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Theorem: 12. [Logarithmic test]

statement:

The series whose general term is u_n is convergent or divergent according as $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n \log (\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}})]$ is greater than one or less than one.

Proof:

Let us compare the given series with the series whose general term is $\frac{1}{n^p}$ when $p > 1$, $\frac{1}{n^p}$ is convergent.

$\sum u_n$ is convergent.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} < \frac{n^p}{(n+1)^p}$$

$$\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} > \frac{(n+1)^p}{n^p}$$

$$> \frac{n^p (1 + \frac{1}{n})^p}{n^p}$$

$$> (1 + \frac{1}{n})^p$$

Take log on both sides

$$(p.e) \Rightarrow \log \left(\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} \right) > \log (1 + \frac{1}{n})^p$$

$$> p \log (1 + \frac{1}{n}) \quad [\because \log m^n = n \log m]$$

$$(p.e) \log \left(\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} \right) > p \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{2n^2} + \dots \right)$$

$$> \frac{p}{n} - \frac{p}{2n^2} + \dots$$

$$n \log \left(\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} \right) > p - \frac{p}{2n} + \dots$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} \right) > p \quad \text{Here } p > 1$$

$\therefore \sum u_n$ is convergent.

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[n \log \left(\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} \right) \right] > 1.$$

Similarly we can show that $\sum u_n$ is divergent

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[n \log \left(\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} \right) \right] < 1.$$

1. Test for convergency and divergency series

$$1 + \frac{2x}{2!} + \frac{3^2 x^2}{3!} + \frac{4^3 x^3}{4!} + \dots$$

$$u_n = \frac{n^{n-1} x^{n-1}}{n!}$$

$$u_{n+1} = \frac{(n+1)^n \cdot x^n}{(n+1)!}$$

$$\frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \frac{(n+1)^n x^n}{(n+1)!} \times \frac{n!}{n^{n-1} x^{n-1}}$$

$$= \frac{n^n (1 + \frac{1}{n})^n x^n}{(n+1) n!} \times \frac{n!}{n^n n^{-1} x^n x^{-1}}$$

$$= \frac{(1 + \frac{1}{n})^n n x}{(n+1)} = \frac{(1 + \frac{1}{n})^n \cdot n x}{n (1 + \frac{1}{n})}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(1 + \frac{1}{n})^n x}{(1 + \frac{1}{n})} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + \frac{1}{n})^n = e$$

$$= x e$$

< 1 convergent

> 1 divergent

$= 1$ test fails.

$$\frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = (1 + \frac{1}{n})^{n-1} x$$

$$\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} = \frac{1}{x (1 + \frac{1}{n})^{n-1}} = \frac{e}{(\frac{n+1}{n})^{n-1}} \quad [\because \log e = 1]$$

$$\log \frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} = \log \left[\frac{e}{(\frac{n+1}{n})^{n-1}} \right]$$

$$= \log e - \log \left(\frac{n+1}{n} \right)^{n-1} \quad [\because \log (1+x)]$$

$$= 1 - (n-1) \log (1 + \frac{1}{n})$$

$$= 1 - (n-1) \left[\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{2n^2} + \frac{1}{3n^3} - \dots \right]$$

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

$$= 1 - 1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(n-1)}{2n^2} - \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} + \frac{n}{2n^2} - \frac{1}{2n^2} - \frac{n-1}{3n^3} + \dots$$

$$n \log \frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} = \frac{n}{n} + \frac{n}{2n} - \frac{n}{2n^2} - \frac{n(n-1)}{2n^3} + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2n} - \frac{(n-1)}{2n^2} + \dots$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \log \left[\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} \right] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2n} - \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} > 1 \Rightarrow \text{convergent.}$$

The given series is convergent for the case $x = 1/e$.

Finally, we conclude that $x \leq 1/e$ the given series is converges.

$x > 1/e$ the given series is divergent.)

Theorem: 3

Statement:

The series whose general term is u_n is convergent or divergent according as

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\left(n \left(\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} \right) - 1 \right) \log n \right] > 1 \text{ or } < 1$$

Proof:

Compare the series $\sum \frac{1}{n(\log n)^p}$.

This convergent if $p > 1$ and divergent if

$p \leq 1$.

This series $\sum u_n$ is convergent.

