

Name: Solutions

(100 points total)

1. (20 points) Determine whether the following series converge or diverge. Justify your answers and state all convergence tests used.

(a) $\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 + 5\sqrt{n} + 7}{n^4 - n^2 - 3}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{n^2 + 5\sqrt{n} + 7}{n^4 - n^2 - 3} \right)}{\left(\frac{1}{n^2} \right)} = 1$$

$$\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \text{ Converges (p-series, } p=2)$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \sum \frac{n^2 + 5\sqrt{n} + 7}{n^4 - n^2 - 3}$$

converges, by the
Limit Comparison Test

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{n^2} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} \neq 0$$

\therefore Series diverges by the n -th term test for divergence.

$$\frac{4^n + 1}{3^{2n}} = \frac{4^n + 1}{(3^2)^n} = \frac{4^n + 1}{9^n} = \frac{4^n}{9^n} + \frac{1}{9^n} = \left(\frac{4}{9}\right)^n + \left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^n$$

2. (20 points) Determine whether the following series converge or diverge. If a series converges, find its sum. Justify your answers and state all convergence tests used.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{4^n + 1}{3^{2n}} &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{4}{9}\right)^n + \left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^n \\ &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{4}{9}\right)^n + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^n \end{aligned}$$

Converges by geometric series to

$$\frac{\left(\frac{4}{9}\right)^2}{1 - \frac{4}{9}} + \frac{\left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^2}{1 - \frac{1}{9}}$$

$$\text{(b)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{n}{2n+3} - \frac{n+1}{2(n+1)+3} \right) \quad (\text{Telescoping Series})$$

$$S_1 = \frac{1}{2 \cdot 1 + 3} - \frac{2}{2 \cdot 2 + 3}$$

$$S_2 = \left(\frac{1}{2 \cdot 1 + 3} - \frac{2}{2 \cdot 2 + 3} \right) + \left(\frac{2}{2 \cdot 2 + 3} - \frac{3}{2 \cdot 3 + 3} \right) = \frac{1}{2 \cdot 1 + 3} - \frac{2}{2 \cdot 3 + 3}$$

⋮

$$S_n = \left(\frac{1}{2 \cdot 1 + 3} - \frac{2}{2 \cdot 2 + 3} \right) + \dots + \left(\frac{n}{2 \cdot n + 3} - \frac{n+1}{2(n+1)+3} \right)$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2 \cdot 1 + 3} - \frac{n+1}{2n+5} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot 1 + 3} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{2} \\ &= -\frac{3}{10} \end{aligned}$$

∴ series converges to $-\frac{3}{10}$

3. (20 points) Does $\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n \ln n}$ converge absolutely, converge conditionally, or diverge? Justify your answer, and state all convergence tests used.

Does series converge absolutely?

$$\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^n}{n \ln n} \right| = \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \ln n} \quad \leftarrow \text{use integral test}$$

$$\int_3^{\infty} \frac{1}{x \ln x} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left(\int_3^b \frac{1}{\cancel{x \ln x}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{x} dx \right) \right)$$

$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left(\ln(\ln x) \Big|_3^b \right)$$

$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \ln(\ln(b)) - \ln(\ln(3)) = \infty$$

$\therefore \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^n}{n \ln n} \right|$ does not converge

$\therefore \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n \ln n}$ does not converge absolutely.

Does series converge?

$$\cdot \frac{1}{n \ln n} > 0, \text{ all } n \geq 3$$

$$\cdot \frac{1}{(n+1) \ln(n+1)} \leq \frac{1}{n \ln n}, n \geq 3$$

$$\cdot \frac{1}{n \ln n} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

$\therefore \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} (-1)^n \cdot \frac{1}{n \ln n}$ converges, by
Alternating series test.

Conclusion:

Since $\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} (-1)^n \cdot \frac{1}{n \ln n}$ converges, but

does not converge absolutely, it
converges conditionally.

4. (20 points) Find the interval of convergence of $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n \sqrt{n} (x-4)^n}{(n+2)!}$.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{3^{n+1} \sqrt{n+1} (x-4)^{n+1}}{((n+1)+2)!} \cdot \frac{(n+2)!}{3^n \sqrt{n} (x-4)^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{3^{n+1}}{3^n} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{n+1}}{\sqrt{n}} \cdot \frac{(n+2)!}{(n+3)!} \cdot \frac{(x-4)^{n+1}}{(x-4)^n} \right|$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(3 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{n+1}}{\sqrt{n}} \cdot \frac{1}{n+3} \cdot |x-4| \right) = 3|x-4| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n+1}}{(n+3)\sqrt{n}}$$

$$= 3|x-4| \cdot 0 = 0 < 1, \text{ for all } x$$

\therefore Series converges for all x , by ratio test

\therefore IOC = $(-\infty, \infty)$.

5. (20 points) Let $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i$ be a series. Define $s_n = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i$. Indicate whether each of the following statements is true or false (no explanations required).

(a) If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ must converge. **FALSE**

(b) If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = 2$, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ must converge. **TRUE**

(c) If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = 1$, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ must converge. **FALSE**

(d) If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$ diverges, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ must diverge. **FALSE**