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MATHEMATICS FOR ECONOMICS II (2018-19)
ECONOMICS, LAW-ECONOMICS, INTERNATIONAL STUDIES-ECONOMICS
SHEET 5. SEQUENCES AND SERIES

- (1) Study whether the following sequences converge, and if they converge, find the limit.
- (a) $(-1)^n$ (b) $\frac{3^n+6 \cdot 5^n}{5^n+e^n}$ (c) $\cos(0.7^n)$ (d) $\frac{n}{n+1} \cos(n\pi)$
(e) $n^{(-1)^n}$ (f) $\frac{n^2-n}{n-\sqrt{n}}, n \geq 2$ (g) $\frac{1+2+\dots+n}{n^\alpha}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ (h) $\cos^n(0.7)$
(i) $(1 + \frac{2}{n})^n$ (j) $\sqrt[n]{n^2}$ (use that $n^{1/n} \rightarrow 1$) (k) $\frac{\ln n^\alpha}{n}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$
(l) x_n , where $x_{n+1} = \sqrt{1+x_n}$, for $n \geq 1$, with $x_1 = 0$.
(m) x_n , donde $x_{n+1} = \sqrt{14 + \sqrt{x_n}}$, para $n \geq 1$, con $x_1 = 0$.
(n) It is known that the sequence $x_n = \sqrt[n]{c}$ converges, where $c \geq 1$. Which is the limit?
(ñ) Calculate the limit of the sequence $x_n = \sqrt[n]{c}$, where $0 < c < 1$.

- (2) Decide whether the following sequences are convergent and discuss the associated series.

- (a) $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{4}{5}, \dots$
(b) $\frac{3}{2}, \frac{6}{3}, \frac{9}{4}, \frac{12}{5}, \dots$

- (3) Study the convergence of the following positive series.

- (a) $1 + 0.9 + 0.81 + 0.729 + 0.6561 + \dots$
(b) $1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}} + \dots$
(c) $1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{4\sqrt{4}} + \dots$
(d) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)^2}{3n^2+7}$ (e) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{\frac{n}{2}}}$ (f) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^3}{2^n}$
(g) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3}{n^2+7}$ (h) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^n}{n^n}$ (i) $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \ln n}$
(j) $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2 \ln n}$ (k) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{n!}$ (l) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^n}{n!}$
(m) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 3(\frac{3}{2})^n$ (n) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}}$ (ñ) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n+10}{10n+1}$
(o) $\sum_{n=6}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2+1}$ (p) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-n}$ (q) $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (\frac{\ln n}{n})^n$
(r) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{n^2+1}$ (s) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n!)^2}{(2n)!}$ (t) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n n!}{n^n}$
(u) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{3^n}$ (v) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{2^{2n}}$ (w) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n^{\frac{1}{n}} - 1)^n$
(x) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{-n^2}$

- (4) Prove the following identities:

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [\frac{1}{2n-1} - \frac{1}{2n+1}] = 1$ (b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{3^{n-1}} = 3$ (c) $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2-1} = \frac{3}{4}$

- (5) Calculate the sum of the following series:

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1+3^n}{5^n}$ (b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-\frac{1}{3})^{n+1}$ (c) $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{2}{(n-1)(n+1)}$

- (6) Study the conditional and absolute convergence of the following series.

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 \text{(a)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{n}{3^n} & \text{(b)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{n^2+1}{2n^2+3} & \text{(c)} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{\ln n}{n} \\
 \text{(d)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{\sqrt{n}} & \text{(e)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{n^3+1} & \text{(f)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{n^2}{1+n^2} \\
 \text{(g)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(n\theta)}{n^2} & \text{(h)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} &
 \end{array}$$

(7) For each of the series below, give an approximated value of its sum by using the 6 first terms of the series, and provide an estimate of the error.

$$\text{(a)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n!} \quad \text{(b)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4(-1)^n}{2n+1}$$

(8) Let $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence with $a_n > 0$ that converges to 0. What can be said about the convergence of the following series?

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{(a)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 + a_n). \\
 \text{(b)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2 + a_n}. \\
 \text{(c)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-n(1+a_n)}.
 \end{array}$$