

# Honor Calculus, Math 1450 - Assignment 8 - Solutions.

(1) §11.4

$$20. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n+4^n}{n+6^n}$$

let  $a_n = \frac{n+4^n}{n+6^n}$ , since  $n < 4^n$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and

$$\frac{1}{n+6^n} < \frac{1}{6^n}, \text{ we have } a_n < \frac{4^n+4^n}{6^n} = 2\left(\frac{4}{6}\right)^n$$

By the Comparison Test, since  $\frac{4}{6} < 1$ ,  $\sum 2\left(\frac{4}{6}\right)^n$  converges

and  $\sum \frac{n+4^n}{n+6^n} < \sum 2\left(\frac{4}{6}\right)^n$ , then  $\sum \frac{n+4^n}{n+6^n}$  converges.

$$24. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2-5n}{n^3+n+1}$$

let  $a_n = \frac{n^2-5n}{n^3+n+1}$  and  $b_n = \frac{1}{n}$ . We have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = 1 > 0 \text{ and } \sum b_n \text{ diverges. Then}$$

by the Limit Comparison Test, we have  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2-5n}{n^3+n+1}$  diverges.

39. Assume  $a_n \geq 0$  and  $\sum a_n$  converges. It implies

$a_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , there exists an integer  $N > 0$  such that

$a_n < 1$  for  $n \geq N$ . Thus,  $a_n^2 \leq a_n < 1$  for  $n \geq N$ .

Then, by the comparison Test, since  $\sum a_n$  converges,

$\sum a_n^2$  also converges.

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40. (a) Suppose  $\sum a_n, \sum b_n$  are series with  $a_n > 0, b_n > 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

and  $\sum b_n$  is convergent. If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = 0$ , then

there is an integer  $N > 0$  such that

$$\frac{a_n}{b_n} < 1 \text{ as } n > N, \text{ Thus } a_n < b_n \text{ as } n > N.$$

Since  $\sum b_n$  converges, by the comparison Test,

$\sum a_n$  also converges.

(b) (i)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\ln(n)}{n^3}$

let  $a_n = \frac{\ln(n)}{n^3}$  and  $b_n = \frac{1}{n^2}$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(n)}{n} \stackrel{(L')}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1} = 0. \text{ By part (a)}$$

Since  $\sum b_n = \sum \frac{1}{n^2}$  converges (by p-series), we have

$$\sum a_n = \sum \frac{\ln(n)}{n^3} \text{ converges.}$$

(ii)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\ln(n)}{\sqrt{n} e^n}$

let  $a_n = \frac{\ln(n)}{\sqrt{n} e^n}, b_n = \frac{\ln(n)}{n^3}$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3}{\sqrt{n} e^n} \stackrel{(L')}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{5}{2} n^{\frac{3}{2}}}{e^n} \stackrel{(L')}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{15}{4} n^{\frac{1}{2}}}{e^n}$$

$$\stackrel{(L')}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{15}{8}}{n^{\frac{1}{2}} e^n} = 0$$

Since, by (i),  $\sum \frac{\ln(n)}{n^3}$  converges, then, by (a),  $\sum \frac{\ln(n)}{\sqrt{n} e^n}$  converges.

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42. Let  $a_n = \frac{1}{n^2}$ ,  $b_n = \frac{1}{n}$ . We have  $\sum b_n = \sum \frac{1}{n}$  diverges

and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$  but

$\sum a_n = \sum \frac{1}{n^2}$  converges.

(So comparing with 40, if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = 0$ , we only have  $\sum b_n$  converges  $\Rightarrow \sum a_n$  converges, BUT " $\Leftarrow$ " is WRONG!)

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$$4. \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} - \dots = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n}}$$

Let  $b_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$ , we have ①  $b_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  ②  $b_n > b_{n+1} \geq 0$  for all  $n$ .

Then by The Alternating Series Test,  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n}}$  converges.

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

Let  $b_n = \frac{1}{\ln(n+4)}$ , we have ①  $b_n > b_{n+1} \geq 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and

②  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 0$ , Then

By Alternating Series Test,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{\ln(n+4)}$  converges.

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$$16. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(\frac{n\pi}{2})}{n!} = \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{0}{2!} + \frac{-1}{3!} + \frac{0}{4!} + \frac{1}{5!} + \frac{0}{6!} - \frac{1}{7!} + \frac{0}{8!} + \dots$$

$$\sin(\frac{n\pi}{2}) = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 4k+1, k \in \mathbb{N}; \\ -1, & n = 4k+3, k \in \mathbb{N}; \\ 0, & n = 4k+2, 4k, k \in \mathbb{N} \end{cases}$$

$$= \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{l-1}}{(2l-1)!} \quad \text{or} \quad \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^l}{(2l+1)!}$$

Let  $b_l = \frac{1}{(2l-1)!}$ . We have  $\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} b_l = 0$  and

②  $b_l > b_{l+1} > 0 \quad \forall l \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, by The Alternating Series Test,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(\frac{n\pi}{2})}{n!} = \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{l-1}}{(2l-1)!} \text{ converges.}$$

