CHAPTER 6

Section 6.4

1. (a)

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n^2 + 1}{n^3 + 1} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{(1/n^2) + 1/n^3}{1 + 1/n^3} = \frac{0}{1} = 0$$

(b)

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\ln n}{n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{d(\ln n)/dn}{d(n)/dn} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1/n}{1} = \frac{0}{1} = 0$$

(c)

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n}{2^n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{2^n \ln 2} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$$

(d)

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} n \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\ln \left(1 + 1/n \right)}{n^{-1}} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{d \left[\ln \left(1 + 1/n \right) \right] / dn}{d \left(n^{-1} \right) / dn}$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1 / \left(n^2 + n \right)}{1 / n^2}$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{1 + 1/n}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 + 0} = 1$$

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} s_n = 1 \text{ for } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \implies \lim_{n \to \infty} s_n = 1$$

 $2. \quad (a)$

$$\overline{\lim}_{n\to\infty}\cos n\pi = 1 \qquad \qquad \underline{\lim}_{n\to\infty}\cos n\pi = -1 \qquad (1)$$

(b)

$$\overline{\lim}_{n\to\infty}\sin\frac{1}{5}n\pi\approx 0.951 \qquad \qquad \underline{\lim}_{n\to\infty}\sin\frac{1}{5}n\pi\approx -0.951$$

(c)

$$\overline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} n \sin\frac{1}{2}n\pi = \infty \qquad \qquad \underline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} n \sin\frac{1}{2}n\pi = -\infty$$

3. (a) A sequence

$$s_n = 1 + \cos n\pi$$

has limits

$$\overline{\lim}_{n \to \infty} s_n = 2 \qquad \qquad \underline{\lim}_{n \to \infty} s_n = 0$$

(b) A sequence

$$s_n = -n^2 \sin^2\left(\frac{1}{2}n\pi\right)$$

has limits

$$\overline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} s_n = 0 \qquad \qquad \underline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} s_n = -\infty$$

(c) A sequence

$$s_n = n$$

has limits

$$\overline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} s_n = \underline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} s_n = \infty$$

4. Let a sequence $s_n = 1/n$ be given. Now this sequence converges, since

$$s = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$$

Hence, for every $\epsilon > 0$ an N can be found such that

$$|s_n - s| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

for all n > N. Hence, for all m, n > N

$$|s_m - s_n| = |s_m - s + s - s_n| \le |s_m - s| + |s - s_n| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$$

and so condition (6.10) is satisfied.

5. In order to define e to 2 decimal places from its definition

$$e = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n$$

we let $\epsilon = 0.00828$ in order to find a value N such that (6.5)

$$|s_n - s| < \epsilon \quad \text{for } n > N$$

Inserting in the condition above then gives

$$\left| \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n - e \right| < 0.00828$$

which is satisfied for n = 164. Hence,

$$e \approx \left(1 + \frac{1}{164}\right)^{164} \approx 2.71$$

6.

$$\overline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} x^n = \infty \qquad \text{for } |x| > 1$$

$$\overline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} x^n = 1 \qquad \text{for } x = \pm 1$$

$$\overline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} x^n = 0 \qquad \text{for } |x| < 1$$

$$\underline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} x^n = -\infty \qquad \text{for } x < -1$$

$$\underline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} x^n = -1 \qquad \text{for } x = -1$$

$$\underline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} x^n = 0 \qquad \text{for } |x| < 1$$

$$\underline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} x^n = 1 \qquad \text{for } x = 1$$

$$\underline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} x^n = \infty \qquad \text{for } x > 1$$

7.



Assuming the figure above represents the unit circle, it follows that AE = BE = 1 and that the area of the polygon AEB is given by

$$A(AEB) = \frac{1}{2}AB \times EF = AF \times EF = AE \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \times AE \cos \frac{\theta}{2} = \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{\sin \theta}{2}$$

The area of the unit circle may then be approximated as the sum of the areas of n such polygons in the limit $n \to \infty$:

$$A_{S_1} = s_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n}{2} \sin \frac{2\pi}{n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \pi \frac{n}{2\pi} \sin \frac{2\pi}{n}$$

Now using the fact that $\lim_{x\to 0} \sin(x)/x = 1$ and setting $x = 2\pi/n$ we find

$$A_{S_1} = s_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \pi \frac{n}{2\pi} \sin \frac{2\pi}{n} = \lim_{x \to 0} \pi \frac{\sin x}{x} = \pi$$

Hence, since the sequence s_n is bounded and has limit π , it is monotone increasing.

Section 6.7

1. (a) Since

$$\overline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n^2\pi}{2}\right) = 1 \neq 0$$

then by the *n*th term test $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(n^2\pi/2)$ diverges.

(b) Since

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{2^n}{n^3} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{2^{n-1}}{3n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{(n-1) \, 2^{n-2}}{3} = \infty \neq 0$$

employing L'Hospital's rule, then by the nth term test $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^n/n^3$ diverges.

2. (a) Since $n^3 > n$ for n > 0 it follows that

$$\frac{1}{n^3 - 1} = \left| \frac{1}{n^3 - 1} \right| < \frac{1}{n - 1}$$

for $n = 2, 3, \ldots$ Now since

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n-1} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1/n}{1 - (1/n)} = 0$$

then $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 1/(n-1)$ converges and hence, by the comparison test for convergence $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 1/(n^3-1)$ is absolutely convergent.

(b) Since $|\sin n| < 1$ for $n \ge 1$ it follows that

$$\left|\frac{\sin n}{n^2}\right| < \frac{1}{n^2}$$

for $n = 1, 2, \ldots$ Now since

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = 0$$

then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^2$ converges and hence, by the comparison test for convergence $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(n)/n^2$ is absolutely convergent.

3. (a) Since n + 5 > n and $n^2 - 3n - 5 < n^2$ for $n \ge 1$ it follows that

$$\frac{n+5}{n^2-3n-5} > \frac{n}{n^2} = \frac{1}{n}$$

for $n=1,2,\ldots$ Now since $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n$ is the harmonic series, which diverges, it follows by the comparison test for divergence that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+5)/(n^2-3n-5)$ diverges as well.

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(b) Since $\sqrt{n} \ln n < n \ln n$ for $n \ge 2$ it follows that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}\ln n} > \frac{1}{n\ln n}$$

for $n=2,3,\ldots$ Using the inequality $\ln(1+x) \leq x$ we may continue to write

$$\frac{1}{n \ln n} \ge \frac{\ln \left(1 + 1/n\right)}{\ln n} \ge \ln \left(1 + \frac{\ln \left(1 + 1/n\right)}{\ln n}\right) \ge \ln \frac{\ln \left(1 + n\right)}{\ln n}$$

In summary, we find

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}\ln n} > \ln\frac{\ln(1+n)}{\ln n} = \ln\ln(1+n) - \ln\ln n$$

Now let us consider the series

$$\sum_{n=2}^{N} \ln \ln (1+n) - \ln \ln n = \ln \ln (1+N) - \ln \ln 2$$

Hence, when $N \to \infty$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \ln \ln (1+n) - \ln \ln n = \lim_{N \to \infty} \ln \ln (1+N) - \ln \ln 2 = \infty$$

And so by the comparison test for divergence we may conclude that $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 1/(\sqrt{n} \ln n)$ diverges as well.

4. (a) Let $y = f(x) = 1/(x^2 + 1)$. As such, f(x) is defined and continuous for $c \le x < \infty$, f(x) decreases as x increases and $\lim_{x\to\infty} f(x) = 0$. The improper integral $\int_c^\infty f(x) dx$ with c = 1 then evaluates to

$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^{2} + 1} = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{1}^{b} \frac{dx}{x^{2} + 1} = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{\pi/4}^{\tan^{-1}b} du = \lim_{b \to \infty} u \Big|_{\pi/4}^{\tan^{-1}b} = \lim_{b \to \infty} \tan^{-1}b - \frac{\pi}{4}$$
$$= \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

where we have used the substitution $x = \tan u$. Hence, by the integral test, since the improper integral $\int_1^\infty f(x) dx$ converges so will the series $a_n = f(n) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty 1/(n^2+1)$.

(b) let $y = f(x) = 1/(x \ln^2 x)$. As such, f(x) is defined and continuous for $c \le x < \infty$, f(x) decreases as x increases and $\lim_{x\to\infty} f(x) = 0$. The improper integral $\int_c^\infty f(x) \, dx$ with c = 2 then evaluates to

$$\int_{2}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x \ln^{2} x} = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{2}^{b} \frac{dx}{x \ln^{2} x} = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{\ln 2}^{\ln b} \frac{du}{u^{2}} = \lim_{b \to \infty} -\frac{1}{u} \Big|_{\ln 2}^{\ln b} = \frac{1}{\ln 2} - \lim_{b \to \infty} \frac{1}{\ln b}$$
$$= \frac{1}{\ln 2} - 0 = \frac{1}{\ln 2}$$

where we have used the substitution $u = \ln x$. Hence, by the integral test, since the improper integral $\int_2^{\infty} f(x) dx$ converges so will the series $a_n = f(n) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 1/(n \ln^2 n)$.

5. (a) Let $y = f(x) = x/(x^2 + 1)$. As such, f(x) is defined and continuous for $c \le x < \infty$, (fx) decreases as x increases and $\lim_{x\to\infty} f(x) = 0$. The improper integral $\int_c^\infty f(x) dx$ with c = 1 then evaluates to

$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{x}{x^{2} + 1} dx = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{1}^{b} \frac{x}{x^{2} + 1} dx = \lim_{b \to \infty} \frac{1}{2} \int_{2}^{b^{2} + 1} \frac{du}{u} = \lim_{b \to \infty} \frac{\ln u}{2} \Big|_{2}^{b^{2} + 1}$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \frac{\ln |b^{2} + 1| - \ln 2}{2}$$

$$= \infty - \frac{\ln 2}{2} = \infty$$

where we have used the substitution $u = x^2 + 1$. Hence, by the integral test, since the improper integral $\int_1^\infty f(x) dx$ diverges so will the series $a_n = f(n) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty n/(n^2+1)$.

(b) Let $y = f(x) = 1/(x \ln x \ln \ln x)$. As such, f(x) is defined and continuous for $c \le x < \infty$, f(x) decreases as x increases and $\lim_{x\to\infty} f(x) = 0$. The improper integral $\int_c^\infty f(x) dx$ with c = 10 then evaluates to

$$\int_{10}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x \ln x \ln \ln x} = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{10}^{b} \frac{dx}{x \ln x \ln \ln x} = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{\ln 10}^{\ln b} \frac{du}{u \ln u}$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{\ln \ln 10}^{\ln \ln b} \frac{dv}{v}$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \ln v \Big|_{\ln \ln 10}^{\ln \ln b}$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \ln \ln \ln b - \ln \ln \ln 10$$

$$= \infty - \ln \ln \ln \ln 0 = \infty$$

where we have used the substitutions $u = \ln x$ and $v = \ln u$. Hence, by the integral test, since the improper integral $\int_{10}^{\infty} f(x) dx$ diverges so will the series $a_n = f(n) = \sum_{n=10}^{\infty} 1/(n \ln n \ln n)$.

6. (a) Let $a_n = (-1)^n/n!$. As such we find

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = L = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{n!}{(-1)^n} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| -\frac{1}{n+1} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n+1} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$$

Hence, L < 1 and so according to the ratio test the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n/n!$ is absolutely convergent.

(b) Let $a_n = 2^n + 1/(3^n + n)$. As such we find

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = L = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{3^n + n}{2^n + 1} \frac{2^{n+1} + 1}{3^{n+1} + n + 1} \right|$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{3^n (1 + n/3^n)}{2^n (1 + 1/2^n)} \frac{2^{n+1} (1 + 1/2^{n+1})}{3^{n+1} [1 + (n/3^{n+1}) + (1/3^{n+1})]} \right|$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{(1 + n/3^n) (1 + 1/2^{n+1})}{(1 + 1/2^n) (1 + n/3^{n+1} + 1/3^{n+1})} \right|$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \frac{(1 + 0) \cdot (1 + 0)}{(1 + 0) \cdot (1 + 0 + 0)} = \frac{2}{3}$$

where we have used the fact that

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x}{a^x} = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{1}{xa^{x-1}} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$$

using L'Hospital's rule. Hence, L < 1 and so according to the ratio test the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^n + 1/(3^n + n)$ is absolutely convergent.

7. (a) Let $a_n = 1/\ln n$. Then for $2 \le n < \infty$ we find

$$a_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{\ln n} = \frac{1}{\ln n}$$

Now since $\ln n$ is monotonically increasing for $2 \le n < \infty$ we may conclude that $a_n = 1/\ln n$ is monotonically decreasing for $2 \le n < \infty$ and so $a_{n+1} \le a_n$. Furthermore

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{\ln n} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$$

provided $n \ge 2$ and so by the alternating series test we may conclude that the series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n / \ln n$ converges.

(b) Let $f(x) = \ln x/x$. Hence,

$$\frac{d}{dx}f(x) = \frac{d}{dx}\frac{\ln x}{x} = \frac{1 - \ln x}{x^2}$$

Note that the derivative of f(x) becomes negative when $x > e \approx 2.71828$ and hence, that f(x) becomes monotonically decreasing when $e < x < \infty$. As such, the terms of the sequence $a_n = f(n) = \ln n/n$ are decreasing (i.e. $a_{n+1} \leq a_n$) when $3 \leq n < \infty$. Furthermore

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\ln n}{n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$$

using L'Hospital's rule. As such, by the alternating series test we may conclude that the series $\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} (-1)^n \ln n/n$ converges.

8. (a) Let $a_n = 1/n^n$. Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = R = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sqrt[n]{n^{-n}} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$$

provided $n \ge 1$. Hence, since R < 1 it follows from the root test that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^n$ is absolutely convergent.

(b) Let $a_n = [n/(n+1)]^{n^2}$. Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = R = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sqrt[n]{\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^{n^2}} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^n = \frac{1}{e}$$

provided $n \ge 1$. Hence, since R < 1 it follows from the root test that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [n/(n+1)]^{n^2}$ is absolutely convergent.

9. (a) Let the series

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

be given. To show that this series converges we consider the partial sum

$$S_n = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4} - \frac{2}{3} + \dots + \frac{n+1}{n+2} - \frac{n}{n+1} = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{n+1}{n+2}$$

Taking the limit of S_n as $n \to \infty$ then gives

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n+1}{n+2} - \frac{1}{2} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1+1/n}{1+2/n} - \frac{1}{2} = 1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Hence, the series converges.

(b) Let the series

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

be given. To show that this series converges we consider the partial sum

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$$S_n = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{8} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{3}{8} + \dots + \frac{n+1}{2^{n+1}} = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{n+1}{2^{n+1}}$$

Taking the limit of S_n as $n \to \infty$ then gives

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n+1}{2^{n+1}} - \frac{1}{2} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{(n+1) 2^n} - \frac{1}{2} = 0 - \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

using $L'Hospital's\ rule.$ Hence, the series converges.

10. Let y = f(x) satisfy the following conditions:

- (a) f(x) is defined and continuous for $c \le x < \infty$
- (b) f(x) decreases as x increases and $\lim_{x\to\infty} f(x) = 0$
- (c) $f(n) = a_n$

Let us suppose the improper integral $\int_c^{\infty} f(x) dx$ diverges. Assumptions (b) and (c) imply that $a_n > 0$ for n sufficiently large. Hence, by Theorem 7 of Section 6.5 the series $\sum a_n$ is either convergent or properly divergent. Let the integer m be chosen so that m > c. Then, since f(x) is decreasing

$$\int_{n}^{n+1} f(x) \ dx \le f(n) = a_n \quad \text{for } n \ge m$$

Hence, $a_m + \cdots + a_{m+p} \ge \int_m^{m+p+1} f(x) dx$. However, since $\int_c^{\infty} f(x) dx$ diverges it follows that $\lim_{p\to\infty} \int_m^{m+p+1} f(x) dx$ diverges, which thus ultimately implies that the series $\sum_m^{\infty} a_n$ must be divergent as well.

