

Exam 3 Solutions

1. (a) We slice parallel to the bottom of the pool. Note that for such a cross-section, we have

$$\text{area} \left(\begin{array}{c} 30 \text{ ft} \\ \hline 15 \text{ ft} & 18 \text{ ft} \end{array} \right) = \text{area} \left(\begin{array}{c} 30 \text{ ft} \\ \hline 15 \text{ ft} \end{array} \right) - \text{area} \left(\begin{array}{c} 12 \text{ ft} \\ \hline 12 \text{ ft} \end{array} \right).$$

So the volume of a slab is

$$\text{vol(slab)} \approx (30 \cdot 15 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 12 \cdot 12) \cdot \Delta h \text{ ft}^3 = (450 - 72) \Delta h \text{ ft}^3 = 378 \Delta h \text{ ft}^3$$

and

$$\text{weight(slab)} \approx 378 \Delta h \cdot 62.4 \text{ lbs.}$$

The work to move a slab a distance of h feet is approximately $(378)(62.4)h \Delta h \text{ ft-lbs}$.

The work to pump all the water out is approximately $\sum (378)(62.4)h \Delta h \text{ ft-lbs}$, and letting $\Delta h \rightarrow 0$ gives

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total work} &= \int_0^{10} (378)(62.4) h dh \\ &= (378)(62.4) \left[\frac{h^2}{2} \right]_0^{10} \\ &= (378)(62.4)(50) \approx \boxed{1,179,360 \text{ ft-lbs.}} \end{aligned}$$

(b) The pressure is the same at every point on the bottom of the pool, so

$$\text{Pressure} = (62.4 \text{ lb/ft}^2)(10 \text{ ft}) = 624 \text{ lb/ft}^2$$

and

$$\text{Force} = (624 \text{ lb/ft}^2)(378 \text{ ft}^2) = \boxed{235,872 \text{ lbs.}}$$

2. To find the radius of convergence, we use the Ratio Test:

$$\frac{\left| \frac{(-3)^{n+1} x^{n+1}}{\sqrt{n+2}} \right|}{\left| \frac{(-3)^n x^n}{\sqrt{n+1}} \right|} = \frac{3^{n+1} |x|^{n+1}}{\sqrt{n+2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{n+1}}{3^n |x|^n} = 3|x| \sqrt{\frac{n+1}{n+2}}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3|x| \sqrt{\frac{n+1}{n+2}} = 3|x| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{n+1}{n+2}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1/n}{1/(n+1)}} = 3|x| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{1+1/n}{1+1/(n+1)}} = 3|x|$$

The series converges when $3|x| < 1$, or $|x| < \frac{1}{3}$. The radius of convergence is $\boxed{R = \frac{1}{3}}$.

Now we need to check the endpoints:

$$x = -\frac{1}{3}: \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^n (-\frac{1}{3})^n}{\sqrt{n+1}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-3 \cdot -\frac{1}{3})^n}{\sqrt{n+1}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1^n}{\sqrt{n+1}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1}}$$

Easy way: $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$, a p-series with $p = \frac{1}{2} < 1$, so diverges

Another way: Use LCT with $b_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$, $a_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1}}$. Note that $a_n > 0$ and $b_n > 0$.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1}}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{n}{n+1}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1/n}{1/(n+1)}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{1}{1+1/n}} = 1$$

By the LCT, the two series have the same behavior. Since $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$ is a p-series with $p = \frac{1}{2} < 1$, it diverges; hence $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1}}$ diverges.

Note: The Comparison Test, using $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$, does not work. We have

$n+1 > n \Rightarrow \sqrt{n+1} > \sqrt{n} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1}} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$, and this gives no information since $\sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$ diverges.

$$x = \frac{1}{3} : \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^n (\frac{1}{3})^n}{\sqrt{n+1}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-3 \cdot \frac{1}{3})^n}{\sqrt{n+1}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\sqrt{n+1}}$$

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This is an alternating series, with $a_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1}}$. We saw on the front that the terms are decreasing, and we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{1+n}} = 0$, so the series converges by the Alternating Series Test.

The interval of convergence is $(-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}]$.

3. (a) True (b) False (c) False (need $k \neq 0$)

4. Consider the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{5^n}$. This is a geometric series with first term $\frac{1}{5}$ ($a = \frac{1}{5}$) and common ratio $\frac{1}{5}$ ($x = \frac{1}{5}$). Thus the sum of the series is $\frac{\frac{1}{5}}{1-\frac{1}{5}} = \frac{\frac{1}{5}}{\frac{4}{5}} = \frac{1}{4}$.

Next consider the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3}{n(n+1)} = 3 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)}$. We have two options (at least!):

- Wonder why the denominator is written in this form, guess that it's telescoping, do partial fractions : $\frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{A}{n} + \frac{B}{n+1} \Rightarrow 1 = A(n+1) + Bn \Rightarrow 1 = n(A+B) + A$
 $\therefore A=1, B=-1$

$$\text{So } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right) = (1 - \frac{1}{2}) + (\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}) + (\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4}) + \dots$$

The nth partial sum is $S_n = 1 - \frac{1}{n+1} = \frac{n}{n+1}$, and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = 1$. So $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = 1$.

- Write out some partial sums and look for a pattern.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{20} + \frac{1}{30} + \dots$$

$$S_4 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{20} = \frac{48}{60} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$S_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$S_2 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$S_3 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{12} = \frac{9}{12} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{n+1} \quad \text{Since } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = 1, \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = 1.$$

Thus both series converge, and we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{n(n+1)} + \frac{1}{5^n} \right) = 3 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{5^n} = 3(1) + \frac{1}{4} = \boxed{\frac{13}{4}}.$$

5. (a) Note that $\sin k$ takes on various positive and negative values, so this is not an alternating series. We can check for absolute convergence using the Comparison Test:

$$\left| \frac{\sin k}{k^3} \right| = \frac{|\sin k|}{k^3} \leq \frac{1}{k^3}. \text{ Since } \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^3} \text{ is a p-series w/ } p=3 > 1, \text{ it converges.}$$

By the Comparison Test, $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{|\sin k|}{k^3}$ converges. Absolute convergence implies convergence, so $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin k}{k^3}$ converges.

- (b) We have $8n^2 > 8n^2 - 3n \Rightarrow \sqrt[3]{8n^2} > \sqrt[3]{8n^2 - 3n} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{8n^2}} < \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{8n^2 - 3n}}$. Since $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{8n^2}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n^{2/3}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{2/3}}$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{2/3}}$ is a p-series w/ $p = \frac{2}{3} < 1$ (so diverges), $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n^{2/3}}$ diverges. By the Comparison Test, the original series diverges. (can also do using LCT)

- (c) We use the Integral Test with $f(x) = \frac{1}{(x+1)[\ln(x+1)]^2}$. We note that $f(x)$ is positive and continuous for $x \geq 1$ (at least). We find $f'(x) = -\frac{1}{[(x+1)(\ln(x+1))]^2} - \frac{2}{(x+1)^2(\ln(x+1))^3}$. Both denominators are positive for $x \geq 1$, so $f'(x) < 0$ for $x \geq 1$, i.e., $f(x)$ is decreasing for $x \geq 1$.

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{(x+1)[\ln(x+1)]^2} dx = \int_{\ln 2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{u^2} du = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\ln 2}^b u^{-2} du = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{u} \Big|_{\ln 2}^b = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left(-\frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{\ln 2} \right) = \frac{1}{\ln 2}.$$

$$u = \ln(x+1)$$

$$du = \frac{1}{x+1} dx$$

By the Integral Test, $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k+1)[\ln(k+1)]^2}$ converges.