

Integral Test & Comparison Test:

So far we know:

$$\text{Series: } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=0}^N a_n$$

$$\text{Geometric Series: } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} cr^n \quad \text{when } |r| < 1 \quad \frac{c}{1-r} \quad (\text{DNE otherwise})$$

Divergence Test: If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0$ then it diverges.
sequence of "summands"

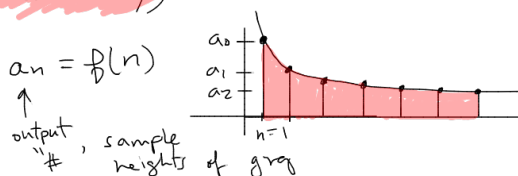
$$\text{(ex) } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{4n}{5n+1}$$

Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4n}{5n+1} \stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \frac{4}{5}$
div. test $\Rightarrow$ diverges

Integral Test

(positive series only)

$$\text{For } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$$



$$\text{Related to area under curve} = \int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$$

If $\int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx < \infty$ then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges

If $\int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx = \infty$ then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ diverges

if $f(x)$ is positive continuous & decreasing
 $f(x) > f(x-1)$ or $f'(x) < 0$

Recognize terms are

- positive
- decreasing: $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x+3}}\right)' = -\frac{1}{2}(x+3)^{-3/2} = \frac{-1/2}{\sqrt{x+3}^3} < 0$
- cts:

$$\text{Ex } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+3}}$$

$\Rightarrow$ Series diverges by Integral test

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+3}} dx = \int_4^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{u}} du = \left. \frac{2\sqrt{u}}{1/2} \right|_4^{\infty} = 2\sqrt{u} \Big|_4^{\infty} = 2\sqrt{\infty} - 2\sqrt{4} = \infty$$

diverges

Direct Comparison Test (positive series only)

given two series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \quad \frac{1}{2} \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n$$

(bigger)

$$0 \leq a_n \leq b_n$$

Know: possible comparables p-series

$\sum \frac{1}{n^p}$

Int. Test $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} = \ln|x| \Big|_1^{\infty} = \infty$

$\leftarrow$ dec, $\rightarrow$ DIVERGES

If the bigger converges then the smaller does too

If $\sum b_n$ converges then $\sum a_n$ converges

If the smaller series diverges then the larger must too.

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

compare to $\frac{1}{n}$

$$\left(\frac{1}{n+3} > \frac{1}{n} \right)$$

b/c then apply comp. test

equivalent to $n > n+3$

can not compare to $\sum \frac{1}{n}$

use some other method: eg. integral test

(ex) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}+3}$

diverges by D.C.T.

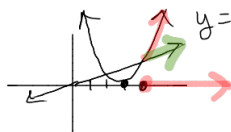
try $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}+3} > \frac{1}{n}$, if so $\sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}+3}$ diverges by D.C.T.

(only must be true @ the tail (c, ∞))

$$n > \sqrt{n}+3$$

$$n-3 > \sqrt{n}$$

$$(n-3)^2 > n$$



true past point of intersection.

ex $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n+10}$ diverges

Hint: compare to $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n}$ (diverges)

① factor out $\frac{1}{2}$ $\uparrow$: $\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ diverges! think: $\frac{1}{2}(\infty) = \infty$

Need $\frac{1}{n+10} \stackrel{?}{>} \frac{1}{2n}$ true on (n, ∞) but that's enough.

$$2n > n+10$$

$$\textcircled{n > 10}$$