## STUDY GUIDE FOR MIDTERM 2

Here's what you should know for this midterm.

- Sequences
  - Know the definition of a sequence and how it differs from a series.
  - Know what it means for a limit to converge or diverge, and what it means for the limit of a sequence to be L.
  - Be able to compute the limit of a sequence (we learned some rules and theorems for this: squeeze theorem, monotonic sequence theorem, etc. Make sure you know how/when too use them!)
- Series
  - Know the definition of a series and how it differs from a sequence
  - Know what it means for a series to converge or diverge. Know what it means if  $\sum a_n = L$ .
  - Be able to translate between  $\sum a_n$  and  $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \cdots$  notation.
  - Know what a geometric series is, and be able to compute their sum.
  - Understand and be able to replicate how we show telescoping series like ∑ 1/n(n+1) converge, and how harmonic series like ∑ 1/n diverge.
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  - Know what conclusions you can make about the convergence of a series based on the limit of the underlying sequence, and vice versa.
- Integral Test
  - Know what conditions are needed to apply the integral test, and be able to apply it to test convergence.
  - Be familiar with pictures like these:



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Be able to derive the inequalities that come from these kind of pictures. Be able to draw the pictures from the corresponding inequality.

- Know the conditions and statement for the remainder estimate for the integral test. Be able to apply it to estimate the error involved in some approximation.
- Comparison Tests
  - Know the statements of the comparison and limit comparison tests. Make sure you know what conclusions you can make (if any) in all possible cases a<sub>n</sub> ≤ b<sub>n</sub>, a<sub>n</sub> ≥ b<sub>n</sub>, ∑ a<sub>n</sub> converges, ∑ a<sub>n</sub> diverges.
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  - Be able to look at a given series and find an effective comparison. Be able to carry out the relevant comparison test to determine convergence for the given series.
- Alternating Series
  - Know the definitions of: alternating series, absolute convergence, conditional convergence. Understand the relationship between absolute and conditional convergence.
  - Know the conditions for the alternating series test. Be able to apply it to show an alternating series converges.
  - Know the statement and conditions for the alternating series estimation theorem. Be able to apply it to estimate the error involved in some approximation.
- Ratio Test, Root Test
  - Know the statements of the ratio and root tests
  - Be able to apply these tests to determine convergence for a given series.