

Sequences of Real Numbers

Mandatory Exercises

Exercise 1: Study the monotonicity, boundedness and convergence of the sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real numbers, having the general term:

$$a) \quad x_n = \frac{2^n + 3^n}{5^n}, \quad b) \quad x_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n}, \quad c) \quad x_n = \frac{2^n}{n!}, \quad d) \quad x_n = \frac{n}{n^2 + 1}.$$

Exercise 2: Using the characterising theorem with ε prove that

$$a) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n^2 + 1} = 0 \quad b) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{-2n + 4} = -\infty.$$

Exercise 3: Compute the limit of the sequences of real numbers having the following general terms:

$$a) \quad \frac{5^n + 1}{7^n + 1}, \quad b) \quad \frac{4^n + (-2)^n}{4^{n-1} + 2}, \quad c) \quad \left(\sin \frac{\pi}{10}\right)^n, \quad d) \quad \sqrt{9n^2 + 2n + 1} - 3n,$$

$$e) \quad \left(5 + \frac{1 - 2n^3}{3n^4 + 2}\right)^2, \quad f) \quad \sqrt[3]{n^3 + n + 3} - \sqrt[3]{n^3 + 1}, \quad g) \quad \left(\frac{n^3 + 5n + 1}{n^2 - 1}\right)^{\frac{1-5n^4}{6n^4+1}},$$

$$h) \quad \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) \dots \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right).$$

Exercise 4: Let $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

a) Prove that there exists an increasing sequence of rational numbers converging to t .

- b) Prove that there exists a decreasing sequence of irrational numbers converging to t .

Exercise 5: Let $a > 0$ and let $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ be such that $0 < x_0 < \frac{1}{a}$. Consider the sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of real numbers, defined recursively by:

$$x_{n+1} = 2x_n - ax_n^2, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Study the convergence of the sequence by following the next steps:

- Prove by induction that $x_n < \frac{1}{a}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.
- Prove by induction that $0 < x_n, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.
- By using a) and b) prove that $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is increasing.
- Compute the limit of the sequence.

Elective Exercises

Elective 1: Study the nature (monotonicity and boundedness) of the sequence having the general term

$$x_n = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3^2}\right) \dots \left(1 - \frac{1}{n^2}\right), \quad n \geq 2.$$

In case of convergence compute the limit.

Elective 2: Calculați limitele următoarelor șiruri de numere reale având ca termen general:

$$a) \quad \frac{3^n}{4^n}, \quad b) \quad \frac{2^n + (-2)^n}{3^n}, \quad c) \quad \frac{5 - n^3}{n^2 + 1}, \quad d) \quad \left(2 + \frac{4^n + (-5)^n}{7^n + 1}\right)^{2n^3 - n^2},$$

$$e) \quad \frac{1 + 2 + \dots + n}{n^2}, \quad f) \quad \left(\frac{n^3 + 4n + 1}{2n^3 + 5}\right)^{\frac{-2n^4 + 1}{n^4 + 3n + 1}}, \quad g) \quad (\cos(-2013))^n,$$

$$h) \quad \left(\frac{n^5 + 3n + 1}{2n^5 - n^4 + 3}\right)^{\frac{3n - n^4}{n^3 + 1}}.$$

Elective 3: Compute the limit for each of the following sequences:

$$a) \quad \left(1 + \frac{1}{-n^3 + 3n}\right)^{n^2 - n^3}, \quad b) \quad (3n^2 + 5) \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{n^2}\right),$$

$$c) \frac{n^n}{1^1 + 2^2 + \dots + n^n}$$

$$d) \frac{x_1 + 2x_2 + \dots + nx_n}{n^2},$$

where $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a converging sequence having the limit $x \in \mathbb{R}$.