

3)  $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$   $a_n = \frac{5}{2n-1}$

proof.

Using definition of convergence we have

$\Rightarrow$  This sequence  $(a_n)$  is said to converge to a real number  $a$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a natural number  $N(\epsilon)$  such that

$$|a_n - a| < \epsilon \quad \forall n > N(\epsilon)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = ?$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5}{2n-1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5}{2n-1} = 0$$

$$\left| \frac{5}{2n-1} - 0 \right| < \epsilon \quad \forall n > N(\epsilon)$$

Now  $\left| \frac{5}{2n-1} \right| < \epsilon \Rightarrow 2n-1 > \frac{5}{\epsilon}$

$$\Rightarrow n > \frac{\left(\frac{5}{\epsilon} + 1\right)}{2} \Rightarrow N(\epsilon) > \frac{5}{2\epsilon} + \frac{1}{2}$$

Thus taking  $h = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5}{2n-1} = \frac{5}{2(\infty)-1} = \frac{5}{\infty} = 0$

So this sequence converges to zero.



$$(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \quad x_n = \frac{1}{10} \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} \quad \forall n$$

Using the definition of convergence we have

Taking the limit we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{10} \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} = \frac{1}{10} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sin \frac{n\pi}{2}$$

range of sine function is  $[-1, 1]$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{10} \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} = 0$$

Using convergence definition

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N > 0 \text{ such that } n > N(\epsilon)$$

$$\left| \frac{1}{10} \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} - 0 \right| < \epsilon$$

$$\left| \frac{1}{10} \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} \right| < \epsilon$$

We find the  $N(\epsilon)$  such that it minimises the above function, thus we have

$$\left| \frac{1}{10} \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} \right| \leq \frac{1}{n^2} < \frac{1}{N^2} < \epsilon \Rightarrow N^2 > \frac{1}{\epsilon}$$

$$\text{Take } \Rightarrow N(\epsilon) > \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$



$\Rightarrow$  This sequence does converge to zero

$$(c) \quad (x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \quad x_n = \begin{cases} 1 & n \text{ is a power of 2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Soln

We use the theorem that a sequence of real numbers converges to  $x$  if and only if every subsequence of  $(x_n)$  converges to  $x$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Suppose  $x_n \rightarrow x$ , for every

$\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{J}^+$  such that

$$|x_n - x| < \varepsilon \quad \forall n > N(\varepsilon)$$

Taking  $n_k > N(\varepsilon)$ , then  $|x_{n_k} - x| < \varepsilon$

$$\forall n_k > N(\varepsilon)$$

$$\Rightarrow \{x_n\} = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots\}$$

$$\{0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, \dots\}$$

The corresponding subsequence

$$\{x_{n_k}\} \text{ for } k=2 =$$

$$\{x_{n_k}\}_{k=1}^{\infty} = \{x_2, x_4, x_6, \dots\}$$

$$\{1, 1, 1, \dots\}$$



This subsequence converge to  $1$

We consider another subsequence:

$$(x_{2n-1})_{n=1}^{\infty} = \{x_1, x_3, x_5, \dots\}$$

$$\{1, 0, 1, \dots\}$$

This subsequence converge to  $0$ .

From the theorem definition for convergence,

we have that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{2n} = 1$$

$$\text{and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{2n-1} = 0$$

$$|x_{2n}| < \epsilon \text{ and } |x_{2n-1}| < \epsilon$$

$\Rightarrow$  We cannot find a  $N(\epsilon)$  such that

$$|x_n - x| < \epsilon \text{ for every } \epsilon > 0$$

Thus, since  $0 \neq 1$ , the sequence diverge.



$(d) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\log_2 n}$

Soln.

Using definition of convergence

$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N > 0 \text{ s.t. } n > N(\epsilon)$

$|x_n - x| < \epsilon$

$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{1}{\log_2 n} - 0 \right| < \epsilon$

$2) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\log_2 n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\log_2(\infty)}$

$\Rightarrow$  The value is approximately  $\infty$

$\text{i.e. } \log_2(\infty) = \infty \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\infty}$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$

$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{1}{\log_2 n} - 0 \right| < \epsilon$

We need to choose  $N(\epsilon)$  s.t.  $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N(\epsilon)$

$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{1}{\log_2 n} - 0 \right| < \epsilon$



We now find the  $N(\epsilon)$  such that  
it minimises the above function.

$$\left| \frac{1}{\log_2 n} \right| \leq \frac{1}{n} < \frac{1}{N} < \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow N > \frac{1}{\epsilon}$$

Thus, we have  $N(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{\epsilon}$

$$\Rightarrow |x_n - x| < \epsilon \quad \forall n > N(\epsilon) > \frac{1}{\epsilon}$$

We take  $N(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{\epsilon}$

Thus the sequence converges to zero

Thanks