

Graph Limits: Graph Limits #Fekete

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Problem 1

Let a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots , seq of non-negative real numbers with $a_{i+j} \leq a_i + a_j \forall i, j \geq 1$. Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{n} \quad (1)$$

exists.

Soln:

Let $L = \inf_{n \geq 1} \frac{a_n}{n}$, and let $\epsilon > 0$ be arbitrary.

since L is the inf of $\frac{a_n}{n}$, we could choose n_0 such that

$$L \leq \frac{a_{n_0}}{n_0} \leq L + \epsilon \quad (2)$$

now, for $n \geq n_0$, write n as $n = pn_0 + q$, $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$, $0 \leq q < n_0$.

$$a_n = a_{pn_0+q} \quad (3)$$

$$\leq \underbrace{a_{n_0} + a_{n_0} + \dots + a_{n_0}}_{p \text{ terms}} + a_q \quad (4)$$

$$= pa_{n_0} + a_q \quad (5)$$

$$(6)$$

Now, divide both sides by n .

$$\frac{a_n}{n} \leq \frac{p}{n} a_{n_0} + \frac{a_q}{n} \quad (7)$$

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{n} \leq \frac{a_{n_0}}{n_0} + 0 \quad (8)$$

since

$$\frac{a_q}{n} \mapsto 0 \text{ as } n \mapsto \infty \quad (9)$$

$$\text{since } a_q \leq \max_{0 \leq q < n_0} a_q < \infty \quad (10)$$

since

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p}{n} = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n-q}{n_0}}{n} \quad (11)$$

$$= \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n-q}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n_0}. \quad (12)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n-q}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n_0}. \quad (13)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n_0} \quad (14)$$

Thus, $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{n} \leq \frac{a_{n_0}}{n_0} \leq L + \epsilon$

since $\epsilon > 0$ is arbitrary, we could make $\epsilon \mapsto 0$, so

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \quad (15)$$