

MA163 Wk 6 Thur

Caution: Don't conflate sequence & series

$$\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$

series: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} = \infty$ (diverges to ∞), $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} S_K$

\rightarrow Kth partial sum

$$\begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{1} \\ \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{9} + \dots + \frac{1}{K^2} \\ \uparrow \\ S_K \end{array}$$

sequence: $\left\{\frac{1}{n}\right\}$ or $\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$ or even better $\left\{\frac{1}{n}\right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$
list

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$$

Q: How do we find/evaluate what a sequence converges to?

- In a few cases we have formulas:

1. geometric series: $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} cr^n = \frac{c}{1-r}$ when $|r| < 1$

$$\frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{A}{n} + \frac{B}{n+1}$$

$$1 = A(n+1) + Bn$$

$$A+B=0, A=1$$

no n term or v(t)

2. Find a pattern (formula) for S_K , take limit

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

$$S_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$S_2 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6}$$

$$S_3 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{12} + \dots$$

telescoping series

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

easier to get formula for S_K

$$S_1 = \frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$S_2 = \frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} = 1 - \frac{1}{3}$$

$$S_3 = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} = 1 - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$S_4 = \underbrace{1 - \frac{1}{4}}_{S_3} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{5} = 1 - \frac{1}{5}$$

a_4

$$S_K = 1 - \frac{1}{K+1}$$

ans
 $\lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} S_K = 1$

3. Often, this hard, it's enough to know if div, forget about if conv, estimate.

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Homework exercises:

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

□ converge absolutely (take abs value of terms, still converges) → converge b/c terms get small fast

□ converge conditionally (the alt. series converges, but the abs. value version doesn't.)

□ diverge

⇒ $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$ converges conditionally

① A.S.T. $\left\{ \frac{1}{n \cdot \ln(n^3)} \right\}$ is decreasing b/c numerator is const, $\frac{1}{n}$ denom is increasing!

By A.S.T., series converges

$$n \cdot \ln(n^3) = 3 \cdot \ln(n) \cdot n$$

↓ d/dn

$$3 \left(\frac{1}{n} \cdot n + \ln(n) \right) = 3(1 + \ln(n))$$

For $n > 2$ this is \pm

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$ **conv** - b/c A.S.T.

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 ② decrease $\frac{1}{n}$ (deriv < 0)

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ **div**

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look @ pos. series

$$3A + 3B = 3(A+B)$$

② $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \cdot \ln(n^3)} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \cdot 3 \ln(n)}$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \cdot \ln(n)}$$

try to compare:

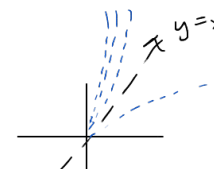
By Integral Test
Series Diverges
main ⇒ converge conditionally

$$\frac{1}{n \cdot \ln(n)} < \frac{1}{n} \quad \text{div} \Rightarrow \text{unhelpful}$$

$$\frac{1}{n \cdot \ln(n)} < \frac{1}{n^2} \quad n^2 < n \cdot \ln(n) \quad \text{false}$$

Since $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ converges

Comparison Test doesn't apply



when in doubt, try Integral Test:

$$\frac{1}{3} \int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{x \cdot \ln(x)} dx \quad \begin{matrix} u = \ln x \\ du = \frac{1}{x} dx \end{matrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \int_{\ln(2)}^{\infty} \frac{1}{u} du = \frac{1}{3} \ln(|\ln(x)|) \Big|_2^{\infty} = \infty$$

Ex
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{1}{n^{4/5}}\right)$$

L.C.T. w/ $\frac{1}{n^{4/5}}$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{4/5}}$ diverges by test

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{1}{n^{4/5}}\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{n^{4/5}}\right)} = \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(u)}{u}$$

set $u = \frac{1}{n^{4/5}}$
if $n \rightarrow \infty$
 $u \rightarrow 0$

$$\frac{\sin(u)}{u} \Rightarrow$$

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top ~ bottom
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series div
top series diverges