

MIDTERM 2 REVIEW

1. Definitions

- (a) Sequence
- (b) Convergent sequence
- (c) Divergent sequence
- (d) Decreasing sequence
- (e) Increasing sequence
- (f) Series
- (g) n^{th} partial sum
- (h) Convergent series
- (i) Divergent series
- (j) $k!$
- (k) Alternating series
- (l) Absolutely convergent series
- (m) Conditionally convergent series
- (n) Power series
- (o) Interval of convergence
- (p) Radius of convergence

2. Things that you will need to know that are NOT on your formula sheet:

- (a) Geometric series
- (b) Divergence test
- (c) p -series
- (d) Direct comparison test

3. Determine whether the following sequences convergence or diverge.

- (a) $\left\{ \frac{n^2}{e^{2n}} \right\}$
- (b) $\left\{ \left(\frac{n+3}{n} \right)^n \right\}$
- (c) $\{(-1)^{n+1}\}_{n=4}^{\infty}$

4. Express $6.\overline{254}$ as a fraction (a ratio of integers to be exact).

5. Determine whether the following series converge or diverge.

- (a) $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{7^k}{5^k + 1}$
- (b) $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-5)^{2k}}{k^2 9^k}$
- (c) $\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \ln \left(\frac{k^2 + 1}{3k^2 + 2k - 1} \right)$
- (d) $\sum_{k=3}^{\infty} k e^{-k}$
- (e) $\sum_{k=4}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{k^5 + 1}}{k + 9}$
- (f) $\sum_{k=5}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2k}{6k - 3} \right)^k$

6. Find the sum of the series.

$$(a) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k+3}}{5^{k+1}}$$

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

7. Determine whether the following series are absolutely convergent, conditionally convergent, or divergent.

$$(a) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^k}{k!}$$

$$(c) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{\sqrt{k}}{\sqrt{k+3}}$$

$$(b) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{\sqrt{k}}{k+3}$$

8. Find the radius of convergence and the interval of convergence of the following power series.

$$(a) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x-2)^k}{k!}$$

$$(c) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k!x^k$$

$$(b) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x+1)^k}{k3^k}$$

$$(d) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x+4)^k}{6^k}$$

9. I also strongly suggest you look at problems from the previous **quizzes**, **homework assignments** and **lecture notes**. Practicing is by far your best way to succeed on the exam!!

MIDTERM 2 FORMULA SHEET

- **Integral Test:** Consider the series $\sum_{k=b}^{\infty} a_k$. Let $a_k = f(k)$ for all k on the interval $[b, \infty)$, where f is a positive, continuous and eventually decreasing function of x on the interval $[b, \infty)$. Then

$$\sum_{k=b}^{\infty} a_k \text{ and } \int_b^{\infty} f(x)dx$$

either both converge or both diverge.

- **Limit Comparison Test:** Suppose that $\sum a_k$ and $\sum b_k$ are series with positive terms. If

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_k}{b_k} = L, (0 < L < \infty)$$

then either both series converge or both series diverge.

- **Generalized Ratio Test:** Given a series $\sum a_k$ with $a_k \neq 0$, suppose that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} \right| = L$$

Then:

1. If $L < 1$, then $\sum a_k$ converges.
 2. If $L > 1$ or L is infinite, then $\sum a_k$ diverges.
 3. If $L = 1$ the test is inconclusive.
- **Generalized Root Test:** Given a series $\sum a_k$, suppose that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |a_k|^{1/k} = L$$

Then:

1. If $L < 1$, then $\sum a_k$ converges.
2. If $L > 1$ or L is infinite, then $\sum a_k$ diverges.
3. If $L = 1$ the test is inconclusive.

