

Last time - rearrangement of absolutely convergent series

- comparison test

- root test:  $\{a_n\}$  (bounded) sequence  $\alpha = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n|^{1/n}$

(i) if  $\alpha < 1$ ,  $\sum a_n$  converges absolutely

(ii) if  $\alpha > 1$ ,  $\sum a_n$  diverges

(iii) if  $\alpha = 1$  no information.

Remark about (iii)  $\sum \frac{1}{n}$  diverges (we'll prove this soon),  $\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$  converges (say by the integral test)

But  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{1/n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \exp\left(\frac{1}{n} \ln\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)\right) = \exp(0) = 1$

and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right)^{1/n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{2/n}\right)^{1/2} = 1$

A Proof that  $\sum \frac{1}{n}$  diverges:  $\forall n$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{2n} \frac{1}{k} - \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} = \sum_{k=n+1}^{2n} \frac{1}{k} = \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n+n} \geq \frac{n}{2n} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} \text{ is not Cauchy.}$$

Ratio test - Suppose  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence of nonzero real numbers.

(i) if  $\exists r$  with  $0 < r < 1$  and  $K \in \mathbb{N}$  so that

$$\left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \right| < r \quad \text{for } n \geq K$$

then  $\sum x_n$  converges absolutely.

(ii) Suppose  $\nexists K$  so that  $\left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \right| \geq 1$  for  $n \geq K$

Then  $\sum x_n$  diverges

Proof (i) By induction  $|x_{k+m}| \leq |x_k| \cdot r^m$  for all  $m \geq 0$

Since  $0 < r < 1$ ,  $\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} |x_k| r^m$  converges.  $\rightarrow \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} |x_{k+m}|$  converges

(by Comparison test).

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |x_n| \text{ converges}$$

(ii) By induction,  $|x_{k+m}| \geq |x_k| > 0 \quad \forall m$ .

Hence  $\{x_n\}$  cannot converge to 0.  $\Rightarrow \sum x_n$  diverges.

Dirichlet test Suppose  $\{a_n\}, \{b_n\}$  are sequences,  $\left\{ \sum_{n=1}^N a_n \right\}_{N=1}^{\infty}$  bounded  
 $b_1 \geq b_2 \geq \dots \geq b_n \geq \dots > 0$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 0$ .

Then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n b_n$  converges.

Example  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$  converges:  $a_n = (-1)^n \quad \sum_{n=1}^N a_n = \begin{cases} -1 & N \text{ odd} \\ 0 & N \text{ even} \end{cases}$   
 $\rightarrow S_N = \sum_{n=1}^N (-1)^n$  is bounded.

$b_n = 1/n$  is decreasing, nonnegative.

Dirichlet test applies.

Note  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k}$  is an example of a conditionally convergent series.

To Proof of Dirichlet test:

Note that for any two sequences  $\{f_k\}, \{g_k\} \quad \forall n > m$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=m}^n f_k (g_{k+1} - g_k) + \sum_{k=m}^n g_{k+1} (f_{k+1} - f_k) &= \sum_{k=m}^n f_k g_{k+1} - \sum_{k=m}^n f_k g_k + \\ + \sum_{k=m}^n g_{k+1} f_{k+1} - \sum_{k=m}^n g_{k+1} f_k &= f_{m+1} g_{m+1} - f_m g_m + \\ &= f_{m+1} g_{m+1} - f_m g_m \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=m}^n f_k (g_{k+1} - g_k) = f_{n+1} g_{n+1} - f_m g_m + \sum_{k=m}^n g_{k+1} (f_{k+1} - f_k)$$

Now apply this to  $f_k = b_k, g_k = \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} a_j$ . Let  $M :=$  upper bound for  $\{ |g_k| \}_{k=1}^{\infty}$

We set

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{k=m}^n a_k b_k \right| &= \left| \sum_{k=m}^n b_k (g_{k+1} - g_k) \right| = \left| b_{n+1} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n a_j \right) - b_m \left( \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} a_j \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \sum_{k=m}^n g_{k+1} (b_{k+1} - b_k) \right| \leq M |b_{n+1}| + M |-b_m| + M \sum_{k=m}^n (b_k - b_{k+1}) \\ &= M (b_{n+1} + b_m + b_m - b_{n+1}) = 2 b_m \cdot M \xrightarrow{as \ m \rightarrow \infty} 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \sum a_k b_k$  converges by Cauchy's criterion.

