

## Chapter 3 : Numerical sequences

### Exercise 1

Let be  $(U_n)$  a number sequence, and  $(V_n)$ ,  $(W_n)$  two subsequences such that :

$$V_n = U_{2n} \text{ and } W_n = U_{2n+1}$$

Show that :  $(\lim U_n = l) \Leftrightarrow (\lim V_n = l \text{ et } \lim W_n = l)$ .

Then deduce that, if :  $(U_{2n})$ ,  $(U_{2n+1})$ ,  $(U_{3n})$  converge, then :  $(U_n)$

converges too.

### Exercise 2

Using the definition, show that :

$$\lim \frac{n+1}{2n+1} = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \lim \frac{n-1}{n+1} = 1, \quad \lim \sqrt{n^2 + n + 1} = +\infty$$

### Exercise 3

Find the limit of the following sequences when it exists :

$$1) U_n = \frac{n^2 + 1}{2n^3 - 1}, \quad 2) U_n = \frac{an + b}{cn + d}, \quad 3) U_n = \sqrt{n} - \sqrt{n+1}$$

$$4) U_n = \prod_{k=2}^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{k}\right), \quad 5) U_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{2^k}, \quad 6) U_n = \frac{\sin n}{n}$$

$$7) U_n = \cos(n) \sin\left(\frac{1}{n}\right), \quad 8) U_n = n \sin\left(\frac{1}{n}\right), \quad 9) U_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{n+k}$$

$$10) U_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{k}{n}\right)^2, \quad 11) U_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{n^2 + k}}, \quad 12) U_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{n}{n^2 + k}$$

$$13) U_n = (-1)^n - \frac{1}{n}.$$

### Exercise 4

1. Demonstrate that the sequence defined by :  $U_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k}$  is not a Cauchy one .

Deduce then that the sequence of the general term :  $V_n = \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{1}{\ln(k)}$  is not convergent.

2. Show that the sequence defined by :  $U_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\sin k}{2^k}$  is a Cauchy one.

3. Same question as in 2. for the following sequence, defined by its general term :

$$U_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k^2}$$

**Exercise 5**                      **The Fibonacci sequence**

Let the sequence  $(U_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  defined by :

$$\begin{cases} \forall n \in \mathbb{N} : U_{n+2} = U_{n+1} + U_n \\ U_0 = 0 \quad U_1 = 1 \end{cases}$$

1. Show that :  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : U_{n+2}U_n - U_{n+1}^2 = (-1)^{n+1}$
2. Verify that  $\frac{U_{n+1}}{U_n}$  ( $n > 0$ ), might be written in the form :  $w_{n+1} = f(w_n)$
3. Show that :  $\left(\frac{U_{n+1}}{U_n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}$  converges, then find its limit.

**Exercise 6**

Discuss the following sequences :

1.  $U_0 \in \mathbb{R}, U_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{U_n^2 + 12}$
2.  $U_0 \in \mathbb{R}_+, U_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2U_n + 3}$                       (Additional)
3.  $U_0 \in \mathbb{R}, U_{n+1} = \frac{U_n}{U_n^2 + 1}$
4.  $U_0 \in \mathbb{R}, U_0 \neq 1, U_{n+1} = \frac{U_n^2 + 1}{U_n - 1}$
5.  $U_0 = 3, U_{n+1} = 1 + \frac{1}{U_n - 1}$
6.  $U_0 = \sqrt{2}, U_{n+1} = \sqrt{2 + U_n}$                       (Additional)