

## 6.3 HW3

### Question 34

1. Let  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  be two nonempty subsets in a metric space with  $S_1 \cap \overline{S_2} = \overline{S_1} \cap S_2 = \emptyset$ . If  $A \subseteq S_1 \cup S_2$  is a connected set, then either  $A \subseteq S_1$  or  $A \subseteq S_2$ .

*Proof.* Assume **we have**  $A \not\subseteq S_1$  and  $A \not\subseteq S_2$ . Then we know  $A \cap S_1$  and  $A \cap S_2$  are both non-empty. We know

$$A = (A \cap S_1) \cup (A \cap S_2) \quad (6.82)$$

We wish to show

$$A \cap S_1 \text{ and } A \cap S_2 \text{ are separated.} \quad (6.83)$$

Notice

$$\overline{A \cap S_1} \subseteq \overline{S_1} \quad (6.84)$$

Then because  $\overline{S_1}$  and  $S_2$  are disjoint, we know  $\overline{A \cap S_1}$  and  $S_2$  are disjoint. Then because  $A \cap S_2 \subseteq S_2$ , we know  $\overline{A \cap S_1}$  and  $A \cap S_2$  are disjoint. Similarly, notice

$$\overline{A \cap S_2} \subseteq \overline{S_2} \quad (6.85)$$

Then because  $\overline{S_2}$  and  $S_1$  are disjoint, we know  $\overline{A \cap S_2}$  and  $S_1$  are disjoint. Then because  $A \cap S_1 \subseteq S_1$ , we know  $\overline{A \cap S_2}$  and  $A \cap S_1$  are disjoint.

We have proved  $A \cap S_1$  and  $A \cap S_2$  are separated, which **CaC** to  $A$  is connected. ■

### Question 35

2. If  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are two nonempty and connected sets with  $A_1 \cap A_2 \neq \emptyset$ . Prove or disprove that

(a)  $A_1 \cap A_2$  is connected

(b)  $A_1 \cup A_2$  is connected

*Proof.* Let  $A_1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$  and let  $A_2 = \{(0, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : y \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .

To show  $A_1, A_2$  are both connected, we can show they are both path connected.

Let  $(\cos \alpha, \sin \alpha) \in A_1$  and  $(\cos \beta, \sin \beta) \in A_1$ . Define  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow A_1$  by

$$f(x) = (\cos(\alpha + x(\beta - \alpha)), \sin(\alpha + x(\beta - \alpha))) \quad (6.86)$$

Clearly  $f$  is continuous, and  $f(0) = (\cos \alpha, \sin \alpha)$ ,  $f(1) = (\cos \beta, \sin \beta)$ .

Let  $(0, z) \in A_2$  and  $(0, y) \in A_2$ . Define  $g : [0, 1] \rightarrow A_2$  by

$$g(x) = (0, z + x(y - z)) \quad (6.87)$$

Clearly  $g$  is continuous and  $g(0) = (0, z)$ ,  $g(1) = (0, y)$ .

We see  $A_1 \cap A_2 = \{(0, 1), (0, -1)\}$ . We see  $\{(0, 1)\}$  and  $\{(0, -1)\}$  are separated, because they are close.

For (b), see next three Theorems. ■

**Theorem 6.3.1. (Connected)** If  $A$  is disconnected, then  $A$  can be partitioned into two non-empty disjoint relatively open subsets.

*Proof.* Because  $A$  is disconnected, we know  $A = E \cup F$  for some pair  $E, F$  of separated sets. We wish to prove  $E, F$  are both relatively open to  $A$ .

Because  $\overline{E} \cap F = \emptyset$ , we know the closure of  $E$  in subspace topology of  $A$  is disjoint to  $F$ . Then with respect to  $A$ , we can see  $\overline{E} \subseteq F^c = E$ , so we know  $E$  is relatively closed to  $A$ .

Similarly, because  $\overline{F} \cap E = \emptyset$ , we know the closure of  $F$  in subspace topology of  $A$  is disjoint to  $E$ . Then with respect to  $A$ , we can see  $\overline{F} \subseteq E^c = F$ , so we know  $F$  is relatively closed to  $A$ .

