

|Q1| Let (b_n) be a subsequence of (a_n) , that is,
 $b_n = a_{f(n)}$ for some strictly increasing function
 $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$. Then $f(n) \geq n \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$ (induction).

Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given.

Then $\exists m \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $\forall n \geq m \quad |a_n - e| < \epsilon$.

For such m , $n \geq m \Rightarrow f(n) \geq m$

$\Rightarrow |a_{f(n)} - e| < \epsilon$, as required.

|Q2|

1) $a_n = 3 - \frac{1}{n}$ $a_n \rightarrow 3$ from basic lemmas.

2) $a_n = \frac{5}{2} + \frac{(-1)^n}{4}$ $\min(|a_n - e|, |a_{n+1} - e|) \geq \frac{1}{2}$
 for any $e \in \mathbb{R}$, so (a_n) does not converge.

3) $a_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$ $a_{2n} > a_{2n+1} \quad a_{2n+1} < a_{2n+2}$

4) $a_n = n(-1)^n$ $\begin{cases} a_{2n} = 2n \rightarrow +\infty \\ a_{2n-1} = -(2n-1) \rightarrow -\infty \end{cases}$

5) $a_n = (-1)^n$ Let $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \quad n \mapsto 2n$
 Then $a_{f(n)} = 1 \rightarrow 1$

6) $a_n = n$ For any $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ strictly increasing
 $a_n \leq a_{f(n)}$, hence $(a_{f(n)})$ is unbounded.

7) $a_n = n(1 + (-1)^n)$ $a_{2n} = 2n \rightarrow \infty$
 $b_n = a_{2n-1} = 0 \rightarrow 0$
 $(f: n \mapsto 2n-1 \text{ is strictly increasing})$

8) $a_n = (-1)^n$
 $f^{(k)} : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ $n \mapsto \begin{cases} n & n \leq k \\ 2n & n > k \end{cases}$ ($k \in \mathbb{N}$)

$f^{(k)}$ is strictly increasing.

Let $b_n^{(k)} = a_{f^{(2k)}(n)}$

Then, $\forall k \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n^{(k)} = 1$

The k -sequences are all different.

$b^{(1)} = (-1, 1, 1, 1, \dots)$

$b^{(2)} = (-1, 1, -1, 1, 1, \dots)$

$b^{(3)} = (-1, 1, -1, 1, -1, 1, 1, \dots)$

[Q3]

1) Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given.

$$\left| 1 - \frac{n+2}{n} \right| = \left| \frac{n-n-2}{n} \right| = \frac{2}{n}$$

Now $\frac{2}{n} < \epsilon \Leftrightarrow n > \frac{2}{\epsilon}$

Set $m := \max(1, \lceil 2/\epsilon \rceil)$

(or $m := \text{smallest integer larger than } \frac{2}{\epsilon}$)

Then $\forall n \geq m \Rightarrow \left| 1 - a_n \right| = \frac{2}{n} < \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$.

2) $\left| \frac{1}{3} - \frac{n^2}{3n^2-1} \right| = \left| \frac{3n^2-1-3n^2}{3(3n^2-1)} \right| = \frac{1}{3(3n^2-1)} < \frac{1}{n^2}$

Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given.

$$\frac{1}{n^2} < \epsilon \Rightarrow n > \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon}}$$

set $m = \max(1, \lceil \epsilon^{-1/2} \rceil)$. Then $\forall n \geq m$

$$\left| \frac{1}{3} - a_n \right| = \frac{1}{3(3n^2-1)} < \frac{1}{n^2} < \epsilon$$

$$3) \left| \frac{2}{5} - \frac{2n^2+n}{5n^2+n+1} \right| = \left| \frac{10n^2+2n+2 - 10n^2-5n}{5(5n^2+n+1)} \right|$$

$$\frac{3n+2}{5(5n^2+n+1)} < \frac{3n}{25n^2} = \frac{3}{25n}$$

Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given

$$\frac{3}{25n} < \epsilon \Leftrightarrow n > \frac{3}{25 \cdot \epsilon}$$

Set $m := \max(1, \lceil 3/(25 \cdot \epsilon) \rceil)$

Then $\forall n \geq m$

$$\left| \frac{2}{5} - a_n \right| < \frac{3}{25n} < \frac{3}{25} \frac{25}{3} \epsilon = \epsilon.$$

| Q4 |

Basic Lemmas

- i) $a_n = l \Rightarrow a_n \rightarrow l$
- ii) $a_n \rightarrow l, b_n \rightarrow l' \Rightarrow a_n + b_n \rightarrow l + l'$
 $a_n b_n \rightarrow l \cdot l'$

- iii) $a_n \rightarrow l > 0$ and $a_n > 0$ (eventually)
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{a_n} \rightarrow \frac{1}{l}$

D) $a_n = \frac{n^2}{5-3n} + \frac{n}{3} = \frac{3n^2 + 5n - 3n^2}{3(5-3n)} = -5 \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{n}}{9 - \frac{15}{n}} = b_n \cdot \frac{1}{c_n}$

Now $b_n \xrightarrow{i} -5$; $c_n = 9 + (-15) \cdot \frac{1}{n}$, and since
 $\frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0$ $c_n \xrightarrow{i, ii} 9 + (-15) \cdot 0 = 9 > 0$.