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} < \frac{(n)(\log n)^p}{(n+1)(\log(n+1))^p} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} > \frac{n+1}{n} \left[\frac{\log(n+1)}{\log n} \right]^p \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{Now } \log(n+1) - \log n = \log \left[\frac{n+1}{n} \right]$$

$$= \log \left[\frac{n}{n} + \frac{1}{n} \right]$$

$$= \log \left[1 + \frac{1}{n} \right]$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2n^2} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \text{ [nearly when } n \text{ is large]}$$

$$\therefore \log(n+1) - \log n = \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\log(n+1) = \log n + \frac{1}{n} \quad - \textcircled{1} \textcircled{2}$$

[nearly for large value of n]

\therefore this series is convergent.

$\textcircled{1}$ for test

$$\exists \} \frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} > \frac{n+1}{n} \left\{ \frac{\log(n+1)}{\log n} \right\}^p \text{ [for large value of } n]$$

$$> \left(\frac{n+1}{n} \right) \left\{ \frac{\log n + \frac{1}{n}}{\log n} \right\}^p \text{ [}\because \text{By } \textcircled{1}\text{]}$$

$$> \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) \left[\frac{\log n}{\log n} + \frac{\frac{1}{n}}{\log n} \right]^p$$

$$> \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) \left[1 + \frac{1}{n \log n} \right]^p$$

$$> \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) \left[1 + \frac{p}{n} \times \frac{1}{\log n} + \dots \right]$$

$$> \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{p}{n \log n} + \dots \right)$$

$$\text{(re)} \exists \} \frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} > 1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{p}{n \log n} + \dots$$

$$\text{if } \} \frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} - 1 > \frac{1}{n} + \frac{p}{n \log n} + \dots$$

$$\text{if } \} n \left(\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} - 1 \right) > 1 + \frac{p}{\log n} + \dots$$

$$\text{if } \} \left(n \left[\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} - 1 \right] - 1 \right) > \frac{p}{\log n} + \dots$$

$$\log n \left[n \left(\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} - 1 \right) - 1 \right] > p$$

$\therefore \sum u_n$ is convergent.

$$\exists \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log n \left[n \left(\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} - 1 \right) - 1 \right] > 1.$$

|| by we can prove that $\sum u_n$ is divergent

$$\exists \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log n \left[n \left(\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} - 1 \right) - 1 \right] < 1.$$

Logarithmic test problems.

Examine the convergence of $\frac{1^2}{2^2} + \frac{1^2 \cdot 3^2}{2^2 \cdot 4^2} + \dots$

Let us apply the result (3)

$$u_n = \frac{1^2 \cdot 3^2 \dots (2n-1)^2}{2^2 \cdot 4^2 \dots (2n)^2}$$

$$u_{n+1} = \frac{1^2 \cdot 3^2 \dots (2n-1)^2 (2n+1)^2}{2^2 \cdot 4^2 \dots (2n)^2 (2n+2)^2}$$

$$\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} = \frac{1^2 \cdot 3^2 \dots (2n-1)^2}{2^2 \cdot 4^2 \dots (2n)^2} \times \frac{2^2 \cdot 4^2 \dots (2n)^2 (2n+2)^2}{1^2 \cdot 3^2 \dots (2n-1)^2 (2n+1)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(2n+2)^2}{(2n+1)^2} \Rightarrow \frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} - 1$$

$$= \frac{(2n+2)^2}{(2n+1)^2} - 1 \Rightarrow \frac{(2n+2)^2 - (2n+1)^2}{(2n+1)^2}$$

$$= \frac{4n^2 + 8n + 4 - 4n^2 - 4n - 1}{(2n+1)^2} = \frac{4n+3}{(2n+1)^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} n \left(\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} - 1 \right) - 1 &= n \left(\frac{4n+3}{(2n+1)^2} \right) - 1 \\ &= \frac{4n^2 + 3n - 4n^2 - 4n - 1}{(2n+1)^2} = \frac{-n-1}{(2n+1)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[n \left(\frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} - 1 \right) \right] \log n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-(n+1)}{(2n+1)^2} \log n$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-(n+1)}{n^2 (2 + \frac{1}{n})^2} \log n$$

$$= 0$$

$< 1 \Rightarrow$ divergent.

The given series is divergent.

H.W.

