

Q128. Find the range of $p(> 0)$ for which the series

$$\frac{1}{(1+a)^p} - \frac{1}{(2+a)^p} + \frac{1}{(3+a)^p} - \dots, a > 0 \text{ is}$$

- (i) Is absolutely convergent
- (ii) Conditionally convergent

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Q129. Prove the inequality: $\frac{\pi^2}{9} < \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{x}{\sin x} dx < \frac{2\pi^2}{9}$

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Q130. Show by applying residue theorem that $\int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{(x^2+a^2)^2} = \frac{\pi}{4a^3}, a > 0$.

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(15 Marks)

Q131. Show that if a function f defined on an open interval (a, b) of \mathbb{R} is convex, then f is continuous. Show, by example, if the condition of open interval is dropped then the convex function need not to be continuous.

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Q132. Suppose \mathbb{R} be the set of all real numbers and $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a function such that the following equations hold for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$:

- (i) $f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y)$
- (ii) $f(xy) = f(x)f(y)$

Show that $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ either $f(x) = 0$ or $f(x) = x$.

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Q133. Show that the function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x - y}, & (x, y) \neq (1, -1), (1, 1) \\ 0, & (x, y) = (1, -1), (1, 1) \end{cases}$$

Is continuous and differentiable at $(-1, 1)$.

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(10 Marks)

Q134. Evaluate

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\tan^{-1}(ax)}{x(1+x^2)} dx, a > 0, a \neq 1$$

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(10 Marks)

Q135. Discuss the uniform convergence of

$$f_n(x) = \frac{nx}{1+n^2x^2}, \forall x \in \mathbb{R} (-\infty, \infty), n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

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Q136. Find the maximum value of $f(x, y, z) = x^2y^2z^2$ subject to the subsidiary condition

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = c^2, (x, y, z > 0).$$

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Q137. Discuss the convergence of $\int_1^2 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\ln x} dx$

(Year 2019)

(15 Marks)

find the range of $(p > 0)$ for which the series:

$$\frac{1}{(1+a)^p} - \frac{1}{(2+a)^p} + \frac{1}{(3+a)^p} - \dots, a > 0 \text{ is}$$

(i) absolutely convergent and

(ii) conditionally convergent.

Let $\sum u_n$ be the given series and $v_n = |u_n|$

Then $\sum v_n$ is a series of positive real numbers

and
$$v_n = \frac{1}{(n+a)^p}$$

Let $w_n = \frac{1}{n^p}$. Then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{v_n}{w_n} = 1$

By comparison test $\sum v_n$ is convergent if $p > 1$

$\sum v_n$ is divergent if $0 < p \leq 1$.

Case-1 $p > 1$

In this case $\sum u_n$ is an alternating series and

$\sum |u_n|$ is convergent.

Therefore $\sum u_n$ is absolutely convergent.

Case-2 $0 < p \leq 1$

In this case $\{v_n\}$ is a monotone decreasing sequence of positive real numbers and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} v_n = 0$$

By Leibnitz's test, $\sum (-1)^{n+1} v_n$

i.e. $\sum u_n$ is convergent.

$\sum |u_n|$ is divergent, $\sum u_n$ is conditionally convergent.

Prove the inequality: $\frac{\pi^2}{9} < \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/2} \frac{x}{\sin x} dx < \frac{2\pi^2}{9}$.

$$1 \leq \frac{1}{\sin x} \leq 2 \text{ for all } x \in \left[\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right].$$

Therefore $x \leq \frac{x}{\sin x} \leq 2x$ for all $x \in [\pi/6, \pi/2]$

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \frac{x}{\sin x}$$

$$\therefore \phi(x) = x$$

$$\psi(x) = 2x, \quad x \in [\pi/6, \pi/2]$$

f and ϕ are both bounded and integrable on $[\pi/6, \pi/2]$ and $f(x) \geq \phi(x)$ for all $x \in [\pi/6, \pi/2]$

