

# MA2101: Analysis I Lecture Notes

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## §1 Algebra of the Real Number System

### §1.1 Properties of Addition

The properties of addition(+) in the real number system are:

- (A1)  $x + y = y + x \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$
- (A2)  $(x + y) + z = x + (y + z) \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$
- (A3)  $\exists! 0 \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } x + 0 = 0 + x = x \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$
- (A4)  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \exists! y \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } x + y = y + x = 0$

### §1.2 Properties of Multiplication

The properties of multiplication( $\cdot$ ) in the real number system are:

- (M1)  $x \cdot y = y \cdot x \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$
- (M2)  $(x \cdot y) \cdot z = x \cdot (y \cdot z) \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$
- (M3)  $\exists! 1 \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } x \cdot 1 = x \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$
- (M4)  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \exists! y \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } x \cdot y = y \cdot x = 0$

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### §1.3 Distributive Property

The multiplication operator distributes over addition in real numbers.

$$x \cdot (y + z) = x \cdot y + x \cdot z$$

Since addition and multiplication have these properties in real numbers,  $(\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot)$  is a Field.

### §1.4 Order in Reals

#### §1.4.1 Law of Trichotomy

Given two  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ , exactly one of the following statements is true :

- (i)  $x = y$
- (ii)  $x > y$
- (iii)  $x < y$

#### §1.4.2 Properties of $<$

- (i) If  $x < y$  and  $y < z$  then  $x < z$
- (ii) If  $x > 0, y > 0$  then,  $xy > 0$
- (iii) If  $x < y$  then,  $x + z < y + z \forall z \in \mathbb{R}$
- (iv)  $x < y \Rightarrow -x > -y$
- (v) If  $x < y$  and  $z > 0$  then  $xz < yz$
- (vi) If  $0 < x < y$ , then  $0 < \frac{1}{y} < \frac{1}{x}$
- (vii)  $x^2 \geq 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

#### Remark 1.1

Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  such that,  $x \leq y$  and  $y \leq x$ . Then,  $x = y$ .

#### Proof:

Let's assume to the contrary that  $x \neq y$ . Then, by the law of trichotomy, either  $x < y$  or  $y < x$ . Let  $y < x$ . From  $x \leq y$  we have either  $x < y$  or  $x = y$ . By the law of trichotomy, neither of them can be true. Hence,  $y \not< x$ . Now, let  $x < y$ . From  $y \leq x$  we have either  $y < x$  or  $y = x$ . Again, by the law of trichotomy, neither of them can be true. Hence,  $x \not< y$ . This is a contradiction. Hence,  $x = y$  Q.E.D.

#### Example 1:

For  $x < y$ , we have,  $x < \frac{x+y}{2} < y$ . The point  $\frac{x+y}{2}$  is called the midpoint between  $x$  and  $y$ .

#### Proof:

Since  $x < y$ , we have  $\frac{x}{2} < \frac{y}{2}$ . Then, we have  $\frac{x}{2} + \frac{x}{2} < \frac{y}{2} + \frac{x}{2} \Rightarrow x < \frac{x+y}{2}$ . Similarly, we have  $\frac{x}{2} + \frac{y}{2} < \frac{y}{2} + \frac{y}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{x+y}{2} < y$ . Hence,  $x < \frac{x+y}{2} < y$  Q.E.D.

**Example 2:**

If  $x \leq y + z$  for all  $z > 0$ , then  $x \leq y$ .

**Proof:**

Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $x \leq y + z$  for all  $z > 0$ . We claim that,  $x \leq y$ . Let us assume to the contrary that,  $x > y$ . Then, we have  $x - y > 0$ . Let  $\epsilon := x - y$ . Also observe that,  $x - y \leq z$  for all  $z > 0$ . Let us set  $z = \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ . Then,  $x - y \leq z \Rightarrow \epsilon \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} \Rightarrow 1 \leq \frac{1}{2}$ . This is a contradiction. Hence,  $x \leq y$ . This proves our claim. Q.E.D.

**Example 3:**

For  $0 < x < y$ , we have  $0 < x^2 < y^2$  and  $0 < \sqrt{2} < \sqrt{y}$ , assuming the existence of  $\sqrt{x}$  and  $\sqrt{y}$ . More generally, if  $x$  and  $y$  are positive, then  $x < y$  iff  $x^n < y^n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Proof:**

will type up later Q.E.D.

**Example 4:**

For  $0 < x < y$ , we have  $\sqrt{xy} < \frac{x + y}{2}$ .

