

Def: We say a sequence  $(x_k)$

converges to a limit  $L \in \mathbb{R}$

if for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$

so that if  $n \geq N$  then  $|L - x_n| < \epsilon$ .

If  $(x_k)$  converges to  $L$  we write

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = L \text{ or simply } x_k \rightarrow L.$$

A sequence diverges if it does not converge  
to any real number.

$A_n$  at most countable

$\emptyset, \text{finite}, \underline{\text{countably inf}}$

$A$  is at most countable  $\Leftrightarrow$  there is a surjection

$f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow A$   $\Rightarrow$  [at most  
countable]

$\mathbb{N} \rightarrow s_n$

$1 \rightarrow 1$

$2 \rightarrow 2$

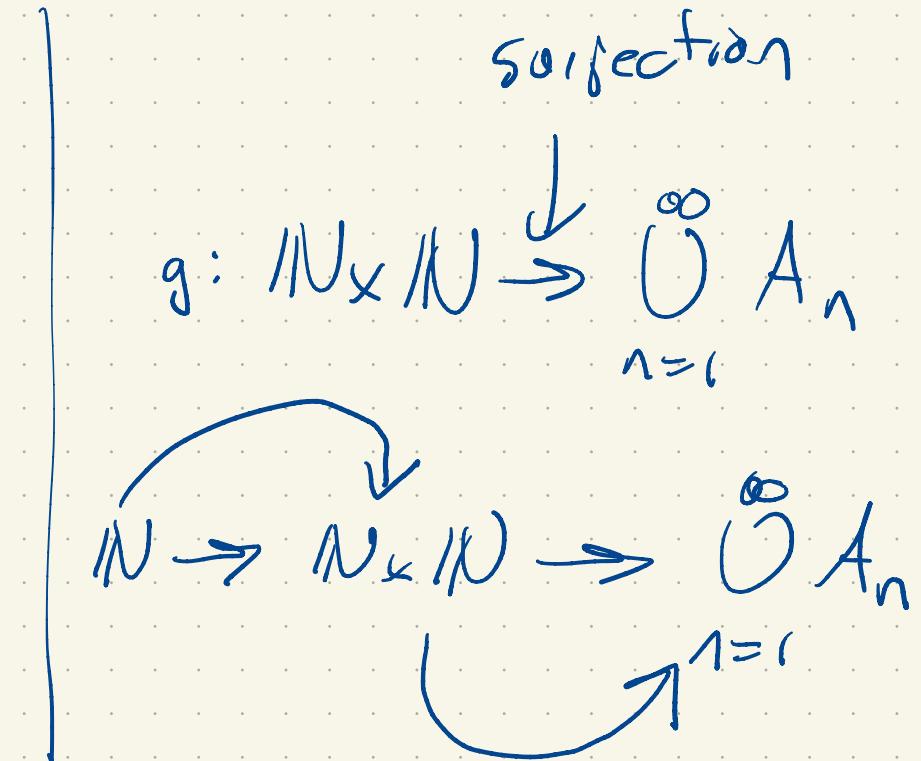
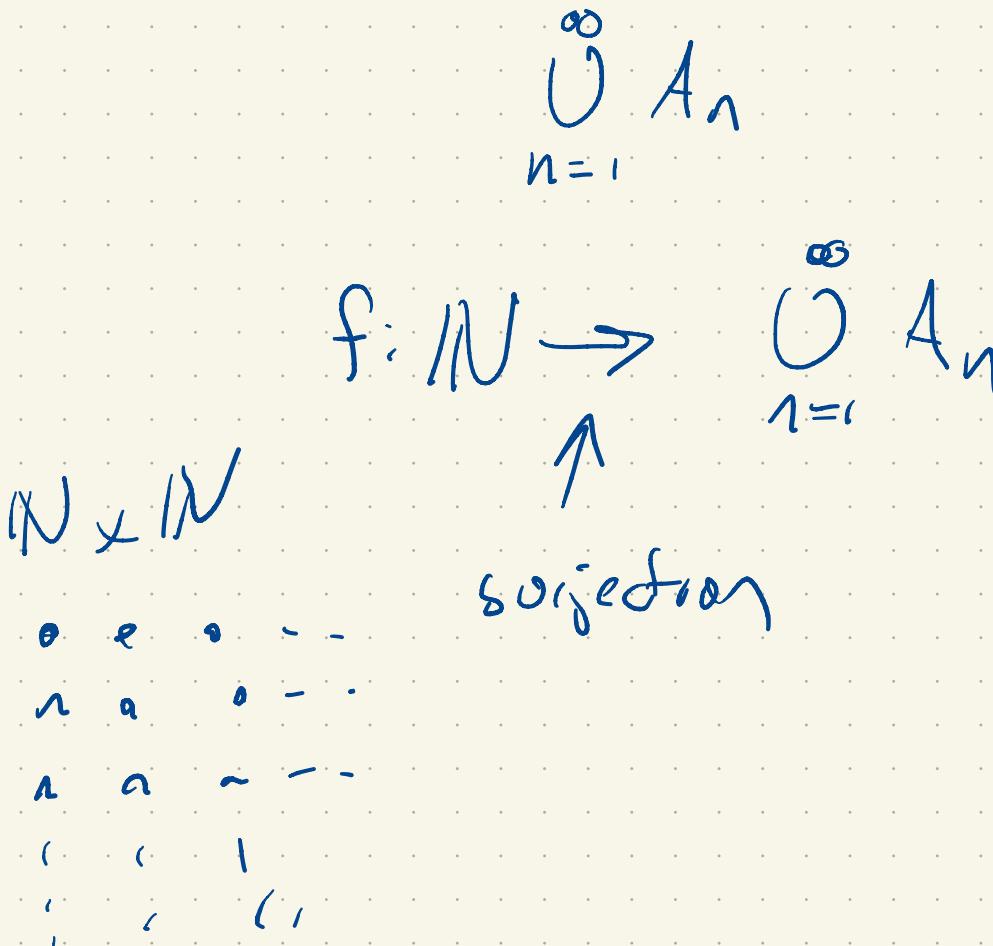
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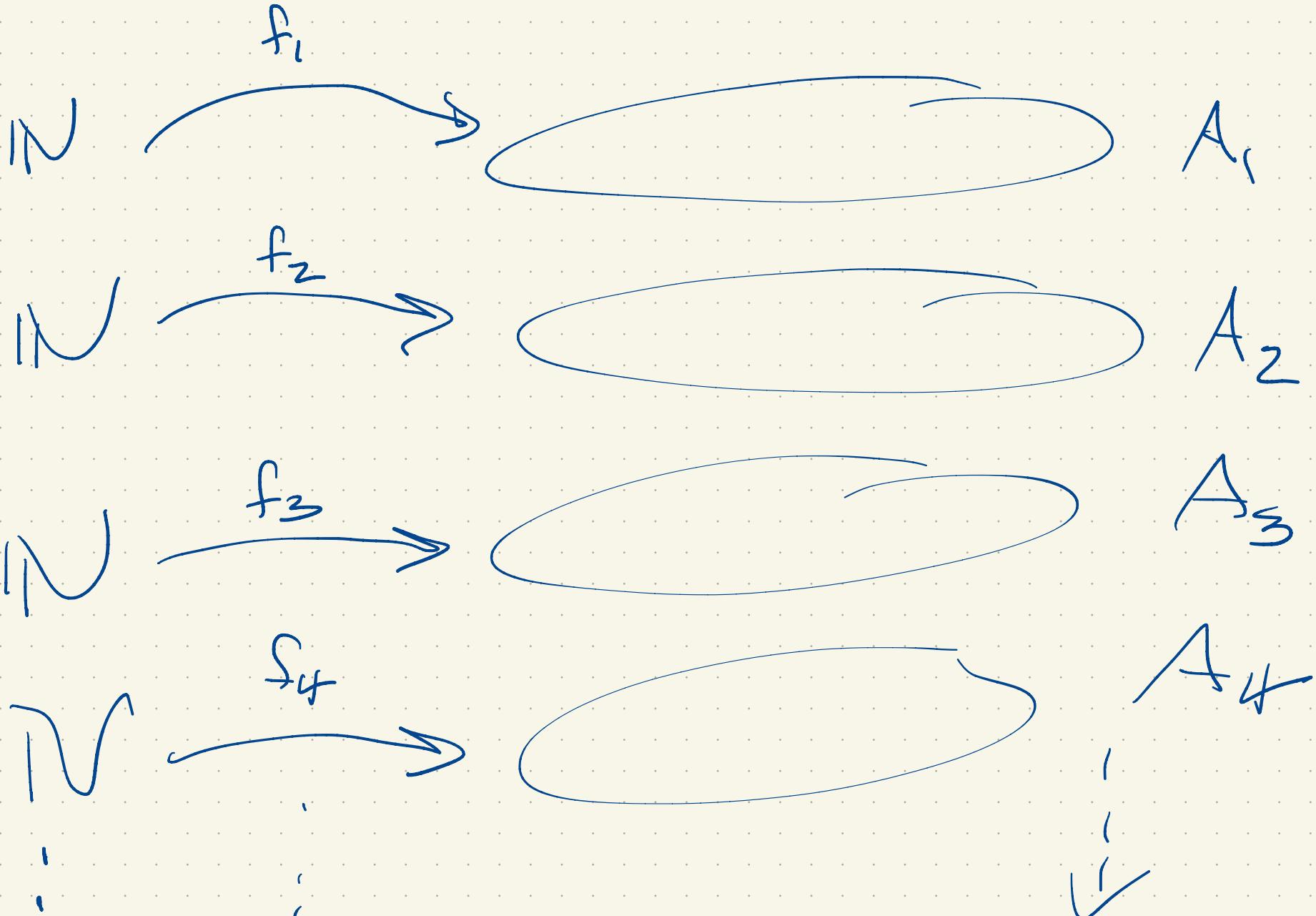
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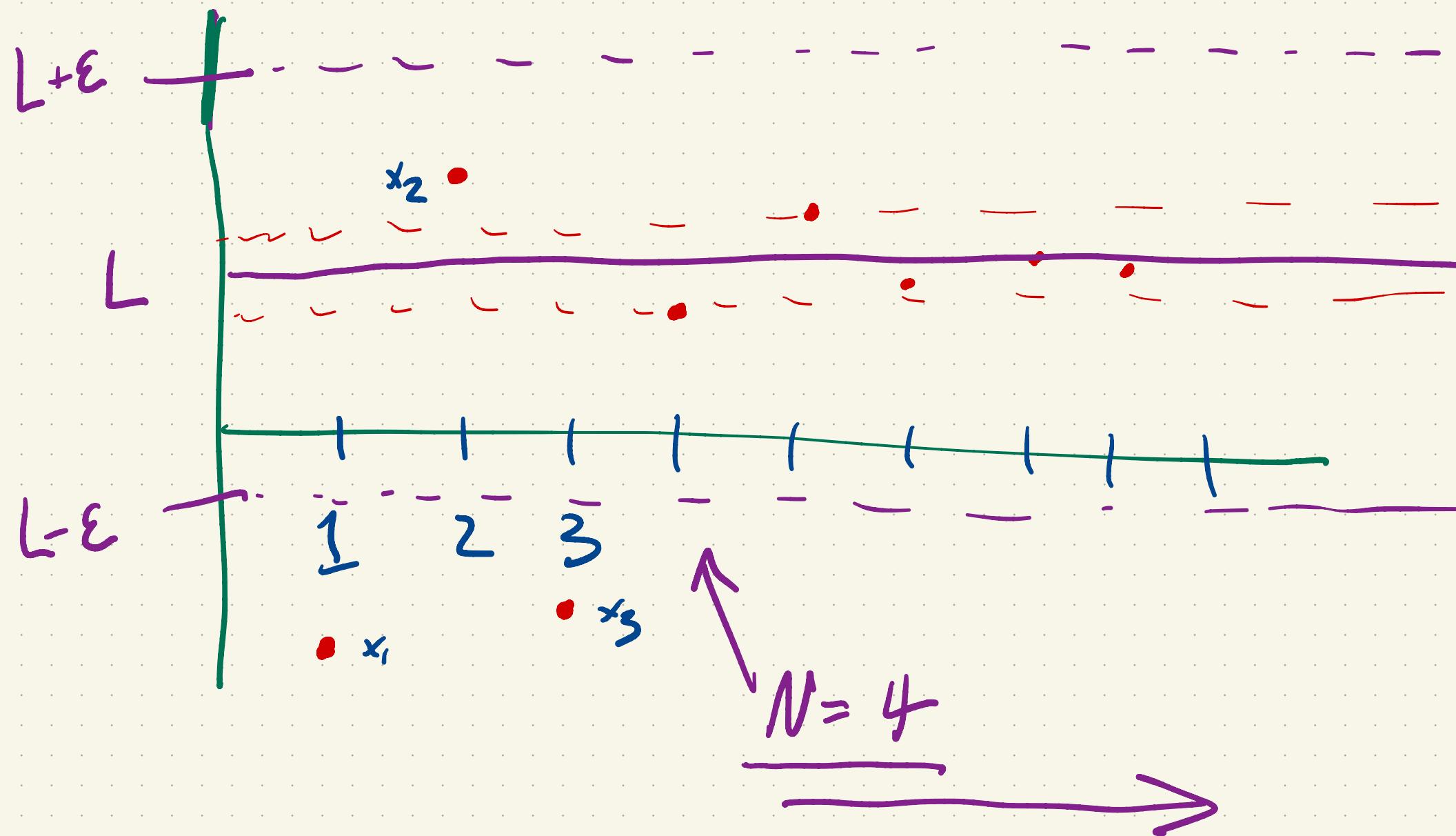
$j \rightarrow 1$

