

## Series 1

$E$  stands for a Banach space  $(E, \|\cdot\|)$ .  $\mathbb{K}$  is  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ .

**Definition:** Let  $(x_k)$  be a sequence in  $E$ . Then  $S_n := \sum_{k=0}^n x_k$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  defines a new sequence  $(S_n)$  in  $E$ , called the series in  $E$ . The element  $S_n$  is called the  $n$ -th partial sum, and  $x_n$  is called the  $n$ -th summand of the series  $\sum x_k$ .

The series  $\sum x_k$  converges if  $(S_n)$  converges. The limit of  $(S_n)$  is called the value of the series  $\sum x_k$  and is written  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k$ . The series diverges if the sequence  $(S_n)$  diverges in  $E$ .

**Proposition:** If the series  $\sum x_k$  converges, then  $(x_k)$  is a null sequence. **Proof:** Because  $(S_n)$  converges,  $(S_n)$  is a Cauchy sequence:  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|S_n - S_m| < \varepsilon$  for all  $m, n \geq N$ . In particular,  $|S_{n+1} - S_n| = |\sum_{k=0}^{n+1} x_k - \sum_{k=0}^n x_k| = |x_{n+1}| < \varepsilon$  for large enough  $n$ .

**Convergence Tests: Theorem (Cauchy criterion):** For a series  $\sum x_k$  in  $E$  the following are equivalent:

1.  $\sum x_k$  converges.
2. For each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is some  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|\sum_{k=n+1}^m x_k| < \varepsilon$  for  $m > n \geq N$ .

**Proof:**  $S_m - S_n = \sum_{k=n+1}^m x_k$ . Thus  $(S_n)$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $E$  if and only if (ii) is true, and in a Banach space a Cauchy sequence converges.

**Theorem:** Let  $\sum x_k$  be a series in  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $x_k > 0$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\sum x_k$  converges if and only if  $(S_n)$  is bounded. In this case, the series has the value  $\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} S_n$ . **Proof:** Since the summands are nonnegative, the sequence  $(S_n)$  is increasing, by the Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem  $(S_n)$  only converges if  $(S_n)$  is bounded.

**Definition:** The series  $\sum x_k$  converges absolutely or is absolutely convergent if  $\sum |x_k|$  converges in  $\mathbb{R}$  (that is  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |x_k| < \infty$ ).

## Recommended Reading

- **Analysis I** by H. Amann (Match: 0.71)
- **Writing Proofs in Analysis** by Jonathan M. Kane (Match: 0.70)
- **Analysis in Banach Spaces : Volume I** by Tuomas Hytönen, Jan van Neerven, Mark Veraar, Lutz Weis (Match: 0.70)