

Series (Part3)

What we know so far:

1. **Method of Partial Sums** : Works for very specific series, called telescopic series.

With this method we can **check the convergency and find the Sum**.

2. Geometric Series

Geometric Series of the form

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} r^k = 1 + r + r^2 + \dots = \begin{cases} \text{converges to } \frac{1}{1-r}, & \text{if } |r| < 1 \\ \text{diverges,} & \text{if } |r| \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

With this method we can **check the convergency and find the Sum**.

3. Divergencry Test or N – th term test:

$$\text{If } \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_k \neq 0 \text{ (or } \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_k = \text{DNE}) \rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \text{ is divergent}$$

With this method we can **prove divergencry only**

Positive – Term Tests : For $\sum a_n$ such that $a_n > 0$ for every n

4. Integral Test:

Let $\sum a_n$ be a series such that $a_n = f(n)$

and $\begin{cases} f(x) > 0 \\ \text{Continuous} \\ \text{Decreasing for any } x \geq k \end{cases}$

Then the series $\sum_{n=k}^{\infty} a_n$ and the integral $\int_k^{\infty} f(x) dx$ converge or diverge together

5. DCT

Let $\sum a_n$ and $\sum b_n$ be a positive term series, $a_n \leq b_n$ for every n,

1. If $\sum b_n$ converges, then $\sum a_n$ converges

2. If $\sum a_n$ diverges, then $\sum b_n$ diverges

Positive – Term Series : $\sum a_n$ such that $a_n > 0$ for every n

Limit Comparison Test: LCT

Let $\sum a_n$ and $\sum b_n$ be a positive term series

1. If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = l$, $0 < l < \infty$ $\sum b_n$ and $\sum a_n$ converge or diverge together
2. If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = 0$ and $\sum b_n$ converges $\rightarrow \sum a_n$ converges too
3. If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \infty$ and $\sum b_n$ diverges $\rightarrow \sum a_n$ diverges

Example#1

1. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$

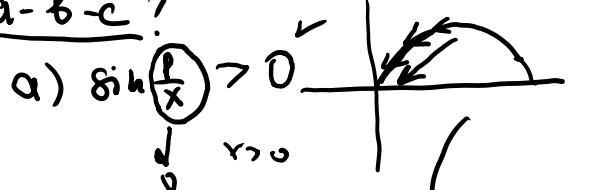
Almost everything we learned so far will fail:

- Not telescopic
- Not geometric
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sin\frac{1}{n} = \sin(0) = 0$, hence Not a Divergency Test

- Integral Test (?)

$$f(x) = \sin\frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{a-b-c}{a} ?$$



b) $f(x) = \sin\frac{1}{x}$ is cont, $x \neq 0$

c) $f(x)$ is decreasing

$\int_1^\infty f(x) dx$ and $\sum_1^\infty \sin\frac{1}{n}$ behave the same

$$\int_1^\infty \sin \frac{1}{x} \quad \text{DCT for integrals}$$

$\sin \frac{1}{x} < \frac{1}{x}$ does not work

LCT for integral

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin \frac{1}{x}}{\frac{1}{x}} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sin t}{t} = 1 \Rightarrow \int_1^\infty \sin \frac{1}{x} \text{ div}$$

$$\sum \sin \frac{1}{n} \text{ div} \leq$$

by LCT test with $\int \frac{1}{x}$ div

- DCT? Will not work :-

$$\sin \frac{1}{n} < \frac{1}{n}$$

correct, but useless

for divergence, and we know
that $\sum \frac{1}{n}, p=1$ diverges

DCT: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin \frac{1}{n}}{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{\frac{1}{n}=t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin t}{t} = 1$

$\sum_{n=1}^\infty \sin \frac{1}{n}$ diverges by LCT with series $\sum_{n=2}^\infty \frac{1}{n}$ ($p=1$ diverges)

This is
the shorter
way to
solve it.

$$2. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - 2^{-\frac{1}{n}}\right)$$

let's try n -th term:

$$a_n = \left(1 - 2^{-\frac{1}{n}}\right)^n \rightarrow 1-1=0$$

did not work!

