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Chapter 1 The real number system (\mathbb{R}).

1.2 Ordered Field Axioms

Postulate 1 (Field Axioms).

There are functions $+$ and \cdot defined on $\mathbb{R}^2 := \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$, which satisfy the following properties for every $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$:

- (A) $a+b$ and $a \cdot b \in \mathbb{R}$ (Closure properties)
- (B) $a+(b+c) = (a+b)+c$ and $a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c$. (Associative properties)
- (C) $a+b = b+a$ and $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$ (Commutative properties)
- (D) $a \cdot (b+c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$. (Distributive Law).
- (E) There is a unique element $0 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $0+a = a+0 = a, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$. (Existence of the Additive Identity).
- (F) There is a unique element $1 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $1 \neq 0$ and $1 \cdot a = a, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$. (Existence of the Multiplicative Identity).

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(G) For every $x \in \mathbb{R}$, there is a unique element $-x \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$x + (-x) = 0 \quad (\text{Additive Inverses}).$$

(H) $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$, there is a unique $x^{-1} \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $x \cdot (x^{-1}) = 1$ (Multiplicative Inverses)

(H.W) From postulate 1, we can derive the following

$$(1) \quad (-1)^2 = 1$$

$$(2) \quad 0 \cdot a = 0, \quad -a = (-1) \cdot a, \quad -(-a) = a, \quad \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(3) \quad -(a-b) = b-a, \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$(4) \quad \text{If } a, b \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } ab = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0 \text{ or } b = 0.$$

Postulate 2 (Order Axioms)

there is a relation on $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ that has the following properties:

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(i) $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, one and only one of the following statements holds:

$a < b$, $b < a$, or $a = b$ (Trichotomy Property).

(ii) $\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$,

$a < b$ and $b < c \Rightarrow a < c$

(Transitive Property)

(iii) $\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$,

$a < b$ and $c \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow a + c < b + c$

(The additive Property).

(iv) $\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$,

$a < b$ and $c > 0 \Rightarrow ac < bc$

and $a < b$ and $c < 0 \Rightarrow bc < ac$

(The Multiplicative Properties).

Rmk. $a \leq b$ means $a < b$ or $a = b$.

$a < b < c$ means $a < b$ and $b < c$

ex. $2 < x < 1$ makes no sense at all.

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- $a \in \mathbb{R}$ is nonnegative if $a \geq 0$ and positive if $a > 0$.

Rmk. the real number system \mathbb{R} contains the following special subsets:

- (1) The set of natural numbers

$$\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$$

- (2) the set of integers

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -3, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

- (3) Rationals (Fractions or quotients)

$$\mathbb{Q} := \left\{ \frac{m}{n} : m, n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \neq 0 \right\}$$

Equality in \mathbb{Q} is defined as

$$\frac{m}{n} = \frac{p}{q} \Leftrightarrow mq = np.$$

Notice that $\mathbb{N} \subset \mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{R}$.

- (4) Irrationals $\mathbb{Q}^c = \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$.

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Rmk. The sets \mathbb{N} and \mathbb{Z} satisfy the following properties

(i) If $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$, then $m+n$ and $mn \in \mathbb{Z}$.

(ii) If $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, then $n \in \mathbb{N} \Leftrightarrow n \geq 1$.

(iii) There is no $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ that satisfies $0 < n < 1$.

Ex. (H.W.) Prove that \mathbb{Q} satisfies Postulate 1

Ex. If $a \in \mathbb{R}$, prove that

$$a \neq 0 \Rightarrow a^2 > 0.$$

In particular, $-1 < 0 < 1$.

Proof. Suppose that $a \neq 0$. By the Trichotomy property, either $a > 0$ or $a < 0$.

Case 1. $a > 0 \Rightarrow a \cdot a > 0 \cdot a$
 $\Rightarrow a^2 > 0$

Case 2. $a < 0 \Rightarrow a \cdot a > 0 \cdot a$
 $\Rightarrow a^2 > 0$

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This proves $a^2 > 0$, when $a \neq 0$.

$$\text{Since } 1 \neq 0 \Rightarrow 1 = 1^2 > 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{1 > 0}.$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + (-1) > 0 + (-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{0 > -1}$$

We conclude that $-1 < 0 < 1$ (by Transitive property)

Ex. (H.w): ① If $a \in \mathbb{R}$, prove that

$$0 < a < 1 \Rightarrow 0 < a^2 < a$$

and $a > 1 \Rightarrow a^2 > a$.

② $0 \leq a < b$ and $0 \leq c < d \Rightarrow ac < bd$.

③ $0 \leq a < b \Rightarrow 0 \leq a^2 \leq b^2$ and
 $0 \leq \sqrt{a} \leq \sqrt{b}$

④ $0 < a < b \Rightarrow \frac{1}{a} > \frac{1}{b} > 0$.

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Df (the absolute value)

$$|a| := \begin{cases} a, & a \geq 0 \\ -a, & a < 0. \end{cases}$$

is called the absolute value of a number $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

Example. Prove that $|ab| = |a||b|$, $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.
That is, the absolute value is multiplicative

Proof. We consider 4 cases.

Case 1. $a = 0$ or $b = 0$. Then $ab = 0$,
so by def'n, $|ab| = 0 = |a||b|$

Case 2. $a > 0$ and $b > 0$. Then

$ab > 0$. Hence by definition,

$$|ab| = ab = |a||b|.$$

Case 3. $a > 0$ and $b < 0$, or, $b > 0$ and $a < 0$.

we prove it for $a > 0$ and $b < 0$ then by reversing the roles of a and b , we can prove it for $a < 0$ and $b > 0$.

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Suppose $a > 0$ and $b < 0$, then $ab < 0 \cdot b = 0$

Hence, by definition, HW ② page 2, associativity, and commutativity,

$$|ab| = -(ab) = (-1)(ab) = a(-1)b = a(-b) = |a||b|.$$

Case 4, $a < 0$ and $b < 0$. then

$ab > 0 \cdot b = 0$, hence, by def'n,

$$|ab| = ab = (-1)^2(ab) = (-a)(-b) = |a||b|$$

Theorem ① (Fundamental Thm of Absolute Values).

Let $a \in \mathbb{R}$ and $M \geq 0$. then $|a| \leq M \Leftrightarrow -M \leq a \leq M$.

Proof: (\Rightarrow) Suppose that $|a| \leq M$. multiplying by -1 , we have $-|a| \geq -M$.

Case 1. $a \geq 0$. By def'n, $|a| = a$. Thus by

hypothesis $-M \leq 0 \leq a = |a| \leq M$.

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Case 2. $a < 0$. By def'n, $|a| = -a$. Thus by hypothesis,

$$-M \leq -|a| = a < 0 \leq M.$$

This proves that $-M \leq a \leq M$ in either case.

(\Leftarrow) Conversely, if $-M \leq a \leq M$, then

$a \leq M$ and $-M \leq a$. multiply the second inequality by -1 , we have $-a \leq M$.

Consequently $|a| = a \leq M$ if $a \geq 0$;

and $|a| = -a \leq M$ if $a < 0$.

this proves that $|a| \leq M, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$. \square

Ex. (H.w) One can prove that

$$|a| < M \Leftrightarrow -M < a < M, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}, M > 0.$$

Thm 2. The absolute value satisfies

(i) $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}, |a| \geq 0$ with $|a| = 0 \Leftrightarrow a = 0$
(Positive Definite).

(ii) $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}, |a-b| = |b-a|$. (Symmetric).

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(ii) $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, $|a+b| \leq |a|+|b|$ and
 $||a|-|b|| \leq |a-b|$. (Triangle Inequality)

Proof. (i) If $a \geq 0$, then $|a| = a \geq 0$.

If $a < 0$, then by def'n and the second
multiplicative property, $|a| = -a = (-1)a > 0$.

Thus, $|a| \geq 0$, $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$.

If $|a| = 0$, then by def'n $a = |a| = 0$ when $a \geq 0$
and $a = -|a| = 0$ when $a < 0$. Thus,

$|a| = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$. Conversely, $|0| = 0$
by def'n.

(ii) We proved $|ab| = |a||b|$, $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$\text{Now, } |a-b| = |(-1)(b-a)| = |-1||b-a| \\ = |b-a|.$$

(iii) To prove the first inequality,

notice that $|x| \leq |x|$, $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$.

thus, $-|x| \leq x \leq |x|$ (Thm 1).

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So, we have $-|a| \leq a \leq |a|$ and $-|b| \leq b \leq |b|$

Adding these inequalities, we obtain

$$-(|a| + |b|) \leq a + b \leq |a| + |b|.$$

Hence by Thm 1 again, $|a + b| \leq |a| + |b|$.

To prove the second inequality, apply the first inequality to $(a - b) + b$. We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |a| - |b| &= |(a - b) + b| - |b| \\ &\leq |a - b| + |b| - |b| = |a - b|. \end{aligned} \quad \text{--- (}\alpha\text{)}$$

By reversing the roles of a and b and applying part (i), we obtain

$$|b| - |a| \leq |b - a| = |a - b|.$$

$$\Rightarrow |a| - |b| \geq -|a - b| \quad \text{--- (}\beta\text{)}$$

Combining (α) and (β) :

$$-|a - b| \leq |a| - |b| \leq |a - b|$$

We conclude by Thm 1 $||a| - |b|| \leq |a - b|$. 

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Warning. Some students mistakenly mis
absolute values and the Additive property
to conclude that $b < c \Rightarrow |a+b| < |a+c|$.

For example, $-5 < -1$ but $|-5+2| \not< |-1+2|$

Ex. Prove that if $-2 < x < 1$, then $|x^2 - x| < 6$.

Proof. By hypothesis, $|x| < 2$. Hence by the
triangle inequality,

$$|x^2 - x| \leq |x|^2 + |x| < 4 + 2 = 6. \quad \square$$

Thm(3). Let $x, y, a \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$(i) \quad x < y + \varepsilon, \forall \varepsilon > 0 \Leftrightarrow x \leq y.$$

$$(ii) \quad x > y - \varepsilon, \forall \varepsilon > 0 \Leftrightarrow x \geq y.$$

$$(iii) \quad |a| < \varepsilon, \forall \varepsilon > 0 \Leftrightarrow a = 0.$$

Proof. (i) (\Rightarrow) Suppose to the contrary that $x < y + \varepsilon$,
 $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ but $x > y$. Set $\varepsilon_0 = x - y$
and observe that $y + \varepsilon_0 = x$.

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Hence by the Trichotomy Property, x cannot be smaller than $y + \varepsilon_0$. This contradicts the hypothesis for $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_0$. Thus, $x \leq y$.

(\Leftarrow) Conversely, suppose that $x \leq y$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ is given. Either $x < y$ or $x = y$.

Case 1. If $x < y$, then $x + 0 < y + 0 < y + \varepsilon$ by the additive and Transitive Property.

Case 2. If $x = y$, then $x < y + \varepsilon$ by the Additive Property. Thus, in either case, $x < y + \varepsilon, \forall \varepsilon > 0$.

(ii) Suppose that $x > y - \varepsilon, \forall \varepsilon > 0$. This is equivalent to $-x < -y + \varepsilon$, hence by part (i), equivalent to $-x \leq -y$. This is equivalent to $x \geq y$ by the second Multiplicative Property.

(iii) Suppose that $|a| < \varepsilon = 0 + \varepsilon, \forall \varepsilon > 0$. By part (i), this is equivalent to $|a| \leq 0$.

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Since it is always the case that $|a| \geq 0$, we conclude by the Trichotomy Property that $|a| = 0$. Therefore $a = 0$ by Thm (2) (i).

Conversely, if $a = 0$ and $\varepsilon > 0$, then

$$|a| = |0| = 0 < \varepsilon. \quad \square$$

Rmk. let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. A closed interval is a set of the form

$$[a, b] := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a \leq x \leq b\}.$$

$$[a, \infty) := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \geq a\}.$$

$$(-\infty, b] := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \leq b\}.$$

or $(-\infty, \infty) := \mathbb{R}$.

Open interval

$$(a, b) := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a < x < b\}$$

$$(a, \infty) := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > a\}$$

$$(-\infty, b) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x < b\}.$$

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By an interval, we mean a closed interval, an open interval, or a set of the form $[a, b)$, $(a, b]$.

- An interval I is bounded iff it has the form $[a, b]$, (a, b) , $[a, b)$, or $(a, b]$ for $-\infty < a \leq b < \infty$. a and b are called the endpoints of I . All other intervals will be unbounded.

If $a = b$, then I is said to be degenerate and it is nondegenerate if $a < b$.

- The length of a bounded interval I with endpoints a, b is defined to be

$$|I| := |b - a|, \text{ and the distance}$$

between any two points $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ is defined by $|a - b|$.

1.3 Completeness Axiom

Df ①. Let $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be a nonempty set. Then

(i) E is said to be bounded above iff

\exists an $M \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $x \leq M, \forall x \in E$,

in this case, M is called an upper bound of E .

(ii) A number β is called a supremum of E

iff β is an upper bound of E and $\beta \leq M$

for all upper bounds M of E . Here, we

say E has a finite supremum and write

$$\boxed{\text{Sup } E = \beta.}$$

Remarks. (1) By the last definition, $\text{Sup } E$ (when it exists) is the smallest (least) upper bound of E .

(2) In order to prove $\text{sup } E = \beta$ for some $E \subset \mathbb{R}$

we must show two things:

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(i) β is an upperbound of E .

(ii) β is the smallest upperbound, that is, if M is any upperbound of E , then $\beta \leq M$.

Ex. Let $E = [0, 1]$, prove that $\sup E = 1$.

Proof. By the definition of interval, 1 is an upperbound of E . Let M be any upper bound of E , that is, $x \leq M, \forall x \in E$. Since $1 \in E$ it follows that $M \geq 1$. Thus 1 is the smallest upperbound of E . \square

Ex. Let $E_1 = \mathbb{R}^- = \{x : x < 0\}$, $E_2 = \mathbb{Z}^- = \{\dots, -3, -2, -1\}$
then $\sup E_1 = 0$, $\sup E_2 = -1$.

Question. How many upperbounds and suprema can a given set have?

Ans. ① If a set has one upper bound, it has infinitely many upper bounds.

Proof. If M_0 is an upperbound for a set E , then

So is M for any $M > M_0$. ■

(2) If a set E has a sup β (i.e, $\sup E = \beta$), then it is unique.

Proof. Let β_1 and β_2 be suprema of the same set E , we need to prove that $\beta_1 = \beta_2$.

Then both β_1 and β_2 are upper bounds of E , whence by Def ①, $\beta_1 \leq \beta_2$ and $\beta_2 \leq \beta_1$.

We conclude by the Trichotomy property that $\beta_1 = \beta_2$. ■

Thm ①. [Approximation Property for Suprema].

If E has a finite supremum β and $\epsilon > 0$ is any positive number, then there is a point $x \in E$ such that $\beta - \epsilon < x \leq \beta$.

Proof. Suppose that the theorem is false. Then there is an $\epsilon_0 > 0$ such that no element of E lies between $\beta - \epsilon_0$ and β .

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Since $\beta = \sup E$ is an upper bound of E , it follows that $x \leq \beta - \varepsilon_0$, $\forall x \in E$, i.e., $\beta - \varepsilon_0$ is an upper bound of E .

Thus by def ①, $\beta \leq \beta - \varepsilon_0$. It follows that $\varepsilon_0 \leq 0$, a contradiction. \blacksquare

Thm ②. If $E \subset \mathbb{Z}$ has a supremum, then $\sup E \in \mathbb{Z}$. In particular, if the supremum of a set, which contains only integers, exists, that supremum must be an integer.

Proof. Suppose that $\sup E := \beta$, and apply the Approximation Property to choose an $x_0 \in E$ such that $\beta - 1 < x_0 \leq \beta$.

If $\beta = x_0$, then $\beta \in E$.

If $\beta - 1 < x_0 < \beta$, we can apply the Approximation Property again to choose $x_1 \in E$ such that $x_0 < x_1 < \beta$.

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the last inequality gives $0 < x_1 - x_0 < \beta - x_0$.

Since $-x_0 < 1 - \beta$, it follows that

$$0 < x_1 - x_0 < \beta + (1 - \beta) = 1. \text{ Thus,}$$

$x_1 - x_0 \in \mathbb{Z} \cap (0, 1)$, a contradiction. We

conclude that $\beta \in E$. 

Postulate 3. [Completeness Axiom].

If E is a nonempty subset of \mathbb{R} that is bounded above, then E has a finite supremum.

Rmk. From postulate 1 and 2 (Section 1.2), and Postulate 3 (Section 1.3), we say that \mathbb{R} is a complete ordered field.

Thm (3). (Archimedean property).

Given real numbers a and b , with $a > 0$, there is an integer $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $b < na$.

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Proof. If $b < a$, set $n = 1$.

If $b \geq a$ and $a > 0$. Consider the set

$E = \{k \in \mathbb{N} : ka \leq b\}$. $E \neq \emptyset$ since

$1 \in E$. Let $k \in E$ (i.e., $ka \leq b$). Since

$a > 0$, it follows $k \leq \frac{b}{a}$. This proves

that E is bounded above by $\frac{b}{a}$.

Thus, by the Completeness Axiom and thus,

E has a finite supremum β and $\beta \in E$,

in particular, $\beta \in \mathbb{N}$.

Set $n = \beta + 1$. Then $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $n > \beta$, it

follows that $n \notin E$. Thus, $na > b$. \square

Rmk. $\sup E$ is not always belong to E .

ex. let $A = \{1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \dots\}$, $B = \{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{3}{4}, \dots\}$

prove that $\sup A = \sup B = 1$.

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Proof. It is clear that 1 is an upper bound of both sets. It remains to see that 1 is the smallest upper bound of both sets.

For A , let M be any upper bound of A .

This means that $M \geq a, \forall a \in A$. In

particular, $M \geq 1$. Hence, 1 is the smallest upper bound of A .

For B , let K be any upper bound of B .

Suppose that $K < 1$. This gives $1 - K > 0$.

In particular, $\frac{1}{1-K} \in \mathbb{R}$. By Archimedean

Principle, \exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $n > \frac{1}{1-K}$.

It follows that $x_0 = 1 - \frac{1}{n} > K$. Since

$x_0 \in B$, this contradicts the assumption that

K is an upper bound of B . Thus, $K \geq 1$

and hence 1 is the least upper bound of B .

Thm 2. [Density of Rationals]

The rational numbers \mathbb{Q} are dense in the reals \mathbb{R} , i.e., if $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$, then there is a rational $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $a < q < b$.

Pf. Case 1. Suppose first that $a > 0$. Since $b - a > 0$, use the Archimedean Principle to choose an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\max \left\{ \frac{1}{a}, \frac{1}{b-a} \right\} < n,$$

and observe that $\frac{1}{n} < a$ and $\frac{1}{n} < b - a$.

Consider the set $E := \{k \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{k}{n} \leq a\}$.

