

Final

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You have 180 minutes to complete this final. You must show your work to receive credit. This exam contains 15 questions.

Problem 1 (5 points): Find the sum $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-2n}$.

This is a geometric series.

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-2n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{e^2}\right)^n = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-2}}$$

Problem 2 (5 points): Determine (with justification) whether the series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n!)^2}{(2n)!} \text{ converges, or diverges.}$$

Using the ratio test,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{((n+1)!)^2}{(2n+2)!}}{\frac{(n!)^2}{(2n)!}} \right| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)^2}{(2n+2)(2n+1)} \right| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(1+n^{-1})^2}{(2+2n^{-1})(2+n^{-1})} \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Since $\rho < 1$, the series converges absolutely.

Problem 3 (5 points): Determine (with justification) whether the series

$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n^4 - n - 1}}$ converges, or diverges.

Let $a_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n^4 - n - 1}}$ and $b_n = n^{-2}$. Then,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{n^4 - n - 1}}}{n^{-2}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{\sqrt{n^4 - n - 1}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - n^{-3} - n^{-4}}} = 1.$$

The series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n$ converges absolutely (convergent p -series), so the original converges by the limit comparison test.

Problem 4 (5 points): Determine (with justification) whether the following series S converges absolutely, converges conditionally, or diverges:

$$S = \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{7} - \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{11} - \frac{1}{12} + \dots$$

The series $|a_n| = \frac{1}{n}$ is a divergent p -series, so the series cannot converge absolutely. Note that the terms of the series can be grouped:

$$S = \left(\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2}\right) - \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{6}\right) - \left(\frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{8}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{10}\right) - \left(\frac{1}{11} + \frac{1}{12}\right) + \dots$$

In this form, the series is alternating and has monotonically decreasing terms, so it must converge. The series converges conditionally.

Problem 5 (5 points): Determine the interval of convergence of the series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n x^n}{n+1}.$$

Using the ratio test,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{2^{n+1} x^{n+1}}{n+2}}{\frac{2^n x^n}{n+1}} \right| \\ &= 2|x| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{n+1}{n+2} \right| \\ &= 2|x| \end{aligned}$$

If $2|x| < 1$, convergence is absolute. If $2|x| > 1$, the series diverges. Next, we need to determine the endpoints, $x = \pm \frac{1}{2}$.

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n+1} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n+1} \qquad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n+1} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n+1}$$

The first series is a divergent p -series. The second is an alternating series with decreasing terms and thus converges. The interval of convergence is $[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$.

Problem 6 (Extra Credit¹: 10 points): Determine the function $f(x)$ whose Taylor series is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n x^n}{n+1}$ and use it to evaluate the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-n}}{n+1}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n &= \frac{1}{1-z} \\ \int \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n \right) dz &= \int \frac{dz}{1-z} \\ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^{n+1}}{n+1} &= -\ln|1-z| \\ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n+1} &= -\frac{\ln|1-z|}{z} \\ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n x^n}{n+1} &= -\frac{\ln|1-2x|}{2x} \\ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-n}}{n+1} &= -\frac{\ln|1-2(\frac{1}{4})|}{2(\frac{1}{4})} \\ &= 2 \ln 2 \end{aligned}$$

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Problem 7 (10 points): Evaluate: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x^x - 1}{x \ln x}$

Note that this question is virtually identical to a problem on the first midterm and can be solved in exactly the same way. The denominator tends to zero since

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln x}{x^{-1}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x^{-1}}{-x^{-2}} = - \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x = 0$$

Next, I need

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} e^{x \ln x} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln x} = e^0 = 1$$

This shows that the denominator also tends to zero. Now I can apply L'Hôpital's rule.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x^x - 1}{x \ln x} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{d}{dx}(x^x - 1)}{\frac{d}{dx}(x \ln x)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{d}{dx} e^{x \ln x}}{\ln x + 1} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{e^{x \ln x} \frac{d}{dx}(x \ln x)}{\ln x + 1} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{e^{x \ln x} (\ln x + 1)}{\ln x + 1} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} e^{x \ln x} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 8 (10 points): The differential equation $y'' + 3y' + 2y = 0$ has the general solution $y = Ae^{at} + Be^{bt}$, where $a \neq b$ and the scalars A and B are arbitrary. Find a and b (the choice is not unique; pick one). The scalars A and B depend on the initial conditions. Use the conditions $y(0) = 0$ and $y'(0) = 1$ to find A and B .

