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Lecture 24: Topology

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**SOCRATES:** So wait, is “compact” just about being bounded?

**SIMPLICIO:** Good question! Tell me about the function  $f(x) = 1/x$  on the interval  $(0, 1)$ . It’s certainly continuous (as long as we don’t include 0). The interval  $(0, 1)$  is bounded. If that interval were compact, then  $f$  would be uniformly continuous on  $(0, 1)$ . Is  $f$  uniformly continuous on  $(0, 1)$ ?

**SOCRATES:** Ooh, doesn’t look it; the slope gets really steep as  $x$  approaches 0. That means that if I want to keep the fluctuation of  $f$ , that is,  $|f(y) - f(x)|$ , small, I need to make  $|y - x|$  ever smaller and smaller, for  $x$  getting closer to 0. So I can’t pick a single  $\delta$  that works for all  $x$  in  $(0, 1)$ .

**SIMPLICIO:** Good. Can you see another way to see that  $(0, 1)$  is not compact, directly from the definition?

**SOCRATES:** Umm... I guess I could try to cover  $(0, 1)$  with balls. Like, I could cover it with the balls  $(1/2, 1) \cup (1/3, 1) \cup (1/4, 1) \cup \dots$ . The Archimedean property (again!!) says that these balls cover all of  $(0, 1)$ . But if only finitely many of them are used, say up to  $(1/N, 1)$ , then the point  $1/(N + 1)$  is not covered. So there’s no finite subcover.

**SIMPLICIO:** Excellent! So  $(0, 1)$  is not compact; that is, being bounded is not enough for compactness. But it’s easy to see that bounded *is* necessary. Can you see why?

**SOCRATES:** Oh, I see it! Let  $S$  be our compact set. We can cover  $S$  by the balls  $(-n, n)$  for all natural numbers  $n$ . Since  $S$  is compact, there must be a finite subcover. That means that there is some largest  $N$  such that  $(-N, N)$  covers all of  $S$ . Therefore,  $S$  is bounded.

**SIMPLICIO:** Perfect. So boundedness is necessary but, as we just saw with the example of  $(0, 1)$ , not sufficient for compactness. There's one more ingredient we need.

**SOCRATES:** What is it?

**SIMPLICIO:** The set also needs to be *closed*. Here's some more topology-speak for you: A set is *closed* if its complement is *open*.

**SOCRATES:** Greaaaat, more definitions.

**SIMPLICIO:** Last one, for now. A set  $S$  is *open* if: for every point in  $S$ , there is a ball around that point which is entirely contained in  $S$ . That is:  $S$  is open if:

$$\forall x \in S, \exists \delta > 0, \text{Ball}(x, \delta) \subseteq S$$

Let's check your understanding: is a ball itself open?

**SOCRATES:** Hmm let's see. I have a point  $y \in \text{Ball}(x, r)$ . I have to find a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\text{Ball}(y, \delta) \subseteq \text{Ball}(x, r)$ . The condition that  $y$  is in the ball means that  $|x - y| < r$ , which looks something like this:

$$--- | (x-r) --- (y) --- (x) ----- (x+r) | ---$$

So if we let  $\delta := \min\{y - (x - r), (x + r) - y\}$ , then  $\text{Ball}(y, \delta)$  will fit inside  $\text{Ball}(x, r)$ . So yes, a ball is open!

**SIMPLICIO:** Excellent! So now you have all the ingredients to understand compactness in  $\mathbb{R}$ : A famous result called the *Heine-Borel Theorem* says that a set  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is compact if and only if:

**it is closed and bounded.**

Heine proved this in 1872, and Borel generalized it to higher dimensions in 1895. This is a very important theorem in real analysis, because it allows us to easily check whether a set is compact or not. For example, the complement of  $[a, b]$  is the union of  $(-\infty, a)$  and  $(b, \infty)$ , both of which are open, so  $[a, b]$  is closed. And of course  $[a, b]$  is bounded. Therefore, by Heine-Borel,  $[a, b]$  is compact. This gives us the important result we wanted:

**SOCRATES: Theorem:** For any function that is continuous on a closed and bounded interval  $[a, b]$ , the sequence of Riemann sums converges to a limit, which we call the integral of the function on  $[a, b]$ .

(Note again that  $f$  must be continuous on the *entire* closed interval  $[a, b]$ . The function  $f(x) = 1/x$  is continuous on  $(0, 1]$ , all but one point; but the Riemann sums do not converge, because  $\int_0^1 1/x \, dx = \infty!$ )

The proof is very simple:  $[a, b]$  is closed and bounded, and hence compact by Heine-Borel. Any function that is continuous on a compact set is uniformly continuous there. And if a function is uniformly continuous on an interval, then the Riemann sums converge to a limit. Just chain everything we've learned together!

**SIMPLICIO:** Wow, that's really elegant. How is Heine-Borel proved? I guess we already proved half of one direction, if a set is compact then it's bounded. How do we prove that it's also closed?

**SOCRATES:** You tell me!

**SIMPLICIO:** Ok, let's try. Suppose  $S$  is compact. We want to show that its complement  $S^c$  is open. So take any point  $x \in S^c$ . We need to show that there's a whole ball around  $x$  that stays away from  $S$ . And the only way to make use of compactness is to cover  $S$  with balls. Oh, I think I see it!

For every point  $y \in S$ , look at the ball centered at  $y$  of radius  $|y - x|/2$ , say. That's a ball that contains  $y$  but stays away from  $x$ . The collection of all such balls covers  $S$ , and hence only finitely many such balls cover  $S$ . So we have  $V : \text{Finset}(I)$  and for each  $i \in V$ , we have a point  $y_i \in S$  and a ball  $\text{Ball}(y_i, |y_i - x|/2)$ , and these finitely many balls cover  $S$ . Now let  $\delta > 0$  be the minimum of all the  $|y_i - x|/2$  for  $i \in V$ . Then the ball  $\text{Ball}(x, \delta)$  stays away from all the balls covering  $S$ , and hence from  $S$  itself. Therefore,  $S^c$  is open, and so  $S$  is closed.

**SOCRATES:** Well done! You hardly need me anymore! :) Channel your inner me; what's the next thing I'd say?

**SIMPLICIO:** You'd tell me to try to prove the other direction. Ok, let's say that  $S$  is closed and bounded. We want to show that it's compact. So take any cover of  $S$  by balls. We need to find a finite subcover. I... don't see what to do.

**SOCRATES:** Ok, this direction is a bit harder. Let's build up to it with a few more definitions. (I know, I know.) Given a set  $S$  and a real number  $M$ , we say that  $M$  is an *upper bound* for  $S$  if for all  $s \in S$ ,  $s \leq M$ . Easy, right? We say that  $L$  is a *least upper bound* (or *supremum*) for  $S$  if  $L$  is an upper bound for  $S$ , and for any other upper bound  $M$ , we have  $L \leq M$ . In other words,  $L$  is the smallest of all upper bounds.