11. Let an alternating series

$$a_1 - a_2 + a_3 - a_4 + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} a_n, \quad a_n > 0$$

be given along with the two conditions

- (a) $a_{n+1} \le a_n$ for n = 1, 2, ...
- (b) $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n = 0$

What remains to be proven is that such a series converges given the aforementioned conditions. Let $S_n = a_1 - a_2 + a_3 - a_4 + \cdots \pm a_n$ denote the *n*th partial sum of an alternating series. Then $S_1 = a_1$, $S_2 = a_1 - a_2 < S_1$, $S_3 = S_2 + a_3 > S_2$, $S_3 = S_1 - (a_2 - a_3) < S_1$, so that $S_2 < S_3 < S_1$. As such, we may conclude that $S_1 > S_3 > S_1 > S_2 > S_2 > \cdots > S_1 > S_2 > S_2 > \cdots > S_2 > S_2 > \cdots > S_2 > S_3 > \cdots > S_3$

Next, let an $\epsilon > 0$ be given. By the Cauchy criterion our goal is to find an N so that whenever m > n > N then

$$|S_m - S_n| = |a_{n+1} - a_{n+2} + \dots \pm a_m| < \epsilon$$

Now since each partial sum is non-negative (i.e. $S_n \geq 0$) and acknowledging that all partial sums are \leq the first term a_1 , but now applied to the alternating series starting at a_{n+1} instead of a_1 we can write

$$\left| S_m - S_n \right| \le a_{n+1} < \epsilon$$

Now because $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n = 0$ we can find N such that $a_{n+1} < \epsilon$ whenever n > N. Hence,

$$m > n > N \implies \left| S_m - S_n \right| \le a_{n+1} < \epsilon$$

which thus satisfies our initial condition

$$|S_m - S_n| = |a_{n+1} - a_{n+2} + \dots \pm a_m| < \epsilon$$

We may conclude that the sequence of partial sums S_n of our original alternating series subject to conditions (a) and (b) satisfies the Cauchy criterion and therefore, is convergent. Hence, the alternating series itself is convergent.

12. (a) Let the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n+4}{2n^3 - 1}$$

be given. In order to determine convergence or divergence we first try the comparison test for convergence. To this end, note that $n+4 \le 5n$ and $2n^3-1 \ge n^3$ for $n=1,2,\ldots$ Hence,

$$|a_n| = \frac{n+4}{2n^3 - 1} \le \frac{5n}{n^3} = \frac{5}{n^2} = b_n$$
 for $n = 1, 2, \dots$

As such, if we can prove that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ converges, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is absolutely convergent. Now let $y = f(x) = 5/x^2$, which satisfies the following conditions:

- i. f(x) is defined and continuous for $c \le x < \infty$ for $c \ne 0$
- ii. f(x) decreases as x increases and $\lim_{x\to\infty} f(x) = 0$
- iii. $f(n) = b_n$

Then by the integral test the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ converges or diverges according to whether the improper integral $\int_{c}^{\infty} f(x) dx$ converges or diverges. As such, we evaluate

$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{5}{x^{2}} dx = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{1}^{b} \frac{5}{x^{2}} dx = \lim_{b \to \infty} -\frac{5}{x} \Big|_{1}^{b} = 5 - \lim_{b \to \infty} \frac{5}{b} = 5 - \frac{5}{\infty} = 5$$

Hence, since the improper integral $\int_c^{\infty} f(x) dx$ converges, so do the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$.

(b) Let the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3n-5}{n2^n}$$

be given. Since $a_n \neq 0$ for n = 1, 2, ... we can try the ratio test in order to determine convergence or divergence:

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = L = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{3(n+1) - 5}{(n+1)2^{n+1}} \frac{n2^n}{3n - 5} \right| = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{3(n+1) - 5}{n+1} \frac{n}{3n - 5} \right|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{3(1+1/n) - 5/n}{1+1/n} \frac{1}{3 - 5/n} \right|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{3 + 0 - 0}{1 + 0} \frac{1}{3 - 0} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Hence, since L = 1/2 < 1 the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is absolutely convergent.

(c) Let the series

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

be given. Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{e^n}{n+1} = \lim_{n \to \infty} e^n = \infty$$

using L'Hospital's rule. Hence, it follows from the nth term test that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ diverges.

(d) Let the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{n! + 1}$$

be given. Since

$$|a_n| = \frac{n^2}{n! + 1} < \frac{n^2}{n!} = b_n$$
 for $n = 1, 2, \dots$

the comparison test for convergence tells us that if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ converges, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is absolutely convergent. Since $b_n \neq 0$ for $n = 1, 2, \ldots$ we can use the ratio test in order to determine if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ converges:

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{b_{n+1}}{b_n} \right| = L = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{(n+1)^2}{(n+1)!} \frac{n!}{n^2} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{(n+1)^2}{n^2 (n+1)} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n+1}{n^2} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1+1/n}{n} = \lim_{n \to \infty}$$

Hence, since L=0<1 we may conclude that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}b_n$ is absolutely convergent by the ratio test and thus, that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}a_n$ is absolutely convergent by the comparison test for convergence.

(e) Let the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{3 \cdot 5 \cdots (2n+3)}$$

be given. Since $a_n \neq 0$ for n = 1, 2, ... we can use the ratio test to determine convergence:

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = L = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{(n+1)!}{3 \cdot 5 \cdots [2(n+1)+3]} \frac{3 \cdot 5 \cdots (2n+3)}{n!}$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n}{2(n+1)+3}$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{2(1+1/n)+3/n} = \frac{1}{2(1+0)+0} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Hence, since L = 1/2 < 1 we may conclude that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is absolutely convergent.

(f) Let the series

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

be given. This is an alternating series. Note that for n = 1, 2, 3, 4 its terms are actually increasing (i.e. $a_{n+1} > a_n$) in absolute value and $a_{n+1} \le a_n$ only becomes true when $n = 5, 6, \ldots$ This is not a problem for the alternating series test to be valid however. Furthermore

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\ln n}{2n+3} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1/n}{2} = \frac{0}{2} = 0$$

using L'Hospital's rule. Hence, the alternating series converges.

(g) Let the series

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1 + \ln^2 n}{n \ln^2 n}$$

be given. As such, let us define the function $y = f(x) = (1 + \ln^2 x)/n \ln^2 x$. Then

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{1 + \ln^2 x}{x \ln^2 x} = \lim_{x \to \infty} \left(\frac{1}{x \ln^2 x} + \frac{1}{x} \right) = \frac{1}{\infty} + \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$$

Furthermore, f(x) satisfies the following conditions:

i. f(x) is defined and continuous for $c \le x < \infty$

ii. f(x) decreases as x increases for $x \ge 2$ and $\lim_{x \to \infty} f(x) = 0$

iii. $f(n) = a_n$

Hence, we can use the integral test to determine whether the series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n$ converges or diverges:

$$\int_{2}^{\infty} \frac{1 + \ln^{2} x}{x \ln^{2} x} dx = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{2}^{b} \frac{1 + \ln^{2} x}{x \ln^{2} x} dx = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{2}^{b} \left(\frac{1}{x \ln^{2} x} + \frac{1}{x} \right) dx$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{2}^{b} \frac{dx}{x \ln^{2} x} + \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{2}^{b} \frac{dx}{x}$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{\ln 2}^{\ln b} \frac{du}{u^{2}} + \lim_{b \to \infty} \ln|x||_{2}^{b}$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \left(-\frac{1}{\ln b} + \frac{1}{\ln 2} + \ln b - \ln 2 \right)$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \left(-\frac{1}{\ln b} + \frac{1}{\ln 2} + \ln b - \ln 2 \right) = \infty$$

In conclusion, since the improper integral $\int_{c}^{\infty} f(x) dx$ diverges, so will the series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n$.

(h) Let the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos n\pi}{n+2} \equiv \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n b_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n+2}$$

be given. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n b_n$ is an alternating series with terms that are decreasing in absolute value: $b_{n+1} < b_n$ for $n = 1, 2, \ldots$ and $\lim_{n \to \infty} b_n = 0$. Hence, by the alternating series test the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n b_n$ converges and thus, so will the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$.

(i) Let the series

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

be given. Now since $a \ge 0$ and $n + \ln n < 2n$ for n = 1, 2, ... we can define $b_n = \ln n/2n$ such that $a_n > b_n \ge 0$. Then by the comparison test for divergence if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ diverges so will $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$. To this end, let us define the function $y = f(x) = \ln x/2x$. Now since $\ln x < 2x$ for $1 \le x < \infty$ and

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\ln x}{2x} = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{1/x}{2} = 0$$

using L'Hospital's rule, we find that

- i. f(x) is defined and continuous for $c \le x < \infty$, where c = 1
- ii. f(x) decreases as x increases and $\lim_{x\to\infty} f(x) = 0$
- iii. $f(n) = a_n$

Then the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ converges or diverges according to whether the improper integral $\int_{c}^{\infty} f(x) dx$ converges or diverges:

$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{\ln x}{2x} \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{1}^{b} \frac{\ln x}{x} \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{0}^{\ln b} u \, du = \lim_{b \to \infty} \frac{u^{2}}{4} \Big|_{0}^{\ln b} = \lim_{b \to \infty} \frac{\ln^{2} b}{4} = \infty$$

where we have used the substitution $u = \ln x$. Hence, by the integral test the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ diverges and so by the comparison test for divergence the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ diverges as well.

(j) Let the series

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

be given. Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = R = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sqrt[n]{\left(\frac{n+1}{2n}\right)^n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n+1}{2n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1+1/n}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Then by the root test, since R = 1/2 < 1 the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is absolutely convergent.

- 13. Let $a_n > 0$ and $b_n > 0$ for n = 1, 2, ... and let the sequence a_n/b_n have limit k, possibly infinite.
 - (a) Suppose $0 < k < \infty$, i.e. $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n/b_n = k$ is some positive number. Then for some $\epsilon > 0$ we know that there must exist a positive integer N such that for all n > N it is true that

$$\left| \frac{a_n}{b_n} - k \right| < \epsilon \iff (k - \epsilon) b_n < a_n < (k + \epsilon) b_n$$

As k > 0 we can choose ϵ sufficiently small so that $k - \epsilon > 0$. Hence,

$$b_n < \frac{a_n}{k - \epsilon}$$

As such, by the comparison test for convergence, if $\sum a_n$ converges then so must $\sum b_n$. Similarly $a_n < (k + \epsilon)b_n$. Hence, if $\sum a_n$ diverges then by the comparison test for divergence so will $\sum b_n$. In conclusion, both series $\sum a_n$ and $\sum b_n$ either both converge or both diverge.

(b) Suppose k = 0. Then for some $\epsilon > 0$ there must exist a positive integer N such that for all n > N it is true that

$$\frac{a_n}{b_n} < \epsilon \iff a_n < \epsilon b_n$$

Hence, by the comparison test for convergence, if $\sum b_n$ converges then so must $\sum a_n$. Additionally, as long as $\sum a_n$ converges the inequality can still be satisfied if $\sum b_n$ diverges by choosing ϵ sufficiently small.

(c) Suppose $k = \infty$. Then for some $\epsilon > 0$ we know that there must exist a positive integer N such that for all n > N it is true that

$$(k - \epsilon) b_n < a_n < (k + \epsilon) b_n$$

From the first inequality we see that

$$a_n > (k - \epsilon) b_n$$

from which we may gather that $\sum a_n$ may diverge while $\sum b_n$ converges, since $k = \infty$. Similarly, since $a_n < (k + \epsilon)b_n$ then the comparison test for divergence tells us that divergence of $\sum a_n$ implies divergence of $\sum b_n$.

14. (a) Let the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2n+1}{3n^2+n+1}$$

be given and let $b_n = 1/n$. Using Problem 13 we thus find

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{2n^2 + n}{3n^2 + n + 1} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{2 + 1/n}{3 + 1/n + 1/n^2} = \frac{2}{3}$$

and so the series $\sum a_n$ and $\sum b_n$ either both converge or both diverge. Since the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n$ diverges we conclude that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ must diverge as well.

(b) Let the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^3 - 3n^2 + 5}{n^5 + n + 1}$$

be given and let $b_n = 1/n^2$. Hence,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n^5 - 3n^4 + 5n^2}{n^5 + n + 1} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1 - 3/n + 5/n^3}{1 + 1/n^4 + 1/n^5} = 1$$

and so the series $\sum a_n$ and $\sum b_n$ either both converge or both diverge. Since the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^2$ converges we conclude that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ must converge as well.

(c) Let the series

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

be given and let $b_n = 1/n$. Hence,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\sin(1/n)}{1/n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\cos(1/n)/n^2}{1/n^2} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \cos\frac{1}{n} = \cos\frac{1}{\infty} = 1$$

using L'Hospital's rule and so the series $\sum a_n$ and $\sum b_n$ either both converge or both diverge. Since the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n$ diverges we conclude that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ must diverge as well.

(d) Let the series

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

be given and let $b_n = 1/n^2$. Hence,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1 - \cos(1/n)}{1/n^2} = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\sin(1/n)}{1/n} = \frac{1}{2}$$

using L'Hospital's rule and so the series $\sum a_n$ and $\sum b_n$ either both converge or both diverge. Since the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^2$ converges we conclude that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ must converge as well.

Section 6.9

1. (a) Let the sum $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^2$ be given and let us define the allowed error as $\epsilon = 1$. We know from the previous section that this series converges by the integral test of

Theorem 14. Hence, by Theorem 23 we find

$$|R_n| = \sum_{m=n+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m^2} < \int_n^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_n^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2} = \frac{1}{n} = T_n$$

and so the condition $T_n \leq \epsilon$ then translates to the inequality $n \geq 1$, which is satisfied for n = 1. Hence, one term is sufficient to compute the sum with given allowed error $\epsilon = 1$ and so $S_1 = 1$.

(b) Let the sum $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1}/n^2$ be given and let us define the allowed error as $\epsilon = 1/10$. Now since this series converges by the alternating series test then by Theorem 26

$$|R_n| < a_{n+1} = T_n$$

Hence, we end up with the inequality $a_{n+1} \leq \epsilon$ or $1/(n+1)^2 \leq 1/10 \iff (n+1)^2 \geq 10$, which is satisfied for n=3. Hence, three terms is sufficient to compute the sum with the given allowed error $\epsilon = 1/10$ and so $S_3 \approx 0.86$.

(c) Let the sum $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n/(n^3+5)$ be given and let us define the allowed error as $\epsilon = 1/5$. It is true that $n^3 + 5 > n^3$ and so we can define $b_n = 1/n^2$ such that $|a_n| < b_n$ for $n \ge n_1 = 1$. Now since $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^2$ converges then by Theorem 22 and Theorem 23 it follows that

$$|R_n| \le \sum_{m=n+1}^{\infty} b_m = \sum_{m=n+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m^2} < \int_n^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_n^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2} = \frac{1}{n} = T_n$$

Taking a hint from (a) we find $T_n \le \epsilon \implies n \ge 5$. Hence, five terms are sufficient to compute the sum with the given allowed error $\epsilon = 1/5$ and so $S_5 \approx 0.51$.

(d) Let the sum $\sum n = 1^{\infty}1/(n^2+1)$ be given and let us define the allowed error as $\epsilon = 1/2$. It is true that $n^2+1 > n^2$ and so we can define $b_n = 1/n^2$ such that $|a_n| < b_n$ for $n \ge n_1 = 1$. Now since $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^2$ converges then by Theorem 22 and Theorem 23 it follows that

$$|R_n| \le \sum_{m=n+1}^{\infty} b_m = \le \sum_{m=n+1}^{\infty} b_m \frac{1}{m^2} < \int_n^{\infty} f(x) \ dx = \int_n^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2} = \frac{1}{n} = T_n$$

Taking a hint from (a) we find $T_n \le \epsilon \implies n \ge 2$. Hence, two terms are sufficient to compute the sum with the given allowed error $\epsilon = 1/2$ and so $S_2 = 0.7$.

