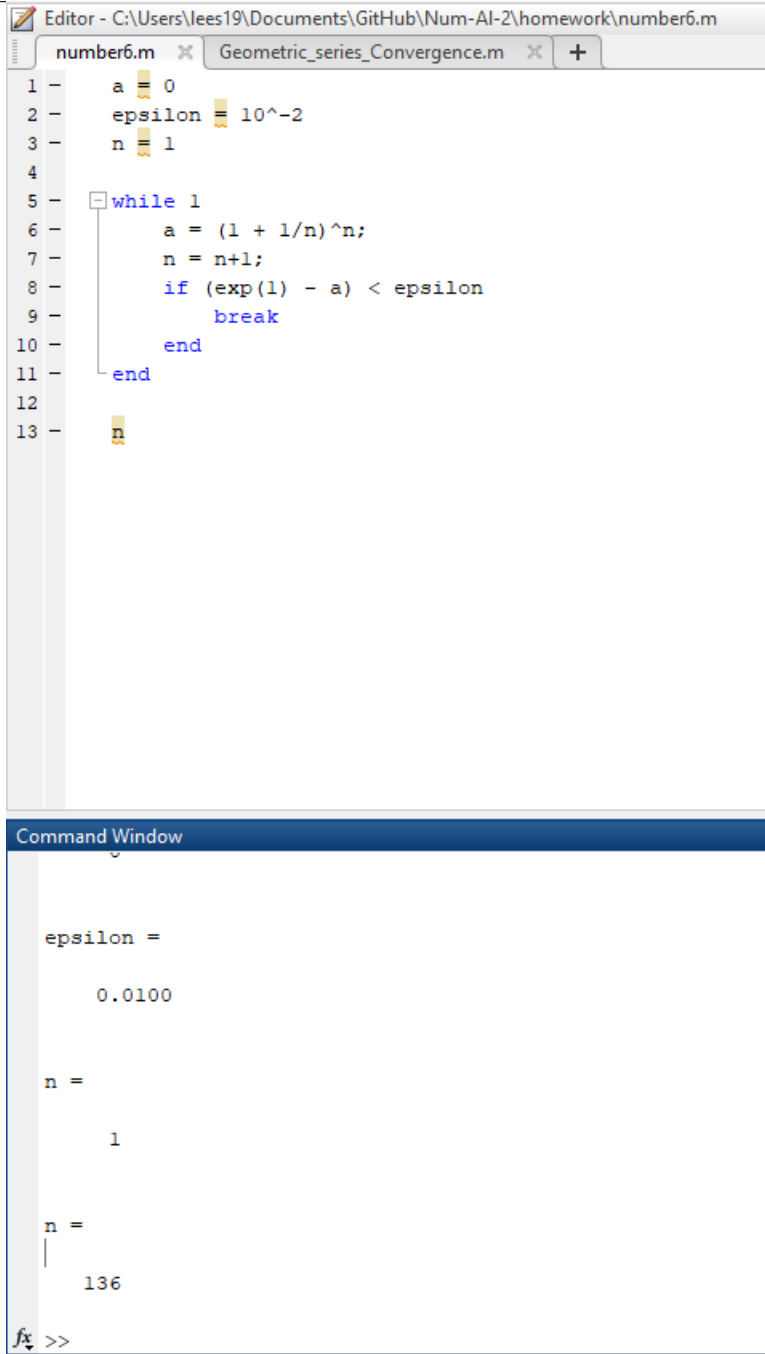


1. Let (a_n) be a sequence which converges to a limit L . Then, by definition, there exists $N \in \mathbf{N}$ such that if $n \geq N$, $|a_n - L| < \epsilon$. Since $b_n = \frac{1}{n}(a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_n)$, if $n \geq N$, $b_n = \frac{1}{n}(a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_{N-1}) + \frac{1}{n}(a_N + \cdots + a_{n-1} + a_n)$. Then, $b_n \leq |b_n| = |\frac{1}{n}(a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_{N-1}) + \frac{1}{n}(a_N + \cdots + a_{n-1} + a_n)| \leq |\frac{1}{n}(a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_{N-1})| + |\frac{1}{n}(a_N + \cdots + a_{n-1} + a_n)|$. Then, since $|a_n - L| < \epsilon$, the max value a_n can take is $L + \epsilon$ for all $n \geq N$. Thus, $|\frac{1}{n}(a_N + \cdots + a_{n-1} + a_n)| < |\frac{(n-N)(L+\epsilon)}{n}| < L + \epsilon$. Thus, $b_n < |\frac{1}{n}(a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_{N-1})| + L + \epsilon$ which is a finite number. Therefore, at some point b_n must converge.
2. Without loss of generality, assume $a > b$. Then since $a > b$, $(a^n + b^n)^{1/n} < (2a^n)^{1/n}$ and $(a^n)^{1/n} < (a^n + b^n)^{1/n}$. Then, $a < (a^n + b^n)^{1/n} < (2a^n)^{1/n} = 2^{1/n}a$ and as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $a < (a^n + b^n)^{1/n} < a$ and thus, by the squeeze theorem $(a^n + b^n)^{1/n} \rightarrow a$.
3. Let $\frac{1}{2} < \epsilon$. Claim: $|\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n} - 0| < \epsilon$. Since, $\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}}$. Since $\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n} > 2\sqrt{n}$, $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}} < \frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}}$. Since $n \geq 1$, and $\frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}} > \frac{1}{2\sqrt{n+1}}$, $\frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}} < \frac{1}{2} < \epsilon$. Thus, $|\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n} - 0| < \epsilon$, thus $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n} = 0$.
4. Assume $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y$. Then, $|(x_n + y_n) - (x + y)| = |x_n - x + y_n - y| \leq |x_n - x| + |y_n - y|$. Since $(x_n) \rightarrow x$ and $(y_n) \rightarrow y$, we can find N_1, N_2 such that $|x_n - x| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}, \forall n \geq N_1$. and $|y_n - y| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}, \forall n \geq N_2$. Thus, if we take $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$, we get that $|(x_n + y_n) - (x + y)| \leq |x_n - x| + |y_n - y| = \epsilon$.
