

# Announcement:

Ch 9.3 and 9.4 are being cut  
from this year's syllabus  
due to time constraints

Recall from Last Time:

- Divergence Test

- Integral Test

- p-test

- Geometric Series

$$\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$$\sum \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$$

- Direct Comparison Test

- Limit Comparison Test

- Ratio Test

positive  
terms

Tests for series convergence/divergence

particular  
series

# Absolute Convergence

$\{a_n\}$  series

consider:  $\{|a_n|\}$

Theorem: If  $\sum |a_n|$  converges, then  
 $\sum a_n$  converges as well

In this case, we say  $\sum a_n$  "converges absolutely"  
Even if we take out negatives, still converges.

(ex)  $\sum \frac{\cos n}{n^2}$  Conv or Div?

Some terms +, some -

Consider related series:  $\sum \frac{|\cos n|}{n^2}$

No negative terms—  
can use other tests

$$|\cos n| \leq 1, \text{ so}$$

$$\frac{|\cos n|}{n^2} \leq \frac{1}{n^2}$$

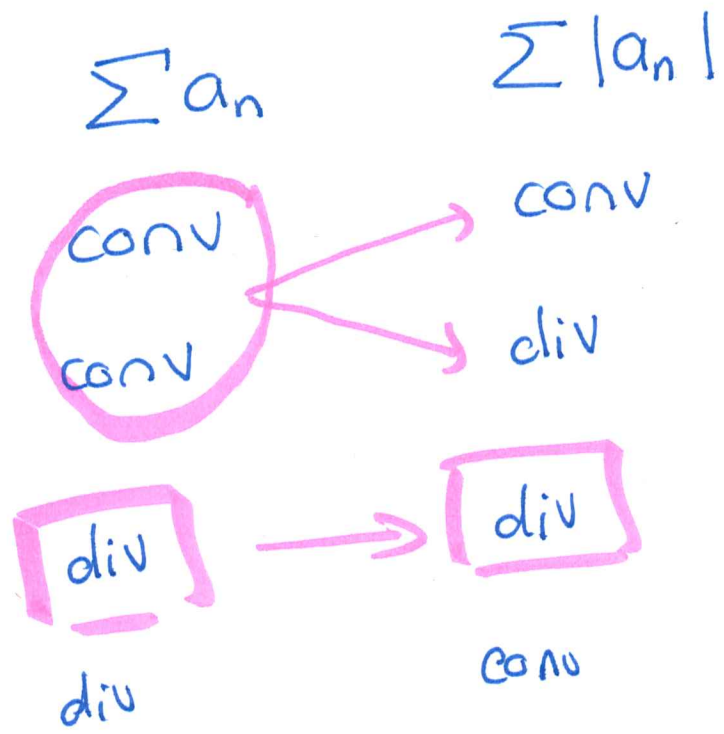
By p-test

$$\sum \frac{1}{n^2} \text{ converges}$$

By comparison test,  $\leftarrow$  need series to have only nonnegative terms

$$\sum \frac{|\cos n|}{n^2} \text{ converges as well}$$

Theorem:  $\sum \frac{\cos n}{n^2}$  converges, too.



$\sum a_n$  is called:

"absolutely conv"

"conditionally conv"  
(needs its negatives to converge)

"divergent"

NEVER HAPPENS

# Telescoping Series

Terms cancel nicely

$$\textcircled{\text{ex}} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{k+2} - \frac{1}{k+3} \right) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{S_N}_{\text{partial sums}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$k=1 \quad \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$k=2 \quad + \quad \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{5}$$

$$k=3 \quad + \quad \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{6}$$

$$k=4 \quad + \quad \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{7}$$

$$S_1 = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$S_2 = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{5}$$

$$S_3 = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{6}$$

$$S_4 = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{7}$$

$$S_N = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{N+3}$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} S_N = \frac{1}{3}$$

(ex)

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

Remember:

$$\ln\left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right) = \ln(n+1) - \ln n$$

n=1

~~ln 2 - ln 1~~

n=2

~~ln 3 - ln 2~~

n=3

~~ln 4 - ln 3~~

n=4

~~ln 5 - ln 4~~

⋮

$S_1 = \ln 2$

$S_2 = \ln 3$

$S_3 = \ln 4$

$S_4 = \ln 5$

⋮

$S_N = \ln(N+1)$

$\sum \ln\left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \ln(N+1) = \infty$

Divergent series

(ex)

Evaluate

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

$n=1$

$\frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3}$

$n=2$

~~$\frac{2}{3} - \frac{3}{4}$~~

$n=3$

~~$\frac{3}{4} - \frac{4}{5}$~~

$n=4$

~~$\frac{4}{5} - \frac{5}{6}$~~

$\frac{5}{6}$

$S_1 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3}$

$S_2 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{4}$

$S_3 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{4}{5}$

$S_4 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{5}{6}$

$S_N = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{N+1}{N+2}$