

Math 133 — Quiz 8B

(1) (4 points) Does the series $S = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{-3}{2^n}$ converge or diverge? Give a reason. If it converges, find its sum.

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &= -3 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n && \text{geometric series with } r = \frac{1}{2} < 1 \Rightarrow \text{converges to} \\
 &= -3 \frac{A}{1-r} && (+1) \\
 &= -3 \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}} = -3 \cdot 2 = \underline{-6} && (+1)
 \end{aligned}$$

(2) (4 points) Use the Integral Test to determine whether the series $S = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\ln n}{n}$ converges or diverges. Show your reasoning.

The function $f(x) = \frac{\ln x}{x}$ is positive for $x > 0$, is decreasing (since $f'(x) = \frac{1}{x} \cdot x - \ln x = \frac{1 - \ln x}{x^2} < 0$ for $x > e$) and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx &= \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\ln x}{x} dx && \left[\begin{array}{l} u = \ln x \quad \text{when } x=1, u=0 \\ du = \frac{dx}{x} \quad \text{when } x \rightarrow \infty, u \rightarrow \infty \end{array} \right] \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} u du \\
 &= \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u^2}{2} \Big|_0^L = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} L^2 \text{ diverges } (+1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow S$ diverges by the Integral Test. (+1)

(3) (4 points) Use the CT or LCT to determine whether the series $S = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}}{n(n+5)}$ converges or diverges. Show your reasoning.

Compare $a_n = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{n(n+5)}$ with $b_n = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{n^2} = \frac{1}{n^{3/2}}$. (+1)

Method 1 Since $n+5 > n$, $a_n = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{n(n+5)} < \frac{\sqrt{n}}{n^2} = b_n$. Also $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n = \sum \frac{1}{n^{3/2}}$ converges (p-series). $\Rightarrow S$ converges by the CT. (+1)

Method 2 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}}{n(n+5)} \cdot \frac{n^2}{\sqrt{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+5} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1+5/n} = 1$. (+1)
 Also, $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n = \sum \frac{1}{n^{3/2}}$ converges (p-series). (+1)
 $\Rightarrow S$ converges by the LCT (+1)