(e) Let the sum $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^n$ be given and let us define the allowed error as $\epsilon = 1/100$. Then

$$\sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = \frac{1}{n} \le r < 1$$

for $n \geq 2$, so that the series $\sum a_n$ converges by the root test. Hence, by Theorem 25

$$|R_n| \le \frac{r^{n+1}}{1-r} = T_n \implies \frac{1}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{n+1}} = \frac{1}{n(n+1)^n} \le \epsilon$$

for $n \geq 2$. In other words, we are looking for the smallest integer $n \geq 2$ such that $n(n+1)^n \geq 100$, which is satisfied for n=3. Hence, three terms are sufficient to compute the sum with the given allowed error $\epsilon = 1/100$ and so $S_3 \approx 1.287$.

(f) Let the sum $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n!$ be given and let us define the allowed error as $\epsilon = 1/100$. Then

$$\left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \frac{n!}{(n+1)!} = \frac{1}{n+1} \le r < 1$$

for $n \geq 1$, so that the series $\sum a_n$ converges by the ratio test. Hence, by Theorem 24

$$|R_n| \le \frac{|a_{n+1}|}{1-r} = T_n \implies \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{n+2}} = \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1}\right) \le \epsilon$$

for $n \ge 1$. In other words, we are looking for the smallest integer $n \ge 1$ such that $T_n \le \epsilon$, which is satisfied for n = 4. Hence, four terms are sufficient to compute the sum with the given allowed error $\epsilon = 1/100$ and so $S_4 \ge 1.708$.

(g) Let the sum $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1}/(2n-1)!$ be given and let us define the allowed error as $\epsilon = 1/1000$. Since

$$\left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \frac{(2n-1)!}{(2n+1)!} < 1 \qquad \lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)!} = 0$$

the series $\sum a_n$ converges by the alternating series test. Hence, by Theorem 26

$$|R_n| < a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{(2n+1)!} = T_n \implies \frac{1}{(2n+1)!} \le \epsilon$$

and so we are looking for the smallest integer such that $(2n+1)! \ge 1000$, which is satisfied for n=3. Hence, three terms are sufficient to compute the sum with the given allowed error $\epsilon = 1/1000$ and so $S_3 \approx 0.8417$.

(h) Let the sum $\sum_{n+2}^{\infty} (-1)^n/(n \ln n)$ be given and let us define the allowed error as $\epsilon = 1/2$. Since

$$\left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \frac{n \ln n}{(n+1) \ln (n+1)} < 1 \qquad \lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n \ln n} = 0$$

the series $\sum a_n$ converges by the alternating series test. Hence, by Theorem 26

$$|R_n| < a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{(n+1)\ln(n+1)} = T_n \implies \frac{1}{(n+1)\ln(n+1)} \le \epsilon$$

and so we are looking for the smallest integer such that $(n+1)\ln(n+1) \geq 2$, which is satisfied for n=2. Hence, one term is sufficient to compute the sum with the given allowed error $\epsilon = 1/2$ and so $S_1 \approx 0.72$.

(i) Let the sum $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 1/(n^3 \ln n)$ be given and let us define the allowed error as $\epsilon = 1/2$. It is true that $n^3 \ln n > n^2$ for $n \geq 2$ and so we can define $b_n = 1/n^2$ such that $|a_n| < b_n$ for $n \geq n_1 = 2$. Now since $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 1/n^2$ converges then by Theorem 22 and Theorem 23 it follows that

$$|R_n| \le \sum_{m=n+1}^{\infty} b_m = \sum_{m=n+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m^2} < \int_n^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_n^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2} = \frac{1}{n} = T_n$$

Taking a hint from (a) we find $T_n \le \epsilon \implies n \ge 2$. Hence, one term is sufficient to compute the sum with the given allowed error $\epsilon = 1/2$ and so $S_1 \ge 0.18$.

(j) Let the sum $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^n/(3^n+1)$ be given and let us define the allowed error as $\epsilon=1/10$. It is true that $3^n+1>3^n$ for $n\geq 1$ and so we can define $b_n=2^n/3^n$ such that $|a_n|< b_n$ for $n\geq n_1=1$. Now since $\sqrt[n]{|b_n|}=\sqrt[n]{2^n/3^n}=2/3\leq r<1$ for $n\geq 1$ we may conclude that the series $\sum b_n$ converges by the root test. Hence, choosing r=2/3 then by Theorem 25

$$|R_n| \le \frac{r^{n+1}}{1-r} = \frac{2^{n+1}}{3^n} = T_n \implies \frac{2^{n+1}}{3^n} \le \epsilon$$

and so we are looking for the smallest integer such that $3^n/2^{n+1} \ge 10$, which is satisfied for n = 8. Hence, eight terms are sufficient to compute the sum with the given allowed error $\epsilon = 1/10$ and so $S_8 \approx 1.697$.

2. Let $\sum a_n$ be the geometric series $1 + r + r^2 + \cdots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n$. By Theorem 16 this series converges for -1 < r < 1. Hence, by Theorem 23

$$|R_n| = \sum_{m=n+1}^{\infty} r^m < \int_n^{\infty} r^x \, dx = T_n$$

Or

$$T_n = \int_n^\infty r^x dx = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_n^b r^x dx = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_n^b e^{x \ln r} dx = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{n \ln r}^{b \ln r} \frac{e^u}{\ln r} du$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \frac{e^u}{\ln r} \Big|_{n \ln r}^{b \ln r}$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \frac{e^{b \ln r}}{\ln r} - \frac{e^{n \ln r}}{\ln r}$$

$$= -\frac{e^{n \ln r}}{\ln r} = -\frac{r^n}{\ln r}$$

assuming 0 < r < 1.

(a) let the given allowed error $\epsilon = 1/100$. In order to determine how many terms are needed to compute the sum with error less than ϵ we require $T_n < \epsilon$. For r = 1/2 this results in

$$-\frac{1}{2^n \ln 2^{-1}} < \frac{1}{100} \iff n > \frac{\ln (100/\ln 2)}{\ln 2}$$

which is satisfied for n=8. Hence, when r=1/2, 8 terms are sufficient to compute the sum with error less than $\epsilon=1/100$. For r=0.9=9/10 we get

$$-\frac{1}{\ln(9/10)} \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^n < \frac{1}{100} \iff n > \frac{\ln 100 - \ln(-\ln 9/10)}{\ln 10/9}$$

which is satisfied for n=66. Hence, when r=0.9, 66 terms are sufficient to compute the sum with error less than $\epsilon=1/100$. For r=0.99=99/100 we get

$$-\frac{1}{\ln(99/100)} \left(\frac{99}{100}\right)^n < \frac{1}{100} \iff n > \frac{\ln 100 - \ln(-\ln 99/100)}{\ln 100/99}$$

which is satisfied for n=916. Hence, when $r=0.99,\,916$ terms are sufficient to compute the sum with error less than $\epsilon=1/100$.

(b) The closed form formula (6.17) for a geometric series $1 + ar + ar^2 + \cdots$, with a = 1 and -1 < r < 1 is given by S = 1/(1-r). Likewise, the closed form formula for the partial sum of the same geometric series is given by $S_n = (1-r^n)/(1-r)$. The remainder R_n after n terms thus can be defined as

$$|R_n| = |S_n - S| = \left| \frac{1 - r^n}{1 - r} - \frac{1}{1 - r} \right| = \left| \frac{-r^n}{1 - r} \right| < \epsilon \iff -\epsilon < -\frac{r^2}{1 - r} < \epsilon$$

The inequality on the right hand side can be further manipulated to finally get

$$-\frac{r^n}{1-r} < \epsilon$$

$$r^n > -\epsilon (1-r)$$

$$\ln |r|^n > \ln |-\epsilon (1-r)|$$

$$n > \frac{\ln \epsilon (1-r)}{\ln |r|}$$

where -1 < r < 1.

(c) When r approaches 1 from the left we note that

$$\lim_{r\to 1^-}\frac{\ln\epsilon\left(1-r\right)}{\ln|r|}=\lim_{r\to 1^-}\frac{\ln\epsilon\left(1-r\right)}{\ln r}=\lim_{r\to 1^-}\ln\epsilon\left(1-r\right)\cdot\lim_{r\to 1^-}\frac{1}{\ln r}=-\infty\cdot-\infty=\infty$$

Hence, it follows from (b) that $n \to \infty$ when $r \to 1^-$, or in other words; that the number of terms needed to compute the sum with error less than a fixed ϵ becomes infinite.

3. Let the series

$$1 - \frac{1}{2^p} + \frac{1}{3^p} - \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^p} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} a_n$$

where p > 0 be given. As such, $S_n = a_1 - a_2 + a_3 - a_4 + \cdots \pm a_n$ and so $S_1 = a_1 = 1$, $S_2 = a_1 - a_2 = 1 - 2^{-p}$ so that $0 < S_2 < S_1$, $S_3 = S_1 - (a_2 - a_3) = 1 - 2^{-p} + 3^{-p}$ so that $0 < S_3 < S_1$ and $S_2 < S_3 < S_1$. Reasoning in this way, we conclude that

$$S_1 > S_3 > S_5 > S_7 > \dots > S_6 > S_4 > S_2$$

Hence, the smallest partial sum is S_2 , but we just established that $S_2 = 1 - 2^{-p} > 0$. Hence, it follows that the sum $S = \lim_{n \to \infty} S_n$ must be positive whenever p > 0.

Section 6.10

1. Let the following relations be given:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6} \qquad \qquad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} = \frac{\pi^4}{90} \qquad \qquad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^6} = \frac{\pi^6}{945}$$

Then by (6.15)

(a)
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{6}{n^2} = 6 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = \pi^2$$

(b)
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 + 1}{n^4} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} = \frac{\pi^2}{6} + \frac{\pi^4}{90} =$$

(c)
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2n^2 - 3}{n^4} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n^2} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3}{n^4} = 2\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} - 3\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} = \frac{\pi^2}{3} - \frac{\pi^4}{30}$$

(d)
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{9+3n^2+5n^4}{n^6} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{9}{n^6} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3}{n^4} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{5}{n^2} = 9 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^6} + 3 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} + 5 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \\
= \frac{5\pi^2}{6} + \frac{\pi^4}{30} + \frac{\pi^6}{105}$$

(e)
$$\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{n^4 - 1}{n^6} = \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} - \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^6} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{5}{4} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^6} + \frac{65}{64} = \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \frac{\pi^6}{945} - \frac{15}{64}$$

(f)
$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 + 1}{(n^2 - 1)^2} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{2(n+1)^2} + \frac{1}{2(n-1)^2} \right] = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2(n+1)^2} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2(n-1)^2}$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{5}{8} = \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \frac{5}{8}$$

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

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [f(n+1) - f(n)] = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n+1) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n)$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n) + \lim_{n \to \infty} f(n) - f(1) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n)$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} f(n) - f(1)$$

if the limit exists.

(c)

(b)

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [f(n+1) - f(n-1)] = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} f(n+1) - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} f(n-1)$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n+1) + \lim_{n \to \infty} f(n+1) - f(2) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n)$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n) - f(1) + \lim_{n \to \infty} f(n) + \lim_{n \to \infty} f(n+1) - f(2)$$

$$- \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n)$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} [f(n) + f(n+1)] - f(1) - f(2)$$

if the limit exists.

3. (a) Let $f(n) = 1/n^2$. Then using 2(b)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [f(n+1) - f(n)] = \lim_{n \to \infty} f(n) - f(1)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{(n+1)^2} - \frac{1}{n^2} \right] = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} - 1$$

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

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

(b) Let f(n) = 1/n. Then using 2(b)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [f(n+1) - f(n)] = \lim_{n \to \infty} f(n) - f(1)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n} \right] = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} - 1$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} -\frac{1}{n(n+1)} = 0 - 1$$

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

(c) Let f(n) = 1/n. Then using 2(c)

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[f(n+1) - f(n-1) \right] = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left[f(n) + f(n+1) \right] - f(1) - f(2)$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n-1} \right] = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n+1} \right) - 1 - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} -\frac{2}{n^2 - 1} = 0 + 0 - 1 - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$-2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2 - 1} = -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2 - 1} = \frac{3}{4}$$

(d) Let $f(n) = 1/n^2$. Then using 2(c)

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [f(n+1) - f(n-1)] = \lim_{n \to \infty} [f(n) + f(n+1)] - f(1) - f(2)$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{(n+1)^2} - \frac{1}{(n-1)^2} \right] = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left[\frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} \right] - 1 - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} -\frac{4n}{(n^2 - 1)^2} = 0 + 0 - 1 - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{4n}{(n^2 - 1)^2} = \frac{5}{4}$$

4. Let the relation

$$\frac{1}{1-r} = 1 + r + \dots + r^n + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n \qquad -1 < r < 1$$

be given.

(a) Using the Cauchy product as illustrated in Fig. 6.6 we can thus write

$$\frac{1}{(1-r)^2} = \frac{1}{1-r} \cdot \frac{1}{1-r}$$

$$= (1+r+\dots+r^n+\dots) \cdot (1+r+\dots+r^n+\dots)$$

$$= 1+(1\cdot r+r\cdot 1)+(1\cdot r^2+r\cdot r+r^2\cdot 1)+\dots$$

$$+(1\cdot r^n+r\cdot r^{n-1}+\dots+r^n\cdot 1)+\dots$$

$$= 1+2r+3r^2+\dots+(n+1)r^n+\dots$$

(b) Firstly, we will derive the formula for a sum of an arithmetic sequence $a_m = a_1 + (m-1)d$, where d denotes the common difference between successive terms. We will start by expressing the arithmetic series in two different ways:

$$S_m = a_1 + (a_1 + d) + (a_1 + 2d) + \dots + [a_1 + (m-2)d] + [a_1 + (m-1)d]$$

$$S_m = [a_m - (m-1)d] + [a_m - (m-2)d] + \dots + (a_m - 2d) + (a_m - d) + a_m$$

Adding both equations, we find that all terms involving d cancel and so we are left with

$$2S_m = m(a_1 + a_m) \iff S_m = \frac{m(a_1 + a_m)}{2}$$

Now, again using the Cauchy product

$$\frac{1}{(1-r)^3} = \frac{1}{(1-r)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1-r}$$

$$= \left[1 + 2r + 3r^2 + \dots + (n+1)r^n + \dots\right] \cdot (1 + r + \dots + r^n + \dots)$$

$$= 1 + (1 \cdot r + 2r \cdot 1) + \dots + \left[1 \cdot r^n + 2r \cdot r^{n-1} + \dots + (n+1) \cdot r^n\right] + \dots$$

$$= 1 + 3r + \dots + \left[1 + 2 + \dots + (n+1)\right]r^n + \dots$$

$$= 1 + 3r + \dots + \frac{(n+2)(n+1)}{2}r^n + \dots$$

where we have used the fact that the arithmetic sequence $1 + 2 + \cdots + (n+1)$ can be written as (n+2)(n+1)/2 using the derived formula above.

