MATH 131 Homework 4 Jesse Cai

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1. Prove  $\exists N : n > N \implies s_n > a$ 

Let  $\lim s_n = L$ . Then  $\forall k \in \mathbb{N} \, \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \, \forall n \in \mathbb{N} : n > N \implies |s_n - L| < \frac{1}{k+1}$ .

Take  $k = \lceil a \rceil$ . Then  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N} \ \forall n \in \mathbb{N} : n > N \implies |s_n - L| < \frac{1}{a+1} \implies -\frac{1}{a+1} < s_n - L < \frac{1}{a+1}$ .

Since  $L > a \implies -\frac{1}{a+1} < s_n - a < \frac{1}{a+1}$ .

Taking only the LHS and adding a, we get  $a - \frac{1}{a+1} < s_n$ . But  $a - \frac{1}{a+1} > a \implies a < s_n \implies \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \ \forall n \in \mathbb{N} : n > N \implies s_n > a$ .

2. **TODO** 

3. Show  $\lim \frac{a^n}{n!} = 0 \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$ 

Fix  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . Consider  $\lim \left| \frac{s_{n+1}}{s_n} \right|$ .

$$\frac{s_{n+1}}{s_n} = \frac{a^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \left(\frac{n!}{a^n}\right) = \frac{a}{n}$$

Then  $\lim \lvert \frac{s_{n+1}}{s_n} \rvert = \lim \lvert \frac{a}{n} \rvert = \lvert a \rvert \lim \frac{1}{n} = \lvert a \rvert 0 = 0 < 1.$ 

Then by 9.12a we get  $\lim \frac{a^n}{n!} = 0$ . Since we did not specify a particular a, this holds  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

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