

Key

10.3 AP Practice Problems (p. 746) - Tests for Convergence (nth term, p-series, Integral Test)

1. For what numbers p does the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^{p/3}}$ converge?

- (A) $p > 1$ (B) $|p| > 1$ (C) $p > 3$ (D) $p > \frac{1}{3}$

p-series
 $\left| \frac{p}{3} \right| > 1$
 $p > 3$

2. Which of the following series diverge?

I. $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{k-1}}{3^{k-1}}$

II. $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \cos\left(\pi + \frac{1}{k}\right)$

III. $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{10}{k}$

harmonic series

- (A) I and II only (B) I and III only
 (C) II and III only (D) I, II, and III

i) $\frac{e^k \cdot e^{-1}}{3^k \cdot 3^{-1}} \rightarrow \frac{3}{e} \left(\frac{e}{3}\right)^k$

converges $r = \frac{e}{3} < 1 \checkmark$

ii) $\cos \pi \cos\left(\frac{1}{k}\right) - \sin \pi \sin\left(\frac{1}{k}\right)$
 $= -\cos\left(\frac{1}{k}\right) - 0$
 diverges

3. For what values of p does the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^p$ converge?

- (A) $-1 < p < 1$ (B) $p < -1$
 (C) $p > 1$ (D) The series diverges.

$\sum \frac{1}{k^{-p}}$ if $-p > 1$
 $p < -1$

4. $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{5^{k-1} - 3^{k-1}}{8^{k-1}} =$

- (A) $\frac{1}{3}$ (B) $\frac{16}{15}$ (C) $\frac{49}{24}$ (D) $\frac{34}{15}$

$\frac{8}{5} \cdot \left(\frac{5}{8}\right) - \frac{8}{3} \left(\frac{3}{8}\right)$
 $\frac{8}{5} \left(\frac{5}{3}\right) - \frac{8}{3} \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)$
 $\frac{8}{3} - \frac{8}{5} = \frac{16}{15}$

$\frac{5^{k-1}}{8^{k-1}} - \frac{3^{k-1}}{8^{k-1}} = \frac{8}{5} \sum \left(\frac{5}{8}\right)^k - \frac{8}{3} \sum \left(\frac{3}{8}\right)^k$

5. Determine whether the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{k^{3/2}}$ converges or diverges. If

it converges, find bounds for the sum of the series.

* Sum of convergent

(A) Converges; $\frac{3}{2} < \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{k^{3/2}} < \frac{5}{2}$

(B) Converges; $2 < \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{k^{3/2}} < 3$

(C) Converges; $4 < \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{k^{3/2}} < 6$

(D) The series diverges.

$$\frac{1}{p-1} < \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^p} < 1 + \frac{1}{p-1}$$

$$2 \left[\frac{1}{3/2-1} < \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^{3/2}} < 1 + \frac{1}{3/2-1} \right]$$

$$4 < \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{k^{3/2}} < 6$$

6. (a) Given the infinite series $\sum_{k=3}^{\infty} \frac{\ln k}{k}$, find a function f with the

property that $f(k) = a_k$ for all positive integers $k \geq 3$.

(b) Show that f is continuous, positive, and decreasing on the interval $[3, \infty)$.

(c) Determine whether the series $\sum_{k=3}^{\infty} \frac{\ln k}{k}$ converges or diverges.

a) $f(x) = \frac{\ln x}{x}$

b) $f'(x) = \frac{1 - \ln x}{x^2}$

$f(x)$ is continuous, positive, decreasing on interval $[3, \infty)$

$$\int_3^{\infty} \frac{\ln x}{x} dx$$

$$u = \ln x \quad dx = x du$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\int \frac{u}{x} \cdot x du \rightarrow \frac{u^2}{2}$$

$$\left. \frac{(\ln x)^2}{2} \right|_3^b = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln b)^2}{2} - \frac{(\ln 3)^2}{2} = \infty$$

By Integral Test, the series also diverge.

7. (a) Show that the infinite series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+9k^2}$ converges.

(b) Find bounds for the sum of the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+9k^2}$.

a) $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+9x^2}$ is positive, continuous, decreasing $[1, \infty)$

$$\int \frac{1}{1+9x^2} dx \rightarrow \int \frac{1}{(1)^2 + (3x)^2} dx = \frac{1}{3} \arctan\left(\frac{3x}{1}\right) \Big|_1^b = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{3} \arctan(b) - \frac{1}{3} \arctan(3)$$

$$u = 3x \quad dx = \frac{du}{3}$$

$\left[\frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{3} \arctan(3) \right]$ Since the Integral converge, then series also converge.