

2016-8 Limit

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$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cos^{2016}(\pi \sqrt{n^2 + 4n + 9}) &\stackrel{(1)}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cos^{2016}(\pi(\sqrt{n^2 + 4n + 9} - (n+2))) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cos^{2016}(\pi(\sqrt{n^2 + 4n + 9} - \sqrt{n^2 + 4n + 4})) \\ &\stackrel{(2)}{=} \cos^{2016}(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \pi(\sqrt{n^2 + 4n + 9} - \sqrt{n^2 + 4n + 4})) \stackrel{(3)}{=} \cos^{2016} 0 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

(1) \cos^{2016} is periodic function with period π

(2) \cos^{2016} is continuous function. Therefore, order of limit can be changed.

$$(3) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n^2 + 4n + 9} - \sqrt{n^2 + 4n + 4} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5}{\sqrt{n^2 + 4n + 9} + \sqrt{n^2 + 4n + 4}} = 0$$