5. We want to prove that

$$(1-r)^{-k} = 1 + kr + \frac{k(k+1)}{1 \cdot 2}r^2 + \dots + \frac{k(k+1)\cdots(k+n-1)}{1 \cdot 2\cdots n}r^n + \dots$$

for -1 < r < 1, $k = 1, 2, \ldots$ Using the solutions to 4(a) and 4(b) we can confirm the above equation is true for k = 1, 2, 3. It remains to be proven that the equation is true for $k = 1, 2, \ldots$ In order to simplify the discussion we will write the coefficients appearing in the equation above as binomial coefficients and also make use of *Pascal's identity*:

$$\binom{k}{n} = \frac{k!}{n!(k-n)!} \qquad \qquad \binom{k}{n} = \binom{k-1}{n-1} + \binom{k-1}{n}$$

Next, we assume the equation is true for some positive integer $k \geq 2$ and consider the expansion

$$(1-r)^{-k-1} = (1-r)^{-1} \left[1 + kr + \frac{k(k+1)}{1 \cdot 2} r^2 + \dots + \frac{k(k+1) \cdot \dots \cdot (k+n-1)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot \dots n} r^n + \dots \right]$$

$$= (1-r)^{-1} \left[1 + \binom{k}{1} r + \binom{k+1}{2} r^2 + \dots + \binom{k+n-1}{n} r^n + \dots \right]$$

$$= (1+r+r^2+\dots+r^n) \left[1 + \binom{k}{1} r + \binom{k+1}{2} r^2 + \dots + \binom{k+n-1}{n} r^n + \dots \right]$$

$$= 1 + \left[1 + \binom{k}{1} \right] r + \left[1 + \binom{k}{1} + \binom{k+1}{2} \right] r^2 + \dots$$

$$+ \left[1 + \binom{k}{1} + \binom{k+1}{2} + \dots + \binom{k+n-2}{n-1} + \binom{k+n-1}{n} \right] r^n + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \binom{k+1}{1} r + \binom{k+2}{2} r^2 + \dots + \binom{k+n}{n} r^n + \dots$$

$$= 1 + (k+1) r + \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{1 \cdot 2} r^2 + \dots + \frac{(k+1)(k+2) \cdot \dots \cdot (k+n)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot \dots \cdot n} r^n + \dots$$

Hence, the equation is true for k+1 and so by induction the equation must be true for any positive integer $k \geq 1$.

6. Let $\sin x$ and $\cos x$ be represented for all x by the absolutely convergent series

$$\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots + (-1)^{n+1} \frac{x^{2n-1}}{(2n-1)!} + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$$
$$\cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots + (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n$$

Then by (6.24) it follows that

$$\sin x \cos x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n$$

$$= \left[x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots + (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} + \dots \right]$$

$$\times \left[1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots + (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!} + \dots \right]$$

$$= x - \frac{2x^3}{3} + \frac{2x^5}{15} - \dots + x^{2n+1} \sum_{l=0}^{m} \frac{(-1)^l (-1)^{m-l}}{(2k+1)! (2m-2k)!} + \dots$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2}\sin 2x = x - \frac{2^2x^3}{3!} + \frac{2^4x^5}{5!} - \dots + (-1)^n \frac{2^{2n}x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} + \dots$$

Hence, we need to prove that

$$\sum_{k=0}^{m} \frac{1}{(2m+1)!(2m-2k)!} = \frac{2^{2m}}{(2k+1)!} \iff \sum_{k=0}^{m} \frac{(2m+1)!}{(2k+1)!(2m-2k)!} = 2^{2m}$$

To this end (making use of Pascal's identity)

$$\sum_{k=0}^{m} \frac{(2m+1)!}{(2k+1)! (2m-2k)!} = \sum_{k=0}^{m} {2m+1 \choose 2k+1}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{m} \left[{2m \choose 2k} + {2m \choose 2k+1} \right]$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{m} \left[\frac{(2m)!}{(2k)! (2m-2k)!} + \frac{(2m)!}{(2k+1)! (2m-2k-1)!} \right]$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{2m} \frac{(2m)!}{k! (2m-k)!}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{2m} {2m \choose k}$$

Now from the definition of the binomial formula

$$(x+y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^{n-k} y^k$$

it then finally follows that

$$\sum_{k=0}^{2m} {2m \choose k} = (1+1)^{2m} = 2^{2m}$$

which thus completes the proof.

- 7. Let the sequence a_n be close to the sequence b_n and let $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ be known. We can write $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (b_n a_n)$.
 - (a) Let $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (2^n + 1)^{-1}$ and let us choose $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} = 1$. Hence,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (b_n - a_n)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (2^n + 1)^{-1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (4^n + 2^n)^{-1}$$

$$= 1 - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (4^n + 2^n)^{-1}$$

As such, we find that for $n \ge 7$ the expression $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = 1 - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (4^n + 2^n)^{-1} \ge 0.7645$, whereas we require $n \ge 15$ for $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (2^n + 1)^{-1} \ge 0.7645$.

(b) Let $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (2^n + 9^{-1})^{-1}$ and let us choose $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} = 1$. Hence,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (b_n - a_n)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (2^n + 9^{-1})^{-1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (4^n 9 + 2^n)^{-1}$$

$$= 1 - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (4^n 9 + 2^n)^{-1}$$

As such, we find that for $n \ge 6$ the expression $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = 1 - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (4^n 9 + 2^n)^{-1} \ge 0.9646$, whereas we require $n \ge 14$ for $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (2^n + 9^{-1})^{-1} \ge 0.9646$.

(c) Let $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^2 + 1)^{-1}$ and let us choose $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-2} = \pi^2/6$. Hence,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (b_n - a_n)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^2 + 1)^{-1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-2} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^4 + n^2)^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^4 + n^2)^{-1}$$

For $n \ge 16$ we then find $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = (\pi^2/6) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^4 + n^2)^{-1} \ge 1.0767$. Next, we use $b_n = n^{-4}$. Then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^4 + n^2)^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-4} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^6 + n^4)^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \frac{\pi^4}{90} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^6 + n^4)^{-1}$$

For $n \ge 6$ we then find $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = (\pi^2/6) - (\pi^4/90) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^6 + n^4)^{-1} \ge 1.0767$. Lastly, we use $b_n = n^{-6}$. Then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \frac{\pi^4}{90} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^6 + n^4)^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \frac{\pi^4}{90} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-6} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^8 + n^6)^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \frac{\pi^4}{90} + \frac{\pi^6}{945} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^8 + n^6)^{-1}$$

For $n \ge 3$ we then find $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = (\pi^2/6) - (\pi^4/90) + (\pi^6/945) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^8 + n^6)^{-1} \ge 1.0767$.

Section 6.13

1. (a) Let the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n/(2n^2-n)$ be given. By the ratio test we find

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{2(n+1)^2 - (n+1)} \frac{2n^2 - n}{x^n} \right| = |x| \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{2n^2 - n}{2n^2 + 3n + 1}$$
$$= |x| \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{2 - 1/n}{2 + 3/n + 1/n^2} = |x|$$

Hence, by the ratio test the series converges when $\lim_{n\to\infty} |a_{n+1}/a_n| = L = |x| < 1$ or -1 < x < 1. To test for convergence when $x = \pm 1$ we employ the integral test:

$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{(\pm 1)}{2y^{2} - y} \, dy = (\pm 1) \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{1}^{b} \left(\frac{2}{2y - 1} - \frac{1}{y} \right) \, dy = (\pm 1) \lim_{b \to \infty} \left(\int_{1}^{2b - 1} \frac{du}{u} - \int_{1}^{b} \frac{dy}{y} \right)$$

$$= (\pm 1) \lim_{b \to \infty} \left(\ln |2b - 1| - \ln |b| \right)$$

$$= (\pm 1) \lim_{b \to \infty} \ln \frac{2b - 1}{b}$$

$$= (\pm 1) \lim_{b \to \infty} \ln \left(2 - \frac{1}{b} \right) = (\pm 1) \ln 2$$

Since the improper integral $\int_c^\infty f(y) \, dy$ converges, so will the series $\sum_{n=1}^\infty (\pm 1)/(2n^2 - n)$. Hence, the series $\sum_{n=1}^\infty x^n/(2n^2 - n)$ converges for $-1 \le x \le 1$.

(b) Let the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nx^n/2^n$ be given. By the ratio test we find

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1) x^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}} \frac{2^n}{n x^n} \right| = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n+1}{n} = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{|x|}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) =$$

Hence, by the ratio test the series converges when $\lim_{n\to\infty} |a_{n+1}/a_n| = L = |x|/2 < 1$ or -2 < x < 2.

(c) Let the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/nx^{2n}$ be given. By the ratio test we find

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{nx^{2n}}{(n+1)x^{2(n+1)}} \right| = \frac{1}{x^2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n}{n+1} = \frac{1}{x^2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{1+1/n} = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

Hence, by the ratio test the series converges when $\lim_{n\to\infty} |a_{n+1}/a_n| = L = 1/x^2 < 1$ or $|x| > 1 \iff x > 1, \ x < -1$.

(d) Let the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 1/2^{nx}$ be given. By the ratio test we find

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{2^{nx}}{2^{(n+1)x}} \right| = \frac{1}{|2^x|}$$

Hence, by the ratio test the series converges when $\lim_{n\to\infty} |a_{n+1}/a_n| = L = 1/2^x < 1$ or $2^x > 2^0 \implies x > 0$.

(e) Let the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n/(1-x)^n$ be given. By the ratio test we find

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{(1-x)^{n+1}} \frac{(1-x)^n}{x^n} \right| = \left| \frac{x}{1-x} \right|$$

Hence, by the ratio test the series converges when $\lim_{n\to\infty} |a_{n+1}/a_n| = L = |x/(1-x)| < 1$ or $x-1 < x < 1-x \implies x < 1/2$.

(f) Let the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^n \sin^n x/n^2$ be given. By the ratio test we find

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{2^{n+1} \sin^{n+1} x}{(n+1)^2} \frac{n^2}{2^n \sin^n x} \right| = 2|\sin x| \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n^2}{n^2 + 2n + 1}$$
$$= 2|\sin x| \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{1 + 2/n + 1/n^2} = 2|\sin x|$$

Hence, by the ratio test the series converges when $\lim_{n\to\infty} |a_{n+1}/a_n| = L = 2|\sin x| < 1$ or $-1/2 < \sin x < 1/2 \iff \sin^{-1}(-1/2) < x < \sin^{-1}(1/2)$, which is satisfied when $(-\pi/6) + n\pi < x < (\pi/6) + n\pi$ for $n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \ldots$

(g) Let the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x-1)^n/n^2$ be given. By the ratio test we find

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{(x-1)^{n+1}}{(n+1)^2} \frac{n^2}{(x-1)^n} \right| = |x-1| \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n^2}{n^2 + 2n + 1}$$
$$= |x-1| \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{1 + 2/n + 1/n^2} = |x-1|$$

Hence, by the ratio test the series converges when $\lim_{n\to\infty} |a_{n+1}/a_n| = L = |x-1| < 1$ or $-1 < x-1 < 1 \iff 0 < x < 2$. For x=0 and x=2 the series converges by comparison with the harmonic series of order 2:

$$\left| \frac{\left(\pm 1\right)^n}{n^2} \right| \le \frac{1}{n^2}$$

Hence, the series converges for $0 \le x \le 2$.

(h) Let the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/x^n \ln(n+1)$ be given. By the ratio test we find

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{x^n \ln(n+1)}{x^{n+1} \ln(n+2)} \right| = \frac{1}{|x|} \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\ln(n+1)}{\ln(n+2)} = \frac{1}{|x|} \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1/(n+1)}{1/(n+2)}$$
$$= \frac{1}{|x|} \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1+2/n}{1+1/n} = \frac{1}{|x|}$$

Hence, by the ratio test the series converges when $\lim_{n\to\infty} |a_{n+1}/a_n| = L = 1/|x| < 1$ or $|x| > 1 \iff x > 1$, $x \le -1$.

(i) Let the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x-2)^{3n}/n!$ be given. By the ratio test we find

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{(x-2)^{3(n+1)}}{(n+1)!} \frac{n!}{(x-2)^{3n}} \right| = |(x-2)^3| \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n+1} = 0$$

Hence, the series converges for all x.

(j) Let the series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} x^n / \ln^n n$ be given. By the ratio test we find

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{\ln^{n+1} n} \frac{\ln^n n}{x^n} \right| = |x| \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{\ln n} = 0$$

Hence, the series converges for all x.

2. (a) Let the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n/n^3$, where $-1 \le x \le 1$ be given. The ratio test gives

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)^3} \frac{n^3}{x^n} \right| = |x| \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n^3}{n^3 + 3n^2 + 3n + 1}$$
$$= |x| \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{1 + 3/n + 3/n^2 + 1/n^3} = |x|$$

Hence, the series converges for $|x| < 1 \iff -1 < x < 1$. For $x = \pm 1$ the series converges by comparison with the harmonic series of order 2:

$$\left| \frac{\left(\pm 1\right)^n}{n^3} \right| \le \frac{1}{n^3} \le \frac{1}{n^2}$$

Hence, the series converges for $-1 \le x \le 1$. The convergence is uniform for this range, since the comparison

$$\left| \frac{x^n}{n^3} \right| \le \frac{1}{n^2} = M_n$$

holds for all x of the range and the series $\sum M_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^2$ converges.

(b) Let the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tanh^n x/n!$, where x is any real number be given. This series converges uniformly for all x, since

$$\left| \frac{\tanh^n x}{n!} \right| \le \frac{1}{n!} = M_n$$

holds for all x of the range and the series $\sum M_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n!$ converges.

(c) Let the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin nx/(n^2+1)$, where x is any real number be given. This series converges uniformly for all x, since

$$\left| \frac{\sin nx}{n^2 + 1} \right| \le \frac{1}{n^2 + 1} < \frac{1}{n^2} = M_n$$

holds for all x of the range and the series $\sum M_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^2$ converges.

(d) Let the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{nx}/2^n$, where $x \leq \ln(3/2)$ be given. The ratio test gives

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{e^{(n+1)x}}{2^{n+1}} \frac{2^n}{e^{nx}} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{e^x}{2} = \frac{e^x}{2}$$

Hence, the series converges for $e^x/2 < 1 \iff x < \ln 2$. Because $\ln 3/2 < \ln 2$ the series converges uniformly, since

$$\frac{e^{nx}}{2^n} \le \frac{e^{n\ln 3/2}}{2^n} = \frac{3^n}{4^n} = M_n$$

holds for all $x < \ln 3/2$ and the series $\sum M_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (3/4)^n$ converges according to the ratio test:

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{3^{n+1}}{4^{n+1}} \frac{4^n}{3^n} = \frac{3}{4} = L < 1$$

(e) Let the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n/n! = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n/n! + 1$, where $-1 \le x \le 1$ be given. The ratio test gives

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \frac{n!}{x^n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{|x|}{n+1}$$

Hence, the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n/n!$ converges for $|x| < 1 \iff -1 < x < 1$. For $x = \pm 1$ the series converges by comparison with:

$$\left| \frac{\left(\pm 1\right)^n}{n!} \right| \le \frac{1}{n!}$$

Hence, the series converges for $-1 \le x \le 1$. The convergence is uniform for this range, since the comparison

$$\left| \frac{x^n}{n!} \right| \le \frac{1}{n!} = M_n$$

holds for all x of the range and the series $\sum M_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n!$ converges.

(f) Let the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nx^n$, where $-1/2 \le x \le 1/2$ be given. The ratio test gives

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1) x^{n+1}}{n x^n} \right| = |x| \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = |x|$$

Hence, the series converges for $|x| < 1 \iff -1 < x < 1$. This series converges uniformly for $-1/2 \le x \le 1/2$, since

$$|nx^n| \le \frac{n}{2^n} = M_n$$

for all x of the range and the series $\sum M_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n/2^n$ converges according to the ratio test:

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n+1}{2^{n+1}} \frac{2^n}{n} = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{1}{2} = L < 1$$

(g) Let the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nx^n$, where $-0.9 \le x \le 0.9$ be given. From (f) it follows that the series converges for $|x| < 1 \iff -1 < x < 1$. The series converges uniformly for $-0.9 \le x \le 0.9$, since

$$|nx^n| \le n \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^n = M_n$$

for all x of the range and the series $\sum M_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n(9/10)^n$ converges according to the ratio test:

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n+1}{n} \left(\frac{9}{10} \right)^{n+1} \left(\frac{10}{9} \right)^n = \frac{9}{10} \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) = 0.9 = L < 1$$

(h) Let the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nx^n$, where $-a \le x \le a$, a < 1 be given. From (f) it follows that the series converges for $|x| < 1 \iff -1 < x < 1$. The series converges uniformly for $-a \le x \le a$, since

$$|nx^n| \le na^n = M_n < n^n$$

and the series $\sum M_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} na^n$ converges according to the ratio test:

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}\left|\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}\right|=\lim_{n\to\infty}\frac{\left(n+1\right)a^{n+1}}{na^n}=a\lim_{n\to\infty}\left(1+\frac{1}{n}\right)=a=L<1$$

3. Let $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n(x)$ be uniformly convergent for the interval $a \leq x \leq b$. In other words, some convergent series of constants $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n$ exists such that

$$|u_n(x)| \le M_n \quad a \le x \le b$$

Note that each constant M_n is the same for all $x \in [a, b]$. Hence, it must be the same for any smaller interval contained in $a \le x \le b$, since this smaller interval is just some subset E_1 that is part of the set E of values of x that represents the interval $a \le x \le b$. As such, the series must be uniformly convergent in each smaller interval contained in $a \le x \le b$ as well.

