

## Sequences of Real Numbers- part 1

✓ **Exercise 1:** Study the monotonicity, boundedness and convergence of the sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of real numbers, having the general term:

$$a) \quad x_n = \frac{3^n + 5^n}{7^n}, \quad b) \quad x_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n}, \quad c) \quad x_n = \frac{4^n}{n!}, \quad d) \quad x_n = \frac{n}{n^2 + 1}.$$

✓ **Exercise 2:** Using the characterising theorem with  $\varepsilon$  prove that

$$a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n}{n^2 + 1} = 0 \quad ? \quad b) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n^2}{-2n + 4} = -\infty.$$

✓ **Exercise 3:** Compute the limit of the sequences of real numbers having the following general terms:

$$a) \quad \frac{3^n + 1}{5^n + 1}, \quad b) \quad \frac{9^n + (-3)^n}{9^{n-1} + 3}, \quad c) \quad \left(\sin \frac{\pi}{10}\right)^n, \quad d) \sqrt{4n^2 + 2n + 1} - 2n,$$

$$e) \quad \left(7 + \frac{1 - 2n^3}{3n^4 + 2}\right)^2, \quad f) \quad \sqrt[3]{n^3 + n + 3} - \sqrt[3]{n^3 + 1}, \quad g) \quad \left(\frac{n^3 + 5n + 1}{n^2 - 1}\right)^{\frac{1-5n^4}{6n^4+1}},$$

$$h) \quad \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) \dots \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right).$$

? **Exercise 4:** Let  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

- a) Prove that there exists an decreasing sequence of rational numbers converging to  $t$ .
- b) Prove that there exists a increasing sequence of irrational numbers converging to  $t$ .

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Study the convergence of the sequence by following the next steps:

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- d) Compute the limit of the sequence.

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MONOTONICITY :

$$\begin{aligned} x_{n+1} - x_n &= \frac{3^{n+1} + 5^{n+1}}{7^{n+1}} - \frac{3^n + 5^n}{7^n} = \frac{\cancel{7^n} \cdot 3^{n+1} + \cancel{7^n} \cdot 5^{n+1} - 7 \cdot (\cancel{3^n} - \cancel{5^n})}{\cancel{7^n} \cdot 7^{n+1}} = \frac{3^n(3-7) + 5^n(5-7)}{7^{n+1}} = \\ &= \frac{-4 \cdot 3^n - 2 \cdot 5^n}{7^{n+1}} = \frac{-(4 \cdot 3^n + 2 \cdot 5^n)}{7^{n+1}} < 0, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow x_{n+1} - x_n < 0, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow (x_n)_n$  DECREASING (1)

BOUNDEDNESS :

$$\begin{cases} 3^n > 0, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \\ 5^n > 0, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 3^n + 5^n > 0, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \\ 7^n > 0, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \frac{3^n + 5^n}{7^n} > 0, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$\Rightarrow x_n > 0, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  (2)

$$x_n = \frac{3^n + 5^n}{7^n} = \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^n + \left(\frac{5}{7}\right)^n$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{3}{7} < 1 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^n < 1, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \\ \frac{5}{7} < 1 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{5}{7}\right)^n < 1, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^n + \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^n < 2, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$\Rightarrow x_n < 2, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  (3)

(2) & (3)  $\Rightarrow 0 < x_n < 2, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow (x_n)_n$  bounded (4)

CONVERGENCE :

(1) & (4)  $\Rightarrow (x_n)_n$  convergent,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$

$$b) x_m = \frac{(-1)^m}{m}$$

MONOTONICITY:

$$\text{If } m = 2K, K \in \mathbb{N} : x_{2K} = \frac{(-1)^{2K}}{2K} = \frac{1}{2K} > 0, \forall K \in \mathbb{N} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{If } m = 2K+1, K \in \mathbb{N} : x_{2K+1} = \frac{(-1)^{2K+1}}{2K+1} = \frac{-1}{2K+1} < 0, \forall K \in \mathbb{N} \quad (2)$$

