

Exam #1Review Worksheet Part I

Math IB

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Topics covered: - Series (1) Definition of Convergence  
- Examples (2) Geometric Series  
(3) P-Series  
(4) Alternating Series  
- Tests for Convergence  
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(6) - Comparison Tests  
(7) - Ratio Test (for absolute convergence)

in Review Part II { - Power Series  
- Taylor/Maclaurin Series

(1) Series:  $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$

converges if

Ex. 1) Does  $3 - 3 + 3 - 3 + \dots$  converge?

(2) Geometric Series

general form  $a + ar + ar^2 + \dots = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ar^{k-1}$

- converges to  $\frac{a}{1-r}$  when

- diverges when

Example 2)  $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{12} + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3 \cdot 2^k}$

Example 3)  $\sum_{k=3}^{\infty} 2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k$

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Note! Can always add or take away a finite number of terms from a series without changing whether or not it converges!

Example 4  $1 + 3 + 5 + 4 + 2 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots$

Which of the following converge?

Example 5  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^{2k}}{2^{3k}}$

Example 6  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{3k}}{3^{2k}}$

## (3) P-series

general form:

converges when  
diverges for

Example 7  $1 + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{27} + \dots = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^3}$

Example 8 for what values of  $r$  does  $\sum_{k=10}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^{3r}}$  converge?

(4) Alternating series  
general form:

Example 9  $1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k}$

Example 10  $0.1 - 0.11 + 0.111 - 0.1111 + \dots$

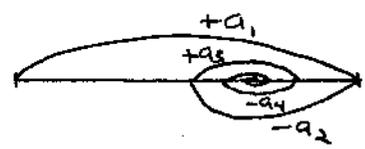
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## Alternating Series Test

Remember the visual mnemonic:

Accuracy of partial sums:

⇒ So if have a converging alternating series  $a_1 - a_2 + a_3 - \dots$  with sum  $S$ , then...



Example 11 Does  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k k}{k+1}$  converge?

Example 12 Does  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k^3 + \sqrt{k}}$  converge?

### (5) Tests for Convergence - Divergence Test

Example 13 for what values of  $r$  does  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (k+1)r^k$  converge?

Example 14 does  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{3k-5}$  converge?

Example 15 does  $\sum_{z=10}^{\infty} \frac{z^2(z+3)}{z^3-1}$  converge?

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## (6) Comparison Tests

Given two series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k$ , with  $a_k, b_k$  nonnegative and  $a_k \leq b_k$  for all  $k$ , then...

Example 16 Does  $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{11} + \frac{1}{18} + \dots = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2+2}$  converge?

Example 17 Does  $\sum_{w=1}^{\infty} \frac{w+1}{w^3}$  converge?

Don't forget you've also got the Limit Comparison Test:

Example 18  $\sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(t-3.1)^2}$  Does this converge?

## (7) Ratio Test (for Absolute Convergence)

based on same concept as geometric series  
 $1+r+r^2+\dots$  converging when  $|r| < 1$   
 diverging otherwise

Given a series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \dots$

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Example 19 Does  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k+1}{2 \cdot k!}$  converge?

Example 20 For what values of  $u$  does  $\sum_{s=1}^{\infty} \frac{\pi u^s}{s!}$  converge?

Example 21 Does  $\sum_{z=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(.8^z) z}$  converge?

# Answers to Review Session Examples

Example 1 nope, partial sums bounce between 3 and 0, so limit doesn't exist.

Example 2  $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{12} + \dots$  first term =  $\frac{1}{3}$ , ratio =  $\frac{1}{2}$  so  
sum =  $\frac{\frac{1}{3}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{2}{3}$

Example 3 first term is  $2 \cdot \frac{1}{8} = \frac{1}{4}$ , ratio  $\frac{1}{2}$   
( $k=3$  starts)  $\leftarrow$  sum =  $\frac{\frac{1}{4}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$

Example 4 =  $9 + 4 + 2 + 1 + \dots = 9 + \text{geom. series w/ first term } 4,$   
ratio  $\frac{1}{2}$ , sum =  $\frac{4}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = 8$   
sum =  $9 + 8 = 17$

Example 5 geom. series with ratio  $9/8 \Rightarrow$  diverges  
 $= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{9^k}{8^k} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{9}{8}\right)^k$

Example 6 =  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{8^k}{9^k} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{8}{9}\right)^k$  geom. series 1st term =  $8/9$ ,  
ratio =  $8/9$ ,  
sum =  $\frac{8/9}{1 - 8/9} = 8$

Example 7 converges, p-series with  $p=3$

Example 8  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^{3r}}$  is a p-series with  $p=3r$ ,  
converges if  $p=3r > 1$ ,  
or when  $r > \frac{1}{3}$   
(and diverges for  $r \leq \frac{1}{3}$ )

Example 9 Alternating harmonic series  $\Rightarrow$  converges

Example 10 does not converge, terms are increasing in absolute value

Example 11  $a_k = \frac{k}{k+1}$ ,  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_k = 1$ , fails alternating series test  
diverges also  $a_1 < a_2 < a_3 < \dots$

Example 12 converges  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k^3 + \sqrt{k}} = 0$ , and  $a_1 = \frac{1}{2} > a_2 = \frac{1}{8 + \sqrt{2}} > a_3$  etc.

## Answers to Review Examples continued

Example 13 only when  $r=0$  / otherwise  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (k+1)r^2 \neq 0$

Example 14  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k}{3k-5} = \frac{1}{3}$ , and so divergence test  $\Rightarrow$  diverges

Example 15  $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{z^2(z+3)}{z^3-1} = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{z^3+3z^2}{z^3-1} = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1+3/z}{1-1/z^3} = 1$ , series diverges

Example 16 converges, compare to  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2}$  (converges, p-series with  $p=2 > 1$ )

Example 17 converges  $= \sum_{w=1}^{\infty} \frac{1+1/w}{w^2}$  and  $\frac{1+1/w}{w^2} \leq \frac{2}{w^2}$  (converges, p-series,  $p=2 > 1$ )

Example 18 compare once again with the p-series  $\sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{t^2}$ , which converges  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{(t-3.1)^2} / \frac{1}{t^2} \right)$   
 $= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{t^2}{(t-3.1)^2} \right) = 1$ , so original series in question also converges

Example 19  $a_k = \frac{k+1}{2 \cdot k!}$   $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} \right| = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{k+1+1}{2 \cdot (k+1)!} / \frac{k+1}{2k!} \right|$   
 $= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{k+2}{k+1} \cdot \frac{1}{k+1} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow$  converges

Example 20  $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\pi \cdot u^{s+1}}{(s+1)!} / \frac{\pi \cdot u^s}{s!} \right| = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{u}{s+1} \right| = 0$  for all  $u$ , so converges for all  $u$

Example 21  $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1}{.8^{z+1} \cdot (z+1)} / \frac{1}{.8^z \cdot z} \right| = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{.8} \left( \frac{z}{z+1} \right) \right) = \frac{1}{.8} = 1.25 > 1$  diverges