- **Alternating Series Test:** An alternating series

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k a_k \text{ or } \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k+1} a_k$$

where $a_k > 0$ for all k converges if both of the following conditions are satisfied:

1. $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_k = 0$
 2. $\{a_k\}$ is a decreasing sequence.
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(a + \frac{b}{x}\right)^x = e^{b/a}$

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3 a) $\left\{ \frac{n^2}{e^{2n}} \right\}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{e^{2n}} \stackrel{L'H}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n}{2e^{2n}} \stackrel{L'H}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{e^{2n}} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$$

Converges

b) $\left\{ \left(\frac{n+3}{n} \right)^n \right\}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{3}{n} \right)^n = e^{3/1} \quad \text{converges}$$

c) $\left\{ (-1)^{n+1} \right\}_{n=4}^{\infty}$

Look at first few terms:

$$a_n = (-1)^{n+1}$$

$$a_4 = (-1)^5 = -1$$

$$a_6 = (-1)^7 = -1$$

$$a_5 = (-1)^6 = 1$$

$$a_7 = (-1)^8 = 1$$

Sequence oscillates b/w +1 and -1 so it can't approach one number \Rightarrow diverges

4. $6.\overline{054} = 6.0 + 0.054 + 0.00054 + 0.00000054 + \dots$

$$= 6.0 + \underbrace{\frac{54}{10^3} + \frac{54}{10^5} + \frac{54}{10^7} + \dots}_{\text{Geometric series}}$$

Geometric series

$$r = \frac{54}{10^5} \cdot \frac{10^3}{54} = \frac{1}{10^2}$$

$$a = \frac{54}{10^3}$$

Series converges to

$$\frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{\frac{54}{10^3}}{1 - \frac{1}{10^3}} = \frac{\frac{54}{10^3} \cdot \frac{10^3}{99}}{\frac{99}{10^3}} = \frac{54}{990}$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} 6.\overline{254} &= 6.2 + \frac{54}{990} = \frac{62}{10} + \frac{54}{990} \\ &= \frac{6138 + 54}{990} \\ &= \frac{6192}{990} \end{aligned}$$

5. a) $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{7^k}{5^{k+1}}$

Compare to $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{7^k}{5^k} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{7}{5}\right)^k$

Geometric series with $|r| = \frac{7}{5} > 1 \Rightarrow$ diverges

Need to use Limit Comparison b/c:

$$\frac{7^k}{5^{k+1}} < \frac{7^k}{5^k}$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{7^k}{5^{k+1}} \cdot \frac{5^k}{7^k} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5^k \cdot \frac{1}{5^k}}{5^{k+1} \cdot \frac{1}{5^k}} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{5^k}} = 1$$

Since $L = 1$ ($0 < L < \infty$), both series must diverge.

$$b) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-5)^{2k}}{k^2 9^k}$$

Use Generalized Ratio Test:

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-5)^{2k+2}}{(k+1)^2 9^{k+1}} \cdot \frac{k^2 9^k}{(-5)^{2k}} \right| \\ &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-5)^{2k} (-5)^2 \cdot k^2 \cdot 9^k}{(-5)^{2k} (k+1)^2 \cdot 9^k \cdot 9} \right| \\ &= \frac{25}{9} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k^2}{(k+1)^2} \\ &= \frac{25}{9} > 1 \end{aligned}$$

Diverges

$$c) \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \ln \left(\frac{k^2+1}{3k^2+2k-1} \right)$$

Divergence Test

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left(\frac{k^2+1}{3k^2+2k-1} \right) &= \ln \left[\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k^2+1}{3k^2+2k-1} \right] \\ &= \ln \left(\frac{1}{3} \right) \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Diverges

$$d) \sum_{k=3}^{\infty} k e^{-k}$$

$$k e^{-k} > 0 \text{ for } k \geq 3$$

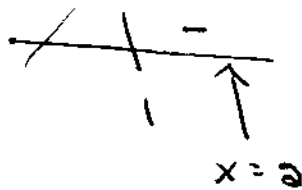
Easier to use
Ratio Test!

$$e^k \neq 0 \Rightarrow \text{continuous}$$

Check if eventually decreasing

$$f(x) = xe^{-x}$$

$$f'(x) = x(-e^{-x}) + e^{-x}$$
$$= e^{-x}(1-x) = 0$$
$$x = 1$$



Decreasing on $(1, \infty)$

Can use Integral Test

$$\int_3^{\infty} xe^{-x} dx = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int_3^N xe^{-x} dx$$

$$u = x \quad dv = e^{-x} dx$$
$$du = dx \quad v = -e^{-x}$$

$$= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} [-xe^{-x} + \int e^{-x} dx]$$

$$= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} [-xe^{-x} - e^{-x} \Big|_3^N]$$

$$= -\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} e^{-x}(x+1) \Big|_3^N$$

$$= -\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} (e^{-N}(N+1) - e^{-3}(4))$$

$$= 4e^{-3} - \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N+1}{e^N}$$

$$\stackrel{L}{=} 4e^{-3} - \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{e^N}$$

$$= 4e^{-3}$$

Series converges by Integral Test.

