

CHAPTER 10 - INFINITE SERIES AND SEQUENCES

10.1. SEQUENCES

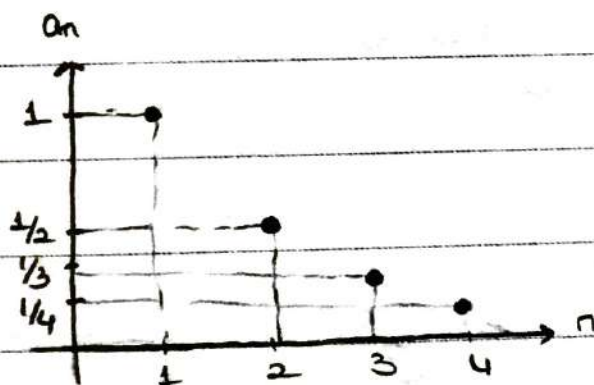
$$a_n = n^2 + n \quad (n = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$$

$$a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \dots \\ 2 & 6 & 12 & \dots \end{array}$$

* Convergence of Sequences

$$a_n = \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \dots$$



$$\checkmark \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0 \quad (\text{convergent})$$

$$\checkmark \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n = +\infty \quad (\text{divergent})$$

$$\checkmark \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-n) = -\infty \quad (\text{divergent})$$

$$\checkmark \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-2)^n = ? \quad (-2, 4, -8, 16)$$

↳ no limit diverges

$$\checkmark \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n = ? \quad (-1, 1, -1, 1)$$

↳ no limit diverges

$$\checkmark \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n = ? \quad \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{8}\right)$$

!	$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^n = +\infty$	$x > 1$
	$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^n = 1$	$x = 1$
	$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^n = 0$	$-1 < x < 1$
	$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^n = \text{diverges}$	$x \leq -1$

from calculus 1

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = M$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f(x) + g(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) + \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = L + M$$

$\left(\frac{\div}{x} \right) \rightarrow \text{if } M \neq 0 \leftarrow \left(\frac{\div}{x} \right)$

$$0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{x^2} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x^2} - \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x^2}$$

WRONG

calculus 2

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = M$$

$$\text{exist} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$$

$\left(\frac{\div}{x} \right) \rightarrow \text{if } M \neq 0 \leftarrow \left(\frac{\div}{x} \right)$

ex: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4 - 7/n^6}{n^6 + 3} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4/n^6 - 7}{1 + 3/n^6} = \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 4/n^6 - 7}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 + 3/n^6} = \frac{0 - 7}{1 + 0} = -7$

from calculus 1

$$f(x) \leq g(x) \leq h(x)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} h(x) = L$$

sandwich theorem
 $\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = L$

calculus 2

$a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n$ for all n after some N

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = L \end{array} \right\} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = L$$

ex: $a_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$ show $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ by using

Sandwich Theorem

Theorem: If f is continuous and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$ then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(a_n) = f\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n\right) = f(L)$$

ex: $a_n = \sqrt{\frac{n+1}{2n}}$ $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{n+1}{2n}}$

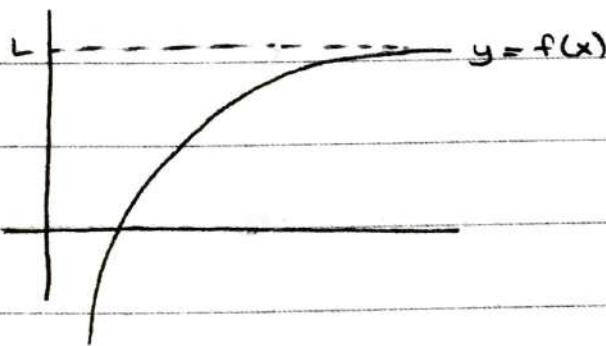
$$= \sqrt{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{2n}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Since \sqrt{x} is continuous

for $x \geq 0$

ex: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{1/n} = 2^{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1/n} = 2^0 = 1$

since $x \rightarrow 2^x$ is continuous



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = L \text{ and } a_n = f(n)$$

