

# Math 4317 (Prof. Swiech, S'18): HW #3

Peter Williams

3/20/2018

## Section 14

A. Let  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ , show  $\lim \frac{b}{n} = 0$ .

Take  $\varepsilon > 0$ , if  $|\frac{b}{n} - 0| < \varepsilon$ , there exists natural number  $K(\varepsilon)$  such that  $\frac{b}{n} < \frac{n}{K(\varepsilon)} < \varepsilon$ . If  $n \geq K(\varepsilon)$ , and we choose  $K(\varepsilon)$  such that  $K(\varepsilon) > \frac{b}{\varepsilon} \implies \frac{b}{n} < \varepsilon \implies \lim \frac{b}{n} = 0$ .

B. Show that  $\lim(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}) = 0$ .

Take  $\varepsilon > 0$ , note that for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} = \frac{n+1-n}{n(n+1)} = \frac{1}{n(n+1)} < \frac{1}{n}$ . So we choose natural number  $K(\varepsilon)$  such that  $\frac{1}{K(\varepsilon)} < \varepsilon$ . Therefore if  $n \geq K(\varepsilon) \implies \frac{1}{n} < \varepsilon$ . Therefore  $|\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} - 0| = \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} < \frac{1}{n} < \varepsilon \implies \lim(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}) = 0$ .

D. Let  $X = (x_n)$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}^p$  which is convergent to  $x$ . Show that  $\lim \|x_n\| = \|x\|$ . (Hint: use the Triangle Inequality.)

Let  $\|x\| = \lim(\|x_n\|)$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$ , which implies there exists natural number  $K(\varepsilon)$  such that for  $n \geq K(\varepsilon)$ ,  $\|x_n - x\| < \varepsilon$ . If  $n \geq K(\varepsilon)$ ,  $\|x_n\| = \|x_n - x + x\| \leq \|x_n - x\| + \|x\| < \varepsilon + \|x\| \implies \|x_n\| - \|x\| \leq \|x_n - x\| < \varepsilon \implies \lim \|x_n\| = \|x\|$ .

G. Let  $d \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfy  $d > 1$ . Use Bernoulli's Inequality to show that the sequence  $(d_n)$  is not bounded in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Hence it is not convergent.

We have the sequence  $D = (d_n)$ , where  $d_n = d^n$ . Let  $d = 1 + a$  for some  $a > 0 \implies d^n = (1 + a)^n > 1 + na$  by Bernoulli's inequality. For any  $a > b > 0$ ,  $(1 + a)^n > (1 + b)^n$  which implies the sequence  $d_n$  is increasing. Take  $M > 0$ , we have  $d^n > 1 + na > M > 0$ , if  $n > \frac{M}{a} \implies 1 + na > M$ . Thus  $(d_n)$  is not bounded and its limit tends to  $\infty$ .

H. Let  $b \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfy  $0 < b < 1$ ; show that  $\lim(nb^n) = 0$ . (Hint: use the Binomial Theorem as in Example 14.8(e).)

Let  $b = \frac{1}{1+a}$ ,  $a > 0$ , we have  $b^n = \frac{1}{(1+a)^n}$ . By binomial theorem,  $(1+a)^n > \frac{n(n-1)}{2}a^2 \implies \frac{1}{(1+a)^n} < \frac{2}{n(n-1)a^2}$ , therefore  $nb^n = \frac{n}{(1+a)^n} < \frac{2n}{n(n-1)a^2} = \frac{2}{(n-1)a^2}$ . Take  $\varepsilon > 0$ , natural number  $K(\varepsilon)$ , if  $n \geq K(\varepsilon)$  we have  $nb^n = \frac{n}{(1+a)^n} < \frac{2}{(n-1)a^2} < \frac{2}{(K(\varepsilon)-1)a^2} < \varepsilon$ . Then  $|nb^n - 0| < \varepsilon \implies nb^n < \varepsilon \implies \lim nb^n = 0$ .

I. Let  $X = (x_n)$  be a sequence of strictly positive real numbers such that  $\lim(\frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n}) < 1$ . Show that for some  $r$  with  $0 < r < 1$  and some  $C > 0$ , then we have  $0 < x_n < Cr^n$  for all sufficiently large  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Use this to show that  $\lim(x_n) = 0$ .

J. Let  $X = (x_n)$  be a sequence of strictly positive real numbers such that  $\lim(\frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n}) > 1$ . Show that  $X$  is not a bounded sequence and hence is not convergent.

K. Give an example of a convergent sequence  $(x_n)$  of strictly positive real numbers such that  $\lim(\frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n}) = 1$ . Give an example of a divergent sequence with this property.

L. Apply the results of Exercises 14.I and 14.J to the following sequences. (Here  $0 < a < 1, 1 < b, c > 0$ )

(a)  $(a^n)$

(b)  $(na^n)$

(c)  $(b^n)$

(d)  $\left(\frac{b^n}{n}\right)$

(e)  $\left(\frac{c^n}{n!}\right)$

(f)  $\left(\frac{2^{3n}}{3^{2n}}\right)$

### Section 15

C(a-e),E,F,L,N

### Section 16

A,B,E,G,J,M(a)(c)(d),N

### Section 17

A,B,D,E,L,M

### Section 18

A(a-c),D,F,I