

5th lesson

<https://www2.karlin.mff.cuni.cz/~kuncova/en/teachMat1.php>
kunck6am@natur.cuni.cz

Theory

Theorem 1 (Arithmetics of limits). Let $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $\{b_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be sequences (of real numbers). Further let $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A \in \mathbb{R}^*$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = B \in \mathbb{R}^*$. Then

(a) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) = A + B$,

(b) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n \cdot b_n) = A \cdot B$,

(c) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \frac{A}{B}$,

if the right sides are well defined.

Exercises

1. Find limits:

(a) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n+2} + \sqrt{n}$ **Solution:**

We just substitute for n - Arithmetic of limits theorem.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n+2} + \sqrt{n} = \infty + \infty = \infty$$

(b) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n+2} - \sqrt{n}$

Solution: Let us use the formulae $A^2 - B^2 = (A - B)(A + B)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n+2} - \sqrt{n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{n+2} - \sqrt{n}) \frac{\sqrt{n+2} + \sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n+2} + \sqrt{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+2-n}{\sqrt{n+2} + \sqrt{n}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{\sqrt{n+2} + \sqrt{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{\sqrt{n}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+2/n} + 1} = 0 \frac{1}{1+1} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

(c) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n^2+1}}{n}$

Solution: Let us factor out n :

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n^2+1}}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n\sqrt{1+1/n^2}}{n} = \sqrt{1+0} = 1$$

(d) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n-1} - \sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n^2-3} - \sqrt{(n+2)^2}}$

Solution: Let us expand the fraction (twice):

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n-1} - \sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n^2-3} - \sqrt{(n+2)^2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{n-1} + \sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n-1} + \sqrt{n}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{n^2-3} + \sqrt{(n+2)^2}}{\sqrt{n^2-3} + \sqrt{(n+2)^2}} =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n-1-n}{n^2-3-(n+2)^2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{n^2-3} + \sqrt{(n+2)^2}}{\sqrt{n-1} + \sqrt{n}} \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-1}{-4n-7} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{n^2-3} + \sqrt{(n+2)^2}}{\sqrt{n-1} + \sqrt{n}}.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, let us factor out n from the numerator and $n\sqrt{n}$ from the denominator.

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-n}{n\sqrt{n}} \cdot \frac{1}{-4-7/n} \frac{\sqrt{1-3/n^2} + (1+2/n)}{\sqrt{1-1/n} + 1} = 0 \cdot \frac{1}{-4-0} \cdot \frac{1+1+0}{1-0+1} = 0$$

2. (a)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-2)^n + 3^n}{(-2)^{n+1} + 3^{n+1}}$$

Řešení: Let us factor out the greatest term:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-2)^n + 3^n}{(-2)^{n+1} + 3^{n+1}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^n}{3^{n+1}} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{-2}{3}\right)^n + 1}{\left(\frac{-2}{3}\right)^{n+1} + 1} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{0+1}{0+1} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

(b)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1^n + 2^n + 3^n + 4^n + 5^n}{5,0001^n}$$

Řešení: We can factor out $5,0001^n$ or just split into five fractions and apply the Arithmetics limit theorem:

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1^n + 2^n + 3^n + 4^n + 5^n}{5,0001^n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \left(\frac{1}{5,0001} \right)^n + \left(\frac{2}{5,0001} \right)^n + \\
&+ \left(\frac{3}{5,0001} \right)^n + \left(\frac{4}{5,0001} \right)^n + \left(\frac{5}{5,0001} \right)^n = 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 = 0,
\end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^n + n^5 + (n+1)!}{n(n^6 + n!)}$$

Řešení: The greatest term is factorial, hence:

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{3^n + n^5 + (n+1)!}{n(n^6 + n!)} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{(n+1)! \frac{3^n}{n!} + \frac{n^5}{n!} + 1}{n(n!) \frac{n^6}{n!} + 1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{n+1 \frac{3^n}{n!} + \frac{n^5}{n!} + 1}{n \frac{n^6}{n!} + 1} \\
&= 1 \cdot \frac{0+0+1}{0+1} = 1.
\end{aligned}$$

(d)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n + n^3 + \frac{1}{n} + e^n + 5^n}{\ln_{10} n + n^4 + 5^n + n^3 + 4^n}$$

Řešení: We factor out 5^n :

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5^n \frac{\ln n}{5^n} + \frac{n^3}{5^n} + \frac{1}{5^n} + \frac{e^n}{5^n} + \frac{5^n}{5^n}}{5^n \frac{\ln_{10} n}{5^n} + \frac{n^4}{5^n} + \frac{5^n}{5^n} + \frac{n^3}{5^n} + \frac{4^n}{5^n}} \stackrel{V_{OAL}}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{0+0+0+0+1}{0+0+1+0+0} = 1$$

(e)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+2)! + (n+1)!}{(n+2)! - (n+1)!}$$

Řešení: Let us factor out $(n+1)!$:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+2)! + (n+1)!}{(n+2)! - (n+1)!} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)! \cdot (n+2) + 1}{(n+1)! \cdot (n+2) - 1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+3}{n+1} = \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n} \cdot \frac{1+3/n}{1+1/n} &\stackrel{VOAL}{=} 1 \end{aligned}$$

3. True or false? (Divergent can mean both tending to infinity or oscillating.)

(a) Let x_n be convergent sequence and y_n be divergent sequence. Decide if sequences a) $x_n + y_n$, b) $x_n y_n$ are divergent.

Solution: a) True. b) False, $x_n = \frac{1}{n}$, $y_n = n$, then $x_n y_n = 1$, which is convergent sequence.

(b) Let x_n a y_n be divergent sequences. Decide if sequences a) $x_n + y_n$, b) $x_n y_n$ are divergent.

Solution: Both are false. Let $x_n = (-1)^n$, $y_n = (-1)^{n+1}$, then $x_n + y_n = 0$ a $x_n y_n = -1$, which both are convergent.

(c) Let $\lim x_n = 0$ a y_n be an arbitrary sequence. Decide if $\lim(x_n y_n) = 0$?

Solution: False. Let $x_n = \frac{1}{n}$ and $y_n = n$. Then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n y_n = 1$.

(d) Let $\lim(x_n y_n) = 0$. Decide if either $\lim x_n = 0$ or $\lim y_n = 0$?

Solution: False. Let us consider x_n such that $x_n = 1$ for even n and $y_n = 0$ for odd n . Further let y_n be similar, with $y_n = 0$ for even n and $y_n = 1$ for odd n . Then $x_n y_n = 0$ for all n (and of course $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n y_n = 0$, but $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n$ does not exist.