

Today: §14, §16 Series.

- Series is an infinite sum.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n.$$

- partial sum $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i$

$$S_1 = a_1, \quad S_2 = a_1 + a_2, \quad \dots$$

$$m > n, \quad S_m - S_n = \sum_{i=n+1}^m a_i$$

- Def.: a series converge to α if the corresponding partial sum converges.

- Cauchy condition for series convergence: (sufficient & necessary condition).
 $\forall \varepsilon, \exists N > 0, \text{ s.t. } \forall n, m > N,$

$$\left| \sum_{i=n+1}^m a_i \right| < \varepsilon.$$

- Absolute convergence of series $\sum_n a_n$:

definition: if $\sum |a_n| < \infty$, we say $\sum a_n$ converges absolutely.

- Ex: (1) geometric series, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a \cdot r^n$
converges if $|r| < 1$.

$$S_n = \sum_{i=0}^n a \cdot r^i$$

$$= a (1 + r + \dots + r^n) \quad (r \neq 1)$$

$$= a \cdot \frac{1 - r^{n+1}}{1 - r}$$

$\lim S_n < \infty$ if $|r| < 1$. In this case.

$$\lim_n r^{n+1} = 0. \quad \lim S_n = a \cdot \frac{1}{1-r}.$$

$|r| > 1$, Ex: $1 + 2 + 4 + 8 + \dots$

$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^n$ diverges.

Various test for series convergence:

① Comparison test

(a). Suppose $\sum_n a_n < \infty$, $a_n > 0$. And suppose, $b_n \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$|b_n| \leq a_n, \text{ then } \sum_n b_n < \infty$$

(b). Suppose $\sum_n a_n = \infty$, $a_n > 0$. And suppose

$$b_n \geq a_n, \text{ then } \sum_n b_n = \infty$$

$$\text{Pf: (a). } \left| \sum_{i=n}^m b_i \right| \leq \sum_{i=n}^m |b_i| \leq \sum_{i=n}^m a_i.$$

$\forall \varepsilon > 0$, consider $\sum_n a_n$, we have $N > 0$ s.t.

$$\forall n, m > N, \quad \sum_{i=n}^m a_i < \varepsilon \Rightarrow \left| \sum_{i=n}^m b_i \right| < \varepsilon.$$

$\Rightarrow \sum_n b_n$ converges.

(b). Let (S_n) be the partial sum of $\sum_n a_n$.

(t_n) ————— of $\sum_n b_n$.

then $t_n \geq S_n \quad \forall n$. Since S_n diverges to $+\infty$.

hence $t_n \nearrow +\infty$.

② Ratio test: $\sum_n a_n$.

(testing for absolute convergence).

- if $\limsup |a_{n+1} / a_n| < 1$, then $\sum_n |a_n|$ converge.
- if $\liminf |a_{n+1} / a_n| > 1$, then $\sum_n a_n$ diverges.
- otherwise, the test gives no information.

③ Root test.

Let $\sum_n a_n$ be a series, let $\alpha = \limsup |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}}$.

- Then $\sum_n a_n$
- (i) converges absolutely, if $\alpha < 1$
 - (ii) diverges, if $\alpha > 1$.
 - (iii) if $\alpha = 1$, no info.

Pf: (i). Since $\alpha < 1$, then $\exists \varepsilon > 0$, s.t. $\alpha + \varepsilon < 1$.

And since $\alpha = \limsup |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}}$, $\therefore \exists N > 0$, s.t.

$$|a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} < \alpha + \varepsilon, \quad \forall n > N.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow |a_n| < (\alpha + \varepsilon)^n \quad \forall n > N.$$

$$\sum_n |a_n| = \sum_{n=1}^N |a_n| + \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} |a_n|.$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=1}^N |a_n| + \underbrace{\sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} (\alpha + \varepsilon)^n}_{= (\alpha + \varepsilon)^{N+1} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - (\alpha + \varepsilon)}}$$

$$< \infty$$

if s_n is a seq, with $\alpha = \limsup s_n < \infty$.

then. $\alpha = \lim a_n$.

$$a_n = \sup \{S_m : m \geq n\}.$$

then $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N > 0$ s.t.

sup of the tail of S_n .

