## Westlake University Fundamental Algebra and Analysis I

## Exercise sheet 7 - 2 : Limits – series (II)

- 1. The aim of this exercise is to study the so-called **Stolz-Cesàro theorem**. Let  $(a_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  and  $(b_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  be two series, which satisfy  $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n = +\infty$  or 0 and  $\lim_{n\to\infty} b_n = +\infty$  or 0 at the same time. In this exercise, we will propose a method to compute  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n}$  for some particular cases.
  - (1) Suppose  $(b_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  is strictly increasing,  $\lim_{n\to\infty} b_n = +\infty$  and  $-\infty \le l < +\infty$ . If

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}\frac{a_{n+1}-a_n}{b_{n+1}-b_n}=l\in\overline{\mathbb{R}}=\mathbb{R}\cup\{+\infty,-\infty\},$$

prove that there exists a  $p \in ]l, +\infty[$  and an  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that for all  $n > n_0$ , we have

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{b_{n+1}} < p\left(1 - \frac{b_{n_0}}{b_{n+1}}\right) + \frac{a_{n_0}}{b_{n+1}}.$$

**Hint**: We can prove  $a_{n+1} = (a_{n+1} - a_n) + (a_n - a_{n-1}) + \dots + (a_{n_0+1} - a_{n_0}) + a_{n_0} < p(b_{n+1} - b_{n_0}) + a_{n_0}$  for some particular  $p, n_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(2) We keep all the notations and conditions in (1). Let

$$c_n = p\left(1 - \frac{b_{n_0}}{b_n}\right) + \frac{a_{n_0}}{b_n}.$$

Prove that for all q > p, there exist  $n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that for all  $n > n_1$ , we have  $c_n < q$ . Then deduce that there exists an  $n_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that for all  $n > n_2$ , we have  $\frac{a_{n+1}}{b_{n+1}} < c_{n+1} < q$ .

(3) We keep all the notations and conditions in (1). For all real number q' < l, there exists an  $n_3 \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that for all  $n > n_3$ , we have  $q' < \frac{a_{n+1}}{b_{n+1}}$ .

**Hint:** By the same strategy as that in (1) and (2).

- (4) Prove that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = l$  under the assumption in (1).
- (5) Suppose  $(b_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  is strictly decreasing,  $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n = 0$ ,  $\lim_{n\to\infty} b_n = 0$ , and  $-\infty \leqslant l < +\infty$ . Prove  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = l$  by a similar strategy as above.

- (6) Use Stolz-Casàro theorem to study the following limits.
  - i. Let  $(a_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  be a series satisfying  $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n = b \in \mathbb{R}$ . Prove

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{a_1 + \dots + a_n}{n} = b.$$

ii. Find 
$$\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{1!+2!+\cdots+n!}{n!}$$
.

iii. 
$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} \frac{n^2}{a^{2n}} = 0 \ (|a| > 1);$$

iv. 
$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} \frac{1^k + 2^k + \dots + n^k}{n^{k+1}} = \frac{1}{k+1} \ (\forall k \in \mathbb{N});$$

v. 
$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} \frac{1^k + 2^k + \dots + n^k}{n^k} - \frac{n}{k+1} = \frac{1}{2} \ (\forall k \in \mathbb{N});$$
vi. 
$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} \frac{a_1 + 2a_2 \dots + na_n}{n(n+1)} = \pm \infty \text{ if } \lim_{n \to +\infty} a_n = \pm \infty.$$

vi. 
$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} \frac{a_1 + 2a_2 \cdots + na_n}{n(n+1)} = \pm \infty$$
 if  $\lim_{n \to +\infty} a_n = \pm \infty$ 

- 2. In this exercise, we will study the limit  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$ .
  - (1) Prove that the series  $\left(\left(1+\frac{1}{n}\right)^n\right)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  is increasing.
  - (2) Prove that the series  $\left(\left(1+\frac{1}{n}\right)^{n+1}\right)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  is decreasing.
  - (3) Deduce that the existences of  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \left(1+\frac{1}{n}\right)^n$  and  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \left(1+\frac{1}{n}\right)^{n+1}$ , and prove