(1) & (2)  $\Rightarrow (x_m)_m$  is not monotone

BOUNDEDNESS:

$$\text{If } m = 2K, K \in \mathbb{N} : x_{2K} = \frac{1}{2K} > 0, \forall K \in \mathbb{N} \quad \Rightarrow -1 < x_m < 1, \forall m \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow$$

$$\text{If } m = 2K+1, K \in \mathbb{N} : x_{2K+1} = \frac{-1}{2K+1} < 0, \forall K \in \mathbb{N} \quad \Rightarrow (x_m)_m \text{ is bounded}$$

CONVERGENCE:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} x_{2K} = 0 \\ \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} x_{2K+1} = 0 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} x_m = 0 \Rightarrow (x_m)_m \text{ converges}$$

$$c) x_m = \frac{4^m}{m!}$$

MONOTONICITY:

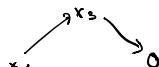
$$x_{m+1} - x_m = \frac{4^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} - \frac{4^m}{m!} = \frac{4^{m+1} - 4^m(m+1)}{(m+1)!} = \frac{4^m(4-4-m-1)}{(m+1)!} = \frac{4^m(3-m)}{(m+1)!}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{m+1} - x_m > 0, \forall m \in \mathbb{N} \text{ when } m < 3 \Rightarrow (x_m)_m \text{ INCREASING } \forall m \in \mathbb{N}, m < 3 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{NON-MONOTON} \\ \text{NON-INCREASING } \forall m \in \mathbb{N}, m \geq 3 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (x_m)_m \text{ NON-INCREASING } \forall m \in \mathbb{N}, m \geq 3 \quad (1)$$

BOUNDEDNESS:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_m > 0 \text{ for } m \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow \text{LOWER BOUNDED} \\ x_m \leq x_3 \text{ for } m \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow \text{UPPER BOUNDED} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{BOUNDED} \quad (2)$$

$$(x_3 = \frac{64}{6} = \frac{32}{3})$$



CONVERGENCE:

$$(x_m)_m \text{ is convergent, } \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} x_m = 0$$

$$d) \quad x_m = \frac{m}{m^2+1}$$

MONOTONICITY:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x_{m+1}}{x_m} &= \frac{\frac{m+1}{(m+1)^2+1}}{\frac{m}{m^2+1}} = \frac{m+1}{(m+1)^2+1} \cdot \frac{m^2+1}{m} = \frac{(m+1)(m^2+1)}{m((m+1)^2+1)} = \frac{m^3+m^2+m+1}{m(m^2+2m+2)} = \\ &= \frac{m^3+m^2+m+1}{m^3+2m^2+2m} < 1 \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow x_{m+1} < x_m, \forall m \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow (x_m)_m$  DECREASING (1)

BOUNDEDNESS:

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \begin{array}{l} m > 0, \forall m \in \mathbb{N} \\ m^2 + 1 > 0, \forall m \in \mathbb{N} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \frac{m}{m^2+1} > 0, \forall m \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow x_m > 0, \forall m \in \mathbb{N} \\ m \geq 1 \Rightarrow m^2 \geq m \Rightarrow m^2 + 1 \geq m + 1 \geq m \Rightarrow \frac{1}{m^2+1} \leq \frac{1}{m} \quad | \cdot m \Rightarrow \frac{m}{m^2+1} \leq 1 \\ \forall m \in \mathbb{N} \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow 0 < x_m < 1, \forall m \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow (x_m)_m$  is bounded (2)

CONVERGENCE:

(1) & (2)  $\Rightarrow (x_m)_m$  is convergent,  $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} x_m = 0$

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$$a) \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2m}{m^2 + 1} = 0$$

