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Theorem 9.10 The Integral Test

If f is positive, continuous, and decreasing for $x \ge 1$ and $a_n = f(n)$, then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \quad \text{and} \quad \int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$$

either both converge or both diverge.

Steps for using the Integral Test.

- 1. Conditions.
 - a. Sketch a graph or give some rationale for why the function f is positive and continuous for $x \ge 1$.
 - b. Find the derivative of f and figure out at which integer greater than one f begins to be a decreasing function.
- 2. Evaluate $\int_{N}^{\infty} f(x) dx$, where N is the integer for which f begins to be a decreasing function. Most often, N is one.
- 3. State your conclusion <u>in words</u> stating the reason for convergence or divergence.

Step 3: Conclusion 2, 3nt5 diverges by the Integral test

1. Use the Integral Test to determine the convergence or divergence of the series. $\stackrel{\sim}{=} 2$ $\xrightarrow{\sim} 2$ $3\times \pm 5$ $\stackrel{\otimes}{=} 2$

a. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{3n+5}$ $\frac{1}{n=1}3n+5$ Step 1: (anditions b) $f'(x) = -\frac{b}{(3x+5)^2} < 0$ Step 2: $\int \frac{2 dx}{3x+5}$ a) f is printing and continuous for all x, so $b \to \infty 3$, 3x+5 See Graph f is decreasing $= \lim_{b \to \infty} 2 \int \frac{1}{3x+5} \int \frac{b}{1}$ $\int \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{3x+5} \int \frac{b}{1} \int \frac{1}{3x+5} \int \frac{b}{1} \int \frac{1}{3x+5} \int \frac{b}{1}$ $= \frac{2}{3} \lim_{b \to \infty} (\ln |3b+5| - \ln |3\cdot 1+5|)$ = $\frac{2}{3} (\infty - \ln 8) = \infty$ diverges X=3.6170213 Y=.64516129

$$= -\frac{1}{2}(0)$$
$$= 0$$

converges

Step 3: Conclusion $2 \frac{\ln n}{n^3}$ converges by the integral text. n=2

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Theorem 9.11 Convergence of *p*-Series The *p*-series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p} = \frac{1}{1^p} + \frac{1}{2^p} + \frac{1}{3^p} + \cdots$ 1. Converges if p > 1, and 9.3

- 2. Diverges if $p \leq 1$.
- 2. Determine the convergence or divergence of the *p*-series.





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$$1 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{25} + \dots = 2 \frac{1}{n^2}$$

 $p = 2 > 1, 50 \quad 2 \quad \frac{1}{n^2}$ is a convergent p-series.

3. Find the positive values of p for which the series converges.

a.
$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\ln n}{n^p}$$

b.
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \left(1+n^2\right)^p$$