

# Introduction to Real Analysis: Review

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These notes were compiled and summarized in the context of the real numbers ( $\mathbb{R}$ ). Therefore, certain theorems, e.g. Cauchy criterion for convergence, should be interpreted for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Additionally, these notes are not complete and cover only a subset of what is taught in a sequence of real analysis courses; for further reading, please see [Dr. Jiří Lebl's website](#) on real analysis.

## Definitions

### Element

If  $A$  is a set and  $x$  is an object that belongs to  $A$ , we say that  $x$  is an element of  $A$  and we write that  $x \in A$ .

If  $x$  does not belong to  $A$ , we write  $x \notin A$

### Subsets

If  $A$  and  $B$  are sets such that each element of  $A$  is also an element of  $B$  (i.e.  $x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B$ ), we say that  $A$  is a subset of  $B$  (or  $A$  is contained in  $B$ ), written as  $A \subset B$  (also  $B \supset A$ ).

Clearly,  $A \subset A$  and  $\emptyset \subset A$

### Equality of Sets

We use  $A = B$  to mean " $A \subset B$  and  $B \subset A$ "

To show equality of sets, one must show both sides imply the other, i.e.,  $A \iff B$

### Conditionals

Implication:  $p \rightarrow q$

Converse:  $q \rightarrow p$

Inverse:  $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$

Contrapositive  $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$

### Complement

For a set  $A$ , we use  $A^C$  to denote its complement, i.e.,  $A^C = \{x : x \notin A\}$

The complement of  $B$  relative to  $A$  is defined as

$$A \setminus B := \{x : x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B\}$$

$$\text{Thus, } A \setminus B = A \cap B^C$$

### Union

If  $A$  and  $B$  are sets, the union of  $A$  and  $B$ , written  $A \cup B$ , is the set of all objects which belong to at least one of the two sets  $A$  and  $B$ , i.e.

$$x \in A \cup B \iff x \in A \text{ or } x \in B$$

### Intersection

If  $A$  and  $B$  are sets, the intersection of  $A$  and  $B$ , written  $A \cap B$ , is the set of all objects which belong to both  $A$  and  $B$ , i.e.

$$x \in A \cap B \iff x \in A \text{ and } x \in B$$

## Infinite Unions

Let  $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots$  be sets. We define their union by

$$\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = \{x : x \in A_n \text{ holds for at least one } n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

## Infinite Intersections

Let  $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots$  be sets. We define their intersection by

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = \{x : x \in A_n \text{ holds for all } n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

## Cartesian Product

The Cartesian Product of sets  $A$  and  $B$ , written  $A \times B$ , is the set of all ordered pairs  $(a, b)$  such that  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$ , i.e.,

$$A \times B = \{(a, b) : a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$$

In general,  $A \times B \neq B \times A$

## Functions

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two sets. A function  $f$  from  $A$  to  $B$  (written as  $f : A \rightarrow B$ ) is a rule that assigns to each  $a$  in  $A$  exactly one element  $b$  in  $B$  (this  $b$  will be denoted by  $f(a)$ ).

## Graph

Denote the graph of  $f$  as  $G(f) = \{(a, f(a)) : a \in A\}$ , which is a subset of  $A \times B$ . The two properties of  $G(f)$  are

- (i)  $\forall a \in A, \exists b \in B$  such that  $(a, b) \in G(f)$
- (ii) If  $(a, b) \in G(f)$  and  $(a, \tilde{b}) \in G(f)$ , then  $b = \tilde{b}$

Thus,  $G(f)$  describes all of the function's (input, output) pairs

## Composition

Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow C$  be two functions. We define  $g \circ f : A \rightarrow C$  by  $g \circ f(a) = g(f(a))$

## Domain, Image, and Range

Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a function. The set  $A$  is called the domain (of definition) of  $f$ .

If  $E \subset A$ , we define the (direct) image of  $E$  under  $f$  by

$$f(E) = \{f(x) : x \in E\}$$

By definition, we also see that

$$f(E) \subset f(A) \subset B$$

We call  $f(A)$  the range of  $f$  (written as  $R(f)$ )

## Inverse

Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a function and  $H \subset B$ . We define the inverse image of  $H$  under  $f$  by

$$f^{-1}(H) = \{x : x \in A \text{ and } f(x) \in H\}$$

In general,  $f^{-1}(f(E)) \neq E$

This is only true if  $f$  is a bijection

## Injectivity and Surjectivity

Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a function. Then  $f$  is Injective if for any  $x_1, x_2 \in A$ ,

$$f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow (x_1 = x_2)$$

If  $f$  is Injective, then  $|A| \leq |B|$

If  $f(A) = B$  holds, we say that  $f$  is Surjective

## Bijection

If  $f$  is both Injective and Surjective, we call  $f$  a Bijection from  $A$  to  $B$ .

