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Bonus Lecture: Infinite Series VII.2

Given a sequence $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, we can form a new sequence using addition:

$$a_1, a_1+a_2, a_1+a_2+a_3, \dots, a_1+a_2+\dots+a_n = \sum_{n=1}^N a_n$$

Def: For $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, the quantity $\sum_{n=1}^N a_n$ is called a partial sum, and the sequence formed by these partial sums is called the (infinite) series and is denoted

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$$

We say the infinite series converges to $A \in \mathbb{R}$ if

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^N a_n = A$$

we ~~abuse~~ ^{abuse} notation and denote: $A = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$. and ~~we~~ call A the sum of the series

Ex: On homework, showed $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$ converges iff $|x| < 1$. Used formula for partial sums:

$$\sum_{n=0}^N x^n = \frac{1-x^{N+1}}{1-x}$$

Really, the question was about sequences of functions.

Def Given a sequence of functions $f_n: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, defined on a metric space (E, d) , we say

the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$ converges at $x \in E$ if the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$ converges.

we say the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$ converges pointwise on E if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$ converges ~~pointwise~~ for all $x \in E$

(this is the same as saying the sequence $(f_1 + f_2 + \dots + f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ conv. pointwise on E .)

related

defn

If the seq. of functions (f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n) converges uniformly on E , we say the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$ converges uniformly on E .

Ex: On Homework, showed $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n$ converges uniformly on ptwise on $(-1, 1)$, and uniformly on $[-r, r]$ for any $0 < r < 1$.

Prop: For $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathbb{R}$, the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges iff $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $\forall n, m \geq N$, with $n < m$
 $|a_{n+1} + a_{n+2} + \dots + a_m| < \epsilon$

Pf: $|\sum_{i=1}^m a_i - \sum_{i=1}^n a_i|$ and \mathbb{R} is complete

so convergence is ~~equivalent~~ equivalent to being Cauchy

Cor: If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

Ex ① It follows easily from this that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n$ does not converge if $|x| \geq 1$.

(Harmonic Series) even though $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$,
② $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ does not converge.

Set $\epsilon = \frac{1}{2}$ and let $N \in \mathbb{N}$. Take $n = N, m = 2N$.

Then

$$\left| \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{m} \right| = \frac{1}{n+1} + \dots + \frac{1}{m} \geq \overbrace{\frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{m} + \dots + \frac{1}{m}}^N$$
$$= N \cdot \frac{1}{m} = \frac{N}{2N} = \frac{1}{2} \geq \epsilon.$$

Def we say $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges absolutely if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$ converges.

Observe that

$$|a_{n+1} + \dots + a_m| \leq |a_{n+1}| + \dots + |a_m| \leq |a_{n+1}| + \dots + |a_n|$$

implies ~~convergence~~ absolute convergence \Rightarrow convergence.
(The Cauchy)

Cor (Comparison test)

Let $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ be series such that $|a_n| \leq b_n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ converges, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges absolutely.

Prop (Ratio Test)

~~If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is an infinite series of non-zero real numbers and~~

Prop (Ratio Test)

Let $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$.

If $\begin{cases} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}| < 1 \\ \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}| > 1 \end{cases}$ then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ $\begin{cases} \text{converges absolutely} \\ \text{diverges.} \end{cases}$

Pf: Let $r < 1$ satisfy

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}| \leq r$$

Then $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ st $\sup \{ |\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}| : n \geq N \} \leq r$

consequently, $\forall n \geq N$ we have

$$|a_n| \leq r \cdot |a_{n-1}| \leq r^2 |a_{n-2}| \leq \dots \leq r^{n-N} |a_N|$$

Since $r < 1$,

$$\sum_{n=N}^{\infty} r^{n-N} |a_n|$$

converges. By the comparison test,

$\sum_{n=N}^{\infty} a_n$ converges absolutely $\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges absolutely.

~~the~~ In the other case, let $r > 1$ be such that

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}| > r$$

Then $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ st $\inf \{ |\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}| : n \geq N \} \geq r$.

Hence, $\forall n \geq N$

$$|a_n| \geq r \cdot |a_{n-1}| \geq \dots \geq r^{n-N} |a_N| \geq |a_n|$$

Thus $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n| \neq 0$ and so series does not converge. \square

Function def \leftarrow

Prop Let $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of functions $f_n: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$ converges unif. iff $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $\forall n, m \geq N$ with $n < m$
$$\sup \{ |f_n(x) + \dots + f_m(x)| : x \in E \} \leq \epsilon$$

Pf: This is simply as previous Cauchy criterion. \square

Thm (Weierstrass M-Test)

Let $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of functions $f_n: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Suppose $\exists M_n > 0$ s.t. $|f_n(x)| \leq M_n \forall x \in E$. If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n$ converges, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$ converges uniformly on E .

Pf: Let $\epsilon > 0$. Since $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n$ converges $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $\forall n, m \geq N$ with $n < m$

$$|M_{n+1} + \dots + M_m| = M_{n+1} + \dots + M_m < \epsilon.$$

Consequently $\forall x \in E$

$$|f_{n+1}(x) + \dots + f_m(x)| \leq |f_{n+1}(x)| + \dots + |f_m(x)| \leq M_{n+1} + \dots + M_m < \epsilon.$$

By the previous prop, $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$ conv. unif. \square

Ex (The Weierstrass Function)

Let $a \in (0, 1)$ and let b be an odd integer such that $a \cdot b > 1 + \frac{3}{2}\pi$ (e.g. $b \geq 7$). Then

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a^n \cos(b^n \cdot \pi \cdot x)$$

converges $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ and defines a continuous but nowhere differentiable function.

That this ~~function~~^{series} ~~case~~ exists and is cts follows from the Weierstrass M-test and the fact that uniform limits of cts functions are cts. Showing that it is nowhere differentiable is considerably more involved...

Other Pathological Examples:

Suppose $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges, but does not converge absolutely. Then for any real number $x \in \mathbb{R}$, \exists a bijection $\sigma: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ st.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{\sigma(n)} = x.$$