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M-203 (Differential and Integral Calculus)

1st MidTerm Exam. (1st sem. 1447) (2025/2026),

Time: 90 Minutes

Max. Marks: 25.

Note: All questions carry equal marks.

Q1. Determine whether the sequence $\left\{ \left(\frac{n+2}{n} \right)^n \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges or diverges, and if it converges find its limit.

Q2. Find the sum of the series:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[(-1)^n \left(\frac{2^{2n+1}}{5^n} \right) \right] + \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{n(4n+8)} \right].$$

Q3. Determine whether the following series is absolutely convergent, conditionally convergent, or divergent: $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{n\sqrt{\ln(n)}}.$

Q4. Find the interval of convergence and the radius of convergence of the power series: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x+10)^n}{n2^n}.$

Q5. Find the power series representation of the function $f(x) = \frac{-x}{x^3 - 8}$ and then use the first three non-zero terms to approximate the integral $\int_0^1 \frac{-x^{\frac{1}{3}}}{x - 8} dx.$

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Solutions to the Questions.

Q #1) Determine whether the sequence $\left\{\left(\frac{n+2}{n}\right)^n\right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges or diverges, and if it converges, find its limit. [Marks: 5]

Soln $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n+2}{n}\right)^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{2}{n}\right)^n : 1^{\infty} \text{ form.}$

Let $\lim y = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{2}{n}\right)^n : 1^{\infty}$ (1)

$\lim \ln y = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \ln\left(1 + \frac{2}{n}\right) : \infty \cdot 0 \text{ form.}$ (1)

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln\left(1 + \frac{2}{n}\right)}{\frac{1}{n}} : \frac{0}{0} \text{ form}$ (1)

Apply L'Hopital rule: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{1+\frac{2}{n}} \left(-\frac{2}{n^2}\right)}{\frac{-1}{n^2}} = 2.$

$\therefore \lim y = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n+2}{n}\right)^n = e^2, \text{ cong.}$ (1)

Q #2). Find the sum of the Series: $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[(-1)^n \frac{2^{n+1}}{5^n}\right] + \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{n(4n+1)}\right]$ [Marks: 5] S_1 S_2

$S_1 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{2^{n+1}}{5^n} = 2 \left[\frac{1}{1+\frac{4}{5}} \right] = \frac{10}{9}$ (2)

$$S_2 = \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{n(4n+8)} \right]$$

$$\sum \frac{1}{n(4n+8)} = \sum \frac{1}{4n(n+2)} ; \quad \frac{1}{n(n+2)} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right)$$

$$S_2 = \frac{1}{8} \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right) = \frac{1}{8} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{8} \left[\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right] \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \right) + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{7}{12} \right) = \frac{7}{96} \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore S_1 + S_2 = \frac{10}{9} + \frac{7}{96} = \frac{341}{288} \quad (1)$$

Q#3) Determine whether the following series is abs. con.; conditionally con. or divergent: $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{n \sqrt{\ln n}}$

Soln. $a_n = \frac{1}{n \sqrt{\ln n}} > 0$ and $\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \frac{n \sqrt{\ln n}}{(n+1) \sqrt{\ln(n+1)}} < 1$ [Marks: 5]

and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$. Hence by AST, $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{n \sqrt{\ln n}}$ is con. (2)

But $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left| (-1)^n \frac{1}{n \sqrt{\ln n}} \right| = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \sqrt{\ln n}}$

By Integral test: $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_2^t \frac{1}{x \sqrt{\ln x}} dx$

Also, from the Put $\ln(x) = u$ & $\frac{1}{x} dx = du$

find that $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n (\ln n)^k}$

is con. if $k > 1$ and

div. if $k < 1$.

Since

Hence $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_2^t \frac{1}{x \sqrt{\ln x}} dx$ is div. (2)

Hence it is not absolutely con. Hence the series is conditionally con. (1)

Q #4) Find the Interval of convergence and the radius of convergence of the power series: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x+10)^n}{n 2^n}$ [Marks: 5]

Soln. Applying Absolute Ratio test, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(x+10)^{n+1}}{(n+1)2^{n+1}} \times \frac{n 2^n}{(x+10)^n} \right|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} |x+10|$$

For abs. cong. $\frac{1}{2} |x+10| < 1 \Rightarrow |x+10| < 2$

$$\Rightarrow -2 < x+10 < 2 \Rightarrow -12 < x < -8$$

At $x = -12$, we have $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^n}{n 2^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{n}$ which

is convergent by AST. (1)

At $x = -8$, we have $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n 2^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ which

is a divergent harmonic series. (1)

Hence Interval of cong: $[-12, -8]$

Radius of cong: $-8 - \frac{(-12)}{2} = \underline{\underline{2}}$ (1)

Q #5) Find the power series representation of the function $f(x) = \frac{-x}{x^3-8}$ and then use the first three non-zero terms to approximate $\int_0^1 \frac{x^{\frac{1}{3}}}{x-8} dx$. [Marks: 5]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Soln. } f(x) &= \frac{-x}{x^3-8} = \frac{x}{8-x^3} = \frac{x}{8} \cdot \frac{1}{1-\frac{x^3}{8}} = \frac{x}{8} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x^3}{8}\right)^n \\ &= \frac{x}{8} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{3n}}{8^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{3n+1}}{8^{n+1}} \\ &\approx \frac{x}{8} + \frac{x^4}{8^2} + \frac{x^7}{8^3} + \dots \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } \frac{-x^{\frac{1}{3}}}{(x-8)} \approx \frac{x^{\frac{1}{3}}}{x-8} \approx \frac{x^{\frac{1}{3}}}{8} + \frac{x^{\frac{4}{3}}}{64} + \frac{x^{\frac{7}{3}}}{512} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \int_0^1 \frac{-x^{\frac{1}{3}}}{x-8} dx &= \int_0^1 \left(\frac{x^{\frac{1}{3}}}{8} + \frac{x^{\frac{4}{3}}}{64} + \frac{x^{\frac{7}{3}}}{512} \right) dx \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{8} \times \frac{3}{4} x^{\frac{4}{3}} + \frac{1}{64} \times \frac{3}{7} x^{\frac{7}{3}} + \frac{3}{10} \times \frac{1}{512} x^{\frac{10}{3}} \right]_0^1 \\ &\approx \frac{3}{32} + \frac{3}{448} + \frac{3}{5120} \approx \underline{\underline{0.10103}} \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$