

\mathcal{M}^2 -Computable Real Numbers

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We start with proving that, for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we have $x_n + (n+1)^{-1} \geq e^\eta$, i.e. $x_{n,i_n} \geq e^\eta$. This is clear in the case of $x_{n,i_n} = a$. Consider now an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_{n,i_n} \neq a$. By the definition of i_n , the inequality $y_{n,i_n} \geq y_{\tilde{n}} + \frac{1}{2a(n+1)}$ holds. Then $\ln x_{n,i_n} \geq y_{n,i_n} - \frac{1}{4a(n+1)} \geq y_{\tilde{n}} + \frac{1}{4a(n+1)} \geq \eta$, hence $x_{n,i_n} \geq e^\eta$.

It is sufficient now to prove that $e^\eta \geq x_n - (n+1)^{-1}$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$. This inequality clearly holds if $i_n \leq 1$, since then $x_{n,i_n} \leq \frac{2}{n+1}$, hence $x_n - (n+1)^{-1} \leq 0 < e^\eta$.

Suppose now that $i_n > 1$. Then, again by the definition of i_n , the inequality $y_{n,i_n-1} < y_{\tilde{n}} + \frac{1}{2a(n+1)}$ holds. Therefore $\ln x_{n,i_n-1} \leq y_{n,i_n-1} + \frac{1}{4a(n+1)} < y_{\tilde{n}} + \frac{3}{4a(n+1)} \leq \eta + \frac{1}{a(n+1)}$, hence $\eta > \ln x_{n,i_n-1} - \frac{1}{a(n+1)}$. Since $x_{n,i_n-2} < x_{n,i_n-1} < a$, we have $\ln x_{n,i_n-1} - \ln x_{n,i_n-2} > \frac{1}{a}(x_{n,i_n-1} - x_{n,i_n-2}) = \frac{1}{a(n+1)}$, hence $\eta > \ln x_{n,i_n-2}$ and therefore $e^\eta > x_{n,i_n-2} = x_n - (n+1)^{-1}$.

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Conclusion

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