## **Determining Types of Convergence Tests:**

 Always <u>Start with n<sup>th</sup> term test</u> unless the series is instantly recognizable (geometric series or p-series)

 $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n^3}$ 

2) Does it look like a Geometric Series?  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{7}\right)^n$ 

3) Does it look like a P-Series Test?

4) Does it look like Integral Test? (does it look like a u-substitution problem?)

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \left(\ln n\right)^4}$$

 $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{5n^2 - 6n + 3}{n^3 - 7n + 8}$ 

5)Does it look a good fit for Limit Comparison Test?

6) Does it look like an Alternating Series?  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\ln n}$ 

7) Does it look like a good fit for Ratio Test?(factorials and/or exponentials involved)

8) Does it look like a Root Test problem?
(entire expression is raised to the n<sup>th</sup> power)

9) Direct Comparison can be an option when LCT doesn't quite seem to be a good fit

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{10^n} \text{ or } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^{n-1}}{n2^n}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{n+1}{2n+1} \right)^n$$

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