

## UNIT - IV

Theorem:

Cauchy's Condensation test:

Let if  $f(n)$  is positive for all positive integral value of  $n$  and continuously diminish as  $n$  is increases and if 'a' be a positive integer then the two infinite series  $f(1) + f(2) + f(3) + \dots + f(n)$  and  $a f(a) + a^2 f(a^2) + a^3 f(a^3) + \dots + a^n f(a^n)$  are both convergent or divergent.

Proof:

Let us group the terms of  $\sum f(n)$  as follows:

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

Let  $V_n$  denote the terms of  $n^{\text{th}}$  group

$$\text{i.e. } f(a^{n-1}+1) + f(a^{n-2}+2) + \dots + f(a^n)$$

$\therefore$  the number of terms  $a^n - a^{n-1}$

since  $f(n)$  is decreasing function.

$$(a^n - a^{n-1}) f(a^n) \leq V_n \leq (a^n - a^{n-1}) f(a^{n-1})$$

$$a^n (1 - \frac{1}{a}) f(a^n) \leq V_n \leq a^n (1 - \frac{1}{a}) f(a^{n-1})$$

$$\frac{a^n}{a} (a-1) f(a^n) \leq V_n \leq \frac{a^n}{a} (a-1) f(a^{n-1})$$

$$\frac{a-1}{a} [a^n f(a^n)] \leq v_n \leq \frac{a-1}{a} [a^n f(a^{n-1})]$$

Now if  $\sum a^n f(a^n)$  is finite.

So also  $\sum v_n$  is convergent.

$\sum v_n$  is the series  $\sum f(n)$

$\therefore \sum f(n)$  is convergent.

Now if  $\sum a^n f(a^n)$  is infinite so also  $\sum v_n$  is divergent.

$\therefore \sum v_n$  is the series  $\sum f(n)$ .

$\therefore \sum f(n)$  is divergent.

1. Show that series  $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots$  is divergent.

Soln:

Let  $f(n) = \frac{1}{n}$ .

take  $a = 2$

By Cauchy's condensation test.

$\sum f(n)$  and  $\sum a^n f(a^n)$

(re)  $\sum \frac{1}{n}$  and  $\sum 2^n \left(\frac{1}{2^n}\right)$

(re)  $\sum \frac{1}{n}$  and  $\sum 1$

But  $1 + 1 + 1 + \dots$  is divergent.

$\therefore \sum \frac{1}{n}$  is divergent.

$\therefore$  The given series is divergent.

2. Discuss the convergence of the series  $\sum \frac{1}{n(\log n)^p}$ .

Soln:

Let  $f(n) = \frac{1}{n(\log n)^p}$ .

By Cauchy's condensation test.

$\sum f(n)$  and  $\sum a^n f(a^n)$

$$= \leq \frac{1}{n(\log n)^p} \text{ and } \leq \frac{a^n}{a^n(\log a^n)^p}$$

$$= \leq \frac{1}{n(\log n)^p} \text{ and } \leq \frac{1}{(\log a^n)^p}$$

$$= \leq \frac{1}{n(\log n)^p} \text{ and } \leq \frac{1}{(n \log a)^p}$$

$$= \leq \frac{1}{n(\log n)^p} \text{ and } \frac{1}{(\log a)^p} \leq \frac{1}{n^p}$$

Hence this series is convergent if  $p > 1$   
and this series is divergent if  $p \leq 1$ .

3. Discuss the convergence of the series  $\sum \frac{1}{n^k}$ .

Soln:

$$\text{Let } f(n) = \frac{1}{n^k}$$

By Cauchy's condensation test.

$$\sum f(n) \text{ and } \sum f(a^n)$$

Take  $a = 2$ .

$$\sum \frac{1}{n^k} \text{ and } \sum 2^n \left( \frac{1}{(2^n)^k} \right)$$

$$\text{ie) } \sum \frac{1}{n^k} \text{ and } \frac{1}{2^{-n}} \cdot 2^{-nk}$$

$$\text{ie) } \sum \frac{1}{n^k} \text{ and } \frac{1}{2^{(k-1)n}}$$

$\sum \frac{1}{2^{(k-1)n}}$  which is a geometric series. by theorem 'b'.

