

# Final Proofs for MATH450 Real Analysis

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## Problem 1.

**Theorem 1** (3.24 Bolzano-Weierstrass). *If a bounded set  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  contains infinitely many points, then there is at least one point in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  which is an accumulation point of  $S$ .*

*Proof.* (Case  $n = 1$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^1$ ) Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^1$  and  $S$  bounded,  $\Rightarrow$  since  $S$  is bounded,  $S$  lies completely within an interval  $[a, b]$ . Since  $S$  contains infinitely many points,

$$\left[a, \frac{a+b}{2}\right] \quad \text{and} \quad \left[\frac{a+b}{2}, b\right]$$

may either both contain infinitely many points or only one contains infinitely many points. Now define  $[a_1, b_1]$  to be one of the previously stated intervals with infinitely many points. Then

$$\left[a_1, \frac{a_1+b_1}{2}\right] \quad \text{and} \quad \left[\frac{a_1+b_1}{2}, b_1\right]$$

again may either both contain infinitely many points or only one contains infinitely many points. Repeating this process  $k$  times, we arrive at an interval  $[a_k, b_k]$  such that

$$\sup(a_k) = \inf(b_k) = x$$

where  $x \in S$ . We aim to show that  $x$  is an accumulation point of  $S$ . Consider  $k$  to be large enough such that  $b_k - a_k < \frac{r}{2}$ ,  $\Rightarrow [a_k, b_k] \subseteq B(x, r)$ . Since, by construction,  $B(x, r)$  contains infinitely many points,  $(B(x, r) - \{x\}) \cap S \neq \emptyset$  and hence  $x$  is an accumulation point of  $S$ .

(Case  $n = 2$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ) Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $S$  bounded,  $\Rightarrow$  since  $S$  is bounded,  $S$  lies completely within a 2-dimensional interval  $J$  defined by the cartesian product of two 1-dimensional intervals.

$$J_1 = [a, b] \times [a, b]$$

similar to the case for  $n = 1$  above, we continually divide the interval into halves, choosing the interval with infinitely many points. Let  $I_1^{(1)} = [a, b]$ , and  $I_2^{(1)} = [a, b]$ , Then let the next division of the interval be  $I_1^{(2)} = [a, \frac{a+b}{2}]$  or  $[\frac{a+b}{2}, b] = [a_1, b_1]$ , and  $I_2^{(2)} = [a, \frac{a+b}{2}]$  or  $[\frac{a+b}{2}, b] =$

$[a_2, b_2]$ , Again choosing whichever interval has infinitely many points. If they both contain infinitely many points, our choice is arbitrary. Hence, define  $J_n = I_1^n \times I_2^n$ . For a large enough  $n$ , we have that  $J_n$  has the property that

$$\sup(a_1^{(n)}) = \inf(b_1^{(n)}) = x_1 \quad \text{and} \quad \sup(a_2^{(n)}) = \inf(b_2^{(n)}) = x_2$$

We assert that  $x = (x_1, x_2)$  is an accumulation point of  $S$ . Note that  $b_k^{(n)} - a_k^{(n)} = \frac{a}{2^{n-2}}$  for  $k = 1, 2$ . take a ball in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $B(x, r)$  and let  $n$  be large enough such that  $\frac{a}{2^{n-2}} < \frac{r}{2}$ . Hence  $J_n \subseteq B(x, r)$ ,  $\Rightarrow B(x, r)$  also contains infinitely many points and we have that,

$$(B(x, r) - \{x\}) \cap S \neq \emptyset$$

This proves that  $x$  is an accumulation point of  $S$ .

□

### Applications of 3.24

**Theorem 2** (3.25 The Cantor Intersection Theorem). *Let  $\{Q_1, Q_2, \dots\}$  be a countable collection of nonempty sets in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  such that.*

$$\text{i) } Q_{k+1} \subseteq Q_k \quad (k = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$$

$$\text{ii) } \text{Each set } Q_k \text{ is closed and } Q_1 \text{ is bounded}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} Q_k \neq \emptyset \text{ and is closed.}$$

*Proof.* (Case 1:  $Q_m = Q_k \quad \forall m \geq k$ )

$$\Rightarrow Q_{k+2} \subseteq Q_{k+1} \subseteq Q_k \subseteq \dots \subseteq Q_2 \subseteq Q_1 \Rightarrow \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} Q_n = Q_k \neq \emptyset$$

(Case 2:  $Q_{k+1} \subsetneq Q_k$ )

$$\Rightarrow \text{we can build } A = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_k, \dots\}, \text{ an infinite set. where } x_k \in Q_k \setminus Q_{k+1} \quad x_k \in Q_k.$$

$\Rightarrow$  (by the Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem)  $\exists x \in \mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $x$  is an accumulation point of  $A$ . We want to show  $x \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} Q_k$ . since  $x$  is an accumulation point of  $A$ ,  $x$  is also an accumulation point for  $Q_k \quad \forall k$ . Since  $Q_k$  is closed, it contains all of its accumulation points  $\Rightarrow x \in Q_k$  and therefore  $x \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} Q_k$ .

□

**Problem 2.**

**Theorem 3 (3.27).** *Let  $G = \{A_1, A_2, \dots\}$  denote the countable collection of all  $n$ -balls having rational radii and centers at points with rational coordinates. Assume  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $S$  be an open set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $x \in S$ . Then  $x \in A_k \subseteq S$  for some  $k$ . That is,  $x$  is contained by some  $n$ -ball in  $G$  which is contained by  $S$ .*

*Proof.* Theorem 2.27 states that if  $G$  is a countable collection of countable sets, then

$$\bigcup_{k=1}^n A_k \quad A_k \in G$$

is also countable. Since  $x \in S$ , and  $S$  is open, we know that there exists an  $n$ -ball such that

$$B(x, r) \subseteq S$$

We want to find a rational point  $y \in S$  such that  $x \in B(y, R) \in G$ , or equally stated by  $B(y, R) \subseteq B(x, r) \subseteq S$ . Let  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  and let  $y_k$  be a rational number such that

$$|y_k - x_k| < \frac{r}{4n} \quad \text{for each } k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$$

Then

$$\|y - x\| \leq |y_1 - x_1| + \dots + |y_n - x_n| < \frac{r}{4}$$

Let us define  $R$  as a rational number such that  $\frac{r}{4} < R < \frac{r}{2}$ . Then  $x \in B(y, R)$  since we found the distance between  $y$  and  $x$  to be less than  $r/4$ , so surely  $x$  must be contained in  $B(y, R)$ . By the same reasoning, we have that  $B(y, R) \subseteq B(x, r) \subseteq S$ . since both  $y$  and  $R$  are rational by construction, we have that  $B(y, R) \in G$ . Hence, we've proved the assertion.  $\square$

