

MATH140B: Foundations of Real Analysis

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Abstract

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Without specifications, the notation use is as the following

- $\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{Q}, \dots$: real, complex, quadratic, and so on
- \mathcal{R} : integrability
- $\mathbb{1}$: characteristic function
- s : simple function
- \mathcal{F} : family
- \mathcal{A} : algebra

^{0.1}Especially ' \cap ' and ' \cup ' are often mistaken because of typos.

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Lecture 1: Differentiation

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1.1 Differentiable

Definition 1.1 (Differentiable)

Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, x \in [a, b]$. Define

$$\varphi(t) = \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x}$$

for $a \leq t \leq b, t \neq x$. We say f is **differentiable** at x if and only if $f'(x) = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \varphi(t)$ exists, and we denote the **derivative** of f at x by $f'(x)$.

If f is differentiable at x , then $f'(x) = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x}$. Note that if φ is not defined at x and f is differentiable at x , we can define $\Phi(t) = \begin{cases} \varphi(t) & t \neq x \\ f'(x) & t = x \end{cases}$, then Φ is continuous at x .

e.g.1.

- Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be $f(x) = x^2$. Compute $f'(0)$ if exists.

Proof: By the definition, we get $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(t) - f(0)}{t - 0} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{t^2}{t} = 0$. ■

- $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0 & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$ is differentiable at 0.

Proof: We need to compute (or show DNE) $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(t) - f(0)}{t - 0} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(t)}{t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \begin{cases} \frac{t^2}{t} & t \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0 & t \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases} = 0$. ■

- $f(x) = \begin{cases} x & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0 & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$ is continuous at 0 but not differentiable at 0.

Proof: Proof of continuity is left as exercise. To show it is non-differentiable, we need to show the limit $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(t)}{t}$ DNE. We want to find two sequences $t_n \rightarrow 0, s_n \rightarrow 0$ that $t_n \neq 0, s_n \neq 0$ such that $\frac{f(t_n)}{t_n} = 1$ and $\frac{f(s_n)}{s_n} \rightarrow 0$. So let $t_n = \frac{1}{n}$, then $\forall n : t_n \neq 0$ and $t_n \rightarrow 0$. Then $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(t_n)}{t_n} = \frac{t_n}{t_n} = 1$. Let $s_n = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{n} \notin \mathbb{Q}$, then $\forall n : s_n \neq 0$ and $s_n \rightarrow 0$. Then $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(s_n)}{s_n} = \frac{0}{s_n} = 0$. So $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(t)}{t}$ DNE. ■

1.2 Properties of Differentiable Functions

Lemma 1.1

Let f be defined on $[a, b]$ and $x \in [a, b]$. If f is differentiable at x then f is continuous at x ^{1.1}.

Proof: We need to show that $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} f(t) = f(x)$. We have $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} = f'(x)$. Note that $f(t) - f(x) = \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} \cdot (t - x)$ since $t \neq x$. Then $f(t) = f(x) + \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} \cdot (t - x)$. Now $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} f(t) = f(x)$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} \cdot (t - x) = \left(\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} \right) \cdot (\lim_{t \rightarrow x} (t - x)) = f'(x) \cdot 0 = 0$. Hence $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} f(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} f(x) + \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} \cdot (t - x) = f(x)$. So f is continuous at x . ■

Remark: If f is differentiable at x , then $f(t) = f(x) + (f'(x) + E(t))(t - x)$ where $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} E(t) = 0$. Indeed, $f(t) = f(x) + \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} \cdot (t - x)$. And we write $\frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} = f'(x) + E(t)$. Then since $f'(x)$ exists, $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} E(t) = 0$.

Proposition 1.2

Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be two functions which are differentiable at $x \in [a, b]$. Then $f + g$ and $f \cdot g$ are differentiable at x . If $g(x) \neq 0$, then $\frac{f}{g}$ is differentiable at x .

1. $(f + g)'(x) = f'(x) + g'(x)$
2. $(f \cdot g)'(x) = f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$
3. $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)'(x) = \frac{g(x)f'(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{(g(x))^2}$

Proof:

1. $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(t) + g(t) - (f(x) + g(x))}{t - x} = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \left(\frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} + \frac{g(t) - g(x)}{t - x} \right) = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} + \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{g(t) - g(x)}{t - x} = f'(x) + g'(x)$.
2. $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(t)g(t) - f(x)g(x)}{t - x} = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(t)g(t) + f(t)g(x) - f(t)g(x) - f(x)g(x)}{t - x} = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \left(\frac{g(t) - g(x)}{t - x} f(t) + \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} g(x) \right)$. Now since f is differentiable at x , it is continuous at x . So $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} f(t) = f(x)$. $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} f(t) \frac{g(t) - g(x)}{t - x} = (\lim_{t \rightarrow x} f(t)) \cdot \left(\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{g(t) - g(x)}{t - x} \right) = f(x) \cdot g'(x)$. Moreover, $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} g(x) \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} = g(x) \cdot f'(x)$. So $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(t)g(t) - f(x)g(x)}{t - x} = f(x) \cdot g'(x) + f'(x)g(x)$.
3. First note that since g is differentiable at x . It is continuous at x . Then $\exists \delta > 0, \forall t \in (x - \delta, x + \delta) \cap [a, b] : g(t) \neq 0$. So we always assume $t \in (x - \delta, x + \delta) \cap [a, b]$ and hence $g(t) \neq 0$ and $\frac{f(t)}{g(t)}$ is defined. Now $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{1}{t - x} \cdot \left(\frac{f(t)}{g(t)} - \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right) = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{1}{t - x} \cdot \frac{f(t)g(x) - f(x)g(t)}{g(t)g(x)} = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{1}{g(t)g(x)} \cdot \frac{f(t)g(x) - f(x)g(t)}{t - x}$. We now consider $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(t)g(x) - f(x)g(t)}{t - x} = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(t)g(t) - f(x)g(x) + f(x)g(x) - f(x)g(t)}{t - x} = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \left(\frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} g(x) - \frac{g(t) - g(x)}{t - x} f(x) \right) = g(x)f'(x) - f(x)g'(x)$. Moreover, since g is continuous at x , $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} g(t)g(x) = (g(x))^2 \neq 0$. Then $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{1}{t - x} \cdot \left(\frac{f(t)}{g(t)} - \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right) = \frac{g(x)f'(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{(g(x))^2}$. ■

^{1.1}Note that the converse is not true: $f(x) = \begin{cases} x & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0 & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$ is continuous at 0 but not differentiable.

Proposition 1.3 (Chain Rule)

Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and g be defined on an interval containing the range of f . Let $x \in [a, b]$. Assume f is differentiable at x and g is differentiable at $f(x)$. Let $h(t) = g(f(t))$ for $t \in [a, b]$. Then h is differentiable at x and we have

$$h'(x) = g'(f(x)) \cdot f'(x)$$

Proof: Let $y = f(x)$, $s = f(t)$. Now since f is differentiable at x and g is differentiable at y , we have $f(t) = f(x) + (f'(x) + E_f(t))(t - x)$ and $g(s) = g(y) + (g'(y) + E_g(s))(s - y)$ where $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} E_f(t) = 0$ and $\lim_{s \rightarrow y} E_g(s) = 0$. Now $h(t) - h(x) = g(f(t)) - g(f(x)) = g(s) - g(y) = (g'(y) + E_g(s))(s - y) = (g'(y) + E_g(s)) \cdot (f(t) - f(x)) = (g'(y) + E_g(s)) \cdot (f'(x) + E_f(t)) \cdot (t - x)$. Then $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} f'(x) + E_f(t) = f'(x)$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} g'(y) + E_g(s) = g'(y)$. In order to compute $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} g'(y) + E_g(s)$. We first note that $y = f(x)$, $s = f(t)$. Since f is differentiable at x , it is continuous at x . So $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} s = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} f(t) = f(x) = y$. Thus $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} g'(y) + E_g(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow y} g'(y) + E_g(s) = g'(y)$. Altogether, $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{h(t) - h(x)}{t - x} = g'(f(x)) \cdot f'(x)$. ■

Lecture 2: Rolle's Theorem, Mean Value Theorem

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e.g.1. $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$ is differentiable at 0 but f' is not continuous at 0.

0. $f(x) = \begin{cases} x \sin \frac{1}{x} & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$ is continuous at 0 but not differentiable at 0 ^{2.1}.

Lemma 2.1

Let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a convex and differentiable function. Then f' is increasing.

Proof: Recall that f is convex if $\forall a < s < u < b, 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1 : f(\lambda s + (1 - \lambda)u) \leq \lambda f(s) + (1 - \lambda)f(u)$. We showed in a homework in 140A that if f is convex, then $\forall a \leq s < t < u \leq b : \frac{f(t)-f(s)}{t-s} \leq \frac{f(u)-f(s)}{u-s} \leq \frac{f(u)-f(t)}{u-t}$. Now taking $\lim_{t \rightarrow s^+}$ we get $\lim_{t \rightarrow s^+} \frac{f(t)-f(s)}{t-s} \leq \frac{f(u)-f(s)}{u-s}$. Similarly, we have $\lim_{t \rightarrow u^-} \frac{f(u)-f(t)}{u-t} \geq \frac{f(u)-f(s)}{u-s}$. Note that f is differentiable on (a, b) so $f'(s) = \lim_{t \rightarrow s} \frac{f(t)-f(s)}{t-s} = \lim_{t \rightarrow s^+} \frac{f(t)-f(s)}{t-s} \leq \frac{f(u)-f(s)}{u-s}$. Similarly, we have $f'(u) \geq \frac{f(u)-f(s)}{u-s}$. Altogether, we have $f'(s) \leq f'(u)$. ■

2.1 Mean Value Theorem

Definition 2.1 (Local Maximum)

Let f be a real valued function on a metric space X . Let $p \in X$, we say f has **local maximum** at p if $\exists \delta > 0, \forall x \in N_\delta(p) : f(p) \geq f(x)$. **Local minimum** is defined similarly.

Remark: Given $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we can draw the graph of f and local maximum and local minimum have the usual picture.

Lemma 2.2

Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function. Let $x \in (a, b)$ be a local maximum for f . Assume further that f is differentiable at x . Then $f'(x) = 0$. Similar statement holds for local minimum.

Proof: Since x is a local maximum, $\exists \delta > 0 : (x - \delta, x + \delta) \subset [a, b]$ and $\forall t \in (x - \delta, x + \delta) : f(t) \leq f(x)$. Now $f'(x)$ exists. So $f'(x) = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(t)-f(x)}{t-x}$. We compute this limit by taking $\lim_{t \rightarrow x^-}$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow x^+}$. Note that we can always assume $t \in (x - \delta, x + \delta)$ since we are computing $\lim_{t \rightarrow x}$. If $x - \delta < t < x$, then $\frac{f(t)-f(x)}{t-x} \geq 0$ indicates $\lim_{t \rightarrow x^-} \frac{f(t)-f(x)}{t-x} \geq 0$; if $x < t < x + \delta$, then $\frac{f(t)-f(x)}{t-x} \leq 0$ indicates $\lim_{t \rightarrow x^+} \frac{f(t)-f(x)}{t-x} \leq 0$. Then $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(t)-f(x)}{t-x} = f'(x) = 0$.

^{2.1}Although we have not yet defined trigonometric functions in a rigorous way, we know what it is.

e.g.2. $f(x) = |x|$ has local minimum at 0 but not differentiable at 0. Indeed, $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(t)-f(x)}{t-x} = -1$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(t)-f(x)}{t-x} = 1$.

Theorem 2.3 (*Rolle's Theorem*)

Let f be continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) . Suppose that $f(a) = f(b)$. Then $\exists c \in (a, b) : f'(c) = 0$.

Proof: Recall that $[a, b]$ is compact. Since f is continuous, f has (absolute) maximum and (absolute) minimum on $[a, b]$. i.e. $\exists t, s \in [a, b], \forall x \in [a, b] : f(s) \leq f(x) \leq f(t)$.

Case1: at least one of s and t is an interior point i.e. belongs to (a, b) . Let's say $t \in (a, b)$. Then by previous lemma, since $\forall x \in [a, b], t \in (a, b) : f(t) \geq f(x)$, f is differentiable at t . We conclude that $f'(t) = 0$ so $c = t$ solves this. Similarly if $s \in (a, b)$, the previous implies $f'(s) = 0$ so $c = s$.

Case2: Both t and s are end points. In this case, since $f(a) = f(b)$, f is constant. So $\forall c \in (a, b) : f'(c) = 0$. ■

Corollary 2.4 (*Mean Value Theorem*)

Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous and differentiable on (a, b) . Then $\exists c \in (a, b) :$

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

Proof: Let L be a line through $(a, f(a))$ and $(b, f(b))$. Then the equation of L can be written as $y(x) - f(a) = \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}(x - a)$ or $y(x) = f(a) + \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}(x - a)$. Define $h(x) = f(x) - y(x)$. Then h is continuous on $[a, b]$; differentiable on (a, b) ; $h(a) = f(a) - y(a) = 0$; $h(b) = f(b) - y(b) = 0$. So h satisfies conditions of Rolle's Theorem. Then $\exists c \in (a, b) : h'(c) = 0$. Note that $h'(x) = f'(x) - y'(x) = f'(x) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}$. $\exists c \in (a, b) : h'(c) = 0$. So $f'(c) = \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}$. ■

Corollary 2.5 (*Generalization of Mean Value Theorem*)

Let f and g be continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) . Then $\exists c \in (a, b) :$
2.2

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

Proof: Define $h(x) = (f(b) - f(a))g(x) - (g(b) - f(a))f(x)$. To see this explicitly, we want to find λ and μ such that $\lambda f(a) + \mu g(a) = 0$ and $\lambda f(b) + \mu g(b) = 0$. Subtracting these two equations, we have $\lambda(f(a) - f(b)) + \mu(g(a) - g(b)) = 0$. Then $\lambda = g(a) - g(b), \mu = -(f(a) - f(b))$. Now since h is continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) , $h(a) = 0$ and $h(b) = 0$. Therefore by Rolle's Theorem, $\exists c \in (a, b) : h'(c) = 0$. Note that $h'(x) = (f(b) - f(a))g'(x) - (g(b) - g(a))f'(x)$. Hence $h'(c) = 0$ indicates $(f(b) - f(a))g'(c) = (g(b) - g(a))f'(c)$. ■

^{2.2}If $g(x) = x$, then we get the MVT Theorem.

Corollary 2.6

Suppose f is differentiable on (a, b)

1. If $\forall x \in (a, b) : f'(x) \geq 0$, then f is increasing.
2. If $\forall x \in (a, b) : f'(x) \leq 0$, then f is decreasing.
3. If $\forall x \in (a, b) : f'(x) = 0$, then f is constant.

Proof: Let $a < s < t < b$ then $\exists c \in (s, t) : f(t) - f(s) = f'(c)(t - s)$. Now if $\forall x \in (a, b) : f'(x) \geq 0$ holds, then this implies that $f'(c) \geq 0$. Then $f(t) \geq f(s)$. Since t and s are arbitrary, (1) holds true. The proof of (2) and (3) are similar. ■

e.g.3. Let y be twice differentiable on \mathbb{R} . Suppose $y = -y''$, $y(0) = 0$, $y'(0) = 0$. Prove that y is the constant function 0 ^{2.3}.

^{2.3}Hint: consider $y + y'' = 0$, then $2y'y' + 2y'y'' = 0$. Note that $(y^2 + (y')^2)' = 2yy' + 2y'y''$.

Lecture 3: Intermediate Value Theorem, L'Hospital's Rule, Higher Order Derivatives

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e.g.1. $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$. $f'(x) = \begin{cases} 2x \sin \frac{1}{x} - \cos \frac{1}{x} & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$. But $f'(x)$ is not continuous at 0.

e.g.2. $h(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases}$. Does there exist some f such that $f'(x) = h(x)$? ^{3.1}

3.1 Intermediate Value Theorem

Theorem 3.1 (*Intermediate Value Property for f'* ^{3.2})

Let f be differentiable on $[a, b]$. Suppose $f'(a) < c < f'(b)$ (or $f'(a) > c > f'(b)$). Then $\exists x \in (a, b) : f'(x) = c$.

Proof: Note that $f'(x) = c \implies f'(x) - c = 0$. So if we let $h(t) = f(t) - ct$ for $t \in [a, b]$. Then we are looking for some x such that $h'(x) = 0$. We will show this holds by showing that h has a local minimum in (a, b) . Since h is differentiable on $[a, b]$, h is continuous. Then h has absolute maximum and minimum on $[a, b]$. We claim that the minimum cannot happen at a or b . Note $h'(a) = f'(a) - c < 0$ and $h'(b) = f'(b) - c > 0$. The first equality implies $\lim_{t \rightarrow a} \frac{h(t) - h(a)}{t - a} < 0$ for $t \in (a, b]$. So $t - a > 0$ since the limit is positive and $h(t) - h(a) < 0$ for t close to a . Thus the minimum is not at a . Similarly, the minimum is not at b . So $\exists x \in (a, b), \forall t \in [a, b] : h(x) \leq h(t)$. Then by a lemma, $h(x) = 0$. ■

Corollary 3.2

- If f' is discontinuous at x , then it is a second-kind discontinuity.
- If f' is increasing, then it is continuous.

Proof: The first part follows from the previous theorem. The second claim follows from the first and the fact that discontinuity of monotonic function is of the first kind. ■

^{3.1}We will show the answer is NO.

^{3.2}By the scribe: This is also known as **Darboux's Theorem**.

3.2 L'Hospital's Rule

Theorem 3.3 (*L'Hospital's Rule*)

Let f and g be differentiable on (a, b) . Assume $\forall x \in (a, b) : g'(x) \neq 0$. Suppose:

1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = L$
2. Either $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g = 0$ or $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g = \infty$.

Then $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = L$.

Proof: Note that $\exists \delta_0 > 0, \forall x \in (a, a + \delta_0) : g(x) \neq 0$. Indeed, if $\exists a < t < s < b : g(t) = g(s) = 0$, then by MVT, $\exists t < x < s : g'(x) = 0$, contradiction. So g has at most one zero in (a, b) . Then $\exists \delta_0, \forall x \in (a, a + \delta_0) \cup (b - \delta_0, b) : g(x) \neq 0$. So replacing (a, b) by $(a, a + \delta_0)$, we assume $g(x) \neq 0$ on (a, b) .

