

1. Can you find a sequence $\{a_n\}$ of real numbers where there are infinitely many n with $a_n > \limsup a_n$?
2. (a) Given a sequence $\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ of real numbers, can you find a sequence, say, $\{a_n\}$ with $E = \{\text{limit points of } \{a_n\}\} = \{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$?
Hint: First consider E not closed, and then consider E closed.
(b) Can you find a sequence $\{a_n\}$ of real numbers where $E = \{\text{limit points of } \{a_n\}\} = \mathbb{R}$?
3. Let $a_n, b_n \in \mathbb{R}$. Is it true that $\limsup a_n b_n = \limsup a_n \limsup b_n$? What if a_n and b_n are non-negative? Can you prove or disprove any inequality?
4. Given a sequence $\{a_n\}$, let $\mathcal{A} = \{\{a_{n_k}\}; \{a_{n_k}\} \text{ a subsequence of } \{a_n\}\}$. What are the possible cardinalities of \mathcal{A} ?
5. Rudin's definition of the limit supremum is

$$\limsup a_n = \sup E$$

with E the set of limit points of $\{a_n\}$. Show this is equivalent to the following definition

$$\limsup a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{k \geq n} a_k.$$

Hint: $\sup_{k \geq n} a_k$ decreasing in n . Remark: This second definition is often easier in practice.

6. Given a sequence of real numbers $\{a_n\}$, let $A = \{\{a_{n_k}\}\}$ i.e., the family of subsequences. Is A countable or uncountable?
7. Suppose $a_n > 0, a_n \rightarrow a > 0, 0 < \lambda < \frac{1}{a}$ and show

$$\sum_0^{\infty} \lambda^n (a_0 a_1 \dots a_n)$$

converges absolutely. (hint : compare to a geometric series).

8. In a metric space, show $\{a_n\}$ converges iff every subsequence $\{a_{n_k}\}$ has a further convergent subsequence $\{a_{n_{k_j}}\}$.
9. Suppose X is a complete metric space, and $\{G_n\}$ is a family of open sets, and each G_n is dense, i.e. $\bar{G}_n = X$. Show $\bigcap G_n$ is nonempty.