

BC Calculus '18-19
Numerical Series Test
No Calculator Allowed

Name SOLUTION KEY

Score _____.

1. Which of the following sequences ^{CON} ~~diverge~~?

I. $\left\{ \frac{4^n}{5^n} \right\}$ CON

II. $\left\{ \frac{4^n}{5n} \right\}$ DIV

III. $\left\{ \frac{4n}{5n} \right\}$ CON

(A) I only

(B) I and II only

(C) I and III only

(D) II and III only

(E) III only

2. Which of the following ^{SERIES} ~~sequences~~ converge?

I. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$ C

II. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ D

III. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^n}{n}$ D

(A) I only

(B) I and II only

(C) I and III only

(D) II and III only

(E) III only

3. If $a_n = \frac{2n^3 - 1}{3n^3 + 8}$, which of the following converge?

I. $\{a_n\}$ *CONV BY SEQ TEST*

LIM $a_n = 2/3$

II. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ *DIV BY DIVERGENCE TEST*

(A) I only

(B) II only

(C) Both I and II

(D) Neither I nor II

(E) Not enough information

4. Which of these series converge absolutely?

I. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^n}{2^n}$ *DIV* $= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^n$ *(3/2)*

II. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^{1.5}}$ *ABS CON*

III. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^{0.3}}$ *CONDITIONAL CON*

(A) I only

(B) II only

(C) III only

(D) II and III only

(E) I, II, and III

5. The geometric series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{4^{n-1}}{7^n}$ is equal to:

- (A) 0 (B) $\frac{4}{49}$ (C) $\frac{4}{21}$ (D) $\frac{4}{7}$ (E) $\frac{7}{3}$

$$a_2 = \frac{4}{49}$$
$$r = 4/7$$

$$S = \frac{4/49}{1 - 4/7}$$
$$= \frac{4}{21}$$

6. Which of these tests will prove the convergence or divergence of

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2k^3}{k^4 + k^2} ?$$

~~I.~~ Direct comparison with $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{k}$

THE GIVEN SERIES $< \frac{2}{k}$ BUT $\frac{2}{k}$ DIVERGES

II. Limit comparison with $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k}$

~~III.~~ nth Term Test (Divergence Test)

(A) I only

(B) II only

(C) I and II only

(D) II and III only

(E) I, II, and III

7. If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ is known to diverge, and $a_n \leq b_n$ for all values of n , then we can conclude:

(A) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges

(B) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ diverges

(C) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ converges

(D) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 0$

(E) No conclusion can be drawn from this information

8. If $f(x) = x^n$, find the value of $\sum_{n=2}^4 f(x)$ when $x = 2$.

(A) 2^n

(B) $9 \cdot 2^n$

(C) $9n^2$

(D) 28

(E) 31

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{n=2}^4 2^n \\ &= 2^2 + 2^3 + 2^4 \\ &= 4 + 8 + 16 \end{aligned}$$

9. Which of the following limits will lead to a conclusion for a series test?

~~I.~~ $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

II. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = 0$

III. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = 0$

IF b_n CONV.

(A) I only

(B) II only

(C) I and III only

(D) II and III only

(E) I, II, and III

10. If $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{2} - \sec x \right)^n$, then $f\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) =$

(A) 2 (B) $\frac{2}{3}$ (C) $-\frac{1}{3}$ (D) $\frac{3}{2}$ (E) divergent

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n = \frac{1}{1 - (-1/2)} =$$

1. Use the Integral Test to determine if $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{\sqrt{n^3+1}}$ is convergent or divergent.

$$\int_2^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x^3+1}} dx \quad u = x^3+1$$
$$du = 3x^2 dx$$

$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{3} \int_a^b u^{-1/2} du$$

$$= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{3} \left[\frac{u^{1/2}}{1/2} \right]_a^b$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{3} b^{1/2} \text{ DNE } \therefore$$

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SINCE \int DIVERGES, SO DOES THE \sum

2. Does the series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(\pi n)}{\sqrt{n}}$ diverge, converge conditionally, or converge absolutely? Show the work that leads to your conclusion.

$$\text{AST: } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\cos \pi n}{n^{1/2}} \right| = 0 \therefore \text{ CONVERGENT}$$

p-series $\sum \frac{1}{n^{1/2}}$ DIVERGES BECAUSE $p < 1$

$$\therefore \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\cos \pi n}{\sqrt{n}} \text{ IS CONDITIONALLY CONVERGENT}$$

3. Use the Ratio Test to determine if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n2^n}{n!}$ is convergent or divergent.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)2^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \right| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2(n+1)2^n}{(n+1)n!} = \frac{2!}{n2^n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{n} = 0 < 1 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore THE SERIES IS CONVERGENT

4. Determine whether $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4^n - 1}{6^n}$ converges or diverges. Explain your reasoning.

COMPARE TO $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n$ WHICH CONVERGES BECAUSE IT IS A GEOMETRIC SERIES WITH $|r| < 1$

$$\frac{4^n - 1}{6^n} \leq \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n$$

$\therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4^n - 1}{6^n}$ CONVERGES BECAUSE IT IS LESS THAN A CONVERGENT SERIES