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1. Use the an appropriate convergence / divergence test to determine whether the series converges or diverges. You must name the test you used.

$$(a) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\ln n} \quad \text{let } a_n = (-1)^n \cdot \frac{1}{\ln n} \text{ and } b_n = \frac{1}{\ln n}.$$

(1) b_n is positive ✓

(2) b_n is decreasing ✓ Show $(b_n)' < 0$ for large n .

$$(3) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ln n} = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

By the Alternating Series Test, $\sum \frac{(-1)^n}{\ln n}$ converges

$$(b) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{n-2}{n^2+1} \right)^n \cdot \text{Try Root Test}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\left| \left(\frac{n-2}{n^2+1} \right)^n \right|} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n-2}{n^2+1} = 0 < 1$$

So $\sum \left(\frac{n-2}{n^2+1} \right)^n$ converges by the Root Test

$$(c) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{5n} \right)^n. \text{ If you try the root test, } L = 1 \text{ (inconclusive)}$$

let's make sure $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{5n} \right)^n = 0$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{5n} \right)^n = 1^{\infty} \text{ (this is a LH problem): } \left(1 + \frac{1}{5n} \right)^n = e^{n \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{5n} \right)}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{5n} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{5n} \right)}{\frac{1}{n}} \stackrel{\text{LH}}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{5n}} \cdot \frac{-1}{5n^2}}{\frac{-1}{5n^2}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{5n}} \cdot \frac{1}{5}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{5 + \frac{1}{n}} = \frac{1}{5} \quad \text{And } e^{1/5} \neq 0 \quad \text{So } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{5n} \right)^n \text{ diverges}$$

by the Divergence Test

2. Determine whether each series converges or diverges by using one or more of our tests. Make your arguments carefully and fully.

(a) $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(\ln n)^2}$ Try Integral Test.

$\int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{x(\ln x)^2} dx$. Let $u = \ln x$, $du = \frac{1}{x} dx$. If $x = \infty$, $u = \infty$
 $x = 2$, $u = \ln 2$

$\int_{\ln 2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{u^2} du = \int_{\ln 2}^{\infty} u^{-2} du = \frac{u^{-1}}{-1} \Big|_{\ln 2}^{\infty} = -\frac{1}{u} \Big|_{\ln 2}^{\infty}$

If you do this problem like the textbook, you should have

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[-\frac{1}{u} \Big|_{\ln 2}^b \right] = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[-\frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{\ln 2} \right] = \frac{1}{\ln 2}$$

Since $\int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{x(\ln x)^2} dx$ converges, then so does $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(\ln n)^2}$. (By Integral Test)

(b) $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n! 3^n}{(2n)!}$ Try Ratio Test

$a_n = \frac{n! 3^n}{(2n)!}$ $a_{n+1} = \frac{(n+1)! 3^{n+1}}{(2(n+1))!} = \frac{(n+1)! 3^{n+1}}{(2n+2)!}$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)! 3^{n+1}}{(2n+2)!} \cdot \frac{(2n)!}{n! 3^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1) \cdot n! \cdot 3 \cdot 3}{(2n+2)(2n+1)(2n)!} \cdot \frac{(2n)!}{n! 3^n} \right|$

$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1) \cdot 3}{(2n+2)(2n+1)} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{3n+3}{4n^2+6n+2} \right| = 0 < 1$

Since $L < 1$, by the Ratio Test, $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n! 3^n}{(2n)!}$ converges

(c) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(n+2) + \tan^{-1}(n)}{n^2}$ Note: $|\sin(n+2)| < 1$ and $|\tan^{-1}n| < \pi/2$
 So $|\sin(n+2) + \tan^{-1}n| < 1 + \pi/2$

(1) $\sum_1^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin(n+2) + \tan^{-1}n}{n^2} \right| \leq \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{1 + \pi/2}{n^2} = (1 + \pi/2) \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$

which converges by p-test. So $\sum_1^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin(n+2) + \tan^{-1}n}{n^2} \right|$
 converges by DCT.

