

Math 12

Midterm Exam #2

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# Answer Key

1. [40 Points] Compute each of the following integrals, or else show that it diverges.

$$(a) \int_0^9 \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-x}} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 9^-} \int_0^t \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-x}} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 9^-} - \int_9^{9-t} \frac{1}{\sqrt{u}} du = \lim_{t \rightarrow 9^-} -2\sqrt{u} \Big|_9^{9-t}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 9^-} -2\sqrt{9-t} - (-2\sqrt{9}) = 0 - (-2 \cdot 3) = \boxed{6}$$

Substitute

$u = 9 - x$
$du = -x dx$
$-du = x dx$

$x = 0 \Rightarrow u = 9$
$x = t \Rightarrow u = 9 - t$

$$(b) \int \frac{5}{(x-2)(x+3)} dx = \int \frac{1}{x-2} - \frac{1}{x+3} dx = \boxed{\ln|x-2| - \ln|x+3| + C}$$

Partial Fractions Decomposition:

$$\frac{5}{(x-2)(x+3)} = \frac{A}{x-2} + \frac{B}{x+3}$$

Clearing the denominator yields:

$$5 = A(x+3) + B(x-2)$$

$$5 = (A+B)x + (3A-2B)$$

so that  $A+B=0$  and  $3A-2B=5$

Solve for  $A=1$  and  $B=-1$

$$(c) \int \frac{x^3-1}{x^2+1} dx = \int x - \frac{x+1}{x^2+1} dx = \int x - \frac{x}{x^2+1} - \frac{1}{x^2+1} dx = \boxed{\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{\ln|x^2+1|}{2} - \arctan x + C}$$

Long division yields:

$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ x^2+1 \overline{) x^3-1} \\ \underline{-(x^3+x)} \phantom{-1} \\ -x-1 \end{array}$$

$$(d) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^x dx = \int_{-\infty}^0 e^x dx + \int_0^{\infty} e^x dx = \lim_{s \rightarrow -\infty} \int_s^0 e^x dx + \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t e^x dx$$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow -\infty} e^x \Big|_s^0 + \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^x \Big|_0^t = \lim_{s \rightarrow -\infty} e^0 - e^s + \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^t - e^0 = (1 - 0) + (\infty - 1) = \infty$$

The second integral Diverges, so the entire integral Diverges.

$$(e) \int_7^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2 - 6x + 25} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_7^t \frac{1}{x^2 - 6x + 25} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_7^t \frac{1}{(x-3)^2 + 16} dx \quad \text{complete the square}$$

Substitute 

$u = x - 3$	$x = 7 \Rightarrow u = 4$
$du = dx$	$x = t \Rightarrow u = t - 3$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_4^{t-3} \frac{1}{u^2 + 16} du = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{16} \int_4^{t-3} \frac{1}{\left(\frac{u}{4}\right)^2 + 1} du = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4}{16} \int_1^{\frac{t-3}{4}} \frac{1}{v^2 + 1} dv$$

Substitute 

$v = \frac{u}{4}$	$u = 4 \Rightarrow v = 1$
$dv = \frac{1}{4} du$	$u = t - 3 \Rightarrow v = \frac{t-3}{4}$
$4dv = du$	

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{4} \arctan v \Big|_1^{\frac{t-3}{4}} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{4} \left( \arctan \left( \frac{t-3}{4} \right) - \arctan 1 \right) = \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4} \right) = \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{\pi}{4} \right) = \boxed{\frac{\pi}{16}}$$

**2.** [6 Points] Determine whether the following sequence **converges** or **diverges**. If it converges, compute its limit. Justify your answer. Do not just put down a number.

$$\left\{ n^{\frac{1}{n}} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$$

We switch to the variable  $x$  and the related function  $f(x) = x^{\frac{1}{x}}$  in order to apply L'H Rule:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{\ln(x^{\frac{1}{x}})} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln(x^{\frac{1}{x}})} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln x}{x}} = e^{\infty \text{ L'H}} \stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{1}} = e^0 = \boxed{1}$$

Finally,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1$ , so that the sequence  $\left\{ n^{\frac{1}{n}} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges to 1.

**3.** [8 Points] Find the **sum** of the following series (which does converge):

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

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 2^{2n-1}}{3^{2n+1}} = -\frac{1}{3^3} + \frac{2}{3^5} - \frac{2^2}{3^7} + \dots$$

Here we have a nice geometric series with  $a = -\frac{1}{27}$  and  $r = -\frac{2}{9}$

As a result, the sum is given by  $\frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{-\frac{1}{27}}{1 - \left(-\frac{2}{9}\right)} = \frac{-\frac{1}{27}}{\frac{11}{9}} = -\frac{1}{27} \cdot \frac{9}{11} = \boxed{-\frac{1}{33}}$

**4.** [18 Points] Determine whether each of the following series **converges** or **diverges**. Name any convergence test(s) you use, and justify that it's legal to use them. Show all of your work.

(a)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3n^7 + 6n^{\frac{3}{2}} + 5}{8n^9 - \sqrt{n} + 441} \approx \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$  which is a convergent  $p$ -series with  $p = 2 > 1$ .

