

Homework Due 10/12/17: (13 problems) Section 4.2 pages 177 - 178; 1, 2, 4, 5(a)(c)(e)(g)(i)(k), 9, 10, 17, 18 (for 5(i) define  $t_n$  to be  $1$  over  $s_n$ , and then show that  $1$  over  $s_n$  goes to  $0$ )

## Problem 1

Mark each statement True or False. Justify each answer.

- a. If  $(s_n)$  and  $(t_n)$  are convergent sequences with  $s_n \rightarrow s$  and  $t_n \rightarrow t$ , then  $\lim (s_n + t_n) = s + t$  and  $\lim (s_n t_n) = st$ .

**True.** By Theorem 4.2.1 (a) and (c).

- b. If  $(s_n)$  converges to  $s$  and  $s_n > 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $s > 0$ .

**False.** Counter example:  $(s_n) = \frac{1}{n}$  ( $s = 0$ , but the moment you define  $n$ ,  $s_n > 0$ )

- c. The sequence  $(s_n)$  converges to  $s$  iff  $\lim s_n = s$ .

**False.** The sequence converges to  $s$  iff  $s$  exists **as a real number**. If  $s = +\infty$  then it can't converge.

- d.  $\lim s_n = +\infty$  iff  $\lim (\frac{1}{s_n}) = 0$ .

**False.** If  $\lim (\frac{1}{s_n}) = 0$  but  $(s_n) = -1, -2, -3, \dots$  then  $s_n$  does not diverge to  $+\infty$

## Problem 2

Mark each statement True or False. Justify each answer.

- a. If  $s_n = s$  and  $\lim t_n = t$ , then  $\lim (s_n t_n) = st$ .

**False.** We don't know  $s_n$ 's limit (which could be, for example,  $(s_n) = n$ , which diverges)

- b. If  $\lim s_n = +\infty$ , then  $(s_n)$  is said to converge to  $+\infty$ .

**False.** You can only converge to a finite number.

- c. Given sequences  $(s_n)$  and  $(t_n)$  with  $s_n \leq t_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $\lim s_n = +\infty$ , then  $\lim t_n = +\infty$ .

**True.**

Suppose  $\exists$  sequences  $(s_n)$  and  $(t_n)$  st  $s_n \leq t_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  where  $\lim s_n = +\infty$  and  $\lim t_n$  is NOT  $+\infty$ .  
 $t_n$  diverges to  $+\infty$  if  $\forall M \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  st  $n \geq N$  implies  $t_n > M$

**Let:**  $M \in \mathbb{R}$

We know that

$\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  st  $n \geq N$  implies  $t_n > M$

Since  $s_n \leq t_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  st  $n \geq N$  implies  $s_n \geq t_n > M$

$\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  st  $n \geq N$  implies  $s_n > M$

This is the definition of diverging to  $+\infty$ , a contradiction.

Hence, result.

- d. Suppose  $(s_n)$  is a sequence st the sequence of ratios  $(\frac{s_{n+1}}{s_n})$  converges to  $L$ . If  $L < 1$ , then  $\lim s_n = 0$ .

**False.**

**Let:**  $s_n = n(1)^{-n} \rightarrow (\frac{s_{n+1}}{s_n}) = \frac{(n+1)(1)^{-(n+1)}}{n(1)^{-n}}$

which converges to  $-1$  which is less than  $1$  but does not have a limit of  $0$ .

## Problem 4

a. Prove Theorem 4.2.1(b):

Suppose that  $(s_n)$  and  $(t_n)$  are convergent sequences with  $\lim s_n = s$  and  $\lim t_n = t$ . Then

**(b)**  $\lim (ks_n) = ks$  and  $\lim (k + s_n) = k + s$ , for any  $k \in \mathbb{R}$

b. Prove Corollary 4.2.5

Theorem 4.2.4:

Suppose that  $(s_n)$  and  $(t_n)$  are convergent sequences with  $\lim s_n = s$  and  $\lim t_n = t$ . If  $s_n \leq t_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $s \leq t$ .