34.  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{(\ln n)^p}{n}$ . By The Alternating Series Test,

We want to find  $p$  such that  $\frac{(\ln n)^p}{n} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

and ②  $\frac{(\ln n)^p}{n} \geq \frac{(\ln(n+1))^p}{n+1} > 0, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$$\text{For ①, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln n)^p}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{n} (\ln n)^{p-1}}{1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(p-1) \frac{(\ln n)^{p-2}}{n} = \dots$$

$\Rightarrow p$  can be any number.

$$\text{For ②, consider } \left( \frac{(\ln x)^p}{x} \right)' = \frac{p(\ln x)^{p-1} \cdot x - (\ln x)^p}{x^2} = \frac{(\ln x)^{p-1} [p - \ln x]}{x^2} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p - \ln x < 0 \Rightarrow p < \ln x. \quad \forall x \geq 2 \Rightarrow p \leq \ln 2$$

## §11.6

$$10. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^2+2}}$$

I. For absolutely convergent, consider  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| (-1)^n \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^2+2}} \right| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^2+2}}$ ,

let  $a_n = \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^2+2}}$ ,  $b_n = \frac{1}{n^{\frac{1}{2}}}$ , we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = 1 > 0$  and  $\sum b_n$  diverges,  
(by p-series Test)

So  $\sum \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^2+2}}$  Diverges  $\Rightarrow$  NOT absolutely convergent.

II. For conditionally convergent, let  $b_n = \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^2+2}}$ , we have.

$$\textcircled{1} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^2+2}} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \textcircled{2} \text{ consider } \left( \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+2}} \right)' = \frac{\sqrt{x^2+2} - x \cdot \frac{3x^2}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2+2}}}{(x^2+2)} < 0$$

$$\left( = \frac{x^2+2 - \frac{3}{2}x^3}{(x^2+2)\sqrt{x^2+2}} \right) \forall x > 0.$$

So  $\frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+2}}$  is ~~an increasing~~ <sup>a decreasing</sup> function which implies  ~~$b_{n+1} > b_n$~~   
 $b_n > b_{n+1}$ .

$\Rightarrow \sum (-1)^n \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^2+2}}$  is ~~NOT~~ conditionally convergent ~~and it is divergent~~.

$$14. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{n^2 z^n}{n!}$$

For absolutely convergent, consider  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 z^n}{n!}$ .

let  $a_n = \frac{n^2 z^n}{n!}$ , we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)^2 z^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{n!}{n^2 z^n}$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{n+1}{n} \right)^2 \frac{1}{n+1} \cdot z = 0 < 1.$$

So, by the Ratio Test,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 z^n}{n!}$  converges

$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{n^2 z^n}{n!}$  is absolutely convergent.

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$$16. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3 - \cos(n)}{n^{\frac{2}{3}} - 2}$$

Let  $a_n = \frac{3 - \cos(n)}{n^{\frac{2}{3}} - 2}$ ,  $b_n = \frac{2}{n^{\frac{2}{3}}}$  and  $b_n < a_n$ , since  $\sum b_n$  diverges,

Then  $\sum a_n = \sum \frac{3 - \cos(n)}{n^{\frac{2}{3}} - 2}$  diverges.

$$20. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^n}{n^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{2^n}{n^n}$$

For absolutely convergent, consider  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| (-1)^n \cdot \left(\frac{2}{n}\right)^n \right| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{n}\right)^n$

By root test, let  $a_n = \left(\frac{2}{n}\right)^n$ , we have.

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{n} = 0 < 1$ , so  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^n}{n}$  is abs. convergent.

$$22. \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{-2n}{n+1}\right)^{5n} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{5n} (2n)^{5n}}{(n+1)^{5n}}$$

① For abs. convergent, consider  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^{5n} (2n)^{5n}}{(n+1)^{5n}} \right| = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(2n)^{5n}}{(n+1)^{5n}}$

By Root test, let  $a_n = \left(\frac{2n}{n+1}\right)^{5n}$ , we have.

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2n}{n+1}\right)^5 = 2^5 > 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{-2n}{n+1}\right)^{5n}$  is NOT abs. convergent.

② For cond. convergent, let  $b_n = \left(\frac{2n}{n+1}\right)^{5n}$

since  $b_n \not\rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , so  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{-2n}{n+1}\right)^{5n}$  diverges.

Or, since  $\left(\frac{-2n}{n+1}\right)^{5n} \not\rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , By Basic Divergent Test,  
 $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{-2n}{n+1}\right)^{5n}$  diverges.

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30. Assume  $a_1 = 1$ .  $a_{n+1} = \frac{2 + \cos(n)}{\sqrt{n}} a_n$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2 + \cos(n)}{\sqrt{n}} = 0 < 1. \text{ So,}$$

by ~~Root~~ **Ratio** Test, we obtain  $\sum a_n$  converges.

