

1. Let  $t_1 = 1$  and  $t_{n+1} = [1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}](t_n)$

(a)  $t_n$  is bounded from below and decreasing so the limit must exist

Proof via induction: Let  $P(n) = (t_n \leq 1) \wedge (t_{n+1} < t_n)$

Base Case: Consider  $P(1) = (t_1 < 1) \wedge (t_2 < t_1)$ . Clearly  $1 \leq 1$ , and  $t_2 = \leq 1 = t_1$  So  $P(1)$  is TRUE.

Inductive Step: Assume  $P(n)$ , so  $(t_n \leq 1) \wedge (t_{n+1} < t_n)$

Since  $n \in \mathbb{N} \implies n \geq 0 \implies (n+1)^2 > 1 \implies \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} < 1 \implies 1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} < 1$

Then since  $[1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}] < 1$  and  $t_n \leq 1 \implies t_{n+1} \leq 1$ .

But also  $[1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}] < 1 \implies t_n[1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}] = t_{n+1} < 1(t_n) = t_n$  so  $P(n) \implies P(n+1)$ .

(b) I think  $\lim t_n$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$

(c) Let  $P(n) = t_n = \frac{n+1}{2^n}$

Base Case: Consider  $P(1)$ , then  $t_1 = 1 = \frac{1+1}{2^1}$  is TRUE by inspection.

Inductive Step: Assume  $P(n)$ , so  $t_n = \frac{n+1}{2^n}$ . Multiplying by  $[1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}]$  yields

$$\left[1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}\right] t_n = t_{n+1} = \frac{n+1}{2^n} \left[1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}\right] = \frac{(n+1)^3}{2n(n+1)^2} - \frac{n+1}{2n(n+1)^2} = \frac{(n+1)(n)(n+2)}{2n(n+1)^2} = \frac{n+2}{2(n+1)}$$

so  $P(n) \implies P(n+1)$ .

(d) After proving this, I think  $\lim t_n$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$

2. Prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}$  exists and identify its value

$$a_0 = 1 \wedge a_1 = a \wedge (\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : a_{n+2} = 2a_n + a_{n+1})$$

Let  $x = \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}$  then  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{a_{n+2}}{a_{n+1}} = \frac{2a_n}{a_{n+1}} + 1$

Taking the limit of both sides yields

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+2}}{a_{n+1}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(2 \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} + 1\right) = 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} + 1$$

So  $L = \frac{2}{L} + 1$  and solving for  $L$  we get  $L = 2, -1$ , but  $L$  cannot be negative because this sequence is strictly increasing and starts greater than 0, so  $L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = 2$ .

3. Show every subsequence of a subsequence is a subsequence of the original sequence.

Let  $s_n$  be a sequence and  $t_k$  be a subsequence, and  $u_j$  be a subsequence of  $t_k$ . Then by definition of subsequence,  $t = s(\sigma(k))$  and  $u = t(\gamma(j))$ . We can then define a new function,  $\sigma(\gamma(j))$ , which is a mapping from  $\mathbb{N}$  to  $s$ . But by definition, this means that  $u_j$  is a subsequence of  $s_n$ , as  $u = s(\sigma(\gamma(j)))$ .

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4. Find the set  $S$  of subsequential limits.

Note that each column is a monotone sequence, which is just  $\frac{1}{i}$  repeated infinitely, so for each column, we can define a subsequence whose limit is  $\frac{1}{n}$ .

But also along each row, we can define a subsequence  $(s_n) = \frac{1}{n}$  which converges to 0.

So  $S$  contains  $\{\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}\} \cup \{0\}$

Determine  $\limsup s_n$  and  $\liminf s_n$ .

We know from Theorem 8 that  $\sup S = \limsup s_n$  and  $\inf S = \liminf s_n$ . So  $\limsup s_n = 1$  and  $\liminf s_n = 0$

5. **Let  $r_n$  be an enumeration of  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Show there is a subsequence whose limit is  $\infty$ .**

Take  $r_n$  as a sequence of  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Then  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R} \exists (r_{n_k})$  that converges to  $a$  based on the density of  $\mathbb{Q}$  on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Then the subsequential limits of  $(r_n) = \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\} \implies \limsup r_n = \infty$ . Then by Theorem 11.7 there exists a monotonic subsequence whose limit is  $\limsup r_n = \infty$ .

6. **Show  $\limsup(s_n + t_n) \leq \limsup s_n + \limsup t_n$  for bounded sequences  $(s_n)$  and  $(t_n)$**

Let  $\sup(s_n + t_n), \sup(s_n), \sup(t_n)$  be  $z, x, y$  respectively. Since all the sequences are bounded,  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$  and by definition of  $\sup \forall n \in \mathbb{N} s_n < x, t_n < y$ .

But this implies that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : s_n + t_n \leq x + y$  so  $x + y$  is an upper bound, but this means that  $z \leq x + y$ , since it is the least upper bound.

So  $\sup(s_n + t_n) \leq \sup s_n + \sup t_n$  and taking the limit on both sides yields

$$\limsup(s_n + t_n) \leq \limsup s_n + \limsup t_n$$

7. **Show  $\limsup(s_n t_n) \leq (\limsup s_n)(\limsup t_n)$  for bounded sequences of nonnegative numbers  $(s_n)$  and  $(t_n)$**

Let  $\sup(s_n t_n), \sup(s_n), \sup(t_n)$  be  $z, x, y$  respectively. Since all the sequences are bounded,  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$  and by definition of  $\sup \forall n \in \mathbb{N} s_n < x, t_n < y$ .

But also since  $(s_n), (t_n)$  are nonnegative  $\implies \sup(s_n) > 0, \sup(t_n) > 0$ .

But this means that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : s_n t_n \leq (x)(y)$  so  $(x)(y)$  is an upper bound, but this means that  $z \leq x + y$ , since it is the least upper bound.

So  $\sup(s_n t_n) \leq (\sup s_n)(\sup t_n)$  and taking the limit on both sides yields

$$\limsup(s_n t_n) \leq (\limsup s_n)(\limsup t_n)$$

8. **Prove  $(s_n)$  is bounded if and only if  $\limsup|s_n| < +\infty$**

Proof by contradiction, suppose  $\limsup|s_n| = +\infty$  and  $(s_n)$  is bounded. Then we know that  $\limsup|s_n| = +\infty = \lim|s_n|$

A sequence  $(s_n)$  is said to be bounded if  $\exists M \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : |s_n| \leq M$ . so  $(|s_n|)$  is bounded  $\implies \exists M \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : ||s_n|| \leq M$  but  $||s_n|| = |s_n|$ . But if  $|s_n|$  is bounded by  $M$  then so must  $\lim|s_n|$ , but this is a contradiction, because by definition  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} : +\infty > x$ . So therefore  $(s_n)$  is bounded if  $\limsup|s_n| < +\infty$ .

9. **Calculate  $\lim(n!)^{\frac{1}{n}}$**

Let  $(s_n) = n!$ , then

$$\lim \left| \frac{s_{n+1}}{s_n} \right| = \lim \frac{(n+1)!}{n!} = \lim n + 1 = \infty$$

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The by Corollary 12.3 if  $\lim \left| \frac{s_{n+1}}{s_n} \right| = L \implies \lim|s_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} = L$

So  $\lim n!^{\frac{1}{n}} = \infty$ .