Check:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{3n^7 + 6n^{\frac{3}{2}} + 5}{8n^9 - \sqrt{n} + 441}}{\frac{1}{n^2}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n^9 + 6n^{\frac{7}{2}} + 5n^2}{8n^9 - \sqrt{n} + 441} = \frac{3}{8}$  which is finite and non-zero. There-

fore, these two series share the same behavior. Since  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$  converges, then the original series also

Converges by Limit Comparison Test.

(b)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^n}{n^2 + 1}$  Diverges by  $n^{\text{th}}$  term Divergence Test

since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^n}{n^2 + 1} = \infty$  because  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{x^2 + 1} \stackrel{\infty}{=} \stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{2x} \stackrel{\infty}{=} \stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{2} = \infty$ .

(c)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{7}{8}\right)^n$  is a Convergent Geometric Series with  $|r| = \left|-\frac{7}{8}\right| = \frac{7}{8} < 1$ .

**5.** [28 Points] In each case determine whether the given series is **absolutely convergent**, **conditionally convergent**, or **diverges**. Justify your answers.

(a)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{n+5}$

First, we show the absolute series is divergent. Note that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n+5} \approx \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  which is a divergent  $p$ -series with  $p = 1$ . Next,

Check:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n+5}}{\frac{1}{n}} = \frac{n}{n+5} = 1$  which is finite and non-zero. Therefore, these two series share

the same behavior. Since  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  is divergent, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n+5}$  is also divergent by Limit Comparison Test. As a result, we have no chance for Absolute Convergence.

Secondly, we are left to examine the original alternating series with the Alternating Series Test.

- $b_n = \frac{1}{n+5} > 0$

- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n+5} = 0$

Therefore, the original series converges by the Alternating

- $\frac{1}{b_{n+1}} < \frac{1}{b_n}$  because  $\frac{1}{n+6} < \frac{1}{n+5}$

Series Test. Finally, we can conclude the original series is Conditionally Convergent

(b)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^n n!}{n^n}$

Try Ratio Test:

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

The series is Absolutely Convergent by the Ratio Test.

(c)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{\arctan n}{4^n}$

First examine the absolute series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\arctan n}{4^n}$ .

Note that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4^n}$  is a convergent Geometric Series with  $|r| = \frac{1}{4} < 1$ , so  $\frac{\pi}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4^n}$  is also convergent.

Since the terms are bounded  $\frac{\arctan n}{4^n} \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{4^n}$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{1}{4^n}$  is convergent, then the series

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\arctan n}{4^n}$  is also Convergent by Comparison Test.

Finally, the original series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{\arctan n}{4^n}$  is Absolutely Convergent by Absolute Convergence Test.

(d)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^3}$  Converges Absolutely by Absolute Convergence Test since the absolute series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3}$  is a convergent  $p$ -series with  $p = 3 > 1$ .

**OPTIONAL BONUS #1** Compute the sum of the following series:

$$\begin{aligned} 1. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n^2 + 2n} \right) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln \left( \frac{n^2 + 2n}{n^2 + 2n} + \frac{1}{n^2 + 2n} \right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln \left( \frac{n^2 + 2n + 1}{n^2 + 2n} \right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln \left( \frac{(n+1)^2}{n(n+2)} \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln \left( \frac{(n+1)(n+1)}{n(n+2)} \right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln \left[ \left( \frac{n+1}{n} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{n+1}{n+2} \right) \right] = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln \left( \frac{n+1}{n} \right) + \ln \left( \frac{n+1}{n+2} \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln \left( \frac{n+1}{n} \right) - \ln \left( \frac{n+2}{n+1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

This series now looks telescoping, so we can examine the  $n^{\text{th}}$  partial sum

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= \ln 2 - \ln \left( \frac{3}{2} \right) + \ln \left( \frac{3}{2} \right) - \ln \left( \frac{4}{3} \right) + \ln \left( \frac{4}{3} \right) - \ln \left( \frac{5}{4} \right) + \ln \left( \frac{5}{4} \right) - \ln \left( \frac{6}{5} \right) + \dots - \ln \left( \frac{n+1}{n} \right) + \\ &\ln \left( \frac{n+1}{n} \right) - \ln \left( \frac{n+2}{n+1} \right) = \ln 2 - \ln \left( \frac{n+2}{n+1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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

Finally the sum of the original series is equal to the limit of the  $n^{\text{th}}$  partial sums. That is,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n^2 + 2n} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \boxed{\ln 2}$$

