

Proof of Comparison Test

The character of the two series

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n$ will same as the series

$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} u_m$ and $\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} v_m$ respectively. Let S_n and

σ_n be the n th Partial Sum of the

two series $\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} u_m$ and $\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} v_m$ respectively.

(i) Suppose the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n$ is convergent,

Then the sequence $\{\sigma_n\}$ is bounded

above and consequently \exists a constant

A , such that $\sigma_n < A \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\text{Therefore } S_n = u_m + u_{m+1} + u_{m+2} + \dots + u_{m+n-1}$$

$$\leq k(u_m + u_{m+1} + \dots + u_{m+n-1})$$

$$= k\sigma_n < kA \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Hence the sequence $\{S_n\}$ is bounded.

So the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n$ convergent.

	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			
M	T	W	T	F	S	S

(ii) Suppose the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n$ is divergent.

Then the sequence $\{O_n\}$ is unbounded above and consequently \exists a constant B , such that $O_n > B, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. therefore,

$$S_n = u_m + u_{m+1} + u_{m+2} + \dots + u_{m+n-1}$$

$$> R (u_m + u_{m+1} + \dots + u_{m+n-1})$$

$$= R O_n > RB, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Hence the sequence $\{S_n\}$ is bounded above. So the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n$ diverges.

30	31					1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
S	M	T	W	T	F	S