

# Infinite Sequence

## Definition

An infinite sequence of real numbers is a function whose domain is  $N$ .

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A sequence  $a_n$  converges to  $l$  if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a natural number  $N$  such that, for all natural number  $n$ ,  
if  $n > N$ , then

$$|a_n - l| < \varepsilon$$

## Theorem 1

Let  $f$  be a function defined in an open interval containing  $c$ , except perhaps at  $c$  itself, with

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = l.$$

Suppose that  $a_n$  is a sequence such that

- (1) each  $a_n$  is in the domain of  $f$ .
- (2) each  $a_n \neq c$ ,
- (3)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = c$ .

Then the sequence  $f(a_n)$  satisfies

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(a_n) = l.$$

Conversely, if this is true for every sequence  $a_n$  satisfying the above conditions, then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = l$ .

proof

Suppose first that