

## Questions from homework

$$\begin{aligned}
 \textcircled{4} \quad \sum_{n=2}^6 \frac{3}{n-1} &= \frac{3}{2-1} + \frac{3}{3-1} + \frac{3}{4-1} + \frac{3}{5-1} + \frac{3}{6-1} \\
 &= \frac{3}{1} + \frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{3} + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{5} \\
 &= \frac{360}{120} + \frac{180}{120} + \frac{120}{120} + \frac{90}{120} + \frac{72}{120} \\
 &= \frac{\cancel{822}}{120} = \left( \frac{137}{20} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{9} \quad 1+4+9+16 = \sum_{n=1}^4 n^2$$

## Limit (of a sequence $\{t_n\}$ )

A finite number  $L$  that the value of  $t_n$  gets closer and closer to, or "approaches," as  $n$  becomes very large, or "approaches infinity."  
The value of  $t_n$  can be made as close as you like to  $L$  by using a sufficiently large value for  $n$ .

The notation for a limit is

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

## Converging Sequence (has a limit)

A sequence in which the terms approach a limit

For example,  $\frac{1}{4}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{3}{6}, \frac{4}{7}, \dots$  converges to 1

0.25, 0.4, 0.5, 0.57, ...

The above sequence was generated using the following general term.

$$t_n = \frac{n}{n+3}$$

**What happens if "n" is a very large number?**

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+3} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$$

$$t_{10} = \frac{10}{13} = 0.769$$

$$t_{100} = \frac{100}{103} = 0.97$$

$$t_{1000} = \frac{1000}{1003} = 0.997$$

## Diverging Sequence (Limit does not exist)

A sequence in which the terms do not approach a limit

For example, 1, 2, 3, 4, ... diverges. (no limit exists)

The above sequence was generated using the following general term.

$$t_n = \frac{n^1}{1} = n^1$$

**What happens if "n" is a very large number?**

$$t_{10} = 10$$

$$t_{100} = 100$$

$$t_{1000} = 1000$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n = \text{DNE}$$

Decide whether each sequence *converges* or *diverges* then state the limit.

$$2, 4, 8, 16, 32, \dots \quad \textit{diverges} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^n = \text{DNE}$$

$$t_n = ar^{n-1}$$

$$t_n = (2)(2)^{n-1} = 2^n$$

$$3, 1.5, 0.75, 0.375, \dots \quad \textit{converges} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1} = 0$$

$$t_n = ar^{n-1}$$

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

## Infinite Sequences

Suppose we have a sequence defined by  $t_n = \frac{n}{2n+1}, n \in \mathbb{N}$

Generate the first 4 terms of the sequence

$$\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{3}{7}, \frac{4}{9}$$

$$0.\overline{3}, 0.4, 0.4\overline{3}, 0.\overline{4}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1n}{2n+1} = \frac{1}{2}$$

You may notice that as " $n$ " increases " $t_n$ " approaches  $\frac{1}{2}$

Symbolically this is written  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{2n+1} = \frac{1}{2}$

and is read "The limit as  $n$  approaches infinity of  $n$  over  $(2n+1)$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$ ."

Algebraically we solve by dividing the numerator and the denominator by the highest power of  $n$ .

if the degree of the numerator and denominator are the same, then your limit will be the quotient of the leading coefficients. (Converging)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 - 2}{4 + 3n^2} = \frac{1}{3} \quad \left| \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2 - n^2}{5n^2 - 6n + 1} = -\frac{1}{5}$$

if the degree of the numerator is larger than the degree of the denominator, then your limit will not exist. (Diverging)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3 + 2n}{n - 3} = \text{DNE} \quad \left| \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^3 + n^2 + n}{n^2} = \text{DNE}$$

if the degree of the denominator is larger than the degree of the numerator, then your limit will always equal 0. (Converging)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^0}{3n^5 - 2} = 0 \quad \left| \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^4}{n^5 - 2} = 0$$

Find the limit if it exists

$$t_n = n + 5$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+5}{n^0} = \text{DNE}$$

$$t_n = \frac{3n+1}{4n-2}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\underline{3n+1}}{\underline{4n-2}} = \frac{\underline{3}}{\underline{4}}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+3)(n+4)}{4n^2-3}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\underline{1}n^2 + 7n + 12}{\underline{4}n^2 - 3} = \frac{\underline{1}}{\underline{4}}$$

## Homework

#1 b)

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\* 4 c, d, e

generate 4 or 5 terms