$x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Definition Let  $\{a_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of real numbers, The series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x-x_0)^n$  is called a power series centered at  $x_0$ .

$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x-x_0)^n$  is a function with domain  $\{x \mid \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x-x_0)^n \text{ converges}\}$ .

Ex  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x-3)^n = \frac{1}{1-(x-3)}$  on  $\{x \mid |x-3| < 1\} = (2, 4)$

Ex  $e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  by (Corollary to) Taylor's thm.

Recall 19.1:  $f \in C^{\infty}(-a, a)$ ,  $\exists M, C$  s.t.  $|f^{(k)}(x)| < MC^k$

Then  $f(x) = \sum \frac{f^{(k)}(0)}{k!} x^k$  for all  $x \in (-a, a)$ .

Now,

$(e^x)' = e^x \Rightarrow \frac{d^k}{dx^k} e^x = e^x \quad \forall k$ . Also,  $\forall a, \forall x \in (-a, a)$

$|e^x| \leq e^a =: M$

$\Rightarrow e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^0}{k!} x^k$  on  $(-a, a)$  for any  $a$ .

ie.

$e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} x^k \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

Theorem 29.1 Given a power series  $\sum a_n (x-x_0)^n$

$\beta = \limsup |a_n|^{1/n}$  and  $R = 1/\beta$ .

(if  $\beta=0$  set  $R = +\infty$ . if  $\beta = +\infty$ , set  $R=0$ )

(i) The power series  $\sum a_n (x-x_0)^n$  converges for all  $x$  with  $|x-x_0| < R$

(ii) The power series diverges if  $|x-x_0| > R$

$R$  is called the radius of convergence of the power series.

Proof We apply root test:  $\limsup |a_n (x-x_0)^n|^{1/n} = \limsup |a_n|^{1/n} |x-x_0|$

$$= |x - x_0| \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n|^{1/n} = |x - x_0| \beta$$

Therefore  $\limsup |a_n (x - x_0)^n|^{1/n} < 1$  iff  $|x - x_0| \beta < 1$  iff  $|x - x_0| < R$ ,  
and the series converges absolutely

Similarly  $|x - x_0| > R \Leftrightarrow \limsup |a_n (x - x_0)^n|^{1/n} > 1$   
and the series diverges.

Ex  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n}$   $\limsup |a_n|^{1/n} = \limsup n^{-1/n} = 1 \Rightarrow R = 1/1 = 1$

The series converges absolutely on  $(-1, 1)$ , diverges if  $|x| > 1$

if  $x = 1$   $\sum \frac{x^n}{n} = \sum \frac{1}{n}$  diverges

if  $x = -1$ ,  $\sum \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$  converges conditionally.

Ex  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 3^{-k} (x-5)^{2k}$   $a_k = \begin{cases} 3^{-k/2} & k \text{ even} \\ 0 & k \text{ odd} \end{cases}$

$$\limsup |a_k|^{1/k} = 3^{-1/2} \Rightarrow R = \sqrt{3}$$

$\Rightarrow$  The series converges absolutely on  $(5 - \sqrt{3}, 5 + \sqrt{3})$   
diverges if  $|x - 5| \geq \sqrt{3}$

Corollary 29.2 If  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x - x_0)^n$  converges at  $y \in \mathbb{R}$

then the radius of convergence  $R$  satisfies  $|R \geq |y - x_0|$

In particular the series converges absolutely on  $(x_0 - |y - x_0|, x_0 + |y - x_0|)$

Proof If  $|z - x_0| > R$  then the series diverges at  $z$ .

Since it converges at  $y_0$ , we must have  $|y - x_0| \leq R$ .