

Flight Test Q8

Prove (from the definition of a limit of a sequence) that if the sequence $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \rightarrow L$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then for any fixed number $M > 0$, the sequence $\{Ma_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \rightarrow ML$ where L, ML are limits.

The definition of a limit of a sequence:

$$a_n \rightarrow a, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \\ (\forall \epsilon > 0)(\exists n \in \mathbb{N})(\forall m \geq n)(|a_m - a| < \epsilon)$$

Restating for this problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n &= L \\ M(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n) &= ML \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ma_n &= ML \end{aligned}$$

Select a positive real number $M\epsilon > 0$. $(\forall M\epsilon > 0)(\exists n \in \mathbb{N})(\forall m \geq n)$:

$$\begin{aligned} |Ma_m - ML| &< M\epsilon \\ M|a_m - L| &< ML \\ |a_m - L| &< L \end{aligned}$$

which is given as true in the statement of the problem. Therefore the statement that the sequence

$$\{Ma_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \rightarrow ML$$

is true.