Since $1 \in E$, then $E \neq \emptyset$. Since $n > 0$,

E is bounded above by na . Hence,

by Thm 2, $k_0 := \sup E$ exists and $k_0 \in E$,

in particular, $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$.

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Set $m = k_0 + 1$ and $q = \frac{m}{n}$. Since $k_0 = \sup E$,

then $m \notin E$. Thus, $q > a$ ($q = \frac{m}{n} = \frac{k_0 + 1}{n} > a$).

On the other hand, since $k_0 \in E$, it follows that

$$b = a + (b - a) > \frac{k_0}{n} + \frac{1}{n} = \frac{k_0 + 1}{n} = \frac{m}{n} = q$$

thus, \exists a $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ s.t. $a < q < b$ if $a > 0, a < b$.

Case 2.

Suppose $a \leq 0$. By the Archimedean Principle,

\exists an integer $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $-a < k$.

Then $0 < k + a < k + b$, and by Case 1 (the case already proved), there is an $r \in \mathbb{Q}$

s.t., $k + a < r < k + b$. Therefore,

$q := r - k \in \mathbb{Q}$ and satisfies $a < q < b$. 

Exercise (H.W.). If $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$, \exists an irrational η such that $a < \eta < b$.

Infimum of a set

Df ②. Let $E \subset \mathbb{R}$ be nonempty.

(i) The set E is said to be bounded below iff

$\exists m \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $m \leq x, \forall x \in E$, in this case,

m is said to be a lower bound of E

(ii) A number α is called an infimum of the set E iff α is a lower bound of E

and $\alpha \geq \gamma$ for all lower bounds γ of

E . In this case we shall say that E

has an infimum α and write $\inf E = \alpha$

When $\inf E$ exists, it is the greatest lower bound of E .

(iii) E is said to be bounded iff it is bounded above and below. (That is,

$\exists m, M \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $m \leq x \leq M, \forall x \in E$

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OR $\exists M > 0$ s.t., $|x| \leq M, \forall x \in E$.

Ex. prove. A bounded nonempty set E has a unique supremum and unique infimum. Moreover, $\inf E \leq \sup E$. Give necessary and sufficient conditions for equality.

Rmk. When a set E contains its supremum, we write $\max E = \sup E$. Similarly, if $\inf E \in E$, we write $\inf E = \min E$.

Thm 5. [Reflection Principle].

Let $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be nonempty.

(i) E has a supremum iff $-E$ has an infimum, in which case, $\inf(-E) = -\sup E$.

(ii) E has an infimum iff $-E$ has a supremum, in which case, $\sup(-E) = -\inf(E)$.

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Proof The proof of these statements are similar, we prove only (i).

(\Rightarrow) Suppose that $\beta = \sup E$ exists.

Since β is an upper bound of E , $x \leq \beta$, $\forall x \in E$.

This gives $-\beta \leq -x$, $\forall x \in E$, i.e.,

$-\beta$ is a lower bound of $-E$.

Suppose that m is any lower bound of $-E$

then $m \leq -x$, $\forall x \in E$. This implies,

$x \leq -m$, $\forall x \in E$, i.e., $-m$ is an

upper bound of E . Since $\sup E = \beta$,

then $\beta \leq -m$ (i.e., $-\beta \geq m$). Thus,

$-\beta$ is the infimum of $-E$ and

$\sup E = \beta = -(-\beta) = -\inf(-E)$.

(\Leftarrow) Conversely, Suppose that $-E$ has an infimum α . By def'n, $\alpha \leq -x$, $\forall x \in E$.

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thus, $-\alpha$ is an upper bound of E . Since $E \neq \emptyset$, then E has a supremum by the Completeness Axiom. \square

Thm 6. [Monotone Property].

Suppose that $A \subseteq B$ are nonempty sets of \mathbb{R} .

- (i) If B has a supremum, then $\sup A \leq \sup B$.
- (ii) If B has an infimum, then $\inf A \geq \inf B$.

Proof. (i) Since $A \subseteq B$, any upper bound of B is an upper bound of A . Therefore, $\sup B$ is an upper bound of A . It follows that by the Completeness Axiom that $\sup A$ exists. Thus, by def'n of $\sup A$, $\sup A \leq \sup B$.

(ii) Since $A \subseteq B$, then $-A \subseteq -B$. By part (i), $\sup(-A) \leq \sup(-B)$.

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By thm 5, we have $-\inf A \leq -\inf B$

$$\Rightarrow \inf A \geq \inf B. \quad \square$$

Thm 7. (Approximation Property for infima.)

If a set $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ has a finite infimum α and $\varepsilon > 0$ is any positive number, then there is a point $x \in E$ such that

$$\alpha + \varepsilon > x \geq \alpha$$

Proof. Exercise 1.3.6(a).

Completeness Property For Infima

If $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is nonempty and bounded below, then E has a finite infimum.

Proof. Exercise 1.3.6(b).

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- The extended real numbers
 $\overline{\mathbb{R}} := \mathbb{R} \cup \{\pm\infty\}.$

Thus, x is an extended real number iff either $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x = +\infty$, or $x = -\infty$.

- $\emptyset \neq E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is unbounded above if it has no upper bound and unbounded below if it has no lower bound.

- Let $\emptyset \neq E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$. We define $\sup E = \infty$ if E is unbounded above and $\inf E = -\infty$ if E is unbounded below.

- We define $\sup \emptyset = -\infty$, $\inf \emptyset = \infty$.

Ex. let $E_1 = (-\infty, 2)$, $E_2 = (2, \infty)$.

$$\sup E_1 = 2, \quad \inf E_1 = -\infty.$$

$$\sup E_2 = \infty, \quad \inf E_2 = 2.$$

Ex. $\sup \mathbb{Z} = \infty$, $\inf \mathbb{Z} = -\infty$

$$\sup \mathbb{N} = \infty, \quad \inf \mathbb{N} = 1$$

$$\sup \mathbb{R} = \infty, \quad \inf \mathbb{R} = -\infty.$$

Ch 2. Sequences in \mathbb{R}

2.1 limits of sequences

- An infinite sequence (briefly, a sequence) is a function whose domain is \mathbb{N} .
- A sequence $x_n := f(n)$ will be denoted by x_1, x_2, \dots OR $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, OR $\{x_n\}$.

Ex. ① $\{1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \dots\}$ represents the sequence $\left\{\frac{1}{2^{n-1}}\right\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$

② $\{-1, 1, -1, 1, \dots\}$ is the sequence $\{(-1)^n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$.

③ $\{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$ " " " $\{n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$.

Important $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is not the set $\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$.

ex. $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ is different from $\{2, 1, 3, \dots\}$ as sequences. But as sets $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ is identical with $\{2, 1, 3, \dots\}$.

ex. $\{1, -1, 1, -1, \dots\}$ is infinite but the set $\{(-1)^n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} = \{-1, 1\}$ only.

Df. ① A sequence of real numbers $\{x_n\}$ is said to converge to $a \in \mathbb{R}$ iff

$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists$ an $k \in \mathbb{N}$ (in general $k(\epsilon)$)

such that

$$n \geq k \Rightarrow |x_n - a| < \epsilon$$

Notations

(a) $\{x_n\}$ converges to a .

(b) x_n converges to a .

(c) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = a$

(d) $x_n \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

(e) the limit of $\{x_n\}$ exists and equals a .

Rmks.

(1) when $x_n \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, you can think of x_n as a sequence of approximations to a and ϵ as an upper bound for the error

(2) The number K in Df① is chosen so that the error is less than ε when $n \geq K$.

In general, the smaller ε gets, the larger K must be.

(3) $x_n \rightarrow a$ iff $|x_n - a| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

In particular, $x_n \rightarrow 0$ iff $|x_n| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

(4) K depends on $\underline{\varepsilon}$ CANNOT depend on \underline{n}

(5) (Summary of Df①). $x_n \rightarrow a \iff |x_n - a|$ is small for large n .

Ex 1: Prove that $\frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Pf. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. We need to find $K \in \mathbb{N}$

s.t. $n \geq K \implies |\frac{1}{n} - 0| = \frac{1}{n} < \varepsilon$. Use the

Archimedean principle $\exists K \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $K > \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$.

Now, $n \geq K \implies \frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{K} < \varepsilon$. It follows

that $|\frac{1}{n} - 0| = \frac{1}{n} < \varepsilon, \forall n \geq K$. \blacksquare

Ex 2. If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 2$, prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2x_n + 1}{x_n} \right) = \frac{5}{2}.$$

Proof. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Since $x_n \rightarrow 2$, Apply

Df ① to this $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists K_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$n \geq K_1 \implies |x_n - 2| < \varepsilon. \text{ Next, apply Df ①}$$

with $\varepsilon = 1$, $\exists K_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$n \geq K_2 \implies |x_n - 2| < 1. \text{ That is,}$$

$$n \geq K_2 \implies x_n > 1 \text{ (i.e., } 2x_n > 2).$$

Set $K = \max\{K_1, K_2\}$ and suppose that

$n \geq K$. Since $n \geq K_1$, we have

$$|2 - x_n| = |x_n - 2| < \varepsilon. \text{ Since } n \geq K_2,$$

we have $0 < \frac{1}{2x_n} < \frac{1}{2} < 1$. It follows that

$$\left| \frac{2x_n + 1}{x_n} - \frac{5}{2} \right| = \left| \frac{2 - x_n}{2x_n} \right| = \frac{|x_n - 2|}{2x_n} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2x_n} < \varepsilon,$$

for all $n \geq K$. ■

Ex. show that the sequence $\{(-1)^n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ has no limit.

Proof. Spse that $(-1)^n \rightarrow \alpha$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for some $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. Given $\varepsilon = 1$, \exists a $K \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$$n \geq K \implies |(-1)^n - \alpha| < 1.$$

For n odd this implies $|1 + \alpha| = |-1 - \alpha| < 1$,

and for n even this implies $|1 - \alpha| < 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence, } 2 &= |1+1| = |1-\alpha + \alpha+1| \\ &\leq |1-\alpha| + |1+\alpha| \\ &< 1 + 1 = 2, \text{ i.e. } 2 < 2, \\ &\text{a contradiction.} \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

Remark. A sequence can have at most one limit.

Proof. Spse that $x_n \rightarrow \alpha$ and $x_n \rightarrow \beta$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

By def'n; $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, \exists a $K \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$$n \geq K \implies |x_n - \alpha| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \text{ and } |x_n - \beta| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

thus, it follows from triangle inequality that

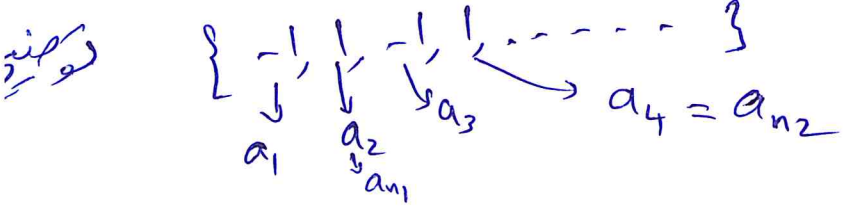
$$\begin{aligned}
|\alpha - \beta| &= |(\alpha - x_n) + (x_n - \beta)| \\
&\leq |\alpha - x_n| + |x_n - \beta| \\
&= |x_n - \alpha| + |x_n - \beta| \\
&< \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon
\end{aligned}$$

i.e., $|\alpha - \beta| < \epsilon, \forall \epsilon > 0$. We conclude that $\alpha = \beta$ (see Thm in section 1.2). \square

Df 2. A subsequence of a sequence $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a sequence of the form $\{x_{n_k}\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$, where each $n_k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $n_1 < n_2 < \dots$

thus, a subsequence x_{n_1}, x_{n_2}, \dots of x_1, x_2, \dots is obtained by deleting from x_1, x_2, \dots all x_n 's except those such that $n = n_k$ for some k .

Ex. $\{1, 1, 1, \dots\}$ is a subsequence of $\{-1, 1, -1, 1, \dots\}$ by deleting every other terms (set $n_k = 2k$).



Exercises

① ^{prove that} If x_n converges to $a \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\frac{x_n}{n} \rightarrow 0$.

Pf. Suppose that $x_n \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Since x_n converges, then it is bdd, i.e., \exists an $M > 0$ s.t. $|x_n| \leq M, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given, we need to find $K \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$$n \geq K \implies \left| \frac{x_n}{n} - 0 \right| = \frac{|x_n|}{n} < \varepsilon.$$

Use the Archimedean principle $\exists K \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$K > \frac{M}{\varepsilon}$. Then $n \geq K$ implies

$$\left| \frac{x_n}{n} - 0 \right| = \frac{|x_n|}{n} \leq \frac{|x_n|}{K} \leq \frac{M}{K} < \varepsilon. \quad \square$$

② (True) or (False)

a) If x_n conv. & y_n bdd, then $x_n y_n$ conv.

Ans. False. Take $x_n = 1$ conv., $y_n = (-1)^n$ bdd

but $x_n y_n = (-1)^n$ does not conv.

b) If $x_n \rightarrow 0$ and $y_n > 0, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, then

$x_n y_n$ converges.

Ans. False. Take $x_n = \frac{1}{n}$ conv., $y_n = n^2 > 0$ but $x_n y_n = n$ div.

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(3) Prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n^2+1}{3n^2} = \frac{2}{3}$

Pf. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. We need to find a $k \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $n \geq k \implies \left| \frac{2n^2+1}{3n^2} - \frac{2}{3} \right| < \varepsilon$. Use the Archimedean Principle $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$k > \frac{1}{\sqrt{3\varepsilon}}$. Thus $n \geq k$ implies

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{2n^2+1}{3n^2} - \frac{2}{3} \right| &= \left| \frac{6n^2+3-6n^2}{9n^2} \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{3n^2} \leq \frac{1}{3k^2} < \frac{(\sqrt{3\varepsilon})^2}{3} = \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

(4) Let c be fixed, positive constant. If $\{b_n\}$ is a seq. s.t. $b_n \geq 0$ and $b_n \rightarrow 0$, and $\{x_n\}$ is a real seq. that satisfies $|x_n - a| \leq c b_n$ for large n .

Prove that $x_n \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Since $b_n \rightarrow 0$,

then $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $n \geq k \implies |b_n - 0| = b_n < \frac{\varepsilon}{c}$

Hence by hypothesis, $n \geq k$ implies

$$|x_n - a| \leq C b^n < C \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{C} = \varepsilon. \text{ therefore, by def'n, } x_n \rightarrow a \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \square$$

⑤ prove that if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = \beta$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n - y_n) = 0$$

Pf. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Since $x_n \rightarrow \beta$ and $y_n \rightarrow \beta$,
by def'n, \exists a $k \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$$n \geq k \implies |x_n - \beta| < \varepsilon/2 \text{ and } |y_n - \beta| < \varepsilon/2.$$

By the triangle inequality, $n \geq k$ implies

$$\begin{aligned} |(x_n - y_n) - 0| &= |x_n - y_n| = |x_n - \beta + \beta - y_n| \\ &\leq |x_n - \beta| + |\beta - y_n| \\ &< \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

By def'n, $x_n - y_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty \quad \square$

2.2 limit Thms

Thm ① (Squeeze thm).

Suppose that $\{x_n\}$, $\{y_n\}$, and $\{w_n\}$ are real sequences. then

(i) If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = \alpha$, and if

\exists an $N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$$x_n \leq w_n \leq y_n, \quad \forall n \geq N_0,$$

then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} w_n = \alpha$.

(ii) If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$ and $\{y_n\}$ is bdd,

then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n y_n) = 0$.

Proof. (i) Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Since x_n and y_n converge to α , by def'n, $\exists N_1, N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\text{s.t. } n \geq N_1 \implies -\varepsilon < x_n - \alpha < \varepsilon$$

$$n \geq N_2 \implies -\varepsilon < y_n - \alpha < \varepsilon.$$

Set $N = \max\{N_0, N_1, N_2\}$. If $n \geq N$, we have by the hypothesis of the choice of

N_1 and N_2 that

$$\alpha - \varepsilon < x_n \leq w_n \leq y_n < \alpha + \varepsilon$$

i.e., $\alpha - \varepsilon < w_n < \alpha + \varepsilon$, for $n \geq N$.

or $|w_n - \alpha| < \varepsilon$, for $n \geq N$.

We conclude that $w_n \rightarrow \alpha$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

(ii) Spse that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$ and $\{y_n\}$ is bdd.

Since $\{y_n\}$ is bdd, this means that \exists an $M > 0$ s.t.

$$|y_n| \leq M, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \text{ Let } \varepsilon > 0, \exists \text{ an } N \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\text{s.t. } n \geq N \Rightarrow |x_n| < \frac{\varepsilon}{M} \text{ (since } x_n \rightarrow 0 \text{).}$$

then $n \geq N$ implies

$$|x_n y_n - 0| = |x_n y_n| = |x_n| |y_n| < \frac{\varepsilon}{M} M = \varepsilon.$$

We conclude that $x_n y_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Ex. Find $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cos(n^3 - n^2 + n - 13)}{2^n}$

Sol. Since $|\cos x| \leq 1, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$, then

$$\left| \frac{\cos(n^3 - n^2 + n - 13)}{2^n} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2^n}$$

Since $2^n > n$ (why?) ⁽⁴⁵⁾, it is clear $2^{-n} < \frac{1}{n}$.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-1}{n} < \frac{\cos(n^3 - n^2 + n - 13)}{2^n} < \frac{1}{n} \xrightarrow{\text{as } n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cos(n^3 - n^2 + n - 13)}{2^n} = 0 \text{ by Squeeze theorem}$$

Prmk. the Squeeze theorem can be used to construct convergent sequences with certain properties. We now establish a result that connects suprema & infima with convergent sequences.

Thm(2). Let $E \subset \mathbb{R}$. If E has a finite sup (resp., a finite inf), then \exists a seq. $x_n \in E$ s.t. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \sup E$ (resp., a seq. $y_n \in E$ s.t. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = \inf E$)

Proof. Spse that E has a finite sup β .

For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, \exists (by the Approximation Property for suprema), an $x_n \in E$ s.t.

$$\beta - \frac{1}{n} < x_n \leq \beta.$$

Then by the squeeze Thm (Thm 1),

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \beta = \sup E.$$

Similarly, \exists a seq. $y_n \in E$ s.t

$$\inf E \leq y_n < \inf E + \frac{1}{n}.$$

Then by the squeeze thm $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = \inf E$ □

Thm 3. Spse that $\{x_n\}$ & $\{y_n\}$ are real sequences and that $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. If $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ are convergent, then

(i) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n + y_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n$

(ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\alpha x_n) = \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$

and

(iii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n y_n) = (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n) (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n).$

If, in addition, $y_n \neq 0$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n \neq 0$, then

(iv) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_n}{y_n} = \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n}.$

proof. Spse that $x_n \rightarrow x$ and $y_n \rightarrow y$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

(i) let $\epsilon > 0$ be given. then $\exists K \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t $n \geq K \implies |x_n - x| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ and $|y_n - y| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$.

thus $n \geq K$ implies

$$\begin{aligned}
|(x_n + y_n) - (x + y)| &= |x_n - x + y_n - y| \\
&\leq |x_n - x| + |y_n - y| \quad (\text{triangle inequality}) \\
&< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon.
\end{aligned}$$

We conclude that $x_n + y_n \rightarrow x + y$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

(ii) & (iv) (Exercises)

(iii) since $\{x_n\}$ conv., then it is bdd.

