

Example Notes

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Isomorphism

Proposition

Let f be a continuous function, such that for any real numbers a, b , $f(a + b) = f(a)f(b)$. Then, $f(x) \geq 0$ for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Proof

By way of contradiction, suppose $f(x) < 0$ for some $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Then, $f(x) = f(x + 0) = f(x)f(0)$. This implies $f(0) = 1$. Since f is continuous, $f(c) = 0$ for some c between x and 0 by the intermediate value theorem. Then, $f(x) = f(x - c + c) = f(x - c)f(c) = 0$ is a contradiction. Hence, $f(x) \geq 0$ can never be negative.

Limits

Proposition

Let $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ be convergent sequences, such that $x_n < y_n$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n$.

Proof

Let $\{x_n\}$, $\{y_n\}$ be sequences, such that $x_n \rightarrow x$ and $y_n \rightarrow y$. Let $\epsilon > 0$. For any n large enough, we have $|x_n - x| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ and $|y_n - y| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned}x_n - y &< y_n - y \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} \\x_n - x &< y - x + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \\-\frac{\epsilon}{2} &< y - x + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \\x - y &< \epsilon.\end{aligned}$$

Since $\epsilon > 0$ is arbitrary, $x - y \leq 0$, so $x \leq y$.

Happy Number

A happy number n is defined by the process:

- Replaced n with the sum of squares of its digits
- If this process converges to 1, then it is a happy number
- If this process loops in a cycle, then it is not a happy number

Example

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 $1^2 + 9^2 = 82$
 $8^2 + 2^2 = 68$
 $6^2 + 8^2 = 100$
 $1^2 + 0^2 + 0^2 = 1$

2
 $2^2 = 4$
 $4^2 = 16$
 $1^2 + 6^2 = 37$
 $3^2 + 7^2 = 58$
 $5^2 + 8^2 = 89$
 $8^2 + 9^2 = 64 + 81 = 145$
 $1^2 + 4^2 + 5^2 = 1 + 16 + 25 = 42$
 $4^2 + 2^2 = 16 + 4 = 20$
 $2^2 + 0^2 = 4$