Finally $c_n > 0$ for $n \geq 2$, hence $\frac{1}{c_n} \xrightarrow{iii} \frac{1}{9}$
and $a_n \xrightarrow{i, ii} -5 \cdot \frac{1}{9} = -\frac{5}{9}$

2) $a_n = \frac{n}{n + \frac{1}{n+1}} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{n^2+1}} = \frac{n^2+1}{n^2+2} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{2}{n^2}\right)^{-1}$

$= b_n \cdot \frac{1}{c_n}$ Now $\frac{1}{n^2} \rightarrow 0$ (either from i) or

as a subsequence of $\frac{1}{n}$ hence $b_n \xrightarrow{ii} 1 + 0 = 1$.

Likewise $c_n \rightarrow 1 + 0 = 1 > 0$ and $c_n > 0$,

so $\frac{1}{c_n} \xrightarrow{ii} \frac{1}{1} = 1$ and $a_n \xrightarrow{ii} 1 \cdot 1 = 1$.

3) $b = 1 \quad a_n = 1 - \frac{1}{n^b} = 1 + (-1) \cdot \frac{1}{n^b} \rightarrow 1 + (-1) \cdot 0 = 1$

$$\sum_{k=1}^b \frac{(-1)^k}{n^k} = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{b+1} \frac{(-1)^k}{n^k} = 1 + (-1)^{b+1} \cdot \frac{1}{n^{b+1}} \rightarrow 1 + (-1)^{b+1} \cdot 0 = 1$$

So $\sum_{k=0}^b \frac{(-1)^k}{n^k} \rightarrow 1 \quad b \in \mathbb{N}$

[Q5]

We have $(1+x)^n \geq 1+nx$ for $x > -1, n \in \mathbb{N}$

Thus $\left(1+\frac{1}{n^a}\right)^n \geq 1+n\frac{1}{n^a} = 1+\frac{1}{n^{a-1}}$

$$1-\frac{1}{n^{a-1}} \leq \left(1-\frac{1}{n^a}\right)^n \leq 1^n = 1$$

Since $1-\frac{1}{n^{a-1}} \rightarrow 1$, and $1 \rightarrow 1$ we have $\left(1-\frac{1}{n^a}\right)^n \rightarrow 1$

[Q6]

1) Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given

Choose $m > \frac{1}{\epsilon^2}$ (such integer exists from Archimedean principle).

Then $n \geq m \Rightarrow |\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} - 0| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} < \sqrt{\epsilon^2} = \epsilon$.

2) $a_n = \sqrt{n^a+1} - \sqrt{n^a} = \frac{(\sqrt{n^a+1} - \sqrt{n^a})(\sqrt{n^a+1} + \sqrt{n^a})}{\sqrt{n^a+1} + \sqrt{n^a}}$
 $= \frac{n^a+1 - n^a}{\sqrt{n^a+1} + \sqrt{n^a}} < \frac{1}{2\sqrt{n^a}} < \frac{1}{(\sqrt{n})^a}$

Because $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \rightarrow 0$ from above, $a_n \rightarrow 0$ from basic lemma and sandwich theorem

3) $a_n = \sqrt{n+\sqrt{n}} - \sqrt{n} = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n+\sqrt{n}} + \sqrt{n}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}} + 1}$

Now, for $x \geq 0$ $(1+x)^2 \geq 1+2x$ (Bernoulli's inequality)
 $\Rightarrow \sqrt{1+x} \leq 1+\frac{1}{2}x \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x}+1} \geq \frac{1}{2+\frac{1}{2}x}$

Also $\sqrt{1+x} \geq 1 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x}+1} \leq \frac{1}{2}$

Thus

$$\frac{1}{2+\frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}}} \leq a_n \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

Since $\frac{1}{2+\frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}}} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} \frac{1}{2}$, the result follows from sandwich theorem

[QF] Assume $(a_n) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} e$

Define $f^{(m)}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ $x \mapsto \sum_{k=0}^m c_k x^k$

For $m=0$: $f^{(0)}: x \mapsto c_0$, the constant function.
hence $f^{(0)}(a_n) = c_0 = f(e)$.

Assume now that, for some $m \geq 0$, and arbitrary
 c_0, \dots, c_m we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^{(m)}(a_n) = f(e)$$

Then $f^{(m+1)}(x) = xf^{(m)}(x) + c_{m+1}$, so that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^{(m+1)}(a_n) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(a_n f^{(m)}(a_n) + c_{m+1} \right) \\ &= \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^{(m)}(a_n) \right) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_{m+1} \\ &= e \cdot f^{(m)}(e) + c_{m+1} = f^{(m+1)}(e) \end{aligned}$$

where we have used the basic lemmas.