4. Let $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n(x)$ be uniformly convergent for a set E of values of x. Hence, some convergent series of constants $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n$ exists such that

$$|v_n(x)| \le M_n$$
 for all x in E

Furthermore, let $|u_n(x)| \leq v_n(x)$ for $x \in E$. In other words, for each fixed x, each term of the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |u_n(x)|$ is less than or equal to the nth term $v_n(x)$ of the uniformly convergent series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n(x)$. Hence, by the comparison test (Section 6.6, Theorem 12) the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n(x)$ is absolutely convergent for $x \in E$ and since

$$|u_n(x)| \le |v_n(x)| \le M_n$$
 for all x in E

it follows that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n(x)$ is uniformly convergent for $x \in E$.

- 5. Let $0 < u_n(x) < 1/n$ (which implies that $\lim_{n\to\infty} u_n(x) = 0$) and $u_{n+1}(x) \le u_n(x)$ for $a \le x \le b$. Hence, by the alternating series test (Section 6.6, Theorem 18) the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n u_n(x)$ converges. Furthermore, $|u_n(x)| < 1/n = M_n$ for all x of the range considered and hence, the alternating series converges uniformly for $a \le x \le b$.
- 6. Let a convergent series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n$ of constants $M_n > 0$ be given. Hence, for some $\epsilon > 0$ and N can be found such that $|M_{n+1} + M_{n+2} + \cdots + M_m| \le \epsilon$ for m > n > N (Section 6.5, Theorem 9). Next, let a sequence $f_n(x)$ be given such that $|f_{n+1}(x) f_n(x)| \le M_n$ for all $x \in E$. Since $M_{n+1} \le \epsilon$ for n > N it is true (after relabelling) that $|f_{n+1}(x) f_n(x)| \le \epsilon$. In other words, there exists some n > N such that the difference between $f_{n+1}(x)$ and $f_n(x)$ is not greater than $\epsilon > 0$ (which can be chosen arbitrarily small) for each $x \in E$. Hence, the sequence $f_n(x)$ is uniformly convergent for all $x \in E$.

7. (a) Let the sequence (n+x)/x, where $0 \le x \le 1$ be given. This sequence converges uniformly for the range of x given, since

$$|f_{n+1}(x) - f_n(x)| = \left| \frac{n+1+x}{n+1} - \frac{n+x}{n} \right| = \left| \frac{-x}{n(n+1)} \right| \le \frac{1}{n^2} = M_n$$

and the series of constants $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^2$ converges.

(b) Let the sequence $x^n/n!$, where $-1 \le x \le 1$ be given. This sequence converges uniformly for the range of x given, since

$$|f_{n+1}(x) - f_n(x)| = \left| \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} - \frac{x^n}{n!} \right| = \frac{|x^n|}{n!} \left| \frac{x}{n+1} - 1 \right| \le \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{n!} = M_n$$

and the series of constants $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n!$ converges. The constant 3/2 is justified by noting that

$$\max \left| \frac{x}{n+1} - 1 \right| = \max(a)$$

in the interval $-1 \le x \le 1$ occurs when x = -1, n = 1. Furthermore, as $n \to \infty$ we see that $a \to 1$.

(c) Let the sequence $f_n(x) = \ln(1+nx)/n$, where $1 \le x \le 2$ be given. Firstly, we note that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} f_n(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\ln(1 + nx)}{n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{x}{1 + nx} = 0$$

and since $f_n(x) > 0$ for $1 \le x \le 2$ this implies $f_{n+1}(x) < f_n(x)$. As such

$$\frac{\ln(1+nx)}{n+1} < \frac{\ln[1+(n+1)x]}{n+1} < \frac{\ln(1+nx)}{n}$$

or equivalently

$$\frac{\ln(1+nx)}{n+1} - \frac{\ln(1+nx)}{n} < \frac{\ln[1+(n+1)x]}{n+1} - \frac{\ln(1+nx)}{n} < 0$$

And so we learn that

$$\left| \frac{\ln(1+nx)}{n+1} - \frac{\ln(1+nx)}{n} \right| > \left| \frac{\ln[1+(n+1)x]}{n+1} - \frac{\ln(1+nx)}{n} \right|$$

Hence, for $1 \le x \le 2$ we find

$$|f_{n+1}(x) - f_n(x)| = \left| \frac{\ln[1 + (n+1)x]}{n} - \frac{\ln(1 + nx)}{n} \right| < \ln(1 + nx) \left| \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n} \right|$$

$$= \frac{\ln(1 + nx)}{n(n+1)}$$

$$< \frac{\ln(1 + nx)}{n^2}$$

$$\leq \frac{\ln(1 + 2n)}{n^2} = M_n$$

It remains to be shown that the series of constants $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n$ converges. To this end we employ the *integral test*:

$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{\ln(1+2x)}{x^{2}} dx = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{1}^{b} \frac{\ln(1+2x)}{x^{2}} dx$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} -\frac{\ln(1+2x)}{x} \Big|_{1}^{b} + \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{1}^{b} \frac{2}{x(1+2x)} dx$$

$$= \ln 3 - \lim_{b \to \infty} \frac{\ln(1+2b)}{b} + 2\lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{1}^{b} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{2}{1+2x}\right) dx$$

$$= \ln 3 + 2\lim_{b \to \infty} \left[\ln|x| - \ln|1+2x|\right]_{1}^{b}$$

$$= 3\ln 3 + 2\lim_{b \to \infty} \left[\ln b - \ln(1+2b)\right]$$

$$= 3\ln 3 + 2\lim_{b \to \infty} \ln \frac{b}{1+2b} = 3\ln 3 + 2\ln\left(\lim_{b \to \infty} \frac{b}{1+2b}\right)$$

$$= 3\ln 3 - 2\ln 2$$

Since this integral converges and all the conditions of the integral test are satisfied, we may conclude that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln(1+2n)/n^2$ converges. Hence, the original sequence $f_n(x) = \ln(1+nx)/n$ converges uniformly for $1 \le x \le 2$.

(d) Let the sequence $f_n(x) = n/e^{nx^2}$, where $1/2 \le x \le 1$ be given. Firstly, we note that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} f_n(x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n}{e^{nx^2}} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{x^2 e^{nx^2}} = 0$$

and since $f_n(x) > 0$ for $1/2 \le x \le 1$ this implies $f_{n+1}(x) < f_n(x)$. However, if we plot $f_n(x)$ for various values of n (keeping x fixed) we see that $f_{n+1} < f_n(x)$ only is true for $n \ge 4$. As stated at the start of Section 6.6, the convergence or divergence of a series is unaffected if a finite number of terms of the series are discarded. Hence, in testing for convergence of $\sum M_n$ we can simply ignore the first four terms and aim to prove $\sum_{n=4}^{\infty} M_n$ does converge for a certain M_n yet to be determined. Continuing with our sequence, we conclude (for $n \ge 4$)

$$\frac{n}{e^{(n+1)x^2}} < \frac{n+1}{e^{(n+1)x^2}} < \frac{n}{e^{nx^2}}$$

or equivalently

$$\frac{n}{e^{(n+1)x^2}} - \frac{n}{e^{nx^2}} < \frac{n+1}{e^{(n+1)x^2}} - \frac{n}{e^{nx^2}} < 0$$

And so we learn that

$$\left| \frac{n}{e^{(n+1)x^2}} - \frac{n}{e^{nx^2}} \right| > \left| \frac{n+1}{e^{(n+1)x^2}} - \frac{n}{e^{nx^2}} \right|$$

Hence, for $1/2 \le x \le 1$, $n \ge 4$ we find

$$|f_{n+1}(x) - f_n(x)| = \left| \frac{n+1}{e^{(n+1)x^2}} - \frac{n}{e^{nx^2}} \right| < \frac{n}{e^{nx^2}} \left| \frac{1}{e^{x^2}} - 1 \right|$$

$$= \frac{n}{e^{nx^2}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{e^{x^2}} \right)$$

$$\leq \max_{1/2 \le x \le 1} \left[\frac{n}{e^{nx^2}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{e^{x^2}} \right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{n}{e^{n/4}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{e^{1/4}} \right) = M_n$$

It remains to be shown that the series of constants $\sum_{n=4}^{\infty} M_n$ converges. To this end we employ the *integral test*:

$$\int_{4}^{\infty} \frac{x}{e^{x/4}} dx = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{4}^{b} \frac{x}{e^{x/4}} dx = \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{4}^{b} x e^{-x/4} dx$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} -4x e^{-x/4} \Big|_{4}^{b} + \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{4}^{b} 4e^{-x/4} dx$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \left[-4x e^{-x/4} - 16e^{-x/4} \right]_{4}^{b}$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \left(-4b e^{-b/4} - 16e^{-b/4} \right) + 32e^{-1} = \frac{32}{e}$$

Since this integral converges and all the conditions of the integral test are satisfied, we may conclude that $\sum_{n=4}^{\infty} M_n = \sum_{n=4}^{\infty} ne^{-n/4}(1-e^{-1/4})$ converges. Hence, the original sequence $f_n(x) = n/e^{nx^2}$ converges uniformly for $1/2 \le x \le 1$.

Section 6.16

1. (a) Let the relation

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = 1 + x + \dots + x^n + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$$

where -1 < x < 1 be given. Integrating both sides gives

$$\int \frac{dx}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int x^n dx$$

$$\ln \frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n}$$

$$= x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n} + \dots$$

To verify (6.43) we note that

$$f(a) = f(0) = \ln \frac{1}{1-0} = 0$$

This checks out, since $c_0 = 0$ for $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n/n$. Also

$$f'(a) = f'(0) = \left(\frac{d}{dx} \ln \frac{1}{1-x}\right)_{x=0} = \frac{1}{1-x}\Big|_{x=0} = 1$$

Again, this checks out, since $c_1 = 1$ for $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n/n$. And in general

$$f^{(n)}(a) = f^{(n)}(0) = \left(\frac{d^{(n)}}{dx^{(n)}} \ln \frac{1}{1-x}\right)_{x=0} = \frac{(n-1)!}{(1-x)^n}\Big|_{x=0} = (n-1)!$$

which checks out, since $c_n = f^{(n)}(a)/n! = (n-1)!/n! = 1/n$ for $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n/n$.

(b) For x = -1 the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n/n$ reduces to the alternating series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n a_n$$

Since $a_{n+1} < a_n$ for n = 1, 2, ... and $\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} 1/n = 0$ it follows from Theorem 18 that the alternating series converges. Hence,

$$\ln \frac{1}{1 - (-1)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$$

$$-\ln 2 =$$

$$\ln 2 = -\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n}$$

2. From the relation

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = 1 + x + \dots + x^n + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n - 1 < x < 1$$

we obtain by successive differentiation the relations

$$\frac{1}{(1-x)^2} = 1 + 2x + \dots + nx^{n-1} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1)x^n \qquad -1 < x < 1$$

$$\frac{2}{(1-x)^3} = 2 + 6x + \dots + n(n-1)x^{n-2} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1)x^n \qquad -1 < x < 1$$

Hence, in general

$$\frac{1}{(1-x)^k} = (1-x)^{-k}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{kx}{1} + \frac{k(k+1)}{1\cdots 2}x^2 + \dots + \frac{k(k+1)\cdots(k+n-1)}{1\cdot 2\cdots n}x^n + \dots$$

where -1 < x < 1 for some known $k = 1, 2, 3, \ldots$ Differentiating both sides of this equation gives

$$\frac{d}{dx}(1-x)^{-k} = \frac{d}{dx}\left[1 + \frac{kx}{1} + \frac{k(k+1)}{1\cdots 2}x^2 + \dots + \frac{k(k+1)\cdots(k+n-1)}{1\cdot 2\cdots n}x^n + \dots\right]$$

$$k(1-x)^{-k-1} = k + \frac{2k(k+1)}{1\cdot 2}x + \frac{3k(k+1)(k+2)}{1\cdot 2\cdot 3}x^2 + \dots + \frac{nk(k+1)\cdots(k+n-1)}{1\cdot 2\cdots n}x^{n-1} + \dots$$

$$(1-x)^{-k-1} = 1 + \frac{k(k+1)}{1}x + \frac{k(k+1)(k+2)}{1\cdot 2}x^2 + \dots + \frac{k(k+1)\cdots(k+n-1)}{1\cdot 2\cdots n-1}x^{n-1} + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{k(k+1)}{1}x + \frac{k(k+1)(k+2)}{1\cdot 2}x^2 + \dots + \frac{k(k+1)\cdots(k+n)}{1\cdot 2\cdots n}x^n + \dots$$

We see that this is none other than (6.41), i.e. the generalised relation we started with, but for k+1 instead of k. In other words, if we know that (6.41) is true for some known k we have established that it will be true for k+1 also and hence, by induction for any $k=1,2,3,\ldots$

3. From (6.41) we know that

$$\frac{1}{(1-r)^k} = 1 + \frac{kr}{1} + \frac{k(k+1)}{2}r^2 + \dots + \frac{k(k+1)\cdots(k+n-1)}{1\cdot 2\cdots n}r^n + \dots$$

for $-1 < r < 1, k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

(a) Let the function f(x) = 1/x be given. To expand this function in a Taylor series about x = 1 we note that

$$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{1 - (1 - x)} = \frac{1}{1 - r}$$

using the substitution r = 1 - x. Hence, by (6.41) setting k = 1 we find

$$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{1-r} = 1 + (1-x) + (1-x)^2 + \dots + (1-x)^n + \dots$$

$$= 1 - (x-1) + (x-1)^2 + \dots + (-1)^n (x-1)^n + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (x-1)^n$$

for $-1 < r < 1 \implies 0 < x < 2$.

(b) Let the function f(x) = 1/(x+2) be given. To expand this function in a Maclaurin series (i.e. expand it around x = 0) we note that

$$\frac{1}{x+2} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - (-x/2)} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{1-r}$$

using the substitution r = -x/2. Hence, by (6.41) setting k = 1 we find

$$\frac{1}{x+2} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{1-r} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{x}{4} + \frac{x^2}{8} + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{x^n}{2^{n+1}} + \dots$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^n}{2^{n+1}}$$

for $-1 < r < 1 \implies -2 < x < 2$.

(c) Let the function f(x) = 1/(3x + 5) be given. To expand this function in a Maclaurin series we employ (6.44) to get

$$f(x) = f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n + \dots$$

$$\frac{1}{3x+5} = \frac{1}{5} - \frac{3}{5^2}x + \frac{9}{5^3}x^2 + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{3^n}{5^{n+1}}x^n + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{3^n}{5^{n+1}}x^n$$

Since we require 3x + 5 > 0 in order for the function f(x) to be differentiable the convergence interval is given by -5/3 < x < 5/3.

(d) Let the function f(x) = 1/(3x+5) be given. To expand this function in a Taylor series about x = 1 we note that

$$\frac{1}{3x+5} = \frac{1}{3(x-1)+8} = \frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{1}{1+3(x-1)/8} = \frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{1}{1-r}$$

using the substitution r = 3(1-x)/8. Hence, by (6.41) setting k = 1 we find

$$\frac{1}{3x+5} = \frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{1}{1-r} = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{3}{8^2} (1-x) + \frac{9}{8^3} (1-x)^2 + \dots + \frac{3^n}{8^{n+1}} (1-x)^n + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} - \frac{3}{8^2} (x-1) + \frac{9}{8^3} (x-1)^2 + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{3^n}{8^{n+1}} (x-1)^n + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{3^n}{8^{n+1}} (x-1)^n$$

for $-1 < r < 1 \implies -5/3 < x < 11/3$.