Let  $(x_m)_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence of real numbers with  $x_m = \frac{2m}{m^2 + 1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} x_m = 0 &\Leftrightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists m_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } \forall m \geq m_\varepsilon, |x_m - 0| < \varepsilon \\ &\Leftrightarrow |x_m| < \varepsilon \Leftrightarrow \left| \frac{m}{m^2 + 1} \right| < \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

We choose  $\varepsilon > 0$  randomly.

$$\frac{m}{m^2 + 1} < \varepsilon \Leftrightarrow m < m^2 \varepsilon + \varepsilon \Leftrightarrow m^2 \varepsilon - m + \varepsilon > 0$$

$$\Delta = 1 - 4\varepsilon^2$$

$$m_{1,2} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4\varepsilon^2}}{2\varepsilon}$$

$$\exists m_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } m_\varepsilon > \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 - 4\varepsilon^2}}{2\varepsilon} \rightarrow \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 - 4\varepsilon^2}}{2\varepsilon} > 0$$

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$$\overline{\exists m_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } m_\varepsilon > \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 - 4\varepsilon^2}}{2\varepsilon}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \exists m_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } m_\varepsilon > \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 - 4\varepsilon^2}}{2\varepsilon} \Leftrightarrow \frac{m_\varepsilon}{m_\varepsilon^2 + 1} < \varepsilon \quad &\Rightarrow \frac{m}{m^2 + 1} < \varepsilon \Leftrightarrow \left| \frac{m}{m^2 + 1} \right| < \varepsilon \\ \forall m > m_\varepsilon \Rightarrow \frac{m}{m^2 + 1} \leq \frac{m_\varepsilon}{m_\varepsilon^2 + 1} &\Leftrightarrow \left| \frac{m}{m^2 + 1} - 0 \right| < \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{For } \varepsilon > 0, \exists m_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } \forall m \geq m_\varepsilon, \left| \frac{m}{m^2 + 1} - 0 \right| < \varepsilon$$

$\Rightarrow$  the first relation holds for  $\varepsilon$  fixed randomly  $\Rightarrow \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} x_m = 0$

$$b) \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2m^2}{-2m + 4} = -\infty$$

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$$h) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right).$$

$$a) x_m = \frac{3^m + 1}{5^m + 1}$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} x_m = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^m + 1}{5^m + 1} \xrightarrow[m \rightarrow \infty]{\infty} \frac{3^m \left(1 + \frac{1}{3^m}\right)}{5^m \left(1 + \frac{1}{5^m}\right)} \xrightarrow[0]{0} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^m \cdot 1 = 0$$

$$b) x_m = \frac{9^m + (-3)^m}{9^{m-1} + 3}$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} x_m = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{9^m + (-3)^m}{9^{m-1} + 3} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{9^m \left[1 + \left(\frac{-3}{9}\right)^m\right]}{9^{m-1} \left(1 + \frac{3}{9^m}\right)} \xrightarrow[0]{0} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{9 \cdot 1}{1} = 9$$

$$c) x_m = \left(\sin \frac{\pi}{10}\right)^m$$

$$0 < \frac{\pi}{10} < \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \sin \frac{\pi}{10} > 0$$

$$0 < \sin \frac{\pi}{10} < 1$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sin \frac{\pi}{10}\right)^m = 0 \quad \left( \text{rule used: } \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} a^m = \begin{cases} 0, & a \in (0, 1) \\ 1, & a = 1 \\ \infty, & a > 1 \\ \text{d}, & a < -1 \end{cases} \right)$$

