

11.5 ALTERNATING SERIES TEST

IF $\{a_n\}$ IS POSITIVE, DECREASING AND CONV TO 0,
THEN $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} a_n$ CONV

eg. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$

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

$a_1 - a_2 + a_3 - a_4 + \dots$ ← OPPOSITES

CONV
(ALT SERIES TEST)

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

$f(x) = \frac{1}{x} \rightarrow f'(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2} < 0$ FOR $x \in [1, \infty)$

$f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ DECR

$a_n = \frac{1}{n}$ DECR FOR $n \in [1, \infty)$
ie. $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

NOTE: $-\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{5} + \dots$ CONV

$\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} + \dots$ DIV

DOES $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!}$ CONV/DIV?

$$a_n = \frac{1}{n!} > 0$$

$$0 < \frac{1}{n!} = \frac{1}{n(n-1)(n-2)\dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} \leq \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$$

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$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n!} = 0$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{n!} \quad a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{(n+1)!} = \frac{1}{(n+1) \cdot n!}$$

SINCE $n \geq 1$

$$\frac{1}{n+1} < 1$$

$$\frac{1}{(n+1)n!} < \frac{1}{n!}$$

$$a_{n+1} < a_n \text{ FOR } n \geq 1$$

SO $\left\{ \frac{1}{n!} \right\}$ IS DECR

IF $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

$$n! = n(n-1)(n-2)\dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1$$

$$6! = 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 720$$

$$6! = 6 \cdot 5!$$

$$n! = n \cdot (n-1)!$$

$$\text{eg. } 2n! = 2 \cdot (n!)$$

$$(2n)! = (2n)(2n-1)\dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1$$

SO $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!}$ CONV
(ALT SERIES TEST)

DOES $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 2n}{3n+1}$ CONV/DIV?

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n}{3n+1} = \frac{2}{3} \not\rightarrow 0$$

SO, $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 2n}{3n+1}$ DIV (DIV TEST)

ALT SERIES $\rightarrow$ p-SERIES
GEOMETRIC
DIVERGENCE
LIMIT COMP
COMPARISON
INTEGRAL

DOES $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos n\pi}{\sqrt[3]{n}}$ CONV/DIV? $\{\cos n\pi\} = \{-1, 1, -1, 1, -1, 1, \dots\}$
 $\cos n\pi = (-1)^n$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt[3]{n}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n}} > 0, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n}} = 0,$$

LET $f(x) = x^{-\frac{1}{3}}$
 $f'(x) = -\frac{1}{3}x^{-\frac{4}{3}} < 0$ FOR $x \geq 1$
 $\{\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n}}\}$ IS DECR FOR $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos n\pi}{\sqrt[3]{n}}$ CONV (ALT SERIES TEST)

(OR)
 $\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n}} > \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n+1}}$
 $a_n > a_{n+1}$
 $\{a_n\}$ DECR

11.6 ABSOLUTE + CONDITIONAL CONVERGENCE

DEF'N: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ CONV ABSOLUTELY IF $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$ CONV

(IE. IF MAKING ALL TERMS POSITIVE
GIVES A SERIES THAT CONV,
THEN THE ORIGINAL SERIES (WITH A MIX OF SIGNS)
IS SAID TO CONV ABSOLUTELY)

DOES $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$ CONV ABSOLUTELY?

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \right| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \text{ DIV } (\text{DIV TEST})$$

$p=1 \leq 1$

SO $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$ DOES NOT CONV ABSOLUTELY

BUT $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$ CONV, SO WE SAY $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$

CONV CONDITIONALLY

DEF'N: IF $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ CONV BUT DOES NOT CONV ABSOLUTELY,

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ CONV CONDITIONALLY