

Recall from Last Time:

A sequence is a list of numbers
eg $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} = \left\{\frac{1}{2^n}\right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is the list
 $\frac{1}{2^1}, \frac{1}{2^2}, \frac{1}{2^3}, \frac{1}{2^4}, \dots$

A series is the sum of terms in a sequence

eg $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \frac{1}{2^4} + \dots$

We saw that this sum gets closer and closer
to $\boxed{1}$ as we add more terms,

while the terms themselves approach $\boxed{0}$.

Vocabulary

A sequence is bounded if there exist real numbers a and b such that terms of sequence all lie between a & b

a - "floor"

b - "ceiling"

all terms lie btw them


never bigger than b

never smaller than a

A sequence is monotonic if it's never decreasing or if it's never increasing

eg. 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4 never dec, so monotonic

eg. 1 2 1 2 1 2 not monotonic



A sequence $\{a_n\}$ converges if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$
for some real number L ,
diverges otherwise.

Theorem

Every bounded, monotonic
sequence converges.

e.g. Box of money, you never take any out,
it never has more than \$1000

a_n : amt \$ in box at time n

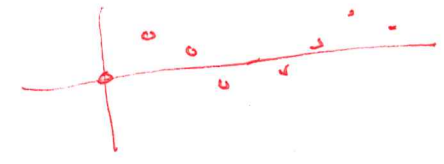
$\{a_n\}$ bounded: $0 \leq a_n \leq 1000$ for all n

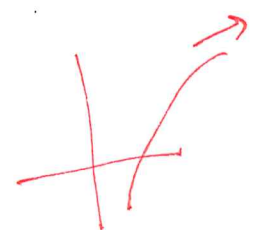
$\{a_n\}$ monotonic: never take money out, ie
 $\{a_n\}$ never decreases

So $\{a_n\}$ converges

function	bdd?	mono?	conv?
$\{a_n\} = \{\sin n\}$	Y	N	N
$\{b_n\} = \{\ln n\}$	N	Y	N
$\{c_n\} = \{e^{-n}\} = \{\frac{1}{e^n}\}$	Y	Y	Y
$\{d_n\} = \{\frac{\sin n}{n}\}$	Y	N	Y

