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## Week5

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Exercise 1. Show that  $a_1, a_2, \dots$  is not totally indiscernible

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*Proof.* If  $a_i = a_j$  and  $i < j$ , then since  $a_i a_j \equiv a_m a_n$  for any  $m < n$ ,  $a_1, a_2, \dots$  is a constant sequence. Because  $a_1, a_2, \dots$  is a non-constant indiscernible sequence, either  $a_1 < a_2$  or  $a_1 > a_2$ . We may assume  $a_1 < a_2$ . Then  $a_1 a_2 \neq a_2 a_1$  since  $x < y \in \text{tp}(a_1 a_2)$  but  $x > y \in \text{tp}(a_2 a_1)$   $\square$

Exercise 2. Show that  $a_1 a_2 > 0$

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*Proof.* If  $a_i = 0$ , then  $x = 0 \in \text{tp}(a_i)$ . But since  $a_i \equiv a_j$  for any  $j$ ,  $a_1, a_2, \dots$  is a constant sequence, a contradiction.

If  $a_1 a_2 < 0$ , then  $a_2 a_3 < 0$  and so  $a_1 a_2^2 a_3 > 0$  which implies  $a_1 a_3 > 0$ . But  $a_1 a_2 \equiv a_1 a_3$ , we get a contradiction. Hence  $a_1 a_2 > 0$   $\square$

Exercise 3. Suppose  $a_2 - a_1 \geq 1$ . Show that  $a_2 - a_1 \geq 7$

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*Proof.* we have  $a_8 - a_7 \geq 1, a_7 - a_6 \geq 1, \dots, a_2 - a_1 \geq 1$ , and so  $a_8 - a_1 \geq 7$ . Hence  $a_2 - a_1 \geq 7$   $\square$

Exercise 4. Show that at least one of the following is true:  $a_2 < (1.01) \cdot a_1$  or  $a_2 > 200 \cdot a_1$

*Proof.* Assume  $a_2 \geq (1.01) \cdot a_1$  and  $a_2 \leq 200 \cdot a_1$ .

Claim:  $a_{2n} \geq (1.01)^{2n-1} a_1$

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If  $a_{2n} \geq (1.01)^{2n-1} a_1$ , then  $a_{2n+2} \geq (1.01) \cdot a_{2n+1}$ ,  $a_{2n+1} \geq (1.01) \cdot a_{2n}$ , and so  $a_{2n+2} a_{2n+1} a_{2n} \geq (1.01)^{2n+1} a_1 a_{2n} a_{2n+1}$ . Since  $a_{2n+1} a_{2n} > 0$ ,  $a_{2n+2} \geq (1.01)^{2n+1} a_1$ .

Hence if we take  $N$  large enough, then  $a_{2N} \geq (1.01)^{2N-1} a_1 > 200 \cdot a_1$ . Then by indiscernibility,  $a_2 > 200 \cdot a_1$ , a contradiction  $\square$

do you know  
 $a_i > 0$ ?

Exercise 5. Show that  $a_i + a_j \neq a_k$  for any  $i, j, k$

*Proof.* Without loss of generality, we may assume that  $\{a_i, a_j, a_k\} = \{a_1, a_2, a_3\}$  and  $a_1 > 0$

What if  
 $i=j$  or  $i=k$   
 or  $j=k$ ?

1. If  $a_1 + a_2 = a_3$ . Then  $a_3 - a_2 = a_1$  and there is  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  s.t.  $q \leq a_1 < 1+q$  where  $q > 0$ . Then  $a_3 - a_2 \geq q$ . Take  $N = \lceil \frac{1+q}{q} \rceil$ , since  $a_{N+2} - a_{N+1} \geq q$ ,  $a_{N+1} - a_N \geq q$ ,  $a_N - a_{N-1} \geq q, \dots, a_3 - a_2 \geq q$ , we have  $a_{N+2} - a_2 \geq Nq \geq 1+q > a_1$ . Hence  $a_3 - a_2 > a_1$ , a contradiction

What if  $a_1 > \mathbb{Q}$ ?  
 $(a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots) \in \mathcal{M} \not\subseteq \mathbb{R}$   
 not necessarily in  $\mathbb{R}$

2. If  $a_1 + a_3 = a_2$ , take  $a_2 - a_1 = a_3$  and we can prove similarly

3. If  $a_2 + a_3 = a_1$ . Then  $a_2 - a_1 = -a_3$  and there  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  s.t.  $-1-q < -a_3 \leq -q$  where  $q > 0$ . Similarly we can prove that  $a_2 - a_1 < -a_3$ .

Therefore  $a_i + a_j \neq a_k$   $\square$

*Exercise 6.* Show that there is an indiscernible sequence  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots$  s.t.  $b_2 > 200 \cdot b_1$

*Proof.* Let  $(a_i : i \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\})$  be an infinite sequence s.t.  $a_i = 201^i, i \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then by Theorem 10 in the notes, there is an indiscernible sequence  $(b_j : j \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\})$  with  $\text{tp}^{EM}(\bar{b}) \stackrel{2}{=} \text{tp}^{EM}(\bar{a})$ . Since in  $\bar{a}$ , for any  $j > i$ ,  $a_j > 200 \cdot a_i$ , therefore  $b_m > 200 \cdot b_n$  for any  $m > n$ . Particularly,  $b_2 > 200 \cdot b_1$ .  $\square$

$\text{tp}^{EM}(\bar{b})$  can't equal  $\text{tp}^{EM}(\bar{a})$  or else  $\bar{a}$  would be indiscernible.