In general, if  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is a Bijection from  $A$  to  $B$ , then  $\forall y \in B, \exists$  a unique  $x \in A$  such that  $f(x) = y$

$\forall$  Bijection  $f : A \rightarrow B, x \in A, y \in B,$

$$f(x) = y \iff x = f^{-1}(y)$$

## Cardinality

If there exists a Bijection from  $A$  to  $B$ , we say that  $A$  and  $B$  have the same Cardinality, written as  $|A| = |B|$

Generally, for any two finite sets  $A$  and  $B$ ,

$\exists$  a Bijection from  $A$  to  $B \iff A$  and  $B$  have the same number of elements

## Principle of Mathematical Induction

For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $P(n)$  be a statement about  $n$ . Suppose that

(i)  $P(1)$  is true;

(ii) For every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $P(k)$  implies  $P(k+1)$ . Then  $P(n)$  is true for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

If  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ , and

(i)  $P(n_0)$  is true;

(ii) For every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  satisfying  $k \geq n_0$ ,  $P(k)$  implies  $P(k+1)$ .

Then  $P(n)$  is true for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  satisfying  $n \geq n_0$

## Divides

If  $a$  and  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $a \neq 0$ , we say that  $a$  divides  $b$  if there exists a  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $b = ac$ . We write  $a \mid b$  to say that  $a$  divides  $b$ .

$$a \mid b \iff c \in \mathbb{Z} : (b = ac)$$

## Power Set

Let  $S$  be a set. The power set,  $P(S)$  of  $S$ , is given by

$$P(S) = \{A : A \subset S\}$$

Generally, if  $S$  is finite and  $|S| = n$ , then  $|P(S)| = 2^n$

## Less Than or Equal To ( $\leq$ )

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two sets. If there exists an Injective function from  $A$  to  $B$ , we write  $|A| \leq |B|$

For elements, we use  $x \leq y$  to mean that " $x < y$ " or " $x = y$ "

" $x < y$ " may also be written as " $y > x$ "

" $x \leq y$ " may also be written as " $y \geq x$ "

## Finite and Infinite

Suppose that a set  $A$  has the same Cardinality as  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We then write  $|A| := n$  and that  $A$  is Finite. While the Cardinality of  $\emptyset$  is 0, if  $A = \emptyset$ , we also say that  $A$  is Finite.

If  $A$  is not Finite, then we say  $A$  is Infinite or "of Infinite Cardinality"

## Countably Infinite

If  $|A| = |\mathbb{N}|$ , then  $A$  is Countably Infinite

Examples)  $\mathbb{N}, 2\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}$

## Countable and Uncountable

If  $|A|$  is Finite or Countably Infinite, we say that  $A$  is Countable. If  $A$  is not Countable, then  $A$  is said to be Uncountable.

## Binary Relations

Let  $S$  be a set. If  $W$  is a subset of  $S \times S$ , we call  $W$  a Binary Relation on the set  $S$

## Ordered Sets

A set  $S$  is called an Ordered Set if there exists a Relation  $<$  on  $S$  such that

(i - Trichotomy)  $\forall x, y \in S$ . exactly one of the following holds:

$$x < y, x = y, y < x$$

(ii - Transitivity)  $\forall x, y, z \in S$ , if  $x < y$  and  $y < z$ ,

$$\text{then } x < z$$

(iii - Def. of  $\leq$ ) if  $x \leq y$  and  $y \leq x$ , then  $x = y$

$$\text{where } x \leq y \iff x < y \text{ or } x = y$$

## Equivalence Relations

Let  $\sim$  be a binary relation on  $A$

(i) We say that  $\sim$  is *reflective* if  $a \sim a$  for every  $a \in A$

(ii) We say that  $\sim$  is *symmetric* if for every  $a, b \in A$  with  $a \sim b$  we also have  $b \sim a$

(iii) We say that  $\sim$  is *transitive* if for every  $a, b, c \in A$  satisfying  $a \sim b$  and  $b \sim c$  we also have  $a \sim c$

A binary relation on the set  $A$  which is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive is an *equivalence* relation

## Equivalence Class

Let  $\sim$  be an equivalence relation on  $A$ . For any  $a \in A$ , the equivalence class of  $a$  is  $[a] = \{b \in A : a \sim b\}$

In other words, the equivalence class of  $a$  is all elements  $b \in A$  such that  $a \sim b$

Note: Let  $\sim$  be an equivalence relation on  $A$ . Then every member of  $A$  is in one and only one equivalence class.

## Partition

A *partition* of a set  $A$  is a collection  $P$  of subsets of  $A$  such that every element in  $A$  is in exactly one of these subsets

Let  $\sim$  be an equivalence relation on a set  $A$ . The equivalence classes of  $\sim$  form a partition of  $A$ . In fact, if  $P$  is a partition of  $A$ , then we can use it to define an equivalence relation on  $A$  with equivalence classes given by  $P$ .

## Upper and Lower Bounds

Let  $S$  be an Ordered Set and  $E \subset S$ .

If for a certain  $u \in S$ ,  $x \leq u$  holds  $\forall x \in E$ , we call  $u$  an Upper Bound of  $E$  (and we say that  $E$  is bounded above and write  $E \leq u$ ).