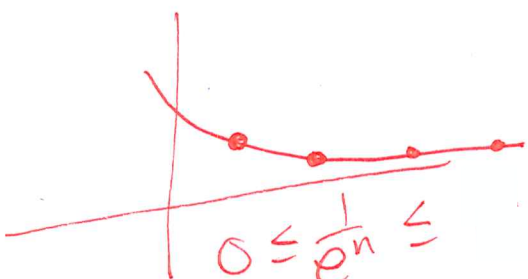
a_n : $-1 \leq \sin n \leq 1$



b_n :  increasing

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln n = \infty$

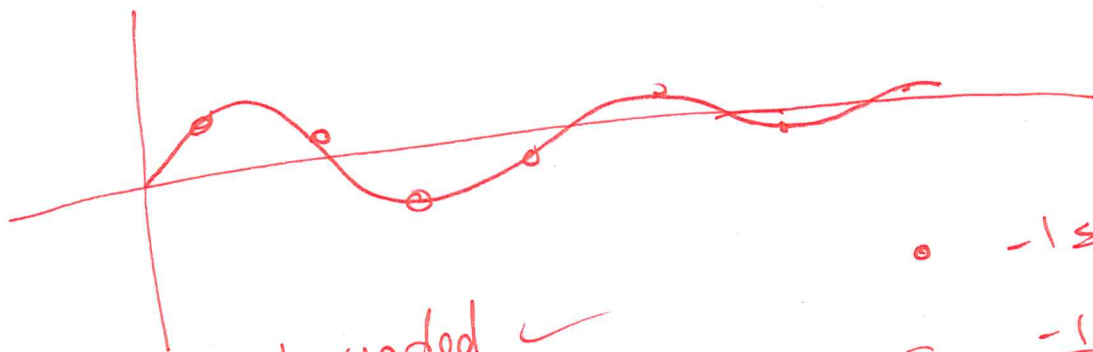
n starts at some finite value n_0

c_n :  decreasing

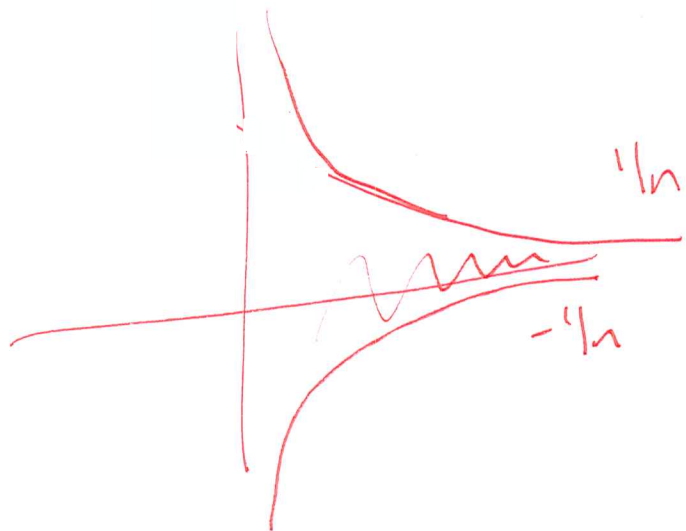
$0 \leq \frac{1}{e^n} \leq \frac{1}{e^{n_0}}$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{-n} = 0$

d_n



bounded ✓
monotonic X



- $-1 \leq \sin n \leq 1$

So $-\frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{\sin n}{n} \leq \frac{1}{n}$

- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-1}{n} = 0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n}$

So by squeeze
theorem,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin n}{n} = 0$$

A geometric sequence has a common ratio between its terms

e.g. $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{32}, \dots$ $\left\{ \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \right\}$

$\frac{1/4}{1/2} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$

$\frac{1/8}{1/4} = \frac{4}{8} = \frac{1}{2}$

$\frac{1/16}{1/8} = \frac{8}{16} = \frac{1}{2}$

$\frac{1/32}{1/16} = \frac{16}{32} = \frac{1}{2}$

Recursively:

$$a_0 = a$$

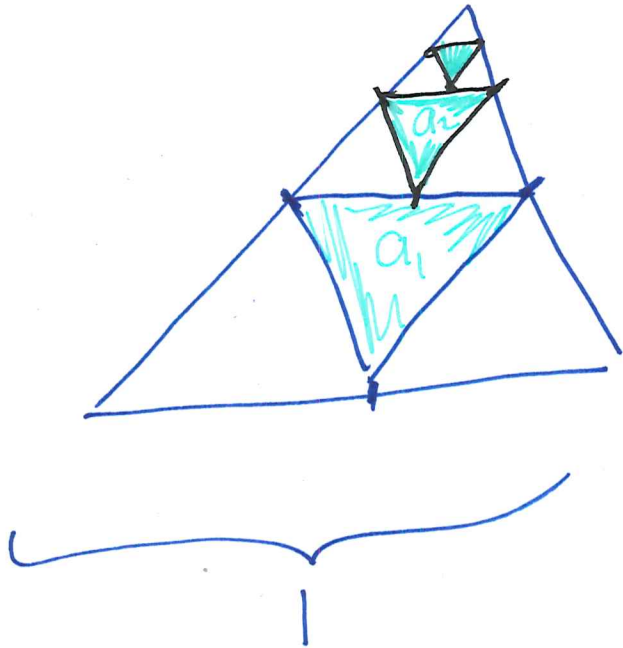
$$a_n = r a_{n-1}$$

ratio: r

Explicit:

$$a_n = a r^n$$

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$$a_1 = \frac{1}{4}$$

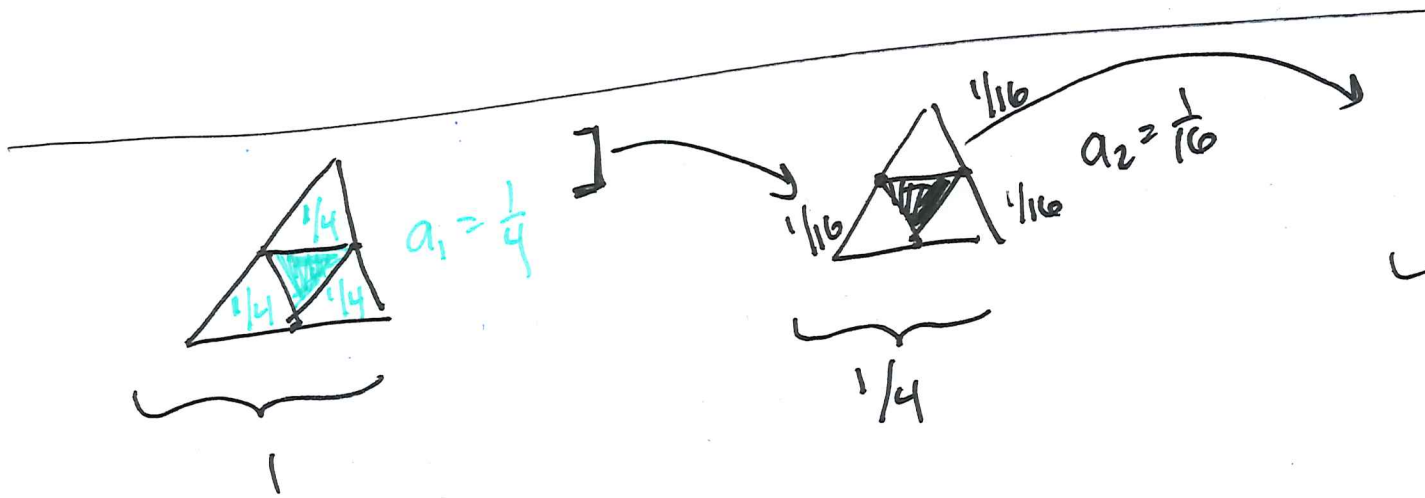
$$a_2 = \frac{1}{16}$$

$$a_3 = \frac{1}{64}$$

$$r = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$a_n = 1 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n = \frac{1}{4^n}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{16}\right) = \frac{1}{64}$$



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Computer storage (avg machine)
increases 40% per year

$t=0$: avg storage 1 GB

$\{a_t\}$: storage year t

$$a_t = a_{t-1} + 0.4a_{t-1} = 1.4a_{t-1}$$

So: $a_t = (1.4)^t$

$$a_0 = 1.4^0 = 1 \quad \text{GB}$$

$$a_1 = 1.4^1 = 1.4 \quad \text{GB}$$

$$a_2 = 1.4^2 \quad \text{GB}$$

\vdots

$$r = 1.4$$

Partial Sums (sequence)

Given a sequence $\{a_n\}$, its sequence of partial sums $\{S_n\}$ is:

$$S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k$$

S_n : sum of all terms up to n^{th}

eg. $\{a_n\} = \{1\}$

a_n : 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, ...

S_n : 1, 2, 3, 4, ...
↓ ↓ ↓ ↓
 a_1 a_1+a_2 $a_1+a_2+a_3$ $a_1+a_2+a_3+a_4$

partial sums

(ex)

$$\{a_n\} = \left\{ \frac{1}{2^n} \right\}$$

$$\{s_n\}$$

partial sums:

$$S_N = \sum_{n=1}^N a_n$$

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$a_3 = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$a_4 = \frac{1}{16}$$

$$a_5 = \frac{1}{32}$$

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$$a_n = \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$s_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

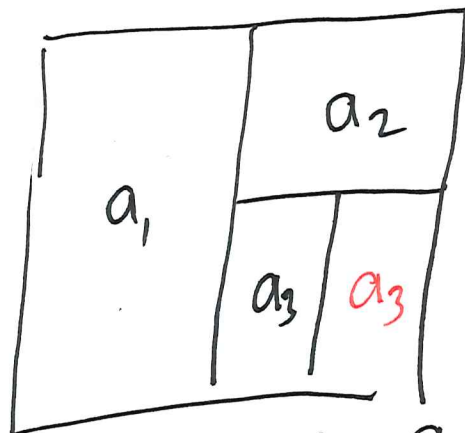
$$s_2 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$s_3 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} = 1 - \frac{1}{8} = \frac{7}{8}$$