$$d) \sqrt{4m^2 + 2m + 1} - 2m$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} x_m &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sqrt{4m^2 + 2m + 1} - 2m \right) \xrightarrow[m \rightarrow \infty]{(\infty-\infty)} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4m^2 + 2m + 1 - 4m^2}{\sqrt{4m^2 + 2m + 1} + 2m} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2m + 1}{\sqrt{4m^2 + 2m + 1} + 2m} = \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{m(2 + \frac{1}{m})}{m(\sqrt{4 + \frac{2}{m} + \frac{1}{m^2}} + 2)} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{\sqrt{4 + 2 + \frac{1}{m}}} = \frac{2}{2 + 1} = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$e) x_m = \left(7 + \frac{1-2m^3}{3m^3+2}\right)^2$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} x_m = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left(7 + \frac{1-2m^3}{3m^3+2}\right)^2 = 7^2 = 49$$

$$f) x_m = \sqrt[3]{m^3 + m + 3} - \sqrt[3]{m^3 + 1}$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} x_m = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[3]{m^3 + m + 3} - \sqrt[3]{m^3 + 1} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{m^3 + m + 3 - m^3 - 1}{\sqrt[3]{(m^3 + m + 3)^2} + \sqrt[3]{(m^3 + 3)(m^3 + 1)} + \sqrt[3]{(m^3 + 1)^2}} =$$

$$= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{m \left( 1 + \frac{1}{m} \right)}{\sqrt[3]{\left( 1 + \frac{1}{m^2} + \frac{3}{m^3} \right)^2} + \sqrt[3]{\left( 1 + \frac{1}{m^2} + \frac{3}{m^3} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{1}{m^3} \right)} + \sqrt[3]{\left( 1 + \frac{1}{m} \right)^2}} = 0$$

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$$g) x_m = \left( \frac{m^3 + 5m + 1}{m^2 - 1} \right)^{\frac{1-5m^4}{6m^4+1}}$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} x_m = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{m^3 + 5m + 1}{m^2 - 1} \right)^{\frac{1-5m^4}{6m^4+1}} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{m^3 \left( 1 + \frac{5}{m^3} + \frac{1}{m^2} \right)}{m^2 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{m^2} \right)} \right)^{\frac{m^4 \left( \frac{1}{m^4} - 5 \right)}{m^4 \left( 6 + \frac{1}{m^4} \right)}} = (\infty)^{\frac{-5}{6}} = \left( \frac{1}{\infty} \right)^{\frac{5}{6}} = 0$$

$$h) x_m = \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{1}{3} \right) \cdots \left( 1 - \frac{1}{m} \right)$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} x_m = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot \cdots \cdot \frac{m}{m} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{m} = 0$$

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$$b) x_m = \frac{t-1}{\sqrt{m}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{m+1}}, m \in \mathbb{N}$$

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$$x_m = \frac{t-1}{\sqrt{m}}, m \in \mathbb{N} / \{ n \mid n = x^2, x \in \mathbb{N} \}$$

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- d) Compute the limit of the sequence.

$$a > 0, x_0 \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ s.t. } 0 < x_0 < \frac{1}{a}$$

$$(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \quad x_{m+1} = 2x_m - ax_m^2 \quad \forall m \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\text{a)} \quad x_m < \frac{1}{a}, \forall m \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_{m+1} &= -a(x_m^2 - 2 \cdot \frac{1}{a} x_m + \frac{1}{a^2} - \frac{1}{a^2}) = -a((x_m - \frac{1}{a})^2 - \frac{1}{a^2}) \\ \Rightarrow x_{m+1} &= -a(x_m - \frac{1}{a})^2 + \frac{1}{a} \quad \Rightarrow x_{m+1} - \frac{1}{a} = -a(x_m - \frac{1}{a})^2 \quad \left. \Rightarrow y_{m+1} = -a \cdot y_m^2 \right\} \\ &\text{Let } (y_m)_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \text{ s.t. } y_m = x_m - \frac{1}{a} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} a > 0 \\ y_m^2 > 0, \forall m \in \mathbb{N} \end{array} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{m+1} < 0, \forall m \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\text{For } m=0: y_1 = -ay_0^2 < 0$$

