

Hints for 10.3 and 10.4

2. Use the integral test to compare the series with the integral $\int_2^\infty \frac{dx}{x \ln x \sqrt{(\ln x)^2 + 1}}$.

Then use the substitution $u = \ln x$ to transform the integral into $\int_{\ln 2}^\infty \frac{du}{u \sqrt{u^2 + 1}}$

Finally, use the limit comparison test to compare $\frac{1}{u \sqrt{u^2 + 1}} \sim \frac{1}{u^2}$.

The last integral converges so the original one also converges.

3. Either direct comparison test or limit comparison test with the geometric series $b_n = \frac{6^n}{7^n}$

4. For $n > 1$, $\frac{1}{n!} \leq \frac{1}{n(n-1)}$ (here $n(n-1)$ are the last two terms in $n!$). Then we can use the limit comparison test between $a_n = \frac{1}{n(n-1)}$ and $b_n = \frac{1}{n^2}$ to conclude that all series here are convergent.

5. Using the limit comparison test between $a_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n} \ln n}$ and $b_n = \frac{1}{n}$ with $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \infty$. Then apply the conclusion of the LCT for the case $L = \infty$ and $\sum_{n=1}^\infty b_n$ convergent.

Again this example shows the hierarchy:

$\ln \ll \text{polynomial functions} \ll \text{exponential functions}$