**SIMPLICIO:** Ok, so far so good... So what?

**SOCRATES:** Now, here's an important property of the real numbers: *every nonempty set of real numbers that is bounded above has a least upper bound*. This is called the *Least Upper Bound Property*. Let's talk about how you might go about proving it.

**SIMPLICIO:** Hmm... Let me think. Ok, I start with at least one point  $s_0 \in S$ , since  $S$  is nonempty, and at least one upper bound  $M_0$ . I think I see what to do! Let's think about the middle point between  $s_0$  and  $M_0$ , that is,  $(s_0 + M_0)/2$ . Is that an upper bound for  $S$ ? If not, then there exists some point  $s_1 \in S$  such that  $s_1 > (s_0 + M_0)/2$ . Otherwise, if it *is* an upper bound, then we can set  $M_1 := (s_0 + M_0)/2$ . In either case, we have a smaller interval  $[s_1, M_0]$  or  $[s_0, M_1]$ . We can keep repeating this process, halving (or more) the interval each time. This gives us a sequence of nested intervals whose lengths go to zero. The bottoms are all points in  $S$  and increasing and bounded, hence have a limit  $L$ . The tops are all upper bounds and decreasing and bounded, hence have a limit  $U$ . Since the lengths of the intervals go to zero,  $L = U$ . Now, I need to show that  $L$  is *the* least upper bound for  $S$ . I think I can do that by showing that  $L$  is an upper bound, and that any smaller number is not an upper bound. Ok, I'm satisfied.

**SOCRATES:** Excellent! Now, armed with the Least Upper Bound Property, you can finally prove that any closed and bounded set is compact. First let's prove that a closed interval  $[a, b]$  is compact. Take any cover of  $[a, b]$  by balls. We want to find a finite subcover. Consider the set  $T$  of all points  $t \in [a, b]$  such that the interval  $[a, t]$  can be covered by finitely many of the balls. Clearly,  $a \in T$ , so  $T$  is nonempty. Also, every point in  $T$  is at most  $b$ , so  $T$  is bounded above by  $b$ . By the Least Upper Bound Property,  $T$  has a least upper bound  $L$ . We want to show that  $L = b$ . If not, then since the balls cover  $[a, b]$ , there is some ball covering  $L$ . Since the ball has positive radius, it covers some interval around  $L$ , say  $[L - \delta, L + \delta]$ . Since  $L$  is the least upper bound of  $T$ , there must be some point  $t \in T$  with  $t > L - \delta$ . But then we can cover  $[a, t]$  with finitely many balls (since  $t \in T$ ), and also cover  $[t, L + \delta]$  with the ball around  $L$ . This gives us a finite cover for  $[a, L + \delta]$ , contradicting the fact that  $L$  is an upper bound for  $T$ . Therefore,  $L = b$ , and hence  $[a, b]$  can be covered by finitely many balls.

**SIMPLICIO:** Ok, I'm with you. But what do we do for *any* closed and bounded set?

**SOCRATES:** Ah, and here's the last step. Any closed subset of a compact set is itself compact! Can you see why?

**SIMPLICIO:** Hmm, let's see. Let  $S$  be a closed subset of a compact set  $T$ . Take any cover of  $S$  by balls. We want to find a finite subcover. Since  $S$  is closed, its complement  $S^c$  is open. Therefore, for every point  $x \in S^c$ , there is a ball around  $x$  that stays within  $S^c$ , that is, away from  $S$ . The collection of all such balls, together with the balls covering  $S$ , forms an open cover of the entire set  $T$ . Since  $T$  is compact, there is a finite subcover of  $T$ . This finite subcover must include finitely many balls covering  $S$ , since the balls covering  $S^c$  do not cover any points in  $S$ . Therefore, we have found a finite subcover for  $S$ . Hence,  $S$  is compact. Nice! Since a bounded set is a subset of some closed interval  $[a, b]$ , and we've just shown that  $[a, b]$  is compact, it follows that any closed and bounded set is compact.

**SOCRATES:** Well done, Simplicio! You've just proved the Heine-Borel Theorem. And to bring it all the way back to calculus, this means that any continuous function on a closed and bounded interval  $[a, b]$  is uniformly continuous there, and hence Riemann integrable. Now let's do all this "for real" ...

## Level 1: Heine-Borel Theorem: Part 1a

We begin our formal proof of the Heine-Borel theorem by establishing one direction: every compact set is bounded.

### The Setup

To prove that a compact set  $S$  is bounded, we need to show that there exists some  $M > 0$  such that for all  $s \in S$ , we have  $|s| < M$ .

The strategy is to use compactness directly: we'll cover  $S$  with balls of increasing radius centered at the origin, then use the finite subcover property to extract a bound.

### The Key Idea

We cover  $S$  with the balls  $\text{Ball}(0, n + 1)$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . By the Archimedean property, these balls cover all of  $\mathbb{R}$ , so they certainly cover  $S$ . Since  $S$  is compact, finitely many of these balls suffice to cover  $S$ . The largest radius among these finitely many balls gives us our bound.

### New Tool: FinMax

We need a way to extract the maximum from a finite collection of real numbers:

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lemma FinMax (ι : Type) (V : Finset ι) (δs : ι → ℝ) :  
  ∃ δ, ∀ i ∈ V, δs i ≤ δ
```

This says that any finite collection of real numbers has an upper bound (in fact, a maximum).

### The Result

**Theorem (Bdd\_of\_Compact):** Every compact set is bounded.

### Your Challenge

Prove that if  $S$  is compact, then  $\exists M, \forall s \in S, |s| < M$ .

## The Formal Proof

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Statement Bdd_of_Compact (S : Set ℝ) (hcomp : IsCompact
S) :
  ∃ M, ∀ s ∈ S, |s| < M := by
let ℓ := ℙ
let xs : ℓ → ℝ := fun n ↪ 0
let δs : ℓ → ℝ := fun n ↪ n + 1
have δspos : ∀ n, 0 < δs n := by
  intro n
  change 0 < (n : ℝ) + 1
  linarith
have hcover : S ⊆ ⋃ i, Ball (xs i) (δs i) := by
  intro s hs
  rewrite [mem_Union]
  use ⌈|s|⌉₊
  change s ∈ Ioo ((0 : ℝ) - ((⌈|s|⌉₊ + 1))) (0 + ((⌈|s|⌉₊ + 1)))
  rewrite [mem_Ioo]
  rewrite [show (0 : ℝ) - (⌈|s|⌉₊ + 1) = - (⌈|s|⌉₊ + 1)
    by ring_nf]
  rewrite [show (0 : ℝ) + (⌈|s|⌉₊ + 1) = (⌈|s|⌉₊ + 1) by
    ring_nf]
  rewrite [← abs_lt]
  have f : ∀ x ≥ (0 : ℝ), x ≤ ⌈x⌉₊ := by
    intro x hx
    bound
    specialize f (|s|) (by bound)
    linarith [f]
choose V hV using hcomp ℓ xs δs δspos hcover
choose M hM using FinMax ℓ V δs
use M
intro s hs
specialize hV hs
rewrite [mem_Union] at hV
choose i ball_i i_in_V s_in_Ball using hV
rewrite [mem_range] at i_in_V
choose hi hi' using i_in_V
specialize hM i hi
rewrite [← hi'] at s_in_Ball

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change s ∈ Ioo ((0 : ℝ) - (i + 1)) (0 + (i + 1)) at
  s_in_Ball
rewrite [show (0 : ℝ) - (i + 1) = - (i + 1) by ring_nf]
  at s_in_Ball
rewrite [show (0 : ℝ) + (i + 1) = (i + 1) by ring_nf] at
  s_in_Ball
rewrite [mem_Ioo] at s_in_Ball
rewrite [abs_lt] at s_in_Ball
change i + 1 ≤ M at hM
linarith [s_in_Ball, hM]

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## Understanding the Proof

The proof illustrates the power of compactness: we start with a potentially infinite covering (balls of all possible radii), but compactness guarantees we can reduce to a finite covering. Once we have finitely many balls, we can take their maximum radius to get a global bound.

This is the first half of showing that compactness implies the conjunction “closed and bounded.”

## Level 2: Heine-Borel Theorem: Part 1b

Now we prove the second half: every compact set is closed. This requires introducing the formal definitions of open and closed sets.

### New Definitions

**Open Set:**  $S$  is open if around every point in  $S$ , there's an entire ball contained in  $S$ :

$$\text{IsOpen}(S) := \forall x \in S, \exists r > 0, \text{Ball}(x, r) \subseteq S$$

**Closed Set:**  $S$  is closed if its complement is open:

$$\text{IsClosed}(S) := \text{IsOpen}(S^c)$$

These definitions capture our intuitive notions: open sets have no "boundary points" that belong to the set, while closed sets contain all their boundary points.

### The Strategy

To show that a compact set  $S$  is closed, we need to show that  $S^c$  is open. This means that for any point  $y \in S^c$ , we need to find a ball around  $y$  that stays entirely within  $S^c$  (i.e., doesn't intersect  $S$ ).

The key insight is to use the separation between  $y$  and points in  $S$ :

**Step 1:** For each point  $x \in S$ , create a ball around  $x$  of radius  $|y - x|/2$ . This ball contains  $x$  but doesn't reach  $y$ .

**Step 2:** These balls cover  $S$ , so by compactness, finitely many suffice.

**Step 3:** Take the minimum of the radii  $|y - x_i|/2$  from these finitely many balls. This gives a positive  $\delta$  such that the ball around  $y$  of radius  $\delta$  stays away from all the balls covering  $S$ , and hence from  $S$  itself.

### The Result

**Theorem (IsClosed\_of\_Compact):** Every compact set is closed.

### Your Challenge

Prove that if  $S$  is compact, then  $S^c$  is open.

## The Formal Proof

```
Statement IsClosed_of_Compact (S : Set ℝ) (hcomp :
  IsCompact S) : IsClosed S := by
by_cases Snonempty : S.Nonempty
change IsOpen Sc
intro y hy
change y ∉ S at hy
let ℓ : Type := S
let xs : ℓ → ℝ := fun x => x.1
let δs : ℓ → ℝ := fun x => |y - x.1| / 2
have δspos : ∀ i : ℓ, δs i > 0 := by
  intro i
  let x : ℝ := i.1
  have hx : x ∈ S := i.2
  have hneq : y ≠ x := by
    intro h
    rw [h] at hy
    contradiction
  have hneq' : y - x ≠ 0 := by bound
  have hdist : |y - x| > 0 := by apply
    abs_pos_of_nonzero hneq'
  bound
have hcover : S ⊆ ⋃ i : ℓ, Ball (xs i) (δs i) := by
  intro x hx
  rewrite [mem_Union]
  use ⟨x, hx⟩
  change x ∈ Ioo _ _
  rewrite [mem_Ioo]
  specialize δspos ⟨x, hx⟩
  split_and
  change x - _ < x
  linarith [δspos]
  change x < x + _
  linarith [δspos]
specialize hcomp ℓ xs δs δspos hcover
choose V hV using hcomp
choose r rpos hr using FinMinPos ℓ V δs δspos
use r, rpos
intro z hz
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change z ∉ S
intro z_in_S
specialize hV z_in_S
rewrite [mem_Union] at hV
choose i ball_i i_in_V s_in_Ball using hV
change z ∈ Ioo _ _ at hz
rewrite [mem_Ioo] at hz
have hz' : |y - z| < r := by
  rewrite [abs_lt]
  split_and
  linarith [hz.2]
  linarith [hz.1]
rewrite [mem_range] at i_in_V
choose hi hi' using i_in_V
specialize hr i hi
set ri := δs i
set xi := xs i
let ripos : 0 < ri := by apply δspos i
have hr' : r ≤ ri := by linarith [hr]
have hdist : 2 * ri ≤ |y - xi| := by
  change 2 * (|y - xi| / 2) ≤ |y - xi|
  linarith
have hz' : |z - xi| < ri := by
  rewrite [← hi'] at s_in_Ball
  change z ∈ Ioo _ _ at s_in_Ball
  rewrite [mem_Ioo] at s_in_Ball
  rewrite [abs_lt]
  split_and
  linarith [hr, s_in_Ball.1]
  linarith [hr, s_in_Ball.2]
have hz'' : |y - z| ≤ ri := by linarith [hz', hr]
have hiy : |y - xi| ≤ |y - z| + |z - xi| := by
  rewrite [show y - xi = (y - z) + (z - xi) by ring_nf]
  apply abs_add
linarith [hdist, hz'', hz''', hiy, ripos]