Then because  $E$  and  $F$  are both relatively closed to  $A$  and  $A = E \cup F$  where  $E, F$  are disjoint, we know  $E$  and  $F$  are both relatively open to  $A$ . ■

**Theorem 6.3.2. (Subspace Topology)** Let  $Y$  be a subspace of  $(X, d)$ , let  $E \subseteq X$ , and let  $p \in Y$ . We have

$$p \text{ is an interior point of } E \text{ in } X \implies p \text{ is an interior point of } E \cap Y \text{ in } Y \quad (6.88)$$

$$Y \cap E^\circ \text{ in } X \text{ is a subset of the interior of } E \cap Y \text{ in } Y \quad (6.89)$$

$$E \text{ is open in } X \implies E \cap Y \text{ is open in } Y \quad (6.90)$$

where the converse may not hold true.

*Proof.* We first prove the first statement. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in  $Y$  that converge to  $p$ . Because  $p$  is an interior point of  $E$  in  $X$ , and  $\{x_n\}$  is in  $X$ , as  $Y \subseteq X$ , we know there exists  $N$  such that

$$n > N \implies x_n \in E \quad (6.91)$$

Notice  $x_n \in Y$ , and we are done.

For a nontrivial example of the converse of the first statement may not hold true, let  $E = (0, 2)$ , let  $Y = \{1\} \cup (2, 3)$ . We see 1 is an interior point of  $E$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ , but 1 isn't an interior point of  $\{1\} = E \cap Y$  in  $Y$ .

The second and the third statement follows from the first statement. ■

**Theorem 6.3.3. (Union of Connected Sets that have Nonempty Intersection is Connected)** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a class of connected sets. We have

$$\bigcap \mathcal{F} \neq \emptyset \implies \bigcup \mathcal{F} \text{ is connected} \quad (6.92)$$

*Proof.* Assume  $\bigcup \mathcal{F}$  is not connected. Let

$$\bigcup \mathcal{F} = A \dot{\cup} B \text{ and } A \neq \emptyset \neq B \quad (6.93)$$

And let  $A, B$  be relatively open to  $\bigcup \mathcal{F}$ . We know  $\bigcap \mathcal{F}$  must intersect with either  $A$ , or  $B$ , or both.

WOLG, let

$$A \cap \bigcap \mathcal{F} \neq \emptyset \quad (6.94)$$

Because  $B$  is non-empty and  $B \subseteq \bigcup \mathcal{F}$ , we know  $B$  must intersect with some  $F_n \in \mathcal{F}$ . Notice that because  $A \cap \bigcap \mathcal{F} \neq \emptyset$ , we have  $A \cap F_n \neq \emptyset$ . Then by Theorem 6.3.2, we see  $A \cap F_n$  and  $B \cap F_n$  are both relatively open to  $F_n$ , while  $F_n = (A \cap F_n) \dot{\cup} (B \cap F_n)$  CaC ■

### Question 36

3. Let  $\{A_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  be a family of connected subsets of  $M$ , and suppose that  $A$  is a connected subset of  $M$  such that  $A_k \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Show that the union  $(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k) \cup A$  is also connected.

*Proof.* Assume  $\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k \cup A$  is not connected. Let  $\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k \cup A$  be partitioned into two non-empty  $E, F$  relatively open to  $\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} A_k \cup A$ .

If  $E, F$  both intersect with  $A$ , observe that  $A$  can be partitioned into two non-empty  $E \cap A$  and  $F \cap A$ , which are relatively open to  $A$ , causing a contradiction to  $A$  is connected.

Then, we only have to consider when only one of  $E, F$  intersect with  $A$ . WOLG, let  $E$  intersect with  $A$ .

We know  $F$  must intersect with some  $A_n$ . From last question, we know  $A_n \cup A$  is connected. Notice that  $A_n \cup A$  can be partitioned into two non-empty  $E \cap (A \cup A_n)$  and  $F \cap (A \cup A_n)$ , and they are relatively open to  $A \cup A_n$  **CaC** to  $A_n \cup A$  is connected. ■

### Question 37

4. Let  $\{a_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence, and define  $s_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n a_k$ . Prove or disprove that
- (a) If  $a_k$  converges, then  $s_n$  converges.
  - (b) If  $s_n$  converges, then  $a_k$  converges.
  - (c) Let  $t = \frac{(2n-1)a_1 + (2n-3)a_2 + \dots + 3a_{n-1} + a_n}{n^2}$ . Assume  $a_k$  converges to  $a$ . Does  $t_n$  also converge to  $a$ ?

