

Solutions - HW3

§1.2 #14. Claim: Every Cauchy sequence is bounded.

Proof: Let $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a Cauchy sequence.

Let $\varepsilon = 1$. Because $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is Cauchy, $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$$|a_m - a_n| < 1 \text{ for all } m, n \geq N.$$

In particular, when $m = N$: $|a_n - a_N| < 1$ for all $n \geq N$.

$$\text{Because } |a_n - a_N| < 1 : -1 < a_n - a_N < 1$$

$$a_N - 1 < a_n < a_N + 1 \text{ for all } n \geq N.$$

$$\text{Let } M = \max \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{N-1}, a_N + 1\}$$

$$\text{and } m = \min \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{N-1}, a_N - 1\}$$

$$\text{Then } m \leq a_n \leq M \text{ for all } n = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$$

and so $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a bounded sequence. $\square$

#15. Claim: if $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ and $\{b_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ are Cauchy, then so is $\{a_n + b_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$.

Thinking ~~Proof~~: The definition of Cauchy says that

$$\forall \varepsilon' > 0 \exists N_1 \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } |a_n - a_m| < \varepsilon' \quad \forall m, n \geq N_1$$

$$\forall \varepsilon' > 0 \exists N_2 \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } |b_n - b_m| < \varepsilon' \quad \forall m, n \geq N_2$$

We want to determine $\varepsilon' \in \mathbb{N}$ ~~so that~~ so that

$$|(a_n + b_n) - (a_m + b_m)| < \varepsilon \text{ for all } n, m \geq N.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } |(a_n + b_n) - (a_m + b_m)| &= |(a_n - a_m) + (b_n - b_m)| \quad \forall m, n \geq N_1 \\ &\leq |a_n - a_m| + |b_n - b_m| \quad \forall m, n \geq N_2 \\ &< \varepsilon' + \varepsilon' = 2\varepsilon' = \varepsilon \text{ if } \varepsilon' = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

This suggests choosing $\varepsilon' = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ and $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$.

Proof: Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given.

Because $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is Cauchy, $\exists N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $|a_n - a_m| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \quad \forall m, n \geq N_1$

$\frac{1}{2}$ because $\{b_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is Cauchy, $\exists N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $|b_n - b_m| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \quad \forall m, n \geq N_2$.

Let $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$. For any $m, n \geq N$ we know that

$m, n \geq N_1$, $\frac{1}{2}$ $m, n \geq N_2$ so that

$$|(a_n + b_n) - (a_m + b_m)| = |(a_n - a_m) + (b_n - b_m)| \leq |a_n - a_m| + |b_n - b_m| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon$$

Because $\varepsilon > 0$ ~~was~~ is arbitrary, this works for all $\varepsilon > 0$

and so $\{a_n + b_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a Cauchy sequence. $\square$

#17. Claim: $\left\{ \frac{2n+1}{n} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

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Thinking: We have to show that $\left| \frac{2n+1}{n} - \frac{2m+1}{m} \right| < \varepsilon \quad \forall m, n \geq N$.

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{2n+1}{n} - \frac{2m+1}{m} \right| &= \left| 2 + \frac{1}{n} - \left(2 + \frac{1}{m} \right) \right| = \left| \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{m} \right| < \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{m} \leq \frac{1}{N} + \frac{1}{N} = \frac{2}{N} \\ &\leq \varepsilon \iff \frac{2}{N} = \varepsilon \iff N = \frac{2}{\varepsilon}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof: Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given.

Let $N = \frac{2}{\varepsilon}$ (well, the 1st positive integer larger than $\frac{2}{\varepsilon}$).

For $m, n \geq N$:

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{2n+1}{n} - \frac{2m+1}{m} \right| &= \left| 2 + \frac{1}{n} - \left(2 + \frac{1}{m} \right) \right| = \left| \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{m} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{n} + \left(-\frac{1}{m} \right) \right| \\ &\leq \left| \frac{1}{n} \right| + \left| -\frac{1}{m} \right| = \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{m} \leq \frac{1}{N} + \frac{1}{N} = \frac{2}{N} \\ &< \frac{2}{2/\varepsilon} = \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Because $\varepsilon > 0$ is arbitrary, for any $\varepsilon > 0$ there is an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $\left| \frac{2n+1}{n} - \frac{2m+1}{m} \right| < \varepsilon$ for all $m, n \geq N$, i.e. $\left\{ \frac{2n+1}{n} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a Cauchy sequence. $\square$

#21. $S = \left\{ 2^n + \frac{1}{k} : n, k \in \mathbb{N} \right\}$

Claim: $2^n, n \in \mathbb{N}$ is an accumulation point of S .

Justification: The numbers $2^n + \frac{1}{k}$ converges to 2^n as $k \rightarrow \infty$ because $\frac{1}{k} \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$.

Also, if the n is allowed to change, the 2^n will grow without bound.