$$e) \sum_{k=4}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{k^5+1}}{k+9}$$

$$\text{Compare to } \sum_{k=4}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{k^5}}{k} = \sum_{k=4}^{\infty} \frac{k^{5/2}}{k^{3/2}} = \sum_{k=4}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^{3/2}} \cdot k^{3/2}$$

p-series with $p = \frac{3}{2} > 1 \Rightarrow$ diverges

Limit Comparison

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{k^5+1}}{k+9} \cdot \frac{k}{\sqrt{k^5}} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(k^5+1)^{1/2}}{k+9} \cdot \frac{1}{k^{3/2}}$$

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(k^5+1)^{1/2}}{k^{5/2} + 9k^{3/2}} \cdot \frac{(1/k^5)^{1/2}}{1/k^{5/2}}$$

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{k^5+1}{k^5}\right)^{1/2}}{1+9/k} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(1 + \frac{1}{k^5}\right)^{1/2}}{1 + \frac{9}{k}} = \frac{\sqrt{1}}{1} = 1$$

Since $0 < 1 < \infty$, both series diverge.

$$f) \sum_{k=5}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2k}{6k-3}\right)^k$$

Root test

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left[\left(\frac{2k}{6k-3}\right)^k \right]^{1/k} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2k}{6k-3} = \frac{1}{3} < 1$$

Converges

$$6. a) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k+3}}{5^{k+1}} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k} 2^3}{5^k 5^1} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{8}{5} \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^k$$

$$= \frac{8}{5} \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^1 + \frac{8}{5} \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^2 + \dots$$

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$$a = \frac{32}{25}$$

$$r = \frac{4}{5}$$

$|r| = \frac{4}{5} < 1$ converges

$$= \frac{\frac{32}{25}}{1 - \frac{4}{5}} = \frac{\frac{32}{25}}{\frac{1}{5}} = \frac{32}{5}$$

b)

$$\sum_{k=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k(k+2)}$$

Probably telescoping. Use Partial Fractions

$$\frac{1}{k(k+2)} = \frac{A}{k} + \frac{B}{k+2}$$

$$= \frac{Ak + 2A + Bk}{k(k+2)} = \frac{(A+B)k + 2A}{k(k+2)}$$

$$2A = 1 \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$A+B=0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} + B = 0 \Rightarrow B = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=3}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k+2} \right)$$

Look at first few partial sums:

$$S_3 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{5} \right)$$

$$S_4 = \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{5} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{6} \right) \right]$$

$$S_5 = \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{6} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{6} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} \right) \right]$$

$$S_6 = \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{6} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{6} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{8} \right) \right]$$

$$S_7 = \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{6} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{6} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{8} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{7} - \frac{1}{9} \right) \right]$$

* First 2 terms and last 2 terms only remain

$$S_n = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{4+3}{12} \right)$$

$$= \frac{7}{24} \checkmark$$

7 a) $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^k}{k!}$ Use Generalized Ratio Test

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{2^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \cdot \frac{k!}{2^k} \right| = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{2^k \cdot 2^1 \cdot k!}{(k+1)k! \cdot 2^k} \right|$$

$$= 2 \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k+1}$$

$$= 0 < 1$$

Converges absolutely

$$b) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{\sqrt{k}}{k+3}$$

Does this converge? Use Alternating Series Test

$$1) \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k^{1/2} \cdot \frac{1}{k}}{k+3} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{k^{1/2}}}{1 + \frac{3}{k}} = 0 \checkmark$$

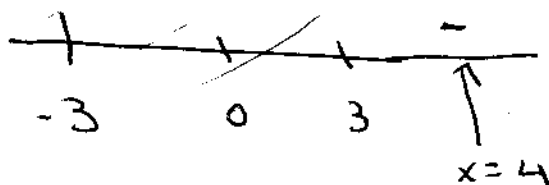
$$2) \text{Decreasing? } f(x) = \frac{x^{1/2}}{x+3}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(x+3)x^{-1/2} - x^{1/2}}{(x+3)^2}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{x+3}{2\sqrt{x}} - \frac{2x}{2\sqrt{x}}}{(x+3)^2} = \frac{-x+3}{2\sqrt{x}(x+3)^2}$$

$$-x+3=0 \Rightarrow x=3$$

$$\text{Den}=0 \Rightarrow x=0, -3$$



Yes

Converges by Alt. Series Test

$$\text{Does } \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |(-1)^k \frac{\sqrt{k}}{k+3}| = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{k}}{k+3}$$

