

Chapter 5

Theorem 1 Assume $a_n \rightarrow L$
 $b_n \rightarrow M$.

Then

① $r a_n + s b_n \rightarrow rL + sM$

② $a_n b_n \rightarrow LM$

③ $\frac{b_n}{a_n} \rightarrow \frac{M}{L}$, if $L \neq 0, \forall n$.

Example: Show $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n^2 - 2n - 1}{n^2 + 1} = 3$

Sol: $\frac{3n^2 - 2n - 1}{n^2 + 1} = \frac{3 - \frac{2}{n} - \frac{1}{n^2}}{1 + \frac{1}{n^2}}$

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N > 0, \forall n > N, \left| \frac{1}{n} \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n^2} \rightarrow 0 \\ -\frac{2}{n} \rightarrow 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{So } \frac{3n^2 - 2n - 1}{n^2 + 1} = \frac{3 - \frac{2}{n} - \frac{1}{n^2}}{1 + \frac{1}{n^2}} \rightarrow 3.$$

Theorem 2

① $a_n \rightarrow +\infty$, $\begin{cases} b_n \rightarrow +\infty \\ b_n \rightarrow L \\ b_n \text{ bounded below} \end{cases}$ or $\Rightarrow a_n b_n \rightarrow +\infty$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad a_n \rightarrow +\infty, \quad \begin{cases} b_n \rightarrow +\infty \\ b_n \rightarrow L > 0 \\ b_n \geq K > 0, n \gg 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{or} \quad \Rightarrow a_n \cdot b_n \rightarrow +\infty$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad a_n \rightarrow +\infty \Rightarrow \frac{1}{a_n} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \begin{matrix} a_n \rightarrow 0 \\ a_n > 0, n \gg 1 \end{matrix} \quad \Rightarrow \frac{1}{a_n} \rightarrow +\infty$$

Proof of $\textcircled{3}$: $a_n \rightarrow +\infty$

$$\Rightarrow \forall M > 0, a_n > M, n \gg 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{For any } \epsilon > 0, \text{ let } M = \frac{1}{\epsilon}, \text{ then}$$

$$a_n > M = \frac{1}{\epsilon}, n \gg 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0, 0 < \frac{1}{a_n} < \epsilon, n \gg 1.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{a_n} \rightarrow 0$$

Example: Find $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n(a + \cos(n\pi))$

Sol: $\textcircled{1}$ If $a > 1$, then $a + \cos(n\pi) \geq a - 1 > 0$

$$\text{Theorem 2 } \textcircled{2} \Rightarrow n(a-1) \rightarrow +\infty$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall M > 0, n(a-1) > M, n \gg 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall M > 0, n(a + \cos(n\pi)) > M, n \gg 1$$

$$\Rightarrow n(a + \cos(n\pi)) \rightarrow +\infty$$

$\textcircled{2}$ If $a < -1$, similarly, $n(a + \cos(n\pi)) \rightarrow -\infty$

$a_n \rightarrow -\infty$ means $\forall M \geq 0, a_n < -M, n \gg 1$.

③ If $a = 1$ or $a = -1$, alternating between 0 and $\pm 2n$,
so no limits

" a_n has no limits" means? $n(1 + \cos(n\pi))$
 $0, 2, 2, 0, 4, 2$

1) There is no $L \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $a_n \rightarrow L$

2) There is no $L \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $\forall n > N$
 $|a_n - L| < \epsilon$,

3) For any $L \in \mathbb{R}$, $a_n \rightarrow L$ is false

4) $\forall L \in \mathbb{R}, \exists \epsilon > 0$, s.t.
 $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n > N, |a_n - L| \geq \epsilon$.

Negation of " $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $|a_n - L| < \epsilon, \forall n > N$ "

is " $\exists \epsilon > 0, \forall N \in \mathbb{N}, \exists n > N$ s.t. $|a_n - L| \geq \epsilon$ "

④ If $|a| < 1$, the terms alternate in signs, but
tend to $+\infty$ in size, so no limit.

