

Math 101 - 951 Quiz #3 (July 30, 2014)

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1. (4 marks) Find the solution of the differential equation $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{x-y}$ that satisfies $y(0) = 1$. Express your final answer in the form $y = f(x)$.

Solution: We write $e^y dy = e^x dx$ ① and integrate both sides:

$$e^y = e^x + C. \textcircled{1}$$

Putting in the initial condition gives us $e = 1 + C$ and thus $C = e - 1$. ① Finally the solution can be written as

$$y = \ln(e^x + e - 1). \textcircled{1}$$

2. (4 marks) Determine if the sequence $\{a_n\}$, with $a_n = \frac{\sin \sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}}$, converges. Justify your answer. If it does, compute the limit.

Solution: Note that $-1 < \sin \sqrt{n} < 1$ for all integer n ①. Therefore

$$\frac{-1}{\sqrt{n}} < \frac{\sin \sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \textcircled{1}.$$

Both $\frac{-1}{\sqrt{n}}$ and $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$ converge to 0 ①. By the Squeeze Theorem, our sequence $\{a_n\}$ converges to 0 as well ①.

Alternatively, one can consider the function $f(x) = \frac{\sin \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x}}$ ①, and note that as $x \rightarrow \infty$, the numerator is bounded between -1 and 1 , while the denominator tends to ∞ ①. Thus, $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0$ ①. By Theorem 3 of §11.1, we know that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ ①.

3. (2 marks) Prove that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin^2 \left(\frac{n\pi}{2n+1} \right)$ diverges.

Solution: Theorem 6 of §11.2 says that if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$. In this case,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sin^2 \left(\frac{n\pi}{2n+1} \right) = \sin^2(\pi/2) = 1 \neq 0. \textcircled{1}$$

Using the theorem, the series must diverge ①. [Note that we are using the “converse-negative” of Theorem 6. This has been written out as Theorem 7 on p. 709 of the textbook. Full credit for citing Theorem 7 directly.]