

Real Analysis

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1 Cauchy's limit theorem

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$|a_k - a| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

for all $k \geq N$. Due to

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^N (a_k - a) = 0,$$

there exists an $M \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^N (a_k - a) \right| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

for all $n \geq M$.

Now for all $n \geq \max(N, M)$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n a_k \right) - a \right| &= \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n (a_k - a) \right| = \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^N (a_k - a) + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=N+1}^n (a_k - a) \right| \\ &\leq \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^N (a_k - a) \right| + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=N+1}^n |a_k - a| \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{(n - N)\varepsilon}{2n} \leq \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

References

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