

11.1/11.2: Sequences/Series Review

Monday, February 23

Speed Round

- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^n/n^2$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n/\ln(n)$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^n/n!$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{100}/n!$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln(n)/\ln(\ln(n))$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln(n)/n^{0.0001}$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sin(n)$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sin^2(n) + \cos^2(n)$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 + 3n + 2}{3n^2 + 2n + 1}$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n + \ln n}{\sqrt{n^2 + \ln n}}$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1.01^n + n^2}{0.95^n + n^5}$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 0.9999^n$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^n + n}{e^{2n}}$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n\sqrt{n+1}}{\sqrt{n^3+1}}$
- $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \pi^n$
- $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1/\pi)^n$
- $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 5/2^n$
- $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (5/2)^n$
- $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 1/n$

Some Computation Required

- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n^2 - n} - n$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n^2 + 1} - n$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n(\cos(1/n) - 1)$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^2(\cos(1/n) - 1)$
- Prove that if $\epsilon > 0$ then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln(n)/n^\epsilon = 0$.
- $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 3^{n+2}/4^n$
- $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{n-2}/5^{n+1}$

Monotone Convergence Theorem

If $\{a_n\}$ is monotonic and bounded, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ exists.

- Draw a picture illustrating the Monotone Convergence Theorem.
- True or False: $a_n = \ln(n)$ is monotonic, so the MTC implies that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ exists.
- True or False: $s_n = \sum_{i=1}^n 1/i^2$ is monotonic and bounded above by 2, so the MTC implies that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 2$.
- True or False: $a_n = 1 + 1/n$ is decreasing and bounded above by 2, so the MTC implies that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ exists.

5. If D_n is the world record in the 100-meter dash as of the year n (say, for $n \geq 1900$), what (if anything) does the MTC say about D_n ?
6. A North-Going Zax (which only goes north) and a South-Going Zax (which only goes south) are on a collision path. What does the MTC say about the two Zax? Do they necessarily bump into each other?

Back to Polynomials

1. For what values of x does $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^n = 0$ hold?
2. Sketch the graphs of the functions $f(x) = x^{100}$, $g(x) = x^{101}$, $h(x) = 0$. When are the first two “good” approximations of the third?
3. For what values of x does $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = 1/(1-x)$ hold?
4. Sketch the graphs of the functions $f(x) = 1+x+x^2+\dots+x^{50}$, $g(x) = 1+x+x^2+\dots+x^{51}$, $h(x) = 1/(1-x)$. When are the first two “good” approximations of the third?
5. For what values of x does $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x/2)^n = 0$ hold?
6. For what values of x does $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x/2)^n = 1/(1-x/2)$ hold?
7. What is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^{2n}$, when $|x| < 1$?