Case1: $L \in \mathbb{R}$. We need to show $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 : x \in (a, a + \delta) \implies \left| \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} - L \right| < \epsilon$. Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = L$, we have $\exists \delta_1, \forall x \in (a, a + \delta_1) : \left| \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} - L \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$. Fix $x \in (a, a + \delta_1)$ and let $a < t < x < a + \delta_1$. Then by MVT, $\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{g(x) - g(a)} = \frac{f'(c_t)}{g'(c_t)}$ for $t < c_t < x$. Assume $\lim_{t \rightarrow a} f(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow a} g(t) = 0$. Then $\left| \frac{f(x) - f(t)}{g(x) - g(t)} - L \right| = \left| \frac{f'(c_t)}{g'(c_t)} - L \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$. Take limit as $t \rightarrow a$. Hence we get $\left| \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} - L \right| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2}$. Since $x \in (a, a + \delta_1)$ is arbitrary, we get $\left| \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} - L \right| < \epsilon$ in the case $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = 0$. Now we consider $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} g(t) = \infty$. Then $\left| \frac{f(x) - f(t)}{g(x) - g(t)} - L \right| = \left| \frac{f'(c_t)}{g'(c_t)} - L \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ for $a < t < c_t < x < a + \delta_1$. Thus $L - \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{g(t) - g(x)} < L + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$. Since $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} g(t) = \infty$ and $x \in (a, a + \delta_1)$ is fixed, $\exists \delta_2 : a < t < a + \delta_2 < x < a + \delta_1 \implies g(t) > 0, g(t) - g(x) > 0$. Multiplying $L - \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{g(t) - g(x)} < L + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ by $(g(t) - g(x))$, we have $(L - \frac{\epsilon}{2})(g(t) - g(x)) < f(t) - f(x) < (L + \frac{\epsilon}{2})(g(t) - g(x))$. Adding $f(x)$ to the inequality and dividing by $g(t)$ give $(L - \frac{\epsilon}{2}) \frac{g(t) - g(x)}{g(t)} + \frac{f(x)}{g(t)} < \frac{f(t)}{g(t)} < (L + \frac{\epsilon}{2}) \frac{g(t) - g(x)}{g(t)} + \frac{f(x)}{g(t)}$. Since x is fixed, $\exists \delta_3 < \delta_2 : a < t < a + \delta_3 < a + \delta_2 < x < a + \delta_1 \implies \left| \frac{f(x)}{g(t)} \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{10}, \left| \frac{g(x)}{g(t)} \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{10}$. Then we have $L - \epsilon < \frac{f(t)}{g(t)} < L + \epsilon$. So if $t \in (a, a + \delta_3)$, then $\left| \frac{f(t)}{g(t)} - L \right| < \epsilon$. So $\lim_{t \rightarrow a} \frac{f(t)}{g(t)} = L$ in this case as well.

Case2: $L = \pm\infty$. The proof is similar and left as exercise. ■

3.3 Higher Order Derivatives

Definition 3.1

Let f be differentiable on $[a, b]$. $\forall x \in [a, b] : f'(x) = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x}$. So f' is a function on $[a, b]$. If f' is differentiable on $[a, b]$, then $(f')'$ will be denoted by f'' . Continuing inductively, we define $f, f'', f''', f^{(n)}$ if they exist ^{3.3}.

^{3.3}Note that in order for $f^{(n)}$ to exist at $x \in [a, b]$. The $(n - 1)$ -derivative should exist on an interval around.

Definition 3.2 (*Taylor's Polynomial*)

Suppose f is defined on $[a, b]$. Let $c \in [a, b]$ and suppose f is n -time differentiable at c . Then we define

$$P_{n,c}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{f^{(k)}(c)}{k!} (x - c)^k = f(c) + \frac{f'(c)}{1!} (x - c) + \frac{f''(c)}{2!} (x - c)^2 + \dots$$

$P_{n,c}$ is the called n -th (degree) **Taylor's polynomial** at c .

Remark: Without further restrictions, $P_{n,c}(x)$ gives only information about c .

Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-\frac{1}{x}} & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$. Then $\forall n : f^{(n)} = 0$ so $P_{n,0}(x) = 0$.

Lecture 4: Taylor's Theorem

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Lemma 4.1

Let f be n -times differentiable at c . Then

1. $f^{(k)}(c) = P_{n,c}^{(k)}(c)$ for $0 \leq k \leq n$
2. $P_{n,c}^{(k)}(t) = 0$ for $k > n$
3. $\lim_{t \rightarrow c} \frac{f(t) - P_{n,c}(t)}{(t-c)^k/k!} = 0$ for $0 \leq k \leq n$

Proof:

1. follows from the definition. Indeed, $P_{n,c}(t) = f(c) + f'(c)(t-c) + \dots + \frac{f^{(k)}(c)}{k!}(t-c)^k + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!}(t-c)^n$. Then $P_{n,c}^{(k)}(t) = f^{(k)}(c) + (k+1) \times \dots \times 2 \times \frac{f^{(k+1)}(c)}{(k+1)!}(t-c) + \dots + n(n-1) \dots (n-(k-1)) \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!}(t-c)^{n-k}$. So if we evaluate this at c , we get $P_{n,c}^{(k)}(c) = f^{(k)}(c)$.
2. is clear since $P_{n,c}$ has degree at most n for every $0 \leq k \leq n$.
3. It suffices to prove this for $k = n$. We want to compute $\lim_{t \rightarrow c} \frac{f(t) - P_{n,c}(t)}{(t-c)^n/n!}$. For $n = 1$, $\lim_{t \rightarrow c} \frac{f(t) - P_{1,c}(t)}{t-c} = \lim_{t \rightarrow c} \frac{f(t) - (f(c) + f'(c)(t-c))}{t-c} = \lim_{t \rightarrow c} \left(\frac{f(t) - f(c)}{t-c} - f'(c) \right)$. Note that the conditions of L'Hospital Rule are satisfied $(n-1)$ -times. So by the conclusion of L'Hospital, we compute: $\lim_{t \rightarrow c} \frac{f^{(n-1)}(t) - (f^{(n-1)}(c) + f^{(n)}(c)(t-c))}{t-c} = \lim_{t \rightarrow c} \left(\frac{f^{(n-1)}(t) - f^{(n-1)}(c)}{t-c} - f^{(n)}(c) \right) = 0$. Thus, by L'Hospital, $\lim_{t \rightarrow c} \frac{f(t) - P_{1,c}(t)}{t-c} = 0$. ■

Corollary 4.2

Suppose f is n -times differentiable at c and $f'(c) = \dots = f^{(n-1)}(c) = 0$

1. Suppose n is even, if $f^{(n)}(c) > 0$, then c is the local minimum; if $f^{(n)}(c) < 0$, then c is the local maximum.
2. Suppose n is odd, $f^{(n)}(c) \neq 0$. Then c is not local maximum or minimum.

Proof: (1) Suppose n is even, $P_{n,c}(t) = f(c) + \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!}(t-c)^n$. Now by previous lemma, $\lim_{t \rightarrow c} \frac{f(t) - P_{n,c}(t)}{(t-c)^n/n!} = 0$. Suppose $f^{(n)}(c) > 0$, then $0 = \lim_{t \rightarrow c} \frac{f(t) - f(c) - \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!}(t-c)^n}{(t-c)^n/n!} = \lim_{t \rightarrow c} \left(\frac{f(t) - f(c)}{(t-c)^n/n!} - f^{(n)}(c) \right)$. So we get $\lim_{t \rightarrow c} \frac{f(t) - f(c)}{(t-c)^n/n!} = f^{(n)}(c)$. Since $f^{(n)} > 0$, $\frac{f(t) - f(c)}{(t-c)^n/n!} > 0$. If t is close to c , n is even so $\frac{(t-c)^n}{n!} > 0$. Altogether we get $\exists \delta, \forall t \in (c - \delta, c + \delta) : f(t) - f(c) \geq 0$, so c is the local minimum.

The proof for $f^{(n)}(c) < 0$ and n is even and part (2) are similar. ■

Theorem 4.3 (Taylor's Theorem)

Suppose f is real-valued on $[a, b]$. Assume that $f^{(n-1)}$ is continuous on $[a, b]$ and that $f^{(n)}$ exists on (a, b) . Let $c, d \in [a, b], c \neq d$. Then $\exists t \in (c, d) :$ ^{4.1}

$$f(d) = P_{n-1,c}(d) + \frac{f^{(n)}(t)}{n!}(d-c)^n$$

Proof: Recall the proof of MVT: $g(x) = f(x) - (f(c) + \frac{f(d)-f(c)}{d-c}(x-c))$, $g(c) = g(d) = 0$ with Rolle's Theorem implies $\exists t \in (c, d) : g'(t) = 0$.

Use a similar strategy. Define $h(x) = P_{n-1,c}(x) + M(x-c)^n$ where M is chosen so that $h(d) = f(d)$. i.e. we want to solve $f(d) = P_{n-1,c}(d) + M(d-c)^n$ for M . Let $g(x) = f(x) - h(x) = f(x) - P_{n-1,c}(x) - M(x-c)^n$. Then $g(c) = f(c) - P_{n-1,c}(c) - M(c-c)^n = 0$. Similarly, using the lemma 4.1, we have $g(c) = 0, g'(c) = 0, \dots, g^{(n-1)}(c) = 0$. $g(d) = f(d) - h(d) = 0$. Now g is continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) . So by MVT, $\exists t_1 \in (c, d) : g'(t_1) = 0$. Repeat this using the fact that $f^{(n-1)}$ is continuous on $[a, b]$ and $f^{(n)}$ exists on (a, b) . We get $t_2 \in (c, t_1), t_3 \in (c, t_2), \dots, t_{n-1} \in (c, t_{n-2})$ such that $g^{(n-1)}(t_{n-1}) = 0$. We now have $g^{(n-1)}(c) = 0, g^{(n-1)}(t_{n-1}) = 0$. Then $g^{(n-1)}$ is continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) . So $\exists t \in (c, t_{n-1}) : g^{(n)}(t) = 0$. Recall that $g(x) = f(x) - P_{n-1,c}(x) - M(x-c)^n$, then $g^{(n)}(x) = f^{(n)}(x) - 0 - n!M$ since $P_{n-1,c}$ is a polynomial of degree $k \leq n-1$. Hence $0 = g^{(n)}(t) = f^{(n)}(t) - n!M$ implies $M = \frac{f^{(n)}(t)}{n!}$. ■

^{4.1}Note that $P_{n,c}(d) = P_{n-1,c}(d) + \frac{f^{(n)}(c)}{n!}(d-c)^n$.

Lecture 5: Riemann Integrability

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Suppose $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a function. Then $f(x) = (f_1(x), \dots, f_n(x))$ where $f_j : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ for $1 \leq j \leq n$. Then we say f is differentiable at x if $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x}$ exists. Note that f is differentiable at x if and only if $\forall j : f_j$ is differentiable at x . Indeed,

$$\frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} = \left(\frac{f_1(t) - f_1(x)}{t - x}, \dots, \frac{f_n(t) - f_n(x)}{t - x} \right)$$

If f is differentiable at x , then $f'(x) = (f'_1(x), \dots, f'_n(x))$.

Lemma 5.1

Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be differentiable. Then

1. $(f + g)'(x) = f'(x) + g'(x)$
2. $(f \cdot g)'(x) = f'(x) \cdot g(x) + f(x) \cdot g'(x)$

Proof: Left as exercise. ■

e.g. 1.

- $f(t) = (t, t^2, t^3)$, then $f'(t) = (1, 2t, 3t^2)$.
- $f : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, f(x) = (\cos x, \sin x)$, then $f'(x) = (-\sin x, \cos x)$ and $\|f'(x)\| = 1$. Note however that MVT may fail: $\nexists t : (0, 0) = f(2\pi) - f(0) = 2\pi f'(t)$.

Proposition 5.2

Suppose $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is continuous and differentiable on (a, b) . Then $\exists x \in (a, b) :$ ^{5.1}

$$\|f(b) - f(a)\| \leq (b - a) \|f'(x)\|$$

Proof: Let $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Define $f_v : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f_v(t) = v \cdot f(t)$. So for every v the function f_v satisfies conditions of MVT. Then $\forall v, \exists x_v \in (a, b) : f_v(b) - f_v(a) = (b - a) \cdot f'_v(x_v)$. Thus, $v \cdot f(b) - v \cdot f(a) = (b - a)(v \cdot f'(x_v))$ implies $v \cdot (f(b) - f(a)) = (b - a)(v \cdot f'(x_v))$. Suppose now that $v = f(b) - f(a)$. Then by MVT, $\exists x \in (a, b) : (f(b) - f(a)) \cdot (f(b) - f(a)) = (b - a)(f(b) - f(a)) \cdot f'(x)$ so $\|f(b) - f(a)\|^2 = (b - a)((f(b) - f(a)) \cdot f'(x)) \leq (b - a)\|f(b) - f(a)\|\|f'(x)\|$ by applying Cauchy-Schwartz Inequality. Now if $\|f(b) - f(a)\| = 0$, then the lemma is obvious; otherwise if $\|f(b) - f(a)\| \neq 0$, then $\|f(b) - f(a)\| \leq (b - a)\|f'(x)\|$. ■

Remark: L'Hospital's Rule for vector-valued functions also fails ^{5.2}.

^{5.1}Recall $\|(v_1, \dots, v_n)\| = \sqrt{\sum v_i^2}$.

^{5.2}See the example in the book.

5.1 Riemann Integrable

Definition 5.1 (*Partition*)

Let $[a, b]$ be an interval. A **partition** of $[a, b]$ is a finite set of points $\{x_0 = a, \dots, x_n = b : x_0 \leq \dots \leq x_n\}$.

Let $P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$ be a partition of $[a, b]$, we write

$$\Delta x_i = x_i - x_{i-1}$$

for $1 \leq i \leq n$. Let f be a bounded function on $[a, b]$ and $P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$ be a partition of $[a, b]$. Define

$$\begin{aligned} M_i &= \sup f(x) & x_{i-1} \leq x \leq x_i \\ m_i &= \inf f(x) & x_{i-1} \leq x \leq x_i \end{aligned}$$

Since f is bounded, M_i, m_i exist as real numbers.

e.g.2.

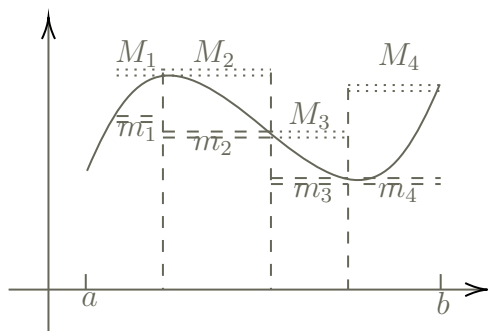


Figure 5.1: Illustrations of M_i, m_i

Definition 5.2 (*Upper Sum, Lower Sum*)

$$U(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta x_i \quad L(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \Delta x_i$$

Definition 5.3 (*Upper Integral, Lower Integral*)

$$\overline{\int_a^b} f dx = \inf U(P, f) \quad \underline{\int_a^b} f dx = \sup L(P, f)$$

Definition 5.4 (*Riemann Integrable*)

We say f is **Riemann integrable** on $[a, b]$ if

$$\overline{\int_a^b} f dx = \underline{\int_a^b} f dx$$

If so, we write $f \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$ or simply $f \in \mathcal{R}$.

Remark: Suppose $m \leq f \leq M$ for f is bounded. Then $m \leq m_i \leq M_i \leq M$. So $U(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta x_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^n M \Delta x_i = M \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta x_i = M(b-a)$. Similarly, $L(P, f) \geq m(b-a)$. So we get

$$\overline{\int} f = \inf U(P, f) \leq M(b-a)$$

$$\underline{\int} f = \sup L(P, f) \geq m(b-a)$$

e.g.3.

- $f(x) = c$ on $[a, b]$. Then $f \in \mathcal{R}$.

Proof: Let $P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$ be any partition. Then $M_i = \sup f(x) = c$ and $m_i = \inf f(x) = c$. This implies $U(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta x_i = c(b-a)$ and $L(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \Delta x_i = c(b-a)$. Then $\overline{\int}_a^b f = c(b-a) = \underline{\int}_a^b f$. ■

- Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0 & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$ on $[0, 1]$. Then f is not Riemann integrable.

Proof: Let $P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$ be a partition of $[0, 1]$. Then $U(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta x_i$ and $L(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \Delta x_i = c(b-a)$. We can assume $x_0 = 0 < x_1 < x_2 \leq \dots \leq x_n = 1$. Since $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$ contains more than one point, $\exists x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] \cap \mathbb{Q}$ so $M_i = \sup f(x) = 1$ for $x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$. Similarly, $\exists x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ so $m_i = \inf f(x) = 0$. Therefore, $U(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta x_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta x_i = 1$ and $L(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \Delta x_i = 0$. Then $\overline{\int} f = 1$ and $\underline{\int} f = 0$. Thus $f \notin \mathcal{R}$. ■

- Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x = \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & x \neq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$ on $[0, 1]$. Then $f \in \mathcal{R}$.

Proof: Note that $0 \leq f \leq 1$. Let P be any partition. $L(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \Delta x_i = 0$ so $\underline{\int}_0^1 f dx = 0$. Note that $U(P, f) \geq 0$. We now show that $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists P : U(P, f) < \epsilon$.

Then $\inf U(P, f) = 0$ so $\overline{\int}_0^1 f dx = 0$. Now given $\epsilon > 0$, define $P_\epsilon = \{x_0 = 0, x_1 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\epsilon}{4}, x_2 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{4}, x_3 = 1\}$. Then $U(P_\epsilon, f) = M_1 \Delta x_1 + M_2 \Delta x_2 + M_3 \Delta x_3$. $M_1 = \sup f = 0$ for $x_0 \leq x \leq x_1$, $M_3 = \sup f = 0$ for $x_2 \leq x \leq x_3$, and $M_2 = \sup f = 1$ for $x_1 \leq x \leq x_2$. Then $U(P_\epsilon, f) = M_2 \Delta x_2 = 1(x_2 - x_1) = \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \epsilon$.

