

Calculus, Fall 2025, week 1

Introduction

Main topics:

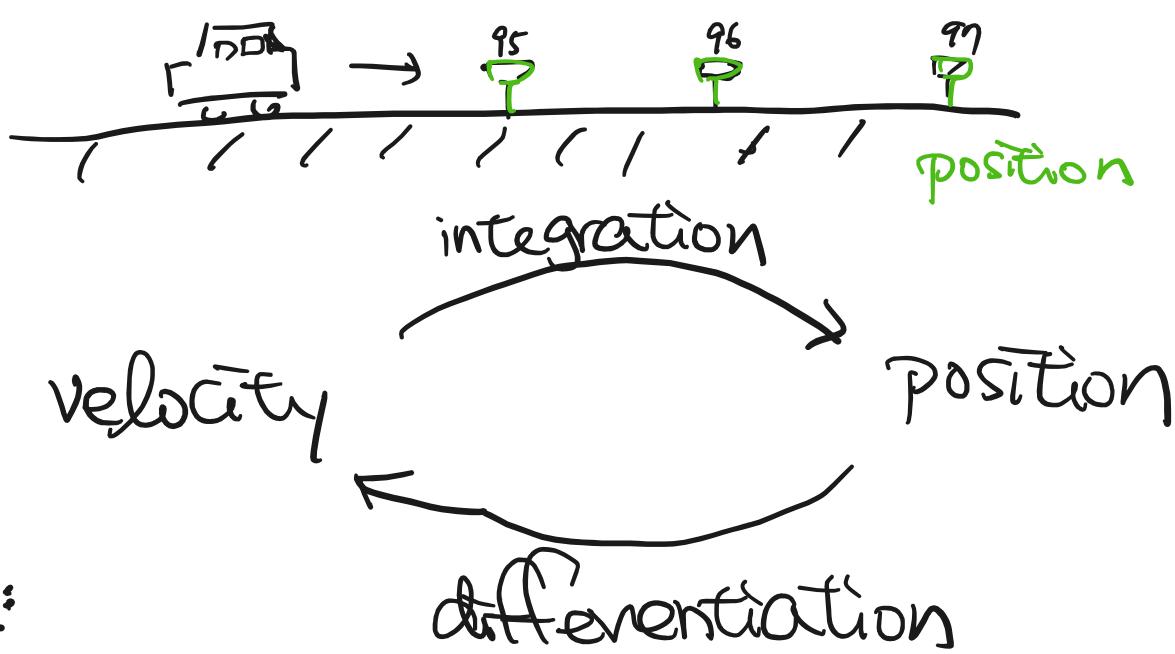
"differentiation" and "integration"

微分

velocity

積分

Consider



case 1:

velocity



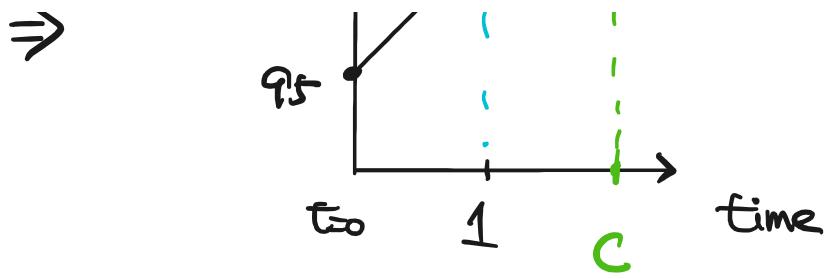
time (hr)

position

(C, 95 + 100 C)

C(1, 95)