intro z hz
push_neg at Snonempty
use 1, (by bound)
intro z hz

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change z ∈ S
rewrite [Snonempty]
intro h
contradiction
```

## Understanding the Proof

This proof showcases a classic technique in topology: to separate a point from a set, we first separate it locally from each point in the set, then use compactness to make this separation uniform.

The use of the indexing set  $\iota := S$  is elegant - it allows us to parameterize our covering directly by the points of  $S$ .

Combined with Level 1, we've now proved that compact  $\Rightarrow$  closed and bounded.

## Level 3: Least Upper Bound Property

Before proving the converse of Heine-Borel, we need a fundamental property of the real numbers: the Least Upper Bound Property. This property distinguishes  $\mathbb{R}$  from  $\mathbb{Q}$  and is essential for proving that closed bounded intervals are compact.

### New Definitions

**Upper Bound:**  $M$  is an upper bound of  $S$  if every element of  $S$  is  $\leq M$ :

$$\text{IsUB}(S, M) := \forall s \in S, s \leq M$$

**Least Upper Bound (Supremum):**  $L$  is a least upper bound of  $S$  if  $L$  is an upper bound and no smaller number is an upper bound:

$$\text{IsLUB}(S, L) := \text{IsUB}(S, L) \wedge (\forall M, \text{IsUB}(S, M) \rightarrow L \leq M)$$

### The Least Upper Bound Property

**Theorem:** Every nonempty set of real numbers that is bounded above has a least upper bound.

This property can be taken as an axiom defining  $\mathbb{R}$ , or it can be proved from other characterizations of  $\mathbb{R}$  (such as Dedekind cuts or Cauchy completion of  $\mathbb{Q}$ ).

### The Proof Strategy

We use a bisection method similar to the one Simplicio outlined in the dialogue:

**Step 1:** Start with some point  $s_0 \in S$  and some upper bound  $M_0$ .

**Step 2:** At each stage, consider the midpoint of our current interval  $[s_n, M_n]$ .  
- If the midpoint is an upper bound, make it the new right endpoint  
- If not, find an element of  $S$  above the midpoint and make it the new left endpoint

**Step 3:** This creates nested intervals whose lengths approach 0.

**Step 4:** The sequences of left and right endpoints both converge to the same limit  $L$ , which is the least upper bound.

## The Result

**Theorem (HasLUB\_of\_BddNonempty):** Every nonempty bounded set has a least upper bound.

## Your Challenge

Prove that if  $S$  is nonempty and bounded above, then it has a least upper bound.

## The Formal Proof

```
Statement HasLUB_of_BddNonempty (S : Set ℝ) (hs : S.
Nonempty) (M : ℝ) (hM : IsUB S M) : ∃ L, IsLUB S L :=
by
choose s₀ hs₀ using hs
let ab : ∀ (n : ℕ), {p : ℝ × ℝ // (p.1 ∈ S) ∧
IsUB S p.2 ∧ p.1 ≤ p.2 ∧ p.2 - p.1 ≤ (M - s₀) / 2^n} := by
intro n
induction' n with n hn
· use (s₀, M)
split_and
· apply hs₀
· apply hM
· bound
· bound
· let hp := hn.2
set p : ℝ × ℝ := hn.1
let mid : ℝ := (p.1 + p.2) / 2
by_cases mids : ∃ s ∈ S, mid ≤ s
· choose s sInS hs using mids
use (s, p.2)
split_and
· apply sInS
· apply hp.2.1
· bound
· change p.2 - s ≤ (M - s₀) / 2^(n + 1)
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have hp' := hp.2.2.2
change (p.1 + p.2) / 2 ≤ s at hs
field_simp at ⊢ hp' hs
rewrite [show (2 : ℝ) ^ (n + 1) = 2 * 2 ^ n by
    ring_nf]
have f : (p.1 + p.2) * 2 ^ n ≤ 2 * s * 2 ^ n
    := by bound
linarith [hp', hs, hp.2.2.1, f]
· use (p.1, mid)
split_and
· apply hp.1
· push_neg at mids
intro s hs
linarith [mids s hs]
· change p.1 ≤ (p.1 + p.2) / 2
linarith [hp]
· change (p.1 + p.2) / 2 - p.1 ≤ (M - s₀) / 2^(n
    + 1)
have hp' := hp.2.2.2
field_simp at ⊢ hp'
rewrite [show (2 : ℝ) ^ (n + 1) = 2 * 2 ^ n by
    ring_nf]
linarith [hp']

let a : N → ℝ := fun n ↫ (ab n).val.1
let b : N → ℝ := fun n ↫ (ab n).val.2

have a_prop : ∀ n, a n ∈ S := by
intro n
have h := (ab n).property.1
apply h

have b_prop : ∀ n, IsUB S (b n) := by
intro n
have h := (ab n).property.2.1
apply h

have aMono : Monotone a := by
apply Monotone_of_succ
intro n

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have h := (ab n).property.2.2.1
by_cases midS : ∃ s ∈ S, (a n + b n) / 2 ≤ s
· choose s sInS hs using midS
  have ha' : a (n + 1) = (ab (n + 1)).val.1 := by rfl
  have ha'' : (ab (n + 1)).val.1 = s := by
    sorry
  have f1 : a n ≤ b n := by bound
  linarith [f1, ha', ha'', hs]
· have ha' : a (n + 1) = a n := by sorry
  linarith [ha']

have bAnti : Antitone b := by sorry

have aBnded : ∀ n, a n ≤ b 0 := by
  intro n
  have hb : (b n) ≤ b 0 := by bound
  specialize b_prop n (a n) (a_prop n)
  linarith [b_prop, hb]

have bBnded : ∀ n, a 0 ≤ b n := by
  intro n
  have ha : a 0 ≤ (a n) := by bound
  apply b_prop n (a 0) (a_prop 0)

have aCauchy := IsCauchy_of_MonotoneBdd aMono aBnded
have bCauchy := IsCauchy_of_AntitoneBdd bAnti bBnded

choose La hLa using SeqConv_of_IsCauchy aCauchy
choose Lb hLb using SeqConv_of_IsCauchy bCauchy

have L_le_b : ∀ n, Lb ≤ b n := by sorry

have L_le_b' : ∀ ε > 0, ∃ N, ∀ n ≥ N, b n < Lb + ε := by
  by_contra h
  push_neg at h
  choose ε εpos hε using h
  choose N hN using hLb ε εpos
  choose n n_N hn using hε N
  specialize hN n n_N
  rewrite [abs_lt] at hn

```

```

linarith [hN, hn]

have a_le_L :  $\forall n, a_n \leq La :=$  by sorry

have a_le_L' :  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N, \forall n \geq N, La - \varepsilon < a_n :=$  by
  by_contra h
  push_neg at h
  choose  $\varepsilon \varepsilon_{\text{pos}}$   $h\varepsilon$  using h
  choose N hN using hLa  $\varepsilon \varepsilon_{\text{pos}}$ 
  choose n n_N hn using  $h\varepsilon N$ 
  specialize hN n n_N
  rewrite [abs_lt] at hN
  linarith [hN, hn]

have La_eq_Lb : La = Lb := by
  have f1 : SeqLim (fun n ↦ b_n - a_n) 0 := by sorry
  sorry