If for a certain  $v \in S$ ,  $x \geq v$  holds  $\forall x \in E$ , we call  $v$  a Lower Bound of  $E$  (and we say that  $E$  is bounded below and write  $E \geq v$ ).

If for a subset  $S$  is bounded above and below, we say that  $S$  is Bounded

## Least Upper Bound (Supremum)

Let  $S$  be an Ordered set and  $E \subset S$ . An element  $b$  is called the Least Upper Bound of  $E$  (written as  $b = \sup(E)$  or  $b = \sup E$  if (i) and (ii) are true:

(i)  $E \leq b$  (i.e.,  $b$  is an Upper Bound of  $E$ )

(ii) if  $\tilde{b} \in S$  and  $E \leq \tilde{b}$ , then  $b \leq \tilde{b}$  (i.e.,  $b$  is the Least Upper Bound)

(ii') if  $\tilde{b} \in S$  and  $\tilde{b} < b$ , then  $\tilde{b}$  is not an Upper Bound of  $E$

(ii'') if  $\tilde{b} \in S$  and  $\tilde{b} < b$ , then  $\exists t \in E$  such that  $t > \tilde{b}$

Thus, (ii)  $\iff$  (ii')  $\iff$  (ii'')

## Greatest Lower Bound (Infimum)

Let  $S$  be an Ordered Set and  $E \subset S$ . An element  $d$  is called the Greatest Lower Bound of  $E$  (written as  $d = \inf(E)$  or  $d = \inf E$  if the following are true:

(i)  $E \geq d$  (i.e.,  $d$  is a Lower Bound of  $E$ )

(ii) if  $\tilde{d} \in S$  and  $E \geq \tilde{d}$ , then  $d \geq \tilde{d}$  (i.e.,  $d$  is the Greatest Lower Bound)

## Binary Operations

A Binary Operation on a set  $S$  is a function from  $S \times S$  to  $S$ .

Thus, it takes a pair of elements in  $S$  and maps it to an element also in  $S$

Let  $a, b, c \in S$  and let  $*$  be a Binary Operator. Then  $(a = b) \rightarrow (a * c = b * c)$

## Symmetric Difference

Given sets  $X, Y$ , the Symmetric Difference is  $(X \setminus Y) \cup (Y \setminus X)$

## Least Upper Bound Property

If every non-empty subset  $E \in A$  is bounded above and has a least upper bound ( $\sup(E) \in A$ ), then  $A$  has the least upper bound property

## Fields

A set  $F$  is called a field if it has two operations defined on it, addition and multiplication, and if  $\forall x, y, z \in F$ , the following axioms are satisfied:

A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, M1, M2, M3, M4, M5, D

## Ordered Field

A set  $F$  is called an ordered field if it has two operations defined on it, addition and multiplication, and if  $\forall x, y, z \in F$ , the following axioms are satisfied:

- (i) For  $x, y, z \in F$ ,  $x < y$  implies  $x + z < y + z$
- (ii) For  $x, y \in F$ ,  $x > 0$  and  $y > 0$  implies  $xy > 0$
- (iii)  $x \leq x$

## Real Numbers

The set of Real Numbers,  $\mathbb{R}$ , is a nonempty set equipped with the three following properties:

$\mathbb{R}$  is an *ordered set*.

$\mathbb{R}$  has the *least upper bound property*.

$\mathbb{R}$  is a *ordered field*.

## Absolute Value

$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ , we define  $|x|$  by

$$|x| = x \text{ if } x > 0$$

$$|x| = 0 \text{ if } x = 0$$

$$|x| = -x \text{ if } x < 0$$

By definition,

$$|x| > 0 \text{ if } x > 0 \text{ or } x < 0$$

$$|x| = 0 \text{ if } x = 0$$

Be careful when proving statements involving  $||$  that you test for negative and non-negative values (need cases)

## Intervals

Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a \leq b$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

We call  $[a, b]$  a Closed and Bounded Interval

## Infinite Sequences (of Real Numbers)

An Infinite Sequence of Real Numbers is a Function from  $\mathbb{N}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ , i.e.,  $\alpha : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Notation:  $\{\alpha_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} : \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots$

## Infinite Sequences and Bounds

If  $\exists u \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\alpha_n \leq u \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we say that the sequence

$\{\alpha_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is Bounded Above and we call  $u$  an Upper Bound of the sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$

If  $\exists v \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\alpha_n \geq v \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we say that the sequence

$\{\alpha_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is Bounded Below and we call  $v$  a Lower Bound of the sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$

A Sequence is Bounded if it is Bounded Above and Bounded Below

## Limit

Let  $\{\alpha_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence and  $L \in \mathbb{R}$ . We say that  $\{\alpha_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges to  $L$  if the following is true  
 $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists K = K(\epsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  
 $|\alpha_n - L| < \epsilon \forall n \geq K$   
In this case, we call  $L$  the limit of the sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and write  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = L$

