

MATH 3283W HOMEWORK #5 DUE 4/6/10
SUMMATION NOTATION, SECTIONS 4.2, 4.3, CHAPTER 4

PART A

1. DETERMINE IF THE FOLLOWING SERIES CONVERGE OR DIVERGE. GIVE REASONS FOR YOUR ANSWERS

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{5^{3n+2}}{4^{1+4n}}$

(c) $\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(m+1)(m+2)}$

(b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)}$

d) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-5/6}$

- 2 (a) FIND A FORMULA FOR $\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n xy$ IN TERMS

OF n . SHOW YOUR WORK

(b) EVALUATE $\sum_{i=1}^6 \sum_{j=1}^6 xy$

- 3 FIND THE SUM OF THE FOLLOWING SERIES, FOR WHAT VALUES OF x DOES IT CONVERGE?

(a) $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} x^{3n}$

(b) $\sum_{n=k}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n}$, WHERE $k \in \mathbb{N}$

- 4 (a) WRITE THE FOLLOWING INFINITE DECIMALS AS FRACTIONS

(i) $\overline{.357}$

(ii) $123211232112321 \dots$

- (b) WHAT IS THE VALUE OF THE SUM
 $\overline{.59} + \overline{.73}$?

PART B

5. SUPPOSE $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ IS A SERIES OF POSITIVE TERMS WHICH CONVERGES. DO THE FOLLOWING SERIES CONVERGE OR DIVERGE? PROVE YOUR ANSWERS

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin a_n$

(b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos a_n$

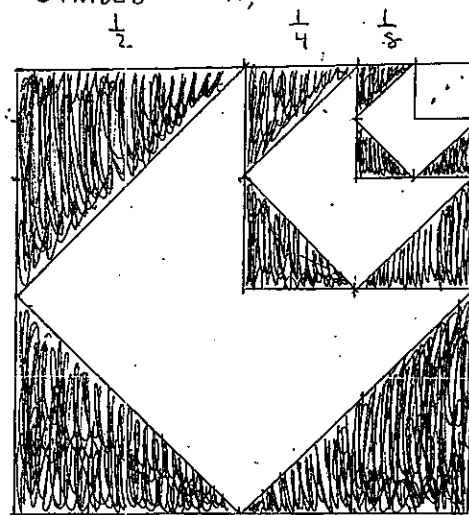
- 6 DETERMINE IF THE SERIES CONVERGE OR DIVERGE. GIVE CAREFUL REASONS FOR YOUR ANSWERS

(a) $1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^3} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \frac{1}{5^3} + \dots$

(b) $1 + \frac{1}{2^3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4^3} + \frac{1}{5} + \dots$

(c) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{(1+1/n)}}$

- 7 FIND THE SHADED AREA, SHOW YOUR REASONING/CALCULATIONS



Homework #5 Solutions

PART A

1. a) We have
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{5^{3n+2}}{4^{1+4n}} = \frac{25}{4} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{125}{256}\right)^n.$$

This series converges since it is a geometric series & $0 < \frac{125}{256} < 1$.

b) Observe that $\forall n \geq 1$, $n^2 + n > n^2$ & so $\frac{1}{n^2+n} < \frac{1}{n^2}$.

We know that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ is convergent (by the p-test)

thus $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)}$ is also convergent by comparison with

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}.$$

c) We have
$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(m+1)(m+2)} = \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(m+1)(m+2)} = \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m^2+3m+2}$$

As in (b) we have $\forall m \geq 1$, $m^2+3m+2 > m^2$ & so

$$\frac{1}{m^2+3m+2} < \frac{1}{m^2}. \quad \text{Again, by comparison with } \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m^2},$$

we see that $\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(m+1)(m+2)}$ is convergent.

d) The series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-5/6} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{5/6}}$ is divergent by the p-test.

2. a) We know that $1+2+\dots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$.

$$\text{Thus } \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n i \cdot j = \sum_{i=1}^n i \sum_{j=1}^n j = \sum_{i=1}^n i \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n i$$

$$= \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right)^2$$

b). Using the derived formula from part a)
we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^6 \sum_{j=1}^6 i \cdot j = \left(\frac{6(6+1)}{2} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{42}{2} \right)^2 = (21)^2 = 441.$$

3. a) We have

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} x^{3n} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (x^3)^n.$$

We know that this geometric series is convergent

iff $|x^3| < 1$, i.e. $|x| < 1$. If $|x| < 1$ then

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (x^3)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x^3)^n - 1 - x^3 = \frac{1}{1-x^3} - 1 - x^3$$

$$= \frac{1 - 1 + x^3 - x^3 + x^6}{1-x^3} = \frac{x^6}{1-x^3}$$

3b) We have

$$\sum_{n=k}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x^2)^n - \sum_{n=0}^{k-1} (-x^2)^n.$$

We know this geometric series converges iff

$| -x^2 | < 1$, i.e. $|x| < 1$. If $|x| < 1$ we can

apply the known formulae for a geometric series & a finite geometric sum to get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n} &= \frac{1}{1 - (-x^2)} - \frac{1 - (-x^2)^k}{1 - (-x^2)} \\ &= \frac{1 - 1 + (-1)^k x^{2k}}{1 + x^2} = \frac{(-1)^k x^{2k}}{1 + x^2}. \end{aligned}$$

$$4 a) i) .\overline{357} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{357}{10^{3n}} = 357 \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{1000} \right)^n - 1 \right)$$

$$= 357 \left(\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{1000}} - 1 \right)$$

$$= 357 \left(\frac{1}{999} \right) = \frac{357}{999} = \frac{119}{333}$$

$$ii) .\overline{12321} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{12321}{10^{5n}} = 12321 \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{100000} \right)^n \right)$$

$$= \frac{12321}{99999} = \frac{4107}{33333} = \frac{1369}{11111}$$

$$4b) .\overline{59} + .\overline{73} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{59}{100^n} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{73}{100^n}$$

$$\text{(since both series converge)} = (59+73) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{100}\right)^n$$

$$= \frac{132}{99} = \frac{4}{3}$$

PART B

5. a) Note: $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 0$ we have $|\sin(x)| \leq x$.

