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Thm (Squeeze): Let $\{a_n\}$, $\{b_n\}$, $\{c_n\}$, $a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n$, for all $N \leq n$ and if $a_n \rightarrow L$, $c_n \rightarrow L$, then $b_n \rightarrow L$.

Cor: If $|b_n| \leq c_n$ and $c_n \rightarrow 0$, then $b_n \rightarrow 0$.

Pf: Observe that $|b_n| \leq c_n$ means $-c_n \leq b_n \leq c_n$, apply Squeeze Theorem with $a_n = -c_n$. \blacksquare

E.g.: $\frac{\cos(n)}{n} \rightarrow 0$ because $|\frac{\cos(n)}{n}| = \frac{|\cos(n)|}{n} \leq \frac{1}{n}$ and $\frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0$.

E.g.: $\frac{(-1)^n}{n} \rightarrow 0$ because $\frac{|(-1)^n|}{n} \leq \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0$

Thm: Let $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence of real numbers. If $a_n \rightarrow L$ and f is continuous at L , then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(a_n) = f(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n) = f(L)$.

E.g.: Show that

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

Since $\ln(x)$ and x are both continuous functions,

$$f(x) = \frac{\ln(x)}{x}$$

is continuous away from zero.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(n)}{n} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(x)}{x}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{L'Hôpital}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\frac{1}{x})}{1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x} = 0.$$

Thm: 1. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(n)}{n} = 0$

2. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{n} = 1$

3. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{1/n} = 1, x > 0$

4. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^n = 0, |x| < 1$

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

6. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 0.$

Defⁿ: A sequence defined recursively gives some initial terms, then describes how to compute later terms from these.

E.g.: $a_1 = 1, a_n = a_{n-1} + 1.$

$a_1 = 1, a_2 = 1 + 1 = 2, a_3 = 2 + 1 = 3, \dots$

E.g.: (Fibonacci) $a_1 = 1, a_2 = 1, a_{n+1} = a_n + a_{n-1}, n \geq 2.$

$a_1 = 1, a_2 = 1, a_3 = 2, a_4 = 3, a_5 = 5, \dots$

Defⁿ: A sequence $\{a_n\}$ is said to be

- ① bounded above if $a_n \leq M$ for all n and some $M,$
- ② bounded below if $M \leq a_n$ for all n and some $M,$
- ③ bounded if bounded above & below.

Eg: ① $1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$ is bounded below, but not above

② $a_n = \frac{n}{n+1}$ is bounded above by 1, bounded below by 0.

If $a_n \leq M$ for all n , we say M is an upper bound for the sequence. The least upper bound (lub) or supremum (sup) is the smallest upper bound. (4)

If $m \leq a_n$ for all n , we say m is a lower bound for the sequence. The greatest lower bound (glb) or infimum (inf) is the largest lower bound.

E.g. The infimum of $1, 2, 3, \dots$ is 1.

The supremum of $\frac{n}{n+1}$ is 1.

Defⁿ: A sequence $\{a_n\}$ is called

- ① non-decreasing if $a_n \leq a_{n+1}$ for all n ,
- ② non-increasing if $a_{n+1} \leq a_n$ for all n ,
- ③ monotone if it is either one of these.

Thm Every bounded monotone sequence converges.

10.2 : Infinite Series

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Definition: Given a sequence of numbers, $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ an expression of the form

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

is an infinite series.

The n^{th} partial sum is

$$S_n = a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots + a_n.$$

which form a sequence of partial sums, $\{S_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$. We say that the infinite series converges to L if

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

and we write

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = L.$$

Otherwise, the series diverges.

Geometric Series

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A geometric series has the form

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^{n-1} = a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1} + \dots$$

$a \neq 0$, $1 \neq r$ real numbers.

There's a clever way to determine the formula for the partial sums:

$$S_n = a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1}$$

$$rS_n = ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1} + ar^n$$

$$(1-r)S_n = S_n - rS_n = a - ar^n = a(1-r^n)$$

$$\Rightarrow S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

We note that if $|r| < 1$, then
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r^n = 0$, and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r^n = \infty$ if
 $1 < |r|$

So

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$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r} = \begin{cases} \infty & \text{if } |r| > 1 \\ \frac{a}{1-r} & \text{if } |r| < 1. \end{cases}$$

Ex: $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} + \dots$

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$(\frac{1}{2})^0$ $(\frac{1}{2})^1$ $(\frac{1}{2})^2$ $(\frac{1}{2})^3$ $(\frac{1}{2})^4$

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

Ex: $0.\overline{9} = 0.99999 \dots = 1.$

$$\begin{aligned} 0.\overline{9} &= \frac{9}{10} + \frac{9}{100} + \frac{9}{1000} + \frac{9}{10000} + \frac{9}{100000} + \dots \\ &= \frac{9}{10} + \frac{9}{10^2} + \frac{9}{10^3} + \frac{9}{10^4} + \frac{9}{10^5} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{9}{10}(1) + \frac{9}{10}\left(\frac{9}{10}\right) + \frac{9}{10}\left(\frac{9}{10^2}\right) + \frac{9}{10}\left(\frac{9}{10^3}\right) + \frac{9}{10}\left(\frac{1}{10^4}\right) + \dots \quad (8)$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{9}{10} \left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^{n-1} \quad \text{geometric, } a = \frac{9}{10}, r = \frac{1}{10}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{9}{10}}{1 - \frac{1}{10}} = \frac{\frac{9}{10}}{\frac{9}{10}} = 1.$$

E.g.: Find the sum of the "telescoping" series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)}$$

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

$$S_n = \left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4}\right) + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}\right)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{n+1} \rightarrow 1 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

$$\text{So } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = 1.$$