

10.6 a) By Definition 10.8, a sequence (S_n) of real numbers is Cauchy sequence if for $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $m, n > N$ implies $|S_m - S_n| < \varepsilon$.

For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $|S_{n+1} - S_n| < 2^{-n}$

For all $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$. WLOG, assuming $m > n$, then:

$$\begin{aligned} |S_m - S_n| &\leq |S_m - S_{m-1}| + |S_{m-1} - S_{m-2}| + \dots + |S_{n+1} - S_n| \\ &< 2^{-(m-1)} + 2^{-(m-2)} + \dots + 2^{-n} \\ &= 2^{-n} (2^0 + 2^{-1} + 2^{-2} + \dots + 2^{-(m-n-1)}) \\ &< 2^{-n} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} 2^{-i} \\ &= 2^{-(n-1)} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $|S_m - S_n| < 2^{-(n-1)}$.

Let $t_n = 2^{-(n-1)}$, t_n converges to 0.

Hence, $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq N$ implies $|t_n - 0| < \varepsilon$,

that is, $t_n < \varepsilon$.

Thus, $|S_m - S_n| < 2^{-(n-1)} = t_n < \varepsilon$.

Therefore, (S_n) is a Cauchy sequence and hence a convergent sequence.

b) The result in (a) is not true if we only assume $|S_{n+1} - S_n| < \frac{1}{n}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. In part (a), we utilized the fact that $2^{-n} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} 2^{-i} = 2^{-(n-1)}$ converges to 0. However, if $|S_{n+1} - S_n| < \frac{1}{n}$, then $|S_m - S_n| \leq$

$$|S_m - S_{m-1}| + |S_{m-1} - S_{m-2}| + \dots + |S_{n+1} - S_n| < \frac{1}{m-1} + \frac{1}{m-2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}.$$

$\sum_{n=0}^{m-1} \frac{1}{n}$ diverges to $+\infty$ when $m \rightarrow \infty$, so the distance between S_n and

S_m can grow into infinity, thus (S_n) might not be Cauchy.

11.2 • $a_n = (-1)^n$

a) monotone subsequence: $a_{n_k} = (1, 1, 1, \dots)$

The selection function is given by $\sigma(k) = \rightarrow k$

b) $S_a = \{1, -1\}$

c) $\limsup a_n = 1$ $\liminf a_n = -1$

• $b_n = \frac{1}{n}$

a) monotone subsequence: b_n itself is monotone decreasing

b) $S_b = \{0\}$

c) $\limsup b_n = 0$ $\liminf b_n = 0$

• $c_n = n^2$

a) monotone subsequence: c_n itself is monotone increasing

b) $S_c = \{+\infty\}$

c) $\limsup c_n = +\infty$ $\liminf c_n = +\infty$

• $d_n = \frac{6n+4}{7n-3}$

a) monotone subsequence: d_n itself is monotone decreasing

b) $S_d = \{\frac{6}{7}\}$

c) $\limsup d_n = \frac{6}{7}$ $\liminf d_n = \frac{6}{7}$

d) Sequence (a_n) diverges

Sequence (b_n) converges to 0

Sequence (c_n) diverges to $+\infty$

Sequence (d_n) converges to $\frac{6}{7}$

No sequence diverges to $-\infty$

e) Sequence (a_n) is bounded by $[-1, 1]$

Sequence (b_n) is bounded by $(0, 1]$

Sequence (c_n) is not bounded (bounded below by 1, not bounded above)

Sequence (d_n) is bounded by $[\frac{6}{7}, \frac{5}{2}]$

11.3 • $S_n = \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{3}\right)$

a) monotone subsequence: $S_{n_k} = (1, 1, 1, \dots)$

The selection function is given by $\sigma(k) = 6k$

b) $S_S = \left\{-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, -1, 1\right\}$

c) $\limsup S_n = 1$ $\liminf S_n = -1$

• $t_n = \frac{3}{4n+1}$

a) monotone subsequence: t_n itself is monotone decreasing

b) $S_t = \{0\}$

c) $\limsup t_n = 0$ $\liminf t_n = 0$

• $u_n = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$

a) monotone subsequence: $u_{n_k} = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \dots\right)$

The selection function is given by $\sigma(k) = 2k$.

b) $S_u = \{0\}$

c) $\limsup u_n = 0$ $\liminf u_n = 0$

• $v_n = (-1)^n + \frac{1}{n}$

a) monotone subsequence: $v_{n_k} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}, 1 + \frac{1}{4}, 1 + \frac{1}{8}, \dots\right)$

The selection function is given by $\sigma(k) = 2k$.

b) $S_v = \{-1, 1\}$

c) $\limsup v_n = 1$ $\liminf v_n = -1$

d) (S_n) diverges

(t_n) converges to 0

(u_n) converges to 0

(v_n) diverges

- e) (s_n) is bounded by $[-1, 1]$
 (t_n) is bounded by $(0, \frac{3}{5}]$
 (u_n) is bounded by $[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}]$
 (v_n) is bounded by $(-1, \frac{3}{2}]$

11.5 a) The set of subsequential limits for (q_n) is $[0, 1]$.

By Theorem 11.2, if t is in \mathbb{R} , then there is a subsequence of (s_n) converging to t if and only if the set $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : |s_n - t| < \varepsilon\}$ is infinite for all $\varepsilon > 0$.

Consider $\forall t \in (0, 1] \quad t \in \mathbb{R}, \forall \varepsilon > 0$.

By denseness of \mathbb{Q} , the number of rationals in the interval $(t - \varepsilon, t + \varepsilon)$ is infinite, thus $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : |q_n - t| < \varepsilon\}$ is infinite.

Therefore, all elements of $(0, 1]$ are subsequential limits.

Since $(0, 0 + \varepsilon)$ contains infinite number of rationals, $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : |q_n - 0| < \varepsilon\}$ is infinite, 0 is also a subsequential limit.

Therefore the set of subsequential limit is $[0, 1]$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } \limsup q_n &= \sup S = \sup [0, 1] = 1 \\ \liminf q_n &= \inf S = \inf [0, 1] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

• What is \limsup ?

Definition: Let (s_n) be a sequence in \mathbb{R} .

$$\limsup s_n = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sup \{s_n : n > N\}$$

if (s_n) is not bounded above, $\limsup s_n = +\infty$.

$$\limsup s_n \leq \sup \{s_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

Difference between \limsup and \sup :

sup: least upper bound of the sequence (S_n) as a set

input: set

may or may not contained in the set

lim sup: limit of the sequence (a_n) , where $a_n = \sup_{k \geq n} S_k$

input: sequence

lim sup always exists