$A_1 \ A_2 \ A_3$   
 $A_n$  at most countable.


 There exists a surjection  $f_n: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow A_n$







E.g.  $x_n = \frac{1}{n}$

Claim  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$ .

Pf: Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Pick  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$\frac{1}{N} < \epsilon$ . Then if  $n \geq N$

$$|0 - x_n| = \left|0 - \frac{1}{n}\right| = \frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{N} < \epsilon.$$



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

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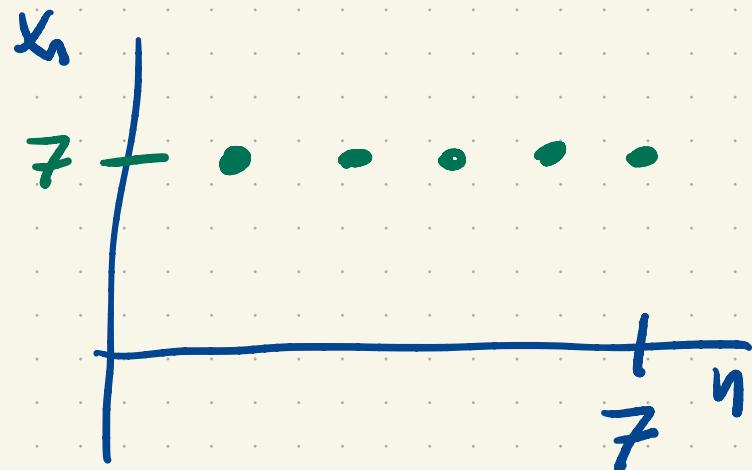
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$$x_n = 7 \quad \text{for all } n$$



Class:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 7$

Pf: Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then if  $n \geq 1$

$$|f - x_n| = |f - f| = |0| = 0 < \varepsilon.$$



Next HW:  $(-1)^n$  does not converge.

For all  $L \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $(-1)^n$  does not converge to  $L$ .

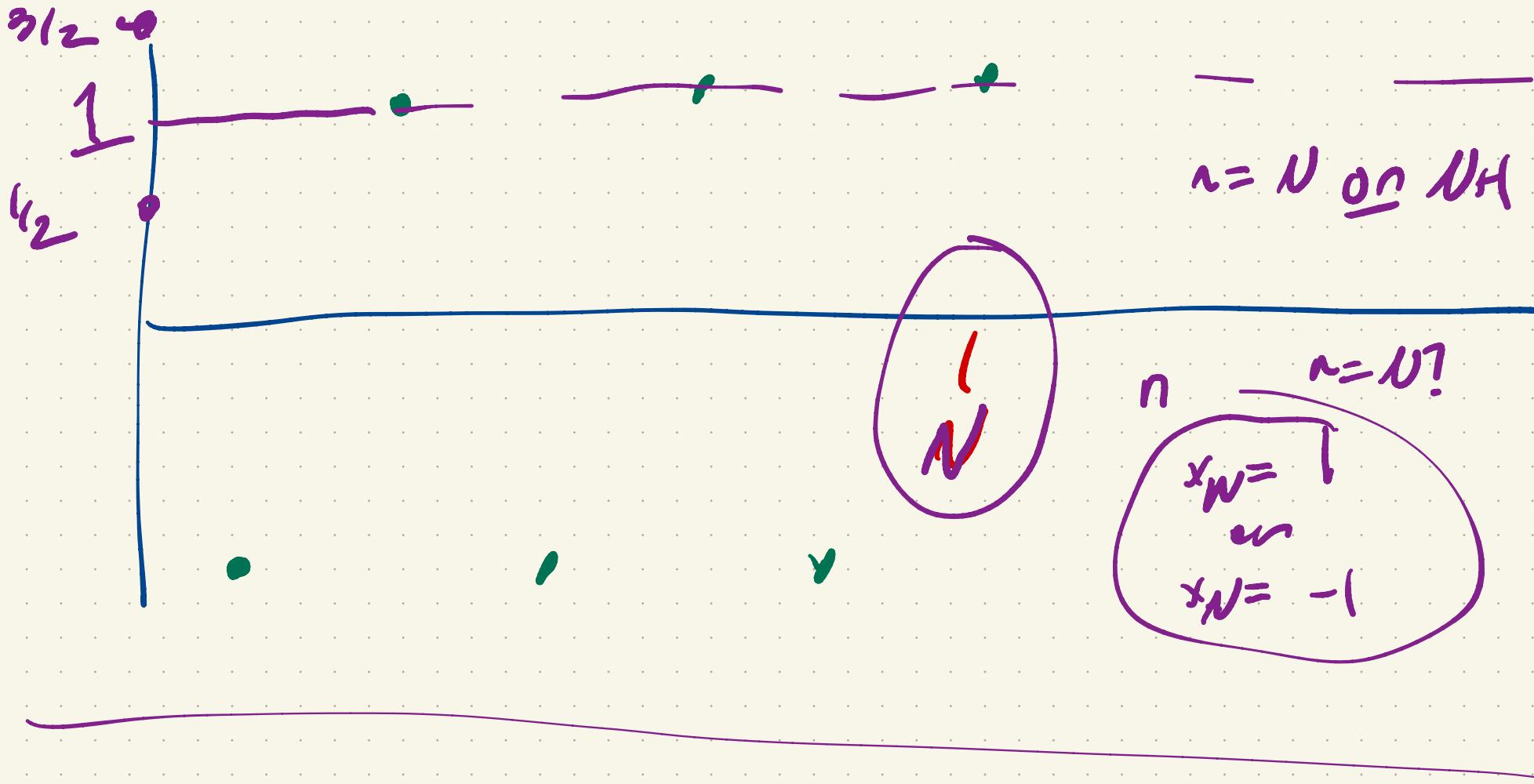
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$(-1)^n$  does not converge to  $L$ :

