

① 3.3.2

Here we want to show induction.

Since $x_1 > 1$, we have that $\frac{1}{x_1} < 1$. This means $x_2 = 2 - \frac{1}{x_1} > 1$.

We want to show $x_n > 1$ for all n . By induction we see that if $x_k > 1$, then $x_{k+1} = 2 - \frac{1}{x_k} > 1$.

So here we see that we are bounded above by 2 and below by 1.

Now we want show that the monotone is decreasing. We still use induction.

$0 < (x_1 - 1)^2 \Rightarrow 0 < x_1^2 - 2x_1 + 1 \Rightarrow 2x_1 < x_1^2 + 1 \Rightarrow 2 < x_1 + \frac{1}{x_1} \Rightarrow 2 - \frac{1}{x_1} < x_1 \Rightarrow x_2 < x_1$. This is for the first base case. We use induction to finish the monotone.

$x_{k+1} < x_k \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x_{k+1}} > \frac{1}{x_k} \Rightarrow \frac{-1}{x_{k+1}} < \frac{-1}{x_k} \Rightarrow 2 - \frac{1}{x_{k+1}} < 2 - \frac{1}{x_k} \Rightarrow x_{k+2} < x_{k+1}$. Now with the limits

as used in the book $x_{n+1} = 2 - \frac{1}{x_n} \Rightarrow x = 2 - \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow x = 1$. ■

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Since we know that $x_1 \geq 2$, we have that $x_1 - 1 \geq 1$. We want to show x_n is bounded below 2.

So we can write $x_1 - 1 \geq 1$ and relate it to $x_{n+1} = 1 + \sqrt{x_n - 1}$.

$x_1 - 1 \geq 1$ this means $\sqrt{x_1 - 1} \geq 1 \Rightarrow 1 + \sqrt{x_1 - 1} \geq 1 + 1 = 2$. We can recognize that x_2 would be $1 + \sqrt{x_1 - 1}$. Hence, $x_2 \geq 2$, but that was our base case. We need to use induction. So we can use the same method but just for k . If $x_{k+1} \geq 2$ then $x_{k+1} - 1 \geq 1$. Let's relate $x_{k+2} = 1 + \sqrt{x_{k+1} - 1}$.

Now we have $\sqrt{x_k - 1} \geq 1 \Rightarrow \sqrt{x_k - 1} + 1 \geq 1 + 1 = 2$. We recognize that $x_{k+2} = 1 + \sqrt{x_{k+1} - 1}$.

Hence, $x_{k+2} \geq 2$. We need to do monotone. We do the same method of induction. We start out with a base case. We notice $x_1 - 1 > 1$, then $x_1 - 1 > \sqrt{x_1 - 1} \Rightarrow x_1 > 1 + \sqrt{x_1 - 1} = x_2$. That was our base case.

Now onto our inductive case for $k+1$. We know that $x_k > x_{k+1} \Rightarrow x_k - 1 > x_{k+1} - 1 \Rightarrow \sqrt{x_k - 1} > \sqrt{x_{k+1} - 1} \Rightarrow 1 + \sqrt{x_k - 1} > 1 + \sqrt{x_{k+1} - 1} \Rightarrow x_{k+1} > x_{k+2}$. Now we use limits $x_{n+1} = 2 - \frac{1}{x_n} \Rightarrow x = 2 - \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow x = 1$, but this is impossible $\therefore x = 2$. ■

③ 3.3.9

We let $u = \sup A$, here for every $\epsilon > 0$ there exists an element a in A such that $u - \epsilon < a < u$, that is $u - a < \epsilon$. Now take $\epsilon = 1$ then we can find a_1 in A s.t. $u - a_1 < 1$. Now take $\epsilon = \frac{1}{2}$. We can find a b in A such that $u - b < \frac{1}{2}$. Now if $a_1 > b$ then $u - a_1 < u - b < \frac{1}{2}$. In this case let $a_2 = a_1$. Otherwise let $a_2 = b$.