*Proof.* First notice

$$|s_n - L| = \left| \frac{\sum_{k=1}^n a_k}{n} - L \right| = \left| \frac{(\sum_{k=1}^n a_k) - nL}{n} \right| \quad (6.95)$$

$$= \left| \frac{\sum_{k=1}^n (a_k - L)}{n} \right| \quad (6.96)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \left| \sum_{k=1}^n (a_k - L) \right| \quad (6.97)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k - L| \quad (6.98)$$

We prove  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_k = L \implies \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} s_k = L$ .

Arbitrarily pick  $R \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . We wish to find  $N$  such that

$$k > N \implies |s_k - L| < R \quad (6.99)$$

Because  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$ , we know there exists  $N_0$  such that

$$n > N_0 \iff |a_n - L| < \frac{R}{2} \quad (6.100)$$

Let

$$H = \sum_{k=1}^{N_0} |a_k - L| \text{ and } m = \frac{2}{R}(H - N_0 R) \quad (6.101)$$

We wish to prove

$$n > N_0 + m \implies |s_n - L| < R \quad (6.102)$$

Let  $n = N_0 + u$  where  $u > m$ . Observe

$$|s_n - L| \leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k - L| = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^n |a_k - L|}{N_0 + u} \quad (6.103)$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{N_0} |a_k - L| + \sum_{k=N_0+1}^{N_0+u} |a_k - L|}{N_0 + u} \quad (6.104)$$

$$\leq \frac{H + u \frac{R}{2}}{N_0 + u} \quad (6.105)$$

and Observe

$$u > m = \frac{2}{R}(H - N_0 R) \implies \frac{Ru}{2} > H - N_0 R \quad (6.106)$$

$$\implies N_0 R + Ru > H + \frac{Ru}{2} \quad (6.107)$$

$$\implies R > \frac{H + \frac{Ru}{2}}{N_0 + u} \quad (6.108)$$

In other words, we have

$$n > N_0 + m \implies u > m \implies |s_n - L| \leq \frac{H + \frac{Ru}{2}}{N_0 + u} < R \text{ (done)} \quad (6.109)$$

For (b), we raise an counter-example. Let

$$a_n = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ 0 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases} \quad (6.110)$$

To see  $\{a_n\}$  does not converge to any number, consider the sub-sequences

$$\{a_{n_k}\} \text{ where } n_k = 2k - 1 \text{ and } \{a_{n_u}\} \text{ where } n_u = 2u \quad (6.111)$$

We have

$$\forall k, a_{n_k} = 1 \text{ and } \forall u, a_{n_u} = 0 \quad (6.112)$$

Then we see

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_k} = 1 \text{ and } \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_u} = 0 \quad (6.113)$$

If  $\{a_n\}$  converge, then these two sub-sequence should converge to the same number.

We wish to show

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \frac{1}{2} \quad (6.114)$$

With simple logical computation, we have

$$s_n = \begin{cases} \frac{n-1}{2n} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases} \quad (6.115)$$

Notice

$$\frac{n-1}{2n} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2n} \quad (6.116)$$

Fix  $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . We see that

$$n > \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \implies |s_n - \frac{1}{2}| = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2n} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ 0 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases} < \epsilon \quad (6.117)$$

Lastly, we prove

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a \implies \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = a \quad (6.118)$$

First notice

$$|t_n - a| = \left| \frac{(2n-1)a_1 + (2n-3)a_2 + \cdots + a_n}{n^2} - a \right| \quad (6.119)$$

$$= \left| \frac{1}{n^2} [(2n-1)(a_1 - a) + (2n-3)(a_2 - a) + \cdots + (a_n - a)] \right| \quad (6.120)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^2} \left| \sum_{k=1}^n (2n-2k+1)(a_k - a) \right| \quad (6.121)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^n |(2n-2k+1)(a_k - a)| \quad (6.122)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^n (2n-2k+1)|a_k - a| \quad (6.123)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^n (2n-1)|a_k - a| = \frac{2n-1}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k - a| \quad (6.124)$$