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

ex: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n}{n} = ?$ $\left(\frac{\ln 1}{1}, \frac{\ln 2}{2}, \frac{\ln 3}{3}, \dots\right)$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln x}{x} \left(\frac{\infty}{\infty}\right)$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1/x}{1} = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n}{n} = 0$$

**** ex:** $a_n = \left(\frac{n+1}{n-1}\right)^n \quad n \geq 2$

$$\ln a_n = \ln \left(\frac{n+1}{n-1}\right)^n$$

$$= n \ln \left(\frac{n+1}{n-1}\right)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \left(\frac{n+1}{n-1}\right)}{\frac{1}{n}}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\left(\frac{n+1}{n-1}\right)} \cdot \frac{[(n-1) - (n+1)] \cdot 1}{(n-1)^2}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-1/n^2}{-2}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-1/n^2}{-2}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n^2}{n^2 - 1} = 2$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{\ln a_n} = e^{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln a_n} = e^2$$

**** ex:** $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{\ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n}$$

$$= e^{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)}$$

$$= e^{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)}{\frac{1}{n}} \quad \left[\frac{0}{0}\right]}$$

$$= e^{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{\left(\frac{1}{1+1/n}\right) \left(-\frac{1}{n^2}\right)}{\left(-\frac{1}{n^2}\right)} \right]} \Rightarrow e^{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1+1/n}} = e^1 = 2.71$$

1 year %100

$$S(1+1) = 2S$$

6m %50

$$S\left(1+\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1+\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2.25S$$

4m %100/3

$$S\left(1+\frac{1}{3}\right)\left(1+\frac{1}{3}\right)\left(1+\frac{1}{3}\right) \rightarrow S\left(1+\frac{1}{3}\right)^3$$

Some Important Limits

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

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{1/n} = x^0 = 1$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{1/n} = 1 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{k/n} = 1$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^n = \begin{cases} +\infty & , x > 1 \\ 1 & , x = 1 \\ 0 & , |x| < 1 \\ \text{diverges} & , x \leq -1 \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{x}{n}\right)^n = e^x \quad , \text{ for all } x$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 0 \quad \text{for all } x$$

Recursive Sequences

ex: $a_n = n \cdot a_{n-1} \quad , \quad n \geq 1$

$$a_1 = 1$$

$$a_2 = 2 \cdot a_1 = 2 \cdot 1$$

$$a_3 = 3 \cdot a_2 = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1$$

$$a_4 = 4 \cdot a_3 = 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1$$

$$\underline{\underline{a_n = n!}}$$

ex: Fibonacci

$$a_1 = 1$$

$$a_2 = 1$$

$$a_{n+1} = a_n + a_{n-1}, \quad n \geq 2$$

$$a_3 = 2$$

$$a_4 = 3$$

$$a_5 = 5$$

$$a_6 = 8$$

$$a_7 = 13$$

⊕ if $a_{n+1} \geq a_n$, for all n

a_n is nondecreasing.

⊕ if there is M such that

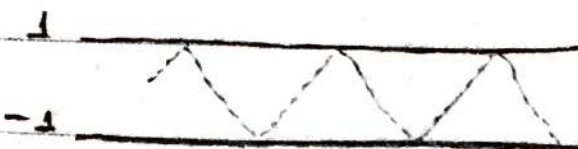
$a_n \leq M$ then a_n is called bounded from

above sequence

ex: $a_n = \cos(n) \Rightarrow a_n \leq 1$ for all n

a_n is bounded from above

$$a_n = \cos(n)$$



not convergent, but bounded
from above and below

Theorem If a_n is nondecreasing and bounded from above then a_n is convergent, i.e. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ exists.
(idea) $n \rightarrow \infty$

(book 32)

ex: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+3}{n^2+5n+6} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n} + \frac{3}{n^2}}{1 + \frac{5}{n} + \frac{6}{n^2}} = \frac{0+0}{1+0+0} = 0$

(book 34)

ex: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1+n^3}{70-4n^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-3n^2}{-8n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n}{8} = +\infty$

(book 35)

ex: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 + (-1)^n$ (0, 2, 0, 2, 0, 2, ...)

