

Recall:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$      $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = M$

(i) We can add:  $\{a_n + b_n\}$  has limit  $L + M$ .

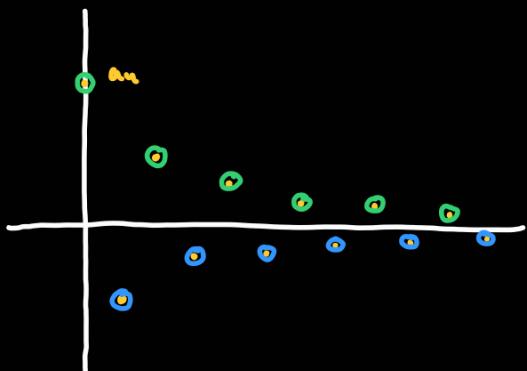
(ii) We can multiply:  $\{a_n \cdot b_n\}$   $L \cdot M$ .

(iii) We can divide:  $\left\{\frac{a_n}{b_n}\right\}$   $\frac{L}{M}$  when  $M \neq 0$ .

(iv) We can multiply by constants:  $\{c \cdot a_n\}$   $c \cdot L$ .

Squeeze theorem: a sequence sandwiched between two sequences with the same

limit will also have that limit.



If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n| = 0$  then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$  because of the Squeeze theorem.

Recall:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c \cdot r^n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 \leq r < 1, \\ c & \text{if } r = 1, \\ \infty & \text{if } r > 1. \end{cases}$

Example: Compute for  $r < 0$  and  $c \neq 0$ :

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c \cdot r^n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } -1 < r \leq 0 \\ \text{diverges} & \text{if } r \leq -1 \end{cases}$$

$r = -1$

For which  $c$  does  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{r^n}{c^n}$  for all  $r$ ?

Example: Compute  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{R^n}{n!}$  for all  $R$ .

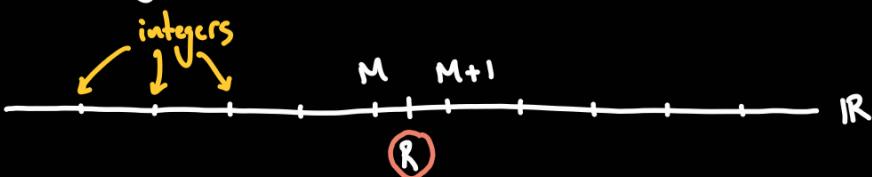
$R^n$  exponential

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{R^n}{n!} = 0.$$

$n!$  factorial  $\leftarrow$  is stronger when  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

$R > 0$ : We know that  $n! < R^n$  for  $n < R$ . Let  $M$  be the

positive integer such that  $M \leq R < M+1$ .



Now for  $n > M$ :

$$\frac{R^n}{n!} = \underbrace{\left( \frac{R}{1} \cdot \frac{R}{2} \cdot \frac{R}{3} \cdots \frac{R}{M} \right)}_{\text{positive}} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{R}{M+1} \cdot \frac{R}{M+2} \cdots \frac{R}{n-1} \cdot \frac{R}{n}}_{\leq 1} \leq C \cdot \frac{R^n}{n!} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

So by the Squeeze theorem  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{R^n}{n!} = 0$ .

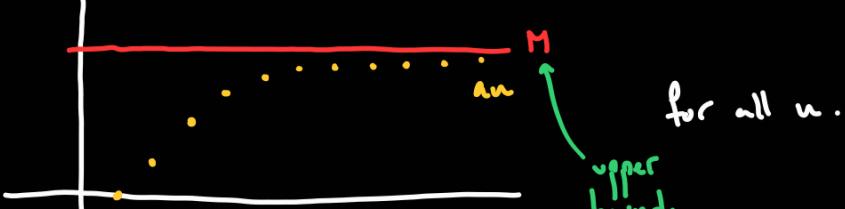
$R < 0$ : Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{R^n}{n!} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|R|^n}{n!} = 0$  then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{R^n}{n!} = 0$ .