95 + 100 t

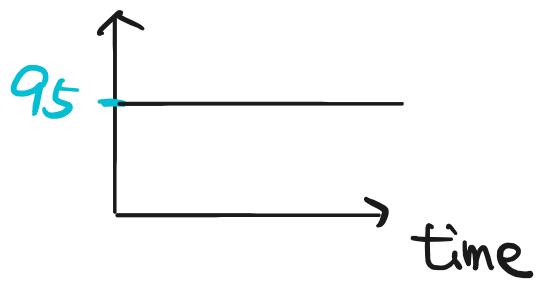


$$\Rightarrow 95 + \int_0^C 100 dt = 95 + 100C$$

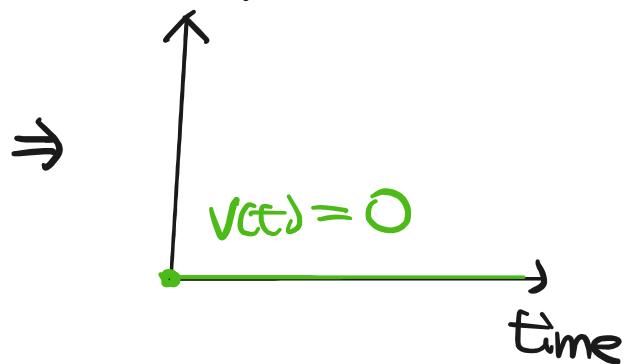
over simplified

Case 2:

position



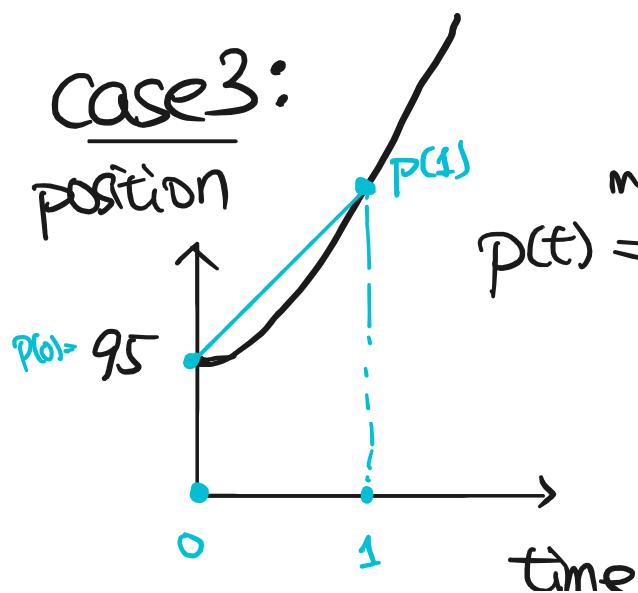
velocity



$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt}(95) = 0$$

Case 3:

position



$p(t) = \text{maybe } 95 + 100t \cdot 2^{-\frac{1}{t}}$?

Q: $v(t) = \text{velocity at } t = ?$

for example
difficult, but we have an approximation.

e.g.

$$v(1) = ?$$

an approximation:

$$\frac{P(1) - P(0)}{1 - 0} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{可能和 } v(1) \\ \text{差不多} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{P(1) - P(0.9)}{1 - 0.9} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{可能和 } v(1) \\ \text{更接近} \end{array}$$

$$v(1) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 1} \frac{P(1) - P(t)}{1 - t}$$
$$= \frac{d}{dt} P(t) \Big|_{t=1}$$

limits of reasoning

Limits -- sequences

We will see the following 3 types of limits:

- Function-type A:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) \quad (c \text{ is a fixed number})$$

- Function-type B:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) \quad \text{or} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x)$$

- Sequence type:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \underline{a_n}$$

sequence

数列

e.g.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad a_1 = 1, -1, 1, -1, \dots$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad b_n = \frac{1}{1}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \dots$$

(1, 1)

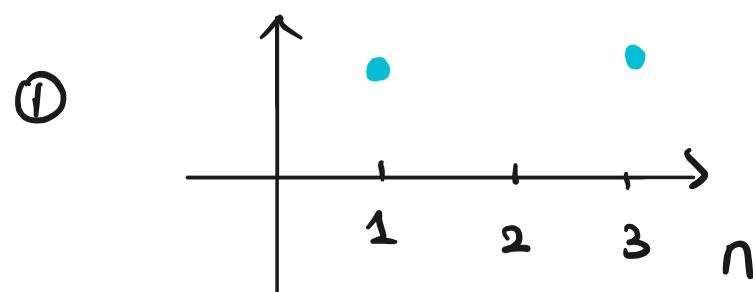
(3, 1)

Example

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(1, a₁)