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{n+1}.$$

**Note**: We denote  $e = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$ , which is an irrational number. We call e the base (or bottom number) of the natural logarithm, and usually we denote  $\ln(\cdot) = \log_e(\cdot)$ . In fact, we have  $e = 2.718281828459 \cdots$ 

- **3.** For any  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , we denote by |a| the element  $\max\{a, -a\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ .
  - (1) Show that, for any  $(a,b) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ , one has

$$|a+b| \le |a| + |b|, \quad |a-b| \le |a| + |b|.$$

(2) Show that, for any  $(a, b) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$||a| - |b|| \le |a - b|$$

(3) Let I be an infinite subset of N and  $(x_n)_{n\in I}$  be a sequence of real numbers and  $\ell \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(a) Show that  $(x_n)_{n\in I}$  converges to  $\ell$  if and only if

$$\lim_{n \in I, n \to +\infty} |x_n - \ell| = 0.$$

(b) Show that  $(x_n)_{n\in I}$  has a subsequence that converges to  $\ell$  if and only if

$$\lim_{n \in I, n \to +\infty} \inf |x_n - \ell| = 0.$$

(4) Let a and b be two real numbers. Show that

$$\max\{|a|, |b|\} \leqslant \max\{|a+b|, |a-b|\} \leqslant 2\max\{|a|, |b|\}.$$

(5) Let a and b be real numbers. Show that

$$\frac{1}{2} \leqslant \max\{|a+b|, |a-b|, |1-a|\}.$$

(6) Let a and b be real numbers. Show that

$$\max\{a,b\} = \frac{a+b+|a-b|}{2}, \quad \min\{a,b\} = \frac{a+b-|a-b|}{2}$$

- **4.** Let  $(x_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence in  $\overline{\mathbb{R}}\setminus\{0\}$ . Assume that  $(|x_n|)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  tends to  $+\infty$ .
  - (1) Let  $\varepsilon$  be a positive real number. Show that there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \ n \geqslant N, \text{ one has } |x_n| > \varepsilon^{-1}.$$

- (2) Show that the sequence  $(|x_n^{-1}|)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  tends to 0.
- **5.** Let  $\varepsilon$  be a positive real number.
  - (1) Show that, for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $(1 + \varepsilon)^n \ge 1 + n\varepsilon$ .
  - (2) Prove that the sequence  $((1+\varepsilon)^n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  tends to  $+\infty$ .
  - (3) Let a be a non-zero real number such that |a| < 1. Show that

$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} a^n = 0.$$

(4) Let a be a non-zero real number such that |a| < 1. Determine the limit of the series

$$\sum_{n\in\mathbb{N}}a^n.$$

**6.** In this exercice, we consider the following two sequences  $\alpha = (a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geqslant 1}$  and  $\beta = (b_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geqslant 1}$  defined as

$$a_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n, \quad b_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n+1}.$$

- (1) Prove the inequality  $(1+t)^n \ge 1+nt$  for  $t \ge -1$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Show that the sequence  $\alpha$  is increasing and the sequence  $\beta$  is decreasing.
- (2) Show that the series

$$\sum_{n\in\mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)}$$

is convergente and its limit is 1.

(3) Show that

$$a_n \leqslant \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{k!} \leqslant 3.$$

- (4) Prove that the sequences  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  converge to the same limit, which belongs to [2, 3]. We denote by e this limit.
- (5) Show that, for any  $(n,m) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\min\{n,m\} \geqslant 1$ , one has

$$a_n \leqslant b_m$$
.

7. Consider the sequence  $(a_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}, n\geqslant 1}$  defined as

$$a_n = \frac{\sin(n)}{n}.$$

(1) Show that

$$|a_n| \leqslant \frac{1}{n}.$$

(2) Show that

$$\limsup_{n \to +\infty} |a_n| \le 0.$$

- (3) Does the sequence  $(a_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}, n\geqslant 1}$  converge?
- 8. In this exercice, we study the convergence of the series

$$H(\alpha) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}, \, n \geqslant 1} \frac{1}{n^{\alpha}},$$

where  $\alpha$  is a real number.