↳ No limit

(book 39)

ex: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2n-1}$

$$\frac{-1}{2n-1} \leq \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2n-1} \leq \frac{1}{2n-1}$$

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

By sandwich theorem $\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2n-1}$

(book 42)

ex: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{2^n} \left(\frac{\infty}{\infty} \right)$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\underbrace{2^n \cdot \ln 2}_{> 0}} = 0$$

(book 76)

$$\text{ex: } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{n^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{2/n}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n^{1/n})^2 = \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n^{1/n}) \right)^2 = 1^2 = 1$$

(book 60)

$$\text{ex: } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln n - \ln(n+1)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \right) = \ln \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+1} \right)$$

$$= \ln 1 = 0$$

(book 67)

$$\text{ex: } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{10^{6n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{(10^6)^n} = +\infty$$

(book 74)

$$\text{ex: } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(10/11)^n}{(9/10)^n + (11/12)^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\left(\frac{9/10}{10/11} \right)^n + \left(\frac{11/12}{10/11} \right)^n}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\underbrace{\left(\frac{99}{100} \right)^n}_0 + \underbrace{\left(\frac{121}{120} \right)^n}_\infty}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$$

10.2 INFINITE SERIES

$a_n \rightarrow$ sequence

$a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots + a_n \rightarrow$ series

$$S_1 = a_1$$

$$S_2 = a_1 + a_2$$

$$S_3 = a_1 + a_2 + a_3$$

$$a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$$

ex: $a_n = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n, n \geq 1$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{16}, \dots\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} + \dots = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$$

$$S_n = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$S_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$S_2 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$S_3 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{7}{8}$$

$$S_n = \frac{2^n - 1}{2^n} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 + \frac{1}{2^n} = 1 \checkmark$$

Notation: $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$

ex: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} = 1$

a_n sequence, $n \geq 1$

$$S_n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$$

if limit exists then the series converge otherwise the series diverge.

ex: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots = +\infty$

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

divergent series

Geometric Series

$x \rightarrow$ real number

$$x^0 + x^1 + x^2 + x^3 + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$$

$$S_n = 1 + x + x^2 + \dots + x^n$$

$$S_n(1-x) = (1 + x + x^2 + \dots + x^n)(1-x)$$

$$= \underbrace{1}_{=} + \underbrace{x}_{=} + \underbrace{x^2}_{=} + \dots + \underbrace{x^n}_{=} - (\underbrace{x}_{=} + \underbrace{x^2}_{=} + \dots + \underbrace{x^{n+1}}_{=})$$

$$= 1 - x^{n+1}$$

$$\checkmark x \neq 1 \Rightarrow S_n = \frac{1 - x^{n+1}}{1 - x}$$

$$\checkmark x \neq 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - x^{n+1}}{1 - x}$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = \begin{cases} +\infty & , x > 1 \\ \frac{1}{1-x} & , -1 < x < 1 \\ \text{diverges} & x \leq -1 \end{cases}$$

$$\checkmark x = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 1 = 1 + 1 + \dots = +\infty$$

$$\text{ex: } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = 2$$

$$= \underbrace{1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots}_1$$

$$\text{ex: } \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right)^n = \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right)^3 + \dots$$

$$= -\left(-\frac{3}{5}\right)^0 - \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right)^1 + \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right)^0 + \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right)^1 + \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 + \dots$$

$$= -1 + \frac{3}{5} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right)^n$$

$$= -1 + \frac{3}{5} + \frac{1}{1 - \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right)} = -1 + \frac{3}{5} + \frac{5}{8}$$

ex: $0.\overline{23} = ?$

$$0.\overline{23} = 0.232323\dots = 0.23 + 0.0023 + 0.000023 + \dots$$

$$= \frac{23}{10^2} + \frac{23}{10^4} + \frac{23}{10^6} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{23}{10^2} \left[1 + \frac{1}{10^2} + \frac{1}{10^4} + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{23}{10^2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{10^2} \right)^n = \frac{23}{100} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{100}}$$

$$= \frac{23}{100} \cdot \frac{100}{99}$$

$$= \frac{23}{99}$$