Hence by the sequence thm (ii), these sequences

$$\overset{\text{bdd}}{x_n} \overset{\text{bdd}}{(y_n - y)} \longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\text{and } \overset{\text{bdd}}{(x_n - x)} \overset{\text{bdd}}{y} \longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \text{ thus,}$$

$$\implies \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n y_n - x y)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [x_n (y_n - y) + (x_n - x) y]$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n (y_n - y) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n - x) y. \quad (\text{part (i)})$$

= 0. We conclude that $x_n y_n \rightarrow x y$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

Df ① Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence of real numbers.

(i) $\{x_n\}$ is said to be diverge to $+\infty$

(notation: $x_n \rightarrow +\infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ or $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = +\infty$)

iff $\forall M \in \mathbb{R}, \exists n \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$$n \geq N \implies x_n > M.$$

(ii) $\{x_n\}$ is said to be diverge to $-\infty$

(notation: $x_n \rightarrow -\infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ or $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = -\infty$)

iff $\forall M \in \mathbb{R}, \exists n \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$$n \geq N \implies x_n < M.$$

Rmk. (Defo) ① $x_n \rightarrow +\infty$ iff given $M \in \mathbb{R}$,

x_n is greater than M for sufficiently large

n , i.e.; eventually x_n exceeds every number

M (no matter how large and positive M is).

(2) $x_n \rightarrow -\infty$ iff x_n eventually is less than every number M (no matter how large and negative M).

Examples [page 12]

Thm 4 (An extension of th 3)

Spse that $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ are real sequences s.t. $x_n \rightarrow +\infty$ (resp. $x_n \rightarrow -\infty$) as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

(1) If y_n is bdd below (resp. y_n is bdd above) then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n + y_n) = +\infty$ (resp. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n + y_n) = -\infty$).

(2) If $\alpha > 0$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\alpha x_n) = +\infty \quad (\text{resp. } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\alpha x_n) = -\infty).$$

(3) If $y_n > M_0$, for some $M_0 > 0$ and all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n y_n) = +\infty \quad (\text{resp. } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n y_n) = -\infty)$$

(4) If $\{y_n\}$ is bdd and $x_n \neq 0$, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{y_n}{x_n} = 0$.

Proof. Spse for simplicity that $x_n \rightarrow +\infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

(1) By hypothesis, $y_n \geq M_0$ for some $M_0 \in \mathbb{R}$.

Let $M \in \mathbb{R}$ and set $M_1 = M - M_0$.

Since $x_n \rightarrow +\infty$, $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n > M_1$.

Then $n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n + y_n > M_1 + M_0 = M$.

(2) Let $M \in \mathbb{R}$ and set $M_1 = \frac{M}{\alpha}$.

Since $x_n \rightarrow +\infty$, $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n > M_1$. Since $\alpha > 0$,

we conclude that $\alpha x_n > \alpha M_1 = M, \forall n \geq N$.

(3) Let $M \in \mathbb{R}$ and set $M_1 = \frac{M}{M_0}$. Since

$x_n \rightarrow +\infty$, $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n > M_1$,

then $n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n y_n > M_1 y_n > M_1 M_0 = M$.

(4) Let $\epsilon > 0$. Since $\{y_n\}$ is bdd, then $\exists M_0 > 0$

s.t. $|y_n| \leq M_0$. Since $x_n \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$,

then $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n > M_1$.

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Choose M_1 so large that $\frac{M_0}{M_1} < \varepsilon$.

$$\text{Then } n \geq N \Rightarrow \left| \frac{y_n}{x_n} \right| = \frac{|y_n|}{x_n} < \frac{M_0}{M_1} < \varepsilon.$$

Prmk. We use the conventions

- 1) $x + \infty = \infty$, $x - \infty = -\infty$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
- 2) $x \cdot \infty = \infty$, $x \cdot (-\infty) = -\infty$, $x > 0$.
- 3) $x \cdot \infty = -\infty$, $x \cdot (-\infty) = \infty$, $x < 0$.
- 4) $\infty + \infty = \infty$, $-\infty - \infty = -\infty$.
- 5) $\infty \cdot \infty = (-\infty) \cdot (-\infty) = \infty$, and
 $\infty \cdot (-\infty) = (-\infty) \cdot \infty = -\infty$.

If we use the above conventions, then

Thm (4) contains the following corollary.

Corollary let $\{x_n\}, \{y_n\}$ be real sequences

and α, x, y be extended real numbers.

If $x_n \rightarrow x$ and $y_n \rightarrow y$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n + y_n) = x + y$, provided $x + y$ is not
of the form $\infty - \infty$ and

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$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\alpha x_n) = \alpha x, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n y_n) = xy$$

provided that none of these products is of the form $0 \cdot \pm\infty$.

Thus [Comparison thm]

Spse that $\{x_n\}$ & $\{y_n\}$ are convergent sequences. If there is an $N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

(*) $x_n \leq y_n$ for $n \geq N_0$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n.$$

In particular, if $x_n \in [a, b]$, converges to some point c , then c must belong to $[a, b]$.

proof: Spse that the first statement is false, i.e., that (*) holds but $x := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n > y := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n$.

Set $\varepsilon = \frac{x-y}{2}$. Choose $N > N_0$ s.t.

$|x_n - x| < \varepsilon$ and $|y_n - y| < \varepsilon$ for all $n \geq N_1$.

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then for such an $n \geq N$,

$$x_n > x - \varepsilon = x - \left(\frac{x-y}{2}\right) = y + \left(\frac{x-y}{2}\right) = y + \varepsilon > y_n,$$

$\Rightarrow x_n > y_n$, which contradicts (*). This proves the first statement.

To prove the second statement, we conclude

$$a \leq x_n \leq b, \text{ then by the first}$$

Statement $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b$. This

$$\text{implies } a \leq c \leq b. \quad \square$$

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Remark

$$x_n < y_n, \quad n \geq N_0$$

Does Not imply that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n.$$

Counter example, $\frac{1}{n^2} < \frac{1}{n}$, but $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \neq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n}$

2.2.2 (a) prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n^2 - n) = \infty$.

pf. let $M \in \mathbb{R}$. Use Archimedean principle
 \exists an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $N > \max\{M, 2\}$, then

$$n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n = n^2 - n = n(n-1) > N(N-1) > M(2-1) = M$$

(b) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n - 3n^2) = -\infty$

pf. let $M \in \mathbb{R}$, by Archimedean principle,
 \exists an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $N > -\frac{M}{2}$. Notice that

$$n \geq 1 \Rightarrow -3n \leq -3 \quad \text{so } 1 - 3n < -2. \quad \text{Thus,}$$

$$n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n = n - 3n^2 = n(1 - 3n) \leq -2n \leq -2N < M$$

Ex. show that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{2} + \frac{1}{n}\right) = \infty$.

pf. let $M \in \mathbb{R}$, by Archimedean principle,
 \exists an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $N > 2M$. Then

$$n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n = \frac{n}{2} + \frac{1}{n} \geq \frac{N}{2} + \frac{1}{n} > \frac{N}{2} > \frac{2M}{2} = M.$$

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2.3 Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem

Notice that the seq $\{(-1)^n\}$ does not converge but it has convergent subsequence. In this section, we will prove that this is a general principle. That is, every bounded seq. has a convergent subsequence.

Df (i). Let $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a seq. of real numbers

(i) $\{x_n\}$ is said to be increasing (resp., strictly increasing) iff $x_1 \leq x_2 \leq \dots$ (resp. $x_1 < x_2 < \dots$)

(ii) $\{x_n\}$ is said to be decreasing (resp., strictly decreasing) iff $x_1 \geq x_2 \geq \dots$ (resp. $x_1 > x_2 > \dots$)

(iii) $\{x_n\}$ is said to be monotone iff it is either increasing or decreasing.

Rmk. (i) Some times, we call decreasing seq. nonincreasing and increasing seq. nondecreasing.

- ② If $\{x_n\}$ is increasing (resp. decreasing) and $x_n \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we shall write $x_n \uparrow a$ (resp. $x_n \downarrow a$), as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
- ③ Every strictly increasing seq. is increasing and every strictly decreasing seq. is decreasing.
- ④ $\{x_n\}$ is increasing iff the sequence $\{-x_n\}$ is decreasing.

We know that any convergent seq. is bounded. We now establish the converse for ~~the~~ monotone sequences.

Thm (1). [Monotone convergence thm]

If $\{x_n\}$ is increasing and bounded above, or $\{x_n\}$ is decreasing and bounded below, then $\{x_n\}$ converges to a finite limit.

proof. Spse first that $\{x_n\}$ is increasing and bounded above. By the Completeness

Axiom, the supremum $\beta := \sup \{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ exists and is finite. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. By the Approximation Property for Suprema, choose $N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$$\beta - \varepsilon < x_N \leq \beta.$$

Since $x_N \leq x_n$ for $n \geq N$ and $x_n \leq \beta$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, it follows that

$$\beta - \varepsilon < x_n \leq \beta, \text{ for all } n \geq N.$$

In particular, $x_n \uparrow \beta$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

If $\{x_n\}$ is decreasing with $\alpha := \inf \{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$, then $\{-x_n\}$ is increasing with supremum $-\alpha$. Hence, by the first case,

$$\alpha = -(-\alpha) = -\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} -x_n\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$$

Ex. If $|x| < 1$, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^n = 0$.

Pf. It suffices to prove that $|x|^n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

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First, we notice that $|x|^n$ is monotone decreasing

since, $|x| < 1$ implies $|x|^{n+1} < |x|^n, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Next, notice that $|x|^n$ is bounded below (by 0). Hence by the Monotone Convergence

Thm, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x|^n := L$ exists. To find,

this limit, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x|^{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x|^n \cdot |x|$.

\therefore this implies $L = |x| \cdot L$, thus, either

$L = 0$ or $|x| = 1$. since $|x| < 1$, we

conclude that $L = 0$. \square

ex. If $x > 0$, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1$.

proof. We consider three cases.

Case 1. $x = 1$. then $x^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

and it follows that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 = 1$.

Case 2. $x > 1$. we shall apply the

MCT. we shall show that $\{x^{\frac{1}{n}}\}$ is decreasing and bdd below. Indeed,

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Since $x > 1$, then $x^{n+1} > x^n$. Taking the $n(n+1)$ st root of this inequality, we obtain $x^{\frac{1}{n}} > x^{\frac{1}{n+1}}$, i.e., $\{x^{\frac{1}{n}}\}$ is decreasing. Since $x > 1$ implies $x^{\frac{1}{n}} > 1$, it follows that $\{x^{\frac{1}{n}}\}$ is bounded below.

Hence, by the MCT, $L := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{n}}$ exists

To find its value L , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x^{\frac{1}{2n}})^2 = \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x^{2n}} \right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow L = L^2, \text{ i.e., } L = 0 \text{ or } L = 1.$$

Since $x^{\frac{1}{n}} > 1$, the comparison then shows

$$\text{that } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{n}} \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1, \text{ i.e., } L \geq 1.$$

Hence $L = 1$.

Case 3. $0 < x < 1$. Then $\frac{1}{x} > 1$. It follows

from Case 2 that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{n}} = \frac{1}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}}} = 1$$

Df. ② A sequence of sets $\{I_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is said to be nested iff $I_1 \supseteq I_2 \supseteq \dots$

Rmk. this is a monotone property for sequence of sets.

Thm ②. [nested Interval property]

If $\{I_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a nested sequence of nonempty closed bdd intervals, then

$$E := \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n \neq \emptyset. \text{ Moreover, if}$$

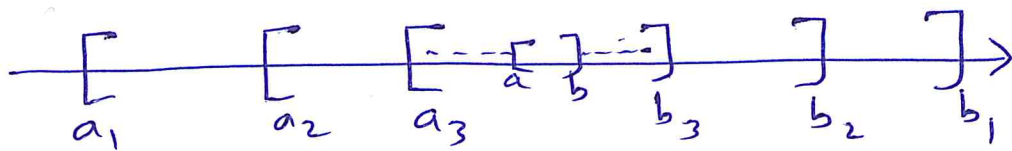
the lengths of these intervals satisfy

$$|I_n| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty, \text{ then } E \text{ is}$$

a single point.

proof: let $I_n = [a_n, b_n]$. Since $\{I_n\}$ is nested, then the real seq. $\{a_n\}$ is increasing and bdd above by b_1 , and $\{b_n\}$ is decreasing and bdd below by a_1
(see Fig.)

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Thus, by MCT, $\exists a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $a_n \uparrow a$ and $b_n \downarrow b$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Since $a_n \leq b_n, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, it follows from the comparison thm that $a_n \leq a \leq b \leq b_n$.

Hence, $x \in I_n, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ iff $x \in [a, b]$.

In particular, any $x \in [a, b]$ belongs to all the I_n 's
i.e., any $x \in [a, b], x \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$ (i.e., $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n \neq \emptyset$)

Next, If $|I_n| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (b_n - a_n) = 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$
$$b = a.$$

But we have proved that $x \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$ iff $x \in [a, b]$.

Hence, $\{$ is a single point if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |I_n| = 0$ $\}$

Rmk ①. The nested Interval property (thm 2) might not hold if "closed" is omitted.

Proof: $I_n = (0, \frac{1}{n})$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ are bdd and nested ($I_1 = (0, 1) \supset I_2 = (0, \frac{1}{2}) \supset \dots$) but not closed. If there were an $x \in I_n$, $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $0 < x < \frac{1}{n}$, i.e.; $n < \frac{1}{x}$, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Since this contradicts the Archimedean principle, it follows that $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n = \emptyset$. \blacksquare

② the Nested Interval Property (thm 2) might not hold if "bounded" is omitted.

proof: The intervals $I_n = [n, \infty)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ are closed and nested but not bdd.

Again, $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n = \emptyset$. \blacksquare

We are now prepared to establish the main result of this section.

Thm ③. [Bolzano-Weierstrass Thm]

Every bounded sequence of real numbers has a convergent subsequence

Proof. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a bdd sequence. Choose

$a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $x_n \in [a, b]$, $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, and set $I_0 = [a, b]$. Divide I_0 into two

halves, say $I' = [a, \frac{a+b}{2}]$ and

$I'' = [\frac{a+b}{2}, b]$. Since $I_0 = I' \cup I''$, then

$x_n \in I'$ or $x_n \in I''$, for infinitely many n .

Say $x_n \in I_1$ and choose $n_1 > 1$ such that

$x_{n_1} \in I_1$. Notice that $|I_1| = \frac{|I_0|}{2} = \frac{b-a}{2}$.

Spec that closed intervals $I_0 \supset I_1 \supset \dots \supset I_m$

and natural numbers $n_1 < n_2 < \dots < n_m$

have been chosen s.t., ~~for~~ for each $0 \leq k \leq m$,

$|I_k| = \frac{b-a}{2^k}$, $n_k \in I_k$ and $x_{n_k} \in I_k$ for

infinitely many n . (2)

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To choose I_{m+1} , divide $I_m = [a_m, b_m]$ into two halves, say $I' = [a_m, \frac{a_m+b_m}{2}]$ and $I'' = [\frac{a_m+b_m}{2}, b_m]$. Since $I_m = I' \cup I''$, at least one of these halves contains x_n for infinitely many n . Call it I_{m+1} , and choose $n_{m+1} > n_m$ s.t. $x_{n_{m+1}} \in I_{m+1}$.

$$\text{Since } |I_{m+1}| = \frac{|I_m|}{2} = \frac{b-a}{2^{m+1}},$$

it follows by induction that there is a nested seq. $\{I_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ of nonempty

closed bdd intervals that satisfy (2) for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$. By the Nested Interval

property, there is an $x \in \mathbb{R}$ that belongs to I_k , $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$. Since $x \in I_k$,

we have by (2) that

$$0 \leq |x_{n_k} - x| \leq |I_k| \leq \frac{b-a}{2^k}, \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$$

Hence by the Squeeze, $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$

H.W's 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 (i.e., All).

2.4 Cauchy sequences

Df ① A sequence of points $x_n \in \mathbb{R}$ is said to be Cauchy (in \mathbb{R}) iff $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists$ an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $n, m \geq N \implies |x_n - x_m| < \varepsilon$.

Rmk. ① If $\{x_n\}$ is convergent, then $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy.

Proof. Spse that $x_n \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. then, given $\varepsilon > 0, \exists$ an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $|x_n - a| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ for all $n \geq N$. Hence, if $n, m \geq N$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |x_n - x_m| &= |x_n - a + a - x_m| \\ &\leq |x_n - a| + |x_m - a| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

The following result shows that the converse of the above remark is also true (for real sequences).

Thm ① [Cauchy]. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence of real numbers. Then $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy iff $\{x_n\}$ converges (to some point a in \mathbb{R}).

Proof: By Rmk ①, we need only show that every Cauchy sequence converges.

Suppose that $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy. Given $\varepsilon = 1$, $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $|x_n - x_m| < 1$, for all $m \geq n$.

By the triangle inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} |x_m| &= |x_m - x_N + x_N| \\ &\leq |x_m - x_N| + |x_N| \\ &< 1 + |x_N|, \text{ for } m \geq N. \end{aligned}$$

Also, $|x_m| \leq \max\{|x_1|, |x_2|, \dots, |x_{N-1}|\} = M$
for $m = 1, 2, \dots, N-1$

Therefore, $|x_m| \leq \max\{M, 1 + |x_N|\}$, $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

this means $\{x_n\}$ is bounded. By the

Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem, $\{x_n\}$ has

a convergent subsequence, say $x_{n_k} \rightarrow a$ as

$k \rightarrow \infty$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Since $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy,

$\exists N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $n, m \geq N_1 \Rightarrow |x_n - x_m| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$

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Since $x_{n_k} \rightarrow a$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$, $\exists N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.
 $k \geq N_2 \implies |x_{n_k} - a| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$.

Fix $k \geq N_2$ s.t. $n_k \geq N_1$. then

$$\begin{aligned} |x_n - a| &= |x_n - x_{n_k} + x_{n_k} - a| \\ &\leq |x_n - x_{n_k}| + |x_{n_k} - a| \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon, \text{ for all } n \geq N_1 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $x_n \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ ■

Remark (2) this result is extremely useful because it is often easier to show that a sequence is Cauchy than to show that it converges. Let us see the following example.

Example Prove that any real sequence

$$\{x_n\} \text{ satisfies } |x_n - x_{n+1}| \leq \frac{1}{2^n}, n \in \mathbb{N},$$

is convergent.