## Convergence and Divergence

If a sequence has a Limit, it is said to be Convergent. Otherwise, it is said to be Divergent

## Subsequences

If  $\{n_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  is an infinite sequence of natural numbers satisfying  
 $n_1 < n_2 < n_3 < \dots < n_k < n_{k+1} < \dots$   
we call  $\{x_{n_k}\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  a subsequence of  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$

## Increasing Sequence

If  $x_n \leq x_{n+1} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , i.e.,  
 $x_1 \leq x_2 \leq x_3 \leq \dots \leq x_n \leq x_{n+1} \leq \dots$ ,  
then we call  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  an increasing sequence

## Decreasing Sequence

If  $x_n \geq x_{n+1} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , i.e.,  
 $x_1 \geq x_2 \geq x_3 \geq \dots \geq x_n \geq x_{n+1} \geq \dots$ ,  
then we call  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  a decreasing sequence

## Monotone Sequence

If  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is an increasing or decreasing sequence, we call it a Monotone Sequence

## Cauchy Sequences

$\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is called a Cauchy Sequence if it satisfies the following:  
 $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists K = K(\epsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  
 $|x_n - x_m| < \epsilon \forall n, m \geq K$

## Contractive Sequences

A sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is said to be contractive if  $\exists \lambda$  such that  
(i)  $0 < \lambda < 1$   
(ii)  $|x_n - x_{n-1}| \leq \lambda |x_{n-1} - x_{n-2}| \forall n \geq 3$   
Note that in order to verify contractiveness, one needs a  $\lambda$  in  $(0, 1)$ , which is INDEPENDENT of  $n$

## Liminf and Limsup

For every bounded sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ , we define  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$  and  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$  by  
 $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [\inf(T_n)]$   
 $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [\sup(T_n)]$   
where  $T_n$  is a subset of  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

## Infinite Series

Starting with an infinite sequence,  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ ,  
 $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+2} \dots$ , we simply change, to +  
 $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \dots + x_n + x_{n+1} + x_{n+2} + \dots$ , which is just a formal sum at the moment  
Thus, this formal sum is called an Infinite Series and can be expressed as  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$

## Partial Sums

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let

$$s_n = x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \cdots + x_n = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k$$

Then  $s_n \in \mathbb{R}$  (A1) and we call  $s_n$  the n-th partial sum of the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$

## Convergent Series

If the partial sum sequence  $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a convergent sequence, we call  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  a convergent series, and we also call  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n$  the sum of the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$ . Thus,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n$$

## Divergent Series

If the partial sum sequence  $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a divergent sequence, we call  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  a divergent

## Geometric Series

The general form of a geometric series is

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^n \text{ or } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ar^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^{n-1}$$

where  $a$  and  $r$  are constants

## Telescoping Series

A telescoping series is a series whose partial sums consists of only two terms after cancellation

## Absolute Convergence

If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_n|$  is a convergent series, the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  is called absolutely convergent

## Conditional Convergence

If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_n|$  is a divergent series, but the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  is convergent, the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  is called conditionally convergent

# Theorems

## Theorem 1 (Set Complements)

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two sets. Then

- (i)  $A = (A^C)^C$
- (ii)  $A \subset B \iff B^C \subset A^C$

## Theorem 2 (Set Identities)

Let  $A$  and  $B$  and  $C$  and  $D$  be sets. Then

- (i)  $A \cup A = A, A \cap A = A, A \cup \emptyset = A, A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset, A \setminus \emptyset = A,$
- (ii)  $A \cup B = B \cup A, A \cap B = B \cap A$
- (iii)  $A \cap B \subset A \subset A \cup B, A \cap B \subset B \subset A \cup B$
- (iv) Suppose  $A \subset B$  and  $C \subset D$   
 $A \cap C \subset B \cap D$   
 $A \cup C \subset B \cup D$

## Theorem 3 (Generalized DeMorgan's Law)

Let  $A$  and  $B$  and  $C$  be sets. Then

- (i)  $A \setminus (B \cup C) = (A \setminus B) \cap (A \setminus C)$
- (ii)  $A \setminus (B \cap C) = (A \setminus B) \cup (A \setminus C)$

## Theorem 4 (Bijective Compositions)

Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow C$  be two functions. Then

- (i) If  $f$  and  $g$  are both Injective, then  $g \circ f$  is also Injective
- (ii) If  $f$  and  $g$  are both Surjective, then  $g \circ f$  is also Surjective

## Theorem 5 (Cantor's Theorem)

Let  $S$  be an arbitrary set and  $f : S \rightarrow P(S)$  be a function. Then  $f$  is not Surjective.

$$f(S) \neq P(S)$$

It then follows that there exists no Bijections from  $S$  to  $P(S)$ , i.e.,  $|S| \neq |P(S)|$

## Theorem 6 (Cantor-Bernstein-Schroeder Theorem)

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two sets. If  $|A| \leq |B|$  and  $|B| \leq |A|$ , then  $|A| = |B|$

