MAT 132 HW 32-33

1. Problems

1. Consider the following series and apply the ratio test.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(3^n n!)^3}{(3^n)^{3n}}$$

2. Consider the following series and apply the root test.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{3^n}$$

3. Determine if the following series converges absolutely, conditionally, or not at all.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{n}{n+2}.$$

4. Determine if the following series converges absolutely, conditionally, or not at all.

$$\sum_{n=5}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-2}}.$$

5. Determine if the following series converges absolutely, conditionally, or not at all.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{\sin(n)}{n^5}.$$

2. Answer Key

- 1. Converges.
- 2. Does not converge.
- 3. Does not converge.
- 4. Conditionally Converges.
- 5. Converges Absolutely.

3. Solutions

1. Consider

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{(3^{n+1}(n+1)!)^3}{(3^{(n+1)})^{3(n+1)}}}{\frac{(3^n n!)^3}{(3^n)^{3n}}} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{(3(n+1))^3}{3^{(6n+3)}} = 0.$$

So by the Ratio Test this converges.

2. Consider the following limit

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left(\frac{n}{3^n}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n^{\overline{n}}}{2} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Thus, by the root test this series converges.

3. Consider:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{n}{n+2}.$$

We note that

$$\lim n \to \infty (-1)^{n+1} \frac{n}{n+2} \neq 0.$$

Thus, the series diverges.

4. Consider:

$$\sum_{n=5}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-2}}.$$

We see that $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n-2}}$ is decreasing and

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-2}} = 0.$$

So by the alternating series test this series converges. Now consider

$$\sum_{n=5}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-2}}.$$

We note that $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-2}}$. And by the *p*-test we have that $\sum_{n=5}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$. diverges so by comparison we that $\sum_{n=5}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-2}}$ diverges. Thus,

$$\sum_{n=5}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-2}}.$$

converges conditionally.

5. Consider:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{\sin(n)}{n^5}$$

Note that $|(-1)^{n+1}\sin(n)| \leq 1$ so $\frac{|(-1)^{n+1}\sin(n)|}{n^5} \leq \frac{1}{n^5}$. And by the *p*-test we know that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^5}$ converges so by comparison we have $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{|(-1)^{n+1}\sin(n)|}{n^5}$ converges. Thus,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{\sin(n)}{n^5}$$

converges absolutely.