$$\text{For } m=1: y_2 = -ay_1^2 < 0$$

Suppose that  $y_m < 0$ . We shall prove that  $y_{m+1} < 0$

$$y_{m+1} = -a \cdot y_m^2 < 0, \forall m \in \mathbb{N}, a > 0$$

$$y_m < 0 \Rightarrow x_m - \frac{1}{a} < 0 \Rightarrow x_m < \frac{1}{a}$$

$$\text{b)} \quad 0 < x_m, \forall m \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$x_{m+1} = 2x_m - ax_m^2 = x_m(2 - ax_m)$$

$$\text{For } m=0: x_1 = x_0(2 - ax_0)$$

$$x_0 < \frac{1}{a} \Rightarrow ax_0 < 1 \Rightarrow -1 < -ax_0 \quad |+2 \Rightarrow 1 < 2 - ax_0 \Rightarrow 2 - ax_0 > 1 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 - ax_0 > 0 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} x_0 > 0 \\ x_0 < \frac{1}{a} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow x_0(2 - ax_0) > 0 \Rightarrow x_1 > 0$$

$$\text{For } m=1: x_2 = x_1(2 - ax_1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{It's proved at a), } x_m < \frac{1}{a}, \forall m \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow x_1 < \frac{1}{a} \quad | \cdot a > 0 \Rightarrow ax_1 < 1 \quad | \cdot (-1) \Rightarrow -ax_1 > -1 \quad |+2 \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow 2 - ax_1 > 1 > 0 \Rightarrow 2 - ax_1 > 0 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} x_1 > 0 \\ x_1 < \frac{1}{a} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow x_1(2 - ax_1) > 0 \Rightarrow x_2 > 0 \end{aligned}$$

Suppose that  $x_m > 0$ . We shall prove that  $x_{m+1} > 0$ .

$$x_{m+1} = x_m(2 - \alpha x_m)$$

$$x_m < \frac{1}{\alpha} \quad | : \alpha > 0 \Rightarrow \alpha x_m < 1 \quad | \cdot (-1) \Rightarrow -\alpha x_m > -1 \quad | + 2 \Rightarrow 2 - \alpha x_m > 0 \quad | \begin{cases} x_m > 0 \\ x_m < \frac{1}{\alpha} \end{cases} \Rightarrow x_m(2 - \alpha x_m) > 0 \Rightarrow x_{m+1} > 0 \Rightarrow x_m > 0, \forall m \in \mathbb{N}$$

c)  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is increasing

$$x_{m+1} - x_m = 2x_m - \alpha x_m^2 - x_m = x_m - \alpha x_m^2 = x_m(1 - \alpha x_m)$$

from a):

$$x_m < \frac{1}{\alpha} \quad | : \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha x_m < 1 \quad | \cdot (-1) \Rightarrow -\alpha x_m > -1 \quad | + 1 \Rightarrow 1 - \alpha x_m > 0 \quad | \begin{cases} x_m > 0 \\ x_m < \frac{1}{\alpha} \end{cases} \Rightarrow x_m(1 - \alpha x_m) > 0$$

from b)

$$\Rightarrow x_{m+1} - x_m > 0 \Rightarrow (x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{ is INCREASING}$$

d)  $\ell = ?$

$$\text{From a) and b), } 0 < x_m < \frac{1}{\alpha}, \forall m \in \mathbb{N} \quad | : \alpha > 0 \quad \Rightarrow (x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{ is bounded} \quad | \begin{cases} (x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{ is bounded} \\ (x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{ is increasing} \end{cases} \Rightarrow (x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{ is CONVERGENT} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_m = \ell \in (0, \frac{1}{\alpha})$$

We replace  $x_m$  by  $\ell$  in the recursive relation:

$$\ell = 2\ell - \alpha\ell^2 \Rightarrow \ell - \alpha\ell^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \ell(1 - \alpha\ell) = 0 \quad | \begin{cases} (x_m)_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \text{ INCREASING} \\ x_m > 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \ell \neq 0 \quad | 1 - \alpha\ell = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\ell = \frac{1}{\alpha}}$$

