

## Lecture 12

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(Ratio Test)

Theorem Let  $(x_n)$  be a sequence of positive real numbers such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} = L$ . If  $L < 1$ , then  $(x_n)$  converges and  $\lim(x_n) = 0$ .

Notes  $|x_n - 0| < \epsilon$

$$\Rightarrow x_n < \epsilon$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} = L < 1$$

$$\left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} - L \right| < \frac{1-L}{2}$$



$$\Rightarrow \exists M\left(\frac{1-L}{2}\right) \forall n \geq M\left(\frac{1-L}{2}\right)$$

$$\frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} < \frac{1+L}{2} < 1 \quad (\text{adding } L)$$

$$x_{n+1} < \left(\frac{1+L}{2}\right) x_n$$

Use m-tail:  $x_{M_L+k} < \left(\frac{1+L}{2}\right)^k x_{M_L}$

And squeeze theorem

Proof We first show that  $\left(\frac{1+L}{2}\right)^k \rightarrow 0$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} = L < 1$ ,  $\exists M_L = M\left(\frac{1-L}{2}\right) > 0$  such that  $\left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} - L \right| < \frac{1-L}{2}$

for all  $n \geq M_L$ . Note that

$$\frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} = \left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} - L + L \right| \leq \left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} - L \right| + L \leq \frac{1-L}{2} + L = \frac{1+L}{2}$$

by the triangle inequality. Then by mathematical induction,  $x_{M_L+k} < \left(\frac{1+L}{2}\right)^k x_{M_L}$

$\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ . So,  $0 < x_{M_L+k} < \left(\frac{1+L}{2}\right)^k x_{M_L}$

By the Squeeze Theorem,  $\lim x_{M_L+k} = 0$ . Since  $x_{M_L+k}$  is the m-tail of  $x_n$ ,  $x_n \rightarrow 0$ .

More Notes (once we learn log rules):

$$\left(\frac{1+L}{2}\right)^k < \epsilon$$

$$k \log\left(\frac{1+L}{2}\right) < \log(\epsilon)$$

$$k < \frac{\log(\epsilon)}{\log\left(\frac{1+L}{2}\right)} \quad \text{so by the Archimedean Property, } \exists N > \frac{\log(\epsilon)}{\log\left(\frac{1+L}{2}\right)}$$

## Section 3.3 Monotonic Sequences

Def Let  $(x_n)$  be a sequence.

•  $(x_n)$  is **increasing** if it satisfies

$$x_1 \leq x_2 \leq x_3 \leq \dots \leq x_n \leq x_{n+1} \leq \dots$$

(To show a sequence is increasing, use induction to show  $x_n \leq x_{n+1}$ )

•  $(x_n)$  is **decreasing** if it satisfies

$$x_1 \geq x_2 \geq x_3 \geq \dots \geq x_n \geq x_{n+1} \geq \dots$$

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$(x_n)$  is decreasing if  $(-x_n)$  is increasing

## Monotone Convergence Theorem

A monotone sequence of real numbers is convergent if and only if it is bounded. In addition:

i) If  $(x_n)$  is bounded increasing,  $\lim(x_n) = \sup\{x_n\}$

ii) If  $(x_n)$  is bounded decreasing,  $\lim(x_n) = \inf\{x_n\}$

Proof i) We need to show  $x^* = \sup\{x_n\}$  is the limit of  $(x_n)$ .

By the Completeness Property,  $x^* \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$\forall \epsilon > 0$ , since  $x^* + \epsilon$  is an upper bound of  $(x_n)$ ,  $\exists N(\epsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $x_{N(\epsilon)} > x^* - \epsilon$ . Then  $\forall n \geq N(\epsilon)$ , since  $(x_n)$  is increasing,

$x_n > x^* - \epsilon \Rightarrow x^* - \epsilon < x_n < x^* + \epsilon$ . This implies that

$|x_n - x^*| < \epsilon$ . So,  $\lim(x_n) \rightarrow x^*$ .

Ex Let  $(x_n)$  be defined as  $x_1 = 1$ ,  $x_{n+1} = \sqrt{2x_n}$ . Show that  $\lim(x_n) = 2$ .

Proof We first show that  $(x_n)$  is increasing (use induction)

Then show that  $x_n \leq 2 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  using the Monotone Convergence Theorem

## Section 3.4

Def Let  $(x_n)$  be a sequence of real numbers and let  $n_1 < n_2 < \dots < n_k < \dots$  be a strictly increasing sequence of natural numbers  $(x_n: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$ .

Then the sequence  $(x_{n_k})$  given by  $x_{n_1}, x_{n_2}, \dots, x_{n_k}, \dots$  is called a **subsequence** of  $(x_n)$ .

Ex  $(x_n = \frac{1}{n})$

$\frac{1}{2n}$  can be viewed as a subsequence of  $\frac{1}{n}$

Or do  $\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{n})$ .