

Q. Prove that every convergent sequence of real numbers is a Cauchy sequence (7)

Let $\{a_n\}$ be a convergent sequence of real numbers which converges to $l \in \mathbb{R}$.

Then for a given arbitrary small positive number ϵ there exists $\mu \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$n \geq \mu \Rightarrow |a_n - l| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Therefore if $m \geq \mu \Rightarrow |a_m - l| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } |a_n - a_m| &= |(a_n - l) - (a_m - l)| \\ &\leq |a_n - l| + |a_m - l| \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} (\text{ } = \epsilon) \end{aligned}$$

i.e. for a given arbitrary small positive number ϵ there exists μ such that $n, m \geq \mu \Rightarrow |a_n - a_m| < \epsilon$

Hence by definition, $\{a_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

Q. Prove that every Cauchy sequence of real numbers is bounded

Let $\{a_n\}$ be a Cauchy sequence. Then we have to prove that it is bounded.

By definition of Cauchy sequence, for a given arbitrary small positive number ϵ there exists $v \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$n, m \geq v \Rightarrow |a_n - a_m| < \epsilon$$

If we take a particular value k for m greater than v ,

$$|a_n - a_k| < \epsilon \text{ for } n \geq v$$

$$\text{i.e. } a_k - \epsilon < a_n < a_k + \epsilon \text{ for } n \geq v$$

$$\text{Let } \lambda = \max \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{n-1}, a_k + \epsilon\}$$

$$\& \mu = \min \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{n-1}, a_k - \epsilon\}$$

$$\text{Then } \mu \leq a_n \leq \lambda \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

i.e. $\{a_n\}$ is bounded.

Thus every Cauchy sequence of real numbers is bounded.

Q. If $\{u_n\}$ & $\{v_n\}$ be two convergent sequences such that (8)
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = l$ & $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} v_n = l'$, then prove that
 $\{u_n + v_n\}$ is also convergent & converges to $l + l'$

Since $u_n \rightarrow l$ & $v_n \rightarrow l'$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, therefore for a given arbitrary small positive number ϵ there exist two positive integers m_1 & m_2 such that

$$|u_n - l| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \forall n \geq m_1 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{&} |v_n - l'| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \forall n \geq m_2 \quad (2)$$

Let m be the maximum of m_1 & m_2

Then (1) & (2) both hold for $n \geq m$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } |(u_n + v_n) - (l + l')| &= |(u_n - l) + (v_n - l')| \\ &\leq |u_n - l| + |v_n - l'| \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} (\text{i.e. } \epsilon) \quad \forall n \geq m \quad [\text{from (1) \& (2)}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{i.e. } |(u_n + v_n) - (l + l')| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

Hence $(u_n + v_n) \rightarrow l + l'$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ i.e. $\{u_n + v_n\}$ is convergent.

Q. Show that the sequence $\{u_n\}$ where $u_n = n^{\frac{1}{n}}$ is convergent

If $u_n = n^{\frac{1}{n}}$, let us write $u_n = 1 + b_n$, where $b_n > 0$

$$\text{Now, } (u_n)^n = n \text{ i.e. } (1 + b_n)^n = n$$

$$\text{or, } n = 1 + nb_n + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} b_n^2 + \dots + b_n^n$$

$$\text{or, } n > \frac{n(n-1)}{2} b_n^2 \quad \text{or, } \frac{2}{n-1} > b_n^2 \quad \text{or, } \sqrt{\frac{2}{n-1}} > b_n$$

$$\text{Therefore } 0 < b_n < \sqrt{\frac{2}{n-1}}$$

$$\text{or, } 0 < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{2}{n-1}}$$

$$\text{or, } 0 < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n < 0$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 0$$

$$\text{Hence } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + b_n) = 1$$

This shows that $\{u_n\}$ is convergent.