**Excercise 3** (Do not turn this in, we will solve it together at the seminar) Fill in the following table:

Nr.	A	int A	bd A	cl A	ext A	Izo A	A'
1	$(-\infty, -1] \cup (2, +\infty)$	$(-\infty, 1) \cup (2, +\infty)$	$[-1, 2]$	$(-\infty, -1] \cup [2, +\infty)$	$(-1, 2)$	$\emptyset$	$(-\infty, -1] \cup [2, +\infty)$
2	$(-1, 9] \cup [10, 20)$	$(-1, 9) \cup (10, 20)$	$[-1, 9] \cup [10, 20]$	$[-1, 9] \cup [10, 20]$	$(-\infty, -1] \cup [9, 10) \cup (20, +\infty)$	$\emptyset$	$[-1, 9] \cup [10, 20]$
3	$((-1, 9] \cup [10, 20)) \cap \mathbb{N}_{\{1, 2, 3, \dots, 19\}}$	$\emptyset$	$\{1, 2, 3, \dots, 19\}$	$\{1, 2, 3, \dots, 19\}$	$(-\infty, 1) \cup (1, 2) \cup (2, 3) \cup \dots \cup (19, 20)$	$\{1, 2, 3, \dots, 19\}$	$\emptyset$
4	$\{1, 2, 3\}$	$\emptyset$	$\{1, 2, 3\}$	$\{1, 2, 3\}$	$(-\infty, 1) \cup (1, 2) \cup (2, 3) \cup (3, +\infty)$	$\{1, 2, 3\}$	$\emptyset$
5	$\mathbb{N}$	$\emptyset$	$\mathbb{N}$	$\mathbb{N}$	$(-\infty, 1) \cup (1, 2) \cup (2, 3) \cup \dots \cup (m, m+1) \cup \dots$	$\mathbb{N}$	$\emptyset$
6	$\mathbb{R} \setminus \{1, 2, 3\}$	$(-\infty, 1) \cup (1, 2) \cup (2, 3) \cup (3, +\infty)$	$\{1, 2, 3\}$	$\mathbb{R}$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\mathbb{R}$
7	$\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{N}$	$(-\infty, 1) \cup (1, 2) \cup (2, 3) \cup \dots \cup (m, m+1) \cup \dots \cup (n, n+1) \cup \dots$	$\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$	$\mathbb{R}$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\mathbb{R}$
8	$\mathbb{Z}_{\dots, -m_1, \dots, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots, m_n, \dots}$	$\emptyset$	$\{-\dots, -m_1, \dots, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\dots \cup (m_1, m_2) \cup \dots \cup (-n, 0) \cup (0, 1) \cup (1, 2) \cup \dots \cup (m_{n-1}, m_n) \cup \dots$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\emptyset$
9	$\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$	$\dots \cup (m_1, m_2) \cup \dots \cup (-n, 0) \cup (0, 1) \cup (1, 2) \cup \dots \cup (m_{n-1}, m_n) \cup \dots$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\dots \cup (m_1, m_2) \cup \dots \cup (-n, 0) \cup (0, 1) \cup (1, 2) \cup \dots \cup (m_{n-1}, m_n) \cup \dots$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\mathbb{R}$
10	$\mathbb{Q}$	$\emptyset$	$\mathbb{R}$	$\mathbb{R}$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\mathbb{R}$
11	$\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$	$\emptyset$	$\mathbb{R}$	$\mathbb{R}$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\mathbb{R}$
12	$\mathbb{R}$	$(-\infty, +\infty)$	$\emptyset$	$\mathbb{R}$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\mathbb{R}$

HW from LECTURE 3

L2:  $\ell = \infty \quad \infty = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} a_m \iff \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists n_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } \forall m \geq n_\varepsilon, |a_m - \ell| < \varepsilon$