- (1) Show that, if  $\alpha \leq 0$ , then the series  $H(\alpha)$  diverges.
- (2) Let N be a positive integer, show that

$$\sum_{k=N+1}^{2N} \frac{1}{k} \geqslant \frac{1}{2}.$$

- (3) Show that the series H(1) diverges.
- (4) Let n and  $\ell$  be positive integers. Show that

$$\frac{1}{(n+1)^{1+\frac{1}{\ell}}} \leqslant \ell \left( \frac{1}{n^{\frac{1}{\ell}}} - \frac{1}{(n+1)^{\frac{1}{\ell}}} \right).$$

One can use a result of Exercice 4.

- (5) Show that, for any  $\alpha > 1$ , the series  $H(\alpha)$  converges.
- (6) Show that, for any positive integer n, one has

$$\frac{1}{n+1} \leqslant \ln(n+1) - \ln(n) \leqslant \frac{1}{n},$$

where for any t > 0,  $\ln(t)$  is the unique real number such that

$$e^{\ln(t)} = t.$$

(7) Show that, for any positive integer n, one has

$$\ln(n+1) \leqslant \sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{1}{k} \leqslant \ln(n) + 1.$$

(8) Show that the sequence

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{1}{k} - \ln(n), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}, \, n \geqslant 1$$

is decreasing and is bounded from below by 0.

(9) Show that the sequence in the previous question converges in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Note: Usually we denote

$$\gamma = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{1}{k} - \ln(n) \right),$$

which is an irrational number. We call it Euler constant. In fact, we have  $\gamma = 0.577216 \cdots$ .

**9.** Consider the sequence  $(u_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  of real numbers defined in a recursive way as

$$u_0 = 1, \quad u_{n+1} = \frac{u_n}{\sqrt{u_n^2 + 1}}.$$

- (1) Show that the mapping  $(n \in \mathbb{N}) \mapsto u_n$  is decreasing.
- (2) Show that  $0 \le u_n \le 1$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- (3) Compute  $u_1$  and  $u_2$ .
- (4) Conjecture an expression of  $u_n$ . Prove your conjecture by induction on n.
- (5) Show that the sequence  $(u_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  has a limite and determine its limit.
- **10.** Consider the sequence  $(u_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  of real numbers parametrized by  $\mathbb{N}$  defined in a recursive way as

$$u_0 = 3$$
,  $u_{n+1} = \frac{u_n - 2}{2u_n + 5}$ .

Show that

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad u_n = \frac{9 - 8n}{3 + 8n}.$$

Show that the sequence  $(u_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  converges and determine its limit.

11. Consider Fibonacci's sequence  $(F_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  defined as

$$F_0 = 1$$
,  $F_1 = 1$ ,  $F_{n+2} = F_{n-1} + F_n$ .

(1) Show that, for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$F_n F_{n+2} - F_{n+1}^2 = (-1)^n$$
.

(2) Show that the function

$$(n \in \mathbb{N}) \longmapsto \frac{F_{2n+1}}{F_{2n}}$$

is increasing.

(3) Show that the function

$$(n \in \mathbb{N}) \longmapsto \frac{F_{2n+2}}{F_{2n+1}}$$

is decreasing.

(4) Let

$$\alpha = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}, \quad \beta = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}.$$

Show that, for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\alpha^{n+2} = \alpha^{n+1} + \alpha^n, \quad \beta^{n+2} = \beta^{n+1} + \beta^n.$$

(5) Find real numbers  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  such that

$$\lambda + \mu = 1, \quad \lambda \alpha + \mu \beta = 1.$$

(6) Prove that

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad F_n = \lambda \alpha^n + \mu \beta^n.$$

