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Let be $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}, (b_n)_{n \geq 1}, a_n, b_n \in \mathbb{R}_+^* = (0, \infty)$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$

and $(b_n)_{n \geq 1}$ is a bounded sequence. If $(x_n)_{n \geq 1}, x_n = \prod_{k=1}^n (ka_k + b_k)$ find:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt[n+1]{x_{n+1}} - \sqrt[n]{x_n} \right)$$

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$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt[n+1]{x_{n+1}} - \sqrt[n]{x_n} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{x_n}}{n} \cdot n \left(\frac{\sqrt[n+1]{x_{n+1}}}{\sqrt[n]{x_n}} - 1 \right); \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{x_n}}{n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{x_n}}{\sqrt[n]{n^n}} \stackrel{C-D}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_{n+1}}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{n^n}{x_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \right)^n \cdot \frac{x_{n+1}}{(n+1)x_n} = \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \right)^n \cdot \frac{(n+1)a_{n+1} + b_{n+1}}{n+1} = \frac{a}{e}; \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

Because $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \right)^n = \frac{1}{e}$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)a_{n+1} + b_{n+1}}{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(a_{n+1} + \frac{b_{n+1}}{n+1} \right) = a, b_n$ -is

bounded.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left(\frac{\sqrt[n+1]{x_{n+1}}}{\sqrt[n]{x_n}} - 1 \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left(e^{\log \left(\frac{\sqrt[n+1]{x_{n+1}}}{\sqrt[n]{x_n}} \right)} - 1 \right) =$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{e^{\log\left(\frac{\sqrt[n+1]{x_{n+1}}}{\sqrt[n]{x_n}}\right)} - 1}{\log\left(\frac{\sqrt[n+1]{x_{n+1}}}{\sqrt[n]{x_n}}\right)} \right) n \log\left(\frac{\sqrt[n+1]{x_{n+1}}}{\sqrt[n]{x_n}}\right) = \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log\left(\frac{\sqrt[n+1]{x_{n+1}}}{\sqrt[n]{x_n}}\right)^n = \log\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt[n+1]{x_{n+1}}}\right) = \\
 &= \log\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)a_{n+1} + b_{n+1}}{n+1} \cdot \frac{n+1}{\sqrt[n+1]{b_{n+1}}}\right) = \\
 &= \log\left(a \cdot \frac{e}{a}\right) = \log e = 1; (3)
 \end{aligned}$$

From (1), (2), (3) we get: $L = \frac{a}{e}$

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