## Theorem 7 (Additive and Multiplicative Identities)

- (i)  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ if } x + y = x, \text{ then } y = 0$
- (ii)  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ if } x + y = 0, \text{ then } y = -x$
- (iii)  $\forall u \in \mathbb{R}, u0 = 0 = 0u$
- (iv)  $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a(-b) = -(ab) = (-a)b$

## Theorem 8 (Inequality Identities)

Let  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$

- (i) If  $x < 0$  then  $-x > 0$
- (ii) If  $x > 0$  and  $y < z$ , then  $xy < xz$
- (ii\*) If  $x \geq 0$  and  $y \leq z$ , then  $xy \leq xz$
- (iii) If  $x < 0$  and  $y < z$ , then  $xy > xz$
- (iii\*) If  $x \leq 0$  and  $y \leq z$ , then  $xy \geq xz$
- (iv) If  $x \neq 0$ , then  $xx = x^2 > 0$

It follows that  $n \geq 1 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  by O2

- (v) If  $0 < x$ , and  $x < y$  (written as  $0 < x < y$ ), then  $\frac{1}{x}, \frac{1}{y}$  both exist in  $\mathbb{R}$ , and satisfy

$$\frac{1}{x} > 0, \frac{1}{y} > 0, \text{ and } \frac{1}{x} > \frac{1}{y}$$

i.e.,  $\frac{1}{x} > \frac{1}{y} > 0$ ,



**Theorem 9 (Multiplication of Same Signs are Positive)**

If  $x$  and  $y \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $xy > 0$ , then either  $x$  and  $y$  are both positive or both negative

**Theorem 10 (No Least Positive Number)**

Suppose that  $a_o \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a_o \geq 0$ . If  $a_o < \epsilon$  holds  $\forall \epsilon \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , then  $a_o = 0$

**Theorem 11a (Bounded Sup Subsets)**

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two sets such that  $A \subset B \subset \mathbb{R}$  and  $A \neq \emptyset$ . Suppose that  $B$  is bounded above. Then both  $\sup(A)$  and  $\sup(B)$  exist in  $\mathbb{R}$  and satisfy  $\sup(A) \leq \sup(B)$ .

**Theorem 11b (Bounded Inf Subsets)**

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two sets such that  $A \subset B \subset \mathbb{R}$  and  $A \neq \emptyset$ . Suppose that  $B$  is bounded below. Then both  $\inf(A)$  and  $\inf(B)$  exist in  $\mathbb{R}$  and satisfy  $\inf(A) \geq \inf(B)$ .

**Theorem 12a (Exact Sup)**

Suppose that  $\emptyset \neq S \subset \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a_o \in S$  and  $S \leq a_o$ . Then  $\sup(S)$  exists in  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\sup(S) = a_o$

**Theorem 12b (Exact Inf)**

Suppose that  $\emptyset \neq S \subset \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a_o \in S$  and  $S \geq a_o$ . Then  $\inf(S)$  exists in  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\inf(S) = a_o$

**Theorem 13 (Archimedean Property)**

"Given an element in  $\mathbb{R}$ , there exists an element in  $\mathbb{N}$  that is greater."

(i) If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x > 0$ , then  $\exists n = n_{x,y} \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$nx > y$$

(ii)  $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\exists m_t \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$m_t > t$$

(ii) says that  $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $t$  cannot be an upper bound of  $\mathbb{N}$ , which means that  $\mathbb{N}$  has no upper bounds in  $\mathbb{R}$  (i.e.  $\mathbb{N}$  is not bounded above).

We note that  $\emptyset \neq \mathbb{N} \subset \mathbb{R}$

(Corollary) If  $\delta \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\delta > 0$ , then  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$0 < \frac{1}{n} < \delta$$

**Theorem 14 (Existence of Irrational Numbers)**

(i)  $\forall r \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $r^2 \neq 2$

(ii)  $\exists$  a unique  $u \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $u > 0$  and  $u^2 = 2$

The set of Irrational Numbers is denoted as  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$

**Theorem 15 (Unique Bases and Exponents)**

Let  $b \in \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\exists$  a unique  $d \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $d > 0$  and  $d^m = b$

This  $d$  will be denoted as  $b^{\frac{1}{m}}$  or  $\sqrt[m]{b}$

**Theorem 16 (Density of Rational Numbers)**

$\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ , if  $x < y$ , then  $\exists r \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that

$$x < r < y$$

**Theorem 17 (Properties of Rational and Irrational Numbers)**

Let  $r_1, r_2, r \in \mathbb{Q}$  and  $z \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ . Then

(i)  $r_1 + r_2, r_1 - r_2, (r_1)(r_2) \in \mathbb{Q}$

(ii) If  $r_2 \neq 0$ , then  $\frac{r_1}{r_2} \in \mathbb{Q}$

(iii)  $r + z, r - z, z - r \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$

(iv) If  $r \neq 0$ , then  $(r)(z), \frac{r}{z}, \frac{z}{r} \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$

