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MATH 2050C Mathematical Analysis I
Tutorial 4 (February 15)

The following were discussed in the tutorial this week:

1 Sequences and their limits

Definition 1.1. A sequence $X = (x_n)$ in \mathbb{R} is said to converge to $x \in \mathbb{R}$, or x is said to be a limit of (x_n) , if for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a natural number $K(\varepsilon)$ such that for all $n \geq K(\varepsilon)$, the terms x_n satisfy $|x_n - x| < \varepsilon$.

- 1.1 Procedure.**
1. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. (ε is arbitrary, but cannot be changed once fixed.)
 2. Find a useful estimate for $|x_n - x|$.
 3. Find $K(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$ such that the estimate in 2 is less than ε .
 4. Complete the proof.

Example 1.1. Use the definition of the limit of a sequence to establish the following limit.

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

2 Limit Theorems

2.1 Squeeze Theorem. Suppose $X = (x_n)$, $Y = (y_n)$ and $Z = (z_n)$ are sequences of real numbers such that

$$x_n \leq y_n \leq z_n \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N},$$

and that $\lim(x_n) = \lim(z_n)$. Then $Y = (y_n)$ is convergent and

$$\lim(x_n) = \lim(y_n) = \lim(z_n).$$

Example 2.1. Use the Squeeze Theorem to determine the limits of the following.

(a) $\left((n!)^{1/n^2} \right)$

(b) $(3^n/n!)$

3 Classwork

1. Use the definition of the limit of a sequence to establish the following limit:

$$\lim \left(\frac{5n^2 + 2n + 1}{3n^2 + n + 2} \right) = \frac{5}{3}.$$

2. Use the Squeeze Theorem to determine the following limit:

$$\lim \left(\sqrt[n]{3^n + |2 \sin(n^n)|^n} \right).$$