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Proof. If $m > n$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |x_n - x_m| &= |x_n - x_{n+1} + x_{n+1} - x_{n+2} + \dots + x_{m-1} - x_m| \\ &\leq |x_n - x_{n+1}| + |x_{n+1} - x_{n+2}| + \dots + |x_{m-1} - x_m| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2^n} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{m-1}} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{m-n}} \right]$$

Geometric series

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

Ratio $= r = \frac{1}{2}$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \left[\frac{a_1 (1 - r^{m-n})}{1 - r} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \left[\frac{\frac{1}{2} (1 - (\frac{1}{2})^{m-n})}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} \right]$$

$$\therefore |x_n - x_m| \leq \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{m-n}} \right), \text{ if } m > n.$$

It follows that $|x_n - x_m| < \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$, for all integers $m > n \geq 1$. But given $\varepsilon > 0$,

we can choose $N \in \mathbb{N}$ so large that

$$n \geq N \implies \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} < \varepsilon$$

We have proved that $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy.

By Thm ①, therefore, it converges to some real number. \square

Rmk ③. A sequence that satisfies $x_{n+1} - x_n \rightarrow 0$ is not necessarily Cauchy.

Proof: Consider the sequence $x_n := \log n$.

$$x_{n+1} - x_n = \log(n+1) - \log n = \log \frac{n+1}{n} \rightarrow \log 1 = 0$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$. $\{x_n\}$ cannot be Cauchy because it does not conv. ($\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log n = \infty$). \square

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CH3 Functions on \mathbb{R} . (70)

3.1 Two-sided limits

Df ① Let $a \in \mathbb{R}$, let I be an open interval which contains a , and let f be a real function defined on I except possibly at a . Then we say that $f(x)$ converges (approaches) to L as x approaches a , and write

$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$ iff $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists$ a $\delta > 0$ (which in general depends on $\varepsilon, f, I,$ and a) such that

$$\boxed{0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies |f(x) - L| < \varepsilon.} \quad (*)$$

Rmk. 1) ε represents the maximal error allowed in the approximation $f(x)$ to L .

2) According to Df ①, to show that a function has a limit, we must begin with a general $\varepsilon > 0$ and describe how to choose a δ which satisfies $(*)$

Ex. ① Let $f(x) = mx + b$, where $m, b \in \mathbb{R}$.

prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a), \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$.

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Proof. If $m=0$, then $|f(x) - f(a)| = |b - b| = 0 < \varepsilon$
for all x . If $m \neq 0$, given $\varepsilon > 0$, set $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{|m|}$

If $|x - a| < \delta$, then

$$|f(x) - f(a)| = |mx + b - (ma + b)| = |m||x - a| < |m|\delta = |m|\frac{\varepsilon}{|m|} = \varepsilon$$

Thus, by Df①, $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$. \square

Ex②. If $f(x) = x \sin \frac{1}{x}$, $x \neq 0$, then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = 0$$

pf. let $\varepsilon > 0$, set $\delta = \varepsilon$. If $|x| < \delta = \varepsilon$,

$$\text{then } |f(x) - 0| = |x \sin \frac{1}{x} - 0| \leq |x| < \varepsilon.$$

Ex③. If $f(x) = x^2 + x - 3$, prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x) = -1$

let $\varepsilon > 0$. notice that ?

$$f(x) - L = x^2 + x - 3 + 1 = x^2 + x - 2 = (x+2)(x-1)$$

If $0 < \delta \leq 1$, then $|x - 1| < \delta \Rightarrow 0 < x < 2$, so

$$|x+2| \leq |x| + 2 < 4, \text{ set } \delta = \min\left\{1, \frac{\varepsilon}{4}\right\}.$$

It follows that if $|x - 1| < \delta$, then

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$$|f(x) - L| = |x-1| |x+2| < 4|x-1| < 4\delta \leq 4 \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{4} = \varepsilon.$$

thus, by Df①, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = -1$.

Thm ①. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ exists, then it is unique, i.e.,

if $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L_1$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L_2$, then

$$L_1 = L_2.$$

Proof: Suppose that $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L_1$ & $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L_2$

and let $\varepsilon > 0$. From Df①, $\exists \delta_1, \delta_2 > 0$

such that $|f(x) - L_1| < \varepsilon$ if $0 < |x-a| < \delta_1$

and $|f(x) - L_2| < \varepsilon$ if $0 < |x-a| < \delta_2$.

If $\delta = \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2\}$, then

$$|L_1 - L_2| = |L_1 - f(x) + f(x) - L_2|$$

$$\leq |f(x) - L_1| + |f(x) - L_2|$$

$$< \varepsilon + \varepsilon = 2\varepsilon \quad \text{if } |x-a| < \delta,$$

i.e., $|L_1 - L_2| < 2\varepsilon, \forall \varepsilon > 0$

$$\Rightarrow L_1 = L_2 \quad \square$$

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The next result shows that even when a function f is defined at a , $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$, in general, is independent of the value of $f(a)$.

Lemma: Let $a \in \mathbb{R}$, let I be an open interval which contains a , and let f, g be real functions defined $\forall x \in I$ except possibly at a .

If $f(x) = g(x), \forall x \in I \setminus \{a\}$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$

then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$ exists and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$

PF: Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and choose $\delta > 0$ small enough so that $(*)$ holds and $|x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow x \in I$.

Suppose that $0 < |x - a| < \delta$. We have $f(x) = g(x)$ by hypothesis and $|f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$ by $(*)$. It follows that $|g(x) - L| < \varepsilon$. That is, $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = L$. \blacksquare

Ex 4) Prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} g(x)$ exists, if

$$g(x) = \frac{x^3 + x^2 - x - 1}{x^2 - 1}$$

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Pf. Set $f(x) = x+1$ and observe that

$$g(x) = \frac{x^3 + x^2 - x - 1}{x^2 - 1} = \frac{x^2(x+1) - (x+1)}{x^2 - 1} \\ = \frac{(x^2 - 1)(x+1)}{x^2 - 1} = x+1, \quad x \neq \pm 1 \\ = f(x).$$

and observe that, by Ex 1, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = 2$.

It follows from previous lemma that $g(x)$ has a limit at $x=1$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} g(x) = 2$. \square

Theorem ②. [Sequential characterization of limits].

Let $a \in \mathbb{R}$, let I be an open interval contains a , and let f be a real function defined $\forall x \in I$ except possibly at a . Then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L \quad \text{iff} \quad f(x_n) \rightarrow L \quad \text{as} \quad n \rightarrow \infty$$

for every sequence $x_n \in I \setminus \{a\}$ which converges to a as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof: (\Rightarrow) Suppose that $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$. Then

given $\varepsilon > 0$, \exists a $\delta > 0$ s.t.

$$0 < |x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \varepsilon. \quad \dots (I)$$

Let $x_n \in I \setminus \{a\}$ s.t. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = a$, then

\exists an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $n \geq N \Rightarrow |x_n - a| < \delta$.

Since $x_n \neq a$, it follows from (I) that

$|f(x_n) - L| < \varepsilon$ for all $n \geq N$. Therefore,

$f(x_n) \rightarrow L$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

(\Leftarrow) Conversely, Suppose that $f(x_n) \rightarrow L$ as

$n \rightarrow \infty$ for every sequence $x_n \in I \setminus \{a\}$ which converges to a (i.e., $x_n \rightarrow a$). Suppose that

$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \neq L$, then there is an $\varepsilon > 0$ (say ε_0)

such that the implication

" $0 < |x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$ " does not

hold for any $\delta > 0$. Thus, for each

$\delta = \frac{1}{n}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, \exists a point $x_n \in I$

which satisfies two conditions:

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$$0 < |x_n - a| < \frac{1}{n} \quad \text{and} \quad |f(x_n) - L| \geq \epsilon_0.$$

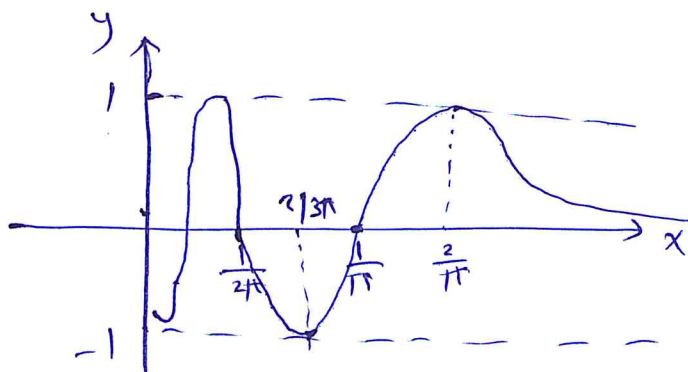
Now the first condition and the squeeze theorem imply that $x_n \neq a$, $x_n \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, so by hypothesis, $f(x_n) \rightarrow L$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

In particular, $|f(x_n) - L| < \epsilon_0$ for n large, which contradicts the second condition. \square

Rmk. To show that the limit of a function f does not exist as $x \rightarrow a$, using this theorem we need to find two sequences converging to a (say $x_n \rightarrow a$ and $y_n \rightarrow a$) whose images under f have different limits. (i.e., $f(x_n) \rightarrow L_1$ and $f(y_n) \rightarrow L_2$, where $L_1 \neq L_2$).

Ex. (5). Prove that $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin \frac{1}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$ has no limit as $x \rightarrow 0$.

Pf.



By examining the graph of $y = f(x)$ (see the above Fig.), we consider

$$x_n := \frac{2}{(4n+1)\pi} \quad \text{and} \quad y_n := \frac{2}{(4n+3)\pi}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Clearly x_n and $y_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

But, since $f(x_n) = 1$ and $f(y_n) = -1$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $f(x_n) \rightarrow 1$

and $f(y_n) \rightarrow -1$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Thus by Thm(2), $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ DNE

Remark. Thm(2) allows us to translate results about limits of sequences to results about limits of functions. Let us see the following theorems.

Thm(3). Suppose that $a \in \mathbb{R}$, that I is an open interval which contains a and that f, g are real functions defined $\forall x \in I$ except possibly at a . If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ converges as $x \rightarrow a$ (i.e.,

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$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$ exist), then so

do $(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$, $(fg)(x) = f(x)g(x)$,

$(\alpha f)(x) = \alpha f(x)$, and $(\frac{f}{g})(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ (when $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) \neq 0$). In fact,

$$(i) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f(x) + g(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) + \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$$

$$(ii) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (\alpha f)(x) = \alpha \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$$

$$(iii) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (fg)(x) = \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \right) \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) \right).$$

and when $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) \neq 0$,

$$(iv) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left(\frac{f}{g} \right)(x) = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)}{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)}$$

proof. let $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) := L$, and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) := M$.

(i) If $x_n \in I \setminus \{a\}$ s.t. $x_n \rightarrow a$,

then by thm(2), $f(x_n) \rightarrow L$ and

$g(x_n) \rightarrow M$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. By thm(ch2),

$(f+g)(x_n) = f(x_n) + g(x_n) \rightarrow M + L$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

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Since this holds for any sequence $x_n \in I \setminus \{a\}$ which converges to a , we conclude by Thm 2,

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f+g)(x) &= L + M \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) + \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)\end{aligned}$$

(ii), (iii), & (iv) Exercises. 

Thm 3: [Squeeze Thm for functions]

Suppose that $a \in \mathbb{R}$, that I is an open interval which contains a , and that f, g, h are real functions defined $\forall x \in I$ except possibly at a .

(i) If $g(x) \leq h(x) \leq f(x)$ for all $x \in I \setminus \{a\}$

$$\text{and } \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = L,$$

then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} h(x)$ exists, and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} h(x) = L$.

(ii) If $|g(x)| \leq M$ for all $x \in I \setminus \{a\}$

(i.e., g is bdd) and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = 0$,

then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)g(x) = 0$.

Thm(5): [Comparison thm for functions]

Suppose that $a \in \mathbb{R}$, that I is an open interval which contains a , and that f, g are real functions defined $\forall x \in I$ except possibly at a . If f and g have limit as $x \rightarrow a$ and $f(x) \leq g(x)$

$\forall x \in I \setminus \{a\}$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \leq \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$.

Rmk. we shall refer to thm 5 as "taking the limit of an inequality".

Rmk. the limit thms (Thm 3, 4, and 5) allow us to prove that limits exist without using $(\epsilon-\delta)$ definition (Df(1)).

Ex. 6 prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-1}{3x+1} = 0$

Pf. By example (1), $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x-1) = 0$ and

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (3x+1) = 4$. Hence, by thm (3)(iv),

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-1}{3x+1} = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x-1)}{\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (3x+1)} = \frac{0}{4} = 0.$$

HW's 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 (All).

3.2 One-sided limits and limits at infinity.

Dfo. let $a \in \mathbb{R}$ and f be a real function.

(i) $f(x)$ is said to converge to L as x approaches a from the right iff f is defined on some open interval I with left endpoint a and for every $\varepsilon > 0$ \exists a $\delta > 0$ (which in general depends on ε , f and a) such that

$$a + \delta \in I \text{ and } a < x < a + \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \varepsilon.$$

Here, L is called the right-hand limit of f at a , and denote it by

$$f(a^+) := L =: \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x).$$

(ii) $f(x)$ is said to converge to L as x approaches a from the left iff f is defined on some open interval I with right endpoint a and for every $\varepsilon > 0$,

\exists a $\delta > 0$ such that

$$a - \delta \in I \text{ and } a - \delta < x < a \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \varepsilon.$$

Here, L is called the left-hand limit of f at

and denote by

$$f(a^-) := L =: \lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x)$$

Example 1 (i) prove that $f(x) = \begin{cases} x+1, & x \geq 0 \\ x-1, & x < 0 \end{cases}$

has one-sided limits at $x=0$ but

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) \text{ DNE.}$$

(i) prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \sqrt{x} = 0$

proof: (i) let $\varepsilon > 0$ and set $\delta = \varepsilon$.

If $0 < x < \delta$, then $|f(x) - L| = |x+1 - 1| = |x| < \delta = \varepsilon$.

Hence $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x)$ exists and equals 1.

Similarly, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x)$ exists and equals -1.

Indeed, set $\delta = \varepsilon$. If $-\delta < x < 0$, then

$$|f(x) - L| = |x-1 + 1| = |x| < \delta = \varepsilon.$$

However, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ DNE since,

$$x_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \rightarrow 0 \quad (\text{by squeeze thm})$$

but $f(x_n) = f\left(\frac{(-1)^n}{n}\right) = (-1)^n \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)$ does not converge as $n \rightarrow \infty$

Hence, by the sequential characterization of Limits, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ DNE.

(ii) let $\epsilon > 0$ and set $\delta = \epsilon^2$. If $0 < x < \delta$, then $|f(x) - L| = |\sqrt{x} - 0| = \sqrt{x} < \sqrt{\delta} = \epsilon$. \square

Remk. Not every function has one-sided limits (ex. $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin \frac{1}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$). The last example show that even a function has one-sided limits, it may not have a two-sided limit. The following then show that if both one-sided limits at a exist and are EQUAL, then the two-sided limit at a exists.

Thm 1 Let f be a real function then the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ exists and equals L iff

$$L = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x).$$

Proof. (\Rightarrow) Suppose that $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$ exists. Then

given $\epsilon > 0$, \exists a $\delta > 0$ such that
 $0 < |x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$.

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If $a < x < a + \delta$, then $|x - a| < \delta$ and this implies $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$. Hence $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = L$ exist.

Similarly, if $a - \delta < x < a$, then $|x - a| < \delta$ and this implies $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$, which means $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = L$ exists.

(\Leftarrow) Conversely, suppose that $L = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x)$

Then given $\epsilon > 0$, \exists a $\delta_1 > 0$ s.t.

$$a < x < a + \delta_1 \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon. \quad (1)$$

and \exists a $\delta_2 > 0$ s.t.

$$a - \delta_2 < x < a \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon. \quad (2)$$

Let $\delta = \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2\}$. Then

$|x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow a - \delta < x < a + \delta$ which implies $a < x < a + \delta_1$ or $a - \delta_2 < x < a$ (depending on whether x is to the right or to the left of a). Hence, (1) & (2) give $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$

that is $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$ \square

Df(2). (limits at infinity).

Let $a, L \in \mathbb{R}$ & let f be a real function.

(i) $f(x)$ is said to converge to L as $x \rightarrow \infty$ iff \exists a $c > 0$ such that $(c, \infty) \subset \text{Dom}(f)$ and given $\varepsilon > 0$ there is an $M \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t.,

$$x > M \implies |f(x) - L| < \varepsilon, \text{ in which case}$$

we shall write $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = L$ or $f(x) \rightarrow L$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$.

Similarly, $f(x) \rightarrow L$ as $x \rightarrow -\infty$ iff

\exists a $c > 0$ s.t., $(-\infty, -c) \subset \text{Dom}(f)$ and given $\varepsilon > 0$ there is an $M \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$x < M \implies |f(x) - L| < \varepsilon, \text{ in which case}$$

we shall write $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = L$ or $f(x) \rightarrow L$ as $x \rightarrow -\infty$.

(ii) $f(x)$ is said to converge to ∞ as

$x \rightarrow a$ (i.e., $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty$) iff there is

an open interval I containing a such that

$I \setminus \{a\} \subset \text{Dom}(f)$ and given $M \in \mathbb{R}$

there is a $\delta > 0$ such that

$$0 < |x-a| < \delta \implies f(x) > M, \text{ in which}$$

Case we write $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty$ or $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ as $x \rightarrow a$

Similarly, $f(x)$ is said to converge to $-\infty$ as $x \rightarrow a$ (i.e., $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = -\infty$) iff \exists an open

interval I containing a such that

$$I \setminus \{a\} \subset \text{Dom}(f) \text{ and given } M \in \mathbb{R}$$

there is a $\delta > 0$ such that

$$0 < |x-a| < \delta \implies f(x) < M.$$

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Prk. Obvious modifications of this Df, we define $f(x) \rightarrow \pm\infty$ as $x \rightarrow a^+$ & $x \rightarrow a^-$, and $f(x) \rightarrow \pm\infty$ as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$.

Ex. (i) prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x} = 0$.

(ii) prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{x+2}{2x^2-3x+1} = -\infty$

Proof: (i) Given $\epsilon > 0$, set $M = \frac{1}{\epsilon}$. If $x > M$, then $|f(x) - L| = |\frac{1}{x} - 0| = \frac{1}{x} < \frac{1}{M} = \epsilon$. Thus, $\frac{1}{x} \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$.

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(ii) Let $M \in \mathbb{R}$. We need to find $\delta > 0$

$$\text{s.t. } 1 - \delta < x < 1 \Rightarrow f(x) < M,$$

$$\text{where } f(x) = \frac{x+2}{2x^2-3x+1}. \text{ Without loss}$$

of generality, assume that $M < 0$.

