

Guidelines

- **Calculators are not allowed.**
 - Read the questions carefully. You have 65 minutes; use your time wisely.
 - You may leave your answers in symbolic form, like $\sqrt{3}$ or $\ln(2)$, unless they simplify further like $\sqrt{9} = 3$ or $\cos(3\pi/4) = -\sqrt{2}/2$.
 - Put a box around your final answers when relevant.
 - Show all steps in your solutions and make your reasoning clear. Answers with no explanation will not receive full credit, even when correct.
 - Use the space provided. If necessary, write "see other side" and continue working on the back of the same page.
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1. (8 points) To be completed once exams are graded and returned. Please correct any problem with points deducted. All corrections should be completed neatly on a separate sheet of paper. Once you have finished your corrections, take your exam and corrections to the Office of Student Learning (OSL), and a tutor will check your answers and sign below. The checked solutions should be given to your instructor.

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Tests	Conditions	Conclusion
Positive Term Tests		
Integral Test $a_k = a(k)$, $a(x)$ is positive, continuous, decreasing	$\int_1^{\infty} a(x)dx$ converges	Converges
	$\int_1^{\infty} a(x)dx$ diverges	Diverges
Comparison Test	$0 \leq a_k \leq b_k$ and $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k$ converges	Converges
	$0 \leq b_k \leq a_k$ and $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k$ diverges	Diverges
Limit Comparison Test $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_k}{b_k} = L$, $0 < L < \infty$	$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k$ converges	Converges
	$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k$ diverges	Diverges
Ratio Test $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} = \rho$	$\rho < 1$	Converges
	$\rho > 1$	Diverges
	$\rho = 1$	Inconclusive
Root Test $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} [a_k]^{1/k} = \rho$	$\rho < 1$	Converges
	$\rho > 1$	Diverges
	$\rho = 1$	Inconclusive
Series with some non-positive terms		
Alternating Series Test $a_k > 0$ and $0 < a_{k+1} \leq a_k$	$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_k = 0$	Converges
	$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_k \neq 0$	Use Divergence Test to show divergent

Question	Points	Score
1	8	
2	6	
3	6	
4	6	
5	6	
6	8	
7	6	
8	10	
9	8	
10	8	
11	8	
12	8	
13	12	
Total:	100	

2. (6 points) Determine whether the sequence $\left\{ \frac{k^2 + 7}{\sqrt{9k^4 + 1}} \right\}$ is convergent or divergent.

Solution:

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k^2 + 7}{\sqrt{9k^4 + 1}} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ sequence converges}$$

3. (6 points) Determine if the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{-4/5}$ is convergent or divergent. Explain your reasoning.

Solution:

The series is a p-series with $p = 4/5 < 1$ therefore it diverge

4. (6 points) Determine if the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k^3}{k^3 + 1}$ is convergent or divergent. Explain your reasoning.

Solution:

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k^3}{k^3 + 1} = 1 \neq 0, \text{ therefore it diverges by the Divergence Test.}$$

5. (6 points) Determine if the series $\frac{1}{16} + \frac{3}{64} + \frac{9}{256} + \frac{27}{1024} + \dots$ is convergent or divergent. Explain your reasoning.

Solution:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{3^k}{16 \cdot 4^k} \text{ geometric series with } r = \frac{3}{4} \text{ therefore it converges.}$$

6. (8 points) Use the integral test to determine if the series $\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k\sqrt[3]{\ln k}}$ is convergent or divergent (be sure to show that three conditions apply).

Solution:

$f(x) = \frac{1}{x\sqrt[3]{\ln x}}$ is positive and continuous $\forall k \geq 1$ and $f'(x) = -\frac{3 \ln x + 1}{x^2(\ln x)^{4/3}} < 0$ if $x \geq 2$ so f decreasing. $\int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{x\sqrt[3]{\ln x}} dx = \lim_{B \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}(\ln B)^{2/3} - \frac{2}{3}(\ln 2)^{2/3} \right) = \infty$ Thus the integral diverges so by the integral test, the series also diverges.

