

# Recap for Tutorial 10

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## 1 Convergence Tests

**Definition 1** (Absolute Convergence). A series  $\sum a_n$  is called absolute convergent if  $\sum |a_n|$  converges.

**Definition 2** (Conditional Convergence). A series  $\sum a_n$  is called conditionally convergent if it converges but  $\sum |a_n|$  diverges.

**Theorem 1.** If  $\sum a_n$  converges absolutely, then  $\sum a_n$  is convergent.

**Theorem 2** (Alternating Series Test). Suppose  $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$  is a positive, decreasing sequence and  $\lim a_n = 0$ , then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n a_n \quad \text{converges.}$$

**Theorem 3** (Ratio Test). Let  $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a sequence and assume that the following limit exists

$$\rho = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right|.$$

- If  $\rho < 1$ , then  $\sum a_n$  converges absolutely.
- If  $\rho > 1$ , then  $\sum a_n$  diverges.
- If  $\rho = 1$ , then the test is inconclusive.

**Theorem 4** (Root Test). Let  $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a sequence and assume that the following limit exists

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n|^{1/n}.$$

- If  $L < 1$ , then  $\sum a_n$  converges absolutely.
- If  $L > 1$ , then  $\sum a_n$  diverges.
- If  $L = 1$ , then the test is inconclusive.

## 2 Extra Exercises

**Problem 1.** Determine whether the following series converges or diverges.

- $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{10^n}{(n+1)4^{2n+1}}.$
- $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(n\pi/3)}{n!}.$
- $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{n^2+1}{2n^2+1} \right)^n.$
- $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n^2} + \sqrt[3]{n(n+1)} + \sqrt[3]{(n+1)^2}}.$
- $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left( \frac{1+(-1)^n}{n} + \frac{1+(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2} \right).$