Tutorial Sheet 3 (Convergence of Infinite Series)

1. Test the convergence of the following series:

(a)
$$\sum \frac{1}{(2n-1)^p}$$
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, (b) $\sum \left[1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right]^{-n^{3/2}}$,

(c)
$$\sum \frac{n^n x^n}{n!}$$
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, (d) $\sum \frac{1}{n^{1+(1/n)}}$,

(e)
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, (f) $\sum \left[(n^3 + 1)^{1/3} - n \right]$,

$$(g)\frac{x}{1} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{1.3}{2.4} \cdot \frac{x^5}{5} + \frac{1.3.5}{2.4.6} \cdot \frac{x^7}{7} + \cdots$$

(h)
$$\frac{1^2}{4^2} + \frac{5^2}{8^2} + \frac{9^2}{12^2} + \frac{13^2}{16^2} + \cdots$$

(i)
$$1 + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{2!}{3^2} \cdot x^2 + \frac{3!}{4^3} \cdot x^3 + \frac{4!}{5^4} \cdot x^4 + \cdots$$

2. Test the convergence of the series whose n^{th} term is:

(a)
$$\frac{a^n}{x^n + a^n},$$

(b)
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}+\sqrt{n+1}}$$
,

(c)
$$\frac{\sqrt{n+1}-1}{(n+2)^3-1}$$
, (d) $\frac{(a+nx)^n}{n!}$,

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(e)
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \tan \frac{1}{n}$$
, (f) $3^{-n-(-1)^n}$,

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Answers:

1.(a)
$$p > 1$$
 Conv., $p \le 1$ Div.

(b) Conv.

(c)
$$x < \frac{1}{e}$$
 Conv., $x \ge \frac{1}{e}$ Div.,

(d) Div.

(g)
$$x^2 \le 1 \text{ Conv.}; \ x^2 > 1$$

(e) $x \le 1$ Conv., x > 1 Div.

(i) x < e Conv., $x \ge e$ Div.,

(h) Div.

$$2.(a) \frac{x}{a} \le 1$$
 Div., $\frac{x}{a} > 1$ Conv.

(b) Div.

(d)
$$x < \frac{1}{e}$$
 Conv., $x \ge \frac{1}{e}$ Div.