This series converges or diverges according as  $k > 1$  or  $k \leq 1$ .

$\sum \frac{1}{n^k}$  is convergent if  $k > 1$ .

$\sum \frac{1}{n^k}$  is divergent if  $k \leq 1$ .

Cauchy's Root Test:

If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n$  be a series of positive terms.



then the series is convergent or divergent according as  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (u_n)^{1/n} < 1$  or  $> 1$ .

Proof:

Case (i)

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [u_n]^{1/n}$  be  $l$  where  $l < 1$ .

(i)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [u_n]^{1/n} = l$ ,  $l < 1$  and here we can choose  $\epsilon$  positive and sufficiently small so that  $l + \epsilon < 1$ .

Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [u_n]^{1/n} = l$ .

We can find a natural number  $m$ , so large that  $u_n$  differ from  $l$  by less than  $\epsilon$  so long as  $n \geq m$

$$\therefore [u_n]^{1/n} < l + \epsilon.$$

$$u_n < (l + \epsilon)^n.$$

Hence from and after  $m^{\text{th}}$  term the terms of the series  $\sum u_n$  are less than those of the geometric series  $\sum (l + \epsilon)^n$  which is convergent since  $l + \epsilon < 1$ .

$\therefore \sum u_n$  is convergent.

Case (ii)

Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [u_n]^{1/n}$  be  $l$  where  $l > 1$  and hence we can choose a positive and sufficiently small  $\epsilon$  so that  $l - \epsilon > 1$ .

Now since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [u_n]^{1/n} = l$  we can

find a natural number  $m$  so large that  $[u_n]^{1/n}$  differ from '1' by less than  $\epsilon$  so long as  $n \geq m$ .

$$\therefore [u_n]^{1/n} > 1 - \epsilon > 1$$

$$\therefore u_n > (1 - \epsilon)^n$$

$\sum (1 - \epsilon)^n$  is divergent since  $1 - \epsilon > 1$ .

Hence from and differ the  $m$ th term the terms of the series and greater than the divergent series  $\sum (1 - \epsilon)^n$ .

$\therefore \sum u_n$  is divergent.

Example:

1. Test for convergent the series  $a + b + a^2 + b^2 + a^3 + b^3 + \dots$

Soln:

$u_n = a^{\frac{n+1}{2}}$  when  $n$  is odd (or)  $b^{n/2}$  when  $n$  is even.

$[u_n]^{1/n} = a^{\frac{n+1}{2n}}$  (or)  $b^{1/2}$  according as  $n$  is odd or even.

$= a^{\frac{(1+1/n)^{1/2}}{2}}$  or  $b^{1/2}$  according as  $n$  is odd (or) even.

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [u_n]^{1/n} = a^{1/2}$  (or)  $b^{1/2}$  according as  $n$  is odd or even.

$\therefore$  the series is convergent if  $0 < a < 1$  and  $0 < b < 1$  and divergent if  $a \geq 1$  or

$b \geq 1$ .

2. Show that the series  $\sum \frac{[(n+1)r]^n}{n^{n+1}}$  is convergent if  $r < 1$  and divergent if  $r > 1$ .

Soln:

$$\text{Let } u_n = \frac{[(n+1)r]^n}{n^{n+1}} \quad [\because \text{by root test}]$$

$$\therefore u_n^{1/n} = \frac{[(n+1)r]^n}{(n^{n+1})^{1/n}} = \frac{[(n+1)r]^n}{n^{n+1/n}}$$

$\left[ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n^{1/n} \text{ is convergent if } < 1 \text{ if divergent if } > 1 \right]$

$$= \frac{(n+1)r}{n^{1+1/n}}$$

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

$$= \frac{n(1+1/n)r}{n \cdot n^{1/n}} = \frac{(1+1/n)r}{\sqrt[n]{n}}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (u_n)^{1/n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(1+1/n)r}{\sqrt[n]{n}} \quad [\because \sqrt[n]{n} = 1] \\ &= \frac{(1)r}{1} = r \end{aligned}$$

If  $r < 1$ , the given series is convergent.

$r > 1$ , the given series is divergent.