This implies $\overline{\int}_0^1 f dx = 0$ so $f \in \mathcal{R}$. ■

Lecture 6: Riemann-Stieltjes Integrability

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6.1 Riemann-Stieltjes Integrable

Let f be a bounded (real-valued) function on $[a, b]$. Let α be an increasing function on $[a, b]$. Given a partition $P = \{x_0 = a, x_1, \dots, x_n = b\}$, we define

$$\Delta\alpha_i = \alpha(x_i) - \alpha(x_{i-1})$$

and with

$$\begin{aligned} M_i &= \sup f(x) & x_{i-1} \leq x \leq x_i \\ m_i &= \inf f(x) & x_{i-1} \leq x \leq x_i \end{aligned}$$

We update the notion of **upper sum** and **lower sum** by

$$U(P, f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta\alpha_i \quad L(P, f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \Delta\alpha_i$$

and define

$$\overline{\int_a^b} f d\alpha = \inf U(P, f, \alpha) \quad \underline{\int_a^b} f d\alpha = \sup L(P, f, \alpha)$$

Definition 6.1 (Riemann-Stieltjes Integrable)

We say f is **Riemann-Stieltjes integrable** w.r.t. α and write $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ if

$$\overline{\int_a^b} f d\alpha = \underline{\int_a^b} f d\alpha$$

If so, we define

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = \overline{\int_a^b} f d\alpha = \underline{\int_a^b} f d\alpha$$

e.g. 1.

- Let f be a constant function and α be arbitrary. Then $U(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta\alpha_i = \sum_{i=1}^n c \Delta\alpha_i = c \sum_{i=1}^n (\alpha(x_i) - \alpha(x_{i-1})) = c(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))$, $L(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \Delta\alpha_i = c(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))$. Therefore, $\overline{\int} f d\alpha = \underline{\int} f d\alpha = c(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))$. Then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ and $\int_a^b f d\alpha = c(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))$.
- Let f be arbitrary and α be constant. Then $\Delta\alpha_i = 0$. Then $\forall i : \overline{\int} f d\alpha = \underline{\int} f d\alpha = 0$. So $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$.

Definition 6.2 (Refinement)

Let P be a partition of $[a, b]$. We say P^* is a **refinement** of P if

$$P \subset P^*$$

If P_1 and P_2 are two partitions of $[a, b]$, then their common refinement is defined to be $P_1 \cup P_2$.

Lemma 6.1

Let P^*, P be two partitions where $P^* \supset P$. Then

1. $U(P^*, f, \alpha) \leq U(P, f, \alpha)$
2. $L(P^*, f, \alpha) \geq L(P, f, \alpha)$

Proof: We prove the lemma for upper sums; the proof for the lower sums is similar.

We want to prove this by induction. First assume $P^* = P \cup \{y\}$. i.e. P^* has one more point than P . Let $P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$. $U(P, f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta \alpha_i$. Since $P^* = P \cup \{y\}$ where $x_{j-1} \leq y \leq x_j$ for some j . $U(P^*, f, \alpha) = M_1 \Delta \alpha_1 + M_2 \Delta \alpha_2 + \dots + A(\alpha(y) - \alpha(x_{j-1})) + B(\alpha(x_j) - \alpha(y)) + M_{j+1} \Delta \alpha_{j+1} + \dots + M_n \Delta \alpha_n$ where $A = \sup f(x)$ for $x_{j-1} \leq x \leq y$, $B = \sup f(x)$ for $y \leq x \leq x_j$. $U(P, f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta \alpha_i = M_1 \Delta \alpha_1 + \dots + M_{j-1} \Delta \alpha_{j-1} + M_j(\alpha(x_j) - \alpha(x_{j-1})) + \dots + M_n \Delta \alpha_n$. To show $U(P^*, f, \alpha) \leq U(P, f, \alpha)$ is equivalent to prove $A(\alpha(y) - \alpha(x_{j-1})) + B(\alpha(x_j) - \alpha(y)) \leq M_j(\alpha(x_j) - \alpha(x_{j-1})) = M_j(\alpha(y) - \alpha(x_{j-1})) + M_j(\alpha(x_j) - \alpha(y))$. Indeed, this is implied by that $[x_{j-1}, y] \subset [x_{j-1}, x_j]$ and $[y, x_j] \subset [x_{j-1}, x_j]$. To complete the proof for an arbitrary $P^* \supset P$, we just repeat the above process ℓ -times where ℓ is the difference between the numbers of points of P^* and of P . ■

Proposition 6.2

Let f be bounded on $[a, b]$ and α be increasing. Let P_1 and P_2 be two partitions of $[a, b]$, then

$$L(P_1, f, \alpha) \leq U(P_2, f, \alpha)$$

Proof: Let P_1 and P_2 be two partitions. Let P^* be the common refinement. Then by the previous lemma, $U(P^*, f, \alpha) \leq U(P_2, f, \alpha)$ and $L(P_1, f, \alpha) \leq L(P^*, f, \alpha)$. Since $L(P^*, f, \alpha) \leq U(P^*, f, \alpha)$, we get that $L(P_1, f, \alpha) \leq U(P_2, f, \alpha)$. ■

Theorem 6.3

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha \leq \overline{\int_a^b f d\alpha}$$

Proof: Let P be an arbitrary partition and fix a partition P' . Then $L(P, f, \alpha) \leq U(P', f, \alpha)$. Taking sup over P gives $\int_a^b f d\alpha \leq U(P', f, \alpha)$. Then taking inf over P' gives $\int_a^b f d\alpha \leq \overline{\int_a^b f d\alpha}$. ■

Proposition 6.4

Let f be bounded on $[a, b]$ and α be increasing. Then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ if and only if $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists P : U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) < \epsilon$.

Proof:

- (\Leftarrow) Suppose $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists P : U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) < \epsilon$. We want to show that $\int_a^b d\alpha = \overline{\int_a^b d\alpha}$. Now $L(P, f, \alpha) \leq \int_a^b d\alpha \leq \overline{\int_a^b d\alpha} \leq U(P, f, \alpha)$. Since P is so that $U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) < \epsilon$, $0 \leq \overline{\int_a^b f d\alpha} - \int_a^b f d\alpha < \epsilon$. As our choice of ϵ is arbitrary, $\overline{\int_a^b f d\alpha} = \int_a^b f d\alpha$.
- (\Rightarrow) Suppose $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ and $\epsilon > 0$. We want to show $\exists P : U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) < \epsilon$. Since $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$, we have $\sup_P L(P, f, \alpha) = \int f d\alpha = \overline{\int f d\alpha} = \inf_{P'} U(P', f, \alpha)$. By definition of sup and inf, $\exists P, P' : 0 \leq U(P', f, \alpha) - \overline{\int f d\alpha} < \frac{\epsilon}{2}, 0 \leq \int f d\alpha - L(P, f, \alpha) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$. Let P^* be the common refinement of P and P' . Then by a lemma, $L(P, f, \alpha) \leq L(P^*, f, \alpha) \leq U(P^*, f, \alpha) \leq U(P', f, \alpha)$. So $U(P^*, f, \alpha) \leq U(P', f, \alpha) \leq \int_a^b f d\alpha + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \leq L(P, f, \alpha) + \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \leq L(P^*, f, \alpha) + \epsilon$ gives $0 \leq U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) < \epsilon$. This claim holds with $P_\epsilon = P^*$. ■

Lecture 7: Integrability and Monotonicity

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Proposition 7.1

Let f be bounded on $[a, b]$ and α be increasing. Let P be a partition of $[a, b]$ such that $U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) < \epsilon$ for some $\epsilon > 0$.

1. If $P' \supset P$, then $U(P', f, \alpha) - L(P', f, \alpha) < \epsilon$.
2. Suppose P as above and write $P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$. Let $r_i, s_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$. Then $|\sum_{i=1}^n f(s_i)\Delta\alpha_i - \sum_{i=1}^n f(r_i)\Delta\alpha_i| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |f(s_i) - f(r_i)| \Delta\alpha_i < \epsilon$.
3. Suppose $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ and P is as above. Let $s_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$ be arbitrary. Then $|\int_a^b f d\alpha - \sum_{i=1}^n f(s_i)\Delta\alpha_i| < \epsilon$.

Proof: Left as exercise. ■

e.g.1. Let $a < c < b$ and define $\alpha(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & a \leq x \leq c \\ 1 & c < x \leq b \end{cases}$. Let f be continuous at

c . Then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$. Moreover, $\int_a^b f d\alpha = f(c)$.

Proof: We will use ϵ - P condition for integrability. Let $P = \{x_0 = a, x_1 = c, x_2, x_3 = b\}$. Then $U(P, f, \alpha) = M_1\Delta\alpha_1 + M_2\Delta\alpha_2 + M_3\Delta\alpha_3$. Since $\Delta\alpha_1 = \Delta\alpha_3 = 0$ and $\Delta\alpha_2 = \alpha(x_2) - \alpha(x_1) = 1$, $U(P, f, \alpha) = M_2$. Similarly, $L(P, f, \alpha) = m_2$. Recall that $M_2 = \sup f(x)$ for $x_1 = c \leq x \leq x_2$ and $m_2 = \inf f(x)$ for $x_1 = c \leq x \leq x_2$. Since f is continuous at c , $\exists \delta > 0 : |x - c| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(c)| < \frac{\epsilon}{4}$. Let $x_2 = c + \frac{\delta}{2}$. Then $\forall t, s \in [c, x_2] : |t - c| < \delta, |s - c| < \delta \implies |f(t) - f(s)| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ so $|M_2 - m_2| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2}$. Altogether, we have $U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \epsilon$. So $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$. Note that $\forall P' : L(P', f, \alpha) \leq \int_a^b f d\alpha \leq U(P', f, \alpha)$. Now let P be as above. Then $m_2 \leq \int_a^b f d\alpha \leq M_2$. Now as $x_2 \rightarrow c$, we have $M_2 \rightarrow f(c)$ and $m_2 \rightarrow f(c)$. Thus $\int_a^b f d\alpha = f(c)$. ■

Theorem 7.2

Let α be increasing on $[a, b]$ and f be continuous on $[a, b]$. Then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$.

Proof: Let $\epsilon > 0$. We need to find P such that $U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) < \epsilon$. Note $U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i)\Delta\alpha_i < \epsilon$. Since f is continuous on $[a, b]$ and $[a, b]$ is compact, we have f is uniformly continuous. Thus $\forall \epsilon', \exists \delta > 0, \forall r, s \in [a, b] : |r - s| < \delta \implies |f(r) - f(s)| < \epsilon'$. Let P be a partition so that $\forall i : 0 < x_i - x_{i-1} < \delta$. Then $\forall r, s \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$ we have $|f(r) - f(s)| < \epsilon'$. So $|M_i - m_i| \leq \epsilon'$. Hence for such a P , we have $U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i)\Delta\alpha_i \leq \epsilon' \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta\alpha_i = \epsilon'(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))$. We want $U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) < \epsilon$. We want $U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) < \epsilon$. So if we let ϵ' be so that $\epsilon'(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)) < \epsilon$. For example, $\epsilon' = \frac{\epsilon}{2(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))}$ for $\alpha(b) - \alpha(a) \neq 0$ or $\epsilon' = 1$ for $\alpha(b) = \alpha(a) = 0$. ■

Theorem 7.3

Let f be monotone on $[a, b]$ and α be continuous (and increasing) on $[a, b]$. Then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$.

Proof: Let $\epsilon > 0$. We need to find P such that $U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i) \Delta \alpha_i < \epsilon$. We will show this for f is increasing. The proof for that f is decreasing is similar.

Let $\epsilon' > 0$. Since α is continuous on $[a, b]$ and $[a, b]$ is compact. $\exists \delta, \forall r, s \in [a, b] : |r - s| < \delta \implies |\alpha(r) - \alpha(s)| < \epsilon'$. Let P be a partition such that $x_i - x_{i-1} < \delta$. Then $\Delta \alpha_i < \epsilon'$. Now $U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i) \Delta \alpha_i \leq \epsilon' \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i) = \epsilon' (f(b) - f(a))$. Since f is increasing, $M_i = f(x_i)$ and $m_i = f(x_{i-1})$. So if ϵ' is such that $\epsilon' (f(b) - f(a)) < \epsilon$, then $U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) < \epsilon$. ■

e.g.2. Let $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

- $f(x) = \begin{cases} x & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0 & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$. Then $f \notin \mathcal{R}$ ^{7.1}.
- $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{q} & x = \frac{p}{q}, \gcd(p, q) = 1, p, q > 0 \\ 0 & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \text{ or } x = 0 \end{cases}$. Then $f \in \mathcal{R}$ ^{7.2}.

Proposition 7.4

Suppose that f is bounded on $[a, b]$ and the set of discontinuity A of f is a finite subset of $[a, b]$. Further assume that α is continuous at every $x \in A$. Then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$.

The proof is similar to the argument we discussed for showing that $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x = \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & x \neq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$ on $[0, 1]$ satisfies $f \in \mathcal{R}$. We will prove this next time.

^{7.1}The proof is similar to non-integrability of $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0 & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$.

^{7.2}Recall f is continuous on $\mathbb{Q}^C \cap [0, 1]$ at 0 but discontinuous at every other rational point.

Lecture 8: Integrability and Continuity, Integrability of Composite Functions

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Proof to 7.4: Let $A = \{t_1, \dots, t_\ell\}$ and $a \leq t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_\ell \leq b$. For every i , let $c_i < d_i$ be such that

1. If $t_1 = a$, then $c_1 = a$; if $t_\ell = b$, then $d_\ell = b$.
2. All (c_i, d_i) are disjoint.
3. $\alpha(d_i) - \alpha(c_i) < \epsilon$.

We now construct a partition of $[a, b]$ by refining $P_0 = \{c_1, d_1, c_2, d_2, \dots, c_\ell, d_\ell\}$. If $c_1 \neq a$ and $d_\ell \neq b$, then let $B = [a, b] \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^\ell (c_i, d_i)$; otherwise, if $c_1 = a$, or $d_\ell = b$, or both, then in the definition of B , we exclude $[c_1, d_1]$, or $(c_\ell, d_\ell]$, or both ^{8.1}. Note that in either case, B is a closed subset of $[a, b]$ so it is compact. Moreover, since f is continuous on B , f is uniformly continuous on $[a, b]$. Let $\delta > 0$ be such that if $r, s \in B$, $|r - s| < \delta \implies |f(r) - f(s)| < \epsilon$. Let P be a refinement of P_0 constructed as following: include P_0 ; no point is added between c_i and d_i ; if $d_i < x_{j-1} < x_j < c_{i+1}$, then $x_j - x_{j-1} < \delta \implies M_j - m_j \leq \epsilon$; if $d_i < x_{j-1} < c_{i+1}$ and $c_{i+1} - x_{j-1} < \delta$, we do not add any point before d_{i+1} . Now $U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i)(\alpha(d_i) - \alpha(c_i)) + \sum_{j=1}^n (M_j^* - m_j^*)\Delta\alpha_j$ ^{8.2}. Since f is bounded, we have $|f(x)| \leq M$ on $[a, b]$. So we have $U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) \leq \sum_{i=1}^\ell 2M\epsilon + \epsilon \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta\alpha_i \leq 2M\epsilon\ell + (\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))\epsilon$. ■

Proposition 8.1

Let $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ on $[a, b]$ and assume that $m \leq f(x) \leq M$. Let φ be continuous on $[m, M]$. Then $\varphi \circ f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ on $[a, b]$.

Proof: Since φ is continuous on $[m, M]$ and $[m, M]$ is compact, φ is uniformly continuous. So $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta, r, s \in [m, M] : |r - s| < \delta \implies |\varphi(r) - \varphi(s)| < \epsilon$. Since $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$, $\forall \eta > 0, \exists P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\} : U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) < \eta$. Then $\sum (M_i - m_i)\Delta\alpha_i < \eta$. Note that if $M_i - m_i < \delta$ for some i , then $\forall c, d \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] : |f(c) - f(d)| < \delta \implies |\varphi(f(c)) - \varphi(f(d))| < \epsilon$. So if we define $M_i^* = \sup \phi(f(x))$ and $m_i^* = \inf \phi(f(x))$ for $x_{i-1} \leq x \leq x_i$, and i is such that $M_i - m_i < \delta$. Then $M_i^* - m_i^* \leq \epsilon$. Let now $B = \{i : M_i - m_i \geq \delta\}$ then $U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i)\Delta\alpha_i < \eta$. Then $\delta \sum_{i \in B} \Delta\alpha_i \leq \sum_{i \in B} (M_i - m_i)\Delta\alpha_i \leq U(P, f, \alpha) - L(P, f, \alpha) < \eta$. So $\sum_{i \in B} \Delta\alpha_i < \frac{\eta}{\delta}$. So if $\eta < \epsilon\delta$, then we get $\sum_{i \in B} \Delta\alpha_i < \epsilon$. Since φ is continuous on $[m, M]$ and $[m, M]$ is compact, $\exists L, \forall y \in [m, M] : |\varphi(y)| \leq L$. So $\forall x \in [a, b] : -L \leq \varphi(f(x)) \leq L$. Altogether we have $U(P, \varphi \circ f, \alpha) - L(P, \varphi \circ f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i^* - m_i^*)\Delta\alpha_i = \sum_{i \in B} (M_i^* - m_i^*)\Delta\alpha_i + \sum_{i \notin B} (M_i^* - m_i^*)\Delta\alpha_i \leq 2L \sum_{i \in B} \Delta\alpha_i + \epsilon \sum_{i \notin B} \Delta\alpha_i < 2L\epsilon + (\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))\epsilon$. ■

Corollary 8.2

Let $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ on $[a, b]$. Then $\forall p \geq 0 : |f|^p \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ on $[a, b]$.

^{8.1}For example, if $c_1 = a$ but $d_\ell \neq b$, then $B = [a, b] \setminus ([c_1, d_1] \cup \bigcup_{i=2}^\ell (c_i, d_i))$.

^{8.2}The first term is for P_0 and the second term is for new intervals which are not part of P_0 .

Proof: Since $x \rightarrow |x|^p$ is continuous on \mathbb{R} , applying the proposition gives the result. ■

e.g.1. $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{q} & x = \frac{p}{q}, \gcd(p, q) = 1, p, q > 0 \\ 0 & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \text{ or } x = 0 \end{cases}$ and $\varphi = \begin{cases} 1 & x = 0 \\ 0 & x \neq 0 \end{cases}$. Then

$f \in \mathcal{R}$ on $[0, 1]$ and φ is integrable. But $\varphi \circ f(x) = \begin{cases} \varphi(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{q}) = 0 & x = \frac{p}{q}, x \neq 0 \\ \varphi(0) = 1 & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \text{ or } x = 0 \end{cases}$ is not integrable on $[\frac{1}{2}, 1]$.