PROOF:

$$\text{L2: } B(\infty, \varepsilon) = [\ell, \infty]$$

$\Rightarrow$  THE NECESSITY

We know:  $\infty = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} a_m \stackrel{\text{def.}}{\iff} \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists m_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } \forall m \geq m_\varepsilon, a_m \in B(\infty, \varepsilon)$   
 We want:  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists n_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } \forall m \geq n_\varepsilon, a_m \in B(\infty, \varepsilon) \quad \textcircled{1}$

Choose an  $\varepsilon > 0$  randomly

$$a_m < \varepsilon \iff a_m \in B(\infty, \varepsilon) \in \mathcal{B}(\infty) \\ \varepsilon > 0 \Rightarrow B(\infty, \varepsilon) \in \mathcal{B}(\infty) \xrightarrow{\text{def.}} \boxed{\exists m_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } \forall m \geq m_\varepsilon, a_m \in B(\infty, \varepsilon)}$$

$\Rightarrow$  1 holds for  $\varepsilon$   
 $\varepsilon$ -random }  $\Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \checkmark$

$$a_m < \varepsilon$$

$\Leftarrow$  THE SUFFICIENCY

We know:  $\textcircled{1}$

We want:  $\textcircled{2}$

We start with: Choose  $V \in \mathcal{B}(\infty)$  randomly

$a_m \in V$   
 $\downarrow$   
 def. of a neighborhood

$\exists r > 0$  s.t.  $B(\infty, r) \subseteq V$

$$\xrightarrow[\varepsilon=r]{\text{def.}} \exists m_r \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } \forall m \geq m_r, a_m \in B(\infty, r) \subseteq V \\ a_m < r$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$a_m \in B(\infty, r) \subseteq V$$

$$\Rightarrow a_m \in V$$

$\Rightarrow$   $\textcircled{2}$  is true for  $V$   
 $V$ -random }  $\Rightarrow \textcircled{2} \checkmark$

L3:  $\ell = -\infty \quad -\infty = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} a_m \Leftrightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists m_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } \forall n > m_\varepsilon, a_n < -\varepsilon$

PROOF:

$$L3: B(-\infty, \varepsilon) = [-\infty, -\varepsilon)$$

$\Rightarrow$  THE NECESSITY

We know:  $-\infty = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} a_m \stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow} \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists m_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } \forall n > m_\varepsilon, a_n < -\varepsilon$   
 We want:  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists m_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } \forall n > m_\varepsilon, a_n < -\varepsilon \quad \textcircled{1}$

Choose an  $\varepsilon > 0$  randomly

$$a_m < -\varepsilon \Leftrightarrow a_m \in B(-\infty, \varepsilon) \in \mathcal{V}(\infty)$$

$$\varepsilon > 0 \Rightarrow B(-\infty, \varepsilon) \in \mathcal{V}(\infty) \xrightarrow{\text{def}} \boxed{\exists m_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } \forall n > m_\varepsilon, a_n \in B(-\infty, \varepsilon)}$$

$\Rightarrow$  1 holds for  $\varepsilon$   
 $\varepsilon$ -random

$$\boxed{a_m < -\varepsilon}$$

$\Leftarrow$  THE SUFFICIENCY

We know: ①

We want: ②

We start with: Choose  $V \in \mathcal{V}(-\infty)$  randomly

$a_m \in V$   $\downarrow$   
 def of a neighborhood

$\exists n > 0 \text{ s.t. } B(-\infty, n) \subseteq V$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{def}} \exists m_n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } \forall n > m_n, a_n < -n \quad a_m < -n$$

$$\Updownarrow \\ a_m \in B(-\infty, n) \subseteq V$$

$$\Rightarrow a_m \in V$$

$\Rightarrow$  ② is true for  $V$   
 $V$ -random

$$\boxed{\text{②} \checkmark}$$