

Lecture 12

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Also our favorite guy shaved ☺

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(Ratio Test)

Theorem Let (x_n) be a sequence of positive real numbers such that

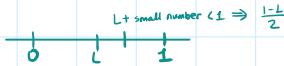
$$\lim \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} = L. \text{ If } L < 1, \text{ then } (x_n) \text{ converges and } \lim (x_n) = 0.$$

Notes $|x_n - 0| < \epsilon$

$$\Rightarrow x_n < \epsilon$$

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

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



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

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

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

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

And squeeze theorem

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

Since $\lim \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} = L < 1$, $\exists M_L = M \left(\frac{1-L}{2} \right) > 0$ 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

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

- (x_n) is monotonic if it is either increasing or decreasing

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

• (x_n) is **monotonic** if it is either increasing or decreasing.

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