Lemma 8.3 (*Properties of Integrals*)

1. If $f_1, f_2 \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$, then $f_1 + f_2 \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ and $\int (f_1 + f_2) d\alpha = \int f_1 d\alpha + \int f_2 d\alpha$.
2. If $f \in \mathcal{R}$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$, then $cf \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ and $\int cf d\alpha = c \int f d\alpha$.
3. If $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ on $[a, b]$ and $a < c < b$, then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ on $[a, c]$ and $[c, b]$, and $\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^c f d\alpha + \int_c^b f d\alpha$.
4. If $f_1 \leq f_2$ on $[a, b]$ and $f_1, f_2 \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$, then $\int f_1 d\alpha \leq \int f_2 d\alpha$. In particular, if $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ and $f \geq 0$, then $\int f d\alpha \geq 0$.
5. If $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha_1), f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha_2)$ on $[a, b]$, then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)$ and $\int_a^b f d(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) = \int_a^b f d\alpha_1 + \int_a^b f d\alpha_2$.
6. If $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha), c > 0$, then $f \in \mathcal{R}(c\alpha)$ and $\int f d(c\alpha) = c \int f d\alpha$.
7. If $|f| \leq M$ on $[a, b]$ and $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$, then $\int f d\alpha \leq M(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))$.

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Proof to 8.3:

3. Since $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$, $\forall \epsilon, \exists P : \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i) \Delta \alpha_i < \epsilon$. Let $P' = P \cup \{c\}$. Since P' is a refinement of P , $\sum_{i=1}^n (M'_i - m'_i) \Delta \alpha_i < \epsilon$ where M'_i and m'_i are w.r.t. P' . Note that $\sum_{i=1}^n (M'_i - m'_i) \Delta \alpha_i = \sum_{x'_i \leq c} (M'_i - m'_i) \Delta \alpha_i + \sum_{c \leq x'_i} (M'_i - m'_i) \Delta \alpha_i < \epsilon$. Since both terms are non-negative, we get $\sum_{x'_i \leq c} (M'_i - m'_i) \Delta \alpha_i < \epsilon$ and $\sum_{c \leq x'_i} (M'_i - m'_i) \Delta \alpha_i < \epsilon$, which gives the desired partition for $[a, c]$ and $[c, b]$. Then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ on $[a, c]$ and $[c, b]$.
4. Since $f \geq 0$, $\forall P : L(P, f, \alpha) \geq 0$. Hence $\int_a^b f d\alpha = \sup L(P, f, \alpha) \geq 0$. To see the second part, let $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x = 1 \\ 0 & 0 \leq x \leq 2, x \neq 1 \end{cases}$. Then $f \in \mathbb{R}$ on $[0, 2]$ and $\int_0^2 f d\alpha = 0$. However $f \neq 0$. ■

Proposition 9.1

Let $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ and $g \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ on $[a, b]$. Then

1. $\forall p \geq 0 : |f|^p \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$. $\left| \int_a^b f d\alpha \right| \leq \int_a^b |f| d\alpha$.
2. $fg \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$

Proof:

1. Recall that if $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ and φ is continuous on an interval which contains the image of f . Then $\varphi \circ f \in \mathbb{R}(\alpha)$ on $[a, b]$. So $|f|^p \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$. To see the inequality, $\left| \int_a^b f d\alpha \right| \leq \int_a^b |f| d\alpha$. Note that $-|f(x)| \leq f(x) \leq |f(x)|$. Then by properties of integration, $-\int_a^b |f| d\alpha \leq \int_a^b f d\alpha \leq \int_a^b |f| d\alpha$. Then $\left| \int_a^b f d\alpha \right| \leq \int_a^b |f| d\alpha$.
2. Recall that $\forall c, d \in \mathbb{R} : (c+d)^2 - (c-d)^2 = 4cd$. Hence $fg = \frac{1}{4}((f+g)^2 - (f-g)^2)$. Since $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ and $g \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$, $f+g \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ and $f-g \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$. By (1), $|f \pm g|^2 = (f \pm g)^2 \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$. So $fg = \frac{1}{4}((f+g)^2 - (f-g)^2) \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$. ■

Recall that we showed: let $\alpha(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < c \\ 1 & x \geq c \end{cases}$ and let f be continuous at c . Then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ and $\int_a^b f d\alpha = f(c)$. Define

$$\mathbb{I}(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 0 \\ 1 & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

Proposition 9.2

Suppose $\lambda_n \geq 0$ and $\sum \lambda_n$ converges. Let $\{c_n\}$ be a sequence of different points in an interval $[a, b]$. Let f be continuous on $[a, b]$. Define $\alpha(x) = \sum \lambda_n \mathbb{I}(x - c_n)$. Then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$. Moreover,

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n f(c_n)$$

Proof: Before proving the statement, we first rewrite $\alpha(x)$ more explicitly: $\alpha(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \mathbb{I}(x - c_n)$. Given x , we have $\mathbb{I}(x - c_n) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq c_n \\ 1 & x > c_n \end{cases}$. Hence $\alpha(x) = \sum_{c_n < x} \lambda_n$. Clearly, α is increasing.

Since α is increasing and f is continuous on $[a, b]$, $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$. We want to compute the integral to show $\int_a^b f d\alpha = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n f(c_n)$. This is equivalent to: $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N : \left| \int_a^b f d\alpha - \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_n f(c_n) \right| < \epsilon$. Recall $\alpha(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \mathbb{I}(x - c_n) = \sum_{c_n < x} \lambda_n$. Let $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists N : \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \mathbb{I}(x - c_n) < \epsilon$. Define $\alpha_1(x) = \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_n \mathbb{I}(x - c_n)$ and $\alpha_2 = \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \mathbb{I}(x - c_n)$. Then $\alpha = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$; $0 \leq \alpha(x) \leq \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} \lambda_n < \epsilon$; α_1 is a finite combination of $\mathbb{I}(x - c_n)$. Hence $\int_a^b f d\alpha_1 = \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_n f(c_n)$. Then $\int_a^b f d(\sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_n \mathbb{I}(x - c_n)) = \sum_{i=1}^N \int_a^b f d(\lambda_n \mathbb{I}(x - c_n)) = \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_n \int_a^b f d\mathbb{I}(x - c_n) = \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_n f(c_n)$. Now since $\forall a, b : 0 \leq \alpha_2(b) - \alpha_2(a) < \epsilon$, we have $|\int_a^b f d\alpha_2| \leq M\epsilon$ where $|f| \leq M$. Then $\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^b f d(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) = \int_a^b f d\alpha_1 + \int_a^b f d\alpha_2 = \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_n f(c_n) + \int_a^b f d\alpha_2$. Therefore, $|\int_a^b f d\alpha - \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_n f(c_n)| = |\int_a^b f d\alpha_2| < M\epsilon$. ■

Lecture 10: Simple Function, Change of Variable, Convolution

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Definition 10.1 (Characteristic Function)

Given an interval J (closed, open, half open), the **characteristic function** of J is defined as ^{10.1}

$$\mathbb{1}_J(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \in J \\ 0 & x \notin J \end{cases}$$

Definition 10.2 (Simple Function)

A **simple function** s is a function defined as

$$s = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \mathbb{1}_{J_i}$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $c_i \in \mathbb{R}$, and J_i 's are disjoint intervals.

e.g.1. Let $J_1 = [0, 1]$, $J_2 = [1, 2]$, and $s(x) = 10\mathbb{1}_{J_1}(x) - 2\mathbb{1}_{J_2}(x)$. Then $s(x) =$

$$\begin{cases} 10 & x \in [0, 1] \\ -2 & x \in [1, 2] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
Lemma 10.1

Let f be bounded on $[a, b]$. Assume that $f \in \mathcal{R}$. Then

$$\exists s : \left| \int_a^b f dx - \int_a^b s dx \right| < \epsilon$$

Proof: Let $\epsilon > 0$. Since $f \in \mathcal{R}$, $\exists P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\} : \left| U(P, f) - \int_a^b f dx \right| < \epsilon$. Note that $U(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta x_i = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i (x_i - x_{i-1})$. Define $s(t) = M_1 \mathbb{1}_{[x_0, x_1]} + M_2 \mathbb{1}_{[x_1, x_2]} + \dots + M_n \mathbb{1}_{[x_{n-1}, x_n]}$. Then s is a simple function. We know $s \in \mathcal{R}$. Moreover, $\int_a^b s dx = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \int_a^b \mathbb{1}_{[x_{i-1}, x_i]}(t) dt = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i (x_i - x_{i-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta x_i = U(P, f)$. Hence, we have $\left| \int_a^b s dx - \int_a^b f dx \right| < \epsilon$. ■

^{10.1} χ_J is another commonly used notation for this.

Theorem 10.2

Suppose α is increasing and $\alpha' \in \mathcal{R}$ on $[a, b]$. Let f be bounded on $[a, b]$. Then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ if and only if $f\alpha' \in \mathcal{R}$. In that case, we have

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^b f\alpha' dx$$

Proof: $\forall t_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] : \text{LHS} = \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i)\Delta\alpha_i = \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i)(\alpha(x_i) - \alpha(x_{i-1}))$; $\text{RHS} = \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i)\alpha'(t_i)(x_i - x_{i-1})$. By MVT, $\exists c_i \in (x_{i-1}, x_i) : \alpha(x_i) - \alpha(x_{i-1}) = \alpha'(c_i)(x_i - x_{i-1})$ so $\text{LHS} = \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i)\alpha'(c_i)(x_i - x_{i-1})$. Since $\alpha' \in \mathcal{R}$, $\exists P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}, \forall P \supset P_0 : U(P, \alpha') - U(P, \alpha') < \epsilon$. Hence, $\forall p_i, q_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] : \sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha'(p_i) - \alpha'(q_i)| \Delta x_i < \epsilon$ because $|\alpha'(p_i) - \alpha'(q_i)| \leq M_i - m_i$. Then $\forall t_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] : \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i)\Delta\alpha_i = \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i)\alpha'(c_i)(x_i - x_{i-1})$. Moreover, since we have a Riemann sum for $f\alpha'$ of the form $\sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i)\alpha'(t_i)(x_i - x_{i-1})$. Since f is bounded, $|f| \leq M$. Now $|\sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i)\Delta\alpha_i - \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i)\alpha'(t_i)\Delta x_i| = |\sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i)\alpha'(c_i)\Delta x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i)\alpha'(t_i)\Delta x_i| = |\sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i)(\alpha'(c_i) - \alpha'(t_i))\Delta x_i| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |f(t_i)| |\alpha'(c_i) - \alpha'(t_i)| \Delta x_i \leq M \sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha'(c_i) - \alpha'(t_i)| \Delta x_i < M\epsilon$. Then we can conclude that $\sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i)\Delta\alpha_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i)\alpha'(t_i)\Delta x_i \leq U(P, f\alpha') + M\epsilon$. Similarly, $U(P, f\alpha') \leq U(P, f, \alpha)$. So $|\int_a^b f d\alpha - \int_a^b f\alpha' dx| \leq M\epsilon$ implies $\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^b f\alpha' dx$. Similarly, $\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^b f\alpha' dx$. So $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha) \iff \int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^b f d\alpha \iff \int_a^b f\alpha' dx = \int_a^b f\alpha' dx = \int_a^b f\alpha' dx$. ■

Theorem 10.3 (Change of Variable)

1. Let $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ on $[a, b]$ and α be increasing on $[a, b]$. Let $\varphi : [A, B] \rightarrow [a, b]$ be continuous and strictly increasing. Define $\beta(t) = \alpha(\varphi(t))$ and $g(t) = f(\varphi(t))$. Then β is increasing on $[A, B]$. Moreover, $g \in \mathcal{R}(\beta)$ and

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_A^B g d\beta$$

2. Let f and α be as in (1). Let $\varphi : [A, B] \rightarrow [a, b]$ to be continuous and strictly decreasing. Define $g(t) = f(\varphi(t))$ and $\beta(t) = -\alpha(\varphi(t))$. Then β is increasing. Moreover, $g \in \mathcal{R}(\beta)$ and

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_A^B g d\beta$$

Proof will be in the next lecture.

Definition 10.3 (Support)

Let (X, d) be a metric space and $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Then the **support** of f is defined

$$\text{supp } f = \overline{\{x : f(x) \neq 0\}}$$

If $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, we say f has **compact support** if $\text{supp } f$ is compact. The set of all continuous compactly supported functions on \mathbb{R} is denoted by $C_c(\mathbb{R})$ ^{10.2}.

Definition 10.4 (Convolution)

Let $f, g \in C_c(\mathbb{R})$. The **convolution** $f * g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined as

$$f * g(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x - y)g(y)dy$$

Lemma 10.4

Let $f, g \in C_c(\mathbb{R})$. Then $h(y) = f(x - y)g(y) \in C_c(\mathbb{R})$.

Proof: If y satisfies $g(y) = 0$, then $h(y) = 0$. So $\text{supp } h \subset \text{supp } g$. Note if $h \in C_c(\mathbb{R})$, then $\text{supp } h \subset [a, b]$ and $\int_{\mathbb{R}} hdx = \int_a^b hdx$ ^{10.3}. ■

Corollary 10.5

Suppose $\alpha(x) = x$ and $f \in \mathcal{R}$. Assume further that $\varphi' \in \mathcal{R}$.

1. If $\varphi : [A, B] \rightarrow [a, b]$ is continuous and strictly increasing, then

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_A^B f(\varphi(t))\varphi'(t)dt$$

2. If $\varphi : [A, B] \rightarrow [a, b]$ is continuous and strictly decreasing, then

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = - \int_A^B f(\varphi(t))\varphi'(t)dt$$

Proof: We will prove the first statement, and the second can be shown proved similarly. To see this, note that by the previous theorem: $g(t) = f(\varphi(t)) \in \mathcal{R}(\beta)$ where $\beta(t) = \alpha(\varphi(t)) = \varphi(t)$ in (1) and $\beta(t) = -\alpha(\varphi(t)) = -\varphi(t)$ in (2). Now by the previous theorem, $\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_A^B g(t)d\beta = \int_A^B f(\varphi(t))d\varphi = \int_A^B f(\varphi(t))\varphi'(t)dt$. ■

^{10.2}More generally, $C_c(X) = \{f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f \text{ is continuous and supported compactly.}\}$

^{10.3}Note that if $\text{supp } h \subset [c, d] \subset [a, b]$, then $\int_a^b hdx = \int_c^d hdx$.

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Proof to 10.3: We will prove 2. The proof of 1 is similar. The main observation is the fact that φ induces a bijection between partitions of $[A, B]$ and $[a, b]$. More explicitly, let $Q = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$ be a partition of $[A, B]$. Then $\varphi(y_0) = b$ and $\varphi(y_n) = a$ since φ is decreasing. Let $\varphi(y_0) = x_n, \varphi(y_1) = x_{n-1}, \dots, \varphi(y_n) = x_0$ so $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ is a partition of $[a, b]$. Since φ is a continuous bijection, this is a bijection. Let now Q and $\varphi(Q) = P$ be partitions of $[A, B]$ and $[a, b]$. Note that $M_i = \sup_{[y_{i-1}, y_i]} g = \sup_{y \in [y_{i-1}, y_i]} f(\varphi(y)) = \sup_{x \in [\varphi(y_i), \varphi(y_{i-1})]} f(x) = \sup_{x \in [x_{n-1}, x_{n-i+1}]} f(x)$. Moreover, $\beta(y_i) - \beta(y_{i-1}) = ((-\alpha(\varphi(y_i))) - (-\alpha(\varphi(y_{i-1})))) = -\alpha(x_{n-1}) + \alpha(x_{n-i+1})$. Hence $U(Q, g, \beta) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i(\beta(y_i) - \beta(y_{i-1})) = \sum_{i=1}^n (\sup_{[x_{n-1}, x_{n-i+1}]} f(x))(\alpha(x_{n-i+1}) - \alpha(x_{n-1})) = U(P, f, \alpha)$. Similarly, $L(Q, g, \beta) = L(P, f, \alpha)$. Hence $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha) \implies g \in \mathcal{R}(\beta)$ and $\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_A^B g d\beta$. ■

Proposition 11.1

Let $f \in \mathcal{R}$ on $[a, b]$ and define

$$F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$$

for $a \leq x \leq b$. Then F is continuous on $[a, b]$. Moreover, if f is continuous at $c \in [a, b]$, then F is differentiable at c and $F'(c) = f(c)$.

Proof: Since $f \in \mathcal{R}$, we have f is bounded. Let M be such that $\forall x \in [a, b] : |f(x)| < M$. Let $s \in [a, b]$ and $\epsilon > 0$, we want to find $\delta > 0 : |s - r| < \delta \implies |F(s) - F(r)| < \epsilon$. Let $a \leq s \leq r \leq b$, then $F(r) - F(s) = \int_a^r f(t) dt - \int_a^s f(t) dt = \int_a^s f(t) dt + \int_s^r f(t) dt - \int_a^s f(t) dt = \int_s^r f(t) dt$. Similarly, if $a \leq u \leq s \leq b$, then $F(s) - F(u) = \int_u^s f(t) dt$. Hence if $a \leq s \leq r \leq b$, then $|F(r) - F(s)| = \left| \int_s^r f(t) dt \right| \leq \int_s^r |f(t)| dt \leq M(r - s)$. If $a \leq u \leq s \leq b$, then $|F(s) - F(u)| \leq M(s - u)$. Altogether, $|s - y| < \delta \implies |F(s) - F(y)| \leq M\delta$. Hence letting $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{2M}$, we get $|F(s) - F(y)| \leq \epsilon$. This proves F is continuous at s .

