

# Problem Set 1

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## Problem 1

$$\begin{aligned}a_n &= \frac{n^2}{n+1} - \frac{n^2+3}{n} \\&= \frac{n^2-1}{n+1} - \frac{n^2}{n} - \frac{3}{n} + \frac{1}{n+1} \\&= n-1 - n - \frac{3}{n} + \frac{1}{n} \\&= -1 - \frac{3}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\frac{3}{n}$  and  $\frac{1}{n+1}$  converges to 0 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .  
The sequence converges to -1

## Problem 2

Given the seq.

$$a_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n} + \frac{1 + (-1)^n}{10}$$

**Hint:** consider the the following 2 sub seq.  $a_{2n}$  and  $a_{2n+1}$ . check their convergence.

## Problem 3

$$a_n = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right)$$

Here we have,

$$\begin{aligned}a_n &= 0 \quad \text{for } n = 2, 4, 6, \dots \\&= 1 \quad \text{for } n = 1, 5, 9, \dots \\&= -1 \quad \text{for } n = 3, 7, 11, \dots\end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

As is evident, there does not exist any  $x$  for which  $|x_n - x|$  can be made as small as possible however large  $n$  might be.

## Problem 4

$$a_n = 2^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

**Hint:** The seq. is monotonically decreasing and bounded.  
Start with:

$$2^{n+1} > 2^n \quad \forall n \geq 0$$

## Problem 5

$$a_n = \frac{n \sin(n!)}{n^2 + 5}$$

Now, we know that,

$$-1 \leq \sin(x) \leq 1 \quad \text{for any } x$$

Thus,

$$-1 \leq \sin(n!) \leq 1$$

Multiplying each side by  $n$ , we have

$$-n \leq n \sin(n!) \leq n$$

Dividing each side by  $n^2 + 5$ , we have

$$\frac{-n}{n^2 + 5} \leq \frac{n \sin(n!)}{n^2 + 5} \leq \frac{n}{n^2 + 5}$$

Now, as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\frac{-n}{n^2+5} \rightarrow 0$  and  $\frac{n}{n^2+5} \rightarrow 0$ , by Sandwich Theorem, we have:

$$\frac{n \sin(n!)}{n^2 + 5} \rightarrow 0$$

Thus the sequence  $a_n$  converges to 0.

## Problem 6

Given,

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= \frac{3^n + (-2)^n}{3^{n+1} + (-2)^{n+1}} \\ \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} &= \frac{(3^{n+1} + (-2)^{n+1})^2}{(3^{n+2} + (-2)^{n+2})(3^n + (-2)^n)} \\ &= \frac{3^{2n+2} + (-2)^{2n+2} - 12(-6)^n}{3^{2n+2} + (-2)^{2n+2} + 13(-6)^n} < 1 \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  The seq is monotonically decreasing and  $a_n > 0$ .

$\Rightarrow$  The seq is convergent. Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^n + (-2)^n}{3^{n+1} + (-2)^{n+1}} \\ = \frac{1 + (\frac{-2}{3})^n}{3(1 + (\frac{-2}{3})^{n+1})} = \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

## Problem 7

$$\begin{aligned}a_n &= \sqrt{n+7} - \sqrt{n+4} \\&= \frac{(\sqrt{n+7} - \sqrt{n+4})(\sqrt{n+7} + \sqrt{n+4})}{\sqrt{n+7} + \sqrt{n+4}} \\&= \frac{3}{\sqrt{n+7} + \sqrt{n+4}}\end{aligned}$$

Thus as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  we have  $a_n \rightarrow 0$

## Problem 8

**The Ratio Test for Sequences:** If  $a_n$  is a sequence of positive real numbers such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = L$  and if  $L < 1$ , then  $a_n$  converges and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ .

**Hint :**  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)a^{n+1}}{na^n} = a < 1$

alternately, Given  $a_n = n a^n$ ,  $0 < a < 1$ , let,  $b = \frac{1}{a} \cdot b > 1$  exponential function dominates linear function.