**Applications of 3.27**

**Theorem 4 (3.28 Lindeloff Covering Theorem).** *Assume  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $f$  be an open covering of  $A$ . Then:  $\exists$  a countable subcollection of  $f$  that also covers  $A$ .*

$$A \subseteq \bigcup_{S \in f'} S$$

*Proof.* Let  $G = \{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k \dots\}$  countable subset of  $B_n(y, q)$  where  $y$  and  $q$  are both rational numbers. Then take  $x \in A \Rightarrow \exists S \in f$  such that  $x \in S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  Where  $S$  is an open subset. Therefore, we can use Theorem 3.27 to say:

$$\exists A_k \in G \text{ such that } x \in A_k \subseteq S$$

Define  $m = m(x) = \min\{k | x \in A_k, A_k \in G\}$

$$G' = \{A_{m(x)} | x \in A\} \iff f' = \{S | A_{m(x)} \in S\}$$

Both  $G'$  and  $f'$  are countable so:

$$\Rightarrow A \subseteq \cup_{S \in f'} S$$

□

### Problem 3

**Theorem 5** (3.29 Heine-Borel). *Let  $F$  be an open covering of a closed and bounded set  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then a finite subcollection of  $F$  also covers  $S$ .*

*Proof.* Assume that  $F$  is an open covering of the set  $S$ . A countable subcollection of  $F$ , say  $\{I_1, I_2, \dots\}$  covers  $S$ . Now we consider the finite union:

$$S_m = \bigcup_{k=1}^m I_k$$

This set is open since it is the union of open sets. We shall show that for some value of  $m$  the union  $S_m$  covers  $S$ .

Consider the complement  $R^n \setminus S_m$ , which is closed. Now define a countable collection of sets  $\{Q_1, Q_2, \dots\}$  as follows:  $Q_1 = S$  and for  $m > 1$ ,

$$Q_m = S \cap (R^n \setminus S_m)$$

Then  $Q_m$  consists of all those points of  $S$  that are outside of  $S_m$ . Now we just need to show that there is some  $m$  for which  $Q_m$  is empty which will show that for this  $m$  no point of  $S$  lies outside of  $S_m$ . Consider the following:

Each set  $Q_m$  is closed since it is the intersection of closed  $S$  and closed  $R^n \setminus S_m$

The sets  $Q_m$  are decreasing since the  $S_m$  are increasing. That is:  $Q_{m+1} \subseteq Q_m$ .

The sets  $Q_m$  being subsets of  $S$  are all bounded.

Therefore, if no set  $Q_m$  is empty we can use the *Cantor Intersection Theorem* to conclude that the intersection:

$$\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} Q_k \neq \emptyset$$

That means that there is some point in  $S$  which is in all the sets  $Q_m$  or outside all of the sets  $S_m$ . But this is a contradiction since  $S \subseteq \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} S_k$ . Therefore some  $Q_m$  must be empty. □

### Applications of 3.29

The Heine-Borel Theorem always applies when in a Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , but if an extra condition is added then it will apply in any metric space. In a metric space  $M = (S, d)$   $M$  must be both complete and totally bounded. This means that  $M$  must have the property that every Cauchy sequence in  $M$  converges in  $M$ , and it must be possible to cover  $M$  with a finite number of balls with of fixed size. So having your space be closed and bounded takes care of half but for the theorem to hold in a metric space the hypothesis must also require that the metric space be complete.

### Problem 4

**Theorem 6 (3.31).** *Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then the following statements are equivalent*

- a)  $S$  is compact.
- b)  $S$  is closed and bounded.
- c) Every infinite subset of  $S$  has an accumulation point in  $S$ .

*Proof.* To prove equivalence, we will prove that  $a$  implies  $b$ , that  $b$  implies  $c$ , that  $c$  implies  $b$ ,  $b$  implies  $a$  by Thm3.29, the Heine – Borel theorem. Once these parts are proven, we will have equivalence of the statements.

$$a \implies b$$

Assume that  $S$  is compact. First we will prove that  $S$  is bounded. For some  $p \in S \ni T :=$  a collection of  $n$ -balls:  $B(p, k), k = 1, 2, 3 \dots$  such that  $T$  is an open covering of the space  $S$ . Since  $S$  is compact, there is a finite subset of that collection that is still an open covering of  $S$ . Therefore,  $S$  is bounded. :)

Next we must prove that  $S$  is closed. This will be done through contradiction so first assume that  $S$  is not closed. Then  $\exists y \notin S$  where  $y$  is an accumulation point of  $S$ . Now lets say  $\exists x \in S$  and let  $r_x = \frac{\|x-y\|}{2}$  (half of the distance between  $x$  and  $y$ ) We know that each radius  $r_x$  is positive since  $y \notin S$ , and the collection fo balls  $B(x, r_x)$  is an open covering of  $S$ . Since we know that  $S$  is compact, there is a finite number,  $n$  of these balls that still covers  $S$  which is basically the union of all of the balls.

$$S \subset \bigcup_{k=1}^n B(x_k, r_k)$$

We have a finite number of radii since we have a finite number of balls so let's say  $r$  is the smallest radius. Now we want to prove that  $B(y, r)$  has no points in common with any of the other balls that cover  $S$  ( $B(x_k, r_k)$ ). So if we assume  $x \in B(y, r)$  then  $\|x - y\| < r < r_k$ . So by the triangle inequality, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\|y - x_k\| &\leq \|y - x\| + \|x - x_k\| \\ \Rightarrow \|x - x_k\| &\geq \|y - x_k\| - \|x - y\| = 2r_k - \|x - y\| > r_k \\ \Rightarrow x &\notin B(x_k, r_k) \Rightarrow B(y, r) \cap S = \emptyset\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \Leftarrow$  Contradicts the fact that  $y$  is an accumulation point. This shows that  $S$  is therefore closed and  $a \implies b \checkmark$

