

Remark: ER 3.2.51, ER 3.2.52, ER 3.2.53 go together.

In ER 3.2.52 be careful not to make a mistake similar to the mistake in ER 3.2.51.

ER 3.2.52

Let the sequence $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges to x_0 . Let $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be the averages of the x_n 's, i.e.,

$$a_n = \frac{x_1 + x_2 + \cdots + x_n}{n} \quad \text{for each } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Prove that $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges to x_0 .

HINTS. This is an $\frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ -argument. First note $x_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_0}{n}$. So if $1 \leq I \leq n$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |x_0 - a_n| &= \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_0}{n} - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i}{n} \right| \\ &= \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_0 - x_i}{n} \right| \\ &\stackrel{\triangle-\text{ineq.}}{\leq} \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \frac{x_0 - x_i}{n} \right| \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{|x_0 - x_i|}{n} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^I \frac{|x_0 - x_i|}{n} + \sum_{i=I+1}^n \frac{|x_0 - x_i|}{n} \end{aligned}$$