Arbitrarily pick  $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Because  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a$ . We know there exists  $N_0$  such that

$$n > N_0 \implies |a_n - a| < \frac{\epsilon}{4} \implies \left(\frac{2n-1}{n}\right)|a_n - a| = \left(2 - \frac{1}{n}\right)|a_n - a| < 2|a_n - a| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad (6.125)$$

Let

$$H = \sum_{k=1}^{N_0} |a_k - a| \quad (6.126)$$

We have

$$|t_n - a| \leq \frac{2n-1}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k - a| = \frac{2n-1}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^{N_0} |a_k - a| + \frac{2n-1}{n^2} \sum_{k=N_0+1}^n |a_k - a| \quad (6.127)$$

$$= \frac{2n-1}{n^2} H + \frac{2n-1}{n^2} \sum_{k=N_0+1}^n |a_k - a| \quad (6.128)$$

$$= \frac{2n-1}{n^2} H + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=N_0+1}^n \frac{2n-1}{n} |a_k - a| \quad (6.129)$$

$$\leq \frac{2n-1}{n^2} H + \frac{1}{n} (n - N_0) \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad (6.130)$$

Then if we let

$$X_n := \frac{2n-1}{n^2} H + \frac{(n - N_0)\epsilon}{2n} \quad (6.131)$$

For all  $n > N_0$ , we have

$$|t_n - a| < X_n \quad (6.132)$$

Notice

$$X_n = \frac{2H}{n} - \frac{H}{n^2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} - \frac{N_0\epsilon}{2n} \quad (6.133)$$

So we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad (6.134)$$

Then we know there exists some  $N_1$  such that

$$n > N_1 \implies |X_n - \frac{\epsilon}{2}| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \implies |t_n - a| \leq X_n < \epsilon \text{ (done)} \quad (6.135)$$

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### Question 38

5. If  $a_k > 0$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , prove that

$$\liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} \leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[k]{a_k} \leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[k]{a_k} \leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k}$$

Moreover, find a sequence  $\{a_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  such that

$$\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[k]{a_k} < \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k}$$

*Proof.* The fact

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} \quad (6.136)$$

follows from definition.

We first prove

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} \quad (6.137)$$

Let

$$\alpha = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \quad (6.138)$$

Notice that  $\{a_k\}$  being positive give us  $\alpha \geq 0$  and  $0 \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n}$ . If  $\alpha = 0$ , the proof is done trivially. We only have to consider when  $\alpha$  is positive.

Arbitrarily pick positive  $\beta$  smaller than  $\alpha$ :

$$\beta < \alpha = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \quad (6.139)$$

Then we know there exists  $N$  such that

$$\forall n \geq N, \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} > \beta \quad (6.140)$$

This implies

$$\forall k, a_{N+k} > \beta^k a_N \quad (6.141)$$

Then for all  $n > N$ , we have

$$\sqrt[n]{a_n} > \sqrt[n]{\beta^{n-N} a_N} = \beta \sqrt[n]{\beta^{-N} a_N} \quad (6.142)$$

Because

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta \sqrt[n]{\beta^{-N} a_N} = \beta \quad (6.143)$$

We see

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} \geq \beta \quad (6.144)$$

Notice that  $\beta$  is arbitrarily pick from  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : 0 \leq x < \alpha\}$ , so we have in fact proved

$$0 \leq x < \alpha \implies x \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} \quad (6.145)$$

If  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} < \alpha$ , there should exists  $x < \alpha$  such that  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} < x$ , which we have prove is impossible. (done)



We now prove

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \quad (6.146)$$

Let  $\gamma = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}$ . If  $\gamma = \infty$ , the proof is done trivially. We only have to consider when  $\gamma < \infty$ .