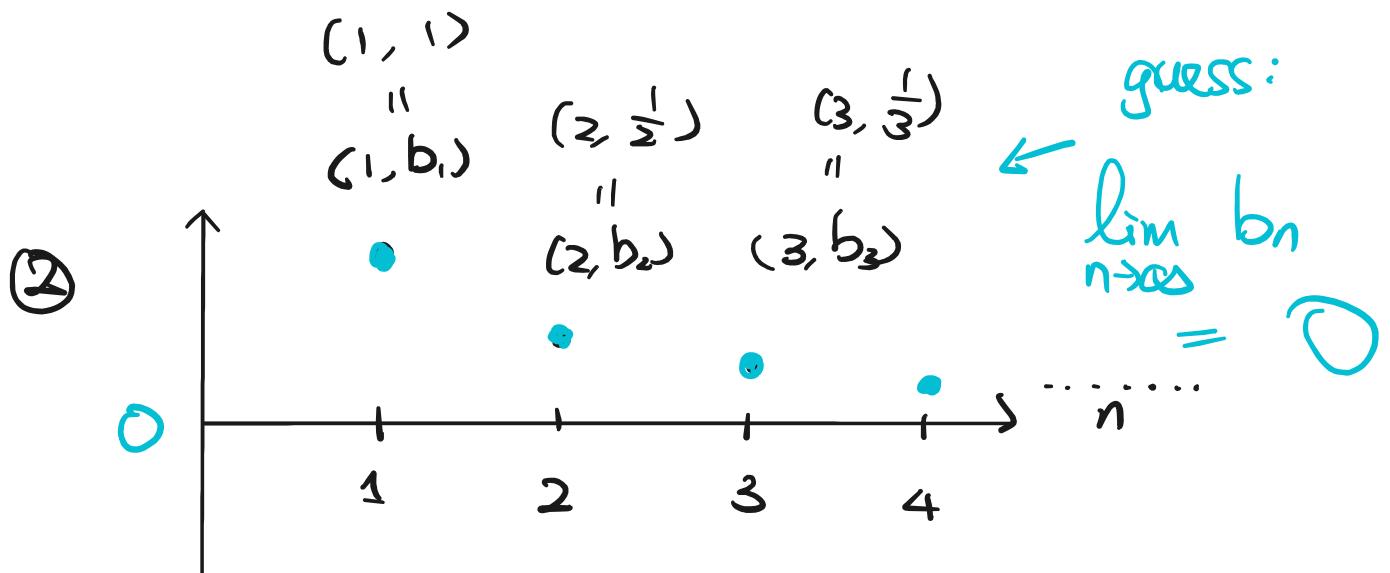
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(3, a₃)

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$



← doesn't exist

(2, -1)
"
(2, a₂)



guess:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$$

$$= 0$$

Fundamental questions :-

(i) Does $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ exist ?

iii) If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ exists,

Need to

be sure!!

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = ?$$

To discuss these questions,

we need to know the precise meaning of $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$.

Definition of Sequence

Recall that a function $f: A \rightarrow B$
has 3 ingredients:

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• domain = $A =$

the set of possible inputs

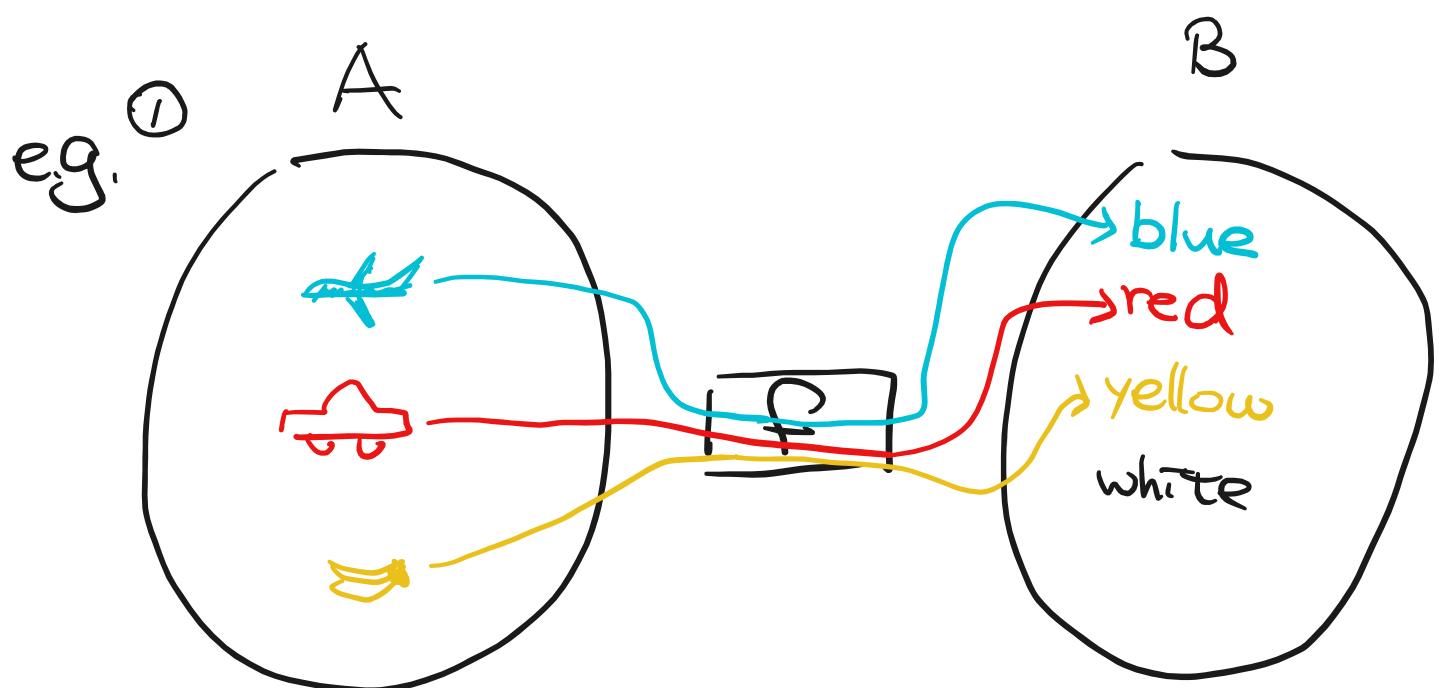
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• Codomain = \mathcal{B} =

the set of possible outputs

• how it works



② $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 - 1}$ ← how it works 滿足

$f: \mathbb{R} - \{\pm 1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ 不屬 3

$\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \notin \{\pm 1\}\}$ 屬 於

$\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \neq \pm 1\}$ 實數

$\mathbb{R} = \{ \text{real numbers} \}$ 集合

= the set of real numbers

實數

Definition = 定義

Def (Def II.2.1)

$q: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

A sequence (of real numbers) ↓

is a function from \mathbb{N} to \mathbb{R} ,

where

\mathbb{N} = the set of positive integers
正整數

$$= \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots; \\ n, n+1, \dots\}$$

If $q: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a sequence,

we usually write

$$a(n) = q_n,$$

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called the n -th term of this sequence

sequence.

It is common to denote $Q: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} = a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n,$$
$$a_{n+1}, \dots$$

Example

$$\textcircled{1} \quad (a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} = \begin{matrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & \dots \\ " & " & " & \end{matrix} = 1, -1, 1, -1, 1, -1, \dots$$

$$= \left(\underbrace{(-1)^{n+1}}_{a_n} \right)_{n=1}^{\infty}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad (b_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} = \frac{b_1}{1}, \frac{b_2}{2}, \frac{b_3}{3}, \dots$$

$$= \left(\underbrace{\frac{1}{n}}_{b_n} \right)_{n=1}^{\infty}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad (c_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} = 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, \dots$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} C_1 = C_2 = 1, \\ C_n = C_{n-1} + C_{n-2} \end{array} \right. \quad \forall n \geq 3$$