7. (6 points) Find the sum of the series $\sum_{k=3}^{\infty} \frac{2}{3^k}$.

Solution:

For the geometric series: $c = \frac{2}{27}$ and $r = \frac{1}{3}$ so $S = \frac{2/27}{1 - 1/3} = \frac{1}{9}$

8. (10 points) Determine if the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{k+1} - \frac{1}{k+3} \right)$ is convergent or divergent. If it converges, what is the sum?

Solution:

$S_n = a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots + a_{n-2} + a_{n-1} + a_n = \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{5} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{6} \right) + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+3} \right) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{n+2} - \frac{1}{n+3}$ and $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \frac{5}{6}$ therefore the series converges and the sum is $\frac{5}{6}$

9. (8 points) Determine if the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos k}{k^3}$ converges or diverges. Explain your reasoning.

Solution:

It is known that $0 \leq |\cos k| \leq 1 \forall k$ and since $k^3 > 0 \forall k > 1$ then $0 \leq \frac{|\cos k|}{k^3} \leq \frac{1}{k^3}$ and $\sum \frac{1}{k^3}$ is a p-series, $p = 3 > 1$ so it is convergent. Thus by the Comparison Test $\sum \frac{|\cos k|}{k^3}$ is absolutely convergent which implies the series converges.

10. (8 points) Determine if the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2k+1}{4^k}$ converges or diverges. Explain your reasoning.

Solution:

$$\rho = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2k+3}{4^{k+1}} \cdot \frac{4^k}{2k+1} \right) = \frac{1}{4} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2k+3}{2k+1} = \frac{1}{4} < 1$$

Thus by the Ratio Test, the series converges.

11. (8 points) Determine if the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2k^2}{3k^2+1} \right)^k$ converges or diverges. Explain your reasoning.

Solution:

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left[\left(\frac{2k^2}{3k^2+1} \right)^k \right]^{1/k} = \frac{2}{3} < 1. \text{ Thus the series converges by the Root Test.}$$

12. (8 points) Determine if the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k^2}{k^4+k^2+2}$ converges or diverges. Explain your reasoning.

Solution:

The series looks like $\sum b_k = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k^2}{k^4} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2}$ this is a convergent p-series $p = 2 > 1$.

$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{k^2}{k^4+k^2+2} \cdot \frac{k^2}{1} \right) = 1$ and $0 < 1 < \infty$ so by the Limit Comparison Test the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k^2}{k^4+k^2+2}$ also is convergent.

OR

Since $k^4 + k^2 + 2 > k^4$ for all $k \geq 1$ which implies that $0 < \frac{1}{k^4 + k^2 + 2} < \frac{1}{k^4}$ and since $k^2 > 0$ for all $k \geq 1$ then $0 < \frac{k^2}{k^4 + k^2 + 2} < \frac{k^2}{k^4} = \frac{1}{k^2}$ so by the Direct Comparison Test, the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k^2}{k^4 + k^2 + 2}$ also converges.

13. Given the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k k^2}{k^3 + 32}$,

- a. (6 points) Show that the series converges. Show all your work, explain your answer.

Solution:

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k^2}{k^3 + 32} = 0 \text{ and } a'(x) = \frac{2x(x^3 + 32) - x^2(3x^2)}{(x^2 + 16)^2} = \frac{x(64 - x^3)}{(x^3 + 32)^2} < 0, \forall x > 4 \text{ so } a_k \text{ is decreasing } \forall k > 4$$

Thus by the AST the series converges.

- b. (6 points) Determine whether the series converges absolutely or conditionally.

Solution:

$$\sum |a_k| = \sum \frac{k^2}{k^3 + 32} \text{ which looks like } \sum \frac{1}{k} \text{ this is a divergent p-series } p = 1.$$

$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{k^2}{k^3 + 32} \cdot \frac{k}{1} \right) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k^3}{k^3 + 32} = 1$ and since $0 < 1 < \infty$. By the limit comparison test, the series diverges.

Therefore $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k k^2}{k^3 + 32}$ is conditionally convergent.