Note that  $(z)(z)$  is not shown since anything can happen in this case

**Theorem 18 (Density of Irrational Numbers)**

$\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ , if  $x < y$ , then  $\exists z \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$  such that  
 $x < z < y$

**Theorem 19 (Properties of Absolute Values)**

Let  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then

- (i)  $|x| \geq 0$ , with "=" occurring **if and only if**  $x = 0$
- (ii)  $|-x| = |x|$
- (iii)  $|xy| = |x||y|$
- (iv)  $x^2 = |x^2| = |x|^2$
- (v) If  $z \geq 0$ , then  $|x| \leq z \iff -z \leq x \leq z$
- (v\*) If  $z > 0$ , then  $|x| < z \iff -z < x < z$
- (vi)  $-|x| \leq x \leq |x|$

**Theorem 20 (Triangle Inequality)**

$\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

- (i)  $|x + y| \leq |x| + |y|$
- (ii)  $|x - y| \geq ||x| - |y||$

Part (i) is commonly referred to as the Triangle Inequality. For the " $\leq$ " in (i), "=" occurs if  $xy > 0$ , while "<" occurs if  $xy < 0$

**Theorem 21 (Nested Interval Theorem)**

For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $a_n, b_n \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $a_n \leq b_n$ , and  $I_n = [a_n, b_n]$  (Closed and Bounded).

Suppose that  $I_1 \supset I_2 \supset I_3 \supset \dots \supset I_n \supset I_{n+1} \supset \dots$ . Then

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n \neq \emptyset$$

Note: The Nested Interval Theorem only applies to a Closed and Bounded Interval

One can show that  $[\sup(A), \inf(B)] = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$

Note: It is possible for the Intersection of Nested Open Intervals to be Empty

**Theorem 22 ( $\mathbb{R}$  is Uncountable)**

The interval  $[0, 1]$  is an Uncountable set. Thus, since  $[0, 1] \subset \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}$  is also Uncountable

**Infinite Sequence Remark (Symmetric Bounds)**

If  $v \leq \alpha_n \leq u$ , one can show that  $|\alpha_n| \leq C$

i.e.,  $-C \leq \alpha_n \leq C$ , where  $C = |u| + |v|$ . Thus,

$$(\{\alpha_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{ is Bounded}) \iff \exists C \in \mathbb{R} \text{ such that } |\alpha_n| \leq C \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

**Theorem 23 (Repeating Sequences Are Convergent)**

Let  $C_o \in \mathbb{R}$ . Define  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  by

$$a_n = C_o \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Then  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges to  $C_o$ , i.e.,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = C_o$

Since  $a_n = C_o \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = C_o$  can be written as  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} C_o = C_o$

**Theorem 24 (Convergent Sequences)**

If a sequence  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is Convergent, then it must be Bounded

Note: If a sequence is Bounded, that does NOT mean it is Convergent

Convergent  $\Rightarrow$  Bounded

Not Bounded  $\Rightarrow$  Divergent

**Theorem 25 (Convergent Sequence Bounded by Convergent Sequence)**

Let  $n_o \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $c_o \in \mathbb{R}$ , and  $L \in \mathbb{R}$ . Suppose that  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  and  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  satisfy

(i)  $|x_n - L| \leq c_o a_n \forall n \geq n_o$

(ii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

Then  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  converges to  $L$ , i.e.,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = L$

**Theorem 26 (Convergent Subsequences)**

A sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is convergent **if and only if** all subsequences of  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  converge to the same limit.

(i) It follows then that, if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$  exists, then  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$  holds for every subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}_{n=1}^\infty$

(ii) A sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is convergent **if and only if** if a tail of  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is convergent. Moreover,  $\forall p \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{n+p}$  if the limit exists. Note: ONLY NEED TO SHOW A SINGLE TAIL IS CONVERGENT.

(Remark 1): If  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  has a divergent subsequence, then  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is divergent itself

(Remark 2): If  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  has two subsequences which converge to different limits, then  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  must be a divergent sequence

**Theorem 27 (Properties of Limits)**

Note: You must show  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  to already be convergent.

Let  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  and  $\{y_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  be two convergent sequences. Let  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then

(i)  $\{x_n + y_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  and  $\{x_n - y_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  are both convergent and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n \pm y_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n) \pm \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (y_n)$

(ii)  $\{x_n y_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is convergent and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n y_n) = (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n)(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n)$

(iii)  $\{c y_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is convergent and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (c y_n) = c(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n)$

(iv) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n \neq 0$  and  $y_n \neq 0$ , then  $\{\frac{x_n}{y_n}\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is convergent and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\frac{x_n}{y_n}) = \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n}$

(v)  $\{|x_n|\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is convergent and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x_n| = |\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n|$

(vi) If  $x_n \geq 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\{\sqrt{x_n}\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is convergent and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x_n} = \sqrt{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n}$

**Theorem 28 (If Sequence Less Than, Then Limit Less Than)**

If  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  and  $\{b_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  are both convergent and  $a_n \leq b_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$$

Note: This does NOT hold for strict inequality

**Theorem 29 (Squeeze Theorem)**

Let  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ ,  $\{y_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ , and  $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  be three sequences satisfying  $x_n \leq y_n \leq z_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Suppose that  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  and  $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  are both convergent and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = L$ . Then

$\{y_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is also convergent and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = L$

Note: " $\leq$ " is preserved under the limit.

