

Day 38 Math 131

Show me the absolute values

#1 a)  $\sum \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt[3]{n^4+1}}$  Check Absolute Convergence First

So  $\sum \left| \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt[3]{n^4+1}} \right| = \sum \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n^4+1}} \sim \sum \frac{1}{n^{4/3}}$  ... use direct comparison

Compare:  $0 < \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n^4+1}} < \frac{1}{n^{4/3}}$ . But  $\sum \frac{1}{n^{4/3}}$  converges ( $p = 4/3 > 1$ , p-series)

So by direct comparison  $\sum \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n^4+1}}$  also converges.

So the original series  $\sum \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt[3]{n^4+1}}$  converges absolutely. DONE

b)  $\sum \frac{\cos(n)}{\sqrt{n+10}}$  Check Absolute Convergence.  $\sum \left| \frac{\cos(n)}{\sqrt{n+10}} \right| = \sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+10}}$

Use limit comparison w/  $\sum \frac{1}{n^{1/2}}$ . Both series are positive

$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+10}} \cdot \frac{n^{1/2}}{1} \stackrel{HP}{=} 1$  Since  $0 < L = 1 < \infty$ , and since  $\sum \frac{1}{n^{1/2}}$

diverges (p-series,  $p = 1/2 \leq 1$ ), then  $\sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+10}}$  diverges. We must

Check Conditional Convergence w/ Alt. Series Test

✓  $a_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+10}} > 0$ . Check 2 conditions:

1.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+10}} = 0$  ✓

2. Decr?  $f(x) = (x+10)^{-1/2}$ ,  $f'(x) = -1/2(x+10)^{-3/2} < 0$  ✓  
so the sequence is decreasing. ( $x \geq 1$ )

Therefore by Alt Series test, the series converges

Conditional Convergence since it does not converge abs.

c)  $\sum \frac{(-7)^{k+1}}{k!}$  check abs convergence:  $\sum \left| \frac{(-7)^{k+1}}{k!} \right| = \sum \frac{7^{k+1}}{k!}$

The terms are positive - Factorial - Ratio Test

$r = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{7^{k+2}}{(k+1)!} \cdot \frac{k!}{7^{k+1}} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{7}{k+1} = 0 < 1$

Since  $r < 1$ , the series converges (absolutely) by the ratio test. We are done!

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#2a)  $\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{\ln k}$  Check Abs Convergence first.  $\sum \left| \frac{(-1)^k}{\ln k} \right| = \sum \frac{1}{\ln k}$

Use direct (or limit) comparison w/  $\sum \frac{1}{n}$ . Notice  $0 < \frac{1}{n} < \frac{1}{\ln n}$

Since  $\sum \frac{1}{n}$  diverges, by direct comparison  $\sum \frac{1}{\ln n}$  diverges  
So NOT absolutely convergent...

Check Conditional Convergence w/ Alt. Series Test

✓  $a_n = \frac{1}{\ln n} > 0 \quad (n > 2)$

1.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ln n} = 0$  ✓

2. decreasing? Yes, the numerator is constant and the denominator increases as  $n$  does. ✓

By the alternating Series Test,  $\sum \frac{(-1)^n}{\ln n}$  converges

The series converges conditionally (does not converge abs)

#2(b)  $\sum (-1)^n \frac{(n!)^3}{(3n)!}$  Check Abs conv:  $\sum \left| \frac{(-1)^n (n!)^3}{(3n)!} \right| = \sum \frac{(n!)^3}{(3n)!}$

Terms are positive - Ratio Test

$$r = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{((n+1)!)^3}{(3(n+1))!} \cdot \frac{(3n)!}{(n!)^3} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)^3}{(3n+1)(3n+2)(3n+3)}$$

HP  $= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3}{27n^3} = \frac{1}{27} < 1$ . Since  $r < 1$ , the series

converges by the ratio test. The series converges absolutely. Done

Notice:  $\frac{[(n+1)!]^3 \cdot (3n)!}{(3n+3)! \cdot (n!)^3} = \frac{(n+1)! \cdot (n+1)! \cdot (n+1)! \cdot (3n)!}{n! \cdot n! \cdot n! \cdot (3n+3)!}$

↑ 3 more terms

$$= \frac{(n+1)(n+1)(n+1)}{(3n+1)(3n+2)(3n+3)}$$

$$= \frac{(n+1)^3}{(3n+1)(3n+2)(3n+3)} \stackrel{HP}{=} \frac{n^3}{27n^3}$$

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#3  $f(x) = e^{-x}$ . Find  $p_5(x)$  @  $a=0$ . Find  $p_n(x)$

$$f(x) = e^{-x}$$

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

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

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

$$f^{(4)}(x) = e^{-x}$$

$$f^{(5)}(x) = -e^{-x}$$

$$f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(0) = -1$$

$$f''(0) = +1$$

$$f'''(0) = -1$$

$$f^{(4)}(0) = +1$$

$$f^{(5)}(0) = -1$$

$$p_5(x) = f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}(x-0) + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}(x-0)^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}(x-0)^3 + \frac{f^{(4)}(0)}{4!}(x-0)^4 + \frac{f^{(5)}(0)}{5!}(x-0)^5$$

$$= 1 - 1x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{3!}x^3 + \frac{1}{4!}x^4 - \frac{1}{5!}x^5$$

$$p_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} x^k$$

↑ pattern  
 $f^{(k)}(0) = (-1)^k$

#4  $f(x) = \ln(x+1)$ . Find  $p_4(x)$  @  $a=0$ . Find  $p_n(x)$

$$f(x) = \ln(x+1)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x+1} = (x+1)^{-1}$$

$$f''(x) = -(x+1)^{-2} = -1!(x+1)^{-2}$$

$$f'''(x) = +2(x+1)^{-3} = 2!(x+1)^{-3}$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = -3 \cdot 2(x+1)^{-4} = -3!(x+1)^{-4}$$

$$f(0) = 0$$

$$f'(0) = 1$$

$$f''(0) = -1$$

$$f'''(0) = 2!$$

$$f^{(4)}(0) = -3!$$

↑ pattern

$$f^{(k)}(0) = (-1)^{k-1} (k-1)!$$

$$\Rightarrow p_4(x) = f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}(x-0) + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}(x-0)^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}(x-0)^3 + \frac{f^{(4)}(0)}{4!}(x-0)^4$$

$$= 0 + x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{2}{6}x^3 - \frac{3!}{4!}x^4$$

$$= 0 + x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^3 - \frac{1}{4}x^4$$

$$p_n(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k} x^k$$