Let us consider the case when  $r = 1$ .

$$u_n = \frac{[(n+1)r]^n}{[n^{n+1}]} = \frac{(n+1)^n}{n^{n+1}}$$

$$u_n = \frac{n^n [1+1/n]^n}{n^n \cdot n}$$

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

Let us choose  $v_n = 1/n$ .

$$\frac{u_n}{v_n} = \frac{(1+\frac{1}{n})^n \times \frac{1}{n}}{1} = [1+\frac{1}{n}]^n$$

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

= e [e is first number]

The series  $\sum u_n$ ,  $\sum v_n$  behave alike.

$\therefore \sum v_n$  is divergent.

$\therefore \sum u_n$  is divergent.

Hence the proof.

3. Examine the convergence of the series,

Q.P. 
$$\frac{\sum (n+1)(n+2) \dots (n+n)}{n^n}$$

Soln:

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

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

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

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

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

let this limit be l.

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ (1+\frac{1}{n}) (1+\frac{2}{n}) \dots (1+\frac{n}{n}) \right]^{1/n} = l$$

$$\log l = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left[ \log(1+\frac{1}{n}) + \log(1+\frac{2}{n}) + \dots + \log(1+\frac{n}{n}) \right]$$

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

$$= \int_0^1 \log(1+x) dx$$

$$= [x \log(1+x)]_0^1 - \int_0^1 \frac{1}{1+x} dx$$



$$= \log 2 - [2 - \log(1+2)]_0^1$$

$$= 2 \log 2 - 1$$

$$= \log 2^2 - 1$$

$$\log e = \log 4 - \log e^e$$

$$\log e = 4/e$$

Since  $e$  lies between 2 & 3  $\therefore$

$\sum u_n$  is divergent.

Absolute convergent series.

Definition:

The series  $\sum u_n$  containing positive and negative terms is said to be absolutely convergent if the series formed by the numerical values of the term of  $\sum u_n$ .

(i.e) summation of  $(u_n) \pm (\sum |u_n|)$  is convergent series.

Example:

The series  $\sum u_n = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots$  is absolutely convergent.

Conditionally convergent series or semi-converges.

The series  $\sum u_n$  containing positive and negative terms is said to be conditionally convergent (or) semi-convergent.

If  $\sum u_n$  is convergent and  $\sum |u_n|$  is divergent.



Example:

The series  $1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots$  is conditionally convergent.

Since  $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots$  is divergent.

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An absolutely convergent series is convergent.

Proof:

Let  $\sum u_n$  be the series.

Then by hypothesis  $\sum |u_n|$  is convergent.

Now,  $u_n + |u_n| = 2u_n$ , if  $u_n$  is positive.

$u_n = 0$ , if  $u_n$  is negative.

$\therefore$  Every term of the series  $\sum (u_n + |u_n|)$  is positive and is less than or equal to the corresponding terms of both the series is convergent.

Series whose terms are alternatively positive and negative.

State and prove Leibniz theorem.

Theorem: 15.

$\sum u_n = u_1 - u_2 + u_3 - u_4 + \dots$  is a series of terms alternatively positive and negative and if  $u_n > u_{n+1}$ ,  $\forall n$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 0$  then the series

is convergent.

Let  $S_{2n}$  denote the sum to  $2n$  terms of the series.

$$\text{then } S_{2n} = (u_1 - u_2) + (u_3 - u_4) + \dots + (u_{2n-1} - u_{2n})$$

Since each bracket is positive,  $S_{2n}$  is steadily increases as  $n$  increases.

$$(c) S_2 < S_4 < S_6 < S_8 < \dots < S_{2n} < S_{2n+2}$$

Without altering the given  $S_4 < S_6$  order of the terms the sum,  $S_6 < S_8$ .  $S_{2n}$  may be written in the form.

$$S_{2n} = u_1 - (u_2 - u_3) - (u_4 - u_5) \dots (u_{2n-2} - u_{2n-1})$$

Since each bracket is positive.

$$S_{2n} < u_1$$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_{2n}$  exist and equal to  $u_1$  where

$$(c) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_{2n} = l$$

But  $S_{2n+1} = S_{2n} + u_{2n+1}$  and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_{2n+1} = 0 \text{ (alternatively +ve \& -ve)}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_{2n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_{2n} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_{2n+1}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_{2n+1} = l + 0$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_{2n+1} = l$$

The series is convergent.