

In class work 13 has questions 1 through 3 with a total of 6 points.

“A linguistic construction is called referentially transparent when for any expression built from it, replacing a subexpression with another one that denotes the same value does not change the value of the expression.” (Wikipedia)

Theorem 1 (CT) Let a and b be sequences. And suppose that $(\forall k \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}) (0 \leq a_k \leq b_k)$. Then $\sum b$ converges $\implies \sum a$ converges.

Theorem 2 (LCT) Let a and b be sequences. And suppose that there is an integer N such that for all $k \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq N}$, we have $0 < a_k$ and $0 < b_k$. Then

- $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{a_k}{b_k} \right) \in \mathbf{R}_{>0} \implies (\sum a \text{ converges} \equiv \sum b \text{ converges})$
- $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{a_k}{b_k} \right) = 0 \implies (\sum b \text{ converges} \implies \sum a \text{ converges})$
- $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{a_k}{b_k} \right) = \infty \implies (\sum a \text{ converges} \implies \sum b \text{ converges})$

- 2 1. Use the CT to show that $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2+k+28}$ converges.

2. Use the LCT to show that $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \begin{cases} (-1)^k k! & k < 10^9 \\ \frac{1}{k^8+1} & k \geq 10^9 \end{cases}$ converges.

- 2 3. After an arduous calculation spanning twelve pages of engineering paper, my friend Lilly Poole has (correctly) shown that

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^8 + 1} dx = \frac{\pi}{8 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right)}.$$

After that, Ms. Poole (spouse of Mr. Wade Poole) concludes that $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+k^8} = \frac{\pi}{8 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right)}$. Is Ms. Poole's conclusion correct? Explain.