- (7) Show that the sequence  $(F_n/\alpha^n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  converges. Determine its limit.
- **12.** Consider the sequence  $(u_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  of real numbers defined as

$$u_n = \sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}.$$

(1) Show that, for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , one has

$$u_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}}.$$

- (2) Prove that the sequence  $(u_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  is convergente. Determine its limit.
- **13.** Let I be an infinte subset of  $\mathbb{N}$ ,  $(a_n)_{n\in I}$  and  $(b_n)_{n\in I}$  be bounded sequences in  $\mathbb{R}$ .
  - (1) Show that

$$\lim_{n \in I, n \to +\infty} \sup (a_n + b_n) \leqslant \left( \lim_{n \in I, n \to +\infty} \sup a_n \right) + \left( \lim_{n \in I, n \to +\infty} \sup b_n \right).$$

(2) Show that

$$\lim_{n \in I, n \to +\infty} \inf(a_n + b_n) \geqslant \left( \lim_{n \in I, n \to +\infty} \inf a_n \right) + \left( \lim_{n \in I, n \to +\infty} \inf b_n \right).$$

(3) Assume that  $(b_n)_{n\in I}$  converges to a real number  $\ell$ . Show that

$$\lim_{n \in I, n \to +\infty} \sup_{n \in I, n \to +\infty} (a_n + b_n) = \ell + \lim_{n \in I, n \to +\infty} \sup_{n \in I, n \to +\infty} a_n,$$

$$\liminf_{n \in I, \, n \to +\infty} (a_n + b_n) = \ell + \liminf_{n \in I, \, n \to +\infty} a_n.$$

(4) Determine the limit superior and the limit inferior of the sequence

$$u_n = (-1)^n + \frac{1}{n}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}, \ n \geqslant 1.$$

Does this sequence converge?

**14.** Let  $(u_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$ . We assume that

$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} |u_{n+1} - u_n| = 0.$$

Let  $\lambda$  be an element of  $\mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\liminf_{n \to +\infty} u_n < \lambda < \limsup_{n \to +\infty} u_n.$$

- (1) Let n be a natural number. Show that there exist  $p \in \mathbb{N}_{\geqslant n}$  such that  $u_p > \lambda$  and  $q \in \mathbb{N}_{\geqslant n}$  such that  $u_q < \lambda$ .
- (2) For any n, let  $\psi(n)$  be the smallest natural number in  $\mathbb{N}_{\geqslant n}$  such that  $u_{\psi(n)} > \lambda$  and  $\varphi(n)$  be the smallest natural number in  $\mathbb{N}_{\geqslant \psi(n)}$  such that  $u_{\varphi(n)} < \lambda$ . Show that the sequences  $(\varphi(n))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  and  $(\psi(n))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  are increasing and tend to  $+\infty$ .
- (3) Show that

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad u_{\varphi(n)} < \lambda \leqslant u_{\varphi(n)-1}.$$

- (4) Show that the sequence  $(u_{\varphi(n)})_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  converges to  $\lambda$ .
- (5) Show that there exists a subsequence of  $(u_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  that converges to  $\lambda$ .
- (6) Is the conclusion of the previous question necessarily true without the condition

$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} |u_{n+1} - u_n| = 0?$$

Justify your answer.

- **15.** Let a be a positive real number and let N be an integer such that  $N \geqslant 2a$ .
  - (1) Show that, for  $n \ge N$ , one has

$$\frac{a^n}{n!} \leqslant \frac{a^N}{N!} \frac{1}{2^{n-N}}.$$

(2) Deduce that  $a^n = o(n!), n \to +\infty$ .

(3) Show that the series

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{a^n}{n!}$$

is convergent.

- **16.** The purpose of this exercise is to compare the sequences  $(n!)_{n\in\mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}}$  and  $(n^n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}}$ .
  - (1) Let a be a real number such that 0 < a < 1. Show that, for any positive integer n, one has

$$\frac{n!}{n^n} \leqslant \frac{a^{an}}{a}.$$

- (2) Show that  $n! = o(n^n), n \to +\infty$ .
- (3) Show that the series

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}} \frac{n!}{n^n}$$

is convergent.

