

**Problem 3 Sequences** (4 points)

The following sequences are all convergent. Find their limits and justify that these numbers are indeed the limits of the particular sequences.

a) $a_n := \frac{n^2 - n + 4}{5n^3 + n^2 + 3n}$.

b) $a_n := \frac{n}{n^2 + 1}$.

c) $a_n := \frac{2^n}{n!}$ where $n! := n(n-1) \cdots 2 \cdot 1$.

d) $a_n := \frac{x^n}{n!}$ for a given $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Solutions:Problem 1.3

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad a_n &= \frac{n^2 - n - 4}{5n^3 + n^2 + 3n} && \text{(limit should be 0)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{4}{n^3}}{5 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{3}{n^2}} \end{aligned}$$

$\xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$ $\xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 5$

Using Problem 1.2 (c), gives us the limit 0.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad a_n &= \frac{n}{n^2 + 1} && \text{(limit should be 0)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{n}}{1 + \frac{1}{n^2}} \end{aligned}$$

$\xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$ $\xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 1$ again 1.2 (c) \Rightarrow limit = 0

$$(c) \quad a_n = \frac{2^n}{n!} \quad (\text{limit should be } 0)$$

Set $N_0 > 4$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be arbitrary and

choose $N > \max \left\{ \frac{4}{\varepsilon}, N_0 \right\}$.

Then for all $n \geq N$:

$$\begin{aligned} |a_n - 0| &= \frac{2^n}{n!} = \frac{2}{n} \cdot \frac{2}{n-1} \cdots \frac{2}{N_0} \cdot \frac{2}{N_0-1} \cdots \frac{2}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{1} \\ &\leq \frac{2}{n} \cdot 2 \leq \frac{4}{N} < \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

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\Rightarrow limit is 0.

$$(d) \quad a_n = \frac{x^n}{n!} \quad (\text{limit should be } 0)$$

Set $N_0 > |x|$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and

choose $N > \max \left\{ \frac{|x|^{N_0}}{\varepsilon}, N_0 \right\}$.

Then for all $n \geq N$, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} |a_n - 0| &= \frac{|x|^n}{n!} = \frac{|x|}{n} \frac{|x|}{n-1} \cdots \frac{|x|}{1} \\ &= \frac{|x|}{n} \cdot \frac{|x|}{n-1} \cdots \frac{|x|}{N_0} \cdot \frac{|x|}{N_0-1} \cdots \frac{|x|}{1} \\ &\leq \frac{|x|}{N} \cdot |x|^{N_0-1} = \frac{|x|^{N_0}}{N} < \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

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