Now assume that f is continuous at c . We want to show that F is differentiable at c and $F'(c) = f(c)$. Since f is continuous at c , we have $\forall \epsilon, \exists \delta > 0 : |t - c| < \delta \implies |f(t) - f(c)| < \epsilon$. Let now $a \leq c \leq x \leq c + \delta$ and $x \in [a, b]$. Then $\left| \frac{F(x) - F(c)}{x - c} - f(c) \right| = \left| \frac{1}{x - c} \int_c^x f(t) dt - f(c) \right| = \left| \frac{1}{x - c} \int_c^x f(t) dt - \frac{1}{x - c} \int_c^x f(c) dt \right| = \left| \frac{1}{x - c} \int_c^x (f(t) - f(c)) dt \right| \leq \frac{1}{x - c} \int_c^x |f(t) - f(c)| dt < \frac{1}{x - c} \epsilon (x - c) = \epsilon$. Similarly, if $x \in [a, b]$ and $c - \delta \leq x \leq c \leq b$, then $\left| \frac{F(x) - F(c)}{x - c} - f(c) \right| < \epsilon$. Therefore, F is differentiable at c and $F'(c) = f(c)$. ■

Theorem 11.2 (Fundamental Theorem of Calculus)

Let $f \in \mathcal{R}$ on $[a, b]$ and $\exists F : F' = f$. Then

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

Proof: Let $\epsilon > 0$ be arbitrary. Then $\exists P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\} : \left| \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i)\Delta x_i - \int_a^b f(x)dx \right| < \epsilon$ for arbitrary $t_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$. Fix i , by MVT, $\exists s_i : F'(s_i)\Delta x_i = F(x_i) - F(x_{i-1})$. Since $F' = f$, $\forall i, \exists s_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] : F(x_i) - F(x_{i-1}) = F'(s_i)\Delta x_i = f(s_i)\Delta x_i$. Therefore, $\sum_{i=1}^n F(x_i) - F(x_{i-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^n f(s_i)\Delta x_i$. Note that $\sum_{i=1}^n F(x_i) - F(x_{i-1}) = F(b) - F(a)$. Then $F(b) - F(a) = \sum_{i=1}^n f(s_i)\Delta x_i$. Hence, $|F(b) - F(a) - \int_a^b f(x)dx| < \epsilon$. Since ϵ is arbitrary, we get $F(b) - F(a) = \int_a^b f(x)dx$. ■

Corollary 11.3 (Integration by Parts)

Let F and G be differentiable on $[a, b]$. Assume that $F' = f$ and $G' = g$ are both integrable. Then

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

Proof: Let $H(x) = F(x)G(x)$. Then H is differentiable and $H'(x) = F'(x)G(x) + F(x)G'(x) = f(x)G(x) + F(x)g(x)$. Since $f \in \mathcal{R}$ and $g \in \mathcal{R}$, F and G are differentiable, by FTC, $\int_a^b (fG + Fg) = \int_a^b H' = H(b) - H(a) = F(b)G(b) - F(a)G(a)$. ■

11.1 Vector-valued Functions

Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $f = (f_1, \dots, f_n)$. Then we say $f \in \mathcal{R}$ if $\forall i : f_i \in \mathcal{R}$. If $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$, then $\int_a^b f d\alpha = \left(\int_a^b f_1 d\alpha, \dots, \int_a^b f_n d\alpha \right)$.

Theorem 11.4 (Fundamental Theorem of Calculus)

Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be in \mathcal{R} . Suppose $\exists F : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n : F' = f$. Then

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

Proposition 11.5

Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$. Suppose $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$. Then $\|f\| \in \mathcal{R}$ and

$$\left\| \int_a^b f d\alpha \right\| \leq \int_a^b \|f\| d\alpha$$

e.g.1. (**Riemann-Lebesgue Theorem**) Let $f \in \mathcal{R}$ on $[a, b]$. Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 f(x) \sin(nx) \, dx = 0$$

Proof: The proof will be completed in some steps. A complete proof will be in the next lecture.

1. Prove for constant functions $f(x) = c$.
2. Prove for simple functions $f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \mathbf{1}_{I_i}$.
3. Given $f \in \mathcal{R}$ and $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists s : f \leq s$ and $0 \leq \int_a^b s - \int_a^b f < \epsilon$. ■

Lecture 12: Riemann-Lebesgue Lemma, Curve, Sequence of Functions

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Proof to e.g.11.1:

1. Let $f(x) = c$ be a constant function where $c \in \mathbb{R}$.

We want to compute $\int_0^1 c \sin(nx) dx = c \int_0^1 \sin(nx) dx = c \int_0^n \sin u \frac{du}{n} = \frac{c}{n} \int_0^n \sin u du$. Let k be the largest integer so that $2\pi k \leq n$. Then $0 \leq n - 2\pi k < 2\pi$. Hence $\int_0^1 c \sin(nx) dx = \frac{c}{n} \int_0^n \sin u du = \frac{c}{n} (\int_0^{2k\pi} \sin u du + \int_{2k\pi}^n \sin u du) = \frac{c}{n} \int_{2k\pi}^n \sin u du$. Then $\left| c \int_0^1 \sin(nx) dx \right| = \left| \frac{c}{n} \int_{2k\pi}^n \sin u du \right| \leq \frac{c}{n} \int_{2k\pi}^n |\sin u| du \leq \frac{c}{n} \cdot 1 \cdot (n - 2k\pi) \leq \frac{2\pi c}{n} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$.

2. Let $f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} c_i \mathbb{1}_{I_i}$ be a simple function where I_i are disjoint intervals.

Since ℓ is fixed, it suffices to show that $\int_0^1 c_i \mathbb{1}_{I_i} \sin(nx) dx \rightarrow 0$. Note that this can be rewritten as $\int_0^1 c_i \mathbb{1}_{I_i} \sin(nx) dx = c_i \int_{a_i}^{b_i} \sin(nx) dx$. We need to show that $c_i \int_{a_i}^{b_i} \sin(nx) dx \rightarrow 0$. By Change of Variable, $c_i \int_{a_i}^{b_i} \sin(nx) dx = c_i \int_{na_i}^{nb_i} \sin u \frac{du}{n}$. Let k_1 be the smallest integer such that $2k_1\pi \geq na_i$ and k_2 be the largest integer such that $2k_2\pi \leq nb_i$. Then $\frac{c_i}{n} \int_{na_i}^{nb_i} \sin u du = \frac{c_i}{n} (\int_{na_i}^{2k_1\pi} \sin u du + \int_{2k_1\pi}^{2k_2\pi} \sin u du + \int_{2k_2\pi}^{nb_i} \sin u du) = \frac{c_i}{n} (\int_{na_i}^{2k_1\pi} \sin u du + \int_{2k_2\pi}^{nb_i} \sin u du)$. Therefore, $|c_i \int_{a_i}^{b_i} \sin(nx) dx| \leq \frac{c_i}{n} (2\pi + 2\pi) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$.

3. Let $f \in \mathcal{R}$.

Let $\epsilon > 0$. $\exists s, \forall x \in [0, 1] : f(x) \leq s(x), 0 \leq \int (s - f) < \epsilon$. Write $s = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} c_i \mathbb{1}_{I_i}$. Now by step 2, we have $\exists N : n > N \implies |\int_0^1 s \sin(nx) dx| < \epsilon$. Let $n > N$, then $\int_0^1 f(x) \sin(nx) dx = \int_0^1 (f(x) - s(x) + s(x)) \sin(nx) dx = \int_0^1 (f(x) - s(x)) \sin(nx) dx + \int_0^1 s(x) \sin(nx) dx$. Hence, $|\int_0^1 f(x) \sin(nx) dx| \leq |\int_0^1 (f(x) - s(x)) \sin(nx) dx| + |\int_0^1 s(x) \sin(nx) dx| \leq |\int_0^1 (f(x) - s(x)) \sin(nx) dx| + \epsilon \leq \int_0^1 |f(x) - s(x)| |\sin(nx)| dx + \epsilon \leq \int_0^1 (s(x) - f(x)) dx + \epsilon = 2\epsilon$. ■

Remark: Similarly, one can show $\forall f \in \mathcal{R} : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 f(x) \cos(nx) dx = 0$.

12.1 Curve

Definition 12.1 (Curve)

A **curve** on $[a, b]$ is a continuous function $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$.

e.g.1.

- If $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, then $\gamma(t) = (t, f(t))$ is a curve.
- $\gamma : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, \gamma(t) = (\cos t, \sin t)$ is a curve.

- $\gamma : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, \gamma(t) = (\cos 2t, \sin 2t)$ is a curve ^{12.1}.

Definition 12.2 (*Rectifiable*)

Let $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be a curve. Given a partition $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ of $[a, b]$. Define

$$\Lambda(P, \gamma) = \sum_{i=1}^n \|\gamma(x_i) - \gamma(x_{i-1})\|$$

where $\|\cdot\|$ is the usual norm in \mathbb{R}^n . Define

$$\Lambda(\gamma) = \sup \Lambda(P, \gamma)$$

A curve is called **rectifiable** if $\Lambda(\gamma) < \infty$.

e.g.2. We now construct a curve on $[0, 1]$ which has infinite length.

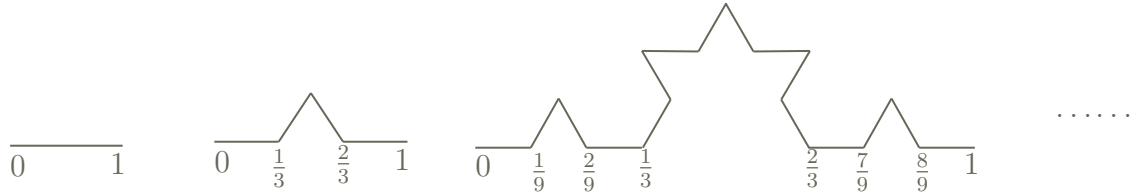


Figure 12.1: Curve of infinite length: $1, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{16}{9}, \dots$

Theorem 12.1

Let $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be a curve and γ' be continuous. Then γ is rectifiable and

$$\Lambda(\gamma) = \int_a^b \|\gamma'(t)\| dt$$

Proof: We want to show $\Lambda(\gamma) \leq \int_a^b \|\gamma'(t)\| dt$ and $\Lambda(\gamma) \geq \int_a^b \|\gamma'(t)\| dt$. Let $P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$ be a partition. Then $\|\gamma(x_i) - \gamma(x_{i-1})\| = \|\int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \gamma'(t) dt\| \leq \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \|\gamma'(t)\| dt$. Then $\Lambda(P, \gamma) \leq \int_a^b \|\gamma'(t)\| dt$. So γ is rectifiable and $\Lambda(\gamma) \leq \int_a^b \|\gamma'(t)\| dt$. The other side of the inequality $\int_a^b \|\gamma'(t)\| dt \leq \Lambda(\gamma)$ follows from the uniform continuity of γ' on $[a, b]$. Indeed, given $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta : |r - s| < \delta \implies \|\gamma'(r) - \gamma'(s)\| < \epsilon$. So if P is so that $\Delta x_i < \delta$, then $\|\gamma'(t) - \gamma'(x_{i-1})\| < \epsilon$. Hence, $\int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \|\gamma'(t)\| dt \leq \|\gamma'(x_{i-1})\| \Delta x_i + \epsilon \Delta x_i$. Note $\|\gamma'(x_{i-1})\| \Delta x_i = \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \|\gamma'(x_{i-1})\| dt = \|\int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \gamma'(x_{i-1}) dt\| = \|\int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} (\gamma'(x_{i-1}) - \gamma'(t) + \gamma'(t)) dt\| \leq \|\int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \gamma'(t) dt\| + \|\int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} (\gamma'(x_{i-1}) - \gamma'(t)) dt\| = \|\gamma(x_i) - \gamma(x_{i-1})\| + \epsilon \Delta x_i$. Hence, $\int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \|\gamma'(t)\| dt \leq \|\gamma(x_i) - \gamma(x_{i-1})\| + 2\epsilon \Delta x_i$. Summing this for $i = 1, \dots, n$, we get $\int_a^b \|\gamma'(t)\| dt \leq \Lambda(P, \gamma) + 2\epsilon(b - a) \leq \Lambda(P, \gamma)$. ■

^{12.1}Two curves may have the same image in \mathbb{R}^n even though they are different continuous function.

12.2 Sequence of Functions

Let (X, d) be a metric space, and $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : f_n : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Then $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of functions

Definition 12.3 (*Pointwise Converge*)

Let $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function. We say $\{f_n\}$ converges to f **pointwise** if

$$\forall x \in X : f_n(x) \rightarrow f(x)$$

Definition 12.4 (*Uniformly Converge*)

Let $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function. We say $\{f_n\}$ converges to f **uniformly** on X if

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N, \forall x \in X, \forall n > N : |f_n(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon$$

Remark: in definition 1, $\forall x \in X, \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N = N(x, \epsilon), \forall n > N : |f_n(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon$; in definition 2, $\forall x \in X, \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N = N(\epsilon), \forall n > N : |f_n(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon$. Similarly, we define convergence of $\sum f_n$ using sequence $s_n = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i$ of partial sums.

e.g.3. $f_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f_n(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \frac{1}{n} < x < \frac{2}{n} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$. Then $\forall x \in [0, 1]$, we have

1. $x = 0$. $\forall n : f_n(0) = 0$ so $f_n(0) \rightarrow 0$.
2. $0 < x \leq 1$. Then $\exists N, \forall n > N : x > \frac{2}{n}$. So $\forall n > N : f_n(x) = 0$. Then $f_n(x) \rightarrow 0$.

Then we can conclude that $\{f_n\}$ converges pointwise to 0 ^{12.2}.

^{12.2}Note that this sequence is not uniformly convergent to 0. Indeed, suppose it does. Let $\epsilon = \frac{1}{2}$. Then $\exists N, \forall n > N, \forall x : |f_n(x) - 0| < \epsilon = \frac{1}{2}$. However, if $\frac{1}{n} < x < \frac{2}{n}$, then $f_n(x) = 1 < \frac{1}{2}$, contradiction.

Lecture 13: Cauchy's Criterion for Uniform Convergence

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e.g.1. Consider $f_n(x) = x^n$ on $[0, 1]$. $\forall x \in [0, 1] : x^n \rightarrow 0$ and $\forall n : x = 1 \implies x^n = 1$. So $f_n(x) \xrightarrow{\text{pointwise}} f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 \leq x < 1 \\ 1 & x = 1 \end{cases}$.

Remark: Continuity of f at 1 means $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = f(1)$. Note that $\forall x : f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)$. So we are asking whether $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(1)$ ^{13.1?} *e.g.2* shows that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)) \neq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(1)$.

e.g.2. Let $a_{n,m} = \frac{m}{m+n}$. Note that $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} a_{n,m} = 1$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n,m} = 0$. So $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} a_{n,m}) = 1$. However, $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n,m}) = 0$.

e.g.3. Let $T = \{t_1, t_2, \dots\} \subset [0, 1]$ be a countable set. $f_n(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \in \{t_1, \dots, t_n\} \\ 0 & x \notin \{t_1, \dots, t_n\} \end{cases}$.
 f_n is continuous except at $\{t_1, \dots, t_n\}$. Note that $f_n(x) \rightarrow f(x) \begin{cases} 1 & x \in T \\ 0 & x \notin T \end{cases}$. So if T is dense in $[0, 1]$, then f is discontinuous at every point in $[0, 1]$ ^{13.2}.

Lemma 13.1

Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of functions on X , and let $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be another function so that $\forall x \in X : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = f(x)$. Let

$$M_n = \sup_{x \in X} |f_n(x) - f(x)|$$

Then $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$ on X if and only if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n = 0$.

Proof:

\implies Suppose $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$. Then $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N, \forall n > N, \forall x \in X : |f_n(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon$.
 Then $\forall n > N : \sup_{x \in X} |f_n(x) - f(x)| \leq \epsilon$ implies $M_n \rightarrow 0$.

\impliedby Can be shown similarly. ■

Lemma 13.2 (Cauchy's Criterion for Uniform Convergence)

Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of functions on X . Then $\{f_n\}$ be uniformly convergent on X if and only if

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N, \forall x \in X, \forall m, n > N : |f_n(x) - f_m(x)| < \epsilon$$

^{13.1}In this example, switching the order of taking limit is not allowed as in order to have $f_n(x) \rightarrow f(x)$ for $x \rightarrow 1$, n needs to be large. And similarly, in order to see continuity of f_n at 1 for n large, x needs to be close to 1.

^{13.2}**Remark:** If $T = [0, 1] \cap \mathbb{Q}$, then $f \in \mathcal{R}$ on $[0, 1]$ but $f \notin \mathcal{R}$.

Proof:

\Rightarrow Since $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly convergent, $\exists f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \forall \epsilon, \exists N, \forall x \in X, \forall n > N : |f_n(x) - f(x)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$. Let $m, n > N$ and $x \in X$. Then $|f_n(x) - f_m(x)| \leq |f_n(x) - f(x)| + |f(x) - f_m(x)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$.

\Leftarrow Since $\{f_n\}$ satisfied the Cauchy Criterion, we have $\forall x \in X : \{f_n(x)\}$ is a Cauchy in \mathbb{R} . Hence, $f_n(x) \rightarrow \ell_x$ where ℓ_x is the unique limit. Define $f(x) = \ell_x$. Then $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. We claim $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$. Let $\epsilon > 0, \exists N, \forall x \in X, \forall m, n > N : |f_n(x) - f_m(x)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$. Now $\forall x \in X : |f_n(x) - f(x)| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \epsilon$. So $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$. ■

Corollary 13.3

Suppose $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of functions on X and assume $\forall x \in X : |f_n(x)| \leq M_n$. Assume that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n$ converges. Then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$ converges uniformly.

Proof: By the previous lemma, it suffices to show that $\sum f_n$ satisfies the Cauchy's Criterion. Let $\epsilon > 0$. Since $\sum M_n$ converges, $\exists N, \forall m \geq n > N : 0 \leq \sum_{i=n}^m M_i < \epsilon$. Now $|\sum_{i=n}^m f_i(x)| \leq \sum_{i=n}^m |f_i(x)| \leq \sum_{i=n}^m M_i < \epsilon$. Hence the sequence $s_n(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x)$ is Cauchy and the previous lemma implies uniform convergent. ■

Corollary 13.4

Let f be ∞ -differentiable on \mathbb{R} . Suppose $\forall M > 0, \exists T(M), \forall n : \text{13.3}$

$$\sup_{x \in [-M, M]} |f^{(n)}(x)| < T$$

Then $P_{n,0}(x) \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$ on $[-M, M]$.

Proof: In order to show $P_{n,0}(x) \rightarrow f(x)$. We need to show: $\forall \epsilon, \exists N, \forall x \in [-M, M], \forall n > N : |P_{n,0}(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon$. Recall from Taylor's Theorem that $f(x) = P_{n,0}(x) + \frac{f^{(n+1)}(t)}{(n+1)!} x^{n+1}$ for some $t \in [-M, M]$. Hence $\forall x \in [-M, M] : |f(x) - P_{n,0}(x)| \leq \sup_{t \in [-M, M]} |f^{(n+1)}(t)| \cdot \frac{M^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} < T \cdot \frac{M^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}$. Recall now that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{M^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} = 0$. So $\forall x \in [-M, M] : |f(x) - P_{n,0}(x)| < \epsilon$. ■

^{13.3} $T(M)$ means that T depends on M .

Lecture 14: Uniform Convergence and Continuity

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Proposition 14.1For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, define

$$\varphi_n(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2} & x \in [-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Let $f \in C_c(\mathbb{R})$. Then $f * \varphi_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$.