Notice that  $\{a_k\}$  being positive give us  $\gamma \geq 0$ . Arbitrarily pick positive  $\delta$  greater than  $\gamma$ :

$$\delta > \gamma = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \quad (6.147)$$

Then we know there exists  $N$  such that

$$\forall n \geq N, \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} < \delta \quad (6.148)$$

This implies

$$\forall k, a_{N+k} < \delta^k a_N \quad (6.149)$$

Then for all  $n > N$ , we have

$$\sqrt[n]{a_n} < \sqrt[n]{\delta^{n-N} a_N} = \delta \sqrt[n]{\delta^{-N} a_N} \quad (6.150)$$

Because

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta \sqrt[n]{\delta^{-N} a_N} = \delta \quad (6.151)$$

We see

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} \leq \delta \quad (6.152)$$

Notice that  $\delta$  is arbitrarily picked from  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > \gamma\}$ , so we have in fact proved

$$x > \gamma \implies x \geq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} \quad (6.153)$$

If  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} > \gamma$ , there should exists some  $x > \gamma$  such that  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} > x$ , which we have proved is impossible. [\(done\)](#)

Let

$$a_k = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } k \text{ is odd} \\ 1 & \text{if } k \text{ is even} \end{cases} \quad (6.154)$$

We see

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} = 1 < 2 \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \quad (6.155)$$

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### Question 39

6. If  $s_1 = \sqrt{2}$ , and

$$s_{n+1} = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{s_n}}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \quad (6.156)$$

prove that  $s_n$  converge and bounded above by 2

*Proof.* We first prove  $\{s_n\}$  increase monotonically by induction.

Base case:

$$s_1^2 = 2 < 2 + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{\sqrt{2}}} = s_2^2 \implies s_1 < s_2 \quad (6.157)$$

Induction case: Let  $s_k < s_{k+1}$ . We wish to prove  $s_{k+1} < s_{k+2}$ . Because  $s_{k+1} = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{s_k}}$ , we have

$$s_k \leq s_{k+1} = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{s_k}} \quad (6.158)$$

Then we can deduce

$$s_k \leq \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{s_k}} \quad (6.159)$$

$$\implies \sqrt{s_k} \leq \sqrt{\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{s_k}}} \quad (6.160)$$

$$\implies 2 + \sqrt{s_k} \leq 2 + \sqrt{\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{s_k}}} \quad (6.161)$$

$$\implies \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{s_k}} \leq \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{s_k}}}} \quad (6.162)$$

$$\implies s_{k+1} = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{s_k}} \leq \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{s_{k+1}}} = s_{k+2} \text{ (done)} \quad (6.163)$$

We now prove  $\{s_n\}$  is bounded above by 2 by induction.

Base case:  $s_1 = \sqrt{2} < 2$ .

Induction case: Let  $s_k \leq 2$ . We wish to prove  $s_{k+1} \leq 2$ . Observe

$$s_k \leq 2 \implies s_k \leq 4 \quad (6.164)$$

$$\implies \sqrt{s_k} \leq \sqrt{4} = 2 \quad (6.165)$$

$$\implies 2 + \sqrt{s_k} \leq 4 \quad (6.166)$$

$$\implies s_{k+1} = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{s_k}} \leq \sqrt{4} = 2 \text{ (done)} \quad (6.167)$$

The fact that  $\{s_n\}$  monotonically increase and bounded above tell us  $\{s_n\}$  converge. ■

## Question 40

7. Suppose  $a_n > 0$  and  $s_n = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k$ . If  $s_n$  diverges, prove or disprove that  $t_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{a_k}{1+a_k}$  diverges. What can be said about

$$S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{a_k}{1 + ka_k} \quad (6.168)$$

$$T_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{a_k}{1 + k^2 a_k} \quad (6.169)$$

$$\text{If } s_n = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \text{ converge, does } J_n = \sum_{k=1}^n ka_k \text{ converge} \quad (6.170)$$

*Proof.* We prove

$$t_n \text{ converge} \implies s_n \text{ converge} \quad (6.171)$$

Notice that

$$a_n = \frac{a_n + a_n^2}{1 + a_n} = \frac{a_n}{1 + a_n} + \frac{a_n^2}{1 + a_n} \quad (6.172)$$

So we have

$$s_n = t_n + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{a_n^2}{1 + a_n} \quad (6.173)$$

Because  $t_n$  converge, above tell us we only have to prove  $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{a_n^2}{1+a_n}$  converge.

