

(Theorem):- Prove that a monotone increasing sequence tends to its upper bound.

Proof:- Let $\{a_n\}$ be a monotone increasing sequence whose upper bound is M . Here, two cases arise:-

(i) M is finite

(ii) M is infinite.

When M is finite [By defⁿ at least upper bound]

(i) $a_n \leq M$ for all n . — (1)

(ii) $a_{n_0} + \epsilon > M$ for ~~all~~ at least one n . Let us be true for $n = m$.

Then, $a_{m_0} + \epsilon > M$

i.e. $a_{m_0} > M - \epsilon$ — (2)

But the sequence is monotone increasing.

So, $a_n \geq a_{m_0}$ if $n \geq m_0$ — (3)

\therefore From (2) & (3), we have

$a_n > M - \epsilon$ for all ~~n~~ $n \geq m_0$.

Again, from (1), $a_n \leq M$ for all n .

So, $a_n < M + \epsilon$ for all n and hence also for $n \geq m_0$.

\therefore Combining these, $M - \epsilon < a_n < M + \epsilon$ for $n \geq m_0$.

$\therefore |a_n - M| < \epsilon$ for $n \geq m_0$.

$\therefore \{a_n\}$ tends to M .

When M is infinite, then from (2),

$a_{m_0} > M - \epsilon = N$ (when N is arbitrarily large).

But $a_n \geq a_{m_0} > N$ for $n \geq m_0$.

$\therefore \{a_n\}$ tends to ∞ and so to the upper bound ∞ .

(Theorem):- Prove that a monotone decreasing sequence tends to its lower bound.

Proof:- Let $\{a_n\}$ be a monotone decreasing sequence whose greatest lower bound in K . Here, two cases arise

(i) K is finite,

(ii) K is infinite.

When K is finite [By defⁿ of greatest lower bound, we have,

$$(i) a_n \geq K \text{ for all } n, \text{ --- (1)}$$

$$(ii) a_n < K + \epsilon \text{ for at least } n,$$

Let it be true for $n = m$. Then,

$$a_m < K + \epsilon \text{ --- (2)}$$

But $\{a_n\}$ is monotone decreasing sequence.

$$\text{So, } a_n \leq a_m \text{ for all } n \geq m \text{ --- (3)}$$

From (2) & (3), we have

$$a_n < K + \epsilon \text{ for } n \geq m.$$

and from (1), $a_n > K - \epsilon$ for all n and so for $n \geq m$.

Combining these, $K - \epsilon < a_n < K + \epsilon$ for $n \geq m$.

$$\therefore |a_n - K| < \epsilon, \text{ for } n \geq m.$$

Hence, $\{a_n\}$ tends to the greatest lower bound K .

When K is infinite, if the lower bound is infinite, it must be negative & given any +ve no. ϵ_1 we have $a_n < -\epsilon_1$ for at least one value of n , let it be m .

$$\text{So, } a_m < -\epsilon_1 \text{ But } a_n \leq a_m, \text{ for } n \geq m.$$

$$\therefore a_n < -\epsilon_1, \text{ for } n \geq m.$$

Hence, $a_n \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Q.No. - Give an example of a monotonic increasing sequence which is convergent.

Ans. - We know that the sequence is monotonic increasing when $u_n < u_{n+1}$

Let us consider a sequence $\{u_n\}$ where $u_n = \frac{n}{n+1}$

$$\text{Here, } u_1 = \frac{1}{2}, u_2 = \frac{2}{3}, u_3 = \frac{3}{4}$$

We find that,

$$u_1 < u_2 < u_3 \dots$$

Hence, sequence

$\{u_n\}$ is monotonic increasing

Now, we have to show that $\{u_n\}$ is convergent.

$$\therefore u_n = \frac{n}{n+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+1} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n(1 + \frac{1}{n})} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{\infty}} = 1$$

which is finite.

Hence, given sequence $\{u_n\}$ is convergent.

Q.No. - Give an example of monotonic increasing sequence which is divergent.

Ans. - We know that a sequence $\{u_n\}$ is monotonic increasing

when $u_n < u_{n+1}$

i.e. $u_1 < u_2 < u_3 < \dots$

The sequence $\{u_n\}$ when $u_n = n$ is monotonically increasing. As,

$$\therefore u_1 = 1$$

$$u_2 = 2$$

$$u_3 = 3$$

Here, $u_1 < u_2 < u_3 < \dots$

$$\therefore u_n = n$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n$$

$$= \infty$$

$$= \infty$$

Hence sequence $\{n\}$ diverges to ∞ .

Q No - Discuss the convergence of the sequence $\{a_n\}$ defined by

$$a_n = \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n-n}$$

Ans. \therefore It is given that,

$$a_n = \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n+n-1} + \frac{1}{n+n} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\therefore a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{n+2} + \frac{1}{n+3} + \dots + \frac{1}{(n+1)+n} + \frac{1}{(n+1)+(n-1)} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\text{(2) - (1)}$$

$$a_{n+1} - a_n = \frac{1}{2n+1} + \frac{1}{2n+2} - \frac{1}{n+1}$$

$$= \frac{2(n+1) + 2n+1 - 2(2n+1)}{2(2n+1)(n+1)}$$

$$= \frac{2n+2+2n+1-4n-2}{2(2n+1)(n+1)}$$

$$a_{n+1} - a_n = \frac{1}{2(2n+1)(n+1)} > 0 \text{ for all } n.$$

$$\therefore a_{n+1} > a_n$$

Hence the sequence $\{a_n\}$ is monotonic increasing.

$$\therefore a_n = \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n+n}$$

$$a_n < \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}$$

$$a_n < n \cdot \frac{1}{n}$$

$$a_n < 1$$

Hence, the sequence $\{a_n\}$ is bounded above and monotonic increasing.

We know that monotonic increasing sequence is convergent.

Hence the given sequence is convergent.