Note: "<" is NOT preserved under the limit.

Note: STRICT INEQUALITY IS NOT PRESERVED UNDER THE LIMIT

**Theorem 30 (Geometric Sequence Theorem)**

(i) if  $r \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $|r| < 1$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r^n = 0$

(ii) if  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\beta > 0$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1$

**Bernoulli Inequality**

Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\alpha > -1$ . Then

$$(1 + \alpha)^n \geq 1 + n\alpha$$

**Theorem 31 (Ratio Test for Sequences)**

Suppose that  $x_n \neq 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \right|$  exists

(i) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \right| < 1$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$

(ii) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \right| > 1$ , then  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is a divergent sequence

(ii) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \right| = 1$ , then no conclusion can be made

**Theorem 32 (Monotone Convergence Theorem)**

(i) If  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is increasing and bounded above, then  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is convergent

Note:  $x_1$  is a lower bound by default

(ii) If  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is decreasing and bounded below, then  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is convergent

Note:  $x_1$  is an upper bound by default

Thus, every bounded monotone sequence must be convergent

**Theorem 33 (Bolzano-Weierstrass)**

Every bounded sequence must have at least one convergent subsequence

**Theorem 34 (Cauchy Criterion for Convergent Sequences)**

A sequence is convergent **if and only if** it is a Cauchy Sequence

(Convergent)  $\iff$  (Cauchy)

**Theorem 35 (Contractive Sequences Converge)**

If  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a contractive sequence, then it is a convergent sequence

**Theorem 36 (Bounded Sequences and LimSup, LimInf)**

A bounded sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is convergent **if and only if**

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$$

**Theorem 37 (Geometric Series Test)**

Let  $a, r \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a \neq 0$

(i) If  $|r| < 1$ , then the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^n$  is a convergent series whose sum is  $\frac{ar}{1-r}$

(i\*) If  $|r| < 1$ , then the series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ar^n$  is a convergent series whose sum is  $\frac{a}{1-r}$

(i\*\*) If  $|r| < 1$ , then the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^n$  is a convergent series whose sum is  $\frac{\text{leading term}}{1-r}$

(ii) If  $|r| \geq 1$ , then the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^n$  is a divergent series

**Theorem 38 (Divergent Series Test or N-th Term Test)**

(i) If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  is a convergent series, then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$

(ii) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$  does not exist or it exists but is nonzero, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  is a divergent series

Note:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$  DOES NOT IMPLY  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  is a convergent series or a divergent series; thus, we cannot conclude anything in this case

**Theorem 39 (Positive Series Test)**

Suppose that  $x_n \geq 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  is convergent **if and only if** its partial sum sequence  $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is bounded above

**Theorem 40 (Comparison Test)**

Suppose that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, 0 \leq a_n \leq b_n$

(i) If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  is a convergent series, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is also a convergent series

(ii) If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is a divergent series, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  is also a divergent series

YOU MUST ENSURE THAT  $0 \leq a_n \leq b_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

**Theorem 41 (Linearity of Series)**

Let  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n$  be two convergent series and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then

- (i)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (cx_n)$  is a convergent series and
 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (cx_n) = c \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \right)$$
- (ii)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x_n + y_n)$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x_n - y_n)$  are both convergent series and
 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x_n \pm y_n) = \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \right) \pm \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n \right)$$

**Theorem 42 (P-Series Test)**

Let  $P \in \mathbb{R}$

- (i) If  $P > 1$ , then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^P}$  is a convergent series
- (ii) If  $P \leq 1$ , then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^P}$  is a divergent series

**Theorem 43 (Limit Comparison Test)**

Suppose that  $a_n > 0$  and  $b_n > 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n}$  exists

(i) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} \neq 0$ , then either the two series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  are both convergent or both divergent (exhibit the same behavior)

(ii) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = 0$ , and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  is convergent, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is also convergent

(iii) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = 0$ , and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is divergent, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  is also divergent

**Theorem 44 (Absolute Convergence)**

If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_n|$  is a convergent series, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  is also a convergent series

**Theorem 45 (Ratio Test for Series)**

Suppose that  $x_n \neq 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \right|$  exists

(i) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \right| < 1$ , then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  is an absolutely convergent series

(ii) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \right| > 1$ , then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  is a divergent series

(iii) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \right| = 1$ , then the test is inconclusive

**Theorem 46 (Cauchy Criterion for Series)**

A series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  is convergent **if and only** the following is true:  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists K = K(\epsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\left| \sum_{j=q+1}^{q+l} x_j \right| < \epsilon \quad \forall q \geq K \text{ and } l \in \mathbb{N}$$

"If I start at  $(q+1)$  and stop anywhere, then that block of consecutive terms is fine."

