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Nth term test for divergence examples

In our previous lesson, Introduction to Sequences and Series, we learned important concepts such as convergence, divergence, and sequence and series. We also learned how: Generate sequence Simplify factorials Determine convergence for infinite sequence We also learned our important acronym and Mnemonic device for tests of nine infinite series for determining convergence/divergence for any infinite series. In this lecture we will explore the first of 9 tests of the infinite series – Nth Term Test, also called Divergence Test. Divergence test This test, according to Wikipedia, is one of the easiest tests to administer; therefore, this is the first test we check when trying to determine whether a series is converging or diverging. What is important to point out is that there is a n-term test for sequences and n-term test for series. The steps are identical, but the outcomes are different! Therefore, it is necessary to ensure that you are aware of whether you are dealing with a sequence or series, as your conclusion on convergence or divergence depends on it. But don't worry; it is easy to get rid of and easy to apply! In fact, this is probably everyone's favorite test because it's so easy to use. Nth Term Test Video Nth Term Test – 3 Examples Nth Term Test Overview Example 1 Example 2 Example 3 Get more examples and more than 150 HD subscription videos Monthly, Semiannual and Annual Plans Available Get my subscription Now not ready to subscribe? 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Many authors do not name this test or give it a shorter name. [2] When testing if the series converges or diverges, this test is often first checked for its ease of use. Use Unlike stronger convergence tests, the term test cannot prove itself that the series converges. In particular, the conversation with the test is not true; instead all that can be said is: If lim n → ∞ a n = 0 , {\displaystyle \lim _{n\to \infty }a_{n}=0.} then ∑ n = 1 ∞ a n {\displaystyle \sum _{n=1}^{\infty }a_{n}} In other words, If sheet n → ∞ a n = 0 , {\displaystyle \lim _{n\to \infty }a_{n}=0.} the test is inconclusive. The harmonic series is a classic example of a divergent series whose terms are limited to zero. [3] General p-series class, ∑ n = 1 ∞ 1 n p , {\displaystyle \sum _{n=1}^{\infty }{\frac {1}{n^{p}}},} is an example of possible test results: If p ≤ 0, then the term test identifies the series as divergent. If 0 < p ≤ 1, then the term test is inconclusive, but the series is different from an integral convergence test. If 1 < p, then the term test is inconclusive, but the series is convergent, again by an integral convergence test. Test evidence is usually proven in counterpositive form: If ∑ n = 1 ∞ n {\displaystyle \sum _{n=1}^{\infty }a_{n}} convegs, then sheet n → ∞ a n = 0. {\displaystyle \lim _{n\to \infty }a_{n}=0.} Limit manipulation If sn are partial sums of the series, then the assumption that the series convegies means that lim n → ∞ s n = L {\displaystyle \lim _{n\to \infty }s_{n}=L} for some counts. Then[4] lim n → ∞ a n = lim n → ∞ (s n − s n − 1) = lim n → ∞ with n − lim n → ∞ s n − 1 = L − L = 0. {\displaystyle \lim _{n\to \infty }a_{n}=\lim _{n\to \infty }(s_{n}-s_{n-1})=\lim _{n\to \infty }s_{n}-\lim _{n\to \infty }s_{n-1}=L-L=0.} Cauchy criterion The assumption that the series convegages means that it passes the Cauchy convergence test: for every ε > 0 {\displaystyle \varepsilon >0} there is a number N such that | a n + 1 + a n + 2 + ... + a n + p | < ε {\displaystyle |a_{n+1}+a_{n+2}+\ldots +a_{n+p}|<\varepsilon } holds for all n > N and p ≥ 1. Setting p = 1 recovers statement definition[5] sheet n → ∞ n = 0. {\displaystyle \lim _{n\to \infty }a_{n}=0.} Scope The simplest version of the concept of the test applies an infinite set of actual numbers. These two pieces of evidence, citing the Cauchy criterion or linearity of the restriction, also operate in any other standardised vector space[6] (or any (additively written) Abelian group). Notes ^ Kaczor p.336 ^ For example, Rudin (p. 60) specifies only a counterpositive form and does not name it. Brabenec (p. 156) calls it only the nth term test. Stewart (p. 709) calls it the Divergence Test. ^ Rudin p.60 ^ Brabenec p. 156; Stewart p.709 ^ Rudin (pp.59-60) uses this evidential idea, starting with a different statement on the Cauchy criterion. ^ Hansen p.55; Șuhubi p.375 Reference Brabenec, Robert (2005). Resources to study actual analysis. Maa. ISBN 0883857375. Hansen, Vagn Lundsgaard (2006). Functional analysis: Entering Hilbert Space. World science. ISBN 9812565639. Kaczor, Wiesława and Maria Nowak (2003). Problems in mathematical analysis. American Mathematical Society. ISBN 0821820508. Rudin, Walter (1976) [1953]. Principles of mathematical analysis (3e ed). McGraw-Hill. ISBN 0-07-054235-X. Stewart, James (1999). Calculation: Early Transcendentals (4e ed). Cole. ISBN 0-534-36298-2. Șuhubi, Erdoğan S. (2003). Functional analysis. Springer. ISBN 14020161666. 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