↑
for all
↓

Def

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ exists



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Convergent

A sequence $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is Convergent
if there exists a number $L^{(e/R)}$
with the following property:

for each $\underline{\varepsilon > 0}$, there exists
 $N = N(\varepsilon)$ such that

$$|a_n - L| < \varepsilon$$

$a_n, a_{n+1}, a_{n+2}, \dots$

whenever $\underbrace{n \geq N = N(\varepsilon)}$

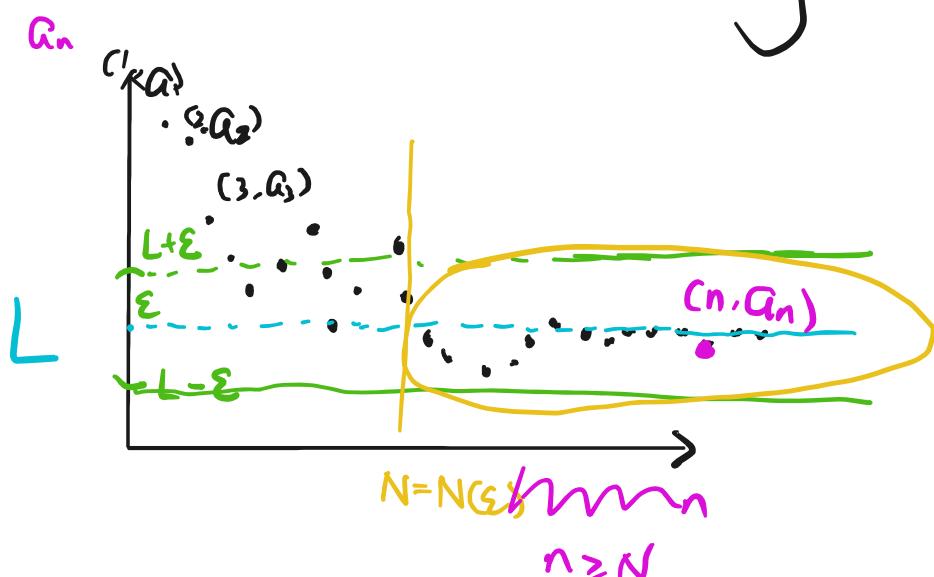
In this case, we say L is the
limit of $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$, denoted by

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$$

or

$$a_n \rightarrow L \quad (\text{as } n \rightarrow \infty)$$

A sequence $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is divergent 發散的
if it is NOT convergent



Example

$$\textcircled{1} \quad (a_n = \frac{1}{n})_{n=1}^{\infty}$$

Prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$

pf
for

... want to find

Given any $\varepsilon > 0$, we want N such that if we choose

$$N = N(\varepsilon) = ? \quad N = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} + 1$$

s.t. = such that 使得 draft

$$\left| \frac{1}{n} - 0 \right| \leq \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{N} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\varepsilon} + 1} \quad \text{when } n \geq N.$$

$$\frac{1}{n} < \frac{1}{\varepsilon + 1} < \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} = \varepsilon$$

Formal proof:

For each $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists

$$N = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} + 1$$

s.t.

$$\left| \frac{1}{n} - 0 \right| = \frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{N} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\varepsilon} + 1}$$

$$< \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} = \varepsilon$$

whenever $n \geq N$.

So $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$ #

② Assume $|a| < 1$. Prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^n = 0.$$

pf case1: $0 < a < 1$

Given any $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists N = (\log_a \epsilon) + 1$

s.t.

$$|a^n - 0| \leq a^{N-1} < a^{(\log_a \epsilon) + 1} < a^{\log_a \epsilon} = \epsilon$$

Observe:

- ① $a^{\log_a \epsilon} = \epsilon$
- ② $a^x < a^y$ if $y < x$

Hope: $n > \log_a \epsilon$

when $n \geq N = (\log_a \epsilon) + 1$

$$\underline{\text{case2: } a=0 \Rightarrow a^n=0}$$

$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N=1$ s.t.

$$|(a^n - 0)| = |0 - 0| = 0 < \epsilon$$

$\forall n \geq N=1$

..... 1 - 0 - 0

CASES: $-1 < a < 0$

Note that

$$|a^n - 0| = \begin{cases} a^n = |a|^n & n \text{ is even} \\ -a^n = |a|^n & n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

Given $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists N = (\log_{|a|} \epsilon) + 1$ s.t,

$$|a^n - 0| = |a|^n \leq |a|^N < |a|^{\log_{|a|} \epsilon} = \epsilon$$

when $n \geq N = (\log_{|a|} \epsilon) + 1 > \log_{|a|} \epsilon$

Therefore, if $|a| < 1$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^n = 0$$

$$\sum = x_i$$

③ Assume $|a| < 1$, and $(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \xi_n)$

is a sequence s.t. $\xi_n \in \{-1\}$.