(e) Let the function f(x) = 1/(ax+b) be given. To expand this function in a Taylor series about x = c we employ (6.43) to get

$$f(x) = f(c) + \frac{f'(c)}{1!} (x - c) + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!} (x - c)^n + \dots$$

$$\frac{1}{ax + b} = \frac{1}{ac + b} - \frac{a}{(ac + b)^2} (x - c) + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{a^n}{(ac + b)^{n+1}} (x - c)^n$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{a^n}{(ac + b)^{n+1}} (x - c)^n$$

for

$$c - \left| \frac{ac + b}{a} \right| < x < c + \left| \frac{ac + b}{a} \right|$$

which follows from (6.38) and (6.42).

(f) Let the function $f(x) = 1/(1-x^2)$ be given. To expand this function in a Maclaurin series we employ (6.44) to get

$$f(x) = f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n + \dots$$
$$\frac{1}{1 - x^2} = 1 + x^2 + x^4 + \dots + x^{2n} + \dots$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^{2n}$$

for -1 < x < 1.

(g) Let the function f(x) = 1/[(x-2)(x-3)] be given. To expand this function in a Maclaurin series we note that

$$\frac{1}{(x-2)(x-3)} = -\frac{1}{x-2} + \frac{1}{x-3} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{1-x/2} - \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{1-x/3}$$

Hence, by (6.41) setting k = 1 we find

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - x/2} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{x}{4} + \frac{x^2}{8} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{2^{n+1}} + \dots$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{2^{n+1}}$$

for -2 < x < 2 and

$$\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - x/3} = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{x}{9} + \frac{x^2}{27} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{3^{n+1}} + \dots$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{3^{n+1}}$$

for -3 < x < 3. And so

$$\frac{1}{(x-2)(x-3)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2^{n+1}} - \frac{1}{3^{n+1}}\right) x^n$$

for -2 < x < 2.

(h) Let the function $f(x) = 1/x^2$ be given. To expand this function in a Taylor series about x = 1 we note that

$$\frac{1}{x^2} = \frac{1}{[1 - (1 - x)]^2} = \frac{1}{(1 - r)^2}$$

using the substitution r = 1 - x. Hence, by (6.41) setting k = 2 we find

$$\frac{1}{x^2} = \frac{1}{(1-r)^2} = 1 + 2(1-x) + 3(1-x)^2 + \dots + (n+1)(1-x)^n + \dots$$

$$= 1 - 2(x-1) + 3(x-1)^2 + \dots + (-1)^n (n+1)(x-1)^n + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (n+1)(x-1)^n$$

for $-1 < r < 1 \implies 0 < x < 2$.

(i) Let the function $f(x) = 1/(3x+5)^2$ be given. To expand this function in a Taylor series about x = 1 we note that

$$\frac{1}{\left(3x+5\right)^{2}} = \frac{1}{\left[3\left(x-1\right)+8\right]^{2}} = \frac{1}{8^{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\left[1+3\left(x-1\right)/8\right]^{2}} = \frac{1}{8^{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\left(1-r\right)^{2}}$$

using the substitution r = 3(1-x)/8. Hence, by (6.41) setting k = 2 we find

$$\frac{1}{(3x+5)^2} = \frac{1}{8^2} \cdot \frac{1}{(1-r)^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{8^2} + \frac{2 \cdot 3}{8^3} (1-x) + \frac{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 3^2}{8^4 \cdot 1 \cdot 2} (1-x)^2 + \dots + \frac{3^n (n+1)}{8^{n+2}} (1-x)^n + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{8^2} - \frac{2 \cdot 3}{8^3} (x-1) + \frac{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 3^2}{8^4 \cdot 1 \cdot 2} (x-1)^2 + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{3^n (n+1)}{8^{n+2}} (x-1)^n + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{3^n (n+1)}{8^{n+2}} (x-1)^n$$

for $-1 < r < 1 \implies -5/3 < x < 11/3$.

(j) Let the function $f(x) = 1/(ax+b)^k$ be given. To expand this function in a Taylor

series about x = c we employ (6.43) to get

$$f(x) = f(c) + \frac{f'(c)}{1!} (x - c) + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!} (x - c)^n + \dots$$

$$\frac{1}{(ax + b)^k} = \frac{1}{(ac + b)^k} - \frac{k}{1} \frac{a}{(ax + b)^{k+1}} (x - c) + \frac{k(k+1)}{1 \cdot 2} \frac{a^2}{(ax + b)^{k+2}} (x - c)^2 + \dots$$

$$+ (-1)^n \frac{k(k+1) \cdots (k+n-1)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdots n} \frac{a^n}{(ax + b)^{k+n}} (x - c)^n + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{(ac + b)^k} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{k(k+1) \cdots (k+n-1)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdots n} \frac{a^n}{(ax + b)^{k+n}} (x - c)^n$$

for

$$c - \left| \frac{ac+b}{a} \right| < x < c + \left| \frac{ac+b}{a} \right|$$

which follows from (6.38) and (6.42).

- 4. Let $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n / n^n$.
 - (a) From the formal definition of the limit: $\lim_{x\to x_1} f(x) = c$ means that given any $\epsilon > 0$, a $\delta > 0$ can be found such that for every x in a domain D where $|x-x_1| < \delta$ an ϵ can be found such that $|f(x)-c| < \epsilon$, follows that $\lim_{x\to x_1} k = k$ for some constant function f(x) = k and $\lim_{x\to x_1} x = x_1$ for some linear function f(x) = x. Hence, both are continuous for any $x \in D : (-\infty, \infty)$. Now if both f(x) and g(x) are continuous in D then so will be f(x)g(x). And thus we may conclude at once that $kx^n = kxx^{n-1} = kxxx^{n-2} = \cdots = kx^{n-1}x$ is continuous in D. Furthermore, if f(x) and g(x) are continuous in d so will be f(x) + g(x). Hence $a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n + \cdots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_nx^n$ is continuous in D. Lastly, choosing $a_n = 1/n^n$ for $n = 1, 2, \ldots$ then proves that $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n/n^n$ is continuous (and hence, defined) for all $x \in D : (-\infty, \infty)$.

(b)
$$f(0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{0^n}{n^n} = \frac{0^1}{1^1} + \frac{0^2}{2^2} + \dots + \frac{0^n}{n^n} + \dots = 0$$

$$f(1) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1^n}{n^n} = \frac{1^1}{1^1} + \frac{1^2}{2^2} + \dots + \frac{1^n}{n^n} + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n^n} + \dots \ge 1.29$$

$$f'(0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{0^{n-1}}{n^{n-1}} = \frac{0^0}{1^0} + \frac{0^1}{2^1} + \dots + \frac{0^{n-1}}{n^{n-1}} + \dots = 1$$

$$f'(1) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1^{n-1}}{n^{n-1}} = \frac{1^0}{1^0} + \frac{1^1}{2^1} + \dots + \frac{1^{n-1}}{n^{n-1}} + \dots$$
$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1^{n-1}}{n^{n-1}} + \dots \approx 1.63$$
$$f''(0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n-1) 0^{n-2}}{n^{n-1}} = \frac{0 \cdot 0^{-1}}{1^0} + \frac{1 \cdot 0^0}{2^1} + \dots + \frac{(n-1) 0^{n-2}}{n^{n-1}} + \dots = \frac{1}{2}$$

(c) Using (6.44) we find

$$f'(x) = f'(0) + \frac{f''(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f'''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n+1)}(0)}{n!}x^n + \dots$$
$$= 1 + \frac{x}{2^1} + \frac{x^2}{3^2} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{(n+1)^n} + \dots$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{(n+1)^n}$$

and

$$f''(x) = f''(0) + \frac{f'''(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n+2)(0)}}{n!}x^n + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^1} + \frac{2x}{3^2} + \frac{3x^2}{4^3} + \dots + \frac{(n+1)x^n}{(n+2)^{n+1}} + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)x^n}{(n+2)^{n+1}}$$

5. Let the function

$$y = f(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!} + \dots$$

be given. From Problem 4(a) it follows that this function is defined for all $x \in D$: $(-\infty, \infty)$. Also, we may conclude at once that

$$f(0) = 1 + 0 + \frac{0^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{0^n}{n!} + \dots = 1$$

Furthermore, it is easy to show that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!} + \dots \right)$$
$$= 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!} + \dots = y = f(x)$$

and that generally

$$\frac{d^{(n)}y}{dx^{(n)}} = f^{(n)}(x) = \frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{d^{(n-1)}y}{dx^{(n-1)}}\right) = y = f(x) \implies f(0) = f'(0) = \cdots = f^{(n)}(0) = 1$$

Hence,

$$y = f(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!} + \dots$$
$$= f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n + \dots$$

is a Maclaurin series valid for all x.

Section 6.18

1. (a) Since $\sinh x = (1/2)(e^x - e^{-x})$ then by (6.46) we find

$$sinh x = \frac{1}{2} \left(e^x - e^{-x} \right)
= \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(1 + \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!} + \dots \right) - \left(1 - \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{n!} + \dots \right) \right]
= \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} + \dots
= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2n-1}}{(2n-1)!}$$

for $-\infty < x < \infty$.

(b) Since $\cos^2 x = (1 + \cos 2x)/2$ then by (6.48) we find

$$\cos^{2} x = \frac{1 + \cos 2x}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{2^{2}x^{2}}{2!} + \frac{2^{4}x^{4}}{4!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^{n} 2^{2n}x^{2n}}{(2n)!} + \dots \right)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{2^{1}x^{2}}{2!} + \frac{2^{3}x^{4}}{4!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^{n} 2^{2n-1}x^{2n}}{(2n)!} + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n} 2^{2n-1}x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

for $-\infty < x < \infty$.

(c) Since $\sin^2 x = (1 - \cos 2x)/2$ then by (6.47) we find

$$\sin^2 x = \frac{1 - \cos 2x}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{2^2 x^2}{2!} + \frac{2^4 x^4}{4!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n 2^{2n} x^{2n}}{(2n)!} + \dots \right)$$

$$= \frac{2^1 x^2}{2!} - \frac{2^3 x^4}{4!} + \dots + \frac{(-1) 2^{2n-1} x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} 2^{2n-1} x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

for $-\infty < x < \infty$.

(d) Since $\ln x = \int_1^x du/u$ and using the substitution x' = u - 1 so that

$$\frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{1+x'}$$

then by (6.49) (recognising that m = -1) we find

$$\ln x = \int_{1}^{x} \frac{du}{u} = \int_{0}^{x-1} \frac{dx'}{1+x'}$$

$$= \int_{0}^{x-1} \left[1 - x' + (x')^{2} + \dots + (-1)^{n} (x')^{n} + \dots \right] dx'$$

$$= \left[x' - \frac{(x')^{2}}{2} + \frac{(x')^{3}}{3} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^{n+1} (x')^{n}}{n} + \dots \right]_{0}^{x-1}$$

$$= (x-1) - \frac{(x-1)^{2}}{2} + \frac{(x-1)^{3}}{3} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^{n+1} (x-1)^{n}}{n} + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} (x-1)^{n}}{n}$$

(e) Since $\sqrt{1-x} = (1+x')^m$ for |x| < 1, using the substitutions x = -x' and m = 1/2 then by (6.49) we find

$$\sqrt{1-x} = (1+x')^m$$

$$= 1 + \frac{m}{1!}(x') + \frac{m(m-1)}{2!}(x')^2 + \dots + \frac{m(m-1)\cdots(m-n+1)}{n!}(x')^n + \dots$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{2^22!}x^2 - \frac{1\cdot 3}{2^33!}x^3 - \dots$$

(f) Since $(1-x^2)^{-1/2}=(1+x')^m$ for |x|<1, using the substitutions $x'=-x^2$ and

m = -1/2 then by (6.49) we find

$$(1-x^{2})^{-1/2} = (1+x')^{m}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{m}{1!}(x') + \frac{m(m-1)}{2!}(x')^{2} + \dots + \frac{m(m-1)\cdots(m-n+1)}{n!}(x')^{n} + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2}x^{2} + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2^{2}2!}x^{4} + \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{2^{3}2!}x^{6} + \dots$$

(g) Since $d(\sin^{-1} x)/dx = (1 - x^2)^{-1/2}$ for |x| < 1 we can find the Taylor series expansion for $\sin^{-1} x$ by integrating the series of Problem 1(f):

$$\sin^{-1} x = \int_0^x \frac{du}{\sqrt{1 - u^2}} = \int_0^x \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}u^2 + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2^2 2!}u^4 + \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{2^3 2!}u^6 + \cdots \right) du$$

$$= \left[u + \frac{1}{2}\frac{u^3}{3} + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2^2 2!}\frac{u^5}{5} + \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{2^3 2!}\frac{u^7}{7} + \cdots \right]_0^x$$

$$= x + \frac{1}{2}\frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2^2 2!}\frac{x^5}{5} + \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{2^3 2!}\frac{x^7}{7} + \cdots$$

2. (a) Using (6.44) we find that the first three non-zero terms of the Taylor series about x = 0 (Maclaurin series) of f(x) are given by

$$f(x) = e^{x} \sin x$$

$$= f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^{2} + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^{n} + \dots$$

$$= e^{0} \sin(0) + \left[e^{0} \sin(0) + e^{0} \cos(0)\right]x + e^{0} \cos(0)x^{2} + \frac{e^{0} \cos(0) - e^{0} \sin(0)}{3}x^{3} + \dots$$

$$= x + x^{2} + \frac{x^{3}}{3}$$

(b) Using (6.44) we find that the first three non-zero terms of the Taylor series about x = 0 (Maclaurin series) of f(x) are given by

$$f(x) = \tan x$$

$$= f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n + \dots$$

$$= \tan(0) + \sec^2(0)x + \sec^2(0)\tan(0)x^2 + \left[\frac{-2}{3}\sec^2(0) + \sec^4(0)\right]x^3$$

$$+ \frac{\sec^2(0)\tan(0)\left[3\sec^2(0) - 1\right]}{3}x^4$$

$$+ \frac{12\sec^4(0)\tan^2(0) - 2\sec^2(0)\tan^2(0) + 3\sec^6(0) - \sec^4(0)}{15}x^5 + \dots$$

$$= x + \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{2}{15}x^5$$

(c) Using (6.44) we find that the first three non-zero terms of the Taylor series about x = 0 (Maclaurin series) of f(x) are given by

$$f(x) = \ln^2(1+x)$$

$$= f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n + \dots$$

$$= \ln^2(1) + 2\ln(1)x + [1 - \ln(1)]x^2 + \left[\frac{2}{3}\ln(1) - 1\right]x^3 + \left[\frac{11}{12} - \frac{\ln(1)}{2}\right]x^4 + \dots$$

$$= x^2 - x^3 + \frac{11}{12}x^4$$

(d) Using (6.44) we find that the first three non-zero terms of the Taylor series about x = 0 (Maclaurin series) of f(x) are given by

$$f(x) = \ln(1 - x^2)$$

$$= f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n + \dots$$

$$= \ln(1) - x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x^4 - \frac{1}{3}x^6 + \dots$$

$$= -x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x^4 - \frac{1}{3}x^6$$

