

midterm SOLUTIONS

1. a) Limit comparison test with $\sum \frac{1}{n^3}$ (p -series with $p > 1 \Rightarrow$ convergent)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n^2 + 2n + 3}{3n^5 + 2n + 1}}{\frac{1}{n^3}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^5 + 2n^4 + 3n^3}{3n^5 + 2n + 1} = \frac{1}{3}$$

and series have the same behavior $\Rightarrow$ converges.

b) Cauchy's condensation test:

$$\sum_{k=2}^{+\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\ln n}\right)^k \text{ converges if and only if } \sum_{n=2}^{+\infty} 2^n \left(\frac{1}{\ln 2^n}\right)^k \text{ converges}$$

but,

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

and the main term of this series does not tend to zero ($\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^n}{n^k} = +\infty$).

Thus, the original series diverges.

c) Alternating series test: Converges $\Leftrightarrow$ main term tends to zero. And,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{n^2 + \ln n} = 1$$

$\Rightarrow$ series diverges.

d) This is a geometric series with $|r| = \frac{1}{2} < 1 \Rightarrow$ convergent.

2. a) Root test or ratio test or geometric series: $\left| \frac{-x}{2} \right| < 1 \Leftrightarrow |x| < 2 \Rightarrow$ radius = 2, centered at $x=0$

On the boundary: $x=-2$ $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} 1$ divergent, $x=2$ $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^n$ divergent

Interval of convergence is $(-2, 2)$.

b) Ratio test: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| (x-5) \cdot \frac{n \cdot 2^n}{(n+1) 2^{n+1}} \right| \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} |x-5| \Rightarrow$ radius = 2, centered at $x=5$.

On the boundary: $x=3$ $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$ convergent (seen in class), $x=7$ $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ divergent (seen in class)

Interval of convergence is $[3, 7)$

c) Root test: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{n|x+\pi|^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x+\pi| \cdot n \rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = -\pi \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \text{radius} = 0, \text{ centered at } x = -\pi.$

Interval of convergence is $\{-\pi\}$.

d) Ratio test: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x| \cdot \frac{n \ln(n)}{n+1 \ln(n+1)} \rightarrow |x| \Rightarrow \text{radius} = 1, \text{ centered at } x = 0$

On the boundary: $x = -1 \sum \frac{1}{n \ln n}$ divergent (seen in class), $x = 1 \sum \frac{(-1)^n}{n \ln n}$ convergent (alt series test).

Interval of convergence is $[-1, 1]$.

3.a) Direct computation:

$f(x) = \tan x$ $f'(x) = \sec^2 x$ $f''(x) = 2 \sec^2 x \tan x$ $f'''(x) = 2 \sec^4 x + 4 \sec^2 x \tan^2 x$	$\left. \begin{array}{c} \text{evaluate} \\ \text{at} \\ x = \pi/4 \\ \rightarrow \end{array} \right\}$	$f(\pi/4) = 1$ $f'(\pi/4) = 2$ $f''(\pi/4) = 4$ $f'''(\pi/4) = 16$
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Taylor poly is

$$T_3(x) = 1 + 2(x - \pi/4) + \frac{4}{2!}(x - \pi/4)^2 + \frac{16}{3!}(x - \pi/4)^3$$

b) Direct computation:

$f(x) = x^2 e^x$ $f'(x) = e^x(2x + x^2)$ $f''(x) = e^x(2 + 4x + x^2)$ $f'''(x) = e^x(6 + 6x + x^2)$ $f^{(4)}(x) = e^x(12 + 8x + x^2)$	$\left. \begin{array}{c} \text{evaluate} \\ \text{at } x=1 \\ \rightarrow \end{array} \right\}$	$f(1) = e$ $f'(1) = 3e$ $f''(1) = 7e$ $f'''(1) = 13e$ $f^{(4)}(1) = 21e$
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Taylor poly is

$$T_4(x) = e + 3e(x-1) + \frac{7e}{2!}(x-1)^2 + \frac{13e}{3!}(x-1)^3 + \frac{21e}{4!}(x-1)^4$$

4. Using partial fractions

$$\frac{1}{n(n+k)} = \frac{A}{n} + \frac{B}{n+k} \Rightarrow 1 = A(n+k) + Bn \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{k}, B = -\frac{1}{k}$$

