

Exercise 2.3.7. Give an example of each of the following, or state that such a request is impossible by referencing the proper theorem(s):

- (a) sequences (x_n) and (y_n) , which both diverge, but whose sum $(x_n + y_n)$ converges;
 - (b) sequences (x_n) and (y_n) , where (x_n) converges, (y_n) diverges, and $(x_n + y_n)$ converges;
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⑥ Impossible

Pf. If (x_n) converges and $(x_n + y_n)$ converges, then by the ALT, the sequence $\{c_n = (x_n + y_n) - x_n = y_n\}$ must also converge. Thus, it's impossible that (y_n) diverges. $\square$

Too Time Continues

Squeeze Thm.

Suppose $(a_n), (b_n), (c_n)$ are three sequences with $a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n$.
Suppose that $\lim a_n$ & $\lim c_n$ exist.

Then $\lim b_n$ exists, and
 $\lim a_n \leq \lim b_n \leq \lim c_n$.

Eg: Suppose we know that
the function $\sin(x)$ is bounded
between -1 & 1 , i.e. $-1 \leq \sin(x) \leq 1$.
What if we need to compute
 $\lim \frac{\sin(n^2 + 4n - 3)n + 1}{n^2}$?

Observe that

$$\frac{(-1)n+1}{n^2} \leq \frac{\sin(n^2 + 4n - 3)n + 1}{n^2} \leq \frac{(1)n+1}{n^2}.$$

Observe that $\frac{(-1)n+1}{n^2} = (-1)\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{n}{n^2}} + \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{n^2}}$

$\frac{A+B}{C} = \frac{A}{C} + \frac{B}{C}$ and $\frac{(4n+1)}{n^2} = \frac{1}{n} + \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2$

We know $\lim \frac{1}{n} = 0$, and so by ALT,
 (↑ we can assume.)

$$\lim \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2} = (-1) \lim \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + \lim \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2$$

$$= (-1)0 + 0^2 = 0.$$

$$\lim \frac{(1)^{n+1}}{n^2} = (+1) \lim \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + \lim \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2$$

$$= 1(0) + 0^2 = 0.$$

By the Squeeze Thm,

$$\lim \frac{\sin(n^2 + 4n - 3)^{n+1}}{n^2} \text{ exists}$$

and is 0!

Monotone Convergence Theorem.

A monotone sequence is one that is increasing or is one that is decreasing.

That is, if $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, a_{n+1} \geq a_n$,

we say " (a_n) is increasing":

If $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, b_{n+1} \leq b_n$,
we say that " (b_n) is decreasing".

eg. $(a_n) = (1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, \dots)$
is increasing.
(and thus also monotone)

$(c_n) = (1, 4, 9, 16, \dots)$
is increasing.

The sequence (d_n) defined by
 $d_n = 2 - \frac{1}{n^2}$ is increasing.

Pf: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, d_{n+1} - d_n = 2 - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} - (2 - \frac{1}{n^2})$

$$= \cancel{2} - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} - \cancel{2} + \frac{1}{n^2}$$
$$= \frac{-n^2 + (n+1)^2}{n^2(n+1)^2} = \frac{-n^2 + n^2 + 2n + 1}{n^2(n+1)^2}$$

$$= \frac{2n+1}{n^2(n+1)^2} > 0.$$

So $a_{n+1} - a_n > 0 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$
 $\Rightarrow a_{n+1} > a_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$
 $\Rightarrow (a_n)$ is strictly increasing.


We say a sequence (a_n) is bounded if $\exists M > 0$ s.t.

$$|a_n| \leq M \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

 $-M \leq a_n \leq M$ "s"

Note: (a_n) is bounded $\Leftrightarrow \{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is bounded below and bounded above.

(choose $M = \max\{|\sup S|, |\inf S|\}$)

Thm (Monotone Convergence Thm). Every bounded monotone sequence converges.

Pf. Suppose (x_n) is an increasing sequence that is bounded. By AOC, the set $A = \{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ has a sup, say $y = \sup A$. Then, $\forall \varepsilon > 0$,

$\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ st. $y - x_N < \varepsilon$.

[If no such x_N existed, then $y - x_n \geq \varepsilon$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, but then $y - \varepsilon \geq x_n$

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, making $y - \varepsilon$ an upper bound for the set A . But that's impossible since $y = \sup A$.]

Note $y \geq x_N \Rightarrow y - x_N \geq 0$.

Also, $\forall n \geq N$, $x_n \geq x_N$

$$\Rightarrow -x_n \leq -x_N$$

and $y - x_n \leq y - x_N < \varepsilon$.

(Again $y - x_n \geq 0$ since $y \geq x_n$.)