Corollary 4.2.5:

If  $(t_n)$  converges to  $t$  and  $t_n \geq 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $t \geq 0$ .

## Problem 5

For  $s_n$  given by the following formulas, determine the convergence or divergence of the sequence  $(s_n)$ . Find any limits that exist.

a.  $s_n = \frac{3-2n}{1+n} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$

b.  $s_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n+3} \rightarrow 0$

c.  $s_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{2n-1} \rightarrow 0$

d.  $s_n = \frac{2^{3n}}{3^{2n}} = \frac{8^n}{9^n} \rightarrow 0$

e.  $s_n = \frac{n^2-2}{n+1} \rightarrow \infty$

f.  $s_n = \frac{3+n-n^2}{1+2n} \rightarrow -\infty$

g.  $s_n = \frac{1-n}{2^n} \rightarrow 0$

h.  $s_n = \frac{3^n}{n^3+5} \rightarrow \infty$

i.  $s_n = \frac{n!}{2^n} \rightarrow \infty$

j.  $s_n = \frac{n!}{n^n} = \frac{1*2*3*4*5}{5*5*5*5*5}$  where  $n = 5 \rightarrow 0$

k.  $s_n = \frac{n^2}{2^n} \rightarrow 0$

l.  $s_n = \frac{n^2}{n!} \rightarrow 0$

## Problem 9

Prove Theorem 4.2.12:

Suppose that  $(s_n)$  and  $(t_n)$  are sequences st  $s_n \leq t_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

a. If  $\lim s_n = +\infty$  then  $\lim t_n = +\infty$

Suppose  $\exists$  sequences  $(s_n)$  and  $(t_n)$  st  $s_n \leq t_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  where  $\lim s_n = +\infty$  and  $\lim t_n$  is NOT  $+\infty$ .

$t_n$  diverges to  $+\infty$  if  $\forall M \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  st  $n \geq N$  implies  $t_n > M$

**Let:**  $M \in \mathbb{R}$

We know that

$\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  st  $n \geq N$  implies  $t_n > M$

Since  $s_n \leq t_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

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$\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  st  $n \geq N$  implies  $s_n > M$

This is the definition of diverging to  $+\infty$ , a contradiction.

Hence,  $s_n$  diverges to  $+\infty$ .

b. If  $\lim t_n = -\infty$  then  $\lim s_n = -\infty$

Suppose  $\exists$  sequences  $(s_n)$  and  $(t_n)$  st  $s_n \leq t_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  where  $\lim s_n = -\infty$  and  $\lim t_n$  is NOT  $-\infty$ .

$t_n$  diverges to  $-\infty$  if  $\forall M \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  st  $n \geq N$  implies  $t_n < M$

**Let:**  $M \in \mathbb{R}$

We know that

$\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  st  $n \geq N$  implies  $t_n < M$

Since  $s_n \leq t_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  st  $n \geq N$  implies  $s_n \leq t_n < M$

$\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  st  $n \geq N$  implies  $s_n < M$

This is the definition of diverging to  $-\infty$ , a contradiction.

Hence,  $s_n$  diverges to  $-\infty$ .

## Problem 10

Prove the converse part of Theorem 4.2.13:

Let  $(s_n)$  be a sequence of positive numbers. Then,  $\lim s_n = +\infty$  iff  $\lim (\frac{1}{s_n}) = 0$ .

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**Assume:**  $\lim s_n = +\infty$

Given any  $\epsilon > 0$ , let  $M = \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ . Then there exists a natural number  $N$  st  $n \geq N$  implies that  $s_n > M = \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ .

Since each  $s_n$  is positive, we have:

$|\frac{1}{s_n} - 0| < \epsilon$ , whenever  $n \geq N$

Thus,  $\lim (\frac{1}{s_n}) = 0$ .

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## Problem 17

a. Show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k^n}{n!} = 0 \forall k \in \mathbb{R}$

b. What can be said about  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{k^n}$ ?

## Problem 18

Assume that  $(s_n)$  is a convergent sequence with  $a \geq s_n \geq b \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Prove that  $a \leq \lim s_n \leq b$ .