Proof: Since $f \in C_c(\mathbb{R})$, f is uniformly continuous. So $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta, \forall s, t \in \mathbb{R} : |s - t| < \delta \implies |f(s) - f(t)| < \epsilon$. Recall the definition of $f * \varphi_n(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x - y) \varphi_n(y) dy = \int_{-1/n}^{1/n} f(x - y) \varphi_n(y) dy = \frac{n}{2} \int_{-1/n}^{1/n} f(x - y) dy$. Let now n be larger enough such that $\frac{1}{n} < \delta$. Then $|f * \varphi_n(x) - f(x)| = \frac{n}{2} \int_{-1/n}^{1/n} f(x - y) dy - f(x) = |\frac{n}{2} \int_{-1/n}^{1/n} f(x - y) dy - \frac{n}{2} \int_{-1/n}^{1/n} f(x) dy| \leq \frac{n}{2} \int_{-1/n}^{1/n} |f(x - y) - f(x)| dy \leq \frac{n}{2} (\epsilon (\frac{1}{n} - (-\frac{1}{n}))) = \epsilon$. Since $x \in \mathbb{R}$ is arbitrary, we get $f * \varphi_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$. ■

Remark: All we used in the proof is that:

1. $\varphi_n \geq 0$
2. $\int \varphi_n = 1$
3. $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N, \forall t \notin [-\delta, \delta], \forall n > N : \varphi_n(t) = 0$

Lemma 14.2

Let $E \subset X$ be a subset. Suppose $\{f_n\}$ and f are functions on E such that $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$ on E . Let $x \in X$ be a limit point of E , and $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : \lim_{t \rightarrow x} f_n(t) = A_n$ exist. Then $\{A_n\}$ converges and

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow x} f(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n$$

Proof: Let $\epsilon > 0$. Since $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$, they are uniformly Cauchy so $\exists N, \forall m, n > N, \forall t \in E : |f_m(t) - f_n(t)| < \epsilon$. Fix m, n and take the limit as $t \rightarrow x$. We get that $|A_m - A_n| \leq \epsilon$. So $\{A_n\}$ is Cauchy, and $\{A_n\} \rightarrow A$. For $t \in E$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we have $|f(t) - A| = |f(t) - f_n(t) + f_n(t) - A_n + A_n - A| \leq |f(t) - f_n(t)| + |f_n(t) - A_n| + |A_n - A|$. Since $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$ and $A_n \rightarrow A$, $\exists N, \forall t \in E, \forall n > N : |f(t) - f_n(t)| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}$ and $|A - A_n| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}$. Fix $n_0 > N$. Since $f_{n_0}(t) \rightarrow A_{n_0}$, $\exists \delta > 0 : 0 < d(t, x) < \delta \implies |f_{n_0}(t) - A_{n_0}| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}$. Let now $t \in E$ be such that $0 < d(t, x) < \delta$, then we have $|f(t) - A| \leq |f(t) - f_{n_0}(t)| + |f_{n_0}(t) - A_{n_0}| + |A_{n_0} - A| \leq 3 \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{3} = \epsilon$. Altogether, we conclude that $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} f(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n$. ■

Remark: The lemma is asserting the following: if $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$, then

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow x} (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(t)) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\lim_{t \rightarrow x} f_n(t))$$

Theorem 14.3

Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of continuous functions on X . Suppose $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$ on X . Then f is continuous on X .

Proof: We will deduce this theorem from the lemma 14.2. Indeed since f_n 's are continuous, we have $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} f_n(t) = f_n(x) = A_n$. Since $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$, we have $\{f_n(x)\}$ converges to $f(x)$. Moreover, by the lemma, $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} f(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = f(x)$. Hence f is continuous. ■

e.g.1. For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $f_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \in [0, \frac{1}{n}] \cup [\frac{2}{n}, 1] \\ nx - \frac{1}{2} & x \in [\frac{1}{n}, \frac{3}{2n}] \\ -nx + \frac{5}{2} & x \in [\frac{3}{2n}, \frac{2}{n}] \end{cases}$

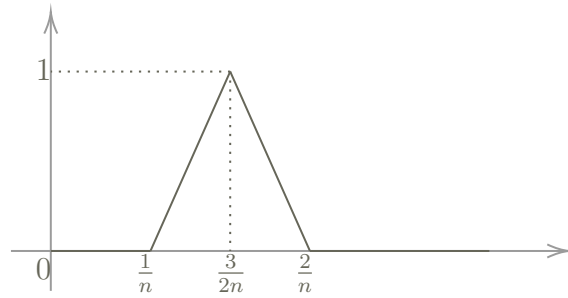


Figure 14.1: e.g.1

Then $f_n(x) \xrightarrow{\text{pointwise}} 0$. Indeed, $\forall x \neq 0$. If n is such that $\frac{2}{n} < x$, then $f_n(x) = 0$ so $\forall x \neq 0 : f_n(x) \rightarrow 0$. Moreover, $\forall n : f_n(x) = 0$ and f_n is continuous. However, f_n does not converge to f uniformly. Indeed, let $M_n = \sup_{x \in [0,1]} |f_n(x) - f(x)| = 1 \not\rightarrow 0$.

Proposition 14.4

Let K be compact. Assume

1. $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of continuous functions on K .
2. $\{f_n\}$ pointwise converge to a continuous function f on K .
3. $\forall n, \forall x \in K : f_n(x) \geq f_{n+1}(x)$.

Then $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$.

Proof: Define $M_n = \sup_{x \in K} |f_n(x) - f(x)|$. We want to show $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$ by showing that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n = 0$. Let $\epsilon > 0$. We need to find N such that $\forall n > N : M_n < \epsilon$. This is to say, if $n > N$, then $\{x \in K : |f_n(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon\} = K$. i.e. $\{x \in K : |f_n(x) - f(x)| \geq \epsilon\} = \emptyset$. Define $g_n(x) = f_n(x) - f(x)$. Then g_n is continuous, $g_n(x) \xrightarrow{\text{pointwise}} 0$, and $g_n \geq g_{n+1}$. So in terms of g_n , we want to show $\exists N, \forall n > N : \{x \in K : |g_n(x)| \geq \epsilon\} = \emptyset$. Define $K_n = \{x \in K : |g_n(x)| \geq \epsilon\}$. Then K_n is closed, and $K_n \subset K$. So K_n is compact. Since $g_n \geq g_{n+1}$, if $x \in K$ satisfies $g_{n+1}(x) \geq \epsilon$, then $g_n(x) \geq \epsilon$. Then $K_{n+1} \subset K_n$. Hence we get a nested sequence of compact sets $K_1 \subset K_2 \subset \dots$. Note that $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n = \emptyset$. To see this, assume $\exists x \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n$. Then $\forall x : g_n(x) \rightarrow 0$ so $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n = \emptyset$. We conclude that $\exists N : K_N = \emptyset$. Then $\forall n \geq N : K_n \subset K_N, K_n = \emptyset$ implies $\forall n \geq N : M_n < \epsilon$. ■

Lecture 15: $C_b(X)$, Uniform Convergence and Integration & Differentiation

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Let X be a metric space. We denote

$$C_b(X) := \{f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \text{ s.t. } f \text{ is continuous and bounded}\}$$

If X is compact, then $C_b(X) = C(X)$ where $C(X)$ is the space of continuous functions. Also note that $C_c(X) \subset C_b(X)$. Define

$$\|f\|_\infty = \sup_{x \in X} |f(x)|$$

Proposition 15.1

$\|\cdot\|$ is a norm on $C_b(X)$.

Proof:

- $\|f\|_\infty \geq 0$. Moreover, if $\|f\|_\infty = 0$, then $\forall x \in X : f(x) = 0$ implies $f = 0$.
- $\|f + g\|_\infty = \sup_{x \in X} |f(x) + g(x)| \leq \sup_{x \in X} |f(x)| + \sup_{x \in X} |g(x)| \leq \sup_{x \in X} |f(x)| + \sup_{y \in X} |g(y)| = \|f\|_\infty + \|g\|_\infty$.
- $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \|\lambda f\|_\infty = |\lambda| \|f\|_\infty$. ■

In view of this proposition, if we define

$$d(f, g) = \|f - g\|_\infty$$

Then $d(\cdot, \cdot)$ is a metric on $C_b(X)$.

e.g.1. $X = \{a, b\}$. Then $d(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & x = y \\ 1 & x \neq y \end{cases}$. $C_b(X) = \{f : \{a, b\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}\}$. So $f \in C_b(X)$ is uniquely determined by two complex numbers namely $(f(a), f(b))$. So $C_b(X) \simeq \mathbb{C}^2$. Moreover, $d((z_1, z_2), (w_1, w_2)) = \|(z_1, z_2) - (w_1, w_2)\|_\infty = \max\{|z_1 - w_1|, |z_2 - w_2|\}$.

Lemma 15.2

Let X be a metric space. A sequence $\{f_n\}$ of function in $C_b(X)$ converge in the metric d if and only if $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly convergent.

Proof: Suppose $\{f_n\}$ converge in the metric d . Then $\exists f \in C_b(X) : d(f_n, f) \rightarrow 0 \iff d(f_n, f) = \sup_{x \in X} \|f_n(x) - f(x)\|_\infty \rightarrow 0 \iff f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$. ■

Proposition 15.3

$C_b(X)$ with d_∞ is a complete metric space.

Proof: Let $\{f_n\}$ be a Cauchy sequence in $C_b(X)$. Then $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N, \forall m, n > N : d(f_n, f_m) = \|f_n - f_m\|_\infty < \epsilon$. Therefore, $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly Cauchy. By a lemma, we know that uniform Cauchy implies uniform convergence. So let $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be the function such that $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$. We need to show that $f \in C_b(X)$: (1). Since $\{f_n\}$ are continuous and f is the uniform limit, f is continuous; (2). Since $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$ and $\{f_n\}$ are bounded, $\exists N : \forall n > N : \|f_n - f\|_\infty < 1$. Fix some $n > N$. Then $\|f\|_\infty < 1 + \|f_n\|_\infty$. Since $f_n \in C_b(X)$, $\|f_n\|_\infty < \infty$ so $\|f\|_\infty < \infty$. Then $f \in C_b(X)$. ■

15.1 Uniform Convergence and Integration

Proposition 15.4

Let α be increasing on $[a, b]$. Suppose $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : f_n \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ on $[a, b]$, and assume that $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$. Then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ and $\int_a^b f_n d\alpha \rightarrow \int_a^b f d\alpha$.

Proof: Since $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$, we have $\epsilon_n = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} |f_n(x) - f(x)| \rightarrow 0$. Therefore, $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N, \forall n > N, \forall x \in [a, b] : |f_n(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon$. So $f_n(x) - \epsilon < f(x) < f_n(x) + \epsilon$. Hence $f_n d\alpha - \epsilon(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)) \leq \int f d\alpha \leq \int f_n d\alpha + \epsilon(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))$ and $f_n d\alpha - \epsilon(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)) \leq \int f d\alpha \leq \int f_n d\alpha + \epsilon(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))$. Then $|\int f d\alpha - \int f_n d\alpha| < \epsilon(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))$ and $|\int f d\alpha - \int f_n d\alpha| < \epsilon(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))$. This gives $|\int f d\alpha - \int f_n d\alpha| < 2\epsilon(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))$. Since ϵ is arbitrary, $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$. Moreover, we have $\forall n > N : |\int f d\alpha - \int f_n d\alpha| < \epsilon(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))$ so $\int_a^b f_n d\alpha \rightarrow \int_a^b f d\alpha$. ■

Remark: This say we can change the order of \lim and \int under the assumption of uniform convergence. i.e.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b f_n d\alpha = \int_a^b \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n d\alpha$$

Remark: Uniform convergence is too strong for integration. Indeed the following holds true (do not prove it here):

Theorem 15.5 (Lebesgue Dominated Convergence Theorem)

Suppose $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{pointwise}} f$ and $\exists g \in \mathcal{R}, \forall n, \forall x \in [a, b] : |f_n(x)| \leq g(x)$. Then $\int_a^b f_n dx = \int_a^b f dx$.

Corollary 15.6

Suppose $f_n \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ on $[a, b]$ and that $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$ uniformly converge on $[a, b]$. Then

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_a^b f_n d\alpha$$

e.g.2. $f_n(x) = \frac{x^n}{n!}$, then $\sum f_n(x)$ uniformly converges and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_a^b f_n dx = \int_a^b (\sum f_n) dx$.

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e.g.3. $f_n(x) = \frac{\sin nx}{\sqrt{n}}$, $f_n(x) \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} 0$. $f'_n(x) = \sqrt{n} \cos nx$. Then $\{f'_n(x)\}$ is not bounded.

Proposition 15.7

Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of differentiable functions on $[a, b]$. Assume

1. $\exists x_0 \in [a, b] : \{f_n(x_0)\}$ converges.
2. $\{f'_n\}$ is continuous and uniformly convergent.

Then $\{f_n\}$ uniformly converges to a differentiable function f on $[a, b]$ and $\forall x \in [a, b]$:

$$f'(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'_n(x)$$

Proof: Define $\{f'_n\}$ are continuous. By FTC, $f_n(x) - f_n(x_0) = \int_{x_0}^x f'_n(t) dt$. Now we show that $\{f_n\}$ uniformly converges. We will show that $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly Cauchy. Let $\epsilon > 0$ be arbitrary. $\exists N, \forall m, n > N, \forall x \in [a, b] : |f_n(x_0) - f_m(x_0)| < \epsilon$ and $|f'_n(x) - f'_m(x)| < \epsilon$. Let $m, n > N$. Then $|f_n(x) - f_m(x) - (f_n(x_0) - f_m(x_0))| = |f_n(x) - f_m(x) + f_m(x_0) - f_n(x_0)| = |\int_{x_0}^x (f'_n(t) - f'_m(t)) dt| \leq \int_{x_0}^x |f'_n(t) - f'_m(t)| dt < \epsilon(b - a)$. Now we have $|f_n(x) - f_m(x)| \leq |f_n(x_0) - f_m(x_0)| + \epsilon(b - a) < \epsilon + \epsilon(b - a)$. Hence $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly Cauchy. Let $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$. Recall that $f'_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} g$. Since $\{f'_n\}$ are continuous, g is continuous. Let G be defined by $G(x) = f(x_0) + \int_{x_0}^x g(t) dt$ ^{15.1}. Then by FTC, we have $G' = g = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'_n$. So the proof will be complete if we show $G = f$. Note that $f_n(x) - f_n(x_0) = \int_{x_0}^x f'_n(t) dt$. By the proposition about uniform convergence and integration, we have $\int_{x_0}^x f'_n(t) dt \rightarrow \int_{x_0}^x g(t) dt$. So $f_n(x) - f_n(x_0) \rightarrow G(x) - f(x_0)$. Moreover, since $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$, we have $f_n(x) - f_n(x_0) \rightarrow f(x) - f(x_0)$ which implies $G = f$. ■

Remark: Condition (1) is necessary: $f_n(x) = n$ on $[a, b]$. Then $f'_n = 0$ uniformly converge but $\{f_n\}$ do not converge.

^{15.1}Note that $f(x_0)$ is a constant.

Lecture 16: Equicontinuity

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Proposition 16.1

Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of differentiable functions on $[a, b]$. Assume

1. $\exists x_0 \in [a, b] : \{f_n(x_0)\}$ converge.
2. $\{f'_n\}$ uniformly converges.

Then $\{f_n\}$ uniformly converge to a differentiable function f on $[a, b]$ and $\forall x \in [a, b] :$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'_n(x)$$

Proof: We will first show that $\{f_n\}$ uniformly converges. For that, we need to show $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly Cauchy. Given $\epsilon > 0, \exists N, \forall m, n > N, \forall x \in [a, b] : |f_n(x_0) - f_m(x_0)| < \epsilon$ and $|f'_n(x) - f'_m(x)| < \epsilon$. Fix $m, n > N$ and define $g(x) = f_n(x) - f_m(x)$ for $x \in [a, b]$. Let $s, t \in [a, b]$. By MVT, $\exists \xi : |g(s) - g(t)| = |g'(\xi)| |s - t| \leq |g'(\xi)| (b - a)$. Rewriting this in terms of f , we have $|f_n(s) - f_m(s) - (f_n(t) - f_m(t))| \leq |f'_n(\xi) - f'_m(\xi)| (b - a) \leq \epsilon(b - a)$. This implies that $\forall x \in [a, b], s = x, t = x_0 : |f_n(s) - f_m(s) - (f_n(x_0) - f_m(x_0))| \leq \epsilon(b - a)$. Then $|f_n(s) - f_m(s)| < \epsilon(b - a) + |f_n(x_0) - f_m(x_0)| < \epsilon(b - a) + \epsilon$. Hence $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly Cauchy so $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$ on $[a, b]$.

We now show that f is differentiable and $f'_n(x) \rightarrow f'(x)$. Recall that we define $f'_n(x) = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f_n(x) - f_n(t)}{x - t}$. Fix $x \in [a, b]$ and define $\varphi_n(t) = \frac{f_n(x) - f_n(t)}{x - t}$ and $\varphi(t) = \frac{f(x) - f(t)}{x - t}$. Then $\forall t \in [a, b], t \neq x : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_n(t) = \varphi(t); \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \varphi_n(t) = f'_n(x);$ and $\ell_x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'_n(x)$ exists.

We claim that $\{\varphi_n\}$ is uniformly convergent on $[a, b] \setminus \{x\}$. To see this, we need to show $\{\varphi_n\}$ is uniformly Cauchy. Let N be as before so $\forall m, n > N, \forall x \in [a, b] : |f_n(x_0) - f_m(x_0)| < \epsilon$ and $|f'_n(x) - f'_m(x)| < \epsilon$. Let $m, n > N$, recall that $|f_n(x) - f_m(x) - (f_n(t) - f_m(t))| = |f'_n(\xi) - f'_m(\xi)| \cdot |x - t| < \epsilon |x - t|$. Then $|(f_n(x) - f_n(t)) - (f_m(x) - f_m(t))| < \epsilon |x - t|$. This implies $\left| \frac{f_n(x) - f_n(t)}{x - t} - \frac{f_m(x) - f_m(t)}{x - t} \right| < \epsilon$. In other words, $|\varphi_n(t) - \varphi_m(t)| < \epsilon$. Now we have $\ell_x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'_n(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \varphi_n(t)) = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_n(t)) = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \varphi(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(x) - f(t)}{t - x}$. So f is differentiable at x , and $f'(x) = \ell_x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'_n(x)$. ■

Equicontinuous Family of Function

Definition 16.1 (Pointwise Bounded Family)

Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of functions on set A . We say $\{f_n\}$ is **pointwise bounded family** if $\forall a \in A, \exists M_a \in \mathbb{R}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N} : |f_n(a)| \leq M_a$.