As $x \rightarrow 1^-$, $2x^2 - 3x + 1$ is negative and

$$2x^2 - 3x + 1 \rightarrow 0 \quad (\text{observe that } 2x^2 - 3x + 1$$

is a parabola opening upward with roots $\frac{1}{2}$ and 1)

Therefore, choose $\delta \in (0, 1)$ such that

$$1 - \delta < x < 1 \Rightarrow \frac{2}{M} < 2x^2 - 3x + 1 < 0, \text{ i.e.}$$

$$\frac{-1}{2x^2 - 3x + 1} > -\frac{M}{2} > 0. \text{ Since } 0 < x < 1 \text{ also}$$

implies $2 < x + 2 < 3$, it follows that

$$-\frac{x+2}{2x^2-3x+1} > -M, \text{ i.e.}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x+2}{2x^2-3x+1} < M, \text{ for all } 1 - \delta < x < 1$$

Notation

$$\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow a \\ x \in I}} f(x)$$

(*)

[a is an extended real number]

• (*) will denote $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ (when it exists)

• If a is a finite left endpoint of I, then

(*) will denote $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x)$ (when it exists).

• If a is a finite right endpoint of I,

then (*) will denote $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x)$ (when it exists).

• If $a = \pm\infty$ is an endpoint of I, then

(*) will denote $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} f(x)$ (when each exists).

Using this notation, we can state a sequential characterization of Limits valid for

two-sided, one-sided, and infinite limits.

Thm 2 Let a be an extended real number, and let I be a nondegenerate open interval \mathcal{I} which either contains a or has a as one of its endpoints. Suppose further that f is a real function defined

on I except possibly at a . Then

$\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow a \\ x \in I}} f(x)$ exists and equals L

if and only if $f(x_n) \rightarrow L$ for all sequences $x_n \in I$ which satisfy $x_n \neq a$ and $x_n \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof. Since we have proved this for two-sided limits, we must show it for the remaining 8 cases which notation (*) represents. Since the proofs are similar, we shall give the details for only one case, namely, $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty$. Thus, we must prove that

$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty$ iff $f(x_n) \rightarrow \infty$ for any sequence $x_n \in I$ which converges to a and satisfies $x_n \neq a$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

\Rightarrow Suppose that $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty$. If $x_n \in I$, $x_n \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and $x_n \neq a$, then given $M \in \mathbb{R}$, \exists a $\delta > 0$ such that

$$0 < |x-a| < \delta \Rightarrow f(x) > M. \quad (90)$$

and \exists an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$n \geq N \Rightarrow |x_n - a| < \delta.$$

consequently, $n \geq N \Rightarrow f(x_n) > M$, i.e.,

$f(x_n) \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ as required.

(\Leftarrow) Conversely, Suppose to the contrary that $f(x_n) \rightarrow \infty$ for any sequence $x_n \in I$ which

converges to a and satisfies $x_n \neq a$ but

$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \neq \infty$. By the definition of

"convergence" to ∞ there are numbers

$M_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x_n \in I$ s.t., $|x_n - a| < \frac{1}{n}$

and $f(x_n) \leq M_0 \quad \forall n \geq N$.

Now, $|x_n - a| < \frac{1}{n} \Rightarrow a - \frac{1}{n} < x_n < a + \frac{1}{n}$

this implies, using squeeze thm, $x_n \rightarrow a$

but the condition $f(x_n) \leq M_0, \forall n \geq N$

implies that $f(x_n) \not\rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

which is a contradiction & this proves thm 2

in the case $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty, a \in I$. \square

Remark. Using Thm 2, we can prove limit theorems represented in sec. 3.1. These limits thus can be used to evaluate infinite limits and limits at $\pm\infty$.

Ex. ③ prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2 - 1}{1 - x^2} = -2$.

Proof. Since the limit of a product is the product of the limits, we have by Ex ② that $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x^m} = 0$, for any $m \in \mathbb{N}$.

Multiplying numerator and denominator of the expression above by $\frac{1}{x^2}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2 - 1}{1 - x^2} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2 - \frac{1}{x^2}}{-1 + \frac{1}{x^2}} \\ &= \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (2 - \frac{1}{x^2})}{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (-1 + \frac{1}{x^2})} = \frac{2}{-1} = -2 \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

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0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (i.e., All)

Also, Give such an example on Q8.

3.3 Continuity

Df0 let $\emptyset \neq E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ and $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

(i) f is said to be continuous at a point $a \in E$ iff $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ (depends on ε, f , and a) s.t.

$$|x - a| < \delta \text{ and } x \in E \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(a)| < \varepsilon \quad *$$

(ii) f is said to be continuous on E

iff f is continuous at every $x \in E$.

Rmk. let I be an open interval which contains a point a and $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. then f is continuous at $a \in I$ iff $f(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$.

proof: see the book.

thm(1) [sequential characterization of continuity]

Spse that E is a nonempty subset of \mathbb{R} , that $a \in E$, and that $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Then the following statements are equivalent:

(i) f is cont. at $a \in E$.

(ii) If $x_n \rightarrow a$ and $x_n \in E$, then $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(a)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

Thm ②. Let E be a nonempty subset of \mathbb{R} and $f, g: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. If f, g are continuous at a point $a \in E$ (resp. continuous on the set E), then so are $f+g$, fg , and αf (for any $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$).
 Moreover, f/g is cont. at $a \in E$ when $g(a) \neq 0$ (resp., on E when $g(x) \neq 0$ for all $x \in E$).

Def ②. Spse that A and B are subsets of \mathbb{R} , that $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g: B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. If $f(A) \subseteq B$ for every $x \in A$, then the composition of g with f is the function $g \circ f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $(g \circ f)(x) := g(f(x))$, $x \in A$.

Thm ③. Spse that A and B are subsets of \mathbb{R} , that $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g: B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, and that $f(x) \in B$, $\forall x \in A$.

(i) If $A := I \setminus \{a\}$, where I is a nondegenerate interval which either contains a or has a as one of its endpoints, if

$$L := \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow a \\ x \in A}} f(x)$$

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exists and belongs to B , and if g is cont. at $L \in B$, then

$$\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow a \\ x \in I}} (g \circ f)(x) = g\left(\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow a \\ x \in I}} f(x)\right).$$

(ii) If f is cont. at $a \in A$ and g is cont. at $f(a) \in B$, then $g \circ f$ is cont. at $a \in A$.

Proof: (i) Spec that $x_n \in I \setminus \{a\}$ and that $x_n \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Since $f(A) \subseteq B$, $f(x_n) \in B$. Also, by the sequential characterization of Limits, $f(x_n) \rightarrow L$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Since g is cont. at $L \in B$, it follows from thm (i) that $(g \circ f)(x_n) := g(f(x_n)) \rightarrow g(L)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Hence, by the sequential characterization of limits, again, $(g \circ f)(x) \rightarrow g(L)$ as $x \rightarrow a$ in I .

(ii) Exercise \square

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Df ③. Let $\emptyset \neq E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$. A function $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be bounded on E iff \exists an $M \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t., $|f(x)| \leq M, \forall x \in E$. (f is dominated by M on E)

Rule: Notice that whether a function f is bounded or not on a set E depends on E as well as on f . For ex, $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ is bounded on $[1, \infty)$ but unbounded on $(0, 2)$. Again, $f(x) = x^2$ is bounded on $(-2, 2)$ (dominated by 4) but unbounded on $[0, \infty)$.

thm ④. [Extreme value thm]

If I is a closed, bounded interval and $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous on I , then f is bounded on I .

Moreover, if $M = \sup_{x \in I} f(x)$ and $m = \inf_{x \in I} f(x)$,

then \exists points $x_m, x_M \in I$ s.t.

$$f(x_M) = M \quad \text{and} \quad f(x_m) = m.$$

Proof. Spse first that f is not bounded on I . Then $\exists x_n \in I$ s.t.

$$|f(x_n)| > n, n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (**)$$

Since I is bounded, by ^{the} Bolzano-Weierstrass thm, $\{x_n\}$ has a convergent subsequence, say $x_{n_k} \rightarrow a$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$. Since I is closed, $a \in I$. In particular, $f(a) \in \mathbb{R}$. On the other hand, substituting n_k for n in $(**)$ and taking the limit as $k \rightarrow \infty$, we have $|f(a)| = \infty$, a contradiction. Hence, f is bounded on I .

We have proved that both M and m are finite real numbers. To show that \exists an $x_M \in I$ s.t. $f(x_M) = M$, suppose to the contrary, that $f(x) < M$ for all $x \in I$.

Then $g(x) = \frac{1}{M-f(x)}$ is cont.; hence

bounded on I . In particular, \exists a $C > 0$ such that $|g(x)| = g(x) \leq C$.

It follows that $f(x) \leq M - \frac{1}{c}$, $\forall x \in I$.

It follows that $\sup_{x \in I} f(x) \leq \sup_{x \in I} (M - \frac{1}{c})$.

This implies $M \leq M - \frac{1}{c} < M$,

a contradiction. Hence, \exists an $x_M \in I$ such that $f(x_M) = M$. Similarly, you can prove that \exists an $x_m \in I$ s.t., $f(x_m) = m$ (please do it). \square

Remark. ① We also call the value M (resp., m) the maximum (resp., the minimum) of f on I .

② The extreme value theorem (thm ④) is false if either "closed" or "bounded" is dropped from the hypothesis.

Counterexamples (2) $(0, 1)$ is bounded interval but not closed and $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ is continuous and unbounded on $(0, 1)$.

$[0, \infty)$ is closed but not bounded, and the function $f(x) = x$ is cont. and unbounded on $[0, \infty)$.

Lemma. Spse that $a < b$ and that $f: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.
 If f is continuous at $x_0 \in (a, b)$ and $f(x_0) > 0$,
 then \exists an $\varepsilon > 0$ and a point $x_1 \in (a, b)$ such
 that $x_1 > x_0$ and $f(x) > \varepsilon, \forall x \in [x_0, x_1]$.

Proof. Strategy: If $f(x_0) > 0$, then $f(x) > \frac{f(x_0)}{2}$
 for x near x_0 . The following are the details.

Let $\varepsilon = \frac{f(x_0)}{2}$. Since $x_0 < b$, then

$$\delta_0 := \frac{b - x_0}{2} > 0 \text{ and } x \in [a, x_0 + \delta) \Rightarrow x \in [a, b]$$

Since f is cont. at x_0 , then we can choose

$0 < \delta < \delta_0$ s.t. $x \in (a, b)$ and

$$|x - x_0| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(x_0)| < \varepsilon.$$

Fix $x_1 \in (x_0, x_0 + \delta)$ and spse that
 $x \in [x_0, x_1]$. By the choice of ε & δ ,
 it is clear that

$$-\frac{f(x_0)}{2} < f(x) - f(x_0) < \frac{f(x_0)}{2}.$$

Solving the left-hand ineq. we conclude that

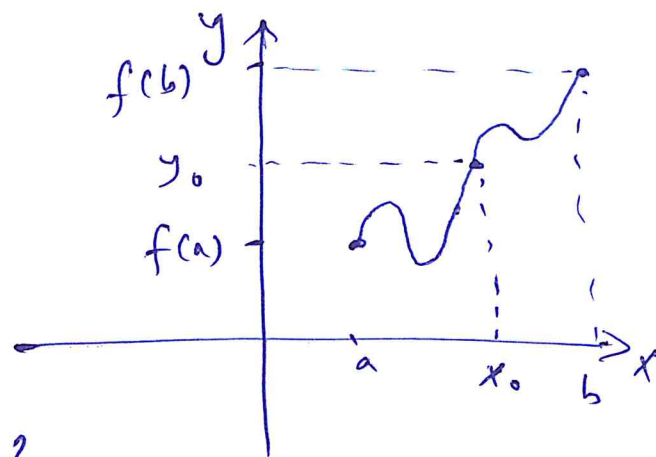
$$f(x) > \frac{f(x_0)}{2} = \varepsilon, \text{ as required. } \blacksquare$$

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A real number y_0 is said to lie between two numbers c and d iff $c < y_0 < d$ or $d < y_0 < c$.

Thm 5 [Intermediate Value Theorem]

Spce that $a < b$ and that $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous. If y_0 lies between $f(a)$ and $f(b)$, then \exists an $x_0 \in (a, b)$, such that $f(x_0) = y_0$.

proof. We may suppose that $f(a) < y_0 < f(b)$.



Consider the set

$E = \{ x \in [a, b] : f(x) < y_0 \}$. Since $a \in E$ and

$E \subseteq [a, b]$, then E is a nonempty, bounded subset of \mathbb{R} . Hence by the Completeness

Axiom, $x_0 := \sup E$ is a finite real

number. It remains to prove that $x_0 \in (a, b)$

and $f(x_0) = y_0$. Since E has a finite sup x_0

by thm, \exists a sequence $x_n \in E$ such that

$x_n \rightarrow x_0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Since $E \subseteq [a, b]$, it follows from the Comparison Thm,

$x_0 \in [a, b]$. Moreover, by the continuity of f and the def'n of E , we have $f(x_0) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) \leq y_0$.

To show that $f(x_0) = y_0$, suppose to the contrary that $f(x_0) < y_0$. Then $y_0 - f(x)$ is a cont. function on $[a, b)$ whose value at $x = x_0$ is positive. Hence, by previous lemma, we can choose an ε and an $x_1 > x_0$ such that

$y_0 - f(x_1) > \varepsilon > 0$. In particular, $x_1 \in E$ and

$x_1 > \sup E$, a contradiction. We have

proved that $x_0 \in [a, b]$ and $y_0 = f(x_0)$.

Since we assumed that $f(a) < y_0 < f(b)$,

it follows that x_0 cannot equal a or

b . We conclude that $x_0 \in (a, b)$. \square

Ex 10. prove that $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{|x|}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 1 & x = 0 \end{cases}$ is

continuous on $(-\infty, 0)$ and $[0, \infty)$, discont. at $x = 0$, and both $f(0^+)$ and $f(0^-)$ exist

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Pf. Since $f(x) = 1$ for $x \geq 0$, it is clear

$$\text{that } f(0^+) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} 1 = 1 \text{ exists}$$

and $f(x) \rightarrow f(a)$ as $x \rightarrow a$ for any $a > 0$.

In particular, f is cont. on $[0, \infty)$. Similarly,

$$f(0^-) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} (-1) = -1 \text{ exists}$$

and f is continuous on $(-\infty, 0)$. Finally,

since $f(0^+) \neq f(0^-)$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ DNE.

therefore, f is not cont. at $x=0$.

Ex. (2) Assume that $\sin x$ is cont. on $(-\infty, \infty)$,

$$\text{prove that } f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin(\frac{1}{x}), & x \neq 0 \\ 1, & x = 0 \end{cases} \text{ is cont.}$$

on $(-\infty, 0)$ and $(0, \infty)$, discont. at 0, and

neither $f(0^+)$ nor $f(0^-)$ exists.

proof. The function $g(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ is cont. for $x \neq 0$.

$$\text{Hence by thm (3), } f(x) = (\sin \circ g)(x) = \sin(\frac{1}{x})$$

is cont. on $(-\infty, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$. To prove that

$f(0^+) \text{ DNE}$, let $x_n = \frac{2}{(2n+1)\pi}$, and observe that $\sin\left(\frac{1}{x_n}\right) = (-1)^n$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Since $x_n \downarrow 0$ but $(-1)^n$ does not converge, it follows from (the sequential characterization of continuity theorem) that $f(0^+) \text{ DNE}$.

A similar way proves that $f(0^-) \text{ DNE}$ (please do it as exercise). \square

Ex 3. The Dirichlet function is defined by

$$f(x) := \begin{cases} 1, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0, & x \notin \mathbb{Q}. \end{cases}$$

prove that every point $x \in \mathbb{R}$ is a point of discontinuity of f (i.e. f is nowhere continuous)

proof: By Density of Rationals and Irrationals, given any $a \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\delta > 0$ we can choose $x_1 \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $x_2 \in \mathbb{Q}^c$ such that $|x_1 - a| < \delta$ and $|x_2 - a| < \delta$.

Since $f(x_1) = 1$ and $f(x_2) = 0$, then f cannot be continuous at a . (103)

Ex(4). Prove that $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{q} & , x = \frac{p}{q} \in \mathbb{Q} \\ & \text{(in reduced form)} \\ 0 & , x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$

is continuous at every irrational in $(0, 1)$

but discontinuous at every rational in $(0, 1)$.

Proof: First, we shall prove that f is discontinuous

at every rational in $(0, 1)$. Let a be

a rational in $(0, 1)$ and suppose that f is cont.

at a . If x_n is a sequence of irrationals

s.t. $x_n \rightarrow a$, then $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(a)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$,

i.e.; $f(a) = 0$. But $f(a) \neq 0$ by defn.

Hence, f is discontinuous at every rational in $(0, 1)$.

Next, we want to prove that f is cont.

at every irrational in $(0, 1)$. Indeed,

Let a be an irrational in $(0, 1)$. We must show that $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(a)$ for every sequence

$x_n \in (0, 1)$ which satisfies $x_n \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

We may suppose that $x_n \in \mathbb{Q}$. $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$,

write $x_n = \frac{p_n}{q_n}$ in reduced form. Since

$f(a) = 0$, it suffices to show that $q_n \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
 (We need to prove that $f(x_n) = \frac{1}{q_n} \rightarrow f(a) = 0$).

Suppose to the contrary that there exist integers $n_1 < n_2 < \dots$ such that $|q_{n_k}| \leq \frac{1}{\epsilon}$

for $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Since $x_{n_k} \in (0, 1)$, it follows that

the set $E := \left\{ x_{n_k} = \frac{p_{n_k}}{q_{n_k}} : k \in \mathbb{N} \right\}$

contains only a finite number of pts.

Hence, the limit of any sequence in E

must belong to E , a contradiction since

a is such a limit and a is irrational.

Rmk. the composition of two functions $g \circ f$ can be nowhere continuous, even though f is discont. only on \mathbb{Q} and g is discont. at only one point.

proof. let $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x} & x = \frac{p}{q} \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ (in reduced form)} \\ 0 & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

clearly, $(g \circ f)(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0 & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$

Hence, $g \circ f$ is the Dirichlet function, nowhere continuous by Ex (3).

H.w's (Exercises p. 90; 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 i.e., All).

Good Luck.

3.4 Uniform Continuity

Def 1. Let E be a nonempty subset of \mathbb{R} and $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Then f is said to be uniformly continuous on E iff $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ s.t.

$$|x - a| < \delta \text{ and } x, a \in E \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(a)| < \varepsilon.$$

Notice that δ here depends on ε and f , but not on a and x .

Ex 1 Prove that $f(x) = x^2$ is uniformly continuous on $(0, 1)$.

Proof. Given $\varepsilon > 0$, set $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$. If $x, a \in (0, 1)$, then $|x + a| \leq |x| + |a| \leq 2$

Therefore, if $x, a \in (0, 1)$ and $|x - a| < \delta$, then

$$|f(x) - f(a)| = |x^2 - a^2| = |x + a||x - a| \leq 2|x - a| < 2\delta = \varepsilon$$

Rmk. ① The difference between the def's of continuity and uniform continuity is that for a continuous function, δ may depend on a whereas for a uniformly continuous function,

δ must be chosen independently of a . (107)

② Every uniformly continuous function on E is also continuous on E . But the converse is not true. For ex. $f(x) = x^2$ is cont. on $(-\infty, \infty)$ but it is not uniformly cont.

