

Lecture-16

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Quote of the day

“Inside the Sauder school of business... don’t get me started; but outside Sauder professors only wear ties on special occasions. Today is a special occasion.” - Dr. Loewen wearing a tie, 10/13/2023

Proposition: Order components- OC)

Let $a, b \in \text{CS}(\mathbb{Q})$;

- (a) If $R[a] > R[b]$ then there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $R[a] > \Phi(b_N)$.
- (b) If $\Phi(b_k) \geq R[a]$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$, then $R[a] \leq R[b]$.

Proof. Note that (b) \iff (a) by contrapositive, so we just prove (a). Given $R[a] > R[b]$, there exists $N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\mathbb{Q} \ni r > 0$ such that $a_n > b_n + r$ for all $n \geq N_0$. Also, $a, b \in \text{CS}(\mathbb{Q})$ given $N_a, N_b \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $|a_m - a_n| < \frac{r}{10}$ for $m, n \geq N_a$ and $|b_m - b_n| < \frac{r}{10}$ for $m, n \geq N_b$. Let $N = \max\{N_0, N_a, N_b\}$; for any $m \geq N$,

$$\begin{aligned} b_N &= b_m + (b_N - b_m) \\ &\leq b_m + \frac{r}{10} \\ &\leq (a_m - r) + \frac{r}{10} \\ &= a_m - \frac{9r}{10} < a_m - \frac{r}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $b_N < a_m - \frac{r}{2}$ for all $m \geq N$; we are done. \square

0.1 Completeness of \mathcal{R}

Notation 1. We let $\alpha = R[a]$, $\beta = R[b]$ and $\gamma = R[c]$.

Reflection. The mapping $\Phi : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$ embeds a “working copy of \mathbb{Q} ” in \mathcal{R} . We confirmed $\Phi(p + q) = \Phi(p) + \Phi(q)$, $\Phi(p \cdot q) = \Phi(p) \cdot \Phi(q)$, and $p < q \iff \Phi(p) < \Phi(q)$; everything we want from the rationals is mirrored in $\text{CS}(\mathbb{Q})$. Notice that there are some equivalence classes of Cauchy sequences that are not in here: \mathcal{R} includes many elements not of the form $\Phi(q)$ where $q \in \mathbb{Q}$.

Example 1. A member of $\mathcal{R} : \pi = R[(3, 3.1, 3.141, 3.1415, \dots)]$ is outside $\Phi(\mathbb{Q})$.

Theorem: Completeness of \mathcal{R}

Let \mathcal{A} be a non-empty subset of \mathcal{R} with an upper bound, i.e., there exists $\mu \in \mathcal{R}$ such that for all $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ we have $\alpha \leq \mu$; there exists $\beta \in \mathcal{R}$ such that

- (a) For all $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$, $\alpha \leq \beta$ (β is an upper bound.)
- (b) For all $\gamma \in \mathcal{R}$ such that $\gamma < \beta$, there exists $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $\gamma < \alpha$ (β is the supremum.)

Proof. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, define $b_n = \min(S_n)$ where $S_n = \left\{ \frac{k}{2^n} : k \in \mathbb{Z}, \text{ for all } \alpha \in \mathcal{A}, \Phi\left(\frac{k}{2^n}\right) \geq \alpha \right\}$. By the hypothesis, μ is an upper bound for \mathcal{A} . From Homework 5, we know that there exists some $K \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $\mu < \Phi(K)$. Every $\frac{k}{2^n} \geq K$ is in S_n . Additionally S_n has a lower bound (showing this is left as an exercise.) For each $S_n \subseteq S_{n+1}$; so we have $b_n \geq b_{n+1} \geq b_n - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$, or $0 \leq b_n - b_{n+1} \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$. Therefore if $p \in \mathbb{N}$, we have $0 \leq b_n - b_{n+p} \leq (b_n - b_{n+1}) + \dots + (b_{n+p-1} - b_{n+p})$, which means

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq b_n - b_{n+p} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{2^{n+2}} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n+p}} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2^n} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^p} \right) \\ &< \frac{1}{2^n}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $b = (b_n)$ is a Cauchy sequence. Since $\beta = R[b]$, from the definition of $b_n \in S_n$, $\Phi(b_n) \geq \alpha$ for all $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$. from OC (b), $\beta \geq \alpha$ for all $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$; this is conclusion (a).

For (b), let $\gamma < \beta$ and say $\gamma = R[c]$. This comes with $\mathbb{Q} \ni r > 0$, $N \in \mathbb{N}$ where for all $n \geq N$, $c_n + r < b_n$. Increase N is needed to get $\frac{1}{2^N} < \frac{r}{2}$. Then, since $b_n \geq b_{n+1}$,

$$c_n + \frac{r}{2} = (c_n + r) - \frac{r}{2} < b_n - \frac{r}{2} < b_n - \frac{1}{2^N} \leq b_N - \frac{1}{2^N}.$$

Thus, $\Phi(c) < \Phi(b_N)$.

Note. He forgot about α and has mentioned that we should check his notes on canvas.

Therefore, every monotone bounded sequence of these converge. Every Cauchy sequence of these converges. The Archimedean property follows (have to read Canvas notes for this part.) \square