Because  $t_n$  converge, we know

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{1 + a_n} = 0 \quad (6.174)$$

Assume  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0$ . Then there exists  $\epsilon$  such that

$$\forall N \in \mathbb{N}, \exists n > N, a_n > \epsilon \quad (6.175)$$

Notice

$$a_n > \epsilon \implies \frac{a_n}{1 + a_n} = 1 - \frac{1}{1 + a_n} > 1 - \frac{1}{1 + \epsilon} \implies \left| \frac{a_n}{1 + a_n} - 0 \right| > 1 - \frac{1}{1 + \epsilon} \quad (6.176)$$

In other words, there exists a sub-sequence  $\{a_{f(n)}\}$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{f(n)}}{1 + a_{f(n)}} \neq 0 \text{ CaC} \quad (6.177)$$

We have proved  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ . Then we know there exists  $N_1$  such that

$$\forall n > N_1, a_n < 1 \quad (6.178)$$

In other words,

$$\forall n > N_1, \frac{a_n^2}{1 + a_n} < \frac{a_n}{1 + a_n} \quad (6.179)$$

By comparison test, our proof is done (done) .

We show

$$\text{It is possible } s_n \text{ diverge and } S_n \text{ converge.} \quad (6.180)$$

Let

$$a_k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \exists u \in \mathbb{N}, k = u^2 \\ \frac{1}{k^2} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (6.181)$$

Clearly,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \infty$ . Yet, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_k}{1 + ka_k} = \sum_{u=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_{u^2}}{1 + u^2 a_{u^2}} + \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{r^2: r \in \mathbb{N}\}} \frac{a_k}{1 + ka_k} \quad (6.182)$$

$$= \sum_{u=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + u^2} + \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{r^2: r \in \mathbb{N}\}} \frac{\frac{1}{k^2}}{1 + \frac{1}{k}} \quad (6.183)$$

$$= \sum_{u=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + u^2} + \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{r^2: r \in \mathbb{N}\}} \frac{1}{k(k+1)} \quad (6.184)$$

Notice that

$$\frac{1}{1 + u^2} < \frac{1}{u^2} \text{ and } \frac{1}{k(k+1)} < \frac{1}{k^2} \quad (6.185)$$

Then by comparison test, we know

$$\text{both } \sum_{u=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + u^2} \text{ and } \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{r^2: r \in \mathbb{N}\}} \frac{1}{k(k+1)} \text{ converge} \quad (6.186)$$

Then we know

$$S_n \text{ also converge (done)} \quad (6.187)$$

Notice that for all  $n$

$$k \geq 1 \implies 1 + k^2 a_k > 1 + ka_k \implies \frac{a_k}{1 + k^2 a_k} < \frac{a_k}{1 + ka_k} \implies T_n < S_n \quad (6.188)$$

Then because the term is non-negative, by comparison test, we know the example above also satisfy  $T_n$  converge while  $s_n$  diverge.

Notice that if we let  $a_k = \frac{1}{k^2}$ , then  $s_n$  converge and  $J_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k}$  diverge.

■

### Question 41

8. Assume  $A \subset \mathbb{R}$  is compact and let  $a \in A$ . Suppose  $\{a_n\}$  is a sequence in  $A$  such that every convergent sub-sequence of  $\{a_n\}$  converges to  $a$ .

1. Does the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  also converge to  $a$ ?
2. Without the assumption that  $A$  is compact, does the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  converge to  $a$ ?

*Proof.* Assume  $a_n$  does not converge to  $a$ . We know there exists  $\epsilon$  such that there exists a sub-sequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$

$$\forall k \in \mathbb{N}, a_{n_k} \notin B_\epsilon(a) \quad (6.189)$$

Because  $A$  is (sequentially) compact, we know there must exist a sub-sequence  $\{a_{n_{k_u}}\}_u \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\{a_{n_{k_u}}\} \text{ converge} \quad (6.190)$$

Notice that

$$\{a_{n_{k_u}}\} \text{ is a sub-sequence of } \{a_n\} \quad (6.191)$$

So we know

$$\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_{k_u}} = a \text{ CaC to } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, a_{n_k} \neq B_\epsilon(a) \quad (6.192)$$

Let  $A = \mathbb{Q}$ , and let

$$a_n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ n & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases} \quad (6.193)$$

and we see every convergent sub-sequence converge to 0 but  $a_n$  itself does not converge to 0 ■

### Question 42

9. Suppose that  $a_k \neq 0$  for large  $k$  and that

$$p = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln\left(\frac{1}{|a_k|}\right)}{\ln(k)}$$

exists as an extended real number.