## Problem 9

$$\begin{aligned}&\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2x^2 - 3x + 1}{x - 1} \\&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2x^2 - 2x - x + 1}{x - 1} \\&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2x(x-1) - (x-1)}{x-1} \\&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(2x-1)(x-1)}{x-1} \\&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (2x-1) \\&= 1\end{aligned}$$

## Problem 10

**Hint :**  $x^2 + 2ax + x^2 = (x+a)^2$

Note :  $x \rightarrow a$  but one can assume  $x = a$  only when the denominator term does not converg to zero as  $x \rightarrow a$

## Problem 11

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x)}{x}$$

Using L'Hospital's rule, since our function is in  $\frac{0}{0}$  form, we differentiate numerator and denominator w.r.t.  $x$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(x)}{1} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

For a non-L'Hospital rule approach, check out :  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x)}{x} = 1$

## Problem 12

Hint :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}(\sin 5x) &= 5 \cos x \\ 1 - \cos x &= 2 \sin \frac{x^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

## Problem 13

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$$

Now, similar to problem 5, we have,

$$-1 \leq \sin(x) \leq 1 \quad \text{for any } x$$

Thus,

$$-1 \leq \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \leq 1$$

Multiplying each side by  $x$ , we have

$$-x \leq x \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \leq x$$

Now, we have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{-x \rightarrow 0} x = 0$$

By Sandwich Theorem,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 0$$

## Problem 14

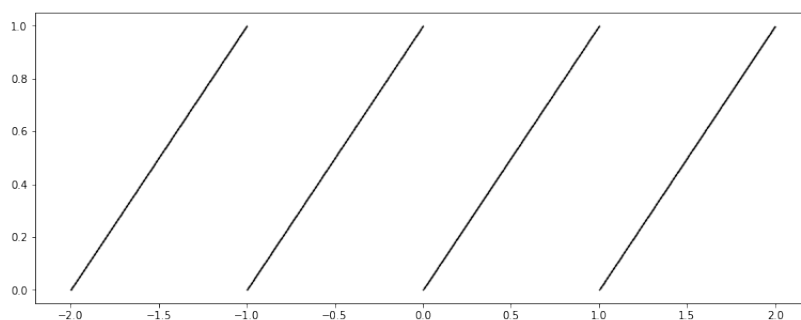
Solving the problem is relatively easy. So instead we want to talk about plotting graphs with discontinuity, as some of you raised the issue in last tutorial class: The function  $func14$  is equivalent to  $f(x) = x - [x], x \in \mathbb{R}$

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1 def func14(x):
2     '''takes input an numpy array
3     and returns an array of the values
4     x - [x]'''
5     y = x - np.floor(x)
6     return y

1 x=np.arange(-2,2,0.001)
2 y=func14(x)

1 plt.figure(figsize=(13,5))
2 plt.plot(x,y,".k",markersize=0.5)
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The code for the function  $x - [x]$



The graph of the function  $x - [x]$

## Problem 15

Plotting a graph, to find discontinuities, we need to find breaks in the function

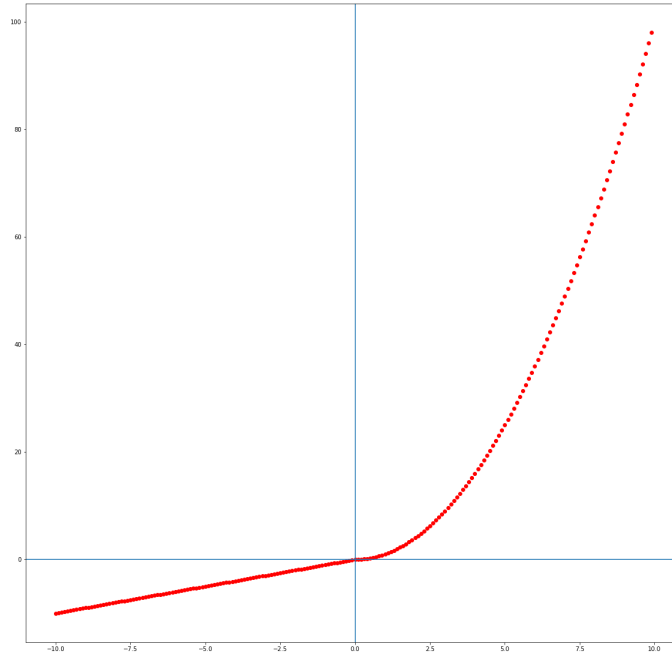
From the graph it's clearly evident that the function is not discontinuous. However, the only point of discontinuity can be at 0. So, let's just double check. Checking the left hand limit, we have,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} x = 0$$