use La

split_and

· intro s hs
  rewrite [La_eq_Lb]
  by_contra h
  push_neg at h
  specialize L_le_b' (s - Lb) (by bound)
  choose N hN using L_le_b'
  specialize hN N (by bound)
  specialize b_prop N s hs
  linarith [hN, b_prop, h]
· intro M hM
  by_contra h
  push_neg at h
  specialize a_le_L' (La - M) (by bound)
  choose N hN using a_le_L'
  specialize hN N (by bound)
  rewrite [show La - (La - M) = M by ring_nf] at hN
  specialize hM (a N) (a_prop N)
  linarith [hM, hN]

```

## Understanding the Proof

The least upper bound property is what makes  $\mathbb{R}$  “complete” - it has no “gaps” like  $\mathbb{Q}$  does. This completeness is precisely what we need to prove that closed bounded intervals are compact.

The bisection proof is constructive and gives us a concrete algorithm for approximating the supremum to arbitrary precision.

## Level 4: Heine-Borel Theorem: Part 2a

Now we prove the converse direction of Heine-Borel: every closed bounded interval is compact. This is the hard direction and requires the Least Upper Bound Property.

### The Strategy

To show  $[a, b]$  is compact, we take an arbitrary covering by balls and show it has a finite subcover. The proof uses a clever "growing interval" approach:

**Step 1:** Define  $S := \{t \in [a, b] : [a, t] \text{ can be covered by finitely many balls}\}$

**Step 2:** Show that  $S$  is nonempty (since  $a \in S$ ) and bounded above (by  $b$ )

**Step 3:** Use the Least Upper Bound Property to get  $L = \sup S$

**Step 4:** Show that  $L = b$  by contradiction - if  $L < b$ , then we can extend our finite cover slightly beyond  $L$ , contradicting that  $L$  is an upper bound for  $S$

### The Key Insight

The crucial idea is that if a point is covered by some ball in our covering, then that entire ball can be covered by a single ball (itself!). So if we can get "close enough" to any point, we can jump all the way to that point and a bit beyond.

### The Result

**Theorem (IsCompact\_of\_ClosedInterval):** Every closed bounded interval  $[a, b]$  is compact.

### Your Challenge

Prove that  $[a, b]$  with  $a < b$  is compact.

### The Formal Proof

```

Statement IsCompact_of_ClosedInterval {a b : ℝ} (hab : a
< b) : IsCompact (Icc a b) := by
intro ℓ xs rs rstrpos hcover
let S : Set ℝ := {t : ℝ | t ∈ Icc a b ∧ ∃ (J : Finset ℓ)
, Icc a t ⊆ ⋃ j ∈ J, Ball (xs j) (rs j)}
have hSnonempty : S.Nonempty := by
use a
split_and
· bound
· bound
· have ha : a ∈ Icc a b := by sorry
specialize hcover ha
rewrite [mem_Union] at hcover
choose j hj using hcover
use {j}
intro x hx
have hxa : x = a := by sorry
rewrite [hxa]
use Ball (xs j) (rs j)
rewrite [mem_range]
split_and
use j
sorry
apply hj.1
apply hj.2
have hSbdd : ∀ s ∈ S, s ≤ b := by
intro s hs
exact hs.1.2
choose L hL using HasLUB_of_BddNonempty S hSnonempty b
hSbdd
have hLb : L = b := by sorry
have hb : b ∈ S := by sorry
simp only [mem_setOf_eq, S] at hb
choose V hV using hb.2
use V, hV

```

## Understanding the Proof

This proof is a masterpiece of classical analysis. The key insight is to consider not just individual points, but intervals  $[a, t]$  that can be finitely covered. The supremum of all such  $t$  must be  $b$ , because any point is covered by some ball, and balls have positive radius.

This result shows that the “nice” sets we care about in calculus - closed bounded intervals - are indeed compact.

## Level 5: Heine-Borel Theorem: Part 2b

Finally, we complete the Heine-Borel theorem by showing that any closed subset of a compact set is compact. Since bounded sets are subsets of closed intervals, and closed intervals are compact, this will show that closed and bounded sets are compact.

### New Tools: Sum Types

We need to work with disjoint unions of types to handle both our original covering and additional balls that avoid the closed set.

**Disjoint Union:** If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are types, then  $\alpha \oplus \beta$  represents their disjoint union.

**Pattern Matching:** We can define functions on  $\alpha \oplus \beta$  by cases:

```
let f : α ⊕ β → γ := fun x ↫
  match x with
  | Sum.inl a => ... -- case when x is from α
  | Sum.inr b => ... -- case when x is from β
```

**Extracting Components:** From a finite set of sum type elements, we can extract just the left components using `Finset.lefts`.

### The Strategy

To show that a closed subset  $S$  of a compact set  $T$  is compact:

**Step 1:** Start with any covering of  $S$  by balls

**Step 2:** Since  $S$  is closed,  $S^c$  is open, so we can cover each point in  $S^c$  with a ball that stays in  $S^c$

**Step 3:** The union of these two coverings covers all of  $T$

**Step 4:** Since  $T$  is compact, there's a finite subcover of  $T$

**Step 5:** Extract just the balls from the original  $S$ -covering to get a finite subcover of  $S$

### The Result

**Theorem (IsCompact\_of\_ClosedSubset):** Any closed subset of a compact set is compact.

## Your Challenge

Prove that if  $S \subseteq T$ ,  $T$  is compact, and  $S$  is closed, then  $S$  is compact.

## The Formal Proof

```
Statement IsCompact_of_ClosedSubset {S T : Set ℝ} (hST :
  S ⊆ T) (hT : IsCompact T) (hS : IsClosed S) :
  IsCompact S := by
  intro ℓ xs rs rspos hcover
  change IsOpen Sc at hS
  change ∀ x ∈ Sc, ∃ r > 0, Ball x r ⊆ Sc at hS
  choose δs δspos hδs using hS
  let Sbar : Set ℝ := Sc
  let J : Type := Sbar
  let U : Type := ℓ ⊕ J
  let xs' : U → ℝ := fun i =>
    match i with
    | Sum.inl j => xs j
    | Sum.inr x => x
  let rs' : U → ℝ := fun i =>
    match i with
    | Sum.inl j => rs j
    | Sum.inr x => δs x.1 x.2
  let rs'pos : ∀ i : U, rs' i > 0 := by
    intro i
    cases i with
    | inl j => exact rspos j
    | inr x => exact δspos x.1 x.2
  have hcover' : T ⊆ ⋃ (i : U), Ball (xs' i) (rs' i) := by
    intro t ht
    by_cases htS : t ∈ S
    · specialize hcover htS
      rewrite [mem_Union] at hcover
      choose j hj using hcover
      rewrite [mem_Union]
      use Sum.inl j, hj.1, hj.2
    · change t ∈ Sbar at htS
      rewrite [mem_Union]
```

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have hball : t ∈ Ball (xs' (Sum.inr ⟨t, htS⟩)) (rs'
  (Sum.inr ⟨t, htS⟩)) := by
  specialize rs'pos (Sum.inr ⟨t, htS⟩)
  split_and
  change t - _ < t
  linarith [rs'pos]
  change t < t + _
  linarith [rs'pos]
use Sum.inr ⟨t, htS⟩, hball.1, hball.2
specialize hT U xs' rs' rs'pos hcover'
choose V hV using hT
let V1 : Finset `t := V.lefts
use V1
intro s hs
rewrite [mem_Union]
have hsT : s ∈ T := by bound
specialize hV hsT
rewrite [mem_Union] at hV
choose i ball_i i_in_V s_in_Ball using hV
rewrite [mem_range] at i_in_V
choose hi hi' using i_in_V
rewrite [← hi'] at s_in_Ball
cases i with
| inl j =>
  have hj : j ∈ V1 := by
    rewrite [mem_lefts]
    apply hi
  use j
  rewrite [mem_Union]
  use hj, s_in_Ball.1, s_in_Ball.2
| inr x =>
  exfalso
  have hxSbar : x.1 ∈ Sbar := x.2
  have hxS : x.1 ∉ S := by
    intro h
    contradiction
  specialize hδs x.1 hxSbar s_in_Ball hs
  apply hδs