For $N \geq k$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_N &= \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n(n+k)} = \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{k} \cdot \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{k} \cdot \frac{1}{n+k} = \frac{1}{k} \left(\sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n} - \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n+k} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{k} \left(\sum_{n=1}^k \frac{1}{n} + \sum_{n=k+1}^N \frac{1}{n} - \sum_{n=1}^{N-k} \frac{1}{n+k} - \sum_{n=N-k}^N \frac{1}{n+k} \right) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{split the two} \\ \text{sums} \end{array} \\
 &= \frac{1}{k} \left(h_k + \sum_{n=k+1}^N \frac{1}{n} - \sum_{n=k+1}^N \frac{1}{n} - \sum_{n=N}^{N+k} \frac{1}{n} \right) \quad \text{reindex} \\
 &= \frac{1}{k} h_k - \sum_{n=N}^{N+k} \frac{1}{n} \\
 &\quad \rightarrow = \frac{1}{N} + \frac{1}{N+1} + \dots + \frac{1}{N+k} \text{ is a sum of } (k+1) \text{ terms, and} \\
 &\quad \text{all of the are } \leq \frac{1}{N}
 \end{aligned}$$

If we consider the sequence $x_N = \sum_{n=N}^{N+k} \frac{1}{n}$, we have $0 \leq x_N \leq (k+1) \cdot \frac{1}{N}$ and this implies $x_N \rightarrow 0$.

Thus, $S_N = \frac{1}{k} h_k - x_N \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k} h_k$ as requested.

5. Direct computation:

$$\vec{r}'(t) = (-a \sin t, b \cos t, 0) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \|\vec{r}'(t)\| = \sqrt{a^2 \sin^2 t + b^2 \cos^2 t}$$

$$\vec{r}''(t) = (-a \cos t, -b \sin t, 0)$$

$$\vec{r}'(t) \times \vec{r}''(t) = (0, 0, ab)$$

$$\kappa(t) = \frac{\|\vec{r}'(t) \times \vec{r}''(t)\|}{\|\vec{r}'(t)\|^3} = \frac{ab}{(a^2 \sin^2 t + b^2 \cos^2 t)^{3/2}}$$

Evaluate:

$$\kappa(0) = a/b^2 \quad \kappa(\pi/2) = b/a^2 \quad \kappa(\pi) = a/b^2 \quad \kappa(3\pi/2) = b/a^2.$$

6. a) Equation of a cone : $x^2 + y^2 = z^2$ ($a=b=c=1$ here)

$$\underbrace{(e^{-2t} \cos t)^2}_{r_x(t)} + \underbrace{(e^{-2t} \sin t)^2}_{r_y(t)} = e^{-4t} (\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t) = \underbrace{(e^{-2t})^2}_{r_z(t)}$$

b) Compute:

$$\vec{r}'(t) = e^{-2t} (-2\cos(t) - \sin(t), \cos(t) - 2\sin(t), -2)$$

$$\|\vec{r}'(t)\| = 3e^{-2t}$$

$$s(t) = \int_0^t 3e^{-2\tau} d\tau = \left(-\frac{3}{2}e^{-2\tau}\right) \Big|_{\tau=0}^t = \frac{3}{2}(1 - e^{-2t})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{3}s = 1 - e^{-2t} \Rightarrow e^{-2t} = 1 - \frac{2}{3}s \Rightarrow t = -\frac{1}{2} \ln\left(1 - \frac{2}{3}s\right)$$

Notice that here, $s \in [0, \frac{3}{2})$.

Arc-length param is

$$\vec{r}(s) = \left(1 - \frac{2}{3}s\right) \cdot \left(\cos\left(-\frac{1}{2} \ln\left(1 - \frac{2}{3}s\right)\right), \sin\left(-\frac{1}{2} \ln\left(1 - \frac{2}{3}s\right)\right), 1\right)$$

c) Direct computation:

$$\vec{r}''(t) = e^{-2t} (3\cos(t) + 4\sin(t), -4\cos(t) + 3\sin(t), 4)$$

$$\vec{r}''(t) \times \vec{r}'(t) = e^{-4t} (4\cos(t) + 2\sin(t), 4\sin(t) - 2\cos(t), -5)$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\vec{r}''(t) \times \vec{r}'(t)\| = 3\sqrt{5} e^{-4t}$$

$$\text{and } \|\vec{r}'(t)\| = 3e^{-2t}$$

$$\kappa(t) = \frac{\|\vec{r}''(t) \times \vec{r}'(t)\|}{\|\vec{r}'(t)\|^3} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{9} e^{-2t}$$

d) Again, direct computation:

$$\vec{r}'''(t) = e^{-2t} (-2\cos(t) - 11\sin(t), 11\cos(t) - 2\sin(t), -8)$$

$$(\vec{r}''(t) \times \vec{r}'(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'''(t) = 10 e^{-6t}$$

$$\tau(t) = \frac{(\vec{r}''(t) \times \vec{r}'(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'''(t)}{\|\vec{r}''(t) \times \vec{r}'(t)\|^2} = \frac{2}{9} e^{2t}$$