

# Assignment 5 of MATH 2003

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## 1

### 1.1

Let  $(a_n) = (x_{2n})$  and  $(b_n) = (x_{2n-1})$  be the subsequences of  $(x_n)$ .

We can get the subsequences:

$$\begin{aligned}a_n &= x_{2n} \\ &= 1 - (-1)^{2n} + \frac{1}{2n} \\ &= \frac{1}{2n} \\ b_n &= x_{2n-1} \\ &= 2 + \frac{1}{2n-1}\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\lim(a_n) = 0 \neq 2 = \lim(b_n)$$

Therefore, we know the sequence is divergent since Divergence criteria.

### 1.2

Let  $(a_n) = (x_{4n})$  and  $(b_n) = (x_{8n-1})$  be the subsequences of  $(x_n)$ .

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_n &= x_{4n} \\
 &= \sin\left(\frac{4n\pi}{4}\right) \\
 &= \sin(n\pi) \\
 &= 0 \\
 b_n &= x_{8n-1} \\
 &= \sin\left(\frac{(8n+1)\pi}{4}\right) \\
 &= \frac{\pi}{4} \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\lim(a_n) = 0 \neq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = \lim(b_n)$$

which means that the sequence is divergent.

## 2

Because  $x_n$  is unbounded sequence, then there exist a subsequence  $(x_{n_k})$  where

$$|x_{n_k}| > k$$

i.e.

$$0 \leq \frac{1}{|x_{n_k}|} \leq \frac{1}{k}$$

By the sandwich theorem

$$0 = \lim 0 \leq \lim \frac{1}{|x_{n_k}|} \leq \lim \frac{1}{k} = 0$$

i.e.

$$\lim \frac{1}{|x_{n_k}|} = 0$$

## 3

By the definition of supermum,  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists x_n$  that

$$s - \epsilon < x_n < s$$

There must exist a subsequence  $(x_{n_k})$  that

$$s - \frac{1}{k} < x_{n_k} < s$$

Therefore, by the sandwich theorem,

$$s = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (s - \frac{1}{k}) < \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k} < \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} s = s$$

Thus,

$$\lim(x_{n_k}) = s$$

## 4

$$x^3 - 5x + 1 = 0$$

i.e.

$$x = \frac{x^3 + 1}{5}$$

Let  $(x_n)$  be a sequence that:

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n^3 + 1}{5}$$

where  $0 < x_1 < 5$

Because  $0 < x_1 < 1$ , then  $x_1^3 + 1 < 2$  and  $x_2 = \frac{x_1^3 + 1}{5} < \frac{2}{5} < 1$

And assume that  $0 < x_n < 1$ , then  $x_n^3 + 1 < 2$  and  $x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n^3 + 1}{5} < \frac{2}{5} < 1$

Thus,  $x_n < 1, \forall n$  and it is easy to know that  $0 < x_n$ .

It is easy to know that

$$\frac{x_{n+1}^2 + x_{n+1}x_n + x_n^2}{5} < \frac{3}{5} < 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
|x_{n+2} - x_{n+1}| &= \left| \frac{x_{n+1}^3 + 1}{5} - \frac{x_n^3 + 1}{5} \right| \\
&= \left| \frac{x_{n+1}^3 - x_n^3}{5} \right| \\
&= \left| \frac{(x_{n+1} - x_n)(x_{n+1}^2 + x_{n+1}x_n + x_n^2)}{5} \right| \\
&< \frac{3}{5} |x_{n+1} - x_n|
\end{aligned}$$

which shows that  $(x_n)$  is contractive and the constant of contractive sequence  $C = \frac{3}{5}$ .

We know that

$$\begin{aligned}
|r - x_n| &\leq \frac{C}{1 - C} |x_n - x_{n-1}| \\
&= \frac{3}{2} |x_n - x_{n-1}|
\end{aligned}$$

Let  $x_1 = 0.5$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_2 &= \frac{9}{40} = 0.2250000 \\
|r - x_2| &\leq \frac{3}{2} |x_2 - x_1| = \frac{33}{80} = 0.4125000 \\
x_3 &\approx 0.2022781 \\
|r - x_3| &\leq \frac{3}{2} |x_3 - x_2| \approx 0.0340828 \\
x_4 &\approx 0.2016553 \\
|r - x_4| &\leq \frac{3}{2} |x_4 - x_3| \approx 0.0009342 \\
x_5 &\approx 0.2016401 \\
|r - x_5| &\leq \frac{3}{2} |x_5 - x_4| \approx 0.0000229
\end{aligned}$$

0.2016 is the approximation of  $r$  within  $10^{-4}$

## 5

*Proof.*

□

**6****(a)***Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim a_n &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \\
&\geq 1 + \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\right) \dots \\
&= 1 + 1 + 1 + \dots + 1 \\
&= \infty
\end{aligned}$$

Thus  $(a_n)$  is divergence.

□

**b***Proof.* It is easy to know that

$$\ln(x+1) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} x^n$$

by Taylor expansion. When  $x = 1$ ,

$$\ln(2) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n}$$

Thus,

$$\lim a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} = \ln(2)$$

 $a_n$  is convergence.

□

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