In either case we have $a_1 \leq a_2$ and $u - a_2 < \frac{1}{2}$. Proceeding like this for each n , we will get a sequence of elements a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots of A satisfying $u - a_n < \frac{1}{n}$ and $a_1 \leq a_2 \leq a_3 \leq \dots$. Since for every n , $u - a_n < \frac{1}{n}$ we have that $\lim a_n = u$. So we find an increasing sequence which converges to u . ■

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④ 3.3.11

Let $x_n = 1 + \frac{1}{2^n} + \dots + \frac{1}{n^2}$

$$x_{n+1} = 1 + \frac{1}{2^n} + \dots + \frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}$$

$$x_{n+1} - x_n = \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} > 0$$

$x_{n+1} > x_n$, $\therefore \{x_n\}$ is increasing

$\{x_n\} = \{1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n^2}\}$ is bounded

$$n > n-1, n \geq 2$$

$$n^2 > n(n-1)$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{n^2} < \frac{1}{n(n-1)}$$

$\therefore \{x_n\}$ is bounded above

Since $\{x_n\}$ is monotone increasing and bounded above then $\{x_n\}$ convergent.

⑤ 3.4.2

If $x_n = c^{1/n}$, where $0 < c < 1$, then x_n is increasing and bounded, so it has a limit x . Since $x_{2n} = \sqrt{x_n}$, the limit satisfies $x = \sqrt{x}$, so $x = 0$ or $x = 1$. Since $x = 0$ is impossible, we have $x = 1$.

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⑥ 3.4.4

a) $(1 - (-1)^n + 1/n)$

Let $x_n = (1 - (-1)^n + 1/n)$. Let $n_k = 2k$ and $m_k = 2k+1$ for $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

So $x_{n_k} = (1/2k)$ converges to 0, while the subsequence $x_{m_k} = 2 + \frac{1}{(2k+1)} \rightarrow 2$

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\therefore The subsequence is divergent.

b) $x_n = \sin(n\pi/4)$. Let $n_k = 2+8k$ and $m_k = 8k \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$

The limit of the subsequence $(x_{n_k} = \sin(\pi/2 + 2k\pi) = 1)$ is 1, while the other subsequence $(x_{m_k} = \sin(2k\pi) = 0)$ has limit equal to 0. $\therefore x_n$ is divergent.

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⑦ 3.4.6

a) $X_n = n^{\frac{1}{n}} \Rightarrow X_{n+1} = (n+1)^{\frac{1}{n+1}}$

$$\frac{X_{n+1}}{X_n} = \frac{(n+1)^{\frac{1}{n+1}}}{n^{\frac{1}{n}}} = \frac{n^{\frac{1}{n+1}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{n+1}}}{n^{\frac{1}{n}}} = \frac{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{n+1}}}{n^{\frac{1}{n(n+1)}}}$$

$$\therefore \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n < n \Leftrightarrow \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) < n^{\frac{1}{n}} \Leftrightarrow \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{n+1}} < n^{\frac{1}{n(n+1)}} \Leftrightarrow \frac{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{n+1}}}{n^{\frac{1}{n(n+1)}}} < 1 \Leftrightarrow \frac{X_{n+1}}{X_n} < 1$$

$$X_{n+1} < X_n \therefore X_{n+1} < X_n \text{ iff } \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n < n$$

$$\text{Now } \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = 1 + n \frac{1}{n} + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} \frac{1}{n^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n^n}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots = e < 3$$

$$\therefore X_{n+1} < X_n \text{ iff } \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n < n, \forall n \geq 3$$

$\{X_n\}$ is monotonically decreasing and bounded above by 2.

\therefore Sequence $\{X_n\}$ is convergent

b) Every subsequence of convergent and converges to the same limit

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{\frac{1}{n}} = x; \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (2n)^{\frac{1}{2n}} = x, \text{ but } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (2n)^{\frac{1}{2n}} = x \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (2n)^{\frac{1}{n}} = x^2 \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (2)^{\frac{1}{n}} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n)^{\frac{1}{n}} = x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n)^{\frac{1}{n}} = x^2 \therefore x^2 = x \Rightarrow x^2 - x = 0 \Rightarrow x(x-1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0, x = 1$$

Since $x_n \geq 1$, $x \neq 0$, must be $x = 1$.