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(a)  ~~$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3}$~~ , Let  $a_n = \frac{1}{n^3}$ . Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)^3}{n^3} = 1 \Rightarrow \text{Fail!}$

(b)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{2^n}$ . Let  $a_n = \frac{n}{2^n}$ . Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{2^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{2^n}{n} = \frac{1}{2} < 1 \Rightarrow \text{convergent!}$

(c)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^{n-1}}{\sqrt{n}}$ . Let  $a_n = \frac{(-3)^{n-1}}{\sqrt{n}}$ . Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^n}{\sqrt{n+1}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{n}}{3^{n-1}} = 3 > 1 \Rightarrow \text{Divergent!}$

(d)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}}{1+n^2}$ . Let  $a_n = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{1+n^2}$ . Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n+1}}{1+(n+1)^2} \cdot \frac{1+n^2}{\sqrt{n}} = 1 \Rightarrow \text{Fail!}$

34. Let  $\sum a_n$  be a series with  $a_n > 0$ , and let  $r_n = \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}$

Suppose  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n = L < 1$ , Let  $R_n = a_{n+1} + a_{n+2} + \dots$

(a) Since  $r_n = \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}$ , we have  $a_{n+1} = r_n a_n = r_n \cdot r_{n-1} a_{n-1} = r_n r_{n-1} r_{n-2} a_{n-2} = \dots$  and

$$R_n = a_{n+1} + a_{n+1} r_{n+1} + a_{n+1} r_{n+1} r_{n+2} + a_{n+1} r_{n+1} r_{n+2} r_{n+3} + \dots$$

$$\leq a_{n+1} + a_{n+1} r_{n+1} + a_{n+1} r_{n+1}^2 + a_{n+1} r_{n+1}^3 + \dots$$

$\{r_n\}$  is

decreasing means  $r_n > r_N$  for  $N > n$

$$\begin{aligned} &= a_{n+1} (1 + r_{n+1} + r_{n+1}^2 + \dots) \\ &\uparrow \\ &= a_{n+1} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - r_{n+1}} \end{aligned}$$

$r_{n+1} < 1$

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(b). Similarly, we have

$$R_n = a_{n+1} + a_{n+1}r_{n+1} + a_{n+1}r_{n+1}r_{n+2} + a_{n+1}r_{n+1}r_{n+2}r_{n+3} + \dots$$

$$\leq a_{n+1} + a_{n+1}L + a_{n+1}L^2 + \dots = a_{n+1} \frac{1}{1-L}$$

(since  $r_n \rightarrow L$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , and  $\{r_n\}$  is increasing  $\Rightarrow r_n < L < 1$   $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ )

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

Let  $b_n = \frac{1}{\log(n+2)}$ . <sup>①</sup> since  $b_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , and

②  $b_n > b_{n+1} > 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , By The Alternating Series Test,

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

(b)  $\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{n^{\frac{1}{2}} + 7}{n^2 - 2n}$

Let  $a_n = \frac{n^{\frac{1}{2}} + 7}{n^2 - 2n}$ ,  $b_n = \frac{1}{n^{\frac{3}{2}}}$ , we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = 1 > 0$ .

By The Limit Comparison Test,

since  $\sum b_n = \sum \frac{1}{n^{\frac{3}{2}}}$  converges,  $\sum a_n = \sum \frac{n^{\frac{1}{2}} + 7}{n^2 - 2n}$  converges.

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$$(c) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3n^2+n+1}{(\sqrt{2})^n} \text{ . let } a_n = \frac{3n^2+n+1}{(\sqrt{2})^n} \text{ ,}$$

By Root Test, we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{3n^2+n+1}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} < 1$ .

$$\left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{3n^2+n+1} = e^{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \sqrt[n]{3n^2+n+1}}{1}} = e^{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(3n^2+n+1)}{n}} \stackrel{(L')}{=} e^{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6n+1}{3n^2+n+1}} \right)$$

$$= e^0 = 1$$

Thus,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3n^2+n+1}{(\sqrt{2})^n}$  is convergent.

$$(d) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{2^{2^n}} \text{ . let } a_n = \frac{n!}{2^{2^n}} \text{ , we have ...}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)!}{2^{2^{n+1}}} \cdot \frac{2^{2^n}}{n!} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n+1) \cdot \frac{1}{2^{2^n}} = 0 < 1$$

So, by Ratio test,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{2^{2^n}}$  converges.

$$(5) \text{ let } a_n = \frac{(x-2)^n}{n3^n} \text{ , By Root test, } \sum a_n \text{ converges } \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x-2|}{\sqrt[n]{n} \cdot 3} = \frac{|x-2|}{3} < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 < x-2 < 3 \Rightarrow -1 < x < 5$$

Checking Two end points.

As  $x = -1$ , we have  $a_n = \frac{(-3)^n}{n(3^n)} = \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$  and  $\sum a_n$  converges by Alternating Test.

As  $x = 5$ , we have  $a_n = \frac{(3)^n}{n(3^n)} = \frac{1}{n}$ , and  $\sum a_n$  Diverges by P-series Test

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x-2)^n}{n3^n} \text{ converges if } -1 \leq x < 5$$

(6) Let  $a_n = \frac{x^n}{n!}$ . By Ratio Test,

$$\sum a_n \text{ converges} \iff \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \frac{n!}{x^n} = 0 < 1.$$

$\Rightarrow x$  can be any number.