$b \implies a$  by the *Heine - Borel Theorem*

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$b \implies c$

Assume that  $b$  holds. This will be used to prove  $c$ : Every infinite subset of  $S$  has an accumulation point in  $S$ . If  $T$  is an infinite subset of  $S$ , since  $S$  is bounded,  $T$  must also be bounded because  $T$  is a subset of  $S$ . By the *BolzanoWeierstrass Theorem*, if a bounded set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  contains infinitely many points, then there is at least one point in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  which is an accumulation point of  $S$ . Let's name that accumulation in  $T$ ,  $x$ . Since  $S$  is closed, we know that the accumulation point of  $T$  is also the accumulation point of  $S$ .  $\Rightarrow b \implies c \checkmark$

$c \implies b$

Assume that  $c$  holds.  $\rightarrow$  every infinite subset of  $S$  has an accumulation point in  $S$ . We want to prove  $b$  which says that  $S$  is closed and bounded. First, we are going to say that  $S$  is unbounded, and prove by contradiction. So assume that  $S$  is unbounded  $\Rightarrow \forall m > 0 \exists x_m \in S$  such that  $\|x_m\| > m$ . There is a collection of points  $T := \{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$  that is an infinite subset of  $S$ , and since we are assuming  $(c)$ ,  $T$  has an accumulation point  $y \in S$ . For  $m > 1 + \|y\|$  we have:

$$\|x_m - y\| \geq \|x_m\| - \|y\| > m - \|y\| > 1$$

This contradicts the fact that  $y$  is an accumulation point of  $T$ . Therefore,  $S$  is bounded.  $\therefore$ )

Next we have to prove that  $S$  is closed. Let  $x$  be an accumulation point of  $S$ . Since every set containing a ball with center  $x$  contains infinitely many points of  $S$ , we can consider  $B(x, \frac{1}{k})$ , where  $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , and get a countable set of distinct points,  $T := \{x_1, x_2, \dots\} \subset S$ .

$S$ , such that  $x_k \in B(x, \frac{1}{k})$  The point  $x$  is also an accumulation point of  $T$  since  $T \subset S$  Since  $T$  is an infinite subset of  $S$ , (c) tells us that  $T$  must have an accumulation point in  $S$  Next, we have to prove that  $x$  is the only accumulation point of  $T$ . Suppose that  $y \neq x$ . By the triangle inequality we have:

$$\|y - x\| \leq \|y - x_k\| + \|x_k - x\| < \|y - x_k\| + \frac{1}{k} \mid x_k \in T$$

If  $k_0$  is taken to be  $k_0 = \lfloor \frac{2}{\|y-x\|} \rfloor \Rightarrow \frac{1}{k} < \frac{1}{2}\|y-x\|$  whenever  $k \geq k_0$ , the last inequality leads to  $\frac{1}{2}\|y-x\| < \|y-x_k\| \Rightarrow x_k \notin B(y, r)$  when  $k \geq k_0$  if  $r = \frac{1}{2}\|y-x\| \Rightarrow y$  is not an accumulation point of  $T$ .  $\checkmark$  QED

Theorem 3.31 does not hold in a general metric space. This is because the requirements for a metric space to be compact are more rigorous than the requirements for a euclidean space. In a metric space  $M = (S, d)$   $M$  must be both complete and totally bounded. This means that  $M$  must have the property that every Cauchy sequence in  $M$  converges in  $M$ , and it must be possible to cover  $M$  with a finite number of balls with of fixed size. For this reason, we still have that  $a \Rightarrow b$  but the theorem will fail when we try to prove that  $b \Rightarrow a$ .

Consider the metric space  $R^2 \setminus (0,0)$  with the usual metric from  $R^2$ . The set

$$D = \{(x, y) \mid 0 < x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$$

is closed and bounded since it is the interior of the unit circle. But  $D$  is not compact since it will "want" to converge to  $(0,0)$  but  $(0,0)$  is not an element of the metric so it is not compact hence  $b$  does not imply  $a$ . Therefore, Theorem 3.31 does not apply to the general metric space.  $\square$

### The next 3 theorems are with respect to problem 5.

**Theorem 7** (theorem 4.16). *Let  $f : S \rightarrow T$  be a function from one metric space  $(S, d_S)$  to another  $(T, d_T)$ , and assume  $p \in S$ . Then  $f$  is continuous at  $p$  iff for every sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $S$  convergent to  $p$ , the sequence  $\{f(x_n)\}$  in  $T$  converges to  $f(p)$ . Symbolically,*

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

*Proof.* ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Assume that  $f$  is continuous at  $p$ . The definition of continuity at a point states that for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that,

$$d_T(f(x), f(p)) < \epsilon \quad \text{whenever } d_S(x, p) < \delta$$

By Definition 4.1(def convergence) if the sequence  $\{x_n\} \rightarrow p$  in  $S$ , then  $\forall \delta > 0 \quad \exists N$  s.t.

$$d_S(x_n, p) < \delta, \quad \text{whenever } n \geq N$$

Hence, we have that

$$d_T(f(x_n), f(p)) < \epsilon \quad (\text{By Definition 4.15(continuity)})$$

and therefore, by using Definition 4.1 twice

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = f(p)$$

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

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Assume  $\{f(x_n)\} \rightarrow f(p)$  in  $T$  and Then by Definition 4.1, we have

$$d_T(f(x_n), f(p)) < \epsilon \quad \text{for } \epsilon > 0$$

By Definition 4.11, we have that when  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = f(p)$ ,  $\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists \delta > 0$  such that  $d_T(f(x_n), f(p)) < \epsilon$  whenever  $d_S(x_n, p) < \delta$ , and hence  $\delta$  is defined by  $\epsilon$ . Therefore we have that  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \quad \exists \delta > 0$  such that

$$d_T(f(x), f(p)) < \epsilon \quad \text{whenever } d_S(x, p) < \delta$$

and hence,  $f$  is continuous at  $p$ .

