

Q. Show that the sequence $\langle \frac{n}{n+1} \rangle$ converges to 1.

Solⁿ → let $\epsilon > 0$

$$\left| \frac{n}{n+1} - 1 \right| < \epsilon \iff \left| \frac{1}{n+1} \right| < \epsilon \implies \frac{1}{n+1} < \epsilon$$

$$\implies n+1 > \frac{1}{\epsilon} \implies n > \frac{1}{\epsilon} - 1 = \delta \text{ (say)}$$

$$n \geq m \implies |x_n - 1| < \epsilon$$

It should be noted that δ is not necessarily an integer and may be negative also.

Now, let $m = \max\{\lceil \delta \rceil + 1, 1\}$ where $\lceil \delta \rceil$ is greatest integer.

$$\text{Then, } n \geq m \implies \left| \frac{n}{n+1} - 1 \right| < \epsilon$$

Hence, the given sequence converges to 1.

Q Show that the sequence $\langle \frac{1}{n^p} \rangle$ converges

to 0. when $p > 0$.

Solⁿ let $\epsilon > 0$

$$\left| \frac{1}{n^p} - 0 \right| < \epsilon \iff \frac{1}{n^p} < \epsilon \implies n^p > \frac{1}{\epsilon} \implies n > \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} \right)^{1/p}$$

$$\text{let } \delta = \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} \right)^{1/p} \text{ (say)}$$

Now, let $m = \lceil \delta \rceil + 1$, we have —

$$n \geq m \implies \left| \frac{1}{n^p} - 0 \right| < \epsilon$$

Hence, the given sequence converges to 0.

Q Show that the sequence $\langle a_n \rangle$ defined by

$$a_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n \text{ is monotonic increasing}$$

and convergent. Also show that its limit lies between 2 and 3. Further show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = e$$

$$\text{Solⁿ} \rightarrow a_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n$$

$$a_n = 1 + n \cdot \frac{1}{n} + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} \cdot \frac{1}{n^2} + \dots + \frac{n(n-1)\dots 1}{n!} \cdot \frac{1}{n^n}$$

$$a_n = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} \binom{n-1}{n} + \frac{1}{3!} \binom{n-1}{n} \binom{n-2}{n} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!} \binom{n-1}{n} \binom{n-2}{n} \dots \binom{1-n-1}{n}$$