17. In this exercise, we study the convergence of the sequence

$$u_n = \left(\frac{1}{n!}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}.$$

(1) Let a be a real number such 0 < a < 1. Show that, for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geqslant a^{-1}}$ , one has

$$n! \geqslant (an)^{n-an}.$$

(2) Deduce that

$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} \frac{1}{(n!)^{1/n}} = 0.$$

(3) Show that the sequence  $(u_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  is decreasing. Deduce that the series

$$\sum_{n\in\mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}} (-1)^n u_n$$

converges.

(4) Does the series

$$\sum_{n\in\mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}}u_n$$

converge?

18. Study the convergence and the absolute convergence of the following series.

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{\ln(n)}{2^n}, \quad \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 2}} \frac{(-1)^n}{\ln(n)}, \quad \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}} \frac{\sin(n)}{n^2}, \quad \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{n^2 + 1}{3n^4 + 2}, \quad \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \binom{2n}{n}^{-1}.$$

19. (1) Let a and b be positive real numbers. Show that there exists a positive integer N such that

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geqslant N}, \quad \ln(n) \leqslant an^b.$$

(2) Show that, for any  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}_{>1}$  and  $b \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ , there exists a positive integer N' such that

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq N'}, \quad n^2 \leqslant \alpha^{n^b}$$

(3) Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}_{>1}$  and  $b \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ . Show that, the series

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}} \frac{1}{\alpha^{n^b}}$$

converges.

**20.** For  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 2}$ , let

$$u_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n + (-1)^n}.$$

- (1) For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 1}$ , let  $v_n = u_{2n} + u_{2n+1}$ . Show that  $v_n = O(n^{-2})$ .
- (2) Prove that the series

$$\sum_{n\in\mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 2}}u_n$$

converges and determine its limit. We can use the fact that the sequence

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{1}{k} - \ln(n), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}$$

converges in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

(3) Does the series

$$\sum_{n\in\mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 2}}u_n$$

converge absolutely?

**21.** Let  $(u_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  be a decreasing sequence in  $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$  which converges to 0. For any  $n\in\mathbb{N}$ , let

$$S_n = \sum_{k=0}^{n} (-1)^k u_k.$$

Recall that we have proved in the course that the sequence  $(S_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  converges in  $\mathbb{R}$  to a limit, which we denote as  $\ell$ . For any  $n\in\mathbb{N}$ , let  $R_n=\ell-S_n$ . We assume in addition that the following conditions are satisfied:

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad u_{n+2} + u_n \geqslant 2u_{n+1}, \quad \lim_{n \to +\infty} \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} = 1.$$

- (1) Show that, for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $(-1)^{n+1}R_n > 0$ .
- (2) Show that, for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $|R_n| + |R_{n+1}| = u_{n+1}$ .
- (3) For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $v_n = u_n u_{n+1}$ . Show that the sequence  $(v_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is decreasing and converges to 0.
- (4) Show that

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad |R_n| - |R_{n+1}| = (-1)^{n+1} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}_{>n}} (-1)^k v_k.$$

Deduce that  $|R_n| - |R_{n+1}| \ge 0$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

(5) Show that, for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\frac{u_{n+1}}{2} \leqslant |R_n| \leqslant \frac{u_n}{2}.$$

(6) Show that

$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{2R_n}{u_n} = 1.$$

**22.** Let  $(u_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$  which converges to some  $x\in\mathbb{R}$ . Suppose that, for any  $n\in\mathbb{N}$ ,  $u_n\neq x$ , and that the sequence

$$\frac{u_{n+1} - x}{u_n - x}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

converges in  $\mathbb{R}$  to some  $\lambda \in [-1, 1[$ .

(1) For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let

$$v_n = \frac{u_{n+1} - \lambda u_n}{1 - \lambda}.$$

Show that  $v_n - x = o(u_n - x), n \to +\infty$ .