Ex. ② show that $f(x) = x^2$ is not uniformly continuous on \mathbb{R} .

Proof. Suppose to the contrary that f is uniformly cont. on \mathbb{R} . Then \exists a $\delta > 0$ such that

$$|x-a| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(a)| < 1, \forall x, a \in \mathbb{R}$$

By the Archimedean Principle, choose $n \in \mathbb{N}$ so large that $n\delta > 1$. Set $a = n$ and

$$x = n + \frac{\delta}{2}. \text{ Then } |x-a| = |n + \frac{\delta}{2} - n| = \frac{\delta}{2} < \delta$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{but } 1 > |f(x) - f(a)| &= |x^2 - a^2| = |x-a||x+a| \\ &= \frac{\delta}{2} \cdot \left(2n + \frac{\delta}{2}\right) \\ &= n\delta + \frac{\delta^2}{4} > n\delta > 1 \end{aligned}$$

this implies $1 > 1$ which is a contradiction.

Hence f is not uniformly cont. on \mathbb{R} \square

lemma Suppose that $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ and that $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is uniformly continuous. If $x_n \in E$ is Cauchy, then $\{f(x_n)\}$ is Cauchy.

proof. let $\varepsilon > 0$ and choose $\delta > 0$ such that $|x - a| < \delta, x, a \in E \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(a)| < \varepsilon$. Since $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy, choose $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n, m \geq N \Rightarrow |x_n - x_m| < \delta$.

then $n, m \geq N \Rightarrow |f(x_n) - f(x_m)| < \varepsilon$.

this means $\{f(x_n)\}$ is Cauchy \square .

Thm 1 Suppose that I is a closed, bounded interval. If $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous on I , then f is uniformly continuous on I .

proof. Spse to the contrary that f is continuous but not uniformly continuous on I .

Then \exists a $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ and $x_n, y_n \in I$ such that
 $|x_n - y_n| < \frac{1}{n}$ and $|f(x_n) - f(y_n)| \geq \varepsilon_0, n \in \mathbb{N}$

By the Bolzano-Weierstrass thm and the
Comparison Thm, $\{x_n\}$ has a convergent
subseq. Say $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x \in I$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$.

Similarly, the sequence $\{y_{n_k}\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ has
a convergent subsequence Say $y_{n_{k_j}} \rightarrow y \in I$

as $j \rightarrow \infty$. Since $x_{n_{k_j}} \rightarrow x$ as $j \rightarrow \infty$

and f is continuous, it follows that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \geq \varepsilon_0, \text{ i.e. } f(x) \neq f(y).$$

But $|x_n - y_n| < \frac{1}{n}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ so by the
Squeeze Thm implies $x = y$. Therefore, $f(x) = f(y)$,
a contradiction. \square

Remark. Thm(1) might not hold if "closed" replaced
by "open".

Ex. $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ is continuous on $(0, 1)$ but not
uniformly cont. on $(0, 1)$. (see the book p. 93)

Thm 2. Suppose that $a < b$ and that $f: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Then f is uniformly continuous on (a, b) iff f can be continuously extended to $[a, b]$, i.e., iff there is a continuous function $g: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which satisfies $f(x) = g(x)$, $x \in (a, b)$.

Proof. See the book p. 94.

Ex. Prove that $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{\ln x}$ is uniformly continuous on $(0, 1)$.

Proof. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x-1}{\ln x} = 0.$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{x-1}{\ln x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{1}{1/x} = 1$

Let $g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x-1}{\ln x}, & x \in (0, 1) \\ 0, & x = 0 \\ 1, & x = 1 \end{cases}$

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Notice that $g: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a continuous function on $[0, 1]$ and $g(x) = f(x), \forall x \in (0, 1)$.

Hence f is continuously extendable to $[0, 1]$, so by thm ②, f is uniformly continuous on $(0, 1)$.

Prop. Let f be cont. on a bounded, open, nondegenerate interval (a, b) . Notice that f is continuously extendable to $[a, b]$ iff $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow b^-} f(x)$ exist.

Indeed, when they exist, we define g at $x = a$ and $x = b$ as

$$g(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x), \quad g(b) = \lim_{x \rightarrow b^-} f(x)$$

H.w's Exercises p. 95 $[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, \text{scribble}]$

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Good Luck.

Ch4 Differentiability on \mathbb{R} 4.1 the Derivative

Def ①. A real function f is said to be differentiable at a point $a \in \mathbb{R}$ iff f is defined on some open interval I containing a and

$$f'(a) := \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} \text{ exist}$$

In this case $f'(a)$ is called the derivative of f at a .

Remk. ① the assumption that f be defined on an open interval containing a is made so that the quotients in (*) are defined for all $h \neq 0$ sufficiently small.

② the graph of $y = f(x)$ has a non-vertical tangent line at $(a, f(a))$ iff $f'(a)$ exists, in this case the slope of the tangent line is $f'(a)$.
Let us consider a geometric interpretation of

Spec that f is diffble at a . A secant line of the graph $y=f(x)$

is a line passing through at least two points

on the graph, and

a chord is a line segment which runs from one point on the graph to another.

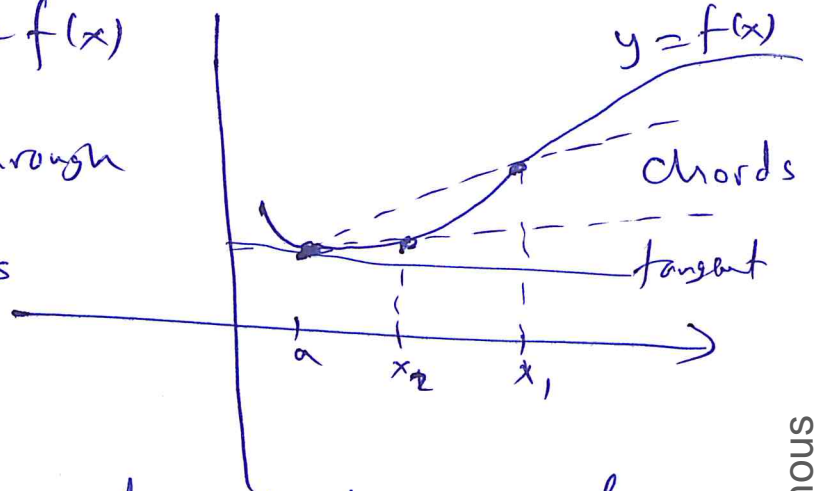
Let $x = a+h$, the slope of the chord passing through $(x, f(x))$, $(a, f(a))$ is

$$\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$$

Since $x = a+h$, (x) becomes

$$f'(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$$

Hence, as $x \rightarrow a$, the slopes of the chords through $(x, f(x))$ and $(a, f(a))$ approximate the slope of the tangent line of $y = f(x)$ at $x = a$



Thus, the slope of the tangent line to $y=f(x)$ at $x=a$ is $f'(a)$.

• $y=f(x)$ has a unique tangent line at $(a, f(a))$ iff $f'(a)$ exists.

• If f is diffble at each point in E , then f' is a function on E .

Notations.. $D_x f = \frac{df}{dx} = f'(x) = f^{(1)}(x) = y' = \frac{dy}{dx}$
when $y = f(x)$.

• Higher order derivatives are defined as $f^{(n+1)}(a) := (f^{(n)})'(a)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ provided these derivatives exist.

Notation $D_x^n f$, $\frac{d^n f}{dx^n}$, $f^{(n)}$, and $\frac{d^n y}{dx^n}$, $y^{(n)}$

when $y = f(x)$

Thm ①. A real function f is diffble at $x=a \in \mathbb{R}$ iff \exists an open interval I and a function $F: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $a \in I$, f is defined on I , F is continuous at a , and

$$f(x) = F(x)(x-a) + f(a).$$

holds $\forall x \in I$, in which case $F(a) = f'(a)$.

Proof: (\Rightarrow) Suppose that f is diffble at a then f is defined on some open interval I containing a , and the limit

$$f'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} \text{ exists.}$$

Define F on I by

$$F(x) := \begin{cases} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x-a}, & x \neq a \\ f'(a), & x = a \end{cases}$$

Then $f(x) = F(x)(x-a) + f(a)$, $\forall x \in I$, and F is continuous at a . since $f'(a)$ exists.

(\Leftarrow) Conversely, suppose that \exists an open interval I and $F: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $a \in I$, f is defined on \bar{I} , F is continuous at a and $f(x) = F(x)(x-a) + f(a)$, $\forall x \in I$. then

$$F(x) = \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x-a}, \quad x \neq a.$$

The continuity of F implies that

$$F(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} F(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x-a} \text{ exists}$$

therefore, f is diffble at a and

$$f'(a) = F(a). \quad \square$$

Thm 2. A real function f is diffble at $x=a$ iff \exists a function T of the form $T(x) := mx$ such that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a) - T(h)}{h} = 0$$

proof. (\Rightarrow) Suppose that f is diffble at a ,
 and define T as $T(x) = mx$, where
 $m = f'(a)$. then by (*),

$$\frac{f(a+h) - f(a) - T(h)}{h} = \frac{f(a+h) - f(a) - f'(a)h}{h} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } h \rightarrow 0$$

Conversely, Suppose that \exists a function
 T of the form $T(x) = mx$ s.t

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a) - T(h)}{h} = 0,$$

then for $h \neq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} &= m + \frac{f(a+h) - f(a) - mh}{h} \\ &= m + \frac{f(a+h) - f(a) - T(h)}{h} \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = m + 0 \text{ (assumption)} = m$$

that is, $f'(a)$ exists and equals m
 therefore, f is diffble at $x = a$ \square

Thm (3). If f is diffble at a , then f is continuous at a .

Proof: Suppose that f is diffble at a .
By Thm (1), \exists an open interval I and a function F , continuous at a , such that

$$f(x) = F(x)(x-a) + f(a), \quad \forall x \in I.$$

Taking the limit as $x \rightarrow a$, we see that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = F(a) \cdot 0 + f(a) = f(a).$$

In particular, $f(x) \rightarrow f(a)$ as $x \rightarrow a$; i.e.,
 f is continuous at a \square

Remark. The converse of Thm (3) is false

example. Show that $f(x) = |x|$ is continuous at 0 but not diffble there.

Proof: Since $x \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow |x| \rightarrow 0$, f is continuous at 0. On the other hand

$$f'_+(0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(0+h) - f(0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{|h| - 0}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{h}{h} = 1$$

$$f'_-(0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(h) - f(0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} -\frac{h}{h} = -1$$

Since $f'_+(0) \neq f'_-(0)$, it follows that $f'(0)$ does not exist. Therefore, f is not differentiable at 0. \square

Def 2. Let I be a nondegenerate interval

(i) A function $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be differentiable on I if and only if

$$f'_I(a) := \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow a \\ x \in I}} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} \text{ exists}$$

and is finite $\forall a \in I$.

(ii) f is said to be continuously differentiable on I if and only if f'_I exists and is continuous on I .

Remark. When a is not an endpoint of I , $f'_I(a)$ is the same as $f'(a)$.

If f is diffble on $[a, b]$. then

$$f'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} \quad \text{and}$$

$$f'(b) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(b+h) - f(b)}{h}.$$

Ex. show that $f(x) = x^{3/2}$ is diffble on $[0, \infty)$ and $f'(x) = \frac{3\sqrt{x}}{2}, \forall x \in [0, \infty)$

Pf. By the Power Rule, $f'(x) = \frac{3}{2} x^{1/2} = \frac{3\sqrt{x}}{2}$

$\forall x \in (0, \infty)$. And by def'n,

$$f'(0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{h^{3/2} - 0}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \sqrt{h} = 0.$$

$$\therefore f'(x) = \frac{3\sqrt{x}}{2}, \forall x \in [0, \infty). \quad \square$$

Notation $C^n(I)$.

Let I be a nondegenerate interval. For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we define the collection of functions $C^n(I)$ by

$$C^n(I) := \left\{ f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ and } f^{(n)} \text{ exists and is continuous on } I \right\}$$

• When $f \in C^n(I)$, $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, we shall denote it by $f \in C^\infty(I)$.

• Notice that $C^1(I)$ is precisely the collection of real functions which are continuously diffble on I .

$$C^n([a, b]) = C^n[a, b].$$

$$C^\infty(I) \subset C^m(I) \subset C^n(I),$$

for all integers $m > n > 0$

• Not every function which is diffble on \mathbb{R} belongs to $C^1(\mathbb{R})$.

Ex. $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin(\frac{1}{x}), & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$

is diffble on \mathbb{R} but not continuously diffble on any interval containing the origin.

Proof. By def'n.

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$$f'(0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h) - f(0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h \sin\left(\frac{1}{h}\right) = 0$$

and $f'(x) = 2x \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) - \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right), x \neq 0.$

Thus, f is diffble on \mathbb{R} but

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x)$ does not exist. In particular

f' is not continuous on any interval which contains the origin. \square

Rmk. A function which is diffble on two sets is not necessarily diffble on their union.

example $f(x) = |x|$ is diffble on $[0, 1]$ and on $[-1, 0]$ but not on $[-1, 1]$.

Proof. Since $f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{when } x > 0 \\ -x & \text{when } x < 0 \end{cases}$, it is

clear that f is diffble on $[-1, 0) \cup (0, 1]$


(with $f'(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x > 0 \\ -1, & x < 0 \end{cases}$)

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We proved that f is not diffble at $x=0$.

$$\text{However, } f'_{[0,1]}(0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{|h|}{h} = 1$$

$$f'_{[-1,0]}(0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{|h|}{h} = -1.$$

Therefore, f is diffble on $[0,1]$ and on $[-1,0]$ but not on $[-1,1]$ 

Exercises (H.w's) 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9 (All).

4.2. Differentiability Theorems

Thm 4. Let $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be an interval, let $a \in I$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ and let $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $g: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be functions that diffble at a ,

then $f+g$, αf , $f \cdot g$ and [when $g(a) \neq 0$] $\frac{f}{g}$ are all diffble at a . In fact,

$$(i) \quad (f+g)'(a) = f'(a) + g'(a)$$

$$(ii) \quad (\alpha f)'(a) = \alpha f'(a).$$

$$(iii) \quad (f \cdot g)'(a) = g(a)f'(a) + f(a)g'(a)$$

$$(iv) \quad \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)'(a) = \frac{g(a)f'(a) - f(a)g'(a)}{g^2(a)}$$

Proof. We shall prove (iii) and (iv), leaving

(i), (ii) as exercises.

(iii) Let $p := fg$, then ^{for} $x \in I$, $x \neq a$, we

$$\text{have } \frac{p(x) - p(a)}{x-a} = \frac{f(x)g(x) - f(a)g(a)}{x-a}$$

$$= \frac{f(x)g(x) - f(a)g(x) + f(a)g(x) - f(a)g(a)}{x-a}$$

$$= \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} \cdot g(x) + f(a) \cdot \frac{g(x) - g(a)}{x - a}$$

Since g is continuous at a , by thm (3), then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = g(a)$. Since f and g are diffble at $x = a$, we deduce that:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{p(x) - p(a)}{x - a} = f'(a) \cdot g(a) + f(a) g'(a)$$

Hence $p := fg$ is diffble at a and (iii) holds.

(iv) Let $q := \frac{f}{g}$. Since g is diffble at a , it is continuous at that point (Thm). Therefore, since $g(a) \neq 0$, then (by thm), \exists an interval $J \subseteq I$ with $a \in J$ s.t. $g(x) \neq 0, \forall x \in J$.

For $x \in J, x \neq a$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{q(x) - q(a)}{x - a} &= \frac{\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} - \frac{f(a)}{g(a)}}{x - a} \\ &= \frac{f(x)g(a) - f(a)g(x)}{(x - a)g(x)g(a)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{f(x)g(a) - f(a)g(a) + f(a)g(a) - f(a)g(x)}{(x-a)g(x)g(a)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{g(x)g(a)} \left[\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x-a} \cdot g(a) - f(a) \cdot \frac{g(x) - g(a)}{x-a} \right]$$

Using the continuity of g at a and the differentiability of f and g at a , then we get

$$q'(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{q(x) - q(a)}{x-a} = \frac{f'(a)g(a) - g'(a)f(a)}{g^2(a)}$$

Thus, $q = \frac{f}{g}$ is diffble at a and (iv) holds. \square

Rmk. Formula in (i) is called the Sum Rule, in (ii) is called the Product Rule, in (iii) the homogeneous Rule and in (iv) is called the Quotient Rule.

Corollary. If f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n are functions on an interval I to \mathbb{R} that are diffble at $a \in I$, then:

(i) the function $f_1 + f_2 + \dots + f_n$ is diffble at a and $(f_1 + f_2 + \dots + f_n)'(a) = f_1'(a) + f_2'(a) + \dots + f_n'(a)$

(ii) the function $f_1 f_2 \dots f_n$ is diffble at a ,

$$\text{and } (f_1 f_2 \dots f_n)'(a) = f_1'(a) f_2(a) \dots f_n(a)$$

$$+ f_1(a) f_2'(a) \dots f_n(a) + \dots + f_1(a) f_2(a) \dots f_n'(a)$$

Proof: Use Mathematical Induction.

Thm ⑤ [Chain Rule]

Let f and g be real functions. If f is diffble at a and g is diffble at $f(a)$, then $g \circ f$ is diffble at a with

$$(g \circ f)'(a) = g'(f(a)) f'(a).$$

Proof: By thm ①, \exists open intervals I and J , and functions $F: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, continuous at a ,

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and $G: J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, continuous at $f(a)$,
such that $F(a) = f'(a)$, $G(f(a)) = g'(f(a))$,

$$\boxed{f(x) = F(x)(x-a) + f(a), \quad x \in I} \quad (A)$$

and $\boxed{g(y) = G(y)(y-f(a)) + g(f(a)), \quad y \in J.} \quad (B)$

Since f is continuous at a , we may assume
that $f(x) \in J$, $\forall x \in I$.

Fix $x \in I$. Apply (B) to $y = f(x)$ and (A) to
to write

$$\begin{aligned} (g \circ f)(x) &= g(f(x)) \\ &= G(f(x)) \underbrace{(f(x) - f(a))}_{F(x)(x-a)} + g(f(a)) \quad [\text{using (B)}] \\ &= G(f(x)) F(x)(x-a) + (g \circ f)(a) \quad [\text{using (A)}] \end{aligned}$$

Set $H(x) \equiv G(f(x)) F(x)$ for $x \in I$.