□

**Theorem 8** (theorem 4.23). *Let  $f : S \rightarrow T$  be a function from one metric space  $(S, d_S)$  to another  $(T, d_T)$ . Then  $f$  is continuous on  $S$  iff for every open set  $Y$  in  $T$ , the inverse image  $f^{-1}(Y)$  is open on  $S$ .*

*Proof.* ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Assume  $Y$  is open and  $f$  is continuous, Since  $Y$  is open we have that  $B_T(y, \epsilon) \subseteq Y$  for some  $\epsilon > 0$ . Let  $p \in f^{-1}(Y)$  and  $y = f(p)$ , And Since  $f$  is continuous on  $S$  we have that  $f$  is continuous at  $p$  and hence  $\exists \delta > 0$  such that  $f(B_S(p, \delta)) \subseteq B_T(y, \epsilon)$ . Hence,

$$B_S(p, \delta) \subseteq f^{-1}[f(B_S(p, \delta))] \subseteq f^{-1}[B_T(y, \epsilon)] \subseteq f^{-1}(Y)$$

Then  $p$  is an interior point of  $f^{-1}(Y)$  and by Definition 3.6, if a set contains all its interior points then it is open, and since  $p$  can be any point in  $f^{-1}(Y)$  we have that  $f^{-1}(Y)$  contains



all its interior points and hence is open.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Conversely, assume  $f^{-1}(Y)$  is open in  $S$  for every open subset  $Y$  in  $T$ . Take  $p \in S$  and again let  $y = f(p)$ , then we want to show  $f$  is continuous at  $p$ .  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $B_T(y, \epsilon)$  is open in  $T$ , hence  $f^{-1}(B_T(y, \epsilon))$  is open in  $S$ . Since  $f^{-1}(y) = p$ ,  $p \in f^{-1}(B_T(y, \epsilon))$ , then  $\exists \delta > 0$  such that,

$$B_S(p, \delta) \subseteq f^{-1}(B_T(y, \epsilon)) \Rightarrow f(B_S(p, \delta)) \subseteq B_T(y, \epsilon)$$

By definition 4.15, a function  $f$  is continuous at  $p$  iff  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$  such that  $f(B_S(p, \delta)) \subseteq B_T(f(p), \epsilon)$ , and hence we have that  $f$  is continuous at  $p$ .

□

**Theorem 9** (theorem 4.25). *Let  $f : S \rightarrow T$  be a function from one metric space  $(S, d_S)$  to another  $(T, d_T)$ . If  $f$  is continuous on compact subset  $X$  of  $S$ , then the image  $f(X)$  is a compact subset of  $T$ ; in particular,  $f(X)$  is closed and bounded in  $T$ .*

*Proof.* By Definition 3.30, a set  $S$  is compact iff every open covering of  $S$  contains a finite subcovering, that is, a finite subcovering that also covers  $S$ . And by Theorem 3.38, if  $S$  is compact then it is also closed and bounded.

Hence our goal is to find a finite open subcovering of  $f(X)$  and the assertion will be proved. Define  $F$  to be an open covering of  $f(X)$ , so that  $f(X) = \cup_{A \in F} A$ . Since  $f$  is continuous on  $S$  and hence every subset of  $S$ , we can apply Theorem 4.23 to see that  $\forall A \in F$ ,  $f^{-1}(A)$  is also open in  $(X, d_S)$ . Hence,  $X \subseteq \cup_{A \in F} f^{-1}(A)$ . Since  $X$  is compact, we know by the definition of a compact set that there exists an open subcovering of  $X$ , hence  $X \subseteq \cup_{k=1}^n f^{-1}(A_k)$  for  $A_k \in F$ . And hence,

$$f(X) \subseteq f(\cup_{k=1}^n f^{-1}(A_k)) = \cup_{k=1}^n f(f^{-1}(A_k)) = \cup_{k=1}^n A_k$$

$\Rightarrow f(X) \subseteq \cup_{k=1}^n A_k$  and we have found our open subcovering, and hence  $f(X)$  is closed and compact in  $T$ .

□

### Problem 6

**Theorem 10** (Uniform Continuity Thm. 4.47 (Heine)). *Let  $f : S \rightarrow T$  be a function from one metric space  $(S, d_S)$  to another  $(T, d_T)$ . Let  $A$  be a compact subset of  $S$  and assume that  $f$  is continuous on  $A$ . Then  $f$  is uniformly continuous on  $A$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be given. Then each point  $a \in A$  has associated with it a ball  $B_S(a, r)$ , with  $r$  depending on  $a$  such that,

$$d_T(f(x), f(a)) < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \text{whenever } x \in B_S(a, r) \cap A$$

Consider the collection of balls  $B_S(a, r/2)$ . Since  $A$  is compact, a finite number of them also cover  $A$ , say

$$A \subseteq \cup_{k=1}^n B_S(a_k, \frac{r_k}{2})$$

in any ball with twice the radius,  $B_S(a_k, r_k)$ , we have

$$d_T(f(x), f(a_k)) < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \text{whenever } x \in B_S(a_k, r_k) \cap A$$

Let  $\delta = \min(r_k/2)$ . We want to show that  $\delta$  satisfies the condition of uniform continuity. Take  $x \in A$  and  $p \in A$  with  $d_S(x, p) < \delta$ . it is clear that  $x \in B_S(a_k, r_k/2)$ , hence

$$d_T(f(x), f(a_k)) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

By the Triangle inequality and our defined  $\delta$ , we have

$$d_S(p, a_k) \leq d_S(p, x) + d_S(x, a_k) < \delta + \frac{r_k}{2} \leq \frac{r_k}{2} + \frac{r_k}{2} = r_k$$

Hence,  $d_S(p, a_k) \leq r_k$  and thus  $p \in B_S(a_k, r_k) \cap S$ . Using the Triangle inequality and the fact that  $d_T(f(p), f(a_k)) < \epsilon/2$ , we have

$$d_T(f(x), f(p)) \leq d_T(f(x), f(a_k)) + d_T(f(a_k), f(p)) < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$$

hence we have that  $d_T(f(x), f(p)) < \epsilon$  and  $d_S(x, p) < \delta$ , thus fulfilling the condition for uniform continuity.

□

**The following 2 theorems are with respect to problem 7**

**Theorem 11** (Thm 5.10 (Rolle)). *Let  $f$  be a functions, having a derivative (finite or infinite) at each point of an open interval  $(a, b)$  and continuous at the endpoints  $a$  and  $b$ . if  $f(a) = f(b)$ , then there is at least one interior point  $c$  at which*

$$f'(c) = 0$$

*Proof.* Assume  $f'(x) \neq 0 \quad \forall x \in (a, b)$ , we want to arrive at a contradiction. Since  $f$  is continuous on a compact interval  $[a, b]$ ,  $\exists c_1, c_2 \in (a, b)$  such that

$$f(c_1) = \min(f(x)) \quad \text{and} \quad f(c_2) = \max(f(x))$$

by Theorem 5.9,  $c_1, c_2$  cannot be interior points since this implies  $f'(c_1) = 0$  and  $f'(c_2) = 0$ . This implies that  $f(c_1)$  and  $f(c_2)$  are endpoints. Since  $f(a) = f(b) \Rightarrow f(c_1) = f(c_2)$  and hence  $f$  is constant on  $[a, b]$ . However this contradicts our assumption that  $f'(x) \neq 0 \quad \forall x \in (a, b)$ . Therefore  $f'(c) = 0$  for some  $c \in (a, b)$ . □