Note: Absolute Value is not applied to the terms individually

**Theorem 47 (Alternating Series Test)**

Suppose that  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a decreasing sequence and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ . Then

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} a_n$  is a convergent series

**Theorem 48 (Riemann)**

- (i) If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  is an absolutely convergent series, then every rearrangement of  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_{\tau(n)}$  is also absolutely convergent.

Moreover,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_{\tau(n)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$$

- (ii) If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  is a conditionally convergent series, then  $\forall \psi \in \mathbb{R}, \exists$  a bijection  $\tau : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_{\tau(n)}$  is convergent and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_{\tau(n)} = \psi$$

Note: There is also a rearrangement of the series where  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  is divergent

**Theorem 49 (Factorials)**

- (i)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!}$  is a convergent series
- (ii) Let  $e = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!}$ . Then  
 $2.5 < e < 2.723$
- (iii) The sequence  $\{(1 + \frac{1}{n})^n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} = e$

**Theorem 50 (Irrationality of e)**

$$e \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$$

# Useful Facts

## Stringed Inequalities

If  $a \leq b$  and  $c \leq d$  then  
 $a + c \leq b + d$

## Subsets of $\mathbb{R}$

$$\mathbb{N} \subset \mathbb{R}$$

$$\mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{R}$$

$$\mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{R}$$

$$\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{R}$$

## Remarks from the Triangle Inequality

- (i) Equivalent Statements:  $|x - y| = |-(y - x)| = |y - x|$
- (ii) Triangle Inequality on Subtraction:  $|x - y| \leq |x| + |y|$
- (iii) Triangle Inequality on Three Elements:  $|x + y + z| \leq |x| + |y| + |z|$

It follows by PMI that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$|a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n| \leq |a_1| + |a_2| + \dots + |a_n|$$

## Remarks of Uncountability (Theorem 22)

- (i) The Union of two Countable sets is still Countable
- (ii) If  $A$  is Uncountable and  $B$  is Countable, then  $A \setminus B$  is Uncountable
- (iii)  $\mathbb{Q}$  is Countable
- (iv)  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$  is Uncountable

## Subsequences

$\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a subsequence of itself

Tails: the ending subsequences of a sequence

Since the subscripts of  $n_k$  of any subsequence must satisfy

$1 \leq n_1 < n_2 < \dots < n_k < n_{k+1} < \dots$ , one can use PMI to show that  
 $n_k \geq k \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$

# Axioms of $\mathbb{R}$

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

Note: We may write  $a \cdot b$  as  $ab$ , and  $x^{-1}$  as  $\frac{1}{x}$

## A1 (Closure Under Addition)

$$a + b \in \mathbb{R}$$

## A2 (Commutativity of Addition)

$$a + b = b + a$$

## A3 (Associativity of Addition)

$$(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$$

## A4 (Existence of an Additive Identity)

$$\begin{aligned} \exists 0 \in \mathbb{R} \text{ such that } \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \\ x + 0 = x = 0 + x \end{aligned}$$

## A5 (Existence of Additive Inverses)

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \exists -x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ such that} \\ x + (-x) = 0 = (-x) + x \end{aligned}$$

## M1 (Closure Under Multiplication)

$$a \cdot b \in \mathbb{R}$$

## M2 (Commutativity of Multiplication)

$$a \cdot b = b \cdot a$$

## M3 (Associativity of Multiplication)

$$(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$$

## M4 (Existence of a Multiplicative Identity)

$$\begin{aligned} \exists 1 \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \text{ such that } \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \\ x \cdot 1 = x = 1 \cdot x \end{aligned}$$

## M5 (Existence of a Multiplicative Inverses)

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, \exists x^{-1} \in \mathbb{R} \text{ such that} \\ x \cdot (x^{-1}) = 1 = (x^{-1}) \cdot x \end{aligned}$$

## D (Distributive Law)

$$\begin{aligned} a \cdot (b + c) &= (a \cdot b) + (a \cdot c) \\ (b + c) \cdot a &= (b \cdot a) + (c \cdot a) \end{aligned}$$

## O1 (Trichotomy)

$\mathbb{R}$  is an ordered set under a relation  $<$ , i.e.,

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

$$a < b, a = b, b < a$$

(ii)  $\forall a, b, c \in S$ , if  $a < b$  and  $b < c$ ,  
then  $a < c$



**O2 (Less Than)**

If  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a < b$ , then  
$$a + c < b + c$$

**O3 (Mult)**

If  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a > 0$  and  $b > 0$ , then  
$$a \cdot b > 0$$

**C (Completeness)**

If a nonempty subset of  $E$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  is bounded above, then  $\sup(E)$  exists in  $\mathbb{R}$   
If a nonempty subset of  $E$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  is bounded below, then  $\inf(E)$  exists in  $\mathbb{R}$