1. Examine the convergence of the series.

Q. $\frac{1}{1^k} + \frac{x}{3^k} + \frac{x^2}{5^k} + \dots + \frac{x^{n-1}}{(2n-1)^k} + \dots$

Soln.

$$u_n = \frac{x^{n-1}}{(2n-1)^k}$$

$$u_{n+1} = \frac{x^{(n+1)-1}}{[2(n+1)-1]^k} = \frac{x^n}{[2n+2-1]^k} = \frac{x^n}{[2n+1]^k}$$

$$\therefore \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \frac{x^n}{(2n+1)^k} \times \frac{(2n-1)^k}{x^{n-1}}$$

$$\frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \frac{(2n-1)^k}{(2n+1)^k} \times \frac{x^n}{x^{n-1} \cdot x} = \frac{(2n-1)^k}{(2n+1)^k} \times \frac{x}{1}$$

$$= \frac{n^k (2 - \frac{1}{n})^k}{n^k (2 + \frac{1}{n})^k} \cdot x$$

$$\frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \frac{(2 - \frac{1}{n})^k}{(2 + \frac{1}{n})^k} \cdot x$$

taking limit on both sides as $n \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2 - \frac{1}{n})^k}{(2 + \frac{1}{n})^k} \cdot x$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \frac{x \cdot x}{x} \Rightarrow \boxed{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = x}$$

Hence if $x < 1$, the series is convergent.

if $x > 1$, the series is divergent.

if $x = 1$, the test fails.

In that case the series becomes.

$$\frac{1}{1^k} + \frac{1}{3^k} + \frac{1}{5^k} + \dots + \frac{1}{(2n-1)^k} + \dots$$

Compare the series with the series

$$\frac{1}{1^k} + \frac{1}{2^k} + \frac{1}{3^k} + \dots + \frac{1}{n^k}$$

$\sum v_n$ is the second series

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{u_n}{v_n} &= \frac{1}{(2n-1)^k} \times \frac{n^k}{1} \\ &= \frac{n^k}{n^k (2-\frac{1}{n})^k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{u_n}{v_n} = \frac{1}{(2-\frac{1}{n})^k}}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_n}{v_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(2-\frac{1}{n})^k}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_n}{v_n} = \frac{1}{2^k} = \text{a finite quantity}$$

$\therefore \sum u_n$ & $\sum v_n$ behave alike.

\therefore If $x < 1$, $\forall k$ the series is convergent.

If $x > 1$, $\forall k$ the series is divergent.

If $x = 1$, for $k > 1$, the series is convergent.

for $k < 1$, the series is divergent.

2. Discuss the convergency of the series.

$$\frac{1}{1+x} + \frac{1}{1+2x^2} + \frac{1}{1+3x^3} + \frac{1}{1+4x^4} + \dots \text{ for the values of } x.$$

Soln:

$$u_n = \frac{1}{1+nx^n}$$

$$u_{n+1} = \frac{1}{1+(n+1)x^{n+1}} = \frac{1}{1+(n+1)x^{n+1}}$$

$$\frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \frac{1+nx^n}{1+(n+1)x^{n+1}}$$

$$= \frac{nx^n \left[1 + \frac{1}{nx^n} \right]}{nx^n \left[\frac{1}{nx^n} + x + \frac{x}{n} \right]}$$

$$= \frac{1 + \frac{1}{nx^n}}{\frac{1}{nx^n} + x + \frac{x}{n}}$$

$$= \frac{n x^n [1 + \frac{1}{n} x^n]}{n x^n \left[\frac{1}{n} x^n + \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) x^n \right]}$$

$$= \frac{[1 + \frac{1}{n} x^n]}{\frac{1}{n} x^n + [1 + \frac{1}{n}] x}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[1 + \frac{1}{n} x^n]}{\frac{1}{n} x^n + [1 + \frac{1}{n}] x}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\text{If } x > 1, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} < 1$$

The series is convergent when $x > 1$.

If $x = 1$ the series becomes $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}$ which is divergent.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } x < 1, \quad 1+x < 2 & \therefore \frac{1}{1+x} > \frac{1}{2} \\ 1+2x^2 < 3 & \therefore \frac{1}{1+2x^2} > \frac{1}{3} \\ 1+3x^3 < 4 & \therefore \frac{1}{1+3x^3} > \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{1+x} + \frac{1}{1+2x^2} + \frac{1}{1+3x^3} + \dots > \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots$$

\therefore the series is divergent.