($\xi_n = +1$ or -1).

Prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\sum_{i=1}^n a^n) = 0$$

pf

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} |\sum_{i=1}^n a^n - 0| &= |\sum_{i=1}^n a^n| \\ &= \sqrt{|+a^n| - |-a^n|} = |a|^n \end{aligned}$$

Given $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists N = (\log_{|a|} \epsilon) + 1$ s.t,

$$\begin{aligned} |\sum_{i=1}^n a^n - 0| &= |a|^n \leq |a|^{(\log_{|a|} \epsilon) + 1} \\ &< |a|^{\log_{|a|} \epsilon} = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

when $n \geq N = (\log_{|a|} \epsilon) + 1$

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④ Let $a \in \mathbb{R}$, $|a| < 1$.

Let

$$S_n = 1 + a^1 + a^2 + \dots + a^n$$

Prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \frac{1}{1-a}$$

pf

$$S_n = 1 + a + a^2 + \dots + a^n$$

$$\rightarrow a \cdot S_n = \underbrace{a + a^2 + a^3 + \dots + a^n + a^{n+1}}$$

$$(1-a) S_n = 1 - a^{n+1}$$

(i.e. = that is
= 也是如此)

$$\Rightarrow S_n = \frac{1 - a^{n+1}}{1-a} = \frac{1}{1-a} + \frac{-a^{n+1}}{1-a}$$

By Example ③, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-a^n) = 0$ ($\xi_n = -1 \forall n$)
Consider $(1-a) \cdot \varepsilon > 0$

So $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, $\exists N = N(\varepsilon)$ s.t.
 $N(a-1) < \varepsilon$

NOTE:

$$|a| < 1$$

$$|-a^n - 0| < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 < a < 1$$

& $n \geq N$.

$$\Rightarrow \underline{1-a > 0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{When } n \geq N(c(1-a)\varepsilon),$$

$\stackrel{[-a^n - 0]}{=}$

$$|-a^{n+1} - 0| = |a|^{n+1} = |a| \cdot |a|^n < \underline{|a|^n} < (1-a) \cdot \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow |S_n - \frac{1}{1-a}| = \left| \frac{1}{1-a} + \frac{-a^{n+1}}{1-a} - \frac{1}{1-a} \right|$$

$$= \frac{1}{1-a} \cdot |-a^{n+1} - 0| < \frac{1}{1-a} \cdot (1-a) \cdot \varepsilon$$

$$= \varepsilon$$

when $n \geq N(c(1-a)\varepsilon)$

$$\text{So } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \frac{1}{1-a} \quad \#$$

Computation of limits the value of
 It is difficult to determine $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$

by $\varepsilon - N$ arguments.

大定理

Do we need some theorems to help us compute $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$.

= Proposition = 小定理

Prop If a limit exists, then

it is unique: if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$

and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = M$, then $L = M$.

pf

Assume $L \neq M$. $\Rightarrow L - M > 0$ or
 $M - L > 0$

Consider the case $L - M > 0$ (the other case is similar.)

① For $\varepsilon = \frac{L-M}{2} > 0$, $\exists N = N\left(\frac{L-M}{2}\right)$ s.t.

$$|a_n - L| < \varepsilon$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$$

$$\forall n \geq N$$

② For the same $\varepsilon = \frac{L-M}{2} > 0$

\downarrow ... $\circ \dots$

$$\exists \tilde{N} = \tilde{N}\left(\frac{L-M}{2}\right) \text{ s.t. } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = M$$

$$|a_n - M| < \epsilon$$

$$\forall n \geq \tilde{N}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \text{ Consider } n_0 = \max \left\{ N\left(\frac{L-M}{2}\right), \tilde{N}\left(\frac{L-M}{2}\right) \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow n_0 \geq N\left(\frac{L-M}{2}\right) \text{ and } n_0 \geq \tilde{N}\left(\frac{L-M}{2}\right)$$