Also f and ϕ are both continuous at $\pi/3$ and $f(\pi/3) > \phi(\pi/3)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence, } \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/2} f(x) dx &> \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/2} \phi(x) dx \\ &= \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/2} x dx \\ &= \frac{\pi^2}{9}. \end{aligned}$$

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Also f and ψ are both continuous at $\pi/3$ and $f(\pi/3) < \psi(\pi/3)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/2} f(x) dx &< \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/2} \psi(x) dx \\ &= 2 \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/2} x dx \\ &= \frac{2\pi^2}{9} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Consequently, } \frac{\pi^2}{9} < \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/2} \frac{x}{\sin x} dx < \frac{2\pi^2}{9}.$$

show that if a function f defined on an open interval (a, b) of \mathbb{R} is convex, then f is continuous. Show by example if the condition of open interval is dropped, then the continuous convex function need not be cts.

Suppose f is convex on (a, b) and let $[c, d] \subseteq (a, b)$. Choose c and d such that

$$a < c < c < d < d < b$$

If $x, y \in [c, d]$ with $x < y$. Then, we know that,

$$\frac{f(y) - f(x)}{y - x} \geq \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} \geq \frac{f(c) - f(d)}{c - d}$$

and,

$$\frac{f(y) - f(x)}{y - x} \leq \frac{f(d) - f(y)}{d - y} \leq \frac{f(d) - f(c)}{d - c}$$

showing the set

$$\left\{ \left| \frac{f(y) - f(x)}{y - x} \right| : c \leq x < y \leq d \right\}$$

is bounded by $M > 0$. It follows that

$$|f(y) - f(x)| \leq M |y - x|$$

and therefore f is uniformly continuous on $[c, d]$. Recalling that uniformly cts \Rightarrow continuity.

$\Rightarrow f$ is cts on $[c, d]$.

Since the interval $[c, d]$ was arbitrary, f is continuous on (a, b) .

Example: Suppose $a > 0$ and define $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 & \text{for } a \leq x \leq c \\ (x-c)^2 + c^2 & \text{for } c \leq x \leq b \end{cases}$$

Clearly f is cts at $x=c$ as

$$f(c) = c^2$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(c+h) = f(c)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} x^2 = c^2 = f(c)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} x^2 = c^2 = f(c)$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is cts on $[a, b]$.

but f is not convex on $[a, b]$

$$\text{as, } f'(x) = 2x \Big|_{x=c} = 2c$$

$$f''(x) = 2(x-c) \Big|_{x=c} = 0$$

$$\text{Now, } f'(x) \not\leq f''(x)$$

$$\forall x \in (a, b)$$

$\therefore f$ is not convex on $[a, b]$ as left hand derivative of $f(x)$ is not less than or equal to $f''(x)$.

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$$(ii) f(xy) = f(x)f(y)$$

show that $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ either $f(x) = 0$ or $f(x) = x$.

Let us consider that $f(x) \neq 0$, then we shall show that $f(x) = x$

$$\text{As } f(x+x) = f(x) + f(x) = 2f(x) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$f(2x) = 2f(x) \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

from (1) —

$$f(2)f(x) = 2f(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(2)f(x) - 2f(x) = 0$$

$$\therefore f(x)(f(2) - 2) = 0$$

$$\because f(x) \neq 0 \Rightarrow f(2) = 2$$

$$\text{Similarly } \forall k \in \mathbb{R}, f(kx) = f(\underbrace{x + \dots + x}_k) \\ = f(x) + \dots + f(x) = kf(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(k)f(x) = kf(x) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\therefore f(k) = k \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (\because f(x) \neq 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = x \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

Now let us assume that $f(x) \neq x$, for some x , then need to show that $f(x) = 0$

$$\text{As, } f(k)f(x) = kf(x) \quad (\text{from (1)})$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x)[f(k) - k] = 0$$

$$\text{Since, } f(x) = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad f(k) = k$$

$$\text{but } f(k) \neq k \Rightarrow f(x) = 0$$

Hence we are done.

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