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**MATH2050B Mathematical Analysis I**  
**Tutorial 7**  
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Announcement: Midterm 3/10 2:30 pm - 4:15 pm.  
Begin discussion at 2:55 pm.

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Pf: a) let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then notice that  $\frac{n+1}{n} = 1 + \frac{1}{n}$ .

Then wlog, assume  $m > n$ , then we have

$$\left|1 + \frac{1}{m} - 1 - \frac{1}{n}\right| = \left|\frac{1}{m} - \frac{1}{n}\right| \leq \frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{n} \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ m > n}}{\leq} \frac{2}{n}.$$

So taking  $N > \frac{2}{\varepsilon}$  works.

b) let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. Again, assume  $m > n$ .

Note that for  $k \geq 4$ ,  $2^k < k!$ .

Then

$$\left|\frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} + \dots + \frac{1}{m!} - \left(\frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!}\right)\right|$$

$$= \left|\frac{1}{(n+1)!} + \frac{1}{(n+2)!} + \dots + \frac{1}{m!}\right|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2^n} < \frac{1}{n}. \quad \text{- Then taking } N > \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \text{ works.}$$

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Pf: Suffices to show  $|x_m - x_n| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , with  $m > n$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } |x_m - x_n| &= |x_m - x_{m-1} + x_{m-1} - x_{m-2} + \dots + x_{n+1} - x_n| \\ &\leq |x_m - x_{m-1}| + |x_{m-1} - x_{m-2}| + \dots + |x_{n+1} - x_n| \\ &\leq r^m + r^{m-1} + r^{m-2} + \dots + r^n \end{aligned}$$

geometric sequence  $\rightarrow \frac{r^n}{1-r} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  b/c.  $0 < r < 1$ .

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$$\left| \frac{x^2}{|x|} - 0 \right| = \left| \frac{x^2}{|x|} \right| = |x|. \quad \text{So taking } \delta = \varepsilon, \text{ we}$$

have for all  $0 < |x - 0| < \delta = \varepsilon$ ,

$$\left| \frac{x^2}{|x|} - 0 \right| = |x| < \delta = \varepsilon.$$

b) let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given.

$$\left| \frac{x^2 - x + 1}{x + 1} - \frac{1}{2} \right| = \left| \frac{(2x-1)(x-1)}{2(x+1)} \right|$$

$$\leq |x-1| \left| \frac{2x-1}{2x+2} \right|$$

Since  $x \rightarrow 1$ , can eventually take  $0 < \frac{1}{2} < x$ .

$$\leq |x-1| \left| \frac{2x}{2x} \right|$$

So taking  $\delta = \varepsilon$ , we have for  $0 < |x - 1| < \delta$ ,

$$\left| \frac{x^2 - x + 1}{x + 1} - \frac{1}{2} \right| < \varepsilon.$$

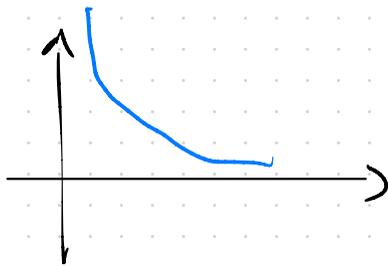
c) Show  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$  ( $x > 0$ ) DNE.

By sequential criterion, suffices to show  $\exists (x_n)$  s.t.  $x_n > 0$  and  $x_n \rightarrow 0$  s.t.

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{x_n}}$  Does not converge.

Take  $x_n = \frac{1}{n^2}$ . Then  $x_n > 0$  and  $x_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

And  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{x_n}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n^2}}} = n$  which clearly diverges to  $+\infty$ .



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**Pf:** First sps  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x) = L$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. There is a  $K(\varepsilon) > 0$  st. for any  $x > K$ ,  
 $|f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$ .

So take  $\delta = \frac{1}{K}$ , when  $x > K > 0$ ,  $0 < \left|\frac{1}{x}\right| < \delta$ ,  
 and so

$|f(\frac{1}{x}) - L| < \varepsilon$ . So  $f(\frac{1}{x}) \rightarrow L$  as  $x \rightarrow 0^+$ .

Now sps  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(\frac{1}{x}) = L$ . Then  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$  st.  
 whenever  $0 < \left|\frac{1}{x}\right| < \delta$ ,  $|f(\frac{1}{x}) - L| < \varepsilon$ .

Then take  $K = \frac{1}{\delta}$ , for  $0 < x < \delta$ , we have  $0 < K < \frac{1}{x} =: z$   
 $|f(z) - L| = |f(\frac{1}{x}) - L| < \varepsilon$ .