5. Let $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence of real numbers such that $|a_n| \leq 2$ and $|a_{n+2} - a_{n+1}| \leq \frac{1}{8}|a_{n+1}^2 - a_n^2| \forall n \geq 1$. Then, $\frac{1}{8}|a_{n+1}^2 - a_n^2| = \frac{1}{8}|(a_{n+1} - a_n)(a_{n+1} + a_n)| \leq \frac{1}{8^2}|a_n^2 - a_{n-1}^2||a_{n+1} + a_n| \leq \cdots \leq \frac{1}{8^{n-2}}|a_2^2 - a_1^2||a_{n+1} + a_n| \cdots |a_3 + a_2|$. Since $|a_n| \leq 2$, $\frac{1}{8^{n-2}}|a_2^2 - a_1^2||a_{n+1} + a_n| \cdots |a_3 + a_2| \leq \frac{1}{8^{n-2}}|a_2^2 - a_1^2||2 + 2| \cdots |2 + 2| = \frac{1}{8^{n-2}}|a_2^2 - a_1^2|4^{n-2} = \frac{1}{2^{n-2}}|a_2^2 - a_1^2|$. Since $\frac{1}{2^{n-2}} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\{a_n\}$ is Cauchy. Thus $\{a_n\}$ converges.
6. Using matlab:



The image shows a MATLAB Editor window with two tabs: 'number6.m' and 'Geometric_series_Convergence.m'. The 'number6.m' tab is active, displaying a script that calculates the convergence of the sequence $(1 + 1/n)^n$ to e . The script initializes $a = 0$, $\epsilon = 10^{-2}$, and $n = 1$. It then enters a `while` loop that continues until the absolute difference between $\exp(1)$ and a is less than ϵ . Inside the loop, a is updated to $(1 + 1/n)^n$ and n is incremented by 1. The loop ends when the condition is met, and the final value of n is displayed.

```
1 - a = 0
2 - epsilon = 10^-2
3 - n = 1
4
5 - while 1
6 -     a = (1 + 1/n)^n;
7 -     n = n+1;
8 -     if (exp(1) - a) < epsilon
9 -         break
10 -    end
11 - end
12
13 - n
```

The Command Window shows the output of the script:

```
epsilon =
    0.0100

n =
    1

n =
    136
```

The Command Window prompt is `fx >>`.

We find that this sequence does indeed converge to e :

```

Command Window

M =

Columns 1 through 16
    2.0000    2.2500    2.3704    2.4414    2.4883    2.5216    2.5465    2.5658    2.5812    2.5937    2.6042    2.6130    2.6206    2.6272    2.6329    2.6379

Columns 17 through 32
    2.6424    2.6464    2.6500    2.6533    2.6563    2.6590    2.6615    2.6637    2.6658    2.6678    2.6696    2.6713    2.6728    2.6743    2.6757    2.6770

Columns 33 through 48
    2.6782    2.6794    2.6804    2.6815    2.6824    2.6834    2.6842    2.6851    2.6859    2.6866    2.6873    2.6880    2.6887    2.6893    2.6899    2.6905

Columns 49 through 64
    2.6911    2.6916    2.6921    2.6926    2.6931    2.6935    2.6940    2.6944    2.6948    2.6952    2.6956    2.6960    2.6963    2.6967    2.6970    2.6973

Columns 65 through 80
    2.6977    2.6980    2.6983    2.6986    2.6988    2.6991    2.6994    2.6996    2.6999    2.7001    2.7004    2.7006    2.7008    2.7011    2.7013    2.7015

Columns 81 through 96
    2.7017    2.7019    2.7021    2.7023    2.7025    2.7026    2.7028    2.7030    2.7032    2.7033    2.7035    2.7037    2.7038    2.7040    2.7041    2.7043

Columns 97 through 112
    2.7044    2.7045    2.7047    2.7048    2.7049    2.7051    2.7052    2.7053    2.7054    2.7056    2.7057    2.7058    2.7059    2.7060    2.7061    2.7062

Columns 113 through 128
    2.7064    2.7065    2.7066    2.7067    2.7068    2.7069    2.7069    2.7070    2.7071    2.7072    2.7073    2.7074    2.7075    2.7076    2.7077    2.7077

Columns 129 through 135
    2.7078    2.7079    2.7080    2.7081    2.7081    2.7082    2.7083

n =

    136

fx >>

```

And on the last line, we find it took 136 iterations to be within $\epsilon = 10^{-2}$. Thus, our $N = 136$