① + ②

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow |a_{n_0} - L| < \frac{L-M}{2} = \epsilon \\ &\quad \text{by ①} \\ &\Rightarrow L - \frac{L-M}{2} < a_{n_0} < L + \frac{L-M}{2} \quad \text{by ②} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L \end{aligned}$$

$$\cdot |a_{n_0} - M| < \frac{L-M}{2} = \epsilon \quad \text{by ③}$$

$$\Rightarrow M - \frac{L-M}{2} < a_{n_0} < M + \frac{L-M}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{L+M}{2} < a_{n_0} < \frac{L+M}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{L+M}{2} < \frac{L+M}{2} \quad \text{Contradiction} \quad \rightarrow \Leftarrow$$

So

$$L = M$$

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Thm = Theorem = 定理 (Thm 11.3.7 in textbook)

Let $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ and $(b_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be convergent sequences., and $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

(i) e.g. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n = 0$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) = \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \right) + \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n \right)$$

(ii) e.g. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{n} = 2 \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\gamma \cdot a_n) = \gamma \cdot \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \right)$$

(iii) e.g. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n \cdot 2^n} = \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \right) \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \right) = 0$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n \cdot b_n) = \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \right) \cdot \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n \right)$$

(iv) if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n \neq 0$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{a_n}{b_n} \right) = \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \alpha$$

pf of (iii)

Assume α

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \alpha \\ \textcircled{2} \quad & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = \beta \end{aligned}$$

That is,

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad & \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N = N(\epsilon) \text{ s.t.,} \\ & |a_n - \alpha| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq N \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists K = K(\epsilon) \text{ s.t.,}$$

$$|b_n - \beta| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq K$$

Observation 1: (Goal $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n b_n = \alpha \cdot \beta$)

$$|a_n b_n - \alpha \cdot \beta|$$

$$= |a_n b_n - \alpha b_n + \alpha b_n - \alpha \beta|$$

$$= |(a_n - \alpha) b_n + \alpha (b_n - \beta)|$$

$$\leq |(a_n - \alpha) b_n|$$

$$+ |\alpha \cdot (b_n - \beta)|$$

Recall (Triangle inequality
三邊不等式)

$$|a+b| \leq |a| + |b|$$

$$= \underbrace{|a_n - \alpha|}_{\text{wavy line}} \cdot |b_n| + |\alpha| \cdot \underbrace{|b_n - \beta|}_{\text{wavy line}}$$

Observation 2:

For $\varepsilon = 1$, $\exists K_1 = K(\varepsilon=1)$ s.t.

$$|b_n - \beta| < \underbrace{\varepsilon=1}_{\text{wavy line}}$$

$\forall n \geq K_1$

Recall (三邊不等式)

$$\underbrace{|b_n| - |\beta|}_{\text{wavy line}}$$

$$\underbrace{|a - b| \geq |a| - |b|}_{\text{wavy line}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{|b_n| < |\beta| + 1} \quad \forall n \geq K_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} |d| &= |a - b + b| \\ &\leq |a - b| + |b| \end{aligned}$$

Back to the main argument:

want to prove:
 $(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n b_n = \alpha \beta)$

Given $\epsilon > 0$,

$$\exists \tilde{N} = \max \left\{ N \left(\frac{\epsilon/2}{|\beta|+2} \right), K \left(\frac{\epsilon/2}{|\alpha|+1} \right), K_1 \right\}$$

s.t.

$$|a_n b_n - \alpha \beta|$$

$$\leq |a_n - \alpha| \cdot |b_n| + |\alpha| \cdot |b_n - \beta| \quad (\text{Observation})$$

if $n \geq K_1$

\leq

$$|a_n - \alpha| \cdot (|\beta|+1) + |\alpha| \cdot |b_n - \beta| \quad (\text{Observation})$$

$$< \frac{\epsilon/2}{|\beta|+2}$$

$$< \frac{\epsilon/2}{|\alpha|+1}$$

$$< \frac{\epsilon/2}{|\beta|+2} \cdot (|\beta|+1) + |\alpha| \cdot \frac{\epsilon/2}{|\alpha|+1} < \epsilon$$

$\forall n \geq \tilde{N}$

$$< \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

$\frac{\epsilon}{2}$

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