Checking the right hand limit, we have,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^2 = 0$$

Since left hand limit = right hand limit, the function is continuous at 0.



Plotting the graph of the function

## Problem 16

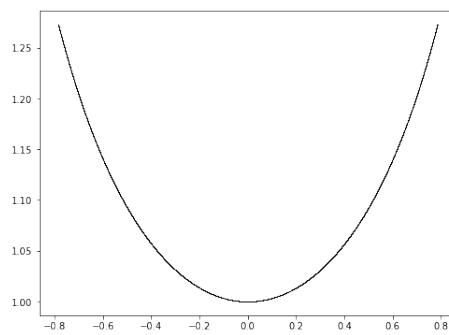


Fig. 1: Plotting the graph of the function

A rough idea of how to plot  $\frac{\tan(x)}{x}$  by hand :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\tan x}{x} & \text{for } x \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{4}\right] \quad x \neq 0 \\ 1 & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

① First check for discontinuity  
the only pt to check here is  $x=0$

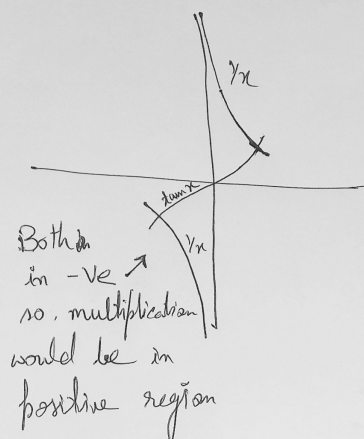
$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\tan x}{x} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x + \frac{2x^3}{3!} + \frac{16x^5}{5!} + \dots}{x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} 1 + \frac{2x^2}{3!} + \frac{16x^4}{5!} + \dots \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

similarly for  $x \rightarrow 0^-$

$\Rightarrow f(x)$  is continuous at  $x=0$

$\Rightarrow f(x)$  " " for  $x \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{4}\right]$

Now, plot  $\tan x$  &  $1/x$  in  $[-\pi/4, \pi/4]$

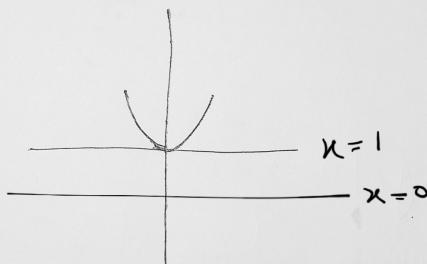


As seen previously  
there's no discontinuity  
in  $\frac{\tan x}{x} \forall x \in [-\pi/4, \pi/4]$

& since,  $\frac{\tan x}{x} = 1 + \frac{2x^2}{3!} + \dots$

~~$\Rightarrow$  the graph would~~  
 $\Rightarrow \tan x$  would dominate  
 $x$  in  $[-\pi/4, \pi/4]$

So, the graph would be



Similarly, ~~if~~ ~~f(x)~~ check for yourself the graph of

$$f(x) = \frac{\tan x}{|x|} \quad \forall x \in [-\pi/4, \pi/4], x \neq 0$$

$$= 1 \quad x = 0$$