(e) Using (6.43) we find that the first three non-zero terms of the Taylor series about x = 2 of f(x) are given by

$$f(x) = x^{3} + 3x + 1$$

$$= f(2) + \frac{f'(2)}{1!}(x - 2) + \frac{f''(2)}{2!}(x - 2)^{2} + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(2)}{n!}(x - 2)^{n} + \dots$$

$$= 15 + 15(x - 2) + 6(x - 2)^{2}$$

(f) Using (6.44) we find that the first three non-zero terms of the Taylor series about x = 0 (Maclaurin series) of f(x) are given by

$$f(x) = e^{\tan x}$$

$$= f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n + \dots$$

$$= 1 + e^{\tan 0}\sec^2(0)x + \left[\frac{e^{\tan 0}}{2}\sec^4(0) + e^{\tan 0}\sec^2(0)\tan(0)\right]x^2 + \dots$$

$$= 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2}$$

(g) Using (6.44) we find that the first three non-zero terms of the Taylor series about

x = 0 (Maclaurin series) of f(x) are given by

$$f(x) = \sinh^{-1} x$$

$$= f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n + \dots$$

$$= \sinh^{-1}(0) + x - \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{3}{40}x^5 + \dots$$

$$= x - \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{3}{40}x^5$$

(h) Using (6.44) we find that the first three non-zero terms of the Taylor series about x = 0 (Maclaurin series) of f(x) are given by

$$f(x) = \tanh x$$

$$= f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n + \dots$$

$$= \tanh(0) + \operatorname{sech}^2(0)x - \operatorname{sech}^2(0) \tanh(0)x^2 + \frac{2\operatorname{sech}^2(0)\tanh^2(0) - \operatorname{sech}^4(0)}{3}x^3$$

$$+ \frac{\operatorname{sech}^2(0)\tanh(0)\left[2\operatorname{sech}^2(0) - \tanh^2(0)\right]}{3}x^4$$

$$= \frac{2\tanh^4(0)\operatorname{sech}^2(0) - 11\operatorname{sech}^4(0)\tanh^2(0) + 2\operatorname{sech}^6(0)}{15}x^5 + \dots$$

$$= x - \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{2}{15}x^5$$

(i) Using (6.44) we find that the first three non-zero terms of the Taylor series about x = 0 (Maclaurin series) of f(x) are given by

$$f(x) = \tanh^{-1} x$$

$$= f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n + \dots$$

$$= \tanh^{-1}(0) + x + \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{1}{5}x^5 + \dots$$

$$= x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5}$$

(j) Using (6.44) we find that the first three non-zero terms of the Taylor series about

x = 0 (Maclaurin series) of f(x) are given by

$$f(x) = \ln \sec x$$

$$= f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n + \dots$$

$$= \ln \sec (0) + \tan (0) x + \frac{\sec^2 (0)}{2}x^2 + \frac{\sec^2 (0)\tan (0)}{3}x^3 + \frac{3\sec^4 (0) - 2\sec^2 (0)}{12}x^4$$

$$= \frac{\sec^2 (0)\tan (0) [3\sec^2 (0) - 1]}{15}x^5 + \frac{12\sec^4 (0)\tan^2 (0) - 2\sec^2 (0)\tan^2 (0) + 3\sec^6 (0) - \sec^4 (0)}{90}x^6 + \dots$$

$$= \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{12} + \frac{x^6}{45}$$

3. Let $n \ge 1$ be a positive integer and x_2 be a fixed number in the interval $a - r_0 < x < a + r_0, x_2 \ne a$. Furthermore, let

$$\bar{G}(x) = G(x) - \left(\frac{x_2 - x}{x_2 - a}\right)^n G(a)$$

where

$$G(x) = f(x_2) - f(x) - (x_2 - x) f'(x) - \dots - \frac{(x_2 - x)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} f^{(n-1)}(x)$$

We assume that f(x) is defined and continuous and has continuous derivatives up to the $(n+1)^{st}$ order in the given interval, which implies $\bar{G}(x)$ is defined and continuous for x in the same interval. Also, note that

$$\bar{G}(a) = G(a) - \left(\frac{x_2 - a}{x_2 - a}\right)^n G(a) = 0$$

and

$$\bar{G}(x_2) = G(x_2) - \left(\frac{x_2 - x_2}{x_2 - a}\right)^n G(a)$$

$$= G(x_2)$$

$$= f(x_2) - f(x_2) - (x_2 - x_2) f'(x_2) - \dots - \frac{(x_2 - x_2)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} f^{(n-1)}(x_2)$$

$$= 0$$

Hence, by the Mean Value theorem, $\bar{G}'(x) = 0$ for some x_1 between a and x_2 . Now

$$\bar{G}'(x) = G'(x) + \frac{n(x_2 - x)^{n-1}}{(x_2 - a)^n} G(a)
= -\frac{(x_2 - x)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} f^{(n)}(x) + \frac{n(x_2 - x)^{n-1}}{(x_2 - a)^n} G(a)
= \frac{n(x_2 - x)^{n-1}}{(x_2 - a)^n} \left[G(a) - \frac{1}{n!} f^{(n)}(x) (x_2 - a)^n \right]$$

and so the equation $\bar{G}'(x_1) = 0$ thus becomes the equation

$$\frac{G'(x_1) = 0}{(x_2 - x)^{n-1}} \left[G(a) - \frac{(x_2 - a)^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(x_1) \right] = G(a) - \frac{(x_2 - a)^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(x_1) = G(a) - \frac{(x_2 - a)^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(x_1) = f(x_2) - f(a) - (x_2 - a) f'(a) - \dots - \frac{(x_2 - a)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} f^{(n-1)}(a) - \frac{(x_2 - a)^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(x_1) = f(a) + (x_2 - a) f'(a) + \dots + \frac{(x_2 - a)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} f^{(n-1)}(a) + \frac{(x_2 - a)^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(x_1) = f(x_2)$$

If x_2 is now replaced by a variable x, we get the desired result:

$$f(x) = f(a) + (x - a) f'(a) + \dots + \frac{(x - a)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} f^{(n-1)}(a) + \frac{(x - a)^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(x_1)$$

4. Starting from the premise that

$$R_n(x) = f(x) - f(a) - \left[\frac{f'(a)}{1!} (x - a) + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} (x - a)^n \right]$$

we see that for n = 0 the term R_0 , using the fundamental theorem of calculus, can be written as

$$R_0 = f(x) - f(a) = \int_a^x f'(t) dt$$

For n = 1 we find (using integration by parts)

$$R_{1} = f(x) - f(a) - \frac{f'(a)}{1!} (x - a) = R_{0} - (x - a) f'(a)$$

$$= -(x - a) f'(a) + \int_{a}^{x} f'(t) dt$$

$$= \underbrace{(x - t) f'(t)}_{uv} \Big|_{a}^{x} - \int_{a}^{x} \underbrace{-f'(t) dt}_{v du}$$

$$= \int_{a}^{x} (x - t) f''(t) dt$$

Likewise, for n=2 we find

$$R_{2} = f(x) - f(a) - \frac{f'(a)}{1!} (x - a) - \frac{f''(a)}{2!} (x - a)^{2}$$

$$= R_{1} - (x - a)^{2} \frac{f''(a)}{2}$$

$$= -(x - a)^{2} \frac{f''(a)}{2} + \int_{a}^{x} (x - t) f''(t) dt$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{(x - t)^{2}}{2} f''(t)}_{uv} \Big|_{a}^{x} - \int_{a}^{x} \underbrace{-f''(t) (x - t) dt}_{v du} = \int_{a}^{x} \frac{(x - t)^{2}}{2} f^{(3)}(t) dt$$

and n = 3:

$$R_{3} = f(x) - f(a) - \frac{f'(a)}{1!} (x - a) - \frac{f''(a)}{2!} (x - a)^{2} - \frac{f'''(a)}{3!} (x - a)^{3}$$

$$= R_{2} - \frac{f'''(a)}{3!} (x - a)^{3}$$

$$= -(x - a)^{3} \frac{f^{(3)}(a)}{3!} + \int_{a}^{x} \frac{(x - t)^{2}}{2!} f^{(3)}(t) dt$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{(x - t)^{3}}{3!} f^{(3)}(t)}_{uv} \Big|_{a}^{x} - \int_{a}^{x} \underbrace{-f^{(3)}(t) \frac{(x - t)^{2}}{2!} dt}_{vdu} = \int_{a}^{x} \frac{(x - t)^{3}}{3!} f^{(4)} dt$$

As such, we consider the formula

$$R_m = \int_a^x \frac{(x-t)^m}{m!} f^{(m+1)}(t) dt$$

to be true for some known, positive integer $m \ge 0$. Next, using integration by parts with $u = f^{(m+1)}(t)$ and $dv = (x-t)^m dt/m!$ we can write

$$R_{m} = \int_{a}^{x} \frac{(x-t)^{m}}{m!} f^{(m+1)}(t) dt$$

$$= \int_{a}^{x} u dv$$

$$= uv \Big|_{a}^{x} - \int_{a}^{x} v du$$

$$= -\frac{(x-t)^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} f^{(m+1)}(t) \Big|_{a}^{x} + \int_{a}^{x} \frac{(x-t)^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} f^{(m+2)}(t) dt$$

$$= \frac{(x-a)^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} f^{(m+1)}(a) + \int_{a}^{x} \frac{(x-t)^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} f^{(m+2)}(t) dt$$

$$R_{m} - \frac{(x-a)^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} f^{(m+1)}(a) = \int_{a}^{x} \frac{(x-t)^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} f^{(m+2)}(t) dt$$

From (6.45) it follows that the last expression can be written as

$$R_m - \frac{(x-a)^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} f^{(m+1)}(a) = R_{m+1} = \int_a^x \frac{(x-t)^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} f^{(m+2)}(t) dt$$

Thus by induction, since the integral formula for R_n is true for an some fixed positive integer m and m+1 it must be true for any arbitrary, positive integer $n \geq 0$.

5. (a) To evaluate the integral $\int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx$ to three decimal places we will expand the integrand in a Maclaurin series using (6.44) and integrate term by term:

$$\int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx = \int_0^1 \left[1 - \frac{x^2}{1!} + \frac{x^4}{2!} - \frac{x^6}{3!} + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{n!} + \dots \right] dx$$

$$= \left[x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5 \cdot 2!} - \frac{x^7}{7 \cdot 3!} + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)n!} + \dots \right]_0^1$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^\infty (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)n!} \Big|_0^1$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)n!}$$

Using (6.45) we learn that in order to evaluate the integral to three decimal places we need to add the first five terms of the Maclaurin series since:

$$R_4 = \frac{1}{(2 \cdot 5 + 1) \cdot 5!} \approx 0.00076$$

Hence,

$$\int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx \approx \sum_{n=0}^4 \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1) \, n!} \approx 0.747$$

(b) To evaluate the integral $\int_0^{1/2} (1+x^4)^{-1/2} dx$ to three decimal places we will use (6.41) to expand the integrand in a power series:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^4}} = (1+x^4)^{-1/2}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1/2}{1}(-x^4) + \frac{(1/2)(3/2)}{1\cdot 2}(-x^4)^2 + \frac{(1/2)(3/2)(5/2)}{1\cdot 2\cdot 3}(-x^4)^3$$

$$+ \dots + \frac{(1/2)(3/2)\dots(1/2+n-1)}{1\cdot 2\dots n}(-x^4)^n + \dots$$

Focusing on the $n^{\rm th}$ for now, this can be written as:

$$\frac{(1/2)(3/2)\cdots(1/2+n-1)}{1\cdot 2\cdots n}\left(-x^4\right)^n = (-1)^n \frac{1\cdot 3\cdot 5\cdots (2n-1)}{2^n (1\cdot 2\cdot 3\cdots n)}x^{4n}$$
$$= (-1)^n \frac{1\cdot 2\cdot 3\cdots 2n}{2^{2n} (1\cdot 2\cdot 3\cdots n)^2}x^{4n} = (-1)^n \frac{(2n)!}{2^{2n} (n!)^2}x^{4n}$$

Hence,

$$\int_{0}^{1/2} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1+x^{4}}} = \int_{0}^{1/2} (-1)^{n} \frac{(2n)!}{2^{2n} (n!)^{2}} x^{4n} dx = (-1)^{n} \frac{(2n)!}{2^{2n} (n!)^{2}} \int_{0}^{1/2} x^{4n} dx$$

$$= (-1)^{n} \frac{(2n)!}{2^{2n} (4n+1) (n!)^{2}} x^{4n+1} \Big|_{0}^{1/2}$$

$$= (-1)^{n} \frac{(2n)!}{2^{6n+1} (4n+1) (n!)^{2}}$$

Using (6.45) we learn that in order to evaluate the integral to three decimal places we need to add the first two terms of the power series since:

$$|R_1| = \frac{3!}{2^{13} \cdot 9} \cong 0.00008$$

And so

$$\int_0^{1/2} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1+x^4}} \approx \sum_{n=0}^1 (-1)^n \frac{(2n)!}{2^{6n+1} (4n+1) (n!)^2} \approx 0.497$$

- 6. Let $f(x) = e^{-1/x^2}$ for $x \neq 0$ and f(0) = 0.
 - (a) A differentiable function is continuous by definition. Hence, since the derivative of f(x):

$$f'\left(x\right) = \frac{df}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}\left(e^{-1/x^{2}}\right) = \frac{d}{dx}\left(-\frac{1}{x^{2}}\right)e^{-1/x^{2}} = \frac{2}{x^{3}}e^{-1/x^{2}} = P_{1}\left(x\right)f\left(x\right)$$

is defined for all $x \neq 0$ it follows that f(x) is continuous for all $x \neq 0$. Furthermore, since we have explicitly defined the value of f(x) at x = 0 as f(0) = 0 and

$$\lim_{x \to 0^{-}} f(x) = \lim_{x \to 0^{-}} e^{-1/x^{2}} = \lim_{x \to -\infty} e^{x^{2}} = 0 = \lim_{x \to 0^{+}} f(x)$$

we may conclude that f(x) is continuous at x = 0 and hence, that f(x) is continuous for all x.

(b) Since $f'(x) = P_1(x)f(x)$, i.e. the product of a polynomial and the original function f(x) and the product of two continuous functions is itself continuous it follows at once that f'(x) is continuous for all $x \neq 0$. Next, using the definition of the derivative, we find

$$\lim_{x \to 0} f'(x) = f'(0) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(0+h) - f(0)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{e^{-1/h^2} - 0}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{e^{-1/h^2}}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{h^{-1}}{e^{1/h^2}}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{-h^{-2}}{-2h^{-3}e^{1/h^2}}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{h}{2e^{1/h^2}} = 0$$

Hence, f'(x) is continuous for all x.