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= Ae^{at} + Be^{bt} \\
 y' &= Aae^{at} + Bbe^{bt} \\
 y'' &= Aa^2e^{at} + Bb^2e^{bt} \\
 0 &= y'' + 3y' + 2y \\
 &= (Aa^2e^{at} + Bb^2e^{bt}) + 3(Aae^{at} + Bbe^{bt}) + 2(Ae^{at} + Be^{bt}) \\
 &= Ae^{at}(a^2 + 3a + 2) + Be^{bt}(b^2 + 3b + 2)
 \end{aligned}$$

Since this must hold for any A and B , it must hold when $A = 1$ and $B = 0$, so that $0 = a^2 + 3a + 2 = (a + 1)(a + 2)$. It must then also be true that $0 = b^2 + 3b + 2 = (b + 1)(b + 2)$. Lets choose $a = -1$ and $b = -2$. (The choice $a = -2$ and $b = -1$ is also okay.)

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= Ae^{-t} + Be^{-2t} \\
 y(0) &= A + B = 0 \\
 B &= -A \\
 y' &= -Ae^{-t} - 2Be^{-2t} \\
 y'(0) &= -A - 2B = 1 \\
 A &= 1 \\
 B &= -1 \\
 y &= e^{-t} - e^{-2t}
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 9 (10 points): Integrate $\int \frac{dx}{x^2(1-x^2)}$.

$$\frac{1}{x^2(1-x^2)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x^2} + \frac{C}{x+1} + \frac{D}{x-1}$$

$$-1 = Ax(x+1)(x-1) + B(x+1)(x-1) + Cx^2(x-1) + Dx^2(x+1)$$

$$-1 = B(1)(-1) \quad (x=0)$$

$$B = 1$$

$$-1 = D1^2(2) \quad (x=1)$$

$$D = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$-1 = C(-1)^2(-2) \quad (x=-1)$$

$$C = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$-1 = A(2)(3)(1) + (1)(3)(1) + \frac{1}{2}(2^2)(1) - \frac{1}{2}(2^2)(3) \quad (x=2)$$

$$A = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{dx}{x^2(1-x^2)} &= \int \frac{dx}{x^2} + \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dx}{x+1} - \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dx}{x-1} \\ &= -x^{-1} + \frac{1}{2} \ln|x+1| - \frac{1}{2} \ln|x-1| + C \end{aligned}$$

Problem 10 (10 points): Show that the integral $\int \csc^2 x \sec x \, dx$ can be converted into $\int \frac{du}{u^2(1-u^2)}$ using a substitution.

$$\begin{aligned}\int \csc^2 x \sec x \, dx &= \int \frac{1}{\sin^2 x \cos x} \, dx \\ &= \int \frac{\cos x}{\sin^2 x \cos^2 x} \, dx \\ &= \int \frac{\cos x}{\sin^2 x (1 - \sin^2 x)} \, dx \\ &= \int \frac{du}{u^2(1-u^2)} \quad u = \sin x, du = \cos x \, dx\end{aligned}$$

Problem 11 (10 points): Find the surface area of the solid obtained by revolving $y = \sqrt{x}$ about the x axis in the interval $[0, 1]$.

$$A = 2\pi \int_0^1 y \sqrt{1 + (y')^2} dx$$

$$A = 2\pi \int_0^1 \sqrt{x} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}\right)^2} dx$$

$$A = 2\pi \int_0^1 \sqrt{x} \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{4x}} dx$$

$$A = 2\pi \int_0^1 \sqrt{x + \frac{1}{4}} dx$$

$$A = 2\pi \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{5}{4}} \sqrt{u} du \quad u = x + \frac{1}{4}, du = dx$$

$$A = 2\pi \left[\frac{u^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\frac{3}{2}} \right]_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{5}{4}}$$

$$A = \frac{4}{3}\pi \left(\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} - \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right)$$

$$A = \frac{\pi}{6}(5\sqrt{5} - 1)$$

Problem 12 (10 points): Find the length of the curve $y = \ln(\sec x)$ in the interval $x \in [0, \frac{\pi}{6}]$.