LCT: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - 2^{-\frac{1}{n}}}{\frac{1}{n}} = \left(\frac{0}{0}\right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - 2^{-\frac{1}{x}}}{\frac{1}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(2^{-\frac{1}{x}}\right) \cdot \ln 2 \left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right)} = \ln 2$

$0 < \ln 2 < \infty$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - 2^{-\frac{1}{n}}\right)$ diverges by LCT with series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ ($p = 1$ diverges)

did not work.

$$3. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{3^n}\right)$$

n -th term test?

$$a_n = \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{3^n}\right) \rightarrow \ln 1 = 0$$

LCT:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{3^n}\right)}{\frac{1}{3^n}} = \left(\frac{0}{0}\right) = \text{d'H} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{3^n}\right)}{\frac{1}{3^n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{3^n}} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{3^n}\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{3^n}\right)^2}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{3^x}}}{\left(\frac{1}{3^x}\right)^2} = 1$$

$$0 < 1 < \infty$$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{3^n}\right)$ converges by LCT with convergent geometric series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3^n}$, where $r = \frac{1}{3} < 1$

$$4. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \cos \frac{1}{n}\right)$$

lets review, what we know
for $\sin(x)$, when x is small
 $\sin x \approx x \Rightarrow$
 $\sin \frac{1}{n} \approx \frac{1}{n}$

$$\cos A - \cos B = -2 \sin \frac{A+B}{2} \sin \frac{A-B}{2}$$

$$A=0, \cos 0 = 1, B = \frac{1}{n}$$

$$1 - \cos \frac{1}{n} = -2 \sin \left(\frac{0+\frac{1}{n}}{2}\right) \sin \left(\frac{0-\frac{1}{n}}{2}\right) = -2 \sin \left(\frac{1}{2n}\right) (-1) \sin \left(\frac{1}{2n}\right) = 2 \sin \left(\frac{1}{2n}\right) \sin \left(\frac{1}{2n}\right)$$

$$1 - \cos \frac{1}{n} = 2 \sin \left(\frac{1}{2n}\right) \cdot \sin \left(\frac{1}{2n}\right) \approx 2 \left(\frac{1}{2n}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2n}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$$\left(1 - \cos \frac{1}{n}\right) \sim \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{n^2}$$

LCT

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - \cos \frac{1}{n}}{\frac{1}{n^2}} = \frac{0}{0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{2x} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$0 < \frac{1}{2} < \infty$$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \cos \frac{1}{n}\right)$ converges by LCT with series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ ($p = 2 > 1$ converges)

$$5. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^3 + 1}} \quad \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^3 + 1}} \sim \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n}}$$

LCT: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n}{\sqrt{n^3 + 1}}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n}}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n^3 + 1}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{n^3}{n^3 + 1}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{n^3}}} = 1$

$0 < 1 < \infty \quad \text{It worked!}$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^3 + 1}}$ diverges by LCT with series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$ ($p = \frac{1}{2} < 1$ diverges)

If using DCT: $\frac{n}{\sqrt{n^3 + 1}} \underset{\text{DCT}}{\sim} \frac{n}{\sqrt{12n^3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+12}}$, so our series will diverge by DCT with $\frac{1}{12} \sum \frac{1}{n}$.
 $\sqrt{n^3 + 1} < \sqrt{n^3 + n^3}$

$$6. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{5^n - 1}$$

$$\frac{1}{5^n - 1} \sim \frac{1}{5^n}$$

LCT: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{5^n - 1}\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{5^n}\right)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5^n}{5^n - 1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{5^n}} = 1$

$0 < 1 < \infty$

"think"
 $\left(\frac{1}{5^n}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^n$
 geom?, $r = \frac{1}{5} < 1$
 conv?

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{5^n - 1}$ converges by LCT with convergent geometric series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{5^n}$, where $r = \frac{1}{5} < 1$

For DCT: $\#$ way

$5^n - 1 > e^n$
 probably need
 to show...

$$\frac{1}{5^n - 1} < \frac{1}{e^n} = \left(\frac{1}{e}\right)^n$$

$r = \frac{1}{e} < 1 \dots$

way #2:

$$5^n - 1 > 5^n - \frac{5^n}{2} = \frac{5^n}{2} \quad \frac{1}{5^n - 1} < \frac{2}{5^n} = 2 \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^n$$

$$r = \frac{1}{5} < 1$$

7. $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{4n^3 - 5n}}$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{4n^3 - 5n}} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{4n^3}} = \frac{1}{2n^{3/2}}$$

? $p = \frac{3}{2} > 1$

LCT

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{4n^3 - 5n}}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{4n^3}}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{4n^3}{4n^3 - 5n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{1}{1 - \frac{5}{4n^2}}} \xrightarrow[0]{\downarrow} 1 \quad 0 < 1 < \infty !$$

$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{4n^3 - 5n}}$ converges by LCT with series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{3/2}}$ ($p = \frac{3}{2} > 1$ converges)