```

## Understanding the Proof

This proof completes the Heine-Borel theorem. The key insight is that when we have a closed subset of a compact set, we can extend any covering of the subset to a covering of the whole set by adding balls that avoid the subset entirely.

**The Complete Heine-Borel Theorem:** A subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  is compact if and only if it is closed and bounded.

**Corollary:** Every continuous function on a closed bounded interval is uniformly continuous, and hence Riemann integrable.

This brings us full circle from topology back to calculus, showing how abstract concepts illuminate concrete problems.

Last time:

Def  $S \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  compact, if

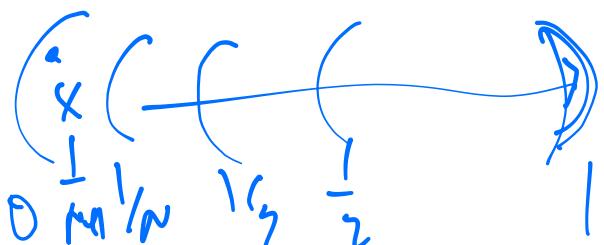
"every cover by open balls  
has finite subcover".

$\forall (c : \text{Type}) (xs : c \rightarrow \mathbb{R}) (rs : c \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$

$(\text{rpos} : \forall i : c \text{ occurs } i) (\text{hcover} :$

$$S \subseteq \bigcup_{i:c} \text{Ball}(x_i)(r_i)$$

$\exists (V : \text{Finset } c), S \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in V} \text{Ball}(x_i)(r_i)$



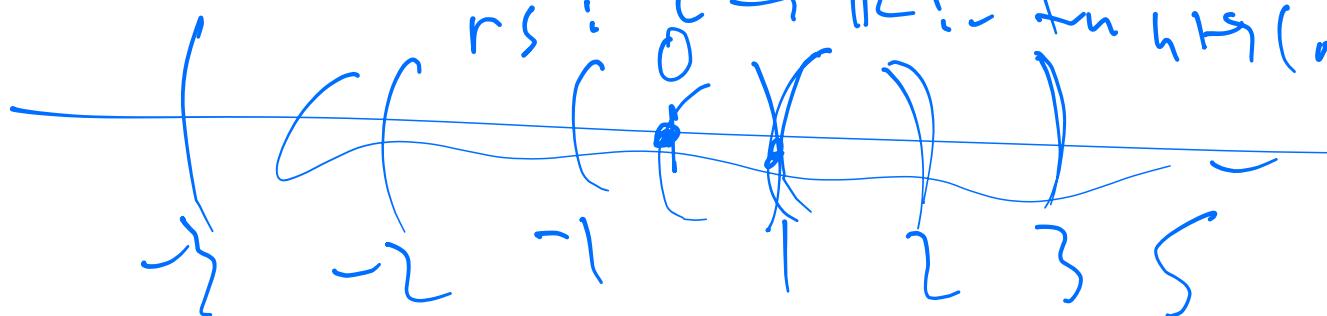
DmLi (fs; S compact)  $\Rightarrow$  S odd.

Pf: let  $L := \mathbb{N}$

$\exists M, \forall S \in \{S \subseteq M\}$

$x_S : L \rightarrow \mathbb{R} := \text{fun } n \mapsto (0 : \mathbb{R}),$

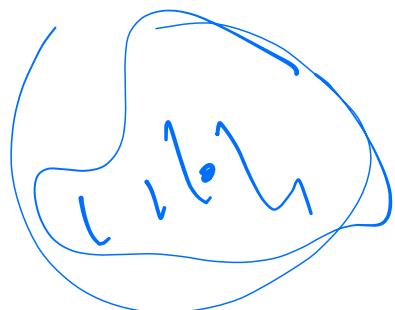
$r_S : \overset{\circ}{\cup} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} := \text{fun } h \mapsto (n : \mathbb{R})$



Metric space X.

$0 < \text{dist}(x, y) = \text{dist}(y, x),$

$\text{dist} : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R},$



large holes:

$S \in \bigcup_n (-n, n).$

$\forall S \in S, S \in \bigcup_n (-n, n).$

(This: "new Univer", use  $\Gamma_{\text{ISI}}^+$ ,

$S \in \bigcup A_i (\hookrightarrow) i, s \in A_i$

Specialize HS in XI resp holes

choose  $V$   $W$  very big.

(This, 'FnMax':  $\forall (c:\text{Type}) \ (V:\text{Finset}_c)$

$(r:\mathbb{R}) \ (\text{rpos}): \exists M,$

$\forall i \in V, \ r_i \leq M.$

App', FnMax to get  $M$ .  
use  $M$ .

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Def.,  $\text{IsClosed}(S: \text{Set} + \mathbb{R}) : \text{Prop} \subseteq \text{IsOpen}$

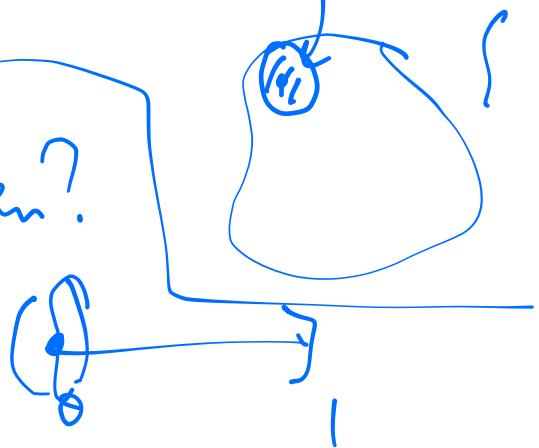
Let's  $\text{IsOpen} = \dots := \forall_{s \in S},$

$\exists r > 0, \ \text{Ball}(s, r) \subseteq S,$

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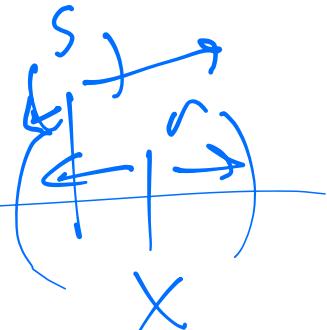
$Q: \exists s \in S, \text{Ball}(s, r) \subseteq S$  open?