Remark: If $\{f_k\}$ is a pointwise bounded family of functions, then $\exists g : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ so $\forall a \in A, \forall n \in \mathbb{N} : f_n(a) \leq g(a)$. Indeed $\forall a \in A$, define $g(a) = \sup\{|f_n| : n =$

$1, 2, \dots\}$. Note that $\{|f_n(a) : n \in \mathbb{N}|\}$ is a bounded nonempty subset of \mathbb{R} so the sup exists and is unique.

Definition 16.2 (Uniformly Bounded Family)

Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of functions on A . We say $\{f_n\}$ is **uniformly bounded family** if $\exists M \in \mathbb{R}, \forall a \in A, \forall n \in \mathbb{N} : |f_n(a)| \leq M$.

e.g.1. $A = [0, 1]$

- $\{f_n(x) = n\}$ is not pointwise bounded.
- $f_n(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x} & \frac{1}{n} \leq x \leq 1 \\ n^2 x & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{n} \end{cases}$. Then $\{f_n\}$ is pointwise bounded. But not uniformly bounded.
- $f_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \in [0, \frac{1}{n}] \cup [\frac{2}{n}, 1] \\ nx - \frac{1}{2} & x \in [\frac{1}{n}, \frac{3}{2n}] \\ -nx + \frac{5}{2} & x \in [\frac{3}{2n}, \frac{2}{n}] \end{cases}$. Then $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly bounded:
 $\forall n, x : f_n(x) \leq 1$ ^{16.1}.

Remark: Uniform boundedness does not generally imply existence of a pointwise convergent subsequence.

e.g.2. $f_n(x) = \sin nx$. See the book.

Definition 16.3 (Equicontinuous Family of functions)

Let \mathcal{F} be a family of functions on a metric space X . We say \mathcal{F} is an **equicontinuous family** if $\forall f \in \mathcal{F}$

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 : \forall x, y \in X, d(x, y) < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$$

Remark: Note that if \mathcal{F} is an equicontinuous family. Then every $f \in \mathcal{F}$ is uniformly continuous. But the converse is not necessarily true.

e.g.3. $f_n(x) = x^n$ on $[0, 1]$. Then f_n is continuous and $[0, 1]$ is compact. So f_n is uniformly continuous. However, $\{f_n\}$ is not equicontinuous.

Toward a contradiction, suppose $\{f_n\}$ is equicontinuous. Then for $\epsilon = \frac{1}{2}, \exists \delta > 0, \forall n : |x - y| < \delta \implies |f_n(x) - f_n(y)| < \frac{1}{2}$. Now suppose $y = 1$ and $x = 1 - \frac{\delta}{2}$, then $|x - y| = \frac{\delta}{2} < \delta$. We have $f_n(x) = (1 - \frac{\delta}{2})^n \rightarrow 0$ and $f(y) = 1$. So $|f_n(x) - f_n(y)| < \frac{1}{2}$. Contradiction.

$$\text{e.g.4. } f_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \in [0, \frac{1}{n}] \cup [\frac{2}{n}, 1] \\ nx - \frac{1}{2} & x \in [\frac{1}{n}, \frac{3}{2n}] \\ -nx + \frac{5}{2} & x \in [\frac{3}{2n}, \frac{2}{n}] \end{cases} \text{ is not an equicontinuous family.}$$

Indeed, let ϵ , if $\exists \delta : |x - y| < \delta \implies |f_n(x) - f_n(y)| < \frac{1}{2}$. $\forall x, y \in [0, 1], \forall n : \frac{1}{n} < \delta \implies |\frac{1}{n} - \frac{3}{2n}| = \frac{1}{2n} < \delta$. However, $|f_n(\frac{1}{n}) - f_n(\frac{3}{2n})| = |0 - 1| = 1 > \frac{1}{2}$.

^{16.1}But $\{f_n\}$ is not uniformly convergent.

Lemma 16.2

Let $\{f_n\}$ be a family of functions on $[a, b]$. Assume that $\{f'_n\}$ is uniformly bounded. Then $\{f_n\}$ is equicontinuous.

Proof: Note that by MVT, we have $\forall x, y, \exists \xi \in (a, b) : |f_n(x) - f_n(y)| = |f'_n(\xi)| |x - y|$. Let M be such that $\forall t \in [a, b] : |f'_n(t)| \leq M$. Then $\forall n : |f_n(x) - f_n(y)| \leq M|x - y|$. So given $\epsilon > 0$, if we let $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{2M}$, then $|x - y| < \delta \implies |f_n(x) - f_n(y)| \leq M|x - y| \leq M \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{2M} = \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \epsilon$. ■

Proposition 16.3

Let K be a compact metric space. Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of continuous functions on K which is uniformly convergent. Then $\{f_n\}$ is equicontinuous.

Will prove in the next lecture.

Remark: Compactness is needed: let $f_n(x) = x^2$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}, n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $f_1(x) = x^2, f_2(x) = x^2, \dots, f(x) = x^2$. So $|f_n(x) - f_m(x)| = 0$ implies $f_n(x) \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f(x) = x^2$. Note however that $f(x) = x^2$ is not uniformly continuous on \mathbb{R} so the family $\{f_n(x)\}$ is not equicontinuous.

Lecture 17: Arzela-Ascoli Theorem

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Recall a family \mathcal{F} of functions on X is said to be equicontinuous if $\forall \epsilon, \exists \delta > 0, \forall f \in \mathcal{F}, \forall x, y \in X : d(x, y) < \delta \implies d(f(x) - f(y)) < \epsilon$.

Proof to 16.3: Let $\epsilon > 0$. Since $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly convergent, $\exists N, \forall m, n > N : \|f_n - f_m\|_\infty < \frac{\epsilon}{3}$. So in particular, $\forall m \geq N : \|f_m - f_N\|_\infty < \frac{\epsilon}{3}$. Since f_N is continuous and K is compact, f_N is uniformly continuous. Then $\exists \delta > 0, \forall x, y \in K : d(x, y) < \delta \implies |f_N(x) - f_N(y)| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}$. Let $m \geq N$, and suppose $|f_m(x) - f_m(y)| \leq |f_m(x) - f_N(x)| + |f_N(x) - f_N(y)| + |f_N(y) - f_m(y)| < \epsilon$. Therefore, if $d(x, y) < \delta$, then $\forall m \geq N : |f_m(x) - f_N(y)| < \epsilon$. Now the functions f_1, \dots, f_{N-1} are continuous, and K is compact. Therefore, they are uniformly continuous. $\exists \delta', \forall n \in \mathbb{N} : d(x, y) < \delta' \implies |f_n(x) - f_n(y)| < \epsilon$. Let $\hat{\delta} = \min\{\delta, \delta'\}$. Then $\forall x, y \in K, \forall n \in \mathbb{N} : d(x, y) < \hat{\delta} \implies |f_n(x) - f_n(y)| < \epsilon$. ■

Lemma 17.1

Let X be any metric space. If $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{pointwise}} f$, then $\{f_n\}$ is pointwise bounded.

Proof: Since every converging sequence of number is bounded, $\forall x \in X : \{f_n(x)\}$ is bounded. So $\{f_n\}$ is pointwise bounded. ■

Lemma 17.2

Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of pointwise bounded complex-valued functions on a countable set A . Then there exists a subsequence $\{f_{n_j}\}$ that is pointwise convergent.

Simpler version of the lemma: Let $A = \{a_1, a_2\}$. Then $f_1(a_1), f_2(a_1), \dots$ is a bounded sequence. By Heine-Borel Theorem, there exists a subsequence $n_{1,k}$ such that $f_{n_{1,k}}(a_1)$ is convergent, and there exists a subsequence $n_{2,k}$ such that $f_{n_{2,k}}(a_2)$ is convergent.

Proof: Since A is countable, we will write $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots\}$. Since $\{f_n(a_1)\}$ is bounded, there exists a subsequence of this sequence which converges by Heine-Borel Theorem. We denote this subsequence by $f_{1,k}$. Then $f_{1,k}(a_1)$ converges. Now consider $\{f_{1,k}(a_2)\}$. This is a bounded sequence so there exists a subsequence $\{f_{2,k}\}$ so that $\{f_{2,k}(a_2)\}$ converges. Continue this inductively, we get an array of functions

$$\begin{array}{cccc} f_{1,1} & f_{1,2} & f_{1,3} & \dots \\ f_{2,1} & f_{2,2} & f_{2,3} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{array}$$

so that $f_{i,k}$ is a subsequence of $f_{i-1,k}$; $\forall i : \{f_{i,k}(a_i)\}$ converges; the order at which the functions appear is the same as the order in the original sequence $\{f_n\}$. Now choose the diagonal terms $f_{1,1}, f_{2,2}, \dots$. We claim $\{f_{n,n}(a_k)\}$ converges. Indeed, $\{f_{n,n}(a_i) : n \geq i\}$ is a subsequence of the i -th row which is $\{f_{i,k}(a_i)\}$ and converges by the definition. ■

Theorem 17.3 (Arzela-Ascoli)

Let K be a compact metric space. Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of continuous functions on K . Assume $\{f_n\}$ is equicontinuous and pointwise bounded. Then

1. $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly bounded.
2. There exists a subsequence of $\{f_n\}$ that is uniformly convergent.

Proof:

1. Since $\{f_n\}$ is equicontinuous, $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0, \forall n : d(x, y) < \delta \implies |f_n(x) - f_n(y)| < \epsilon$. Let $\{N_\delta(x) : x \in K\}$ be a covering of K with δ -neighborhood of points. Since K is compact, $\exists x_1, \dots, x_\ell : K = \bigcup_{i=1}^\ell N_\delta(x_i)$. Let now $x \in K$ be arbitrary. Then $\exists 1 \leq i \leq \ell : x \in N_\delta(x_i)$. So $\forall n : d(x, x_i) < \delta \implies |f_n(x) - f_n(x_i)| < \epsilon \implies |f_n(x)| < |f_n(x_i)| + \epsilon$. Now let $\epsilon = 1$, and $M = \sup\{|f_n(x_i)| : 1 \leq i \leq \ell, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. Then M is finite because $\{f_n\}$ is pointwise bounded. Hence, $|f_n(x)| < M + 1$. So $\{f_n\}$ is uniformly bounded.
2. Since K is compact, $\exists A \subset K$ which is countable and dense. By a lemma applied to $\{f_n\}$ and A , there exists a subsequence $\{f_{n_j}\}$ of $\{f_n\}$ which is pointwise convergent on A . Since $\{f_{n_j}\}$ is equicontinuous, $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0, \forall n : d(x, y) < \delta \implies |f_n(x) - f_n(y)| < \epsilon$. Let $\{N_\delta(a) : a \in A\}$ be a covering of K . Since K is compact, $\exists a_1, \dots, a_\ell \in A : K = \bigcup_{i=1}^\ell N_\delta(a_i)$. Since $\{f_{n_j}(a_k)\}$ converges, $\forall k, \exists N, \forall n_j, n_i > N : |f_{n_i}(a_k) - f_{n_j}(a_k)| < \epsilon$. Now let $x \in K$, then $\exists 1 \leq k \leq \ell : x \in N_\delta(a_k)$. Now if $n_i, n_j > N$, we have $|f_{n_i}(x) - f_{n_j}(x)| \leq |f_{n_i}(x) - f_{n_i}(a_k)| + |f_{n_i}(a_k) - f_{n_j}(a_k)| + |f_{n_j}(a_k) - f_{n_j}(x)| < 3\epsilon$. So $\{f_{n_j}\}$ is uniformly Cauchy on K . Hence $\{f_{n_j}\}$ is uniformly convergent. ■

Corollary 17.4

Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of continuous functions on a compact metric space K . Let $A = \overline{\{f_n\}}$ w.r.t. d_∞ . If $\{f_n\}$ is equicontinuous and pointwise bounded, then A is compact.

Proof: Let $\{g_n\} \subset A$. In order to show that A is compact, we want to show that $\exists \{g_{n_i}\} : \{g_{n_i}\}$ is uniformly convergent. By AA Theorem, we need to show that $\{g_n\}$ is pointwise bounded and continuous. Since $\{g_n\} \subset A = \overline{\{f_n\}}$, $\forall n, \exists f_{i_n} : \|g_n - f_{i_n}\| < 1$. So $g_n(x) \leq f_{i_n}(x) + 1$. Since $\{f_{i_n}\}$ is pointwise bounded, $\{g_n\}$ is pointwise bounded. Now let $\epsilon > 0$. $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \exists i_n : \|g_n - f_{i_n}\| < \epsilon$. Now $\{f_n\}$ is equicontinuous. So $\exists \delta > 0, \forall n : d(x, y) < \delta \implies |f_n(x) - f_n(y)| < \epsilon$. Let $x, y \in K$ be such that $d(x, y) < \delta \implies |g_n(x) - g_n(y)| < |g_n(x) - f_{i_n}(x)| + |f_{i_n}(x) - f_{i_n}(y)| + |f_{i_n}(y) - g_n(y)| < 3\epsilon$. So $\{g_n\}$ is equicontinuous. So by AA Theorem, there exists a subsequence that is uniformly convergent. ■

Lecture 18: Weierstrass Theorem

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e.g.1. Consider $f(x) = |x|$ on $[-1, 1]$. There exists a sequence of polynomials $\{P_n\}$ on $[-1, 1]$ such that $P_n(x) \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} |x|$.

Lemma 18.1

Let $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}$ where $\forall i \neq j : a_i \neq a_j$, and $b_1, \dots, b_n \in \mathbb{R}$. Then there exists a polynomial of degree at most $n - 1$ such that

$$P(a_i) = b_i$$

Proof 1° (sketch): A polynomial of degree $n - 1$ is determined by $c_0, c_1, \dots, c_{n-1} \in \mathbb{R}$. i.e. $p(x) = c_0 + c_1x + c_2x^2 + \dots + c_{n-1}x^{n-1}$. Then $p(a_1) = b_1, p(a_2) = b_2, \dots, p(a_n) = b_n$. Since we have n unknown variable and n equations, we construct

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a_1 & \dots & a_1^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 1 & a_n & \dots & a_n^{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

where $\det(A) \neq 0$ since $a_i \neq a_j$. ■

Proof 2°: Construct $p(x)$ as $p(x) = b_1 \frac{(x-a_2)\dots(x-a_n)}{(a_1-a_2)(a_1-a_3)\dots(a_1-a_n)} + b_1 \frac{(x-a_1)\dots(x-a_n)}{(a_2-a_1)(a_2-a_3)\dots(a_2-a_n)} + \dots + b_n \frac{(x-a_1)(x-a_2)\dots(x-a_{n-1})}{(a_n-a_1)(a_n-a_2)\dots(a_n-a_{n-1})}$. Then $\forall i : p(a_i) = \sum_{j=1}^n b_j (\prod_{j \neq i} \frac{x-a_j}{a_i-a_j})$. ■

Theorem 18.2 (Weierstrass Theorem)

Let f be a continuous complex-valued function on $[a, b]$. Then there exists a sequence of polynomials $\{P_n\}$ such that

$$P_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f \quad \text{on } [a, b]$$

If f is real-valued, then $\{P_n\}$ may be taken to be real.

Proof: The complete proof is implemented by the following steps:

Step 1: We may replace $[a, b]$ with $[0, 1]$.

Indeed, there is a bijection between $[0, 1]$ and $[a, b]$: $f(t) = a + t(b - a)$. So if $f \in C[0, 1]$ is a uniform limit of polynomial, then $\forall g \in C([a, b])$: g is a uniform limit of polynomial. Let $g \in [a, b]$, $g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. Define $f(t) = g(\varphi(t))$. Then $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. So $\exists \{P_n\}$ on $[0, 1]$ such that $P_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$. Hence, $P_n \circ \varphi^{-1} : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is polynomial and $P_n \circ \varphi^{-1} \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} g$.

Step 2: We may assume $f(0) = f(1) = 0$.

Let $g(x) = f(x) - L(x)$ where $L(x)$ is linear and $L(0) = f(0), L(1) = f(1)$ ^{18.1}. So $L(x) = f(0) + (f(1) - f(0))x$. Now $g(x) = f(x) - f(0) - (f(1) - f(0))x$ satisfies $g(0) = g(1) = 0$. So if $\exists P_n : P_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} g$, then $P_n + L \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$.

So far we have $f \in C([0, 1])$, $f(0) = f(1) = 0$. We assume f is real valued. Now we extend f to \mathbb{R} as follows: $f(x) = 0$ if $x \notin [0, 1]$. Then we may consider $f \in C_c(\mathbb{R})$.

Step 3: If $p : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a polynomial, then $f * p$ is a polynomial ^{18.2}.

Step 4: Let $\varphi_n(x) = c_n(1 - x^2)^n$ where $c_n > 0$ is chosen so that $\int_{-1}^1 \varphi_n = 1$. Then $c_n \leq \sqrt{n}$; $\forall \delta > 0, \varphi_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} 0$ on $\delta \leq |x| \leq 1$.

Recall c_n is defined so that $\int_{-1}^1 c_n(1 - x^2)^n dx = 1$. So $\frac{1}{c_n} = \int_{-1}^1 (1 - x^2)^n dx$. Then we need to estimate $\int_{-1}^1 (1 - x^2)^n dx$. Since $(1 - x^2)^n \geq 1 - nx^2$ on $(0, 1)$, $\int_{-1}^1 (1 - x^2)^n dx = 2 \int_0^1 (1 - x^2)^n dx \geq 2 \int_0^{1/\sqrt{n}} (1 - x^2)^n dx \geq 2 \int_0^{1/\sqrt{n}} (1 - nx^2) dx = \frac{4}{3\sqrt{n}} > \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$. So $c_n < \sqrt{n}$. Now note that $\delta \leq |x| \leq 1$. Then $\varphi_n(x) = c_n(1 - x^2)^n \leq \sqrt{n}(1 - \delta^2)^n$. So $\varphi_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} 0$ on $\delta \leq |x| \leq 1$.

Define $\hat{\varphi}_n(x) = \begin{cases} \varphi_n & x \in [-1, 1] \\ 0 & x \notin [-1, 1] \end{cases}$. Since $f * \varphi = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(y) \varphi_n(x - y) dy = \int_{-1}^1 f(y) \varphi_n(x - y) dy$ and $\hat{\varphi}_n$ satisfies the properties of hw7(C) ^{18.3}. So $f * \hat{\varphi}_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$. ■

Corollary 18.3

Let $a > 0$. Then there exists a sequence of polynomials $\{P_n\}$ on $[-a, a]$, satisfying $P_n(0) = 0$, so that $P_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} |x|$ on $[-a, a]$.

