

MATH 351
ADVANCED CALCULUS (REAL ANALYSIS) I
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MORE OF A DISCUSSION OF SEQUENCES §16 – §18
MORE DEFINITIONS, AXIOMS, LEMMAS, COROLLARIES, OR THEOREMS
HANDOUT 4 ½

Let $U = \mathbb{R}$

Recall:

Notation: The sequence $f, f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ converges to the number L is written as $f(n) \rightarrow L$ or

$$f(n) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} L \text{ or } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(n) = L$$

If the sequence $f, f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ diverges we write $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f(n))$ does not exist.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(n) = -\infty \text{ or } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(n) = \infty \text{ is wrong!!!!}$$

Definition 16.07: The sequence $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is bounded if there exists a $p \in \mathbb{R}$

such that $|f(n)| < p \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Theorem 16.01: Let sequence $f(n), f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, converge to the number L and let k be a real number. Then $k(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(n)) = (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (k \cdot f(n))) = (k \cdot L) = k \cdot L = kL$

Theorem 16.02: Let sequence $f(n), f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, converge to the number L and let k be a real number. Then $k + (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(n)) = (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (k + f(n))) = (k + L) = k + L$

Theorem 16.03: Let sequence $f(n), f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, converge to the number L and sequence

$g(n), g: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, converge to the number M . Then

$$(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f(n) + g(n))) = (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f(n))) + (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (g(n))) = (L + M) = L + M$$

Theorem 16.04: Let sequence $f(n), f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, converge to the number L and sequence

$g(n), g: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, converge to the number M . Then

$$(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f(n) \cdot g(n))) = (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f(n))) \cdot (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (g(n))) = (L \cdot M) = LM$$

Theorem 16.05: Let sequence $f(n), f: \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$, converge to the number L and sequence

$g(n), g: \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$, converge to the number $M, M \neq 0$; and, $g(n) \neq 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then

$$\left(\lim_{n \longrightarrow \infty} f(n) \div g(n) \right) = \left(\lim_{n \longrightarrow \infty} (f(n)) \right) \div \left(\lim_{n \longrightarrow \infty} (g(n)) \right) = (L \div M) = \frac{L}{M}$$

Theorem 16.06: Let sequence $f(n), f: \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$, converge to the number L and sequence

$g(n), g: \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$, converge to the number M , and, the sequence $h(n), h: \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$,

converge to the number J . Suppose $f(n) \leq g(n) \leq h(n) \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $L \leq M \leq J$.

Theorem 16.07: Let sequence $f(n), f: \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$, be well defined such that $f(n) > 0 \forall n$. Let the

sequence $g(n)$ be defined as $g(n) = \frac{f(n+1)}{f(n)}$, and let $g: \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$, converge to the number M ,

where $M < 1$. Then $\lim_{n \longrightarrow \infty} f(n) = 0$.

Definition 16.08: The sequence $f(n), f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, is **increasing** if $f(n) < f(n+1) \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Definition 16.09: The sequence $f(n), f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, is **non-decreasing** if $f(n) \leq f(n+1) \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Definition 16.10: The sequence $f(n), f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, is **decreasing** if $f(n) > f(n+1) \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Definition 16.11: The sequence $f(n), f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, is **non-increasing** if $f(n) \geq f(n+1) \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Definition 16.12: The sequence $f(n), f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, is **constant** if $f(n) = f(n+1) \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Definition 16.13: The sequence $f(n), f: \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$, is **monotonic** (or monotone) if it is increasing or non-decreasing.¹

Theorem 16.08: A monotonic sequence converges *iff* it is bounded.

Definition 16.14: The sequence $f(n), f: \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$, is **Cauchy** if

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists p \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } |f(n) - f(m)| < \varepsilon \forall n > p \wedge m > p.$$

¹ Note that non-increasing, increasing, decreasing, constant, and non-decreasing are contained within this definition so we don't have to expand it to mention all 5 (they are 'covered,' eh?).

Nomenclature: A sequence $f(n), f: \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that is Cauchy is called a Cauchy Sequence (isn't that astonishing?).

Some Corrections to the Text:

Definition 18.1: The sequence $\{s_n\}$ is increasing if $s_n \leq s_{(n+1)} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ and the sequence $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is decreasing if $s_n \geq s_{(n+1)} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ is wrong!!!!!!

Definition 18.1A: The sequence $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is increasing if $s_n < s_{(n+1)} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Definition 18.1B: The sequence $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is non-decreasing if $s_n \leq s_{(n+1)} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Definition 18.1C: The sequence $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is non-increasing if $s_n \geq s_{(n+1)} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Definition 18.1D: The sequence $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is decreasing if $s_n > s_{(n+1)} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Exercise 18.15 insert the word monotonic after every and before contractive (line 3)