(2) Since $\sum \left| \frac{\sin(n+2) + \tan^{-1}n}{n^2} \right|$ converges, so does
 $\sum_1^{\infty} \frac{\sin(n+2) + \tan^{-1}n}{n^2}$

(3) Note: If $\sum |a_n|$ converges, so does $\sum a_n$

3. Sum the series or show that they diverge. Display your work carefully and completely.

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{9 + (-3)^n}{5^{n-1}} = \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{9}{5^{n-1}} + \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^n}{5^{n-1}}$

(1) $\sum_1^{\infty} \frac{9}{5^{n-1}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{9}{5^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 9 \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^n = \frac{9}{1 - 1/5} = \frac{45}{4}$

(2) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^n}{5^{n-1}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^{n+1}}{5^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-3) \cdot (-3)^n}{5^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-3) \left(\frac{-3}{5}\right)^n$
 $= \frac{-3}{1 + 3/5} = \frac{-3}{8/5} = -\frac{15}{8}$

Final: (1) + (2) = $\frac{45}{4} - \frac{15}{8} = \frac{75}{8}$

$$(b) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(4n+1)(4n+5)}$$

Note: You have two options

(1) Do LCT with $\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$

(2) Integral Test with Partial Fractions

$$(1) \text{ Let } b_n = \frac{1}{n^2}. \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{(4n+1)(4n+5)}}{\frac{1}{n^2}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{(4n+1)(4n+5)} = \frac{1}{16} > 0$$

Since $\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$ converges by p-test, $\sum \frac{1}{(4n+1)(4n+5)}$ conv. by LCT

$$(2) \int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{(4x+1)(4x+5)} dx \xrightarrow[\text{Fractions}]{\text{Partial}} \int_2^{\infty} \frac{1/4}{4x+1} - \frac{1/4}{4x+5} dx = \frac{1}{16} \ln|4x+1| - \frac{1}{16} \ln|4x+5|$$
$$= \frac{1}{16} \ln \left| \frac{4x+1}{4x+5} \right| \Big|_2^{\infty} = \frac{1}{16} \ln \frac{4}{4} - \frac{1}{16} \ln \left| \frac{9}{13} \right| = -\frac{1}{16} \ln \left| \frac{9}{13} \right|$$

Converges by Integral Test

4. Compute the integral $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{x^3+1} dx$

(1) Let $u = x^3+1$, $du = 3x^2 dx \rightarrow \frac{1}{3} du = x^2 dx$

If $x \rightarrow \infty$, $u \rightarrow \infty$

(2) If $x=1$, $u=2$

(3) $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{x^3+1} dx = \int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{u} du = \frac{1}{3} \ln|u| \Big|_2^{\infty}$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{1}{3} \ln|u| \Big|_2^t \right] = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{1}{3} \ln t - \frac{1}{3} \ln 2 \right]$$

$$= \infty - \frac{1}{3} \ln 2$$

$$= \infty \quad \text{Diverges}$$

5. Determine whether the series diverges, converges absolutely, or converges conditionally. Support your answer with a clear argument with one or more tests.

$$(a) \sum \frac{(-1)^n n^2}{n^{5/2} + \ln n + 2} \quad \text{Let } b_n = \frac{n^2}{n^{5/2} + \ln n + 2}$$

Since b_n is positive, decreasing, and $\lim b_n = 0$,
 then $\sum \frac{(-1)^n n^2}{n^{5/2} + \ln n + 2}$ converges. Now we check for absolute convergence.
 ↑ by AST

Do a LCT with $\sum \frac{1}{n^{1/2}}$ (which diverges by p-test)
 ↑ a_n

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{n^{5/2} + \ln n + 2} \cdot \frac{n^{1/2}}{1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^{5/2}}{n^{5/2} + \ln n + 2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{\ln n}{n^{5/2}} + \frac{2}{n^{5/2}}} = 1$$

Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{b_n}{a_n} = L = 1$ (a finite #), then $\sum \frac{n^2}{n^{5/2} + \ln n + 2}$ ~~diverges~~

(b) $\sum \frac{n^2 + 3}{(-e)^n}$ | Therefore $\sum \frac{(-1)^n n^2}{n^{5/2} + \ln n + 2}$ converges ~~conditionally~~

↑ Try Ratio Test

$$a_n = \frac{n^2 + 3}{(-e)^n}, \quad a_{n+1} = \frac{(n+1)^2 + 3}{(-e)^{n+1}}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)^2 + 3}{(-e)^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{(-e)^n}{n^2 + 3} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)^2 + 3}{n^2 + 3} \cdot \frac{(-e)^n}{(-e)^n \cdot (-e)} \right|$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)^2 + 3}{n^2 + 3} \cdot \frac{1}{-e} \right| = 1 \cdot \frac{1}{e} = \frac{1}{e} < 1 = L \quad \text{Since}$$

$L < 1$, $\sum \frac{n^2 + 3}{(-e)^n}$ converges absolutely