(We can give a rigorous proof later after proving more Theorems)

Squeeze/Sandwich Theorem

① If $a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n, n \gg 1$,

then $a_n \rightarrow L \wedge c_n \rightarrow L \Rightarrow b_n \rightarrow L$

② $a_n \rightarrow +\infty, b_n \geq a_n, n \gg 1 \Rightarrow b_n \rightarrow +\infty$

Proof of ①: $a_n \rightarrow L \Rightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0, |a_n - L| < \epsilon, \forall n > N_1$
 $c_n \rightarrow L \Rightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0, |c_n - L| < \epsilon, \forall n > N_2$

Let $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$, then

$$\begin{cases} |a_n - L| < \epsilon \\ |c_n - L| < \epsilon \end{cases}, \forall n > N$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} L - \epsilon < a_n < L + \epsilon \\ L - \epsilon < c_n < L + \epsilon \end{cases}, \forall n > N$$

$$\exists N_3, a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n, \forall n > N_3$$

Let $N_4 = \max\{N, N_3\}$, then

$$L - \epsilon < a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n < L + \epsilon, \forall n > N_4$$

$$\Rightarrow L - \epsilon < b_n < L + \epsilon, n > N_4$$

$$\Rightarrow b_n \rightarrow L.$$

Example: Show $[2 + \cos(na)]^{\frac{1}{n}} \rightarrow 1$

where a is a fixed number.

Sol: ① $a^{\frac{1}{n}} > b^{\frac{1}{n}} \xrightarrow{\text{Multiply } n \text{ copies}} a > b$
 $a, b > 0$

The contrapositive is $a \leq b \Rightarrow a^{\frac{1}{n}} \leq b^{\frac{1}{n}}$

$$\textcircled{2} -1 \leq \cos(na) \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \leq 2 + \cos(na) \leq 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \leq [2 + \cos(na)]^{\frac{1}{n}} \leq 3^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \text{ HW\#2 P3} \Rightarrow 3^{\frac{1}{n}} \rightarrow 1$$

$$\textcircled{4} \text{ Squeeze Theorem} \Rightarrow [2 + \cos(na)]^{\frac{1}{n}} \rightarrow 1.$$

Example: Prove $a > 1 \Rightarrow a^n \rightarrow +\infty$

$$\text{Sol: } a > 1 \Rightarrow a = 1 + k, \quad k > 0$$

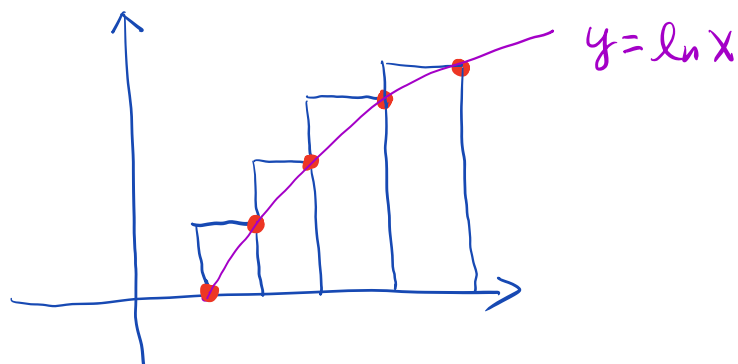
$$\Rightarrow a^n > 1 + nk \text{ by Binomial Thm}$$

$$1 + nk \rightarrow +\infty \Rightarrow a^n \rightarrow +\infty \text{ by Squeeze Thm.}$$

Example: Show $\frac{\ln n!}{n \ln n} \rightarrow 1$

$$\text{Sol: } \ln n! = \ln(1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdots n)$$

$$= \ln 1 + \ln 2 + \cdots + \ln n < n \ln n$$



$$\text{Picture} \Rightarrow \ln 1 + \ln 2 + \cdots + \ln n$$

$$\begin{aligned} > \int_1^n \ln x \, dx &= (x \ln x - x) \Big|_1^n \\ &= n \ln n - n + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{\ln n} + \frac{1}{n \ln n} < \frac{\ln n!}{n \ln n} < \frac{n \ln n}{n \ln n} = 1$$

$$\begin{matrix} \ln n \rightarrow +\infty \\ n \rightarrow +\infty \end{matrix} \Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{\ln n} + \frac{1}{n \ln n} \rightarrow 1$$

$$\text{Squeeze Thm} \Rightarrow \frac{\ln n!}{n \ln n} \rightarrow 1.$$

Theorem (Location Theorem)

If $a_n \rightarrow L$, then

$$a_n \leq M, n \gg 1 \Rightarrow L \leq M$$

$$a_n \geq M, n \gg 1 \Rightarrow L \geq M.$$

Proof: $a_n \rightarrow L \Rightarrow L - \epsilon < a_n < L + \epsilon, n \gg 1$

$$a_n \leq M, n \gg 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0, L - \epsilon < M$$

$$\Rightarrow L \leq M$$

Proof of the claim by contradiction:

If $L > M$, pick $\epsilon = L - M > 0$,

$L - \epsilon = M$, contradiction

with $L - \epsilon < M$.

Theorem If $a_n \rightarrow L$,

$$L < M \Rightarrow a_n < M, n \gg 1$$

$$L > M \Rightarrow a_n > M, n \gg 1.$$