(2) Suppose that  $u_n \neq u_{n+1}$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Show that

$$\lim_{n\to+\infty}\frac{u_{n+2}-u_{n+1}}{u_{n+1}-u_n}=\lambda.$$

(3) Suppose that  $u_n \neq u_{n+1}$  and  $u_n + u_{n+2} \neq 2u_{n+1}$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let

$$w_n = \frac{u_n u_{n+2} - u_{n+1}^2}{u_n + u_{n+2} - 2u_{n+1}}.$$

Show that  $w_n - x = o(u_n - x), n \to +\infty$ .

**23.** For any real number x, we denote by  $\lfloor x \rfloor$  the largest integer that is bounded from above by x. Note that

$$\lfloor x \rfloor \leqslant x < \lfloor x \rfloor + 1.$$

In this exercice, we fix an integer d which is  $\geq 2$ .

(1) Let n be an integer. Show that

$$0 \leqslant n - d \left| \frac{n}{d} \right| \leqslant d - 1.$$

(2) For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}$ , let

$$u_n = \frac{n - d\lfloor \frac{n}{d} \rfloor}{n(n+1)}.$$

Show that the series

$$\sum_{n\in\mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}} u_n$$

converges.

(3) For any  $n \in \mathbb{N} \geqslant 1$ , let

$$S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n u_k, \quad H_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k}.$$

Show that

$$S_{nd} = H_{nd} - H_n.$$

(4) Show that

$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} S_{nd} = \ln(d).$$

(5) Prove that

$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} S_n = \ln(d).$$

- (6) Deduce that  $\ln(d) \leq d 1$ .
- **24.** Let  $(u_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$ . We assume that the series

$$\sum_{n\in\mathbb{N}}u_n$$

converges and we denote by S its sum.

(1) Show that the series

$$\sum_{n\in\mathbb{N}} u_n^2$$

converges to a limit T.

- (2) Show that T belongs to  $]0, S^2[$ .
- (3) Suppose that the series  $(u_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  is of the form  $u_n=q^n$ , where 0 < q < 1. Express S and T in terms of q. Show that, for any  $\delta \in ]0,1[$  there exists  $q \in ]0,1[$  such that  $T/S^2 = \delta$ .
- **25.** Let  $(u_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}}$  be a sequence of real numbers. We suppose that  $(u_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}}$  converges to a limit  $\ell\in\mathbb{R}$ . For any  $n\in\mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}$ , let  $S_n=u_1+\cdots+u_n$ .
  - (1) For any  $N \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 1}$ , let

$$\varepsilon_N = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geqslant N}} |u_n - \ell|.$$

Show that, for any natural number n such that  $n \ge N$ , one has

$$|S_n - n\ell| \le \sum_{k=1}^N |u_k - \ell| + (n - N)\varepsilon_N.$$

(2) Show that, for any  $N \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 1}$ , one has

$$\limsup_{n \to +\infty} \left| \frac{S_n}{n} - \ell \right| \leqslant \varepsilon_N.$$

- (3) Show that the sequence  $(S_n/n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}_{\geq 1}}$  converges to  $\ell$ .
- **26.** Let  $(u_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$ . For any  $n\in\mathbb{N}$ , let

$$S_n = \sum_{k=0}^n u_k.$$

(1) Show that the series

$$\sum_{n\in\mathbb{N}}\frac{u_n}{S_n^2}$$

converges. We can use the inequality  $S_n \geqslant S_{n-1}$ .

(2) Suppose that the sequence  $(S_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  converges to a limit S. Show that the series

$$\sum_{n\in\mathbb{N}}\frac{u_n}{S_n}$$

converges.

**27.** Let  $(u_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}}$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$ . For any  $n\in\mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}$ , let

$$P_n = \prod_{k=1}^{n} (1 + u_k), \quad v_n = \frac{u_n}{P_n}.$$

(1) Show that the series

$$\sum_{n\geq 1} v_n$$

converges.

(2) Suppose that the series

$$\sum_{n\in\mathbb{N}_{\geq 1}} u_n$$

diverges.

- (a) Show that  $(P_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}}$  tends to  $+\infty$ .
- (b) Show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N} v_n = 1 - \frac{1}{P_N}.$$

(c) Deduce that

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geqslant 1}} v_n = 1.$$