Since F is continuous at a and G is
continuous at $f(a)$, it is clear that
 H is continuous at a . Moreover,

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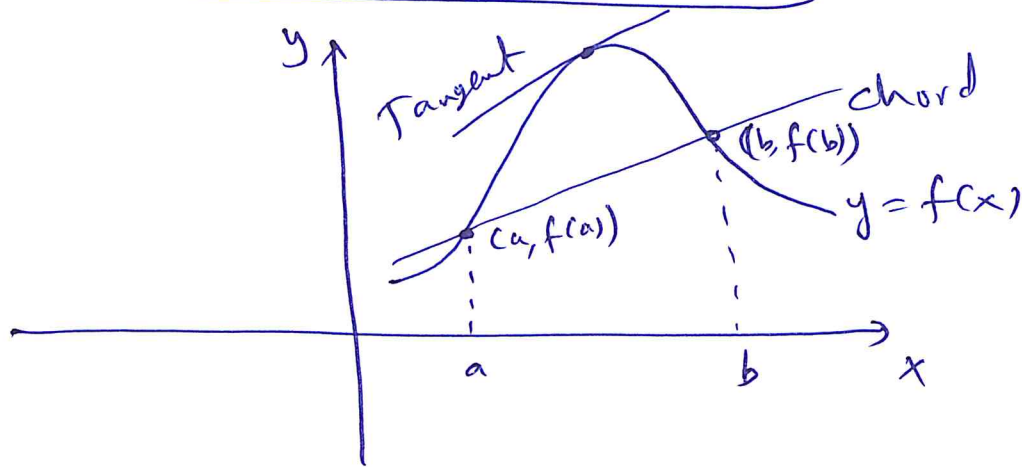
$$H(a) = G(f(a)) \quad F(a) = g'(f(a)) f'(a)$$

It follows from Thm ①, $(g \circ f)'(a) = H(a)$, i.e.,

$$(g \circ f)'(a) = g'(f(a)) f'(a).$$

Exercises p. 106 (H.w's) 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9.

4.3 The Mean Value Theorem



Lemma. [Rolle's thm].

Suppose that $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$. If f is continuous on $[a, b]$, differentiable on (a, b) , and if $f(a) = f(b)$, then $f'(c) = 0$ for some $c \in (a, b)$.

Proof. By the Extreme value thm, f has a finite maximum M and a finite minimum m on $[a, b]$.

If $M = m$, then f is constant on (a, b) and $f'(x) = 0, \forall x \in (a, b)$.

Suppose that $M \neq m$. Since $f(a) = f(b)$, f must assume one of the values M or m at some $c \in (a, b)$. We may suppose that $f(c) = M$ (similar proof when $f(c) = m$)

Since M is the max. of f on $[a, b]$,

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We have $f(c+h) - f(c) \leq 0$

for all h satisfy $c+h \in (a,b)$. In the

case $h > 0$ this implies

$$f'(c) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(c+h) - f(c)}{h} \leq 0$$

and the case $h < 0$,

$$f'(c) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(c+h) - f(c)}{h} \geq 0.$$

It follows that $f'(c) = 0$ \square

Remark: (1) the continuity hypothesis in Rolle's theorem cannot be relaxed at even one point in $[a,b]$.

proof: $f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & x \in [0,1) \\ 0, & x = 1 \end{cases}$ is continuous

on $[0,1)$, diffble on $(0,1)$, and $f(0) = f(1) = 0$

but $f'(x)$ is never zero.

(2) the differentiability hypothesis in Rolle's theorem cannot be relaxed at even

one point in (a, b) .

Proof: $f(x) = |x|$ is cont. on $[-1, 1]$, diffble on $(-1, 1) \setminus \{0\}$, and $f(-1) = f(1) = 1$ but $f'(x)$ is never zero.

Thm 6 Suppose that $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$.

(i) [Generalized Mean Value Thm]. If f, g are continuous on $[a, b]$ and diffble on (a, b) , then there is a $c \in (a, b)$ such that

$$g'(c)(f(b) - f(a)) = f'(c)(g(b) - g(a)).$$

(ii) [Mean value thm] If f is continuous on $[a, b]$, and diffble on (a, b) , then there is a $c \in (a, b)$ such that

$$f(b) - f(a) = f'(c)(b - a).$$

Proof: (i) Set

$$g(x) = f(x)(g(b) - g(a)) - g(x)(f(b) - f(a)).$$

Since $h'(x) = f'(x)(g(b) - g(a)) - g'(x)(f(b) - f(a))$,
 it is clear that h is cont. on $[a, b]$,
 diffble on (a, b) , and $h(a) = h(b) = 0$.
 Thus, by Rolle's thm, $h'(c) = 0$ for some
 $c \in (a, b)$. That is, there is a $c \in (a, b)$ s.t.
 $g'(c)(f(b) - f(a)) = f'(c)(g(b) - g(a))$.

(ii) Set $g(x) = x$ and apply part (i). Then

\exists a $c \in (a, b)$ s.t.

$$f(b) - f(a) = f'(c)(b - a). \quad \square$$

Rmk. ① the Generalized Mean Value thm
 is also called Cauchy's Mean value Thm

② For a geometric interpretation of (ii),
 see the opening graph p. 19 (Note).

③ The Mean Value Thm is most often used
 to extract information about f from f'
 as follows.

Df. Let E be a nonempty subset of \mathbb{R} and $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

(i) f is said to be increasing (resp., strictly increasing) on E iff

$$x_1, x_2 \in E \text{ and } x_1 < x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) \leq f(x_2) \text{ [resp. } f(x_1) < f(x_2)\text{]}$$

(ii) f is said to be decreasing (resp., strictly decreasing) on E iff

$$x_1, x_2 \in E \text{ and } x_1 < x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) \geq f(x_2) \text{ [resp. } f(x_1) > f(x_2)\text{]}$$

(iii) f is said to be monotone (resp., strictly monotone) on E iff f is either decreasing or increasing (resp., either strictly decreasing or strictly increasing) on E .

ex. $f(x) = x^2$ is strictly monotone on $[0, 1]$, and on $[-1, 0]$, it is not monotone on $[-1, 1]$.

Thm (7). Suppose that $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, with $a < b$, that f is continuous on $[a, b]$, and that f is differentiable on (a, b) .

i) If $f'(x) > 0$ [resp, $f'(x) < 0$], $\forall x \in (a, b)$, then f is strictly increasing [resp, strictly decreasing] on $[a, b]$.

ii) If $f'(x) = 0$, $\forall x \in (a, b)$, then f is constant on $[a, b]$.

iii) If g is continuous on $[a, b]$ and diffble on (a, b) , and if $f'(x) = g'(x)$, $\forall x \in (a, b)$, then $f - g$ is constant on $[a, b]$.

Proof: (i) let $a \leq x_1 < x_2 \leq b$. By the Mean Value theorem, \exists a $c \in (a, b)$ such that $f(x_2) - f(x_1) = f'(c)(x_2 - x_1)$. Thus, $f(x_2) > f(x_1)$ when $f'(c) > 0$ and $f(x_2) < f(x_1)$, when $f'(c) < 0$.

(ii) If $f'(x) = 0$, then by the proof of part (i), f is both increasing and decreasing and hence constant on $[a, b]$.

(iii) Follows from part (ii) applied to $h = f - g$. ($h'(x) = f'(x) - g'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow h(x) = f(x) - g(x)$ is constant on $[a, b]$) \square

Thm 8. Suppose that f is increasing on $[a, b]$.

(i) If $c \in [a, b)$, then $f(c^+)$ exists and

$$f(c) \leq f(c^+) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f(x)$$

(ii) If $c \in (a, b]$, then $f(c^-)$ exists and

$$f(c^-) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f(x) \leq f(c)$$

Proof. See ^{the} textbook p. 112.

Thm 9. If f is monotone on an interval I , then f has at most countably many points of discontinuity on I .

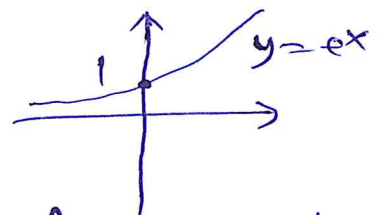
Proof. See the textbook p. 113.

Application (Thm 7 (i)).

ex. prove that $1+x < e^x$, $\forall x > 0$.

Proof. Let $f(x) = e^x - x$, and observe that

$$f'(x) = e^x - 1 > 0, \forall x > 0$$



It follows from Thm 7 (i), that $f(x)$ is strictly

increasing on $(0, \infty)$. Thus, As $x > 0$, then

$e^x - x = f(x) > f(0) = 1$. In particular, $e^x > x + 1, \forall x > 0$

Thm (10). [Bernoulli's Inequality].

Let α be a positive real number.

If $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, then $(1+x)^\alpha \leq 1+\alpha x$, $\forall x \geq -1$,

and if $\alpha \geq 1$, then $(1+x)^\alpha \geq 1+\alpha x$, $\forall x \geq -1$.

Proof. Case 1 $0 < \alpha \leq 1$.

Fix $x \geq -1$ and let $f(t) = t^\alpha$, $t \in [0, \infty)$.

Since $f'(t) = \alpha t^{\alpha-1}$, it follows from the Mean value thm (applied to $a=1$, and $b=1+x$)

$$\text{that } f(1+x) - f(1) = f'(c)(1+x-1)$$

$$(*) \quad \boxed{f(1+x) - f(1) = \alpha x c^{\alpha-1}}, \text{ for some } c$$

between 1 and $1+x$.

SubCase 1.1 $x > 0$. Then $c > 1$. Since $0 < \alpha \leq 1$

implies $\alpha-1 \leq 0$, it follows that $c^{\alpha-1} \leq 1$,

hence $x c^{\alpha-1} \leq x$. Therefore, we have

$$\text{by } (*) \text{ that } (1+x)^\alpha = f(1+x) = f(1) + \alpha x c^{\alpha-1} \\ \leq f(1) + \alpha x = 1 + \alpha x$$

as required.

sub Case 1.2. $-1 \leq x \leq 0$. Then $c \leq 1$ so

$c^{\alpha-1} \geq 1$. But since $x \leq 0$, it follows that $x c^{\alpha-1} \leq x$ as before, we have by (*) that

$$\begin{aligned} (1+x)^\alpha &= f(1+x) = f(1) + \alpha x c^{\alpha-1} \\ &\leq f(1) + \alpha x = 1 + \alpha x \end{aligned}$$

Case 2. $\alpha \geq 1$. (Exercise) □

Ex. prove that the sequence $x_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$ is increasing and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = L$ satisfies $2 < L \leq 3$ [$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = e$ as you know]
 $= 2.718281828459 \dots$

proof. $x_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$ is increasing, since by Bernoulli's Inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} x_n &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{n}{n+1}} \right]^{n+1} \\ &\leq \left[1 + \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right) \right]^{n+1} \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1}\right)^{n+1} = x_{n+1}. \end{aligned}$$

- To prove that this sequence is bounded above, observe that by the Binomial Formula

$$\begin{aligned} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n &= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^k \cdot (1)^{n-k} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^k \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^k &= \frac{n!}{k! (n-k)! \cdot n^k} \\ &= \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)\dots(n-(k-1)) \cancel{(n-k)!}}{k! \cancel{(n-k)!} n^k} \\ &= \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)\dots(n-k+1)}{n^k} \cdot \frac{1}{k!} \\ &\leq 1 \cdot \frac{1}{k!} \leq \frac{1}{2^{k-1}}, \end{aligned}$$

for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Next,

$$\begin{aligned} 2 &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{1}\right) < \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^k \\ &= 1 + \sum_{k=1}^n \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^k \\ &\leq 1 + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2^{k-1}} = 1 + \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = 3 - \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} < 3 \end{aligned}$$

for $n > 1$. Hence, by the Monotone Convergence
 theorem, the limit L exists and satisfies

$$2 < L \leq 3$$

Thm (11) [Intermediate value theorem for
 derivatives]. [or Darboux's Thm].

Suppose that f is diffble on $[a, b]$ with
 $f'(a) \neq f'(b)$. If y_0 is a real number
 which lies between $f'(a)$ and $f'(b)$, then
 there is an $x_0 \in (a, b)$ such that $f'(x_0) = y_0$.

Proof: Suppose that y_0 lies between $f'(a)$ and
 $f'(b)$. By symmetry, we may assume that
 $f'(a) < y_0 < f'(b)$. Set $F(x) = f(x) - y_0 x$, for
 $x \in [a, b]$, and observe that F is diffble on
 $[a, b]$. Hence, by the Extreme Value Thm, F has
 an absolute minimum, say $F(x_0)$, on $[a, b]$. Now,
 $F'(a) = f'(a) - y_0 < 0$, so $F(a+h) - F(a) < 0$ for
 $h > 0$ sufficiently small. Hence, $F(a)$ is NOT
 the absolute minimum of F on $[a, b]$. Similarly,
 $F(b)$ is not the absolute minimum of F on
 $[a, b]$. Hence, the absolute minimum $F(x_0)$

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must occur on (a, b) , i.e., $x_0 \in (a, b)$ and

$$0 = F'(x_0) = y_0 - f'(x_0). \text{ Hence, } f'(x_0) = y_0.$$

Ex. The function $g: [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$g(x) := \begin{cases} 1, & 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 0, & x = 0 \\ -1, & -1 \leq x < 0, \end{cases}$$

clearly fails to satisfy the intermediate value property on $[-1, 1]$. therefore, by Darboux's Thm, there does not exist a function f s.t.

$f'(x) = g(x), \forall x \in [-1, 1]$. In other words, g is NOT the derivative on $[-1, 1]$ of any function.

H.w's Exercises

0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
(i.e., All).

Good Luck

Chapters Integrability on \mathbb{R}

5-1 The Riemann Integral.

Df ①. let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, with $a < b$.

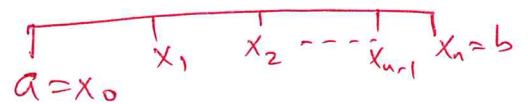
(i) A partition of $[a, b]$ is a set of subintervals

$$[x_0, x_1], [x_1, x_2], \dots, [x_{n-1}, x_n],$$

where $a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b$. (*)

thus any set of $(n+1)$ points satisfying (*) defines a partition P of $[a, b]$, which we denote by

$$P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}.$$



(ii) the norm of a partition $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

is the number $\|P\| := \max \{x_1 - x_0, x_2 - x_1, \dots, x_n - x_{n-1}\}$

$$= \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} |x_j - x_{j-1}|$$

(iii) A refinement of a partition $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

is a partition Q of $[a, b]$ which satisfies

$Q \supseteq P$. And we say that Q is finer than

P .

Ex. Prove that for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$P_n = \left\{ \frac{j}{2^n} : j=0, 1, \dots, 2^n \right\}$ is a partition of $[0, 1]$ and P_m is finer than P_n when $m > n$.

Proof. Fix $n \in \mathbb{N}$. If $x_j = \frac{j}{2^n}$, then

$$0 = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_{2^n} = 1. \text{ Thus,}$$

P_n is a partition of $[0, 1]$.

Next, we need to show that $P_m \geq P_n$ when $m > n$.

Let $m > n$ and set $p = m - n$. If $0 \leq j \leq 2^n$,

$$\text{then } \frac{j}{2^n} = \frac{j \cdot 2^p}{2^m} \text{ and } 0 \leq j \cdot 2^p \leq 2^m.$$

thus P_m is finer than P_n . \square

Remark 1. If P and Q are partitions of $[a, b]$, then $P \cup Q$ is finer than both P and Q .

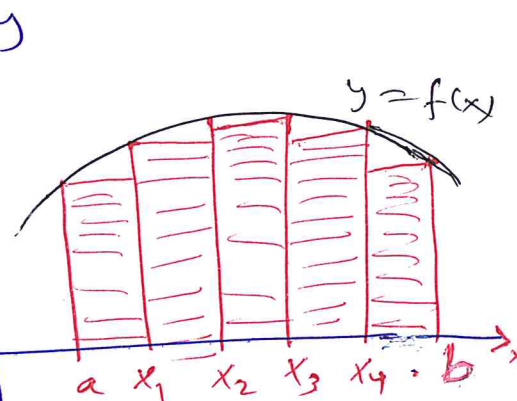
② If Q is a refinement of P (i.e., $Q \geq P$) then $\|Q\| \leq \|P\|$

Recall, let f be nonnegative on $[a, b]$,

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \text{Area of the region}$$

bounded by $y=f(x)$, $y=0$, $x=a$, $x=b$

if when this integral exists.



this Area can be approximated by rectangles

whose base lie in $[a, b]$ and whose heights approximate f . If the tops of these rectangles

lie above $y=f(x)$, then $A_{\text{approximate}} > A_{\text{exact}}$

If the tops of these rectangles lie below $y=f(x)$,

then $A_{\text{approximate}} < A_{\text{exact}}$.

Df(2). let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$. let

$P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ be a partition of $[a, b]$,

set $\Delta x_j := x_j - x_{j-1}$, for $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$

and suppose that $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is bounded.

(i) the upper Riemann sum of f over P is

$$U(f, P) := \sum_{j=1}^n M_j(f) \Delta x_j, \text{ where}$$

$$M_j(f) = \sup_{x_{j-1} \leq t \leq x_j} f(t)$$

(ii) the lower Riemann sum of f over

$$P \text{ is } L(f, P) = \sum_{j=1}^n m_j(f) \Delta x_j$$

where

$$m_j(f) = \inf_{x_{j-1} \leq t \leq x_j} f(t)$$

Note: Since f is bounded, then $M_j(f)$ and $m_j(f)$ exist and are finite.

Rmk. If $g: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, then

$$\sum_{k=m}^n (g(k+1) - g(k)) = g(n+1) - g(m)$$

Proof. Use induction on n . (see the textbook)

by this Rmk., If $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ is a partition of $[a, b]$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^n \Delta x_j &= \sum_{j=1}^n x_j - x_{j-1} \\ &= x_n - x_0 = b - a. \end{aligned}$$

Remark. If $f(x) = \alpha$ is constant on $[a, b]$, then

$$U(f, P) = L(f, P) = \alpha(b-a), \text{ for all partitions } P \text{ of } [a, b].$$

Proof.

$$\text{Since } M_j(f) = \sup_{t \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]} f(t) = \sup_{t \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]} (\alpha) = \alpha,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } U(f, P) &= \sum_{j=1}^n M_j(f) \Delta x_j \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha \Delta x_j \\ &= \alpha \sum_{j=1}^n \Delta x_j = \alpha(b-a). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} L(f, P) &= \sum_{j=1}^n m_j(f) \Delta x_j = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha \Delta x_j \\ &= \alpha \sum_{j=1}^n \Delta x_j = \alpha(b-a) \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Remark. $L(f, P) \leq U(f, P)$ for all partitions P and all bounded functions f .

Proof. By definition, $m_j(f) \leq M_j(f)$ for all j , then $L(f, P) \leq U(f, P)$ \square

Rmk. If P is any partition of $[a, b]$ and Q is a refinement of P , then

$$L(f, P) \leq L(f, Q) \leq U(f, Q) \leq U(f, P).$$

Pf (see textbook).

Rmk. If P and Q are any partitions of $[a, b]$, then $L(f, P) \leq U(f, Q)$.

proof. Since $P \cup Q$ is a refinement of P and Q , it follows from last remark that

$$L(f, P) \leq L(f, P \cup Q) \leq U(f, P \cup Q) \leq U(f, Q)$$

for any pair of partitions P, Q whether Q is a refinement of P or not. \square

Def 3 Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$. A function $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be (Riemann) integrable on $[a, b]$ iff f is bounded on $[a, b]$ and $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists$ a partition P of $[a, b]$ such that $U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \varepsilon$.