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \sqrt{1 + (y')^2} dx \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{d}{dx} \ln(\sec x)\right)^2} dx \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \sqrt{1 + \tan^2 x} dx \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \sec x dx \\ &= [\ln |\sec x + \tan x|]_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \\ &= \ln \left| \sec \frac{\pi}{6} + \tan \frac{\pi}{6} \right| - \ln |\sec 0 + \tan 0| \\ &= \ln \left| \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right| \\ &= \ln \left| \frac{3}{\sqrt{3}} \right| \\ &= \frac{\ln 3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 13 (10 points): Integrate $\int_0^2 x \ln(x+1) dx$.

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^2 x \ln(x+1) dx &= \left[\frac{x^2}{2} \ln(x+1) \right]_0^2 - \int_0^2 \frac{x^2}{2} \frac{1}{x+1} dx \\ &= 2 \ln 3 - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^2 \frac{x^2}{x+1} dx \\ &= 2 \ln 3 - \frac{1}{2} \int_1^3 \frac{(u-1)^2}{u} dx \quad x+1 = u, dx = du \\ &= 2 \ln 3 - \frac{1}{2} \int_1^3 (u-2+u^{-1}) dx \\ &= 2 \ln 3 - \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{u^2}{2} - 2u + \ln |u| \right]_1^3 \\ &= 2 \ln 3 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{3^2}{2} - 2(3) + \ln |3| - \frac{1^2}{2} + 2(1) - \ln |1| \right) \\ &= 2 \ln 3 - \frac{1}{2} \ln 3 \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \ln 3\end{aligned}$$

Problem 14 (10 points): Derive a recurrence relation relating $\Gamma(z + 1)$ and $\Gamma(z)$, where $\Gamma(z) = \int_0^\infty x^{z-1} e^{-x} dx$ is the gamma function and $z > 0$. You may assume $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^n e^{-x} = 0$ for any real number n .

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma(z + 1) &= \int_0^\infty x^z e^{-x} dx \\ &= [-x^z e^{-x}]_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty (zx^{z-1})(-e^{-x}) dx \\ &= z \int_0^\infty x^{z-1} e^{-x} dx \\ &= z\Gamma(z)\end{aligned}$$

Problem 15 (Extra Credit²: 10 points): Recall that atmospheric pressure decays exponentially with height. Find the pressure on a wall of a building that has width w and height h . The atmospheric pressure at the bottom of the building is measured to be p_0 , and the atmospheric pressure at the top of the building is measured to be p_1 .

Let the pressure be $p(y) = ae^{ry}$.

$$\begin{aligned} p_0 &= p(0) = a \\ p_1 &= p(h) = ae^{rh} \\ e^{rh} &= \frac{p_1}{p_0} \\ rh &= \ln p_1 - \ln p_0 \\ r &= \frac{\ln p_1 - \ln p_0}{h} \end{aligned}$$

Next, consider a thin strip from the wall of the building. The strip i has height Δy_i and length w , so its area is $A_i = w\Delta y_i$. The pressure on this strip is $p(y_i) = p_0e^{ry_i}$. The force is then

$$\begin{aligned} F &\approx \sum_i F_i \\ &= \sum_i p(y_i)A_i \\ &= \sum_i p_0e^{ry_i}w\Delta y_i \\ F &= \int_0^h p_0e^{ry}w \, dy \\ &= p_0w \int_0^h e^{ry} \, dy \\ &= p_0w \left[\frac{e^{ry}}{r} \right]_0^h \\ &= p_0w \left(\frac{e^{rh}}{r} - \frac{1}{r} \right) \\ &= \frac{p_0w(e^{rh} - 1)}{r} \\ &= \frac{p_0w\left(\frac{p_1}{p_0} - 1\right)}{\frac{\ln p_1 - \ln p_0}{h}} \\ &= \frac{wh(p_1 - p_0)}{\ln p_1 - \ln p_0} \end{aligned}$$

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