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MAC 2312 WRITTEN HOMEWORK #9

Due Thursday March 21st, in Canvas

Question 1. For each of the following, determine (with reasons) whether the series converges or diverges.

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{83}{n}$

(b) $\sum_{n=17}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$

(c) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{83}{n^2}$

(d) $\sum_{n=17}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$

(a) Constant multiple of the harmonic series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$, which DIVERGES.
The given series also DIVERGES.

(b) The harmonic series without its first sixteen terms. DIVERGES.

(c) Constant multiple of $\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$, which is a p-series with $p=2 > 1$.
The series $\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$ converges, so the given series also CONVERGES.

(d) This is the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ without its first sixteen terms.

CONVERGES

Question 2. For each of the following, determine (with reasons) whether the series converges or diverges.

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3n+2}{4n+3}$

(b) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n + n}{3^n}$

(c) $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(\ln n)^2}$

(d) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n + \ln n}$

(a) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n+2}{4n+3} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{n}}{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3 + \frac{2}{n}}{4 + \frac{3}{n}} = \frac{3+0}{4+0} = \frac{3}{4} \neq 0$

n^{th} term does NOT approach 0, so the series must DIVERGE.

(b) Could use a comparison test. For example, $n < 2^n$.

$\sum \frac{2^n + n}{3^n} < \sum \frac{2^n + 2^n}{3^n} = \sum \frac{2 \cdot 2^n}{3^n}$ geometric with $r = \frac{2}{3}$
 $-1 < r < 1 \Rightarrow$ CONVERGES

Given series is less than a convergent series, so it CONVERGES

(c) Integral test. $\int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{x(\ln x)^2} dx$ $u = \ln x \Rightarrow du = \frac{1}{x} dx$

$\int_{x=2}^{x=M} \frac{1}{(\ln x)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{x} dx = \int_{u=\ln 2}^{u=\ln M} \frac{1}{u^2} du = \int_{\ln 2}^{\ln M} u^{-2} du = \left[\frac{u^{-1}}{-1} \right]_{\ln 2}^{\ln M}$

$= \left[-\frac{1}{u} \right]_{\ln 2}^{\ln M} = \left[\frac{1}{u} \right]_{\ln M}^{\ln 2} = \frac{1}{\ln 2} - \frac{1}{\ln M}$

$\int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{x(\ln x)^2} dx = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{\ln 2} - \frac{1}{\ln M} \right) = \frac{1}{\ln 2} - 0$ CONVERGES
 So series converges by integral test

(d) Could use a comparison test. For example, $\ln n < n$.

$$\Rightarrow n + \ln n < 2n \Rightarrow \frac{1}{n + \ln n} > \frac{1}{2n}$$

$$\sum \frac{1}{n + \ln n} > \sum \frac{1}{2n} = \sum \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{constant multiple} \\ \text{of harmonic series} \\ \text{DIVERGES} \end{array}$$

Given series is greater than a divergent series, so it DIVERGES.