

Instructions: Show all work. Use exact answers unless otherwise asked to round.

1. Find the number of terms needed to estimate the sum $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2n^3-1}$ within 0.0001 of the true sum.

$$\frac{1}{2n^3-1} \leq .0001 \Rightarrow 2n^3-1 \geq 10^4$$

$$n^3 \geq 4999.5$$

$$n \geq 17.099$$

$$\boxed{n=18}$$

2. Determine whether the series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n \ln n}$ converges absolutely or conditionally.

$$\left| \frac{(-1)^n}{n \ln n} \right| = \frac{1}{n \ln n} \quad \int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{x \ln x} dx = \ln(\ln x) \Big|_2^{\infty} \text{ diverges by integral test}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n \ln n} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{converges conditionally by alternating series test}$$

3. Determine whether the series converges or diverges.

a. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 2^{4n}}{(2n+1)!}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^{n+1} 2^{4n+4}}{(2n+3)!} \cdot \frac{(2n+1)!}{(-1)^n 2^{4n}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{2^4}{(2n+2)(2n+3)} \right| = 0 < 1$$

converges by ratio test

b. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{5^n}{n^4}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{5^{n+1}}{(n+1)^4} \cdot \frac{n^4}{5^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |5| \cdot \left| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^4}{(n+1)^4} \right| = 5 > 1$$

diverges by ratio test

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

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\left| \left(-\frac{3n}{2n+1}\right)^{3n} \right|} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{3n}{2n+1} \right|^3 = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^3 = \frac{27}{8} > 1$$

diverges by the root test

d. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n5^n}{n!}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)5^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{n!}{n5^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{n+1}{n} \cdot |5| \cdot \left| \frac{1}{n+1} \right| \right| = 0 < 1$$

converges by ratio test