- (a) If  $p > 1$ , then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges absolutely.
- (b) If  $p < 1$ , then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  diverge

*Proof.* Let  $p > \alpha > 1$ . Then we know there exists  $N$  such that

$$\forall n > N, \frac{\ln(\frac{1}{|a_n|})}{\ln n} > \alpha > 1 \quad (6.194)$$

This give us

$$\forall n > N, \ln(\frac{1}{|a_n|}) > \alpha \ln n \quad (6.195)$$

This give us

$$\forall n > N, \frac{\ln(\frac{1}{|a_n|})}{\alpha} > \ln n \quad (6.196)$$

This give us

$$\forall n > N, \ln(|a_n|^{-\frac{1}{\alpha}}) > \ln n \quad (6.197)$$

This give us

$$\forall n > N, |a_n|^{\frac{-1}{\alpha}} > n \quad (6.198)$$

This give us

$$\forall n > N, |a_n| < n^{-\alpha} < n^{-1} \quad (6.199)$$

By comparison test, we are done.

Let  $p < \beta < 1$ . Then we know there exists  $N$  such that

$$\forall n > N, \frac{\ln(\frac{1}{|a_n|})}{\ln n} < \beta < 1 \quad (6.200)$$

This give us

$$\forall n > N, \frac{\ln(|a_n|^{-1})}{\beta} < \ln n \quad (6.201)$$

This give us

$$\forall n > N, \ln(|a_n|^{\frac{-1}{\beta}}) < \ln n \quad (6.202)$$

This give us

$$\forall n > N, |a_n|^{\frac{-1}{\beta}} < n \quad (6.203)$$

This give us

$$\forall n > N, |a_n| > n^{-\beta} > n^{-1} \quad (6.204)$$

By comparison test, we are done. ■

### Question 43

10. Suppose that  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  is differentiable, that  $f(x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ , and that

$$\alpha = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{xf'(x)}{f(x)}$$

exists. If  $\alpha < -1$ , prove that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f(k)$$

converges.

*Proof.* Let  $\beta$  satisfy

$$\alpha < \beta < -1 \quad (6.205)$$

Because

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{xf'(x)}{f(x)} = \alpha \quad (6.206)$$

We know there exists  $R$  such that

$$\forall x > R, \frac{xf'(x)}{f(x)} \leq \beta \quad (6.207)$$

Then we have

$$\forall x > R, \frac{d}{dx} \ln f(x) = \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} \leq \frac{\beta}{x} \quad (6.208)$$

This tell us

$$\forall y > R, \int_R^y \frac{d}{dx} \ln f(x) dx \leq \int_R^y \frac{\beta}{x} dx \quad (6.209)$$

Which means

$$\forall y > R, \ln\left(\frac{f(y)}{f(R)}\right) = \ln f(y) - \ln f(R) \leq \beta(\ln(y) - \ln(R)) = \ln\left(\frac{y}{R}\right)^\beta \quad (6.210)$$

This shows

$$\forall y > R, \frac{f(y)}{f(R)} \leq \left(\frac{y}{R}\right)^\beta \quad (6.211)$$

It means

$$\forall y > R, f(y) \leq \frac{f(R)}{R^\beta} y^\beta \quad (6.212)$$

Notice  $\beta < -1$ , we know the series

$$\sum_{n>R} \frac{f(R)}{R^\beta} n^\beta = \frac{f(R)}{R^\beta} \sum_{n>R} n^\beta \text{ converge} \quad (6.213)$$

Then because  $f(y)$  is always positive (given by the question), we know  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n)$  converge by comparison test. ■