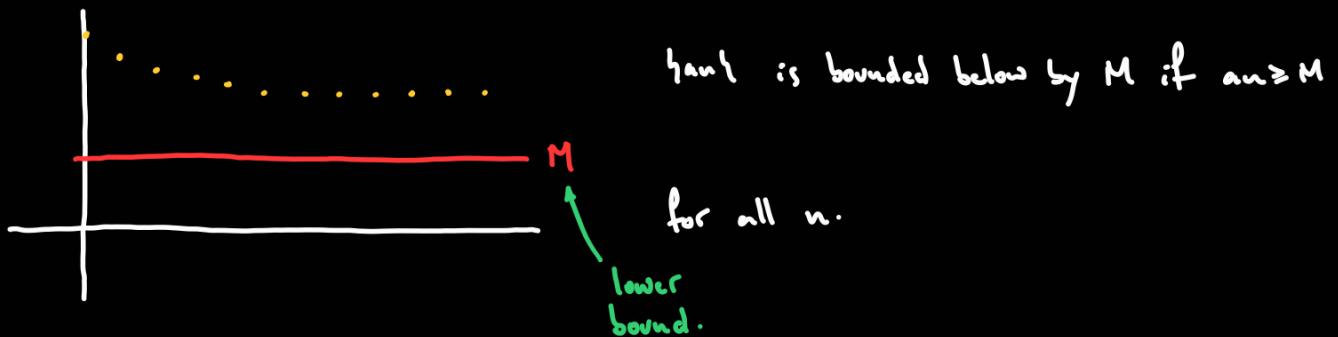
If  $f(x)$  is continuous and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$  then :

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(a_n) = f \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \right) = f(L).$$

Bounded:

$\{a_n\}$  is bounded above by  $M$  if  $a_n \leq M$  for all  $n$ .





Convergent sequences are always bounded.



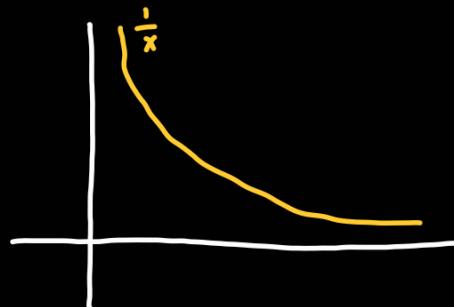
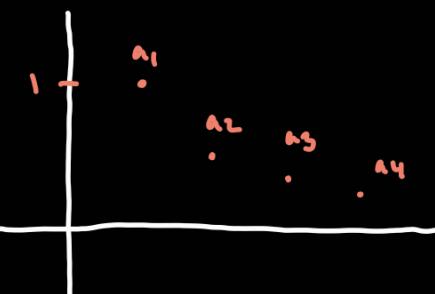
Bounded sequences that are monotonic converge.

- ① Monotonically increasing and bounded above implies convergent.
- ② Monotonically decreasing and bounded below implies convergent.

Example: Is  $\frac{1}{n}$  increasing or decreasing or neither?

$$1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \dots$$

How about  $\frac{1}{x}$ ?



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Example: Does the  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n})$  exist?

1. This is decreasing:  $f(x) = \sqrt{x+1} - \sqrt{x}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+1}} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} < 0 \text{ for } x > 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+1}} < \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \quad \sqrt{x} < \sqrt{x+1} \quad \underline{\text{yes!}}$$

2. Also  $\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}$  is always bigger than 0, so bounded below.

So it has a limit.

To do: Compute the limit by multiplying by  $\frac{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}}$

## Section 11.2.: Summing an infinite series.

Sequence: list of numbers.  $1, -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{5}, -\frac{1}{7}, \frac{1}{9}, \dots$  ) add the sequence up.

Series: infinite sum.  $1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{9} - \dots = \frac{\pi}{4}$ .

How to compute the sum of an infinite series:  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  ?

We do the same thing we did for integrals:

$$\int_a^{\infty} f(x) dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^R f(x) dx$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^N a_n.$$

$$S_N = \sum_{n=1}^N a_n \text{ are}$$

the partial sums.

$$S_1, S_2, S_3, \dots, S_N, \dots$$

sequence of partial sums.

If  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} S_N$  is finite then the infinite series converges. Otherwise the infinite series diverges.

