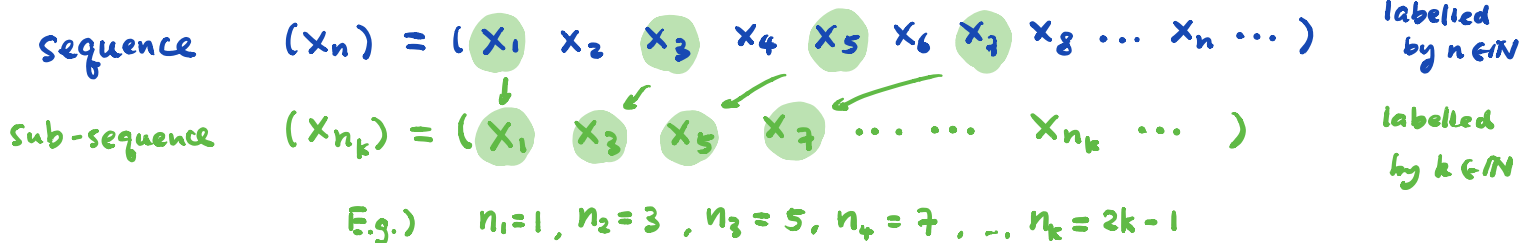


MATH 2050C Lecture on 3/11/2020

Last time ... sub-sequences (§3.4)



Q: How to determine the convergence/divergence of (x_n) ?

Summary so far

• Monotone Convergence Thm (MCT)

Thm 1
(\Rightarrow)

Assume (x_n) is monotone. Then (x_n) convergent $\Leftrightarrow (x_n)$ bdd.

Remark: This is useful to show convergence.

• Thm 1: (x_n) convergent $\Rightarrow (x_n)$ bdd

• Thm 2: (x_n) convergent $\Rightarrow \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (x_{n_k}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n)$ for all subseq. (x_{n_k}) of (x_n)

Remark: These cannot be used to prove convergence, BUT useful to prove (x_n) is divergent.

Thm 1': (x_n) unbdd $\Rightarrow (x_n)$ divergent

Thm 2'a: \exists subseq's (x_{n_k}) and $(x_{n_{k'}})$ of (x_n) s.t. $\Rightarrow (x_n)$ divergent

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (x_{n_k}) \neq \lim_{k' \rightarrow \infty} (x_{n_{k'}})$$

↑
exist BUT different

Thm 2'b: \exists subseq. (x_{n_k}) of (x_n) which is divergent $\Rightarrow (x_n)$ divergent

Examples: (i) $(x_n) = (n)$ unbdd \Rightarrow divergent by Thm 1'

(ii) $(x_n) = (-1)^n$ has subseq's

$$(x_{2k-1}) = (-1, -1, -1, \dots) \rightarrow -1$$

$$(x_{2k'}) = (1, 1, 1, 1, \dots) \rightarrow 1$$

(x_n) \Rightarrow divergent by Thm 2'a

(iii) $(x_n) = \left(\sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right)\right)$ has subseq. by Thm 2'b
 $(x_{2k-1}) = (1, -1, 1, -1, \dots)$ divergent $\Rightarrow (x_n)$ divergent

Recall:

- (x_n) convergent $\Leftrightarrow (x_n)$ converges to **some** $x \in \mathbb{R}$
- (x_n) divergent $\Leftrightarrow (x_n)$ **DOES NOT** converge to **ANY** $x \in \mathbb{R}$

Prop: Fix $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Then (x_n) does not converge to x

$\Leftrightarrow \exists \epsilon_0 > 0$ and some subseq. (x_{n_k}) of (x_n) s.t.

$$|x_{n_k} - x| \geq \epsilon_0 \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$$

E.g.
 $(x_n) = (1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 3, \dots, 1, n, 1, n+1, \dots)$

Remark: This Prop. is useful to show (x_n) does not converge to a given x .
 But sometimes difficult to prove divergence (\because check **all possible** x).

Proof: (basically MATH 1050)

$\sim \left((x_n) \text{ converges to } x \Leftrightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists K = K(\epsilon) \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } |x_n - x| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq K \right)$

$\Downarrow (x_n)$ does not converge to $x \Leftrightarrow \exists \epsilon_0 > 0, \forall K \in \mathbb{N}, \exists n_k \geq K$ s.t.
 $|x_{n_k} - x| \geq \epsilon_0$

" \Rightarrow " For this $\epsilon_0 > 0$, we define the subseq. (x_{n_k}) as follows:

Take $K = 1$, then $\exists n_1 \geq 1$ s.t. $|x_{n_1} - x| \geq \epsilon_0$

Take $K = n_1 + 1$, then $\exists n_2 \geq n_1 + 1$ s.t. $|x_{n_2} - x| \geq \epsilon_0$

Take $K = n_2 + 1$, then $\exists n_3 \geq n_2 + 1$ s.t. $|x_{n_3} - x| \geq \epsilon_0$

Inductively, we get $n_1 < n_2 < n_3 < \dots < n_k < \dots$ s.t.

the subseq. (x_{n_k}) satisfies $|x_{n_k} - x| \geq \epsilon_0 \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$.

" \Leftarrow " Exercise. □

Remember: MCT: (x_n) bdd AND monotone $\Rightarrow (x_n)$ convergent

Q: What about only bdd?

A: Bolzano-Weierstrass Thm (BWT): (x_n) bdd $\Rightarrow \exists$ subseq. (x_{n_k}) of (x_n) which is convergent.

E.g.) $(x_n) = (-1)^n$ bdd, NOT convergent

Yet, $(x_{2k-1}) = (-1, -1, -1, \dots) \rightarrow -1$

$(x_{2k}) = (1, 1, 1, \dots) \rightarrow 1$