

# Real Analysis

## Problem Set 6

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1. Using the condensation test, determine whether  $\sum x_n \in \mathbb{R}$ , where  $x_n$  are as follows:

(a)  $x_n = \frac{1}{n}$

(b)  $x_n = \frac{1}{(n+1) \log(n+1)}$

(c)  $x_n = \frac{1}{n^2}$

(d)  $x_n = \frac{1}{(\log(n+1))^2}$

(e)  $x_n = \frac{1}{(n+1) (\log(n+1))^2}$

(f)  $x_n = \frac{\log n}{n^2}$

(g)  $x_{n-15} = \frac{1}{n (\log n) (\log \log n) (\log \log \log n)^p}$   
if  $p > 1$

(h)  $x_{n-15} = \frac{1}{n (\log n) (\log \log n) (\log \log \log n)^p}$   
if  $p \leq 1$

(i)  $x_n = \frac{1}{n^p}$  if  $p > 1$

(j)  $x_n = \frac{1}{n^p}$  if  $0 < p \leq 1$

2. Determine whether the following sequences converge in  $\mathbb{R}$ :

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

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

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

(d)  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(\log n)^p}$  where  $p > 0$

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

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

(g)  $\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n (\log n) (\log \log n)^p}$  where  $p > 0$

(h)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n!}}$

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

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

3. Let  $(a_n), (b_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$ ,  $A_n := \sum_{i=1}^n a_i$  and let  $\alpha : \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function. Prove that

(a)  $\sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^j (\alpha(i, j)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i}^n (\alpha(i, j))$

(b)  $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i = b_{n+1} A_n - \sum_{i=1}^n A_i (b_{i+1} - b_i)$

4. Let  $(a_n), (b_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$ ,  $A_n := \sum_{i=1}^n a_i$ . Suppose  $(A_n)$  is bounded. It is given that  $\sum_{i=1}^n (b_{i+1} - b_i)$  converges absolutely and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 0$ .

(a) Show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n b_{n+1} = 0$ .

(b) Show that  $\sum_{i=1}^n A_i (b_{i+1} - b_i)$  is convergent.

(c) Conclude that  $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i$  converges.

5. Prove using the above

(a) If  $(x_n) \in (\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0})^{\mathbb{N}}$  is decreasing and  $\lim x_n = 0$  then  $\sum (-1)^n x_n < \infty$ .

(b) If  $(x_n) \in (\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0})^{\mathbb{N}}$  is such that  $\exists B > 0$  satisfying  $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \leq B \forall n$ , then  $\sum \frac{a_n}{n} < \infty$ .

6. Let  $a > 0$ . Prove  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(a+n+1)(a+n)} < \infty$ . Find the limit.

7. Let  $a > 0$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

(a) Show that  $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{m}{\prod_{j=0}^m (a+k+j)} = \frac{1}{\prod_{j=1}^m (a+j)} - \frac{1}{\prod_{j=1}^m (a+n+j)}$ .

**Hint:** Induct on  $n$ .

(b) Show that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\prod_{j=0}^m (a+n+j)} = \frac{1}{m \prod_{j=1}^m (a+j)}$

8. Let  $(a_n), (b_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$ ,  $A_n := \sum_{i=1}^n a_i$ ,  $B_n := \sum_{i=1}^n b_i$ . Prove that<sup>1</sup>

$$\sum_{k=n+1}^m a_k B_k = A_m B_m - A_n B_{n+1} - \sum_{k=n+1}^{m-1} A_k b_{k+1}$$

9. (Use your knowledge of high-school integration) Let  $(a_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}}$  be a sequence and let its partial sums be  $A_n := \sum_{k=0}^n a_k$ . Fix real numbers  $x < y$ .  $\varphi : [x, y] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuously differentiable function. Show that

$$\sum_{n=\lfloor x \rfloor + 1}^{\lfloor y \rfloor} a_n \varphi(n) = A(\lfloor y \rfloor) \varphi(y) - A(\lfloor x \rfloor) \varphi(x) - \int_x^y A(\lfloor t \rfloor) \varphi'(t) dt$$

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<sup>1</sup>(Maybe a hint) One is tempted to recall the integration by parts formula. Let  $F(x) := \int_a^x f(x) dx$ ,  $G(x) := \int_a^x g(x) dx$ . Then

$$\int_a^b f(x) G(x) dx = F(b) G(b) - F(a) G(a) - \int_a^b F(x) g(x) dx$$