

Recitation #15: Infinite Series, Divergence and Integral Tests

Problem 1 Suppose $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ is a sequence and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges to $L > 0$. Let $s_n = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k$. Circle all of the statements that **MUST** be true.

A. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$

B. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

C. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = 0$

D. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = L$

E. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} s_n$ **MUST** diverge.

F. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n + 1) = L + 1$

G. The divergence test tells us $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges to L .

Problem 2 For each of the following, answer **True** or **False**, and explain why.

(a) If $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ converges, then $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a_n + 0.001)$ converges.

(b) Since $\int_1^{\infty} x \sin(\pi x) dx$ diverges then, by the Integral Test, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n \sin(\pi n)$ diverges.

(c) Since $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx = 1$ then, by the Integral Test, $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} = 1$.

Problem 3 Assume $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k = L$ and $b_k = 8$ for all k .

(a) What is $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (a_k + b_k)$?

(b) What is $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=0}^k (a_n + b_n)$?

(c) What is $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=0}^k (a_{n+1} - a_n)$?

Problem 4 Determine if the following series converge or diverge. If they converge, find the sum.

(a) $\sum_{k=0}^{99} 2^k + \sum_{k=100}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k}$

- (b) $\sum_{k=4}^{\infty} \frac{5 \cdot 4^{k+3}}{7^{k-2}}$
- (c) $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} e^{5-2k}$
- (d) $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{i^2 + 2i} \right)$ Hint: $\frac{2}{i^2 + 2i} = \frac{1}{i} - \frac{1}{i+2}$ by partial fractions

Problem 5 Determine if the following series converge or diverge.

- (a) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 + 2n + 1}{3n^2 + 1}$
- (b) $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(\ln n)^2}$

Problem 6 For a sequence $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ let $s_n = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k$ denote its sequence of partial sums. Now, suppose that $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ is a sequence such that $s_n = \frac{4n^2 + 9}{1 - 2n}$.

- (a) Find $a_1 + a_2 + a_3$.
- (b) Find $a_8 + a_9 + a_{10}$.
- (c) Determine whether $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$ converges or diverges. If it converges, find the value to which it converges, or state that there is not enough information to determine this.
- (d) Determine whether $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} s_k$ converges or diverges. If it converges, find the value to which it converges, or state that there is not enough information to determine this.