarrow{m \rightarrow \infty} Pe^{rt} \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{t}\right)^t \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} e$$

$$\left(1 + t\right)^{\frac{1}{t}} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} e$$

Ryan makes good point:

If ratio test is inconclusive, so will the root test & conversely.