$\mu_0!$  for  $s=0,$



Q1 Is  $(a, \gamma)$  open?

Q2 Is  $S = \{x\} \times r(\gamma_0)$  open?



Need to show:

$\forall s \in S, \exists \delta > 0$  s.t. ball  $s \in S$ ,

Then Line - Bone 1:  $S, \beta$  compact

$\Rightarrow S$  closed &  $S$  bdd.

Ex:  $(-\infty, 1]$

Note:  $[1, \infty)$  is closed because  
 $(-\infty, 1)$  is open!

Ex:  $[0, 1)$  is neither open, nor closed

Ex: If  $S_{1,3}$  closed (open,  $\Rightarrow S = \emptyset$ , R,

$H\beta \Rightarrow$  Mean Thm!, If  $f$  is cont

on  $[a, b]$  then  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$  exists.

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f} apply Integrable O... of Univ Cont.

apply UnivCont of Compt.

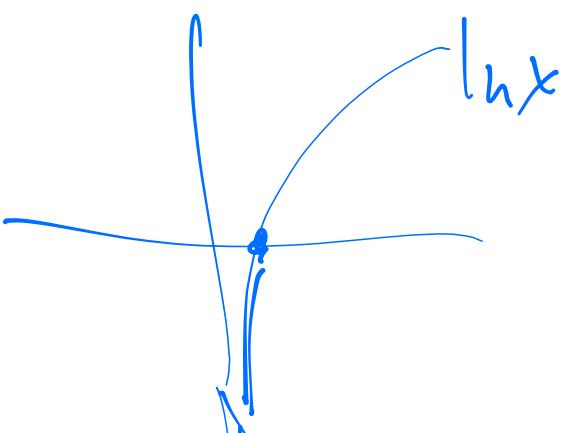
apply HB ( $\Rightarrow [a, b]$  is cpt),

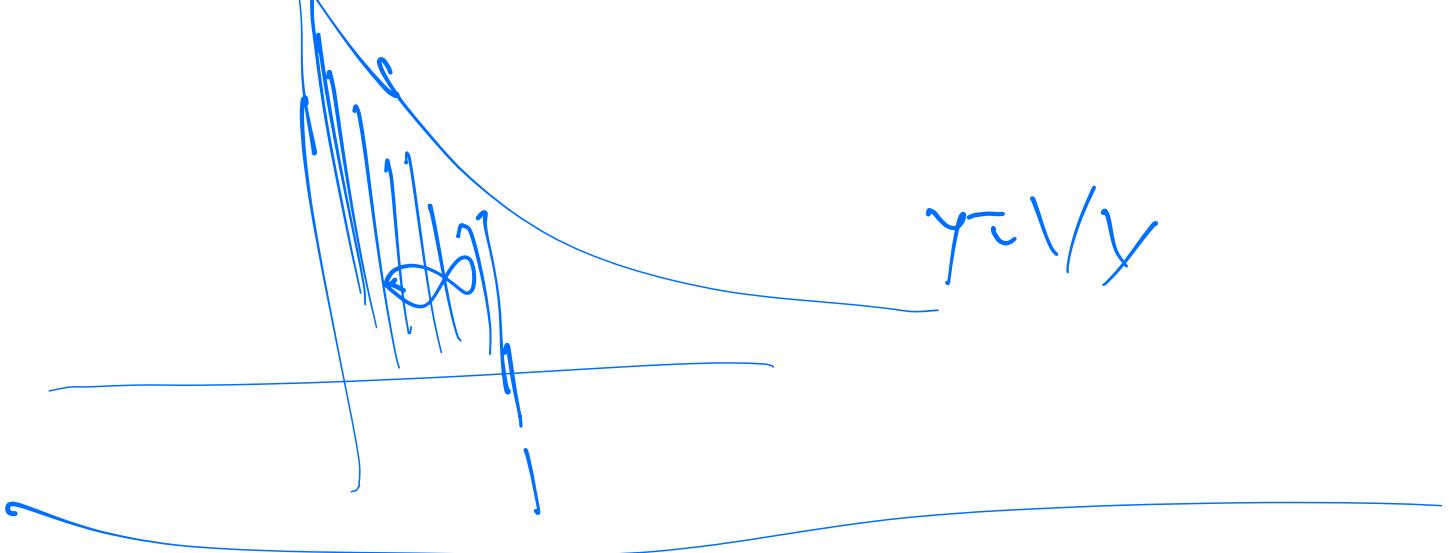
Note:  $f(x) = \ln x$  is (cont on  $(0, 1]$ ),

$$\int_0^1 \ln x dx = \ln x \Big|_0^1 = \ln 1 - \ln 0^+$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{infty}$$

$$= \infty$$





Algebraic closed  $Cpt \Rightarrow \text{bdd},$

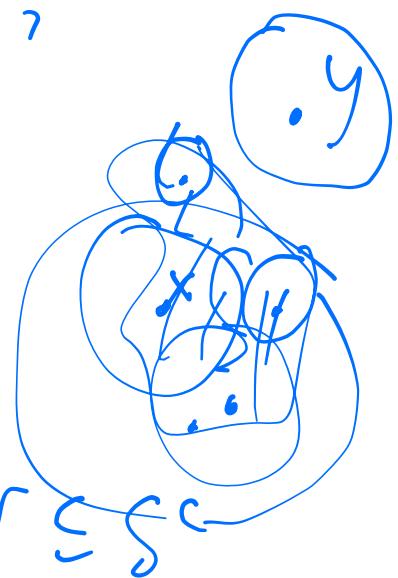
Class:  $Cpt \Rightarrow \text{closed},$

Theorem:  $(S; S_{Cpt})$

Goal: Is  $Closed\ S,$

Pf: change  $\vdash$  open  $S^c,$

change  $\forall y \notin S, \exists^{n \in \omega} y \in r \subseteq S^c$



Idea: Stay away from  $S!$

$L : \text{Type} := S$  (elements of  $L$   
 are  $\langle x, h_x \rangle$ )  
 $XS : L \rightarrow \mathbb{R} := \text{fun } S \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^{|\{x\}|}$   
 $RS : L \rightarrow \mathbb{R} := \text{fun } i \mapsto |x_i - y|/2,$   
 $\sim_{\{p\}}.$

Now however:  $S \subseteq \bigcup \text{Ball}(x_i, r_i)$ ,  
 into  $s(hs : s \in S)$  i:i  
 via  $\underline{\langle s, hs \rangle}$ .