**Theorem 12** (Thm 5.12 (Generalized Mean Value)). *Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two functions, each having a derivative (finite or infinite) at each point of an open interval  $(a, b)$  and each continuous at the endpoints  $a$  and  $b$ . Assume also that there is no interior point  $x$  at which both  $f'(x)$  and  $g'(x)$  are infinite. Then for some interior point  $c$  we have*

$$f'(c)[g(b) - g(a)] = g'(c)[f(b) - f(a)]$$

*Proof.* Let  $h(x) = f(x)[g(b) - g(a)] - g(x)[f(b) - f(a)]$ . Since  $h(x)$  is a linear combination of  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$ ,  $h(x)$  inherits many of the assumptions about  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$ , which is exactly what we want in order to use Rolle's theorem. Note that,

$$\begin{aligned} h(a) &= f(a)[g(b) - g(a)] - g(a)[f(b) - f(a)] \\ &= f(a)g(b) - g(a)f(b) \\ &= -f(b)g(a) + g(b)f(a) \\ &= f(b)[g(b) - g(a)] - g(b)[f(b) - f(a)] \\ &= h(b) \end{aligned}$$

So  $h(a) = h(b)$ ,  $\Rightarrow$  by Rolle's theorem we have that  $\exists c$  such that  $h'(c) = 0$ . And Hence,

$$h'(c) = f'(c)[g(b) - g(a)] - g'(c)[f(b) - f(a)] = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$f'(c)[g(b) - g(a)] = g'(c)[f(b) - f(a)]$$

This proves the assertion. □

### Applications of 5.12

**Theorem 13** (Mean-Value Theorem(5.11)). *Assume that  $f$  has a derivative (finite or infinite) at each point of  $(a, b)$ , and assume that  $f$  is continuous at both endpoints  $a$  and  $b$ . Then  $\exists c \in (a, b)$  such that*

$$f(b) - f(a) = f'(c)(b - a)$$

*Proof.* Consider Theorem 5.12, The General Mean-Value Theorem. We have that

$$f'(c)[g(b) - g(a)] = g'(c)[f(b) - f(a)]$$

Letting  $g(x) = x$ , then if we can find  $g'(x)$  we could substitute and simplify to get

$$f(b) - f(a) = f'(c)(b - a)$$

Let's first find  $g'(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} g'(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{g(x) - g(c)}{x - c} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{x - c}{x - c} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Now substituting  $g(x) = x$  and  $g'(x) = 1$  into the result of Theorem 5.12 we get,

$$f'(c)[b - a] = 1[f(b) - f(a)]$$

After little simplification, we get exactly what we wanted,

$$f(b) - f(a) = f'(c)(b - a)$$

□

**The next 3 theorems are with respect to problem 8.**

**Theorem 14** (7.8). Assume  $f \in R(\alpha)$  on  $[a, b]$  and assume that  $\alpha$  has a continuous derivative  $\alpha'$  on  $[a, b]$ . Then the Riemann integral  $\int_a^b f(x)\alpha'(x)dx$  exists and we have

$$\int_a^b f(x)d\alpha(x) = \int_a^b f(x)\alpha'(x)dx$$

*Proof.* Let  $g(x) = f(x)\alpha'(x)$  and consider a Riemann sum

$$S(P, g) = \sum_{k=1}^n g(t_k)\Delta x_k = \sum_{k=1}^n f(t_k)\alpha'(t_k)\Delta x_k$$

Using the same  $P$  and  $t_k$  we can form the following Riemann-Stieljes integral

$$S(P, f, \alpha) = \sum_{k=1}^n f(t_k)\Delta\alpha_k$$

From the M.V.T. we can write,

$$\Delta\alpha_k = \alpha'(v_k)\Delta x_k \quad \text{whenever } v_k \in (x_{k-1}, x_k)$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} S(P, f, \alpha) - S(P, g) &= \sum_{k=1}^n f(t_k)\alpha'(v_k)\Delta x_k - \sum_{k=1}^n f(t_k)\alpha'(t_k)\Delta x_k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n f(t_k)[\alpha'(v_k) - \alpha'(t_k)]\Delta x_k \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f$  is bounded,  $|f(x)| \leq M \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$ , where  $M > 0$ . Continuity of  $\alpha'$  on  $[a, b]$  implies uniform continuity on  $[a, b]$ .  $\Rightarrow$  for  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$  such that

$$0 \leq |x - y| < \delta \quad \text{implies} \quad |\alpha'(x) - \alpha'(y)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2M(b-a)}$$

If we take a partition  $P'_\epsilon$  with norm  $\|P'_\epsilon\| < \delta$ , then for any finer partition  $P$  we will have

$$|\alpha'(v_k) - \alpha'(t_k)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2M(b-a)} \Rightarrow |S(P, f, \alpha) - S(P, g)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Since  $f \in R(\alpha)$  on  $[a, b]$ ,  $\exists P''_\epsilon$  such that

$$\left| S(P, f, \alpha) - \int_a^b f d\alpha \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Hence, combining the last two inequalities we have that

$$\left| S(P, g) - \int_a^b f d\alpha \right| < \epsilon$$

This proves the assertion.

□

**Theorem 15** (7.9). *Given  $a < c < b$ . Define  $\alpha$  on  $[a, b]$  as follows: The values  $\alpha(a)$ ,  $\alpha(c)$ ,  $\alpha(b)$  are arbitrary;*

$$\alpha(x) = \alpha(a) \text{ if } a \leq x < c$$

and

$$\alpha(x) = \alpha(b) \text{ if } c \leq x < b$$

*Let  $f$  be defined on  $[a, b]$  in such a way that at least one of the functions  $f$  or  $\alpha$  is continuous from the left at  $c$  and at least one is continuous from the right at  $c$ . Then  $f \in R(\alpha)$  on  $[a, b]$  and we have*

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = f(c)[\alpha(c+) - \alpha(c-)]$$

