

# 9.5a Alternating Series Test p.637 11-32 all

Alternating Series: series whose terms alternate signs.

Alternating Series Test: Let  $a_n > 0$

The alternating series:  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n a_n$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} a_n$  will converge if:

1)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$  and 2)  $a_{n+1} \leq a_n$  for all  $n$ .

12)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \cdot n}{2n-1}$  a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{2n-1} = \frac{1}{2} \neq 0$  diverges by  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test.

14)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\ln(n+1)}$  a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ln(n+1)} = 0 \checkmark$  b)  $\frac{1}{\ln(n+2)} < \frac{1}{\ln(n+1)}$  Since  $a_{n+1} < a_n$ , 2<sup>nd</sup> condition for convergence passes.  
Converges by Alternating Series Test (AST)

16)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \cdot n}{n^2+1}$  a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n^2+1} = 0 \checkmark$  b)  $\frac{n}{(n+1)^2+1} < \frac{n}{n^2+1}$  Since  $a_{n+1} < a_n$ , 2<sup>nd</sup> condition passes.  
Converges by AST.

18)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \cdot n^2}{n^2+5}$  a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{n^2+5} = 1 \neq 0$ ; Diverges by  $n^{\text{th}}$  Term Test.

20)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \ln(n+1)}{n+1}$  a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(n+1)}{n+1} = 0 \checkmark$  b)  $\frac{\ln(n+2)}{n+2} < \frac{\ln(n+1)}{n+1} \checkmark$   
 $\hookrightarrow$  L'Hopital's  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n+1}}{1} = 0 \checkmark$  Converges by AST

22)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \sin\left[\frac{(2n-1)\pi}{2}\right] = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} (-1)^{n+1}$  a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0 \checkmark$   
 b)  $\frac{1}{n+1} < \frac{1}{n} \checkmark$   $a_{n+1} < a_n$ ,  
Converges by AST.

24)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \cos(n\pi) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} (-1)^n$  Converges by AST.

a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0 \checkmark$

b)  $\frac{1}{n+1} < \frac{1}{n} \checkmark$   $a_{n+1} < a_n$  converges by AST

26)  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!}$  a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)!} = 0 \checkmark$   
 b)  $\frac{1}{(2[n+1]+1)!} < \frac{1}{(2n+1)!}$ , Since  $a_{n+1} < a_n$  converges by AST.  $\circ$

28)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \sqrt{n}}{\sqrt[3]{n}}$  a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt[3]{n}} = n^{1/6} = \infty$  diverges by  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test.

30)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdots (2n-1)}{1 \cdot 4 \cdot 7 \cdots (3n-2)}$   $\rightarrow 3 \cdot \left[ \frac{5}{4} \cdot \frac{7}{7} \cdot \frac{9}{10} \cdot \frac{11}{13} \cdot \frac{13}{16} \cdot \frac{15}{19} \cdots \frac{(2n-1)}{(3n-5)} \right] \cdot \frac{1}{3n-2}$   
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3 \cdot 5}{4} \cdot \frac{2n-1}{3n-5} = \frac{15}{4} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3n-2} = \boxed{0} \checkmark$   
 $a_{n+1} < a_n$ , converges by AST.

32)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2(-1)^{n+1}}{e^n + e^{-n}}$   $a_n = \frac{2}{e^n + \frac{1}{e^n}} = \frac{2}{\frac{e^{2n} + 1}{e^n}} = \frac{2e^n}{e^{2n} + 1}$   $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2e^n}{e^{2n} + 1} \rightarrow \text{L'H} \frac{2e^n}{2e^{2n}}$

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

a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2e^n}{2e^{2n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{e^n} = 0 \checkmark$   $\circ$

b)  $f'(x) = \frac{-2e^x(e^{2x} + 1)}{(e^{2x} + 1)^2} < 0$  This implies  $a_{n+1} < a_n$  Converges by AST.