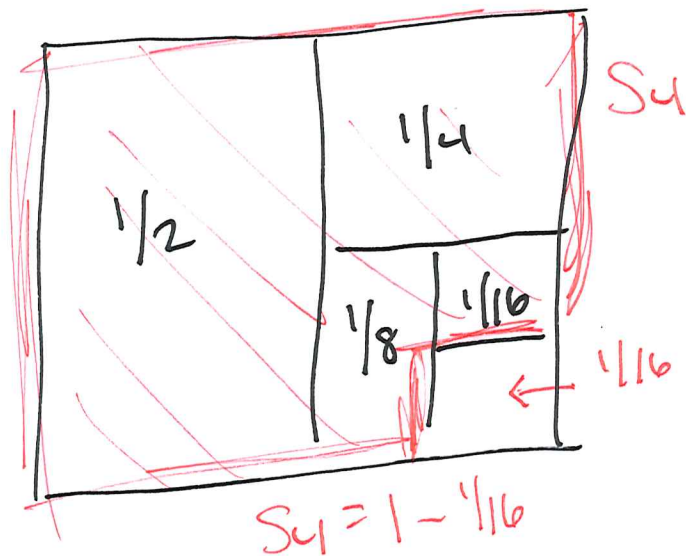
$$s_4 = \frac{15}{16} = 1 - \frac{1}{16}$$

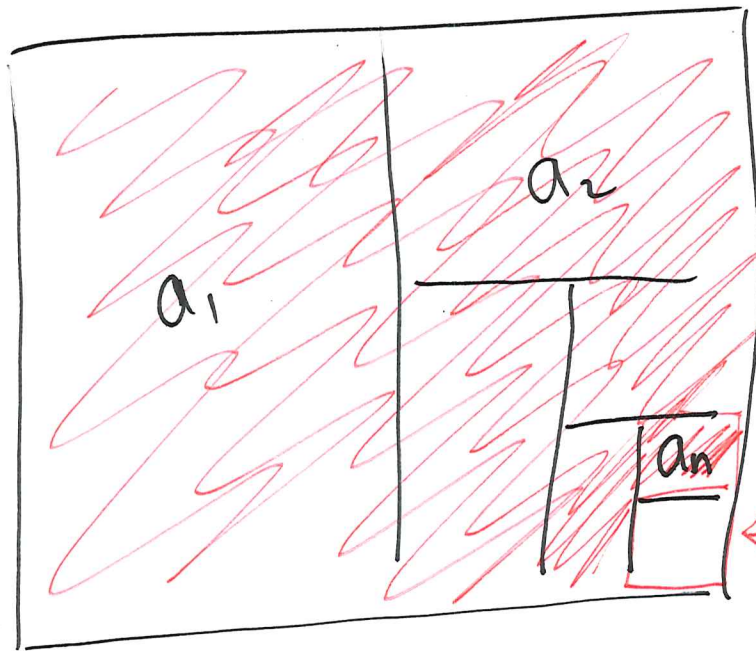
$$s_5 = 1 - \frac{1}{32} = \frac{31}{32}$$

$$s_n = 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}$$



$$a_1 + a_2 + a_3 = 1 - a_3 = 1 - \frac{1}{8}$$





$$S_n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$$

$$= 1 - a_n =$$

$$\boxed{1 - \frac{1}{2^n}}$$

Sequence: size of tiles $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{32}, \dots$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

Sequence of partial sums: $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{7}{8}, \frac{15}{16}, \frac{31}{32}, \dots$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = 1$

(ex)

Suppose $S_N = \sum_{k=1}^N a_k = N^2 + 1$

• What is a_{100} ?

• What is a_1 ?

• What is a_n ?

$$a_{100} = 199$$

$$a_1 = 2$$

$$S_1 = \sum_{k=1}^1 a_k = a_1 = 1^2 + 1 = 2$$

$$S_2 = \sum_{k=1}^2 a_k = a_1 + a_2 = 2^2 + 1$$

$$\begin{array}{r} a_1 + a_2 = 5 \\ a_1 = 2 \\ \hline a_2 = 3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} S_{100} \\ \downarrow \\ 100^2 + 1 \end{array} \quad - \quad \begin{array}{r} S_{99} \\ \downarrow \\ 99^2 + 1 \end{array} = \begin{array}{l} (a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{99} + a_{100}) \\ - (a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{99}) \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= a_{100} \\ &= (100^2 + 1) - (99^2 + 1) \\ &= 100^2 - 99^2 \\ &= (100 + 99)(100 - 99) \\ &= 199 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= S_n - S_{n-1} = (n^2 + 1) - ((n-1)^2 + 1) \\ &= n^2 - (n-1)^2 = (n+(n-1))\cancel{(n-(n-1))} \\ &= \textcircled{2n-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 &= 2 \\ a_2 &= 3 \\ a_3 &= 5 \\ a_4 &= 7 \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$