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Worksheet #12

Math 231 AD1

Starred questions are from the professor's worksheet and are of particular importance. Do problems 5 and 6 on the board. Suggested exercises: Section 11.3 (page 721), 9–32.

Warm-up

1. This problem should take 10 seconds: For which p -values does $\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x^p} dx$ converge?
2. State the Integral Test (if you need to look this up, please do so).
3. The next “seriously don't forget this” concerns the **Harmonic Series**: $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{1}{n}$. Does this converge or diverge? What is surprising or special about it?
4. State the Comparison Theorem for integrals (from Section 7.8).

Integral Test

5. *If applicable, use the Integral Test to determine if the following series are convergent or divergent; otherwise, state why the Integral Test can't be used.

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n+1}}$

(d) $\sum_{n=2}^\infty \frac{1}{(3n+2)^2}$

(b) $1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{4\sqrt{4}} + \dots$

(e) $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{e^n}{n}$

(c) $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{\cos(\pi n)}{n^2}$

(f) $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{e^{1/n}}{n^2}$

6. Consider a convergent series $s = \sum_{k=1}^\infty a_k$. Previously, we considered the partial sum $s_n = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k$. Now we also want to think about the “remainder” $R_n = \sum_{k=n+1}^\infty a_k$; stated another way, $R_n = s - s_n$, and it can be thought of as “error”.

If $f(x)$ is continuous, positive, decreasing and agrees with a_k at all integers k , then $\int_{n+1}^\infty f(x) dx \leq R_n \leq \int_n^\infty f(x) dx$. Use this to obtain the following approximations:

(a) *To approximate $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{1}{n^2}$ to within 10^{-5} , how many terms do you need to sum?

(b) *To approximate $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{1}{n^3}$ to within 10^{-5} , how many terms do you need to sum?

Preview (Comparison Tests)

7. State a Comparison Test for series similar to the one for integrals.

8. Show that $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{1}{2^n + n}$ converges.

9. Show that $\sum_{n=2}^\infty \frac{1}{n - \sqrt{n}}$ diverges.

10. Do you expect $\sum_{n=2}^\infty \frac{1}{n^2 - n - 1}$ to converge or diverge? What about $\sum_{n=2}^\infty \frac{1}{n + \sqrt{n}}$?