Compare to $\frac{\sqrt{k}}{k} = \frac{1}{k^{1/2}}$ p-series with

$p = \frac{1}{2} \leq 1 \Rightarrow$ diverges

Limit Comparison

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(k)^{1/2}}{k+3} \cdot \frac{k^{1/2}}{1} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k}{k+3} = 1, 0 < 1 < \infty$$

Diverges.

So, $\sum (-1)^k \frac{\sqrt{k}}{k+3}$ is conditionally convergent

c) $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{\sqrt{k}}{\sqrt{k+3}}$

1) $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{k}}{\sqrt{k+3}} = 1$

Can't use Alt. Series Test. But, diverge by Divergence Test

Also can try Generalized Ratio Test:

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{k+1}}{\sqrt{k+4}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{k+3}}{\sqrt{k}}$$

$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{k^2 + 4k + 3}{k^2 + 4k}} = 1$ inconclusive

8 a) $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x-a)^k}{k!}$ Generalized Ratio Test

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(x-a)^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \cdot \frac{k!}{(x-a)^k} \right|$$

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(x-a)^{\cancel{k}} (x-a)^k}{(k+1)k! (x-a)^{\cancel{k}}} \right|$$

$$= |x-a| \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1}{k+1} \right| = 0 < 1$$

Converges $\forall x$:

Interval: $(-\infty, \infty)$

Radius = ∞

b) $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x+1)^k}{k 3^k}$ Generalized Ratio Test

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(x+1)^{k+1}}{(k+1)3^{k+1}} \cdot \frac{k 3^k}{(x+1)^k} \right|$$

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(x+1)^{\cancel{k}} (x+1)^1 \cdot k \cdot 3^{\cancel{k}}}{(k+1) 3^{\cancel{k}} 3^1 (x+1)^{\cancel{k}}} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{x+1}{3} \right| \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{k}{k+1} \right|$$

$$= |x+1| < 3 \Leftrightarrow -3 < x+1 < 3 \Leftrightarrow R=3$$

Test endpoints

$$x = -4 \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^k}{k3^k} \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k}$$

$$1) \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0 \checkmark$$

$$2) \text{Decreasing} \quad \frac{1}{k+1} < \frac{1}{k} \checkmark$$

~~$$f'(x) = \frac{x3^x(0) - [x \ln 3 \cdot 3^x + 3^x]}{(x3^x)^2}$$

$$= \frac{-3^x(1 + x \ln 3)}{(x3^x)^2} = 0$$

$$1 + x \ln 3 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{\ln 3} \approx -0.910$$

Undefined at $x=0$~~

Converges by Alternating Series Test

$$x=2 \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^k}{k3^k} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \text{ diverges } (p=1)$$

Compare to $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3^k}$ which is a geometric series with $|r| = \frac{1}{3} < 1 \Rightarrow$ converges

Notice that

$$k3^k > 3^k \text{ for } k \geq 1$$

$\frac{1}{k3^k} < \frac{1}{3^k}$, so they both converge

$$\text{Interval: } -4 \leq x < 2$$

$$R = \frac{2 - (-4)}{2} = 3$$

c) $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k! x^k$ Generalized Ratio Test

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(k+1)! x^{k+1}}{k! x^k} \right| = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(k+1) \cancel{k!} x^k x^1}{\cancel{k!} x^k} \right|$$

$$= |x| \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (k+1) = \infty$$

Diverge for all x except $x=0$

$$\text{Interval: } x=0$$

$$\text{Radius: } R=0$$

$$d) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x+4)^k}{6^k} \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x+4}{6} \right)^k$$

Geometric series only converges when $|r| < 1$

$$\left| \frac{x+4}{6} \right| < 1 \Leftrightarrow -6 < x+4 < 6$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -10 < x < 2$$

Interval of convergence: $(-10, 2)$

$$\text{Radius: } R=6$$