$$|a_n - \alpha| < \varepsilon \quad \forall n > N.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -\varepsilon < a_n - \alpha < \varepsilon \quad \forall n > N.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \alpha - \varepsilon < \underline{a_n} < \alpha + \varepsilon \quad \forall n > N$$

$$\Rightarrow \sup \{S_m : m \geq n\} < \alpha + \varepsilon \quad \forall n > N.$$

$$\Rightarrow S_m < \alpha + \varepsilon \quad \forall m > N+1.$$

(ii). If $\limsup |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} = \alpha > 1$, then there is a subseq of $(|a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}})_n$, that converges to α . Denote this subseq. as $(|a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}})_{n \in A}$ for some index subset $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$. Since $|a_n|$ does not converge to 0, $\sum_n a_n$ is divergent.

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(equivalently,
 $a_n \rightarrow 0$)

Lemma: if $\sum_n a_n$ converges, then $|a_n| \rightarrow 0$.

Pf: $\because |a_n| = |S_n - S_{n-1}|$, $S_n = \sum_{j=1}^n a_j$.

$\therefore$ by Cauchy condition of convergence,

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N > 0, \text{ s.t. } \forall n, m > N.$$

$$|S_n - S_m| < \varepsilon.$$

take $n = m+1$, and get $|a_n| < \varepsilon \quad \forall n > N+1$.

thus $|a_n| \rightarrow 0$.

Warning: $|a_n| \rightarrow 0$ doesn't imply $\sum_n a_n$ converges.
i.e. $\sum_n \frac{1}{n} = +\infty$.

Given the root test, we can now prove the claim on.
ratio test. Recall, given any seq a_n , $(a_n \neq 0)$, we have.

$$(*) \quad \underline{\liminf \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right|} \leq \underline{\liminf |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}}} \leq \underline{\limsup |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}}} \leq \underline{\limsup \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right|}$$

• if $\limsup \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| < 1$, then $\limsup |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} < 1$.
hence $\sum_n |a_n|$ converges.

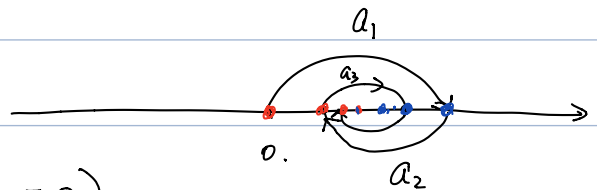
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Alternating Series test:

Thm: let $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq a_3 \geq \dots$ be a monotonic
decreasing series, $a_n \geq 0$. And assuming $\lim a_n = 0$. Then.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} a_n = \underline{a_1 - a_2 + a_3 - a_4 \dots}$$

converges.



Pf: let $S_n = \sum_{j=1}^n a_j$. ($S_0 = 0$).

$S_0, S_2, S_4, \dots$ forms an increasing seq,

$S_1, S_3, S_5, \dots$ forms a decreasing seq.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Indeed. } S_{2n+2} - S_{2n} &= a_{2n+2} \cdot (-1)^{2n+2+1} + a_{2n+1} \cdot (-1)^{2n+1+1} \\ &= a_{2n+1} - a_{2n+2} \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$S_{2n+1} - S_{2n-1} = a_{2n+1} - a_{2n} \leq 0.$$

One can check that $(S_{2n})_n$ and $(S_{2n+1})_n$ are bounded. Hence they have limits.

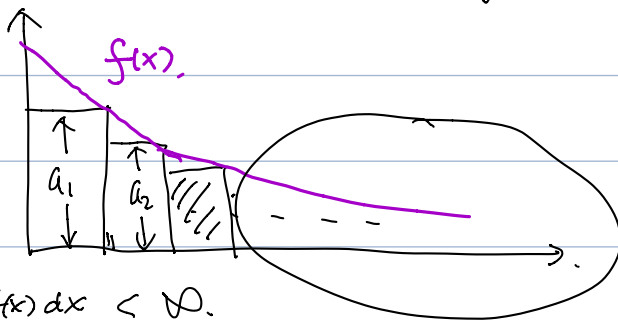
$$\text{Let } \alpha = \lim_n S_{2n}, \quad \beta = \lim_n (S_{2n+1})_n.$$

$$\beta - \alpha = \lim_n S_{2n+1} - \lim_n S_{2n} = \lim_n (S_{2n+1} - S_{2n}).$$

$$= \lim_n a_{2n+1} = 0.$$

$\therefore \lim_n S_n$ exists.