(c) To prove that $f^{(n)}(x)$ is continuous for all x and $f^{(n)}(0) = 0$ we will use induction. First, let us assume that $f^{(k)}(x) = P_k(x)f(x)$ for some fixed, positive integer $k \geq 0$ and some polynomial $P_k(x)$, $P_0(x) = 1$. For k + 1 we thus have

$$f^{(k+1)}(x) = (P_k(x) f(x))' = P_k(x) f'(x) + f(x) P'_k(x) = \frac{2}{x^3} P_k(x) f(x) + P'_k(x) f(x)$$
$$= (P_1(x) P_k(x) + P'_k(x)) f(x)$$
$$= P_{k+1}(x) f(x)$$

Thus by induction, since the formula for $f^{(n)}(x)$ is true for fixed, positive integers k and k+1 it must be true for any arbitrary positive integer $n \geq 0$. Hence, since $f^{(n)}(x)$ exists for all $x \neq 0$ it follows that $f^{(n)}(x)$ is continuous for all $x \neq 0$. To show $f^{(n)}(0) = 0$ we will again use induction. Let us assume that $f^{(k)}(0) = 0$ for some fixed, positive integer $k \geq 0$. For k+1 we thus have

$$\lim_{x \to 0} f^{(k+1)}(x) = f^{(k+1)}(0) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f^{(k)}(0+h) - f^{(k)}(0)}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{P_k(h) f(h) - 0}{h}$$
$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{P_k(h) e^{-1/h^2}}{h}$$

Before we continue with attempting to evaluate the limit let us first rewrite our polynomial $P_k(x)$ as

$$P_k(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{3k} \frac{a_n}{x^n}$$

Here a_n denotes the n^{th} polynomial coefficient, which will be equal to zero in most cases and x^n is simply x raised to the n^{th} power. For example: when k=2 then

$$P_2(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{6} \frac{a_n}{x^n} = \frac{a_1}{x} + \frac{a_2}{x^2} + \dots + \frac{a_6}{x^6} = -\frac{6}{x^4} + \frac{4}{x^6}$$

Thus, we see that in this case $a_4 = -6$, $a_6 = 4$ and $a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = a_5 = 0$. Furthermore, it should be noted that $P_k(x)$ is finite. Hence,

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{P_k(h) e^{-1/h^2}}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{e^{-1/h^2}}{h} \sum_{n=1}^{3k} \frac{a_n}{h^n}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{e^{-1/h^2}}{h} \left(\frac{a_1}{h} + \frac{a_2}{h^2} + \dots + \frac{a_{3k}}{h^{3k}} \right)$$

$$= a_1 \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{e^{-1/h^2}}{h^2} + a_2 \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{e^{-1/h^2}}{h^3} + \dots + a_{3k} \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{e^{-1/h^2}}{h^{3k+1}}$$

Let us consider the arbitrary $j^{\rm th}$ term of the last expression, since, if we can prove that

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{e^{-1/h^2}}{h^j} = 0$$

then by the additive law of limits it will follow that

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{e^{-1/h^2}}{h} \sum_{n=1}^{3k} \frac{a_n}{h^n} = 0$$

also. In order to prove that the limit above is equal to zero we need to consider the following one sided limits:

$$\lim_{h \to 0^{-}} \frac{e^{-1/h^{2}}}{h^{j}} \qquad \qquad \lim_{h \to 0^{+}} \frac{e^{-1/h^{2}}}{h^{j}}$$

Now instead of attempting to evaluate the above two limits it will be more convenient to evaluate the following two equivalent limits:

$$\lim_{h \to \infty} \frac{h^j}{e^{h^2}} \qquad \qquad \lim_{h \to -\infty} \frac{h^j}{e^{h^2}}$$

Because $f(x) = e^x$ is a strictly increasing function for x > 1 it follows that $e^x < e^{x^2}$. Hence, if we can prove that

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{e^x}{r^n} = \infty \implies \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{e^{x^2}}{r^n} = \infty$$

Expanding e^x in a Maclaurin series we note that

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \dots + \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} + \dots > \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}$$

and so

$$\frac{e^x}{x^n} > \frac{x}{(n+1)!}$$

Now since it is trivial to see that since

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x}{(n+1)!} = \infty \implies \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{e^x}{x^n} = \infty \implies \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{e^{x^2}}{x^n} = \infty$$

Of course the inverse of the last expression must be equal to zero then, i.e.

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{e^{x^2}}{x^n} = \infty \implies \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x^n}{e^{x^2}} = 0$$

Hence, we may conclude that

$$\lim_{h \to \infty} \frac{h^j}{e^{h^2}} = 0$$

Now if j is even we find that

$$\lim_{h\to -\infty}\frac{h^j}{e^{h^2}}=\lim_{h\to \infty}\frac{h^j}{e^{h^2}}=0$$

If j is odd then

$$\lim_{h \to -\infty} \frac{h^j}{e^{h^2}} = -\lim_{h \to \infty} \frac{h^j}{e^{h^2}} = -1 \times 0 = 0$$

It then follows that

$$\lim_{h \to \infty} \frac{h^j}{e^{h^2}} = 0 \implies \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{1/h^j}{e^{1/h^2}} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{e^{-1/h^2}}{h^j} = 0$$

And so

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{P_k(h) e^{-1/h^2}}{h} = \lim_{x \to 0} f^{(k+1)}(x) = f^{(k+1)}(0) = 0$$

Concluding, since we have shown that $f^{(n)}(x) = P_k(x)f(x)$ is continuous for all $x \neq 0$ and $f^{(n)}(0) = 0$ and f(0) = 0, it follows that $f^{(n)}(x)$ is continuous for all x.

(d)



7. (a) Let

$$e = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} + \frac{1}{5!}$$

be given. Furthermore, we assume that it is known that e < 3. Then by (6.45) and (6.54), setting a = 0, x = 1 and acknowledging that $|f^{(6)}(1)| = e \le M_6 \implies M_6 = 3$, an estimate for the error is given by

$$|R_5| < \frac{M_6|x-a|^6}{6!} = \frac{3}{6!} \approx 0.0042$$

$$\sin 1 = 1 - \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{5!}$$

be given. Furthermore, we know that $\cos(1) < 1$. Then by (6.45) and (6.54), setting a = 0, x = 1 and acknowledging that $|f^{(7)}(x)| = |-\cos(x)| = \cos(x) \le M_7 \implies M_7 = 1$, an estimate for the error is given by

$$|R_6| < \frac{M_7|x-a|^7}{7!} = \frac{1}{7!} \approx 0.000198$$

(c) Let

$$\ln \frac{3}{2} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2 \cdot 2^2} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 2^3}$$

be given. The expression above is equal to the Maclaurin series of $\ln(1+x)$ evaluated at x=1/2:

$$\ln(1+x) = f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n + \dots$$
$$= 0 + \frac{x}{1} - \frac{x^2}{2} + \dots + (-1)^{n+1}\frac{x^n}{n} + \dots$$

Acknowledging that $|f^{(4)}(x)| = |-6/(1+x)^4| \le M_4 \implies M_4 = 6$, an estimate for the error is given by

$$|R_3| < \frac{M_4|x-a|^4}{4!} = \frac{6}{2^4 \cdot 4!} \approx 0.0156$$

8. The problem statement is a little screwy, as Theorem 41 clearly states the function f(x) only has continuous derivatives up to the $(n+1)^{\text{st}}$ order and nothing is being said about any derivatives beyond the $(n+1)^{\text{st}}$ order. In any case, we will instead provide a proof of the rule deduced in Section 2.19: Let $f'(a) = f''(a) = \cdots = f^{(n)}(a) = 0$, but $f^{(n+1)}(a) \neq 0$. Then f(x) has a relative maximum at x = a if n is odd and $f^{(n+1)}(a) < 0$; f(x) has a relative minimum at x = a if x = a if

Let a function f(x) be defined and continuous and have continuous derivatives up the $(n+1)^{st}$ order for $a-r_0 < x < a+r_0$. Then for each x of this interval except x=a:

$$f(x) = f(a) + \frac{f'(a)}{1}(x-a) + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}(x-a)^n + \frac{f^{(n+1)}(x_1)}{(n+1)!}(x-a)^{n+1}$$

for some x_1 such that $a < x_1 < x$ or, if x < a, $x < x_1 < a$. Furthermore, let $f'(a) = f''(a) = \cdots = f^{(n)}(a) = 0$, but $f^{(n+1)}(a) \neq 0$. Hence, the expression for f(x) reduces to

$$f(x) = f(a) + \frac{f^{(n+1)}(x_1)}{(n+1)!} (x-a)^{n+1} \iff f(x) - f(a) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(x_1)}{(n+1)!} (x-a)^{n+1}$$

Let us first consider the case where n is odd, such that $(x-a)^{n+1}>0$ always. Then $f^{(n+1)}(a)>0 \implies f^{(n+1)}(x_1)>0$ for $x_1>a$ and x_1 sufficiently close to a. Hence, f(x)-f(a)>0 for x>a and x sufficiently close to a. Similarly, $f^{(n+1)}(a)>0 \implies f^{(n+1)}(x_1)>0$ for $x_1< a$ and x_1 sufficiently close to a. Again, f(x)-f(a)>0. However, now for x< a and x sufficiently close to a. Combined with the knowledge that f'(a)=0 we thus may conclude that f(x) has a relative minimum at the point x=a. Still assuming n is odd, then when $f^{(n+1)}(a)<0 \implies f^{(n+1)}(x_1)<0$ for $x_1>a$ and x_1 sufficiently close to a. Hence, f(x)-f(a)<0 for x>a and x sufficiently close to a. Similarly, $f^{(n+1)}(a)<0 \implies f^{(n+1)}(x_1)<0$ for $x_1< a$ and x_1 sufficiently close to a. Again, f(x)-f(a)<0, However, now for x< a and x sufficiently close to a. Combined with the knowledge that f'(a)=0 we thus may conclude that f(x) has a relative maximum at the point x=a.

Lastly, we consider the case where n is even. Now the sign of $(x-a)^{n+1}$ will depend on whether x>a or x<a. Assuming that $f^{(n+1)}(a)>0 \implies f^{(n+1)}(x_1)>0$ for $x_1>a$ and x_1 sufficiently close to a. Hence, f(x)-f(a)>0 for x>a and x sufficiently close to a because $(x-a)^{n+1}>0$. So far there is no difference with the previously analysed case when n is odd and x>a. However, when $x_1< a$ for x_1 sufficiently close to a we still have $f^{(n+1)}(a)>0 \implies f^{(n+1)}(x_1)>0$, but now f(x)-f(a)<0 for x<a and x sufficiently close to a because $(x-a)^{n+1}<0$. Thus the function f(x) has a horizontal inflection point at a.

9. (a) Let

$$g_1(x,h) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

be given, where it is assumed h is a small, positive number. Taylor's formula with remainder gives the series expansion

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + h\frac{f'(x)}{1!} + h^2\frac{f''(x_1)}{2!}$$

for some x_1 such that $x < x_1 < x + h$. Rearranging gives

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} - f'(x) = g_1(x,h) - f'(x) = h\frac{f''(x_1)}{2!}$$

And so

$$\lim_{h \to 0} h \frac{f''(x_1)}{2!} = 0 \implies \lim_{h \to 0} g_1(x, h) - f'(x) = 0$$

In a similar way we find that

$$\frac{g_1(x,h) - f'(x)}{h} = \frac{f''(x_1)}{2!}$$

Hence,

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f''(x_1)}{2!} = \frac{f''(x_1)}{2} \implies \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{g_1(x,h) - f'(x)}{h} = \frac{f''(x_1)}{2}$$

(b) Let

$$g_2(x,h) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h}$$

be given. Taylor's formula with remainder gives the series expansions

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + h\frac{f'(x)}{1!} + h^2\frac{f''(x)}{2!} + h^3\frac{f'''(x_1)}{3!}$$
$$f(x-h) = f(x) - h\frac{f'(x)}{1!} + h^2\frac{f''(x)}{2!} - h^3\frac{f'''(x_2)}{3!}$$

for some x_1 such that $x < x_1 < x + h$ and some x_2 such that $x - h < x_2 < x$. Rearranging, subtracting both equations and finally dividing by a factor of 2h gives

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} - f'(x) = g_2(x,h) - f'(x) = h^2 \left(\frac{f'''(x_1)}{12} + \frac{f'''(x_2)}{12}\right)$$

And so

$$\lim_{h \to 0} h^2 \left(\frac{f'''(x_1)}{12} + \frac{f'''(x_2)}{12} \right) = 0 \implies \lim_{h \to 0} g_2(x, h) - f'(x) = 0$$

Similarly, we find that

$$\frac{g_2(x,h) - f'(x)}{h^2} = \frac{f'''(x_1)}{12} + \frac{f'''(x_2)}{12}$$

Hence,

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f'''(x_1)}{12} + \frac{f'''(x_2)}{12} \implies \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{g_2(x,h) - f'(x)}{h^2} = \frac{f'''(x_1)}{12} + \frac{f'''(x_2)}{12}$$

(c) Let

$$g_3(x,h) = \frac{f(x+h) - 2f(x) + f(x-h)}{h^2}$$

be given. Taylor's formula with remainder gives the series expansions

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + h\frac{f'(x)}{1!} + h^2\frac{f''(x)}{2!} + h^3\frac{f'''(x_1)}{3!} + h^4\frac{f''''(x_1)}{4!}$$
$$f(x-h) = f(x) - h\frac{f'(x)}{1!} + h^2\frac{f''(x)}{2!} - h^3\frac{f'''(x_1)}{3!} + h^4\frac{f''''(x_2)}{4!}$$

for some x_1 such that $x < x_1 < x + h$ and some x_2 such that $x - h < x_2 < x$. Rearranging, adding both equations and finally dividing by a factor of h^2 gives

$$\frac{f(x+h) - 2f(x) + f(x-h)}{h^2} - f''(x) = g_3(x,h) - f''(x) = h^2 \left(\frac{f''''(x_1)}{24} + \frac{f''''(x_2)}{24}\right)$$

And so

$$\lim_{h \to 0} h^2 \left(\frac{f''''(x_1)}{24} + \frac{f''''(x_2)}{24} \right) = 0 \implies \lim_{h \to 0} g_3(x, h) - f''(x) = 0$$

Note that the book divides by a factor of h instead of h^2 . This would *not* result in a finite limit when $h \to 0$ for the expression $[g_3(x,h) - f''(x)]/h$. This is most likely a mistake and we will instead divide by a factor of h^2 . And so we find that

$$\frac{g_3(x,h) - f''(x)}{h^2} = \frac{f''''(x_1)}{24} + \frac{f''''(x_2)}{24}$$

Hence,

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f''''(x_1)}{24} + \frac{f''''(x_2)}{24} \implies \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{g_3(x,h) - f''(x)}{h^2} = \frac{f''''(x_1)}{24} + \frac{f''''(x_2)}{24}$$

Thus, the error in approximating f''(x) by $g_3(x,h)$ is not of order h, but of order h^2 .

Section 6.19

1. (a) Let z = i be given. Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{z^n}{n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{i^n}{n}$$

Now

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}i^n$$

is undefined, since i^n keeps cycling between the values i, -1, -i and 1. However, it is true that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{z^n}{n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{|z^n|}{n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{|z|^n}{n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$$

Can we thus conclude that $\lim_{n\to\infty} z^n/n = \lim_{n\to\infty} i^n/n = 0$? The answer is yes, since Theorem 46 is satisfied when taking $z_n = i^n/n$ and $z_0 = 0$ for then there will exists an N such that when n > N for some $\epsilon > 0$ then $|z_n - z_0| = |z_n| = 1/n < \epsilon \implies n > 1/\epsilon$.

(b)

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{(1+i)n^3 - 2in + 3}{in^3 - 1} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1+i - 2i/n^2 + 3/n^3}{i - 1/n^3} = \frac{1+i}{i} = \frac{1}{i} + 1 = \frac{i}{i^2} + 1$$

$$= 1 - i$$

2. (a) Let the series

$$\frac{1+i}{2} + \left(\frac{1+i}{2}\right)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{1+i}{2}\right)^n + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1+i}{2}\right)^n$$

be given. Employing the root test gives

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sqrt[n]{\left| \left(\frac{1+i}{2}\right)^n \right|} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sqrt[n]{\left|\frac{1+i}{2}\right|^n} = \left|\frac{1+i}{2}\right| = \frac{|1+i|}{2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} < 1$$

Hence, the series is absolutely convergent.

(b) Let the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ni^n$$

be given. Employing the $n^{\rm th}$ term test gives

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} n i^n = \infty \cdot i^\infty \neq 0$$

Hence, the series diverges.

(c) Let the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{ni^n}{n^2 + 1}$$

be given. Now

$$|a_n| = \left| \frac{ni^n}{n^2 + 1} \right| = \frac{n}{n^2 + 1} |i^n| = \frac{n}{n^2 + 1} |i|^n = \frac{n}{n^2 + 1} < \frac{1}{n} = b_n$$

for $n=1,2,\ldots$ The series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n$ diverges and hence, the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is not absolutely convergent. However, the series of real parts is

$$0 - \frac{1}{2} + 0 + \frac{1}{4} + 0 - \frac{1}{6} + \cdots$$

and the series of imaginary parts is

$$1+0-\frac{1}{3}+0+\frac{1}{5}+\cdots$$

If the zeros are disregarded, these are convergent alternating series. Hence, $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} i^n/n$ converges and since

$$\frac{ni^n}{n^2+1} < \frac{i^n}{n}$$

the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges.

(d) Let the series

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

be given. Since

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{1}{(n+i)^2} \right| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{|(n+i)^2|} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{|n+i|^2} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2 + 1} < \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$$

and the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^2$ converges implies the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is absolutely convergent.

3.