There exists  $\epsilon > 0$  such that for all  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  there exists  $n \geq N$ ,  $|L - (-1)^n| \geq \epsilon$ .



On: HW: Limits are unique.

$$x_n \rightarrow a$$

$$x_n \rightarrow b \Rightarrow a = b$$

New sequences from old:

$$(a_n) \quad a_n \rightarrow a$$

$$(b_n) \quad b_n \rightarrow b$$

Facts:

$$1) \quad a_n + b_n \rightarrow a + b$$

$$2) \quad a_n \cdot b_n \rightarrow ab$$

$$3) \quad \frac{1}{b_n} \rightarrow \frac{1}{b}$$

so long as  $b \neq 0$

(and  $b_n \neq 0 \forall n$ )

$$a_n \rightarrow a \quad b_n \rightarrow b$$

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ .

$$|(a+b) - (a_n + b_n)| = |(a-a_n) + (b-b_n)|$$

$$\leq \underbrace{|a-a_n|}_{\cdot} + \underbrace{|b-b_n|}_{\cdot}$$

$$< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$a_n \rightarrow a, b_n \rightarrow b$$

Pf: Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Pick  $N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  so if

$n \geq N_1$  then  $|a - a_n| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ .

Pick  $N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$  so if  $n \geq N_2$  then  $|b - b_n| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ .

Let  $N = \max(N_1, N_2)$ . Then if  $n \geq N$   
*(and therefore*

$$\begin{aligned} |(a+b) - (a_1 + b_1)| &= |(a-a_1) + (b-b_1)| && n \geq N, \\ &\leq |a-a_1| + |b-b_1| && n \geq N_2 \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \\ &= \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$



Prop: Suppose  $a_n \rightarrow a$  and  $b_n \rightarrow b$ .

Then  $a_n + b_n \rightarrow a + b$ .

Show: If  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists

$N \in \mathbb{N}$  so if  $n \geq N$ ,

$$|(a+b) - (a_n + b_n)| < \epsilon,$$

$$f: N \times N \rightarrow \bigcup A_k$$

$$f_j: N \rightarrow A_j, \text{ surjection}$$

$$f(i, j) = f_j(i)$$

Need to show  $f$  is a surjection:

Let  $a \in \bigcup A_k$ . Then there exists

$i, j \in N$  such that  $f(i, j) = a$ .

Then there exist  $j \in N$  such that  
 $a \in A_j$ . Since  $f_j: N \rightarrow A_j$  is a  
surjection there exists  $i \in N$  such that  
 $f_j(i) = a$ . Hence  $f(i, j) = a$  and  $f$  is  
a surjection.