Thus $0 \leq |\sin(a_n)| \leq a_n$, for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Since $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is convergent, the comparison test tells us that

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\sin(a_n)|$ is convergent. It follows that

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(a_n)$ is convergent since it is absolutely convergent.

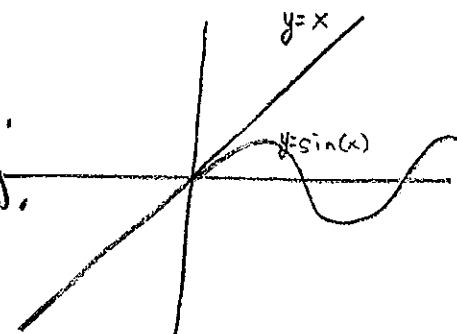
b) Since $\cos(x)$ is a continuous function we

have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cos(a_n) = \cos\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n\right)$. Since $\sum a_n$

is convergent we know $a_n \rightarrow 0$. Thus $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cos(a_n)$

$= \cos(0) = 1$. Since $\cos(a_n) \not\rightarrow 0$ we have that

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos(a_n)$ must be divergent.



6. a) Note $1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^3} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \frac{1}{5^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{(2n-1)^3} + \frac{1}{(2n)^2}$

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

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

Now $\frac{1}{(2n-1)^3} < \frac{1}{n^3}$ & $\frac{1}{(2n)^2} < \frac{1}{n^2}$ for each n .

By the p-test $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^3}$ & $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2}$ are convergent.

thus $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k-1)^3}$ & $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k)^2}$ are convergent by

the comparison theorem. Since both of these

series converge we have that their sum is convergent
& $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k-1)^3} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k)^2} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{(2k-1)^3} + \frac{1}{(2k)^2} \right)$.

b) Let $a_n = \frac{1}{2n-1}$ & $b_n = \frac{1}{2n-1} + \frac{1}{(2n)^3}$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

It is clear that $0 \leq a_n \leq b_n$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Thus, by the comparison theorem, if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is divergent
 $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ is divergent. We should note that

$$1 + \frac{1}{2^3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4^3} + \frac{1}{5} + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n.$$

Notice that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1/n}{1/(2n-1)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n-1}{n} = 2 > 0$. Thus by

the limit comparison test $\sum \frac{1}{2n-1}$ diverges since $\sum \frac{1}{n}$ diverges.

6c) Notice that by the continuity of $\ln(x)$ & e^x , we have

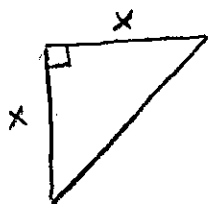
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{\ln(n^{\frac{1}{n}})} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{\frac{1}{n} \ln(n)} = e^{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(n)}{n}}$$
$$= e^0 = 1.$$

Also
$$\frac{\frac{1}{n}}{\frac{1}{n^{1+\frac{1}{n}}}} = \frac{n^{1+\frac{1}{n}}}{n} = n^{\frac{1}{n}}.$$

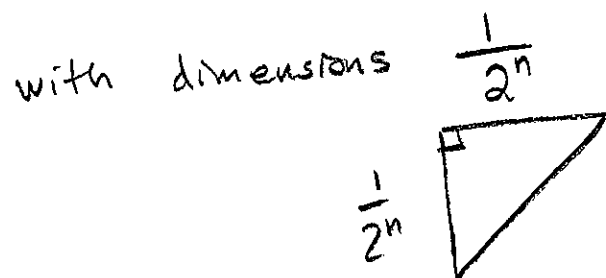
Thus
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n}}{\frac{1}{n^{1+\frac{1}{n}}}} = 1.$$

Since $\sum \frac{1}{n}$ is divergent we conclude that $\sum \frac{1}{n^{1+\frac{1}{n}}}$ is divergent by the limit comparison theorem.

7. Notice that the area of the triangle



is $\frac{x^2}{2}$. At the n^{th} step we add 3 triangles



so the additional area is $3 \cdot \frac{1}{2^{2n+1}}$.

The area of the shaded area is thus

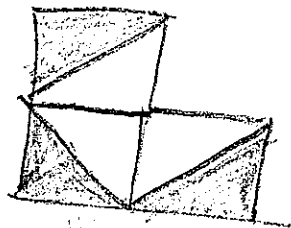
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 3 \cdot \frac{1}{2^{2n+1}} = \frac{3}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n = \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n$$

$$= \frac{3}{8} \left(\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{4}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{3}{8} \left(\frac{4}{3} \right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

7 cont.

Note: A slicker way to do this problem is simply observing that at each step the amount of shaded area is exactly equal to the amount of unshaded area:



Thus the shaded region is half the area of the whole square.