

Notes:

1. N depends on ϵ , if you choose a smaller ϵ you may need a bigger N , so in fact $N(\epsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$ function of ϵ .
2. If same N works for given ϵ , any larger N also works.
3. Just need to find some N which works, do not need to find smallest N .

Example $(s_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ where $s_n = \frac{2n+1}{n+2}$ note: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = 2$.

given $\epsilon > 0 \exists N \text{ s.t. } |s_n - 2| \leq \epsilon \text{ for all } n \geq N$.

$$(s_n) = (1, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{7}{5}, \frac{9}{6}, \dots)$$

by $\epsilon = \frac{1}{2}$ find N s.t. $\left| \frac{2n+1}{n+2} - 2 \right| \leq \frac{1}{2}$ for all $n \geq N$.

$$\left| \frac{2n+1 - 2n-4}{n+2} \right| = \left| \frac{-3}{n+2} \right| = \frac{3}{n+2} \leq \frac{1}{2} \quad N=2 \text{ works.}$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{100}.$$

$$\frac{3}{n+2} \leq \frac{1}{100} \quad N = 300 \text{ works.}$$

Proof (using Defⁿe).

consider $\left| \frac{2n+1}{n+2} - 2 \right| = \frac{3}{n+2}$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

want $\frac{3}{n+2} \leq \epsilon$ so $n \geq \frac{3}{\epsilon} - 2$ use largest integer
 $3 \leq \epsilon(n+2)$ can choose $N \geq \frac{3}{\epsilon}$ $\lceil \frac{3}{\epsilon} \rceil$. \square .

$$3 - 2\epsilon \leq \epsilon n$$

$$\frac{3}{\epsilon} - 2 \leq n$$

Example $(s_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ where $s_n = \frac{n-4}{2n^2+3}$. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = 0$

Proof find $N(\epsilon)$ s.t. $\left| \frac{n-4}{2n^2+3} \right| \leq \epsilon$ for all $n \geq N$.

can choose $N > 4$. s.t.

$$\frac{n-4}{2n^2+3} \leq \epsilon. \quad \text{first find } N(\epsilon) :$$

$$n-4 \leq 2\epsilon n^2 + 3\epsilon$$

$$-4 - 3\epsilon \leq 2\epsilon n^2 - n = n(2\epsilon n - 1) \quad 2\epsilon n - 1 \neq 0 \quad 2\epsilon n > 1 \quad \text{or} \quad n > \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \approx \frac{1}{6}.$$

need this ≥ 0 or 1

so $N(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{2\epsilon} + 4$ should work:

in fact do $N(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ and assume $\epsilon < \frac{1}{4}$, i.e. $N > 4$.

Note $\frac{a}{b} < \frac{c}{d}$ if $a < c$ and $b > d$.

$$\frac{n-4}{2n^2+3} < \frac{1-\frac{4}{n}}{2n+\frac{3}{n}} < \frac{1}{2/\epsilon} = \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \epsilon \text{ as required } \square.$$

Example $s_n = \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}$ we: $\left| \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right| \leq \left| \frac{1}{n} \right| + \left| \frac{1}{n+1} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2n} < \epsilon$ choose $N(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{2\epsilon}$ \square .

Theorem (Uniqueness of limit) If

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = L_1 \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = L_2 \text{ then } L_1 = L_2.$$