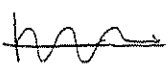



HW #7 Solutions

{18.2, 18.3(c), 18.5, 18.7, 18.8, 19.4 (a)(b), 19.7, 19.9, 19.15}

18.2 a) False. 

b) False. 

c) False. A sequence of rationals approximating an irrational will not converge in \mathbb{Q} however the points will be getting close to each other.

18.3 c) $s_1 = 1$, $s_{n+1} = \frac{1}{4}(2s_n + 5) \quad \forall n$

$s_2 = \frac{1}{4}(7) = \frac{7}{4} > 1$ so sequence seems to be increasing

Assume $s_k \geq s_{k-1}$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$, then

$$s_{k+1} = \frac{1}{4}(2s_k + 5) \geq \frac{1}{4}(2s_{k-1} + 5) = s_k$$

Hence by induction $\{s_k\}$ is monotonically inc. ✓

Suppose $s_k < 100$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$, then

$$s_{k+1} = \frac{1}{4}(2 \cdot 100 + 5) = \frac{205}{4} < 100$$

Hence s_k is bounded by induction. ✓

To find the limit, we solve

$$s = \frac{1}{4}(2s + 5) \Rightarrow s = \frac{1}{2}s + \frac{5}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}s = \frac{5}{4} \Rightarrow s = \frac{10}{4}$$

so $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} s_k = \frac{5}{2}$ ✓

18.5 a) Counterexample: $a_n = x^2$, $b_n = -x$. Then $a_n + b_n = x^2 - x = x(x-1)$, see below.



b) Counterexample: $a_n = x$, $b_n = x-1$, see above.

18.7 $s_1 = \sqrt{6}$, $s_{n+1} = \sqrt{6+s_n}$

To show $\{s_n\}$ converges we show it is monotone and bounded

$s_1 = \sqrt{6}$, $s_2 = \sqrt{6+\sqrt{6}} > s_1$

Assume $s_k > s_{k-1}$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$, then

$$s_{k+1} = \sqrt{6+s_k} > \sqrt{6+s_{k-1}} = s_k$$

So by induction $\{s_n\}$ is monotone

Assume $s_k < 100$ for some k , then

$$s_{k+1} = \sqrt{6+s_k} < \sqrt{106} < 11 < 100$$

Hence by induction $\{s_n\}$ is bounded

$\therefore s_n$ converges

To find its limit, solve

$$s = \sqrt{6+s} \Rightarrow s^2 = 6+s \Rightarrow s^2 - s + 6 = 0$$

So $s \in \{-3, 2\}$

Since $s_k \geq 0 \forall k$, $s = 2$.

18.8 $s_1 = k$, $s_{n+1} = \sqrt{4s_n - 1}$

Note this sequence is monotone, since for some n

if $s_n > s_{n-1}$, then $s_{n+1} = \sqrt{4s_n - 1} > \sqrt{4s_{n-1} - 1} = s_n$, so $\{s_n\}$ is increasing

if $s_n < s_{n-1}$, then similarly $\{s_n\}$ is decreasing

Hence to know which values of k s_n will be increasing we need to

And out what value makes $s_2 > s_1$, ie we need to solve for k :

$$\sqrt{4k-1} > k$$

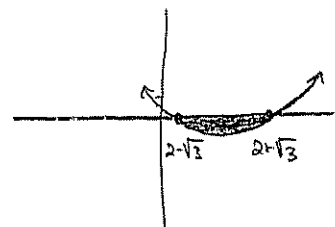
$$\text{So } 4k-1 > k^2 \Rightarrow k^2 - 4k + 1 < 0 \Rightarrow (k - (2+\sqrt{3}))(k - (2-\sqrt{3})) < 0$$

To make sure the LHS is negative we need

$$2-\sqrt{3} < k < 2+\sqrt{3}$$

Similarly $\{s_n\}$ will be monotone dec. for

$$k < 2-\sqrt{3} \text{ and } k > 2+\sqrt{3}$$



19.4 a) $S = \{0\}$, $\limsup = \liminf = 0$

b) $S = \mathbb{N}$ $\limsup = \infty$ $\liminf = 0$

19.7 a) True, by Thm 19.7 every bounded sequence has a convergent subsequence and every convergent sequence is Cauchy (18.10)

b) False, $s_n = n$

c) True, take $r_n = \frac{s_n}{2} + c(-1)^n$, $t_n = \frac{s_n}{2} + c(-1)^{n+1}$ where $c > 0$

19.9 Suppose $\lim s_n = r$ and $r \neq s$

If $r > s$ then, since r is a subsequential limit

$$s = \limsup (s_n) \geq r > s, \text{ contradiction}$$

Similarly if $r < s$

Hence r must be equal to s

19.15 a) Let $s = \liminf (s_n)$, $t = \liminf (t_n)$

Then for $\forall \epsilon > 0$, $\exists N_1$ s.t. $\forall n \geq N_1$ $s_n > s - \epsilon$ and $s_n < s + \epsilon$

Similarly, $\exists N_2$ s.t. $\forall n \geq N_2$ $t_n > t - \epsilon$ and $t_n < t + \epsilon$

Let $N_\epsilon = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$, then for $n \geq N_\epsilon$ [note that N depends on ϵ]

$$s + t - 2\epsilon < s_n + t_n < s + t + 2\epsilon$$

Now let $\epsilon = 1/k$, then for each k , $\exists n_k > N_{1/k}$ s.t.

$$|(s_{n_k} + t_{n_k}) - (s + t)| < 2/k$$

as $k \rightarrow \infty$,

$$s_{n_k} + t_{n_k} \rightarrow s + t$$

Hence $s + t \in \{\text{set of subsequential limits of } (s_n + t_n)\}$

Since $\liminf (s_n + t_n)$ is the infimum of this set (ie greatest lower bound)

$$\liminf (s_n + t_n) \geq s + t = \liminf (s_n) + \liminf (t_n)$$

b) Take $s_n = (-1)^n$, $t_n = (-1)^{n+1}$, note $s_n + t_n \equiv 0 \forall n$

while $s = t = -1$