*Proof.* if  $c \in P$ , every term in the sum  $S(P, f, \alpha)$  is zero except the two terms arising from the subinterval separated by  $c$ . To account the nonzero terms, write

$$S(P, f, \alpha) = f(t_{k-1})[\alpha(c) - \alpha(c-)] + f(t_k)[\alpha(c+) - \alpha(c)]$$

where  $t_{k-1} \leq c \leq t_k$ . Consider subtracting by  $f(c)[\alpha(c+) - \alpha(c-)]$  on both sides of the above equation,

$$S(P, f, \alpha) - f(c)[\alpha(c+) - \alpha(c-)] = \Delta = (f(t_{k-1}) - f(c))[\alpha(c) - \alpha(c-)] + (f(t_k) - f(c))[\alpha(c+) - \alpha(c)]$$

Hence we have the following about  $\Delta$

$$|\Delta| \leq |f(t_{k-1}) - f(c)| |\alpha(c) - \alpha(c-)| + |f(t_k) - f(c)| |\alpha(c+) - \alpha(c)|$$

With respect to  $|\Delta|$ , if  $f$  is continuous at  $c$ ,  $\Rightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  such that  $\|P\| > \delta$  implies

$$|f(t_{k-1}) - f(c)| < \epsilon \quad \text{and} \quad |f(t_k) - f(c)| < \epsilon$$

Substituting our inequalities back into our equation for  $|\Delta|$  we get,

$$|\Delta| \leq \epsilon |\alpha(c) - \alpha(c-)| + \epsilon |\alpha(c+) - \alpha(c)|$$

This inequality holds true whether or not  $f$  is continuous at  $c$ . By changing  $f$ 's continuity from the left or right, we change the above inequality. If discontinuous from both sides at  $c$ , then  $\Delta = 0$ . If discontinuous from the right at  $c$ , then  $\alpha(c) = \alpha(c+)$  and if discontinuous from the left at  $c$ , then  $\alpha(c) = \alpha(c-)$ . Either way, the assertion is proved.

□

**Theorem 16** (7.12). *Every finite sum can be written as a Riemann-Stieltjes integral. In fact, given a sum  $\sum_{k=1}^n a_k$ , define  $f$  on  $[0, n]$  as follows:*

$$f(x) = a_k \text{ if } k-1 < x \leq k$$

for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , and  $f(0) = 0$ . Then

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_k = \sum_{k=1}^n f(k) = \int_0^n f(x) d[x]$$

where  $[x]$  is the greatest integer  $\leq x$ .

*Proof.* The greatest integer function is a type of step-function, hence  $d[x]$  is continuous from the right and jumps 1 at each integer by definition of  $[x]$ . The function  $f$  is continuous from the left at  $1, 2, \dots, n$  by construction of  $f$ . Hence we meet the conditions to apply Theorem 7.11, and the sum can therefore be written as a Riemann-Stieltjes integral. □

### Ch.7 Examples:

Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers. For  $x \geq 0$ , define

$$A(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{[x]} a_n$$

Where  $[x]$  is the greatest integer in  $x$  and empty sums are interpreted as zero. Let  $f$  have a continuous derivative in  $[1, a]$ . Use Stieltjes integrals to derive:

$$\sum_{n \leq a} a_n f(n) = - \int_1^a A(x) f'(x) dx + A(a) f(a)$$

*Proof.* Since

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^a A(x) f'(x) dx &= \int_1^a A(x) df(x) \text{ since } f \text{ has a continuous derivative on } [1, a] \\ &= - \int_1^a f(x) dA(x) + A(a) f(a) - A(1) f(1) \text{ From integration by parts} \\ &= - \sum_{n \leq a} a_n f(n) + A(a) f(a) \text{ by } \int_1^a f(x) dA(x) = \sum_{n=2}^{[a]} a_n f(n) \text{ and } A(1) = a_1 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we know that:

$$\sum_{n \leq a} a_n f(n) = - \int_1^a A(x) f'(x) dx + A(a) f(a)$$

□

**The following 3 theorems are with respect to problem 9**

**Theorem 17** (7.30 First Mean-Value Theorem for Riemann-Stieltjes integrals). *Assume that  $\alpha$  is increasing and let  $f \in R(\alpha)$  on  $[a, b]$ . Let  $M$  and  $m$  denote, respectively, the sup and inf of the set  $\{f(x) : x \in [a, b]\}$ . Then  $\exists c \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfying  $m \leq c \leq M$  such that*

$$\int_a^b f(x) d\alpha(x) = c \int_a^b d\alpha(x) = c[\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)]$$

*In particular, if  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , then  $c = f(x_0)$  for some  $x_0 \in [a, b]$ .*

*Proof.* if  $\alpha(a) = \alpha(b) \Rightarrow \int_a^b f(x) d\alpha(x) = c[\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)] = 0$  and the condition holds trivially. Hence, assume  $\alpha(a) < \alpha(b)$ . Consider the following inequality that holds true for all upper and lower sums

$$m[\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)] \leq L(P, f, \alpha) \leq U(P, f, \alpha) \leq M[\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)]$$

$\int_a^b f(x) d\alpha$  must lie in this interval. This is clear since if  $m$  is the smallest  $f(x)$ , then clearly, the smallest "area" possible is  $m$  multiplied by the length of the integrand and similarly  $M$  multiplied by the length of the integrand will be the largest possible area of the integral. Therefore,

$$m[\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)] \leq \int_a^b f(x) d\alpha \leq M[\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)]$$

$$m \leq \frac{\int_a^b f(x) d\alpha}{[\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)]} \leq M$$

$$m \leq \frac{\int_a^b f(x) d\alpha}{\int_a^b d\alpha} \leq M$$

Hence, define

$$c = \frac{\int_a^b f(x) d\alpha}{\int_a^b d\alpha}$$

Clearly, if  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , then we can apply the intermediate value to find that  $\exists x_0 \in [a, b]$  such that  $f(x_0) = c$

