

10.5. Absolute Convergence / The Ratio Test / The Root Test 08/04

. The ratio test

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = p \quad (a) \quad p < 1 \Rightarrow \text{absolute converge} \Rightarrow \text{converge.}$$

$$(b) \quad p > 1 \Rightarrow \text{diverges}$$

$$(c) \quad \underline{p = 1} \Rightarrow \text{inconclusive}$$

$$\text{Proof: } \forall \varepsilon > 0, \quad \left| \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| - p \right| < \varepsilon \quad \text{when } n > N.$$

$$p - \varepsilon < \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| < p + \varepsilon.$$

(a) $p < 1$. Let ε small enough such that $p + \varepsilon < 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} |a_{n+1}| &< (p + \varepsilon) \cdot |a_n| < (p + \varepsilon)^2 |a_{n-1}| \\ &< (p + \varepsilon)^n \cdot |a_1| \end{aligned}$$

$$0 < \underbrace{\sum |a_k|}_{\downarrow \text{converges.}} \leq \sum |a_1| \cdot \underbrace{(p + \varepsilon)^{k-1}}_{\downarrow \text{converges.}}$$

$$\sim \underbrace{\sum |a_1| \cdot r^{k-1}}_{r < 1. \downarrow \text{converge}}$$

eg: based on (c)

$$\sum \frac{1}{n} \quad \sum \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{1}{n+1}}{\frac{1}{n}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{n}{n+1} \right| = 1. \quad \sum \frac{1}{n} \text{ diverge.}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{1}{(n+1)^2}}{\frac{1}{n^2}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{n^2}{n^2 + 2n + 1} \right| = 1 \quad \sum \frac{1}{n^2} \text{ converges.}$$

eg. $\sum \frac{2^n + 5}{3^n} \rightarrow$ absolutely converges / converges.

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

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1 + \frac{5}{2^{n+1}}}{\frac{3}{2} + \frac{15}{2^{n+1}}} \right| = \frac{2}{3} < 1.$$

eg. $\sum \frac{(2n)!}{n! n!} = \sum \frac{(2n) \cdots (n+1) \cancel{n} \cdots 1}{n! \cancel{n!}}$

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

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(2n+2)(2n+1)}{(n+1)(n+1)} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{4n+2}{n+1} \right| = 4 > 1.$$

diverge.

eg: $a_n = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2^n} & n \text{ odd} \\ \frac{1}{2^n} & n \text{ even} \end{cases} \quad \sum a_n$

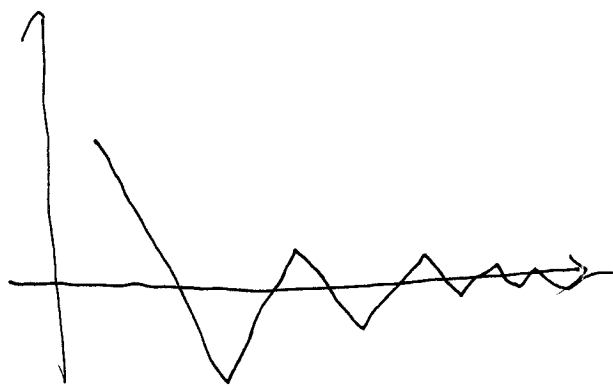
n odd $\left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \left| \frac{\frac{1}{2^{n+1}}}{\frac{n}{2^n}} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{2n} \right| \rightarrow 0$

n even $\left(\left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| \right) = \left| \frac{\frac{n+1}{2^{n+1}}}{\frac{1}{2^n}} \right| = \left| \frac{n+1}{2} \right| \rightarrow +\infty$

$$n=3 \text{ odd.} \quad \left| \frac{a_4}{a_3} \right| = \left| \frac{\frac{1}{2^4}}{\frac{3}{2^3}} \right|$$

$$a_n = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2^n} & n \text{ odd} \\ \frac{1}{2^n} & n \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

$$n=4 \text{ even} \quad \left| \frac{a_5}{a_4} \right| = \left| \frac{\frac{5}{2^5}}{\frac{1}{2^4}} \right|$$



• The Root Test

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = p \quad \begin{array}{ll} \text{(1) converge} & p < 1 \\ \text{(2) diverge} & p > 1 \\ \text{(3) inconclusive} & p = 1 \end{array}$$

proof: $\forall \epsilon > 0, \quad \left| \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} - p \right| < \epsilon, \text{ when } n > N.$

$$p - \epsilon < \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} < p + \epsilon$$

(1) $p < 1$, ϵ small enough such that $p + \epsilon < 1$.

$$|a_n| < \underbrace{(p + \epsilon)^n}_{\sum |a_n| < \sum (p + \epsilon)^n \rightarrow \text{Geometric Series}}$$

eg. $\sum \frac{2^n}{n^3}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{2^n}}{n^3} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{(\sqrt[n]{n})^3} = 2 > 1 \quad \text{diverge}$$

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{n} = 1$$

$$\ln L = \ln \sqrt[n]{n} = \frac{\ln n}{n}$$

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

$$\ln L = 0 \quad L = e^{\ln L} = e^0 = 1$$

10.6 Alternating Series and Conditional Convergence.

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

Alternating Series Test: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} u_n$ converges.

if: ① $u_n > 0$ ② $u_n \geq u_{n+1}$ ③ $u_n \rightarrow 0$

Remark: 1. In general, $\sum u_n$ converges $\Rightarrow u_n \rightarrow 0$

if $u_n \rightarrow 0 \not\Rightarrow \sum u_n$ converges.

Proof:
$$S_{2m} = \underbrace{(u_1 - u_2)}_{\geq 0} + \underbrace{(u_3 - u_4)}_{\geq 0} + \underbrace{(u_5 - u_6)}_{\geq 0} + \dots + \underbrace{(u_{2m-1} - u_{2m})}_{\geq 0}$$

$$S_{2m} = u_1 - \underbrace{(u_2 - u_3)}_{\geq 0} - \underbrace{(u_4 - u_5)}_{\geq 0} - \dots - \underbrace{(u_{2m-2} - u_{2m-1})}_{\geq 0} - u_{2m}$$

$$\leq u_1$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} S_{2m} = L.$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} S_{2m+1} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (S_{2m} + \underbrace{(-1)^{2m+2} u_{2m+1}}_0) = L.$$

estimate the remainder of Alternating Series:

$$\underline{|L - S_n| = \left| \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k+1} u_k \right| \leq u_{n+1}}$$

$$\underline{S_n - u_{n+1} < L < S_n + u_{n+1}}$$

• conditional convergence: series converges but not absolutely converges.

$$\sum \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \nearrow$$

$$\sum \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^p} = \begin{cases} p > 1 & \text{absolutely convergence.} \\ p \leq 1 & \text{conditional convergence.} \end{cases}$$

• $1+2 = 2+1$

$$\sum a_n \stackrel{?}{=} \sum b_n, \quad \{b_n\} \text{ is an arrangement of } \{a_n\}$$

$$L = \sum \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{7} - \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{9} - \frac{1}{10}$$

$$2L = 2 - 1 + \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{2}{5}\right) - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{7} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{9} - \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)$$

suppose

we can

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{3}\right) - \frac{1}{4} + \left(\frac{2}{5} - \frac{1}{5}\right)$$

re-arrange

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5}$$

w/o changing sum

$$= L$$

$$2L = L \Rightarrow L = 0$$

But for absolute convergent series, you are free to

$$\text{re-arrange the order and } \sum a_n = \sum b_n$$

Summary of Tests.