**Lemma 6.3.4. (Bernoulli Inequality)** Let  $r \geq 1$  and  $x \geq -1$ . We have

$$(1+x)^r \geq 1+rx \quad (6.214)$$

*Proof.* Let  $r \geq 1$ , and let

$$f(x) = (1+x)^r - 1 - rx \quad (6.215)$$

We wish to prove

$$\forall x \geq -1, f(x) \geq 0 \quad (6.216)$$

We now split the proof into two parts

$$\forall x \geq 0, f(x) \geq 0 \quad (6.217)$$

$$\forall x \in [-1, 0), f(x) \geq 0 \quad (6.218)$$

First notice by computation

$$f'(x) = r(1+x)^{r-1} - r = r((1+x)^{r-1} - 1) \quad (6.219)$$

And notice by some algebra

$$f'(x) \geq 0 \iff (1+x)^{r-1} \geq 1 \iff x \geq 0 \quad (6.220)$$

We first prove

$$\forall x \geq 0, f(x) \geq 0 \quad (6.221)$$

By computation,

$$f(0) = 0 \quad (6.222)$$

This give us

$$\forall x \geq 0, f(x) = f(x) - 0 = f(x) - f(0) = \int_0^x f'(t)dt \geq 0 \text{ (done)} \quad (6.223)$$

We now prove

$$\forall x \in [-1, 0), f(x) \geq 0 \quad (6.224)$$

Notice that above have shown

$$f'(x) \geq 0 \iff x \geq 0 \quad (6.225)$$



So we know

$$\forall x \in [-1, 0), f'(x) < 0 \quad (6.226)$$

Observe that  $f(x)$  is a polynomial, so we know  $f(x)$  is continuous. Then if for some  $y \in [-1, 0)$ , we have  $f(y) < 0 = f(0)$ , there must exist  $u \in (y, 0) \subseteq [-1, 0)$  such that  $f'(u) > 0$ , which is impossible. ■

#### Question 44

11. Suppose that  $\{a_n\}$  is a sequence of nonzero real numbers and that

$$p = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} k(1 - |\frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k}|)$$

exists as an extended real number. Prove that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k|$$

converges absolutely when  $p > 1$ .

*Proof.* Pick  $\alpha$  that satisfy

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} k(1 - |\frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k}|) > \alpha > 1 \quad (6.227)$$

We know there exist  $N$  such that

$$\forall n > N, n(1 - |\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}|) > \alpha \quad (6.228)$$

With a little algebra,

$$\forall n > N, 1 - \frac{\alpha}{n} > |\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}| \quad (6.229)$$

Plug in Lemma 6.3.4 (Bernoulli Inequality) with  $r = \alpha > 1$  and  $x = \frac{-1}{n} \geq -1$ . We have

$$\forall n > N, |\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}| < 1 + \frac{-\alpha}{n} \leq (1 - \frac{1}{n})^\alpha = (\frac{n-1}{n})^\alpha \quad (6.230)$$

Then we have

$$(*) \forall n > N, |a_{n+1}|n^\alpha < |a_n|(n-1)^\alpha \quad (6.231)$$

For each  $n > N$ , define

$$b_n = |a_{n+1}|n^\alpha \quad (6.232)$$

Then we have

$$|a_n|(n-1)^\alpha = b_{n-1} \quad (6.233)$$

So by (\*) we have

$$\forall n > N + 1, b_n < b_{n-1} \quad (6.234)$$

This tell us  $\{b_n\}_{n>N+1}$  is a decreasing sequence. Then we know  $\{b_n : n > N + 1\}$  is bounded above. More precisely, let

$$M = b_{N+1} \quad (6.235)$$

We have

$$\forall n > N + 1, b_n < M \quad (6.236)$$

Recall the definition of  $b_n$ , we have

$$\forall n > N + 1, |a_{n+1}|n^\alpha < M \quad (6.237)$$

In other words

$$\forall n > N + 2, |a_n| < Mn^{-\alpha} \quad (6.238)$$

Notice that because  $\alpha > 1$ . We know

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} Mn^{-\alpha} \text{ converge} \quad (6.239)$$

Then by comparison test, we know

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} |a_n| \text{ converge} \quad (6.240)$$

■