□

**Theorem 18** (7.32). *Let  $\alpha$  be of bounded variation on  $[a, b]$  and assume that  $f \in R(\alpha)$  on  $[a, b]$ . Define  $F$  by*

$$F(x) = \int_a^x f d\alpha \quad \text{if } x \in [a, b]$$



- a)  $F$  is of bounded variation  $[a, b]$ .
- b) Every point of continuity of  $\alpha$  is also a point of continuity of  $F$ .
- c) if  $\alpha$  is increasing on  $[a, b]$ , then  $\exists F'(x)$  at each point  $x \in [a, b]$  where  $\alpha'(x)$  exists and where  $f$  is continuous. For such  $x$ , we have

$$F'(x) = f(x)\alpha'(x)$$

*Proof.* a) if  $x \neq y$  and  $\alpha$  increasing on  $[a, b]$ , then consider the following

$$\begin{aligned} F(y) - F(x) &= \int_a^x f d\alpha - \int_a^y f d\alpha \\ &= \int_x^y f d\alpha \quad (\text{by Theorem 7.4, } \int_a^c f d\alpha + \int_c^b f d\alpha = \int_a^b f d\alpha) \\ &= c[\alpha(y) - \alpha(x)] \quad (\text{by Theorem 7.30}) \\ F(y) - F(x) &= c[\alpha(y) - \alpha(x)] \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

where  $m \leq c \leq M$ . if  $\alpha$  is of bounded variation on  $[a, b]$ , then

$$\sum_{k=1}^n |\Delta\alpha_k| \leq T$$

where  $T$  is a positive number. Then consider

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n |\Delta F_k| &= \sum_{k=1}^n |F(x_k) - F(x_{k-1})| \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n |c_k[\alpha(x_k) - \alpha(x_{k-1})]| \quad \text{by equation (1)} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n |c_k \Delta\alpha_k| \\ &\leq T \sum_{k=1}^n |c_k| \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\sum_{k=1}^n |\Delta F_k|$  is bounded by a positive number  $T \sum_{k=1}^n |c_k|$ , therefore  $F$  is of bounded variation on  $[a, b]$ .

- b) By Theorem 7.30, we have that  $F(x) = \int_a^x f d\alpha = c[\alpha(x) - \alpha(a)]$ . Hence, if  $\alpha$  is continuous at a point  $x$ , then  $F$  is also continuous at  $x$ .

c) Consider  $F(y) - F(x) = c[\alpha(y) - \alpha(x)]$ , then by dividing  $y - x$  on both sides, we have

$$\frac{F(y) - F(x)}{y - x} = c \frac{\alpha(y) - \alpha(x)}{y - x}$$

taking the limit as  $y \rightarrow x$  we have,

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow x} \frac{F(y) - F(x)}{y - x} = \lim_{y \rightarrow x} c \frac{\alpha(y) - \alpha(x)}{y - x}$$

$$F'(x) = c\alpha'(x)$$

Since  $c = f(x_0)$  for some  $x_0 \in [x, y]$ , we have that when we take the limit as  $y \rightarrow x$ , then  $x_0 \in [x, x]$ . Hence  $x_0 = x$ , and  $c = f(x)$ . Therefore

$$F'(x) = f(x)\alpha'(x)$$

□

**Theorem 19** (7.34 Second fundamental theorem of integral calculus). *Assume that  $f \in R$  on  $[a, b]$ . Let  $g$  be a function defined on  $[a, b]$  such that  $\exists g' \in (a, b)$  and has the value*

$$g'(x) = f(x) \text{ for every } x \in (a, b)$$

*At the endpoints assume that  $g(a+)$  and  $g(b-)$  exist and satisfy*

$$g(a) - g(a+) = g(b) - g(b-)$$

*Then we have*

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_a^b g'(x)dx = g(b) - g(a)$$

*Proof.* For every partition on  $[a, b]$ , we can rewrite  $g(b) - g(a)$  by

$$g(b) - g(a) = \sum_{k=1}^n [g(x_k) - g(x_{k-1})] = \sum_{k=1}^n g'(t_k) \Delta x_k = \sum_{k=1}^n f(t_k) \Delta x_k$$

where  $t_k \in (x_{k-1}, x_k)$  determined by the Mean Value Theorem by  $g'(t_k) = \frac{g(x_k) - g(x_{k-1})}{x_k - x_{k-1}}$ .

Taking  $\epsilon > 0$ , the partition can be made finer such that

$$\left| g(b) - g(a) - \int_a^b f(x)dx \right| = \left| \sum_{k=1}^n f(t_k) \Delta x_k - \int_a^b f(x)dx \right| < \epsilon$$

Hence,

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = g(b) - g(a)$$

This proves the assertion.

□

## Ch.7 Examples

**Example 1:** The Second Mean-Value Theorem for Riemann Integrals(Thm.7.37) states that, if  $f$  and  $g$  be function defined on  $[a, b]$  with  $f$  increasing and  $g$  continuous, then

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx = f(a) \int_a^{x_0} g(x)dx + f(b) \int_{x_0}^b g(x)dx$$

for some  $x_0 \in [a, b]$ .

*Proof.* If  $G(x) = \int_a^x g(x)dx$  and

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx = \int_a^b f(x)dG(x) = f(a)(G(x_0) - G(a)) + f(b)(G(b) - G(x_0))$$

for some  $x_0 \in [a, b]$  by the Theorem 7.30, the First Mean-Value Theorem.  $\square$

**Example 2:** Let  $\alpha$  be a continuous function of bounded variation on  $[a, b]$ . Assume  $g \in R(\alpha)$  on  $[a, b]$  and define  $\beta(x) = \int_a^x g(t)d\alpha(t)$  if  $x \in [a, b]$ . Show that:

If  $f$  only increases on  $[a, b]$ , then  $\exists x_0 \in [a, b]$  such that:

$$\int_a^b f d\beta = f(a) \int_a^{x_0} g d\alpha + f(b) \int_{x_0}^b g d\alpha$$

*Proof.* Since  $\alpha$  is a continuous function of bounded variation on  $[a, b]$ , and  $g \in R(\alpha)$  on  $[a, b]$ , we know that  $\beta(x)$  is a continuous function of bounded variation on  $[a, b]$ , by Theorem 7.32.

Hence, by Second Mean-Value Theorem for Riemann-Stieltjes integrals, we know that:

$$\int_a^b f d\beta = f(a) \int_a^{x_0} \beta(x) + f(b) \int_{x_0}^b d\beta(x)$$

which implies that, By Theorem 7.26,

$$\int_a^b f d\beta = f(a) \int_a^{x_0} g d\alpha + f(b) \int_{x_0}^b g d\alpha$$

$\square$

**The next 4 theorems are with respect to problem 10.**

**Theorem 20** (8.22). *If  $|x| < 1$ , the series  $1 + x + x^2 + \dots$  converges and has the sum  $\frac{1}{1-x}$ . If  $|x| \geq 1$ , the series diverges.*

*Proof.* the series can be written in summation form by  $\sum_{k=0}^n x^k$ , and by multiplying it by  $1 - x$ , we can simplify our sum to be in terms of only  $x$  and  $n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (1-x) \sum_{k=0}^n x^k &= \sum_{k=0}^n x^k - x \sum_{k=0}^n x^k \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n (x^k - x^{k+1}) \\ &= 1 - x^{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

dividing  $(1-x)$  on both sides, we get

$$\sum_{k=0}^n x^k = \frac{1 - x^{n+1}}{(1-x)}$$

if  $|x| < 1$  and as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  we have that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{n+1} = 0$$

and hence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - x^{n+1}}{(1-x)} = \frac{1}{(1-x)}$$

if  $|x| \geq 1 \Rightarrow$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we have that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{n+1}$  diverges and hence  $\frac{1-x^{n+1}}{(1-x)}$  diverges.

