

MATH 142A: Introduction to Analysis

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Today: Series

> Q&A: February 3

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Week 5:

- Homework 4 (due Sunday, February 7)
- Quiz 3 (Wednesday, February 3) - Lectures 8-9

Sequences $\left| \frac{s_{n+1}}{s_n} \right|$ and $\sqrt{|s_n|}$

Thm 12.2 Let (s_n) be a sequence, $\forall n (s_n \neq 0)$. Then

Proof. If $l = 0$, then $l \leq \beta$. Assume that $l > 0$.

Take any $0 < l_1 < l$. Then by Thm 9.11 (i)

Therefore,

\Rightarrow

Note that (\tilde{u}_k) is increasing, so $\forall k > N$

Now

So $\forall l_1 \in (0, l)$ $\Rightarrow \beta$ is an upper bound for $(0, l) \Rightarrow$

Sequences $\left| \frac{s_{n+1}}{s_n} \right|$ and $\sqrt[n]{|s_n|}$

Corollary 12.3

If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{s_{n+1}}{s_n} \right|$ exists, and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{s_{n+1}}{s_n} \right| = L$, then

Example

Let (a_n) be a sequence such that $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \ a_n > 0$.

Suppose that (a_n) converges, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a$. Then

Proof. Denote $s_n := a_1 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n$. Then

By Corollary 12.3

Series

Let $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a sequence of real numbers.

For $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$, $p < q$ we denote $a_p + a_{p+1} + \dots + a_q$ by

Def 14.1 (Infinite series) We call the expression

$$a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots + a_n + \dots$$

an (infinite) series. a_n is called the n -th term of the series.

Def 14.2 (Convergent series)

We call the sum $s_n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$ the $(n$ -th) partial sum of the series.

If the sequence (s_n) of partial sums converges, we say that

the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$

If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = s$, then we call s the sum of the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$, and

write it as

Series

If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = +\infty (-\infty)$, we say that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ diverges to $+\infty (-\infty)$
and we write

We say that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges absolutely (is absolutely convergent)
if the series

Remark An infinite series can be viewed as a particular
type of a sequence, $S_n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$

so we can use all the relevant results.

For example, if $\forall n \ a_n \geq 0$, then S_n is increasing.

Partial sums of $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$ form an increasing sequence.

Use the criteria on convergence for partial sums etc.

Important examples

8. Let $a, r \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

is called the **geometric series**.

If $|r| < 1$, then $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ar^n =$

Proof Denote $S_k = \sum_{n=0}^k ar^n =$

Note that $r(1+r+\dots+r^k) =$, so

9. Let $p > 0$. Then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$ converges iff

Proof ($p=2$). $S_k := \sum_{n=1}^k \frac{1}{n^2}$. ① (S_k) is increasing

② (S_k) is bounded

For any $n \geq 2$, so

①+②+Thm 10.2

Cauchy criterion

Def 14.3 We say that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ satisfies the Cauchy criterion if its sequence of partial sums (S_n) is a Cauchy sequence, i.e.

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists N \forall m, n > N |S_n - S_m| < \varepsilon$$

Thm 14.4 $\sum a_n$ converges $\Leftrightarrow \sum a_n$ satisfies the Cauchy criterion

Proof. Follows from Thm 10.11

Corollary 14.5 (Necessary condition for convergence).

$$\sum a_n \text{ converges} \Rightarrow$$

Proof. $\sum a_n$ converges $\stackrel{\text{Thm 14.4}}{\Leftrightarrow}$

\Rightarrow

$$\Leftrightarrow \lim a_n = 0 \quad \blacksquare$$

Example

- $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k 2^k}$ satisfies the Cauchy criterion

Proof. $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$, so $\forall n > m \geq 1$

$$\sum_{k=m+1}^n \frac{1}{k 2^k} \leq$$

Fix $\varepsilon > 0$. By I.E. 2

Therefore

In particular,

- If $|r| \geq 1$, then the sequence (r^n) does not converge to 0
 \Rightarrow
- Consider $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} r^k$, but the series diverges

Comparison test

Thm 14.6 Let (a_n) and (b_n) be two sequences, $\forall n \ a_n \geq 0$

Then

(i)

(ii)

Proof. (i) Use the Cauchy criterion

Fix $\varepsilon > 0$. By Thm 14.4

Then

By Thm 14.4

(ii) Denote $s_n = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k$, $t_n = \sum_{k=1}^n b_k$. Then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = +\infty \iff$$