Proof: By Weierstrass Theorem, $\exists \{q_n\} : q_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} |x|$ on $[-a, a]$. Let $P_n = q_n - q_n(0)$. Then $P_n(0) = 0$. Moreover, $P_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} |x|$ on $[-a, a]$ (note that $q_n(0) \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} 0$). ■

Definition 18.1 (Algebra)

Let E be a set. A collection \mathcal{A} of complex-valued functions on E is said to be an **algebra** if

1. $\forall f, g \in \mathcal{A} : f + g \in \mathcal{A}$.
2. $\forall f, g \in \mathcal{A} : fg \in \mathcal{A}$.
3. $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{C}, \forall f \in \mathcal{A} : \lambda f \in \mathcal{A}$.

e.g.2. $\mathcal{A} = \{p_n \text{ on } [0, 1]\}$ is an algebra. Note that $\forall x \in [0, 1] : p(x) = 1 \in \mathcal{A}$, and $\forall p \in \mathcal{A} : 1 \cdot p = p$.

e.g.3. $\mathcal{A}' = \{p : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : p(x) = xq(x) \text{ where } q(x) \text{ is a polynomial}\}$ is an algebra. Let $p, q \in \mathcal{A}'$. Then $p = c_1x + \dots + c_nx^n$, $q = d_1x + \dots + d_mx^m$. Then

^{18.1}i.e. L is the line through $(0, f(0))$ and $(1, f(1))$.

^{18.2}Done in homework.

^{18.3}Let $\varphi_n : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a sequence of functions with the following properties.

1. $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi_n(x) dx = 1$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
2. For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we have $\varphi_n(x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\varphi_n(x) = 0$ for all $|x| \geq 1$.
3. For every $\delta > 0$ we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{|x| > \delta} \varphi_n(x) dx = 0$. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function so that $f(x) = 0$ for all $|x| \geq 1$.

Then $\{f * \varphi_n\} \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$.

$p_1 + p_2 = (c_1 + d_1)x + \cdots \in \mathcal{A}'$; $p_1 p_2 \in \mathcal{A}'$; $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{C}, \forall p \in \mathcal{A}' : \lambda p \in \mathcal{A}'$. Note however that $p_0(x) = 1$ does not belong to \mathcal{A}' . Indeed, $\nexists p_1 \in \mathcal{A}', \forall p \in \mathcal{A}' : p_1 \cdot p = p$.

Remark: If we consider real-valued functions on a set E . We say \mathcal{A} is an algebra

1. $\forall f, g \in \mathcal{A} : f + g \in \mathcal{A}$.
2. $\forall f, g \in \mathcal{A} : fg \in \mathcal{A}$.
3. $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \forall f \in \mathcal{A} : \lambda f \in \mathcal{A}$.

Lecture 19: Stone-Weierstrass Theorem

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Definition 19.1 (Closed, Closure)

Let E be a set and $C(E) = \{f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : f \text{ is bounded and continuous}\}$. A subset $F \subset C_b(E)$ is said to be **closed** if $\forall f_n \in F : f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f \implies f \in F$. If $\mathcal{F} \subset C_b(E)$ is a set, we define the (uniform) **closure** of F to be the set of all uniform limits of sequences in F .

Proposition 19.1

Let $\mathcal{A} \subset C_b(E)$ be an algebra, and B be the uniform closure of \mathcal{A} . Then B is an algebra.

Proof: Let $f, g \in B$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$. We need to show (1) $f + g \in B$: Since $f, g \in B$ and B is the uniform closure of \mathcal{A} , there exists $\{f_n\} \subset \mathcal{A}$ and $\{g_n\} \subset \mathcal{A}$ such that $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$ and $g_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} g$. Now $f_n + g_n \in \mathcal{A}$. Moreover, $f_n + g_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f + g \in B$. Other conditions $fg \in B$ and $\lambda f \in B$ can be shown similarly. ■

e.g.1. If $K = [0, 1]$ and $\mathcal{A} \subset C([0, 1])$ is the algebra of polynomials. Then by Weierstrass's Theorem, we know that $\overline{\mathcal{A}} = C([0, 1])$.

e.g.2. Recall $\mathcal{A}' = \{p : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid p(x) = xq(x) \text{ where } q(x) \text{ is a polynomial}\}$. Then $\overline{\mathcal{A}'} \neq C([0, 1])$. Indeed, $\forall p \in \mathcal{A}' : p(0) = 0$. Now if $p_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$, we have $0 = p_n(0) \rightarrow f(0) \implies f(0) = 0$. So $\forall f \in \overline{\mathcal{A}'} : f(0) = 0$. Then $\overline{\mathcal{A}'} \neq C([0, 1])$.

Definition 19.2

Let \mathcal{A} be an algebra of functions on E .

1. We say \mathcal{A} **separates** points if $\forall x_1, x_2 \in E, \exists f \in \mathcal{A} : x_1 \neq x_2 \implies f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$.
2. We say \mathcal{A} **vanishes** at $x \in E$ if $\forall f \in \mathcal{A} : f(x) = 0$. If \mathcal{A} vanishes at no point in E , $\forall x \in E, \exists f \in \mathcal{A} : f(x) \neq 0$.

e.g.3. $\mathcal{A}' = \{p : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid p(x) = xq(x) \text{ where } q(x) \text{ is a polynomial}\}$ vanishes at 0. $\mathcal{A}'' = \{p : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid p \text{ is a polynomial and even}\}$. Then \mathcal{A}'' does not separate points. Indeed, $\forall p \in \mathcal{A}'' : p(1) = p(-1)$.

Lemma 19.2

Let \mathcal{A} be an algebra of functions on E which separates points and vanishes at no point in E . Let $x_1, x_2 \in E, x_1 \neq x_2$ and $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{C}$ (we take $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ when \mathcal{A} is an algebra of real-valued functions). Then $\exists f \in \mathcal{A} : f(x_1) = c_1, f(x_2) = c_2$.

Proof:

Simpler case: Assume \mathcal{A} contains constant function $f_0 : E \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, f_0(x) = 1$. Recall that \mathcal{A} separates points. So $\exists g \in \mathcal{A} : g(x_1) \neq g(x_2)$. Let $u(x) = g(x) - g(x_1) \cdot f_0(x)$ and $v(x) = g(x) - g(x_2) \cdot f_0(x)$. Then $u(x_1) = 0, u(x_2) = g(x_2) - g(x_1) \neq 0$ and $v(x_2) = 0, v(x_1) = g(x_1) - g(x_2) \neq 0$. Define $f(x) = \frac{c_1 v(x)}{v(x_1)} + \frac{c_2 u(x)}{u(x_2)}$. Then $f(x_1) = c_1$ and $f(x_2) = c_2$.

General case: Since \mathcal{A} separates points, $\exists g \in \mathcal{A} : g(x_1) \neq g(x_2)$. Since \mathcal{A} vanishes at no points, $\exists p, q \in \mathcal{A} : p(x_1) \neq 0, q(x_2) \neq 0$. Let $u(x) = g(x)p(x) - g(x_1)p(x)$ and $v(x) = g(x)q(x) - g(x_2)q(x)$. Then $u, v \in \mathcal{A}$, and we have $u(x_1) = 0, u(x_2) = p(x_2)(g(x_2) - g(x_1)) \neq 0$ and $v(x_2) = 0, v(x_1) = p(x_1)(g(x_1) - g(x_2)) \neq 0$. Now define $f(x) = \frac{c_1 v(x)}{v(x_1)} + \frac{c_2 u(x)}{u(x_2)}$. Then $f(x_1) = c_1$ and $f(x_2) = c_2$. ■

Theorem 19.3 (Stone-Weierstrass Theorem)

Let \mathcal{A} be an algebra of real-valued continuous functions on a compact set K . Assume \mathcal{A} separates points and vanishes at no points. Then the uniform closure of \mathcal{A} is

$$\overline{\mathcal{A}} = \{f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is continuous}\}$$

In other words, for any continuous function $f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $\exists \{f_n\} \in \mathcal{A} : f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$.

Proof: Let B be the uniform closure of \mathcal{A} . Then B is a uniformly closed algebra.

Step1: Let $f \in B$. Then $|f| \in B$.

Let $a = \sup\{|f(x)| : x \in K\} \in \mathbb{R}$. By the corollary to Weierstrass Theorem, $\forall \ell \in \mathbb{N}, \exists p_\ell(y) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i y^i, p_\ell(0) = 0, \forall y \in [-a, a] : \left| \sum_{i=1}^n c_i y^i - |y| \right| < \frac{1}{\ell}$. Let now $y = f(x)$ for some $x \in K$. Then $\forall x \in K : \left| \sum_{i=1}^n c_i (f(x))^i - |f(x)| \right| < \frac{1}{\ell}$. Note that $g_\ell = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i f^i \in B$ ^{19.1}. Altogether, we have $\|g_\ell - |f|\|_\infty < \frac{1}{\ell}$. So $g_\ell \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} |f|, g_\ell \in B$. Since B is uniformly closed, we get that $|f| \in B$.

Step2: Let $f, g \in B$. Then $\max\{f, g\}, \min\{f, g\} \in B$ ^{19.2}.

Given two functions f, g , we can compute $\max\{f, g\} = \frac{f+g}{2} + \frac{|f-g|}{2}$ and $\min\{f, g\} = \frac{f+g}{2} - \frac{|f-g|}{2}$. Since B is an algebra, the conclusion follows from step1. Note that using induction, we have $\forall f_1, \dots, f_n \in B : \max\{f_1, \dots, f_n\} \in B, \min\{f_1, \dots, f_n\} \in B$.

Continue in the next lecture. ■

Remark: If $K = [a, b]$ and \mathcal{A} is the algebra of polynomials, then we get the Weierstrass Theorem.

^{19.1}This explains why we should not have the constant term c_0 in p_ℓ .

^{19.2} $m = \max\{f, g\}$ is defined by $m(x) = \max\{f(x), g(x)\}$. $\min\{f, g\}$ is defined similarly.

Lecture 20: Baire's Category Theorem

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Proof continuing of 19.3:

Step3: Let $f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous and $\epsilon > 0$. $\forall x \in K, \exists g_x \in B : g_x(x) = f(x)$ and $\forall y \in K : g_x(y) > f(y) - \epsilon$.

Recall that \mathcal{A} separates points and vanishes at no points. Moreover, $A \subset B$ implies B separates points and vanishes at no points. Hence, by a lemma from the last lecture, $\forall y \in K, \exists h_y \in B : h_y(x) = f(x), h_y(y) = f(y)$. Since h_y and f are continuous on K , $h_y - f$ is continuous on K . So $\exists \delta_y > 0, \forall t \in N_{\delta_y}(y) : |h_y(t) - f(t)| < \epsilon$. Now $\{N_{\delta_y}(y) : y \in K\}$ is an open covering of K . Since K is compact, $\exists y_1, \dots, y_n : K = \bigcup_{i=1}^n N_{\delta_{y_i}}(y_i)$. Let $g_x = \max\{h_{y_1}, \dots, h_{y_n}\}$. Then by step2, $g_x \in B$. We show that $g_x(x) = f(x)$ and $\forall s \in K : g_x(s) > f(s) - \epsilon$. Indeed, $g_x(x) = \max\{h_{y_1}(x), \dots, h_{y_n}(x)\} = \max\{f(x), \dots, f(x)\} = f(x)$. Let $s \in K$ be arbitrary. Since $K = \bigcup_{i=1}^n N_{\delta_{y_i}}(y_i)$, $\exists 1 \leq i \leq n, \forall s \in N_{\delta_{y_i}}(y_i) : h_{y_i}(s) > f(s) - \epsilon$. Hence, $g_x(s) = \max\{h_{y_1}(s), \dots, h_{y_n}(s)\} \geq h_{y_i}(s) > f(s) - \epsilon$.

Step4: Let $f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous and $\epsilon > 0$. Then $\exists g \in B : \|f - g\|_\infty < \epsilon$.

Note that this indeed finishes the proof. Indeed, applying step4 with $\epsilon = \frac{1}{n}$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we get a sequence $\{g_n\} \subset B : g_n \xrightarrow{\text{uniformly}} f$. Since B is closed, $f \in B$. So $B = \{f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is continuous}\}$.

By step3, $\forall x \in K, \exists g_x \in B : g_x(x) = x$ and $\forall s \in K : g_x(s) > f(s) - \epsilon$. Since g_x is continuous and f are continuous, $\exists \eta_x > 0, \forall t \in N_{\eta_x}(x) : |f(t) - g_x(t)| < \epsilon$. So $\forall t \in N_{\eta_x}(x) : f(t) - \epsilon < g_x(t) < f(t) + \epsilon$ ^{20.1}. So we write $g_x(t) < f(t) + \epsilon$ for $t \in N_{\eta_x}(x)$. Then $\{N_{\eta_x}(x) : x \in K\}$ is an open covering of K , and K is compact. So $\exists x_1, \dots, x_\ell : K = \bigcup_{i=1}^\ell N_{\eta_{x_i}}(x_i)$. Define $g = \min\{g_{x_1}, \dots, g_{x_\ell}\}$. We claim $g \in B$ and $\|g - f\|_\infty < \epsilon$. Indeed, $g \in B$ by step2. To see $\|g - f\|_\infty < \epsilon$, let $s \in K$ be arbitrary. Then $\forall 1 \leq i \leq \ell : g_{x_i}(s) > f(s) - \epsilon$. So $g(s) = \min\{g_{x_i}(s)\} > f(s) - \epsilon$. To see the upper bound, since $K = \bigcup_{i=1}^\ell N_{\eta_{x_i}}(x_i)$, $\exists 1 \leq i \leq \ell, \forall s \in N_{\eta_{x_i}}(x_i) : g_{x_i}(s) < f(s) + \epsilon$. So $g(s) = \min\{g_{x_1}(s), \dots, g_{x_n}(s)\} \leq g_{x_i}(s) < f(s) + \epsilon$. Altogether, $\forall s \in K : f(s) - \epsilon < g(s) < f(s) + \epsilon$ implies $\|f - g\| < \epsilon$. ■

Definition 20.1 (Self-adjoint)

Let \mathcal{A} be an algebra of complex valued functions on a set E . We say \mathcal{A} is **self-adjoint** if $\forall f \in \mathcal{A} : \overline{f} \in \mathcal{A}$ where $\forall x \in E : (\overline{f})(x) = \overline{f(x)}$.

Theorem 20.1

Let \mathcal{A} be a self-adjoint algebra of complex-valued functions on a compact set K . Assume \mathcal{A} separates points and vanishes at no points. Then the uniform closure of \mathcal{A} is

$$\overline{\mathcal{A}} = \{f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid f \text{ is continuous}\}$$

^{20.1}This actually holds for all $s \in K$.

Proof: Recall that $f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ can be written as $f = u + vi$ where $u : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $v : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. So it suffices to show that the uniform closure of \mathcal{A} contains all real-valued continuous functions. Let $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{R}} = \{f \in \mathcal{A} : f \text{ is real-valued}\}$. Note that $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{R}}$ is an algebra of real-valued functions. We want to show that $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{R}}$ separates points and vanishes at no points. To see this, we will show that $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{R}}$ contains the real and imaginary parts of all $f \in \mathcal{A}$. Indeed, let $f = u + vi$. Since \mathcal{A} is self-adjoint, $\bar{f} = u - vi \in \mathcal{A}$. Now $\frac{f+\bar{f}}{2} = u \in \mathcal{A}$. But u is real-valued so $u \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{R}}$. Similarly, $fi = ui - v \in \mathcal{A}$. So $\frac{fi+\bar{fi}}{2} = -v \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{R}}$, which implies $v \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{R}}$. Now since \mathcal{A} separates points, $\forall x_1 \neq x_2 \in K, \exists f \in \mathcal{A} : f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$. Hence, $u(x_1) + v(x_1)i \neq u(x_2) + v(x_2)i$. Then either $u(x_1) \neq u(x_2)$ or $v(x_1) \neq v(x_2)$ holds. So $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{R}}$ separates points. Since \mathcal{A} vanishes at no points, $\forall x \in K, \exists f \in \mathcal{A} : f(x) \neq 0$. Then $u(x) + v(x)i \neq 0$ implies either $u(x) \neq 0$ or $v(x) \neq 0$. Therefore, $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{R}}$ vanishes at no points. ■

Theorem 20.2 (*Baire's Theorem*)

Let X be a non-empty complete metric space. Let $\{G_n\}$ be a collection of dense open subsets of X . Then $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n$ is dense. Equivalently, let $\{F_n\}$ be a collection of closed subsets of X so that $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n$. Then $\exists n, O : O \subset F_n$ where O is non-empty open set.

Proof: Let $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n$ and F_n is closed. Assume F_n has no interior points for all n . We want to get a contradiction. Note that $\exists x \in X \setminus F_1$. Since F_1 is closed, $\exists N_{r_1}(x) \subset X \setminus F_1$. Since F_2 has no interior points, $\exists x_2 \in N_{r_1}(x_1) \setminus F_2$. Let $r_2 < \frac{r_1}{2}$ be such that $N_{r_2}(x_2) \subset N_{r_1}(x_1) \setminus F_2$ and $\overline{N_{r_2}(x_2)} \subset N_{r_1}(x_1)$. Repeat inductively, we find $N_{r_1}(x_1) \supset N_{r_2}(x_2) \supset \dots$ such that $r_i < \frac{r_{i-1}}{2}$, $\overline{N_{r_i}(x_i)} \subset N_{r_{i-1}}(x_{i-1})$, and $N_{r_i}(x_i) \subset N_{r_{i-1}}(x_{i-1}) \setminus F_i$. Now $\text{diam}(\overline{N_{r_i}(x_i)}) \rightarrow 0$, $N_{r_i}(x_i) \neq \emptyset$. We get that $\bigcap \overline{N_{r_i}(x_i)} = \{p\}$. Note that $p \notin F_i$ for any i . However, $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n$, contradiction. ■

e.g. 1.

1. \mathbb{R}^n cannot be written as a countable union of closed sets without interior points.
2. $\overline{B_r(x)} = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n : \|y - x\| \leq r\}$ cannot be written as a countable union of closed sets without interior points.
3. $(C([0, 1]), d_{\infty})$ is a complete space so it cannot be written as a union of closed sets without interior.