

Convergent sequences RESPECT  
the algebra of real numbers!

They also respect the order  
among real numbers!

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# Convergent Sequences

Def.  $s: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .  $s$  converges

$\exists L \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.

$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists N(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t. for  $n > N(\varepsilon)$  we have

$$n > N(\varepsilon) \Rightarrow |s_n - L| < \varepsilon$$

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$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} s_n = L \quad \text{or} \quad s_n \rightarrow L \quad (n \rightarrow +\infty)$$

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Theory about convergent seq.

# Algebra of convergent sequences

↪ (algebra of real numbers)  
addition, mult., subtraction, division

Thm: Let  $a, b : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .  
Assume  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = K$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = L$

Then we have:  
Ⓐ If  $c_n = a_n + b_n$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then converges  
and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = K + L$$

- D) If  $c_n = a_n \cdot b_n$   $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  
 $c : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  converges and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = K \cdot L$
- C) If  $b_n \neq 0$   $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$   
and  $c_n = \frac{a_n}{b_n}$  and  $L \neq 0$ , then  
 $c : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  converges and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = \frac{K}{L}$

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Then let  $a: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $b: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

Assume  $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow a_n \leq b_n.$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} a_n = K$$

and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} b_n = L$$

G2

G1

G3

Then

$$K \leq L$$

Convergent sequences respect ORDER among real numbers

Proof.  $\exists N_a(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$n > N_a(\varepsilon) \Rightarrow |a_n - K| < \varepsilon$$

**G3**  $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists N_b(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$n > N_b(\varepsilon) \Rightarrow |b_n - L| < \varepsilon$$

My hope for ORDER is **G1**, order between  $a_n \leq b_n$

In **G2** and **G3**  $a_n$  and  $b_n$  are concealed under the absolute value sign. How do we uncover  $a_n$  and  $b_n$ ? We use the following equivalencies:

↓ explanation for the equivalences using I-5 through Bellington

$$|a_n - K| < \varepsilon \Leftrightarrow -\varepsilon + K < a_n < K + \varepsilon$$

$$|b_n - L| < \varepsilon \Leftrightarrow -\varepsilon + L < b_n < L + \varepsilon$$

BBB - Blaine Bellington - Burlington

$$|a_n - K| < \varepsilon \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{tiny } \\ \text{Bell.} \end{array}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} |y - a| < c \\ \text{Bell.} \end{array} \right.$$

y on I-5

Between Burlington & Blaine

$$K - \varepsilon < a_n < K + \varepsilon$$

$$L - \varepsilon < b_n < L + \varepsilon$$

$$a - c < y < a + c$$

BdL. BdL. Blaize

$$|a_n - K| < \varepsilon$$

$$|b_n - L| < \varepsilon$$

Let us recall all green stuff  
that we have:

- G1  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow a_n \leq b_n$  B1
- G2  $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \quad \exists N_a(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad n > N_a(\varepsilon) \Rightarrow -\varepsilon + K < a_n < K + \varepsilon$
- G3  $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \quad \exists N_b(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad n > N_b(\varepsilon) \Rightarrow -\varepsilon + L < b_n < L + \varepsilon$  B3

We have three boxes with inequalities: B1, B2, B3

We need all three boxes to be true.  
Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be arbitrary. Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  be such that  
 $n > \max\{n_0, N_a(\varepsilon), N_b(\varepsilon)\}$

Since  $n > n_0$  it is true that  $a_n \leq b_n$

Since  $n > N_a(\epsilon)$  it is true that  $-\epsilon + K < a_n$

Since  $n > N_b(\epsilon)$  it is true that  $b_n < L + \epsilon$ .

By the transitivity property of order we conclude

$$-\epsilon + K < a_n \leq b_n < L + \epsilon \Rightarrow K - L < 2\epsilon$$

Thus we have proved that

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad K - L < 2\epsilon.$$

The last green boxed statement implies  $K - L \leq 0$

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad d \leq \epsilon \Rightarrow d \leq 0$$

To prove consider  
the contrapositive

Hence

$$K \leq L$$

Contrapositive:  $\alpha > 0 \Rightarrow \exists \epsilon > 0 \text{ s.t. } \alpha > \epsilon$ . ? Trivial statement.

set  $\epsilon = \alpha/2$