

Theorem:- A series $\sum u_n$ Converges iff to each $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a positive integer m such that

$$|u_{n+1} + u_{n+2} + \dots + u_{n+p}| < \epsilon, \forall n \geq m \text{ and } p \geq 1.$$

Proof:- By Cauchy's principle of Convergence, the sequence $\{s_n\}$ of partial sums of $\sum u_n$ Converges iff to each $\epsilon > 0$, ~~if~~ a positive integer m , such that

$$|s_{n+p} - s_n| < \epsilon, \forall n \geq m \text{ and } p \geq 1$$

$$\text{or, } |u_{n+1} + u_{n+2} + \dots + u_{n+p}| < \epsilon, \forall n \geq m, p \geq 1$$

Example:- Determine if the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \cdot n^2}{n^2 + 5}$ is Convergent or divergent.

Ans:- $\therefore u_n = \frac{(-1)^n \cdot n^2}{n^2 + 5}$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{n^2 + 5} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{5}{n^2}} = 1 \neq 0$$

$\therefore$ The series is divergent.

Example ~~Theorem~~: Show that the series $\sum \frac{1}{n}$ does not Converge.

proof:-

Suppose, if possible, ~~the~~ the series Converges.

Therefore, for any given ϵ , $\exists$ a positive integer m

Such that $|\frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n+p}| < \epsilon, \forall n \geq m \text{ and } p \geq 1$

In particular, if $n = m$ and $p = m$, we get

$$\frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n+p} = \frac{1}{m+1} + \frac{1}{m+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2m} > m \cdot \frac{1}{2m} = \frac{1}{2} > \epsilon$$

This Contradicts to our Supposition, due to which the given series does not Converge.

Note:-

If may be also seen $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$, the series does not Converge

Given $\epsilon > 0$.

We must find n such that

Example: show that the series

Second Method

$$\sum U_n = \sum \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$$

∴ The series does not converge.

Example:- Examine the Convergence of the Series
 $1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + 7^2 + \dots$

$$\therefore U_n = (2n-1)^2$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (2n-1)^2 = \infty$$

∴ So, it is divergent.

Example:- Examine the Convergence of Series

$$\frac{1}{1 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 7} + \dots$$

$$\therefore S_n = \frac{1}{(1 \cdot 3) \cdot (3 \cdot 5) \cdot (5 \cdot 7) \dots}$$

$$= \frac{1}{[1 + (n-1) \cdot 2] [3 + (n-1) \cdot 2]}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1+2n-2)(3+2n-2)} = \frac{1}{(2n-1)(2n+1)}$$

$$S_n = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2n-1} - \frac{1}{2n+1} \right)$$

$$n=1, S_1 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{3} \right)$$

$$n=2, S_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{5} \right)$$

$$n=3, S_3 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} \right)$$

$$S_n = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2n-1} - \frac{1}{2n+1} \right)$$

$$S_1 + S_2 + S_3 + \dots + S_n = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2n+1} \right)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2n+1} \right) = \frac{1}{2} (1-0) = \frac{1}{2}$$

∴ The series is convergent.

Theorem: Cauchy's General Principle of Convergence

Statement:- The necessary and sufficient condition for the convergence of a sequence $\{S_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ of real numbers, is that for given $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a positive integer m such that $|S_{n+p} - S_n| < \epsilon$, $n \geq m, p \geq 1$.

Proof:- (i) The necessary condition:-

Suppose, $\{S_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a convergent sequence of real number that converges to l .

Hence, for given $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a positive integer m such that, $|S_n - l| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ — (i), $n \geq m$

If $p \geq 1$ then $n+p \geq n \geq m$

Hence eq (i) becomes

$$|S_{n+p} - l| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \text{--- (ii) } n \geq m, p \geq 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } |S_{n+p} - S_n| &= |S_{n+p} - l + l - S_n| \\ &\leq |S_{n+p} - l| + |S_n - l| \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon \quad (n \geq m, p \geq 1) \end{aligned}$$

(ii) The sufficient condition:-

Suppose a positive integer $m > n$ such that for given $\epsilon > 0$

$$|S_{n+p} - S_n| < \epsilon \quad \text{--- (3) } n \geq m, p \geq 1$$

We have to prove, $\{S_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is convergent.

Since, $\{S_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a Cauchy's sequence of real numbers so, it is bounded.

From, Bolzano Weierstrass theorem, each bounded sequence has at least one limit point.

So, $\{S_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges to a limit point l .

From (3), for a given, $\epsilon_1 = \frac{\epsilon}{3} > 0$ such that

$$|S_{n+p} - S_n| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}, \quad n \geq m, p \geq 1$$

Putting $n=m$, $|S_{m+p} - S_m| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}$ — (4) #

Also, l is the limit point of $\{S_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ for a positive integer $k > n$ must exist such that

$$|S_k - l| < \frac{\epsilon}{3} \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

For If $k > m$, eq (4) becomes.

$$|S_k - S_m| < \frac{\epsilon}{3} \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} |S_{m+n} - l| &= |S_{m+p} - S_m + S_m - S_k + S_k - l| \\ &\leq |S_{m+p} - S_m| + |S_m - S_k| + |S_k - l| \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore |S_n - l| < \epsilon, \quad \forall n \geq m.$$

Thus, the sequence $\{S_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges to l .