Integral test: • replace $\sum_n$ by $\int_x (\dots) dx$,
• works for positive sequences.



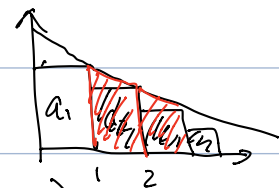
$$a_n = f(n).$$

$$\text{if } \int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx < \infty.$$

$$\sum_n a_n = \text{Area under the columns} \leq \text{Area under the curve} \\ = \int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx < \infty$$

Thm: $\sum_n \frac{1}{n^p} < \infty$ if $p > 1$.

$$\text{Pf: } \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p} \leq \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} dx \\ = \int_1^{\infty} d\left(\frac{1}{[-(p-1)]x^{p-1}}\right)$$



$$= \left. \frac{1}{-(p-1) x^{p-1}} \right|_1^{\infty} = \frac{1}{p-1} < \infty$$

Hence $\sum_n \frac{1}{n^p} < \infty$.

Ex: $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \cdot (\log n)^2} < \infty$ ($\log 1 = 0$)

consider integral $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x (\log x)^2} dx$.

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{(\log x)^2} d(\log x).$$

change variable. let $u = \log x$. then as x runs from a to ∞ , where $a > 10$, then $\log x$ runs from $\log a$ to ∞ .

$$= \int_{\log a}^{\infty} \frac{1}{u^2} du < \infty$$

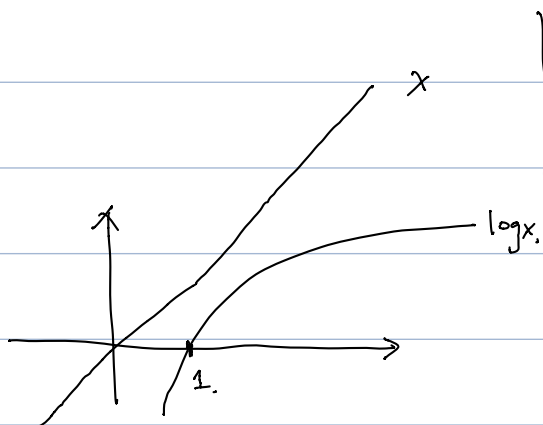
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Ex: $\sum \frac{2^n}{n!}$, consider $\frac{a_n}{a_{n-1}} = \frac{2^n/n!}{2^{n-1}/(n-1)!} = \frac{2}{n} \rightarrow 0$.

by ratio test, it is convergent.

• $\sum \frac{2^n}{n!}$, $\frac{a_n}{a_{n-1}} = \frac{2}{n} \rightarrow 0$.

• $\sum \frac{1}{\log n}$.



$$\sum \frac{1}{n} = +\infty$$

for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\log n. < n.$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\log n} > \frac{1}{n} \quad n \geq 2.$$

by comparison test. $\sum \frac{1}{\log n} = +\infty.$

ratio test $\rightarrow \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \sqrt{\frac{n}{n+1}} \rightarrow 1.$

$\sum (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}.$ $\swarrow$ root test. $|a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}}.$
 $\uparrow$ Alternating series test. $= \left(n^{\frac{1}{n}}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}.$
 $1 > \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} > \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \dots \rightarrow 1.$

$\therefore$ convergent.

(by continuity of
function $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$
at $x=1$.)

• For any $\theta \in (0, 2\pi)$ (i.e. $\theta \neq 0$).

$$\sum \frac{\cos(n\theta)}{n} \quad \text{and} \quad \sum \frac{\sin(n\theta)}{n}.$$

are
~~is~~ convergent.

Hint: $e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \cdot \sin \theta.$
consider $\sum \frac{e^{in\theta}}{n} = f(\theta).$ $\leftarrow$ assume convergent.
 $f'(\theta) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} i \cdot e^{in\theta} = i \cdot \frac{1}{1 - e^{i\theta}}$
 $\hookrightarrow$ find primitive of $f'(\theta).$ -----