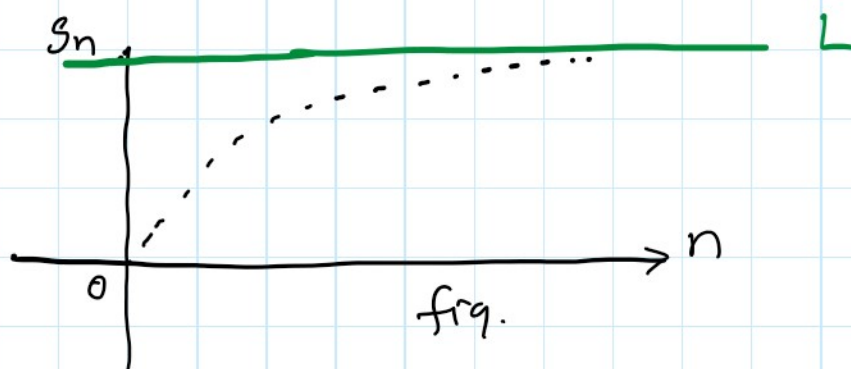


Comparison test for convergence:-



Definition:- A sequence $\{a_n\}$ is monotonic if its terms are non-decreasing,

$$\text{i.e. } a_1 \leq a_2 \leq a_3 \leq \dots \leq a_n \dots$$

or if its terms are non-increasing

$$\text{i.e. } a_1 \geq a_2 \geq a_3 \geq \dots \geq a_n \dots$$

Thm:- If a sequence is both bounded and monotonic then it converges.

fig 1:- monotonic increasing sequence.
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Thm: $\sum a_n$ & $\sum b_n$ $0 \leq a_n \leq b_n$
for all n . Then.

Contrapositive.

- 1) If $\sum b_n$ converges then $\sum a_n$ converges
2) If $\sum a_n$ diverges then $\sum b_n$ diverges.

Limitation
if $\sum b_n$ diverges we can not say about $\sum a_n$
if $\sum a_n$ converges then also no result for $\sum b_n$.

Thm:

$$\frac{1}{n^p} \geq \frac{1}{n} \quad \text{for } 0 < p \leq 1$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{n^p}$$

$$a_n \leq b_n$$

2) $\frac{1}{n}$ diverges $\therefore \frac{1}{n^p}$ diverges.

Ex: Converges/diverges.

a) $\sum \frac{\sin^2 n}{3^n}$

$$0 \leq \sin^2 n \leq 1.$$

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$$\sqrt[3]{3^n} \quad 0 \leq \frac{\sin^2 n}{3^n} \leq \frac{1}{3^n} \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{\sin^2 n}{3^n}} \right\} \text{ sequence.}$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{3^n} \quad \text{--- GP.} \quad \left(r = \frac{1}{3} < 1 \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{3^n} \text{ converges} \Rightarrow \frac{\sin^2 n}{3^n} \text{ also converges.}$$

$$b) \quad \sum \frac{n}{3n+1}$$

$$\frac{1}{n} < \frac{n}{3n+1} \quad n > 4$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \geq \frac{n}{3n+1}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3} = \text{divergent.}$$

$$\frac{n}{3n+1} \leq \frac{1}{3}$$

$$n=1 \quad \frac{1}{3} > \frac{1}{4}$$

$$n=2 \quad \frac{1}{3} > \frac{2}{7}$$

$$n=10 \quad \frac{1}{3} > \frac{10}{31}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} > \frac{1}{3.1}$$

$$n=5, \quad \frac{1}{5} < \frac{5}{16}$$

$$\frac{1}{5} < \frac{1}{3.2}$$

$$n=10, \quad \frac{1}{10} < \frac{1}{3.1}$$

$$n=1000, \quad \frac{1}{3} > \frac{1}{3.001}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{n} \quad (\text{divergent series})$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{n} < \frac{n}{3n+1} = b_n$$

$$\therefore b_n = \frac{n}{3n+1} \text{ is also divergent.}$$

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$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k + 3} \text{ converges.}$$

$$\frac{1}{2^k + 3} < \left(\frac{1}{2^k} \right)$$

$\therefore \downarrow$ $\therefore \downarrow$
converges converges

Limit comparison test for convergence:-

Thm:- Let $a_n > 0$ & $b_n > 0$. for all $n \geq n$

If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = c > 0$ (positive real no)

then both $\sum a_n$ and $\sum b_n$ converges or both diverges.

General Harmonic series: $a_n = \frac{1}{a n + b}$

$$\sum \frac{1}{a n + b}$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{n} \text{ (Harmonic series)}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{a n + b} \right)}{\left(\frac{1}{n} \right)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{a n + b} = \frac{1}{a} > 0$$

$\therefore \frac{1}{n}$ is diverges $\therefore \frac{1}{a_n + b}$ also diverges.

Ex Show that the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2^k - 1} \right)$ is convergent.

Let's

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{2^k - 1}}{\left(\frac{1}{2^k} \right)} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^k}{2^k - 1}$$
$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^k / 2^k}{\frac{2^k}{2^k} - \frac{1}{2^k}} =$$

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2^k} \right)} = 1 > 0$$

$\frac{1}{2^k}$ is G.S with ratio $\frac{1}{2} < 1$
 \Rightarrow converges.

$\therefore \frac{1}{2^k - 1} \Rightarrow$ converges.

Ex By LCT.

a) $\sum \frac{n}{n^2 + 1}$

Idea of selecting p-series test ??

$$\sum \frac{n}{n^2} = \sum \frac{1}{n} \leftarrow \text{reference series.}$$

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

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n}{n^2+1}}{\frac{1}{n}} = 1 > 0$$

$\frac{1}{n} \rightarrow$ divergent

$\frac{n}{n^2+1} \rightarrow$ divergent.

Ex:
$$\sum \frac{2\sqrt{n}-3}{3n^2+4\sqrt{n}}$$

Compare to $\sum \frac{\sqrt{n}}{n^2} = \sum \frac{1}{n^{3/2}}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{2\sqrt{n}-3}{3n^2+4\sqrt{n}}}{\frac{1}{n^{3/2}}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2\sqrt{n}-3)n^{3/2}}{3n^2+4\sqrt{n}} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$\frac{1}{n^{3/2}} \rightarrow$ converges. $p > 1$.

Given series \rightarrow converges by LCT

Ratio Test for convergence:-

Now we don't require reference series.

Ratio test: let $a_n > 0$ for $n \geq 1$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} < 1$. Then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges

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 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = L$. Then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges

if $L < 1$,

and diverges if $L > 1$.

when $L = 1$. (Test is inconclusive)