

Recall

Theorem 10 (The comparison Test)

If $0 \leq d_n \leq a_n \leq c_n$

for all $n \geq N$

Then

$$\textcircled{1} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n < \infty \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n < \infty$$

$$\textcircled{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} d_n = \infty \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \infty$$

Thm 11 (Limit Comparison Test)

If $a_n > 0, b_n > 0 \forall n \geq N$

(i) If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = c, 0 < c < \infty$

Then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n < \infty \Leftrightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n < \infty$

(ii) If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = 0$

Then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n < \infty \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n < \infty$

(iii) If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \infty$

Then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n = \infty \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \infty$

Eg1. a_n b_n Compare with Then Result.

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2n}{(n+1)^2}$ $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ || (i) div,

(b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n - 1}$ $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n}$ || (i) conv.

(c) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1+n\ln n}{n^2 + 5}$ $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\ln n}{n}$ || (i). div.

Method 1: $\frac{\ln n}{n} > \frac{1}{n}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{by } \text{Q2}} \sum \frac{\ln n}{n} = \infty$

Method 2: $\int_3^{\infty} \frac{\ln x}{x} dx = \infty \Rightarrow \sum \frac{\ln n}{n} = \infty$

$\left(\frac{\ln x}{x}$ is decreasing for $x > e \approx 2.718\dots \right)$

a_n

b_n

Compare

Thm

Result

$$\textcircled{d} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n+\sqrt{n}} \quad \sum \frac{1}{n} \quad \text{II(i) div.}$$

$$\textcircled{e} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n^3+2}} \quad \sum n^{-\frac{3}{2}} \quad \text{II(i), conv.}$$

$$\textcircled{f} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(\ln n)^2}{n^{\frac{3}{2}}} \quad \sum \frac{n^{0.2}}{n^{\frac{3}{2}}} \quad \text{II(ii) conv.}$$

$$\frac{a_n}{b_n} = \left(\frac{\ln n}{n^{0.1}} \right)^2$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n}{n^{0.1}} \xrightarrow{\text{Hopital}} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{0.1 n^{-0.9}}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{10}{n^{0.1}} = 0$$

a_n

b_n

Compare

Thm

Res.

Q)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tan\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right)$$

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

II(i)

conv.

$$\therefore \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan \theta}{\theta} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} \times \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \right) = 1$$

R)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \sqrt[n]{n}} \quad \sum \frac{1}{n}$$

II(i) div.

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1$$

a_n b_n

Compare

Thm Res

$$\textcircled{i} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{\frac{\ln n}{n}} \quad \sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \quad \text{(D) div.}$$

$$\textcircled{j} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n \ln n}} \quad \sum \frac{1}{n} \quad \text{II (ii) div}$$



$$\sum n^{-p} \leftarrow \rightarrow \sum n^{-p}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{\ln n} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \infty$$

$$\sum b_n = \sum \frac{1}{n} = \infty$$

Ratio test and Root test.

Thm (Ratio Test)

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

a) $0 \leq p < 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n| < \infty$

b) $p > 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ div

c) $p = 1 \Rightarrow$ inconclusive.

Thm $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n| < \infty \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ conv.

Pf: $-|a_n| \leq a_n \leq |a_n| \Rightarrow 0 \leq a_n + |a_n| \leq 2|a_n|$

$\sum |a_n| < \infty \Rightarrow \sum 2|a_n| < \infty$

$\Rightarrow \sum (a_n + |a_n|) < \infty$

$\therefore \sum a_n = \sum (a_n + |a_n|) - \sum |a_n|$ converges

Thm (Root test)

If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} = \rho$

a) $0 \leq \rho < 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n| < \infty$

b) $\rho > 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ div.

c) $\rho = 1 \Rightarrow$ inconclusive

Eg { $\sum \frac{1}{n} = \infty$ ($\rho = 1$) }

$\sum \frac{1}{n^2} < \infty$ ($\rho = 1$)

(for both ratio test and root test)

$$\text{Eq } \text{(i)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n + 5}{3^n}$$

Root test: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2^n + 5}{3^n} \right)^{\frac{1}{n}} = \frac{2}{3}$

$$\left(\frac{2^n}{3^n} \right)^{\frac{1}{n}} < \left(\frac{2^n + 5}{3^n} \right)^{\frac{1}{n}} < \left(\frac{5 \cdot 2^n}{3^n} \right)^{\frac{1}{n}} \text{ Since } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 5^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1$$

(Sandwich Theorem)

$$\text{(ii)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n)!}{n! n!} a_n = \frac{(2(n+1))!}{(n+1)!(n+1)!}$$

Ratio: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2n+1)(2n+2)}{(n+1)(n+1)} = 4 \Rightarrow \text{divergent.}$