

\* Further tests of convergence by using ratio test

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = k$$

But it is often convenient to state the ratio test as follows:

In the positive term series  $\sum a_n$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} = k$$

then the series converges  $k > 1$  and diverges  $k < 1$  but the test fails for

(ii) part of exp. Ignoring first term of series we have

$$a_n = \frac{x^n}{n^2 + 1} \quad \& \quad a_{n+1} = \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)^2 + 1}$$

then by Ratio test

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x} \cdot \frac{(n+1)^2 + 1}{n^2 + 1} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x} \cdot \frac{n^2(1 + \frac{1}{n^2}) + 1}{n^2(1 + \frac{1}{n^2})} \\ &= \frac{1}{x} \end{aligned}$$

By Ratio test  $\sum a_n$  converges if  $\frac{1}{x} > 1$   
 $\therefore x < 1$  and  $\sum a_n$  diverges if  $x > 1$ . Ratio test fails if  $x = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} &= 0 \\ \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

For  $x = 1$ ,  $a_n \approx \frac{1}{n^2}$ , since  $\frac{1}{n^2} < \frac{1}{n^2} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$   
 Since  $\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$  converges  $\therefore \sum a_n$  converges by comparison test  $\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$  converges. Hence  $\sum a_n$  converges for  $x \leq 1$  & diverges for  $x > 1$

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X When the Ratio Test fails, we apply the  
Remainder following test

① Raabe's Test:

$\sum a_n$  if In the positive term series

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left( \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} - 1 \right) = k$$

then the series convergence  $k > 1$  and  
divergence for  $k < 1$ , but test fails for  $k = 1$ .

Proof: w Case I: When  $k > 1$ , let a number  $p$   
such that  $k > p > 1$  and compare  
 $\sum a_n$  with the series  $\sum \frac{1}{n^p}$  which is  
convergent since  $p > 1$ .

$$a_n = \frac{1}{n^p} \quad \& \quad a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{(n+1)^p}$$

$\therefore \sum a_n$  will converge, if from and after  
some term

$$\frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} > \frac{(n+1)^p}{n^p} > 1$$

or

$$\frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} > \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^p$$

or

$$\frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} > 1 + \frac{p}{n} + \frac{p(p-1)}{2 \cdot n^2} + \dots$$

or

$$\frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} - 1 > \frac{p}{n} + \frac{p(p-1)}{n^2} + \dots$$

or if 
$$n \left( \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} - 1 \right) > p + \frac{p(p-1)}{2n}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left( \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} - 1 \right) > \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( p + \frac{p(p-1)}{2n} \right)$$

$k > p$  which is true

Hence  $\sum a_n$  is convergent

(iii) Case II when  $k < 1$  can be proved similarly

(2) Logarithmic test:-

In the positive term series  $\sum a_n$  if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ n \log \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \right] = k$$

then the series converges for  $k > 1$  and diverges for  $k < 1$ , but the test fails for  $k = 1$ .

Proof. Its proof is similar to that of Raabe Test.

$\therefore \sum a_n$  will converge if form

$$\frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} > \frac{(n+1)^p}{n^p} \text{ or } \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^p$$

or 
$$\log \left( \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \right) > \log \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^p$$

or 
$$\log \left( \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \right) > p \left[ \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{2n^2} + \frac{1}{3n^3} - \dots \right]$$

$$\therefore n \log \left( \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \right) > \left( p - \frac{p}{2n} + \frac{p}{3n^2} - \dots \right)$$

Hence  $\sum a_n$  is convergent.  $k > p$  which is true

\* Consider the two series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  and  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(\log n)^2}$ , where first series is divergent and second series is convergent, but for both the series

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ n \left( \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} - 1 \right) \right] = 1$$

Remark. Raabe's Test is stronger than Ratio test.

Exp. Test for convergence the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdots (2n-1)}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdots 2n} \cdot \frac{1}{n}$

Solution We have

$$a_n = \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdots (2n-1)}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdots 2n} \cdot \frac{1}{n}$$

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdots (2n-1)(2n+1)}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdots 2n(2n+2)} \cdot \frac{1}{(n+1)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} &= \frac{(2n+2)(n+1)}{(2n+1) \cdot n} \quad \text{--- (1)} \\ &= \frac{2n(1+\frac{1}{n}) \cdot n(1+\frac{1}{n})}{2n(1+\frac{1}{2n}) \cdot n} \\ &= \frac{(1+\frac{1}{n})(1+\frac{1}{n})}{(1+\frac{1}{2n})} \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(1+\frac{1}{n})(1+\frac{1}{n})}{(1+\frac{1}{2n})}$$

$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} = 1$  means that

Ratio test fails.

So, we apply Raabe's test

we have.  $\frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} = \frac{(2n+2)(n+1)}{(2n+1) \cdot n}$

$$\begin{aligned} n \left[ \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} - 1 \right] &= n \left[ \frac{(2n+2)(n+1)}{n(2n+1)} - 1 \right] \\ &= \frac{3n+2}{2n+1} = \frac{(3+\frac{2}{n})}{(2+\frac{1}{n})} \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left[ \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} - 1 \right] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(3+\frac{2}{n})}{(2+\frac{1}{n})}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left[ \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} - 1 \right] = \frac{3}{2} > 1, \text{ Hence,}$$

given series converges.