8. $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{n^{7/3} - 4}$

LCT:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{n^2}{n^{7/3} - 4} \right)}{\frac{1}{n^{1/3}}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 n^{1/3}}{n^{7/3} - 4} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{n^{7/3}}{n^{1/3}} - \frac{1}{n^{1/3}}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{n^{2/3}}} = 1$$

$\frac{1}{3} < 1 \dots \text{div}$

$0 < 1 < \infty$

$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{n^{7/3} - 4}$ diverges by LCT with series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{1/3}}$ ($p = \frac{1}{3} < 1$ diverges)

9. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(n) + 2^n}{n + 5^n}$

$$\frac{\sin(n) + 2^n}{n + 5^n} \sim \frac{2^n}{5^n} = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^n$$



$$r = \frac{2}{5} < 1$$

LCT:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\sin n + 2^n}{n + 5^n}}{\left(\frac{2^n}{5^n}\right)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5^n \sin n + 10^n}{2^n + 10^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\sin n}{2^n} + 1}{\frac{n}{5^n} + 1} = 1$$

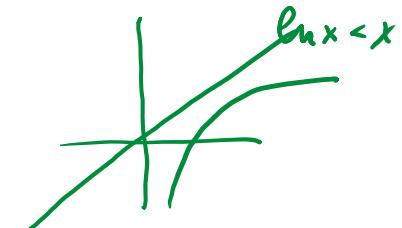
$\xrightarrow{\text{Sandwich}} 0$

$0 < 1 < \infty$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(n) + 2^n}{n + 5^n}$ converges by LCT with convergent geometric series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^n$, where $r = \frac{2}{5} < 1$

DCT

$$\frac{\sin n + 2^n}{n + 5^n} \leq \frac{2^n + 2^n}{n + 5^n} \leq \frac{2 \cdot 2^n}{5^n} = 2 \cdot \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^n$$



10. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n} + \ln n}$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n} + \ln n} \sim \frac{1}{n}$$

LCT $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n} + \ln n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt{n} + \ln n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} + \frac{\ln n}{n}} = \infty$

$\sum \frac{1}{n}$ diverges \Rightarrow "∞" will work!

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n}{n} = \frac{\infty}{\infty} = L'H_{rule} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln x}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{1} = 0$$

Remember!!!! 3. If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \infty$ and $\sum b_n$ diverges $\rightarrow \sum a_n$ diverges

(for "fun" check if you can compare it with $\sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$!)

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n} + \ln n}$ diverges by LCT with series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ ($p = 1$ diverges)

Try DCT :

$$\ln n < n \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{n} + \ln n} > \frac{1}{\sqrt{n} + n} > \frac{1}{n+n} = \frac{1}{2n}$$

11. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3n+5}{n(n-1)(n-2)}$

$$\frac{3n+5}{n(n-1)(n-2)} \sim \frac{3n}{n(n)(n)} = \frac{3}{n^2}$$



$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{3n+5}{n(n-1)(n-2)}}{\frac{3}{n^2}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(3n+5)n^2}{n(n-1)(n-2)} - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n^3 + 5n^2}{n(n-1)(n-2)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cancel{n} \cdot \frac{3+5}{\cancel{n}}}{\cancel{n} \cdot \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{n-2}{n}\right)} = 3$$

$$0 < p < \infty$$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3n+5}{n(n-1)(n-2)}$ converges by LCT with series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ ($p = 2 > 1$ converges)

Mixed Problems

1. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin \frac{1}{n^2}$

DCT: $\sin \frac{1}{n^2} \leq \frac{1}{n^2}$
 $\sum \frac{1}{n^2}, p=2>1 \text{ conv}$ } Convergent by DCT

2. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2(n)}{1+2^n}$

DCT: $\frac{\sin^2(n)}{1+2^n} \leq \frac{1}{1+2^n} < \frac{1}{2^n} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$

\sum is convergent by DCT with $\sum \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$, geom. conver. $r = \frac{1}{2} < 1$

n -th term test:

3. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^n}{1+3e^n}$

$$a_n = \frac{e^n}{1+3e^n} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{e^n} + 3\right)} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{3} \neq 0$$

$a_n \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$ Series diverges
by n -th term test

$$5. (\text{fall 2016, C\#3}) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{(n+2)(n-2)}$$

$$7. (\text{fall 2016, C\#3}) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{e^{-n} + n^3}$$

$$9. (\text{spring 2016, C\#3}) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2+\cos^2 n}{n^2+n}$$

$$6. (\text{fall 2016, C\#3}) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2n^2}{\sqrt[3]{n^7+n}}$$

$$8. (\text{spring 2016, C\#3}) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}-1}{\sqrt{n}+n}$$

$$10. (\text{spring 2016, C\#3}) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3}{n\sqrt{\ln n}}$$