So we have that $\forall n \geq N$,

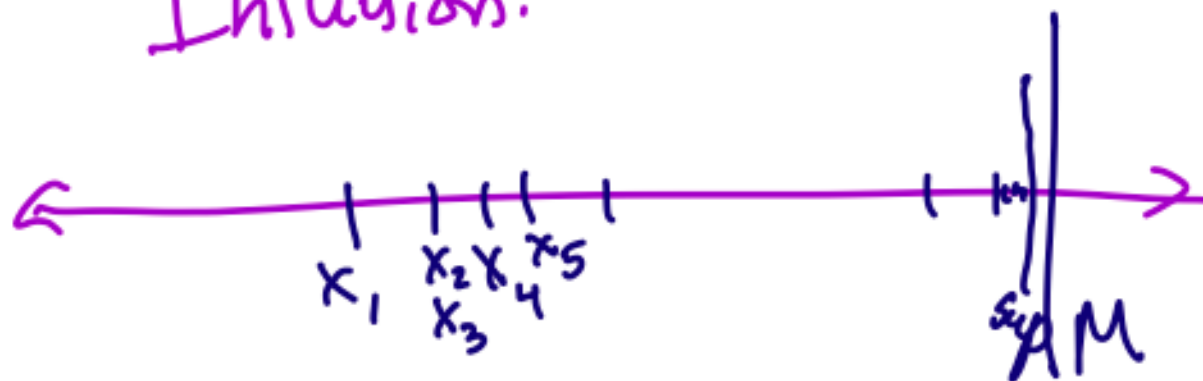
$$|y - x_n| = y - x_n < \varepsilon.$$

Thus, $\lim x_n = y$. $\square$

(We would need a similar proof for the

case where (x_n) is decreasing
 $x_n \rightarrow \inf A.$)

Intuition:



Example let $x_1 = \sqrt{4}$

$$x_2 = \sqrt{4 + \sqrt{4}}$$

$$x_3 = \sqrt{4 + \underbrace{\sqrt{4 + \sqrt{4}}}},$$

in general

$$x_{n+1} = \sqrt{4 + \underbrace{x_n}}$$

(a) Prove (x_n) converges.

(b) Find the limit.

a) *Sketch*
Consider

$$\begin{aligned}x_{n+1} - x_n &= \sqrt{4+x_n} - x_n \\ &= \sqrt{4+x_n} - \sqrt{4+x_{n-1}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x_{n+1}^2 - x_n^2 &= 4+x_n - x_n^2 \\ &= 4+x_n - (4+x_{n-1}) \\ &= x_n - x_{n-1} \star\end{aligned}$$

Need • Show $x_n \geq 0$ by

② • Show $x_2 \geq x_1$

• Use induction and this algebra
increasing

① Bounded. $x_n \leq 10$

$$0 \leq x_n \leq 10$$

induction

$$\begin{aligned}x_{n+1} &= \sqrt{4+x_n} \leq \sqrt{4+10} \\ &= \sqrt{14} \leq 10.\end{aligned}$$

$$\left(X_1 = \sqrt{4} = 2, \quad X_{n+1} = \sqrt{4 + X_n} \right. \\ \left. \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \right)$$

(a) (X_n) converges.

Pf. Observe that $0 \leq 2 = \sqrt{4} = X_1 \leq 10$.

Suppose that $0 \leq X_n \leq 10$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

$$\text{Then } X_{n+1} = \sqrt{4 + X_n}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 = \sqrt{4+0} \leq \sqrt{4+X_n} \leq \sqrt{4+10} \\ = \sqrt{14}.$$

Thus, $0 \leq X_{n+1} \leq 10$ as well.

By induction $0 \leq X_n \leq 10 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. ✓

Next, observe that $X_2 = \sqrt{4 + \sqrt{4}} = \sqrt{6}$

$$\geq X_1 = \sqrt{4} = 2.$$

Next, assume $\underline{X_{n+1} \geq X_n}$ for some

$n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} X_{n+2}^2 - X_{n+1}^2 &= \left(\sqrt{4 + X_{n+1}} \right)^2 \\ &\quad - \left(\sqrt{4 + X_n} \right)^2 \\ &= 4 + X_{n+1} - (4 + X_n) \\ &= X_{n+1} - X_n \geq 0 \text{ by assumption.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus, } X_{n+2}^2 - X_{n+1}^2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow X_{n+2}^2 \geq X_{n+1}^2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{X_{n+2} \geq X_{n+1} \geq 0}.$$

By induction, $X_{n+1} \geq X_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

In summary, we have shown that

(X_n) is a bounded sequence

(ie. $|X_n| \leq 10 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$),

and (X_n) is increasing.

By the MCT (monotone Convergence Thm)
 (x_n) converges. $\square$