**OPTIONAL BONUS #2** Determine whether the following series converges or diverges.

$$2. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n^{3n}}{n^3 (n!)^2 e^{n^2}} \quad \text{Try Ratio Test:}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^{n+1} (n+1)^{3n+3}}{(n+1)^3 [(n+1)!]^2 e^{(n+1)^2}} \cdot \frac{(-1)^n n^{3n}}{n^3 [n!]^2 e^{n^2}} \right| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)^{3n+3}}{n^{3n}} \cdot \frac{n^3}{(n+1)^3} \cdot \frac{(n!)^2}{[(n+1)!]^2} \cdot \frac{e^{n^2}}{e^{n^2+2n+1}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)^3 (n+1)^{3n}}{n^{3n}} \cdot \left( \frac{n}{n+1} \right)^3 \cdot \frac{(n!)^2}{(n+1)^2 (n!)^2} \cdot \frac{e^{n^2}}{e^{n^2+2n+1}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)^3 (n+1)^{3n}}{n^{3n}} \cdot \left( \frac{n}{n+1} \right)^3 \cdot \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} \cdot \frac{e^{n^2}}{e^{n^2+2n+1}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n+1)^3 \left( \left( \frac{n+1}{n} \right)^n \right)^3 \cdot (1) \cdot \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{e^{2n+1}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n+1)e^3 \cdot (1) \cdot \frac{1}{e^{2n+1}} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{e^{2n-2}} = \frac{\infty}{\infty} \stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2e^{2n-2}} = 0 < 1. \text{ So the series } \boxed{\text{Converges by the Ratio Test}}$$

**OPTIONAL BONUS #3** Compute the following integral:

$$3. \int \frac{\arctan x}{x^6} dx = \int \arctan x (x^{-6}) dx = \arctan x \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{5x^5}\right) - \int \left(-\frac{1}{5x^5}\right) \frac{1}{x^2+1} dx$$

$$\text{I.B.P } \boxed{\begin{array}{l} u = \arctan x \quad dv = x^{-6} dx \\ du = \frac{1}{x^2+1} dx \quad v = -\frac{1}{5x^5} \end{array}}$$

$$= \left(-\frac{\arctan x}{5x^5}\right) + \frac{1}{5} \int \frac{1}{x^5(x^2+1)} dx = \left(-\frac{\arctan x}{5x^5}\right) + \frac{1}{5} \int \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x^3} + \frac{1}{x^5} - \frac{x}{x^2+1} dx$$

Partial Fractions Decomposition:

$$\frac{1}{x^5(x^2+1)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x^2} + \frac{C}{x^3} + \frac{D}{x^4} + \frac{E}{x^5} + \frac{Fx+G}{x^2+1}$$

Clearing the denominator yields:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= Ax^4(x^2+1) + Bx^3(x^2+1) + Cx^2(x^2+1) + Dx(x^2+1) + E(x^2+1) + (Fx+G)x^5 \\ 1 &= (A+F)x^6 + (B+G)x^5 + (A+C)x^4 + (B+D)x^3 + (C+E)x^2 + Dx + E \end{aligned}$$

so that  $A+F=0, B+G=0, A+C=0, B+D=0, C+E=0, D=0$  and  $E=1$ .

$$\text{Solve for } D=0 \Rightarrow B=0 \Rightarrow G=0 \text{ and } E=1 \Rightarrow C=-1 \Rightarrow A=1 \Rightarrow F=-1$$

$$= \boxed{\left(-\frac{\arctan x}{5x^5}\right) + \frac{1}{5} \left(\ln|x| + \frac{1}{2x^2} - \frac{1}{4x^4} - \frac{1}{2} \ln|x^2+1|\right) + C}$$

**OPTIONAL BONUS #4** Compute the following integral:

$$4. \int \frac{16e^{3x}}{e^{4x}-16} dx = \int \frac{16(e^x)^2 e^x}{(e^x)^4-16} dx = \int \frac{16u^2}{u^4-16} du = \int \frac{16u^2}{(u^2-4)(u^2+4)} du$$

$$\text{Substitute } \boxed{\begin{array}{l} u = e^x \\ du = e^x dx \end{array}}$$

$$= \int \frac{16u^2}{(u-2)(u+2)(u^2+4)} du = \int \frac{2}{u-2} - \frac{2}{u+2} + \frac{8}{u^2+4} du$$

Partial Fractions Decomposition:

$$\frac{16u^2}{(u-2)(u+2)(u^2+4)} = \frac{A}{u-2} + \frac{B}{u+2} + \frac{Cu+D}{u^2+4}$$

Clearing the denominator yields:

$$16u^2 = A(u+2)(u^2+4) + B(u-2)(u^2+4) + (Cu+D)(u^2+4)$$

$$16u^2 = A(u^3+2u^2+4u+8) + B(u^3-2u^2+4u-8) + (Cu^3+Du^2+4Cu+4D)$$

so that  $A + F = 0, B + G = 0, A + C = 0, B + D = 0, C + E = 0, D = 0$  and  $E = 1$ .

Solve for  $D = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0 \Rightarrow G = 0$  and  $E = 1 \Rightarrow C = -1 \Rightarrow A = 1 \Rightarrow F = -1$

$$= 2 \ln |u - 2| - 2 \ln |u + 2| + \frac{8}{2} \arctan \left( \frac{u}{2} \right) + C$$

$$= 2 \ln |e^x - 2| - 2 \ln |e^x + 2| + 4 \arctan \left( \frac{e^x}{2} \right) + C$$