

1. In this question you should work **from first principles**, proving any result you need.

Let  $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of real numbers.

- (a) Define what it means to say  $a_n \rightarrow a \in \mathbb{R}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .
- (b) If  $a_n = \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{(2n-5)(n+3)}$ , is  $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  convergent or not? Prove your answer carefully.
- (c) Instead of asking for the *difference*  $a_n - a$  to be close to 0, we could ask for the *ratio*  $(a_n + M)/(a + M)$  to be close to 1 (for some  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  included to avoid dividing by zero).

So we make the following definition:  $a_n \rightsquigarrow a$  if and only if there exists  $M \neq -a$  such that

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } \forall n \geq N, \quad \frac{a_n + M}{a + M} \in (1 - \epsilon, 1 + \epsilon).$$

Prove that  $a_n \rightsquigarrow a$  if and only if  $a_n \rightarrow a$ .

2. Show that if  $a_n \rightarrow l$ , and we define  $b_n = (\sum_{k=1}^n a_k)/n$ , then  $b_n \rightarrow l$  too. Give an example to show that the converse does not hold.
3. Let  $s_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k(k+1)}$ . Compute  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n$ .