

M413  
Introduction to Analysis I  
Assignment XI

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**Problem 1.** Show that  $\lim \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{3}\right)$  does not converge.

*Discussion 1.* We will assume that  $\lim \sin(n\pi/3)$  converges to  $L$  for some  $L \in \mathbb{R}$ , that is we will assume that  $\lim(n\pi/3) = L$ , and reach a contradiction. We will use the fact there are arbitrarily large values of  $n$   $\ni$   $\sin(n\pi/3) = 0$  and other arbitrarily large values of  $n$   $\ni$   $\lim \sin(n\pi/3) = \sqrt{3}/2$ . So  $L$  will have to be arbitrarily close to  $\sqrt{3}/2$  and arbitrarily close to 0 simultaneously. We will choose  $\epsilon = \sqrt{3}/4$ .

For our values of  $n$  for which  $\sin(n\pi/3) = 0$ , say  $n_1$ , note that  $\sin(m\pi) = 0$  for  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , which is equivalent to  $\sin(3m\pi/3)$ , so  $n_1 = 3m$ . For our arbitrary values of  $n$   $\ni$   $\sin(n\pi/3) = \sqrt{3}/2$ , say  $n_2$ , note that  $\sin(\pi/3 + 2\pi k) = \sqrt{3}/2$ , for  $k \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow \sin((1 + 6k)\pi/3) = \sqrt{3}/2$ . So, we now see that  $n_2 = 1 + 6k$ .

*Proof.* Let  $m, k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $\epsilon = \sqrt{3}/4$ . Assume that  $\lim \sin(n\pi/3) = L$  for some  $L \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then,  $\exists N$   $\ni$   $n_1 = 3m, n_2 = 1 + 6k > N \Rightarrow |\sin(n_{1,2}\pi/3) - L| < \sqrt{3}/4$ . Let  $n > N$ . So, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{3}/2 &= |\sqrt{3}/2| = \\ |\sqrt{3}/2 - L + L| &\leq |\sqrt{3}/2 - L| + |L| = |\sqrt{3}/2 - L| + |0 - L| = \\ |\sin(n_2\pi/3) - L| + |\sin(n_1\pi/3) - L| &< \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}; \end{aligned}$$

that is  $\sqrt{3}/2 < \sqrt{3}/2$  which is an obvious contradiction.

$\therefore \lim \sin(n\pi/3) \neq L$ . Since  $L$  was arbitrarily chosen,  $\lim \sin(n\pi/3)$  does not exist, and the sequence diverges.  $\square$

**Problem 2.** Let  $(s_n)$  be a sequence of non-negative real numbers, and suppose  $\lim s_n = 0$ . Prove that  $\lim \sqrt{s_n} = 0$ .

*Discussion 2.*  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ , we want a  $N$   $\ni$   $n > N \Rightarrow |\sqrt{s_n} - 0| < \epsilon$ .  $|\sqrt{s_n} - 0| = |\sqrt{s_n}| = \sqrt{s_n} < \epsilon \Rightarrow s_n < \epsilon^2$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\epsilon > 0$ , then  $\exists N$   $\ni$   $n > N \Rightarrow |s_n - 0| < \epsilon^2 \Rightarrow s_n < \epsilon^2$ . Let  $n > N$ . Then  $|\sqrt{s_n} - 0| = |\sqrt{s_n}| = \sqrt{s_n} < \sqrt{\epsilon^2} = \epsilon$   $\square$

**Problem 3.** Show that if  $\lim u_n = u$ ,  $\lim s_n = s$ ,  $\lim t_n = t$ , then  $\lim (u_n + s_n + t_n) = u + s + t$ .

*Discussion 3.*  $\forall \epsilon > 0$  we want  $N \ni n > N \Rightarrow |(s_n + t_n + u_n) - (s + t + u)| < \epsilon$ .

$$\begin{aligned} |(s_n + t_n + u_n) - (s + t + u)| &= |s_n + t_n + u_n - s - t - u| \\ &= |(s_n - s) + (t_n - t) + (u_n - u)| \leq |s_n - s| + |t_n - t| + |u_n - u| < \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

This would suggest that we should use  $\epsilon/3$  in place of just  $\epsilon$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Since  $\lim s_n = s$ ,  $\exists N_1 \ni n > N_1 \Rightarrow |s_n - s| < \epsilon/3$ . Since  $\lim t_n = t$ ,  $\exists N_2 \ni n > N_2 \Rightarrow |t_n - t| < \epsilon/3$ . Finally, since  $\lim u_n = u$ ,  $\exists N_3 \ni n > N_3 \Rightarrow |u_n - u| < \epsilon/3$ . Take  $N = \max\{N_1, N_2, N_3\}$ . Assume  $n > N$ . Then

$$|(s_n + t_n + u_n) - (s + t + u)| \leq |s_n - s| + |t_n - t| + |u_n - u| < 3\epsilon/3 = \epsilon$$

$\therefore$  If  $\lim u_n = u$ ,  $\lim s_n = s$ ,  $\lim t_n = t$ , then  $\lim (u_n + s_n + t_n) = u + s + t$  □

**Problem 4.** Let  $(t_n)$  be a bounded sequence, ie,  $\exists M \ni |t_n| \leq M \forall n$ , and let  $(s_n)$  be a sequence  $\ni \lim s_n = 0$ . Prove that  $\lim (s_n t_n) = 0$ .

*Discussion 4.*  $\forall \epsilon > 0$  we want  $N \ni n > N \Rightarrow |s_n t_n - 0| < \epsilon$ . Note that this implies directly that we want  $|s_n t_n| = |s_n| |t_n| < \epsilon$ . So we will want to use  $\epsilon/M$  as opposed to just an  $\epsilon$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\epsilon > 0$ , then  $\exists N \ni n > N \Rightarrow |s_n| < \epsilon/M$ . Let  $(t_n)$  be bounded  $\ni |t_n| \leq M$ .

Then,  $|s_n t_n - 0| = |s_n t_n| = |s_n| |t_n| < M\epsilon/M = \epsilon$ .

$\therefore$  If  $(t_n)$  is a bounded sequence, and  $(s_n)$  is a sequence  $\ni \lim s_n = 0$ , then  $\lim (s_n t_n) = 0$ . □