



Generalities

Exercise 1. Comment if the following statements are true or false? And give a valid reason for saying so.

- Every bounded sequence is convergent.
- Every sequence $(u_n)_n$ satisfies $u_{n+1} \leq u_n$ is decreasing.
- The sum of two divergent sequences is a divergent sequence.
- The product of two divergent sequences is a divergent sequence.
- If the sequence $(u_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is increasing and $u_n \leq n$, then $(u_n)_n$ is convergent.
- If $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} u_n^2 = \ell^2$, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} u_n = \ell$.
- If $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} |u_n| = |\ell|$, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} u_n = \ell$.



Convergent Sequences

Exercise 2. I) Consider the real sequence $(u_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}$ defined as: $u_n = \frac{n+1}{2n}$.

$(u_n)_n$ converges to $\ell \iff (\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}; n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow |u_n - \ell| < \varepsilon)$.

Find the absolute value of this inequality $0.49 < u_n < 0.51$, then deduce ℓ, ε and n_0 .

► Use the previous definition to prove each of the following:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{2 \ln(n+1)}{\ln(n)} = 2; \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{5n+3}{7n+1} = \frac{5}{7}.$$

II) Study the convergence of the following sequences:

$$\begin{array}{lll} 1) u_n = \frac{\sin(n)}{n}, & 2) u_n = \frac{1}{n^3} \sum_{k=1}^n k, n \in \mathbb{N}^*, & 3) u_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{n^2+k}}, \\ 4) u_n = \frac{3^n - 7^n}{3^n + 7^n}, & 5) u_n = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^n [kx], n \in \mathbb{N}^*, & 6) u_n = \sqrt[3]{1+n} - \sqrt[3]{n}, \\ 7) u_n = \left(\frac{n^2 - n + 3}{n^2 + 3n - 1} \right)^n, & 8) u_n = \frac{5 \times 7 \times 9 \cdots (2n+5)}{4 \times 7 \times 10 \cdots (3n+4)}. \end{array}$$

Adjacent Sequences

Exercise 3. I) Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, $0 < a \leq b$. Let the numerical sequences $(u_n)_n$ and $(v_n)_n$ be given by

$$\begin{cases} u_0 = a, \\ u_{n+1} = \frac{2u_n + v_n}{3}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} v_0 = b, \\ v_{n+1} = \frac{2v_n + u_n}{3}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \end{cases}$$

1. Determine u_1 and v_1 ;

2. Prove that: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, $u_n \leq u_{n+1} \leq v_{n+1} \leq v_n$;

3. Express $(v_n - u_n)_n$ in terms of $(b - a)$. Deduce that $(u_n)_n$ and $(v_n)_n$ are adjacent;

4. Express $(v_n + u_n)_n$ in terms of $(a + b)$. Set the limit of each sequence $(u_n)_n$ and $(v_n)_n$.

II) Consider the sequence of general term: $v_n = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \cdots + \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n}$, $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^*$.

► Prove that the two subsequences $(v_{2n})_n$ and $(v_{2n+1})_n$ are adjacent, then deduce the nature of $(v_n)_n$.

Divergent Sequences

Exercise 4. I) Consider the real sequence $(u_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}$ defined as: $u_n = n\sqrt{n}$.

$$(u_n)_n \text{ diverges to } \pm \infty \iff \begin{cases} 1) \forall A > 0, \exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}; n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow u_n > A. \\ 2) \forall A < 0, \exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}; n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow u_n < -A. \end{cases}$$

Explain the definition that corresponds to the limit of $(u_n)_n$, such that $u_n \in (10^6; +\infty)$, then deduce the values of A and n_0 .

► Use the previous definitions to prove each of the following:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 3^{2n+1} = +\infty; \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{2}(e^{\frac{1}{n}} - n) = -\infty.$$

II) Choose the suitable way (subsequences, comparison test) to show that the below sequences are divergent:

$$1) u_n = \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{4}\right), \quad 2) u_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2}, \quad 3) u_n = \frac{n + (-1)^n n}{n - (-1)^n \frac{n}{2}}, \quad 4) \frac{n! + 3^n}{n - 2^n}.$$

Cauchy Sequences

Exercise 5. I) Consider the real sequence $(u_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}$, such that:

$$|u_{n+1} - u_n| \leq k|u_n - u_{n-1}|, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}^*, k \in (0; 1).$$

1. Show that: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, $|u_{n+1} - u_n| \leq k^{n-1}|u_2 - u_1|$;

2. Prove that: $\forall p, q \in \mathbb{N}^*$, $q < p$, we have $|u_p - u_q| \leq \frac{k^{q-1}}{1-k}|u_2 - u_1|$;

3. Deduce the nature of $(u_n)_n$.

II) In view of the Cauchy criterion, determine the nature of the sequences $(u_n)_n$ defined by:

$$1) u_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}}, \quad 2) u_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\sin k}{2^k}.$$

Recurrence Sequences

Exercise 6. Let the sequence $(u_n)_n$ be recursively defined by:

$$\begin{cases} u_0 \in \mathbb{R}, \\ u_{n+1} = \frac{u_n}{(u_n)^2 + 1}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}. \end{cases}$$

1. We set $u_0 = \alpha$.

a) Determine α , such that the sequence $(u_n)_n$ is zero.

2. For $u_n > 0$.

(a) Prove that: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, $u_n > 0$.

(b) Show that $(u_n)_n$ is strictly decreasing.

(c) Deduce that $(u_n)_n$ is convergent and compute its limit.

3. For $u_n < 0$.

(a) Prove that: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, $u_n < 0$.

(b) Show that $(u_n)_n$ is strictly increasing.

(c) Deduce that $(u_n)_n$ is convergent and compute its limit.

4. Determine sup, inf, max, and min if they exist in the set

$$E = \{|u_n|, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}\}.$$