Thm ①. Suppose that $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$.

If f is continuous on $[a, b]$, then f is integrable on $[a, b]$.

Proof. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Since f is uniformly continuous on $[a, b]$, \exists a $\delta > 0$ such that

$$|x - y| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(y)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{b - a} \quad (1)$$

Let $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ be any partition of $[a, b]$ which satisfies $\|P\| < \delta$. Fix an index j . Then, by Extreme value thm,

there are points x_m and x_M in $[x_{j-1}, x_j]$

such that $f(x_m) = m_j(f)$ and $f(x_M) = M_j(f)$.

Since $\|P\| < \delta$, we also have $|x_M - x_m| < \delta$.

Hence by (1),

$$\begin{aligned} M_j(f) - m_j(f) &= |M_j(f) - m_j(f)| \\ &= |f(x_M) - f(x_m)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{b - a}. \end{aligned}$$

In particular,

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) = \sum_{j=1}^n [M_j(f) - m_j(f)] \Delta x_j < \frac{\varepsilon}{b - a} \sum_{j=1}^n \Delta x_j = \varepsilon$$

Ex. the Dirichlet function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0, & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases} \quad \text{is not Riemann}$$

integrable on $[0, 1]$.

proof. clearly f is bounded on $[0, 1]$.

The supremum of f over any nondegenerate interval is 1 and inf = 0 (evident).

therefore $U(f, P) - L(f, P) = 1 - 0 = 1$ for any partition P of $[0, 1]$ (i.e., $\exists \varepsilon_0 = 1 > 0$ s.t. for any partition P of $[0, 1]$,

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) = \varepsilon_0 = 1), \text{ that is,}$$

f is not integrable on $[0, 1]$ \square

Ex. show that the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 1, & \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{is integrable on } [0, 1]$$

proof. let $\varepsilon > 0$, choose $0 < x_1 < \frac{1}{2} < x_2 < 1$ such that $x_2 - x_1 < \varepsilon$.

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The set $P := \{0, x_1, x_2, 1\}$ is a partition of $[0, 1]$. Since $m_1(f) = 0 = M_1(f)$,

$$m_2(f) = 0 < 1 = M_2(f) \quad \text{and} \quad m_3(f) = M_3(f) = 1,$$

then $U(f, P) - L(f, P)$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^3 M_j(f) \Delta x_j - \sum_{j=1}^3 m_j(f) \Delta x_j$$

$$= (\cancel{M_1(f) \Delta x_1} + \cancel{M_2(f) \Delta x_2} + \cancel{M_3(f) \Delta x_3})$$

$$- (\cancel{m_1(f) \Delta x_1} + \cancel{m_2(f) \Delta x_2} + \cancel{m_3(f) \Delta x_3})$$



$$= \Delta x_2 + \Delta x_3 - \Delta x_3 = \Delta x_2 = x_2 - x_1 < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow U(f, P) - L(f, P) = x_2 - x_1 < \varepsilon.$$

therefore, f is integrable on $[0, 1]$ \square

Def 4. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$, and $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be bounded.

(i) the upper integral of f on $[a, b]$ is

$$(U) \int_a^b f(x) dx := \inf \left\{ U(f, P) : P \text{ is a partition of } [a, b] \right\}$$

(ii) the lower integral of f on $[a, b]$ is

$$(L) \int_a^b f(x) dx := \sup \left\{ L(f, P) : P \text{ is a partition of } [a, b] \right\}$$

(iii) If $(U) \int_a^b f(x) dx = (L) \int_a^b f(x) dx$, then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx := (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx = (L) \int_a^b f(x) dx.$$

Rmk. ① we define the integral of any bounded function f on $[a, a]$ to be zero, i.e.

$$\int_a^a f(x) dx := 0.$$

② A bounded function might not be integrable

Ex. $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0, & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$ (Dirichlet function).

Rmk. If $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is bounded, then

(U) $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ and (L) $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ exist and are finite, and satisfy

$$(L) \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx.$$

Proof. We know $L(f, P) \leq U(f, Q)$ for all partitions P and Q of $[a, b]$. Taking the sup over all partitions P of $[a, b]$, we have

$$(L) \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq U(f, Q), \text{ i.e.,}$$

$(L) \int_a^b f(x) dx$ exists and is finite.

Taking the inf over all partitions Q of $[a, b]$, we conclude $L(f, P) \leq (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx$

we conclude that $(U) \int_a^b f(x) dx$ is also finite and $(U) \int_a^b f(x) dx \geq (L) \int_a^b f(x) dx$.

Thm 2 Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$, and $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be bounded. Then f is integrable on $[a, b]$

$$\text{iff } (L) \int_a^b f(x) dx = (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

Proof: Suppose that f is integrable. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and choose a partition P of $[a, b]$ such that

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \varepsilon.$$

By def'n, $(U) \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq U(f, P)$ and

$$(L) \int_a^b f(x) dx \geq L(f, P). \text{ therefore,}$$

$$\left| (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx - (L) \int_a^b f(x) dx \right|$$

$$= (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx - (L) \int_a^b f(x) dx \quad \text{since } (L) \int_a^b f \leq (U) \int_a^b f$$

$$\leq U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \varepsilon.$$

Since $\left| (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx - (L) \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| < \varepsilon, \forall \varepsilon > 0,$

this implies $(L) \int_a^b f(x) dx = (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx$

Conversely, suppose that $(L) \int_a^b f(x) dx = (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx.$

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and choose, by the Approximation Property, partitions P_1 and P_2 of $[a, b]$ s.t.

$$U(f, P_1) < (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

$$\text{and } L(f, P_2) > (L) \int_a^b f(x) dx - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Set $P = P_1 \cup P_2$. Since P is a refinement of P_1 and P_2 , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} U(f, P) - L(f, P) &\leq U(f, P_1) - L(f, P_2) \\ &\leq \cancel{(U) \int_a^b f(x) dx} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} - \cancel{(L) \int_a^b f(x) dx} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \quad \text{Given} \\ &= \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Thm ③. If $f(x) = \alpha$ is constant on $[a, b]$, then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \alpha (b-a).$$

proof. By thm 1, f is integrable ^{on $[a, b]$} since it is continuous on $[a, b]$. Hence, it follows

from thm ② and $Rmk (U(f, P) = L(f, P) = \alpha(b-a))$

that

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

$$= \inf \left\{ U(f, P) : P \text{ is a partition of } [a, b] \right\}$$

$$= \inf \left\{ \alpha(b-a) : \dots \right\}$$

$$= \alpha(b-a)$$

□

H.w's (Exercise p. 138)

0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 (All).

S.2 Riemann Sums

Df ①. Let $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

(i) A Riemann sum of f with respect to a partition $P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$ of $[a, b]$ generated by samples $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$ is

$$S(f, P, t_j) := \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j$$

(ii) The Riemann sums of f are said to ~~be~~ converge to $I(f)$ as $\|P\| \rightarrow 0$ iff $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, \exists a partition P_ε of $[a, b]$ such that $P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\} \supseteq P_\varepsilon \Rightarrow |S(f, P, t_j) - I(f)| < \varepsilon$ for all choices of $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$, $j=1, \dots, n$

In this case we use the notation

$$I(f) = \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} S(f, P, t_j)$$

$$:= \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j$$

Thm(1) Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$ and spse that $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Then

f is Riemann integrable on $[a, b]$ iff

$$I(f) = \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j \text{ exists.}$$

in which case $I(f) = \int_a^b f(x) dx$.

Proof: Spse that f is integrable on $[a, b]$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. By the Approximation Property, there

is a partition P_ε of $[a, b]$ such that

$$L(f, P_\varepsilon) > \int_a^b f(x) dx - \varepsilon \quad \text{and} \quad U(f, P_\varepsilon) < \int_a^b f(x) dx + \varepsilon \quad (1)$$

Let $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\} \supseteq P_\varepsilon$. Then (1) holds with P in place of P_ε . But $m_j(f) \leq f(t_j) \leq M_j(f)$ for any choice of $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$. Hence,

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx - \varepsilon < L(f, P) \leq \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j \leq U(f, P) < \int_a^b f(x) dx + \varepsilon$$

$$\text{i.e., } -\varepsilon < \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j - \int_a^b f(x) dx < \varepsilon.$$

we conclude that

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| < \varepsilon.$$

for all partitions $P \supseteq P_\varepsilon$ and all choices of $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$, $j=1, 2, \dots, n$.

Conversely, suppose that the Riemann sums of f converge to $I(f)$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and choose a partition $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ of $[a, b]$ such that

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j - I(f) \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \quad (2)$$

for all choices of $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$. Since f is bounded on $[a, b]$ (Exercise 11), use the Approximation Property to choose u_j , $u_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$ such that

$$f(t_j) - f(u_j) > M_j(f) - m_j(f) - \frac{\varepsilon}{3(b-a)}.$$

By (2) and telescoping, we have

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$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) = \sum_{j=1}^n (M_j(f) - m_j(f)) \Delta x_j$$

$$< \sum_{j=1}^n (f(t_j) - f(u_j)) \Delta x_j + \frac{\varepsilon}{3(b-a)} \sum_{j=1}^n \Delta x_j$$

$$\leq \left| \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j - I(f) \right|$$

$$+ \left| I(f) - \sum_{j=1}^n f(u_j) \Delta x_j \right|$$

$$+ \frac{\varepsilon}{3(b-a)} \sum_{j=1}^n \Delta x_j$$

$$< \frac{2\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3(b-a)} (b-a) = \varepsilon.$$

Therefore, f is integrable on $[a, b]$. 

Thm(2). If f, g are integrable on $[a, b]$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, then $f+g$ and αf are integrable on $[a, b]$. In fact,

$$\int_a^b (f(x) + g(x)) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx + \int_a^b g(x) dx \quad (3)$$

$$\text{and } \int_a^b (\alpha f(x)) dx = \alpha \int_a^b f(x) dx \quad (4)$$

Proof: Let $\epsilon > 0$ and choose P_ϵ such that for any partition $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\} \geq P_\epsilon$ of $[a, b]$ and any choice of $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$, we have

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

and $\left| \sum_{j=1}^n g(t_j) \Delta x_j - \int_a^b g(x) dx \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$.

By the Triangle inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j + \sum_{j=1}^n g(t_j) \Delta x_j - \int_a^b f(x) dx - \int_a^b g(x) dx \right| \\ & < \left| \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| + \left| \sum_{j=1}^n g(t_j) \Delta x_j - \int_a^b g(x) dx \right| \\ & < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

for any choice of $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$.
Hence (3) follows directly from theorem 1.

To prove (4), we may assume that $\alpha \neq 0$.
Choose P_ϵ such that if $P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$
is finer than P_ϵ , then

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{|\alpha|},$$

for any choice of $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$.

Multiply this inequality by $|\alpha|$, we obtain

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha f(t_j) \Delta x_j - \alpha \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| < |\alpha| \frac{\epsilon}{|\alpha|} = \epsilon,$$

for any choice of $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$. We conclude
by Thm(1) that (4) holds. □

Thm(3). If f is integrable on $[a, b]$, then f
is integrable on each subinterval $[c, d]$ of
 $[a, b]$. Moreover,

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^c f(x) dx + \int_c^b f(x) dx \quad (5)$$

proof. see the textbook p. 144.

Thm (4). If f, g are integrable on $[a, b]$ and $f(x) \leq g(x), \forall x \in [a, b]$, then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \int_a^b g(x) dx.$$

In particular, if $m \leq f(x) \leq M, \forall x \in [a, b]$, then

$$m(b-a) \leq \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq M(b-a).$$

Proof Let P be a partition of $[a, b]$. By hypothesis

$$M_j(f) \leq M_j(g) \quad \text{whence} \quad U(f, P) \leq U(g, P)$$

It follows that

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq U(f, P) \leq U(g, P).$$

for all partitions P of $[a, b]$. Taking the infimum of this inequality over all partitions P of $[a, b]$, we obtain

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \int_a^b g(x) dx.$$

If $m \leq f(x) \leq M$ then (by what we proved)

$$m(b-a) = \int_a^b m dx \leq \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \int_a^b M dx = M(b-a)$$

Thm 5 If f is integrable on $[a, b]$, then $|f|$ is integrable on $[a, b]$ and

$$\left| \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \int_a^b |f(x)| dx.$$

Proof. Let $P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$ be a partition of $[a, b]$.

claim $M_j(|f|) - m_j(|f|) \leq M_j(f) - m_j(f)$ (6)
holds for $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

Pf(claim). Let $x, y \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$. If $f(x), f(y)$ have the same sign, say both are nonnegative,

then $|f(x)| - |f(y)| = |f(x) - f(y)| \leq M_j(f) - m_j(f)$.

If $f(x), f(y)$ have opposite signs, say,

$f(x) \geq 0 \geq f(y)$, then $m_j(f) \leq 0$ and

hence $|f(x)| - |f(y)| = f(x) + f(y) \leq M_j(f) + 0$

$\leq M_j(f) - m_j(f)$

Thus, in either case,

$$|f(x)| \leq M_j(f) - m_j(f) + |f(y)|$$

Taking the sup of this inequality for $x \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$

$$\sup_{x \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]} |f(x)| \leq M_j(f) - m_j(f) + |f(x)|$$

$$\Rightarrow M_j(|f|) \leq M_j(f) - m_j(f) + |f(x)|$$

next, taking the inf as $y \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$,

$$M_j(|f|) \leq M_j(f) - m_j(f) + m_j(|f|)$$

$$\Rightarrow M_j(|f|) - m_j(|f|) \leq M_j(f) - m_j(f).$$

We see that (6) holds, as promised.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and choose a partition P of $[a, b]$

such that $U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \varepsilon$. Since

$$(6) \text{ implies } U(|f|, P) - L(|f|, P) \leq U(f, P) - L(f, P).$$

it follows that

$$U(|f|, P) - L(|f|, P) < \varepsilon.$$

thus, $|f|$ is integrable on $[a, b]$.

Since $-|f(x)| \leq f(x) \leq |f(x)|$ holds, $\forall x \in [a, b]$

we conclude by Thm (4) that

$$-\int_a^b |f(x)| dx \leq \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \int_a^b |f(x)| dx. \quad \square$$

Corollary. If f and g are (Riemann) integrable on $[a, b]$, then so is fg .

Proof. Claim the square of any integrable function is integrable.

Pf (claim). We need to prove that f^2 is integrable on $[a, b]$. Let P be a partition of $[a, b]$.

Since $M_j(f^2) = (M_j(|f|))^2$ and $m_j(f^2) = (m_j(|f|))^2$

it is clear that

$$\begin{aligned} M_j(f^2) - m_j(f^2) &= (M_j(|f|))^2 - (m_j(|f|))^2 \\ &= (M_j(|f|) + m_j(|f|))(M_j(|f|) - m_j(|f|)) \\ &\leq 2M (M_j(|f|) - m_j(|f|)) \end{aligned}$$

where $M = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} |f(x)|$, i.e., $|f(x)| \leq M, \forall x \in [a, b]$.

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^n (M_j(f^2) - m_j(f^2)) \Delta x_j \leq 2M \sum_{j=1}^n (M_j(|f|) - m_j(|f|)) \Delta x_j$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow U(f^2, P) - L(f^2, P) &\leq 2M (U(|f|, P) - L(|f|, P)) \\ &< 2M \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{2M} \quad \text{since } f \text{ is integrable} \\ &= \epsilon \Rightarrow f^2 \text{ is integrable on } [a, b] \end{aligned}$$

Then, by claim (166), f^2 , g^2 , and $(f+g)^2$ are integrable on $[a, b]$. Since

$$fg = \frac{1}{2}(f+g)^2 - \frac{1}{2}f^2 - \frac{1}{2}g^2$$

it follows from (Thm 2) p.4) that fg is integrable on $[a, b]$. \square

Thm 6. [First Mean Value Thm for integrals]

Suppose that f and g are integrable on $[a, b]$ with $g(x) \geq 0$, $\forall x \in [a, b]$. If

$$m = \inf_{x \in [a, b]} f(x), \quad M = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} f(x), \quad \text{then}$$

there is an number $c \in [m, M]$ such that

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx = c \int_a^b g(x) dx.$$

In particular, if f is continuous on $[a, b]$, then there is an $x_0 \in [a, b]$ which satisfies

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx = f(x_0) \int_a^b g(x) dx.$$

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Proof. Since $g \geq 0$ on $[a, b]$, then

$$mg(x) \leq f(x)g(x) \leq Mg(x).$$

Thm 4 implies

$$m \int_a^b g(x) dx \leq \int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx \leq M \int_a^b g(x) dx.$$

If $\int_a^b g(x) dx = 0$, then $\int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx = 0$ and there is nothing to prove.

If $\int_a^b g(x) dx \neq 0$, then we have

$$m \leq \frac{\int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx}{\int_a^b g(x) dx} \leq M$$

Set $c = \frac{\int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx}{\int_a^b g(x) dx}$ and note that $c \in [m, M]$

If f is continuous then by the intermediate value theorem, $\exists x_0 \in [a, b]$ such that

$$f(x_0) = c$$



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Thm 7. If f is (Riemann) integrable on $[a, b]$, then $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$ exists and is continuous on $[a, b]$.

Proof. (Exercise).

Thm 8 [Second mean value theorem for integrals]

Suppose that f, g are integrable on $[a, b]$, that $g \geq 0$ on $[a, b]$, and that $m, M \in \mathbb{R}$ which satisfy $m \leq \inf_{x \in [a, b]} f(x)$ and $M \geq \sup_{x \in [a, b]} f(x)$.

then \exists an $c \in [a, b]$ such that

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx = m \int_a^c g(x)dx + M \int_c^b g(x)dx.$$

In particular, if f is also nonnegative on $[a, b]$, then \exists an $c \in [a, b]$ which satisfies

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx = M \int_a^b g(x)dx.$$

Proof. To prove the first statement, set

$$F(x) = m \int_a^x g(t)dt + M \int_x^b g(t)dt, \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$$

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Observe that by Thm 7 that F is continuous on $[a, b]$. Since $g \geq 0$, we also have

$$mg(t) \leq f(t)g(t) \leq Mg(t), \quad \forall t \in [a, b].$$

Hence it follows from thm (4) that

$$F(b) - m \int_a^b g(t) dt \leq \int_a^b f(t)g(t) dt \leq M \int_a^b g(t) dt = F(a).$$

Since F is continuous and $\int_a^b f(t)g(t) dt$ lies between $F(b)$ and $F(a)$, we conclude

by the intermediate value thm that

\exists an $c \in [a, b]$ such that

$$F(c) = \int_a^b f(t)g(t) dt.$$

$$\text{(i.e., } m \int_a^c g(x) dx + M \int_c^b g(x) dx = \int_a^b f(t)g(t) dt \text{)}.$$

The second statement follows from the first statement since we may use $m=0$ when

$f \geq 0$. That is \exists an $c \in [a, b]$ s.t.

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx = M \int_a^b g(x) dx$$

H.w.s (Exercises p. 150 (0, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11)).