3. settle the range of values of x for which the following series converge:

i) $\sum \frac{x^n}{1+x^n}$

soln:

$$u_n = \frac{x^n}{1+x^n}$$

$$u_{n+1} = \frac{x^{n+1}}{1+x^{n+1}}$$

$$\frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \frac{x^{n+1}}{1+x^{n+1}} \times \frac{1+x^n}{x^n}$$

$$= \frac{1+x^n}{1+x^{n+1}} \times x$$

If $x < 1$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1+x^n}{1+x^{n+1}} \times x$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = x \text{ which is } < 1.$$

$\therefore \sum u_n$ is convergent.

$x > 1$.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} \times u_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^n}{1+x^n}$$

$$= \frac{x^n}{x^n [1 + \frac{1}{x^n}]} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{x^n}}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 1$$

The n th term does not tend to zero as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

$\therefore \sum u_n$ is divergent.

If $x = 1$, the series becomes $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \dots$

which is divergent.

$\therefore \sum \frac{x^n}{1+x^n}$ is convergent only when $0 < x < 1$.

ii) $\sum \frac{x^n}{1+n^2 x^{2n}}$

Soln:

$$u_n = \frac{x^n}{1+n^2 x^{2n}}$$

$$u_{n+1} = \frac{x^{n+1}}{1+(n+1)^2 x^{2(n+1)}}$$

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

$$\frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \frac{x^{n+1}}{1+(n+1)^2 x^{2n+2}} \times \frac{1+n^2 x^{2n}}{x^n}$$

$$= \frac{1+n^2 x^{2n}}{1+(n+1)^2 x^{2n+2}} \times x$$

∴ If $x < 1$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1+n^2 x^{2n}}{1+(n+1)^2 x^{2n+2}} \times x$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = x < 1$$

∴ $\sum u_n$ is convergent

∴ If $x > 1$,

$$\frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \frac{\frac{1}{n^2 x^{2n}} \left[1 + \frac{1}{n^2 x^{2n}} \right]}{\frac{1}{n^2 x^{2n}} \left[\frac{1}{n^2 x^{2n}} + x^2 + \frac{x^2}{n} \right]} \times x$$

$$= \frac{1 + \frac{1}{n^2 x^{2n}}}{\frac{1}{n^2 x^{2n}} \left[1 + \frac{1}{n} \right] x^2} \times x$$

$\frac{1}{x^{2n}} > 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ when $x > 1$.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \frac{1}{n^2 x^{2n}}}{\frac{1}{n^2 x^{2n}} \left[1 + \frac{1}{n} \right] x^2} \times x$$

$$= \frac{x}{x^2} = \frac{1}{x} < 1 \quad \boxed{\text{since } x > 1}$$

∴ $\sum u_n$ is convergent.

∴ If $x = 1$, the series becomes $\sum \frac{1}{1+n^2}$ which is convergent.

∴ $\sum \frac{x^n}{1+n^2 x^{2n}}$ is convergent, $\forall x$.

iii) $\sum \frac{x^n}{1+x^{2n}}$

Soln: $u_n = \frac{x^n}{1+x^{2n}}$

$$u_{n+1} = \frac{x^{n+1}}{1+x^{2n+2}}$$

$$\frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \frac{x^{n+1}}{1+x^{2n+2}} \times \frac{1+x^{2n}}{x^n}$$

$$= \frac{1+x^{2n}}{1+x^{2n+2}} \times x$$

If $x < 1$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1+x^{2n}}{1+x^{2n+2}} \times x$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = x, \text{ which is } < 1$$

If $x > 1$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1+x^{2n}}{1+x^{2n+2}} \times x$

$$= \frac{x^{2n} [1 + \frac{1}{x^{2n}}]}{x^{2n} [\frac{1}{x^{2n}} + x^2]} \times x$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[1 + \frac{1}{x^{2n}}]}{[\frac{1}{x^{2n}} + x^2]} \times x$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = \frac{x}{x^2} = \frac{1}{x} < 1$$

\therefore If $x > 1$ or $x < 1$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n}$ tends to a limit < 1 .

$\therefore \sum u_n$ is convergent.

If $x = 1$, the series becomes $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \dots$
which is divergent.