

§1.8 Induction / §A.8

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Let P_n be a sequence of statements depending on $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

step 1 check P_1 is true.

step 2 show that if P_k is true, then $P_k \xrightarrow{\text{true}} P_{k+1}$ is true.

then P_n is true for all n .

Examples

① $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \frac{1}{2}n(n+1)$ $\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{1}{2}n(n+1) = f(n)$

$P_1: 1 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 \cdot 2 \checkmark$

$P_k: 1 + 2 + \dots + k = \frac{1}{2}k(k+1) = f(k)$

$$1 + 2 + \dots + k + (k+1) = \frac{1}{2}k(k+1) + (k+1)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} i = (k+1)\left(\frac{1}{2}k+1\right) = \frac{1}{2}(k+1)(k+2) = f(k+2)$$

so $P_k \Rightarrow P_{k+1}$ done $\checkmark$.

② show $1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1)$.

4. $a_1 = 1$ $a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{3}(a_n + 1)$ show this converges.

HW 2.9. 1 a) - d) hypo in a) $-\beta$ should be $-\sqrt{\beta}$.

§2.10 Examples of limit: read this. HW 2.10.1.

§2.11 Subsequences

start with a sequence (a_n) , get a subsequence by omitting some terms, without changing the order

Example $a_n = \frac{1}{n}$ $\begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & a_4 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{4} & \dots \end{pmatrix}$

take every 3rd term $\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{9}, \dots \right)$
 $a_3, a_6, a_9, \dots$

Defn Let (s_n) be a sequence. A subsequence of (s_n) is a sequence $(s_{n_1}, s_{n_2}, s_{n_3}, \dots) = (s_{n_k})$ where $n_1 < n_2 < n_3 < \dots$ is an increasing sequence of natural numbers. note: $n_k \geq k$ for all k :

Thm A sequence converges to L iff ~~and only~~ ^{every subsequence} converges to L .

Q: do you need "converges to L " here?
'how many subsequences?'

Proof $\Leftarrow$ (s_n) is a subsequence of (s_n) , so (s_n) converges to L .

$\Rightarrow$ suppose (s_n) converges to L , and let (s_{n_k}) be a subsequence.

for any $\epsilon > 0$ there is an N s.t. $|s_n - L| < \epsilon$ for all $n \geq N$.

same N works for the subsequence ($n_k \geq k$!) so $|s_{n_k} - L| < \epsilon$ for all $k \geq N$. $\square$.