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choose  $V \vdash V \in \mathcal{S} \dots$

choose  $\delta$  drop using  $\text{funMinPos}(V) \in$

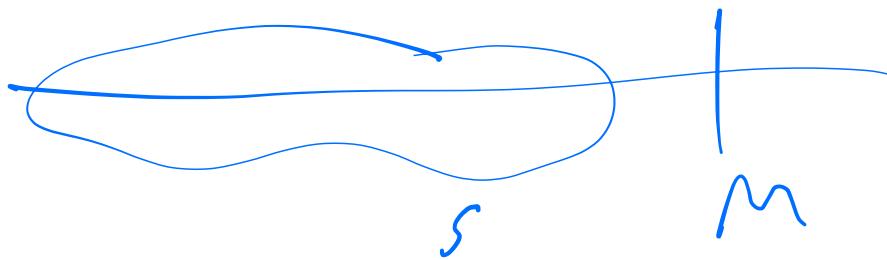


use  $\delta$   
 If  $\exists z \in \text{Ball}(y, \delta) \cap S,$

$z \in S \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in V} \text{Ball}(x_{\xi i})(r_{\xi i}),$

- $|x_i - z| < \delta$
- $|x_i - y| = 2r_i > \delta$   
only  $|y - z| < \delta$

$\text{HB} \in: S \text{ closed \& } \text{df}$   $\exists$   $\forall$



Def:  $\text{TSUB}(S : \{s \in \Omega\} (M : \mathbb{R}) : \text{Prop}$

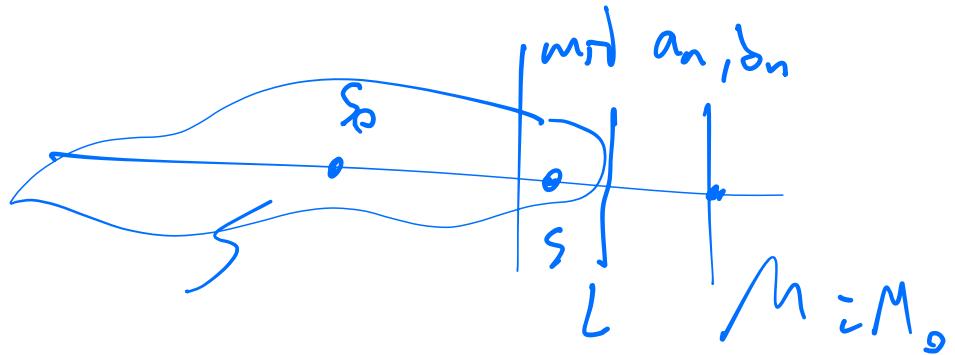
$\vdash \forall \{s\}, s \in M,$

Def: "Expression".

$\text{TSUB}(S)(L) :=$

$\text{SUB}(L \wedge \vdash M, \text{TSUB } S M \Rightarrow L M)$

Ex: LUB of  $(0, 1)$  is 1,



$$s_n \rightarrow S.$$

?  $S > \text{mid}$

$M_n \rightarrow$  All UB.  
If  $s_0$ ,

$$s_{n+1} = S, M_{n+1} = M_n, |s_n - M_n| \leq \frac{M_n - s_0}{2^n}$$

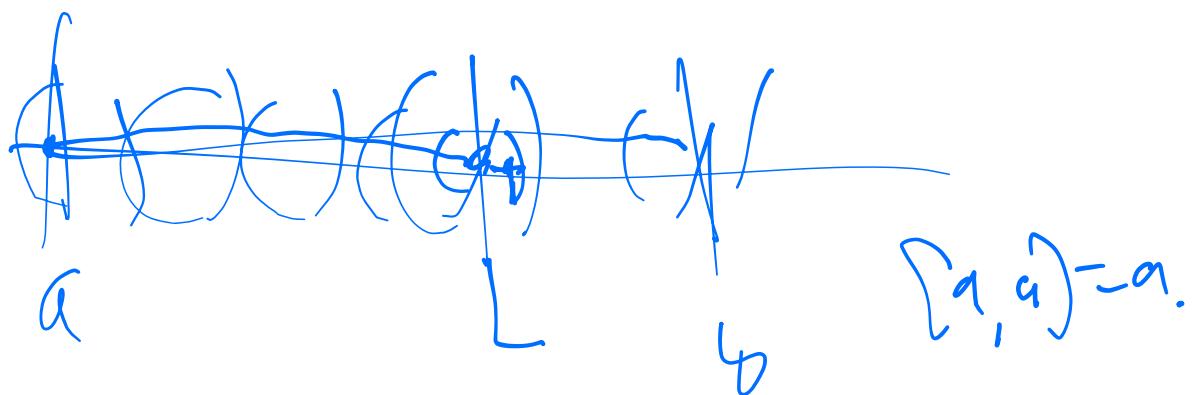
else  $s_{n+1} = s_n, M_{n+1} = m_n$

Ry BW,  $s_n \rightarrow L$   $M_n \downarrow K$ ,

$L = K$ . claim:  $\forall \epsilon L$ .  $\checkmark$

$\text{PFHB} \in \bigcap_{\delta > 0} [a, b] \cap$   
cpt,

Fix open cover balls,



Let  $T := \{t \in [a, b] \mid [a, t] \text{ has finite no. of open intervals}\}$

$\uparrow$   
 $a$

nonempty, do? v.

$\Rightarrow T$  has LUB.  $L$ .  $\Rightarrow L = b$ .

If  $L < b$ , then  $L$  not LUB,

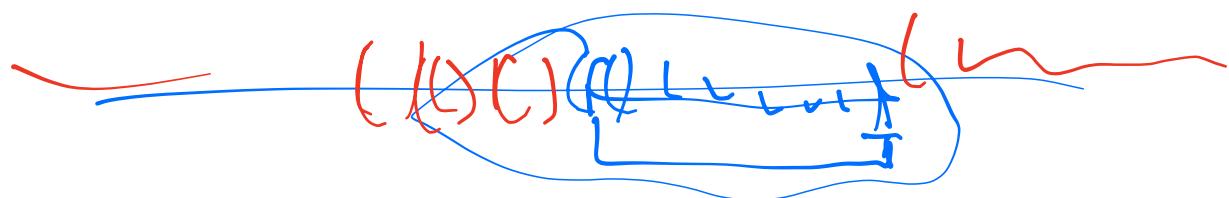
Last step: Apply closed subset of

Cpt Let  $\beta$  cpt.

Then  $\exists S \subset \beta$ ,  $T \in S$ ,

$T$  is closed  $\Rightarrow T$  cpt.

Pf: Take open cover of  $T$ .



But  $T^c$  is open  $\leftarrow$  cover by  $\beta$ 's  
compl. all of  $\beta$  have  $S$ ,

hence  $\beta$  has finite cover,

$\Rightarrow$  some finite cover of  $T$ .