(NOTE: This Theorem can be proved briefly using Theorem 8.10 on the convergence of telescopic series, letting  $a_n = x^k - x^{k+1}$ )  $\square$

**Theorem 21** (8.23 integral test). *Let  $f$  be a positive decreasing function defined on  $[1, \infty)$  such that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x) = 0$ . For  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , define*

$$s_n = \sum_{k=1}^n f(k), \quad t_n = \int_1^n f(x) dx, \quad d_n = s_n - t_n$$

*Then we have:*

a)  $0 < f(n+1) \leq d_{n+1} \leq d_n \leq f(1), \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, \dots$

b)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_n$  exists

c)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n)$  converges iff the sequence  $t_n$  converges

d)  $0 \leq d_k - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_n \leq f(k)$ , for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$

*Proof.* a)

$$t_{n+1} = \int_1^{n+1} f(x)dx = \sum_{k=1}^n \int_k^{k+1} f(x)dx \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \int_k^{k+1} f(k)dx = \sum_{k=1}^n f(k) = s_n$$

Which implies that  $f(n+1) = s_{n+1} - s_n \leq s_{n+1} - t_{n+1} = d_{n+1} \Rightarrow 0 < f(n+1) \leq d_{n+1}$ .

But we also have:

$$d_n - d_{n+1} = t_{n+1} - t_n - (s_{n+1} - s_n) = \int_n^{n+1} f(x)dx - f(n+1) \geq \int_n^{n+1} f(n+1)dx - f(n+1) = 0$$

Therefore  $d_{n+1} \leq d_n \leq d_1 = f(1)$ . ✓

b) In a), we proved that  $0 < f(n+1) \leq d_{n+1} \leq d_n \leq f(1)$  so  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_n$  must exist since the sequence is always decreasing but has a lower bound. ✓

c) Since  $b$  is true, we know that since  $d_n$  converges then  $s_n$  and  $t_n$  converge as well, so  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n)$  converges whenever  $\int_1^{\infty} f(x)dx$  converges. ✓

d) From above we can write:

$$0 \leq d_n - d_{n+1} \leq \int_n^{n+1} f(n)dx - f(n+1) = f(n) - f(n+1)$$

$$\text{and summing on } n: 0 \leq \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} (d_n - d_{n+1}) \leq \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} (f(n) - f(n+1)) \quad \text{if } k \geq 1$$

Each part of that inequality telescopes and breaks down into:  $0 \leq d_k - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_n \leq f(k)$

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**Theorem 22** (8.25 ratio test). *Given a series  $\sum a_n$  of nonzero complex terms, let*

$$r = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right|, \quad R = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right|$$

a) *The series  $\sum a_n$  converges absolutely if  $R < 1$ .*

b) *The series  $\sum a_n$  diverges if  $r > 1$ .*

c) *The test is inconclusive if  $r \leq 1 \leq R$ .*

*Proof.* Assume that  $R < 1$  and take  $x$  such that  $R < x < 1$ . Since  $R < 1$ , we know that  $a_{n+1} < a_n$ . This implies  $\exists N$  such that  $|\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}| < x$  whenever  $n \geq N$ . Since  $x = \frac{x^{n+1}}{x^n}$ :

$$\frac{|a_{n+1}|}{x^{n+1}} < \frac{|a_n|}{x^n} \leq \frac{|a_N|}{x^N} \quad \text{if } n \geq N$$

$\Rightarrow |a_n| \leq cx^n$  if  $n \leq N$ , where  $c = |a_N|x^{-N}$ . We now have the requirements fulfilled to apply the comparison test  $\Rightarrow \sum a_n$  converges and a) is confirmed. Now we assume that  $r > 1$ .  $\Rightarrow |a_{n+1}| > a_n \quad \forall n \geq N$  for some  $N$  and therefore  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0$  so  $\sum a_n$  diverges and b) is confirmed. Finally, to confirm c) consider the two summations:

$$\sum n^{-1} \quad \sum n^{-2}$$

In both summations,  $r = R = 1$  but we know that  $\sum n^{-1}$  diverges but that  $\sum n^{-2}$  converges so the test is inconclusive confirming c).  $\square$

**Theorem 23** (8.26 root test). *Given a series  $\sum a_n$  of complex terms, let*

$$p = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \sqrt[n]{|a_n|}$$

a) *The series  $\sum a_n$  converges absolutely if  $p < 1$ .*

b) *The series  $\sum a_n$  diverges if  $p > 1$ .*

c) *The test is inconclusive if  $p = 1$ .*

*Proof.* Assume that  $\rho < 1$  and take  $x$  such that  $\rho < x < 1$ . Since  $\rho < 1$  we know that  $\exists N$  such that  $|a_n| < x^n$  whenever  $n \geq N$ . We now have the elements required to run the comparison test and since  $x^n$  converges to 0 and  $|a_n| < x^n$ , we know that  $\sum a_n$  also converges confirming a).

Now assume that  $\rho > 1$ . This implies that  $|a_n| > 1 \quad \forall a_n$  so  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0$  and therefore  $\sum a_n$  diverges confirming b).

Consider the two summations:

$$\sum n^{-1} \quad \sum n^{-2}$$

In both summations,  $\rho = 1$  but we know that  $\sum n^{-1}$  diverges but that  $\sum n^{-2}$  converges so the test is inconclusive confirming c).  $\square$

**Ch.8 Examples:**

Test for convergence:  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^3 e^{-n}$

By Root Test,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \left( \frac{n^3}{e^n} \right)^{1/n} = \frac{1}{e} < 1 \Rightarrow$  The sum converges.

Test for convergence:  $\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \log n (\log \log n)^p}$

By Integral Test. The function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x \log x (\log \log x)^p}$  is positive, decreasing, and continuous on  $[a, \infty)$  so the test is usable. Consider:

$$\int_a^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x \log x (\log \log x)^p} = \int_{\log \log a}^{\infty} \frac{dy}{y^p}$$

Which implies that the series converges if  $p > 1$  and it diverges if  $p \leq 1$