**Proof:**

We claim that the statement is true. Let us assume to the contrary that,  $\frac{x + y}{2} < \sqrt{xy}$ . Then, we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x + y}{2} &< \sqrt{xy} \\ \Rightarrow \left( \frac{x + y}{2} \right)^2 &< xy && \text{(Example 1)} \\ \Rightarrow \left( \frac{x + y}{2} \right)^2 - xy &< 0 \\ \Rightarrow \left( \frac{x - y}{2} \right)^2 &< 0 \end{aligned}$$

This is a contradiction since we know that  $\alpha^2 \geq 0 \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ . This proves our claim. Q.E.D.

## §2 Upper and Lower Bounds

**Definition 1 (Upper Bound)**

Let  $A \subset \mathbb{R}$  be nonempty. A number  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  is said to be the upper bound of  $A$  if  $\forall x \in A$ , we have  $x \leq \alpha$

Geometrically, this means that on the real number line, all the elements of  $A$  are to the left of  $\alpha$ . If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  is not an upper bound of  $A$ , then  $\exists x \in A$  s.t.  $x > \alpha$

**Definition 2 (Lower Bound)**

Let  $A \subset \mathbb{R}$  be nonempty. A number  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  is said to be the lower bound of  $A$  if  $\forall x \in A$ , we have  $x \geq \alpha$

Geometrically, this means that on the real number line, all the elements of  $A$  are to the right of  $\alpha$ . If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  is not an lower bound of  $A$ , then  $\exists x \in A$  s.t.  $x < \alpha$

**Example 5:**

Consider the set  $A := \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  Then the upper bounds of this  $A$  are  $5, 6, 1729 \dots$  etc. And the lower bound of  $A$  are  $1, 0, -1 \dots$  etc. Hence, lower and upper bounds of a set are not unique.

**Definition 3** (Bounded above set)

Let  $\phi \neq A \subset \mathbb{R}$ . Then,  $A$  is said to be bounded above, if  $\exists \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\alpha$  is an upper bound of  $A$ .

**Definition 4** (Bounded below set)

Let  $\phi \neq A \subset \mathbb{R}$ . Then,  $A$  is said to be bounded below, if  $\exists \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\alpha$  is an lower bound of  $A$ .

**Theorem 2.1**

Let  $A$  be a bounded above set. Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  be an upper bound. Let  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\beta \geq \alpha$ . Then  $\beta$  is an upperbound of  $A$ .

**Proof:**

Since  $\alpha$  is an upper bound, we have  $x \leq \alpha \forall x \in A$  But,  $\alpha \leq \beta$ . Then we have,  $x \leq \beta \forall x \in A$ . Hence  $\beta$  is an upper bound of  $A$ . Q.E.D.

A similar theorem can be stated and proved analogously for bounded below sets and lower bounds.

**Definition 5** (Maximum)

Let  $\phi \neq A \subset \mathbb{R}$ .  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  is said to be the maximum of  $A$  if

- (i)  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$
- (ii)  $\alpha$  is an upper bound of  $A$

The maximum of a set  $A$  is denoted by  $\max\{A\}$

**Theorem 2.2**

The maximum of a set is unique.

**Proof:**

Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be two maxima of  $A$  s.t.  $\alpha \neq \beta$ . Then, by the law of trichotomy, either  $\alpha > \beta$  or  $\beta > \alpha$ . If  $\alpha > \beta$ , then  $\alpha$  cannot be an upper bound since,  $\beta \in A$ . And, if  $\beta > \alpha$ , then  $\beta$  cannot be an upper bound since,  $\alpha \in A$ . This is a contradiction. Hence,  $\alpha = \beta$ . Q.E.D.

**Remark 2.1**

A bounded above set need not have a maximum. Consider set  $S := (0, 1)$ .  $S$  clearly has upper bounds for instance 1, 2, etc. However it does not have a maximum, since none of the upper bounds are in the set  $S$  itself. Some more of such remarks could be

1.  $\{1 - \frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$
2.  $\{1 - \frac{1}{2^n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$

**Definition 6** (Least Upper Bound)

Let  $A$  be a non-empty subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ . An upper bound  $\alpha$  is said to be the least upper bound of  $A$  if  $\beta < \alpha \Rightarrow \beta$  is not an upper bound of  $A$ .

We denote the least upper bound of  $A$  as  $\text{lub}A$

**Definition 7** (Greatest Lower Bound)

Given a non-empty bounded below set  $A$ , a real number  $\beta$  is said to be the greatest lower bound of  $A$  if

- (i)  $\beta$  is a lower bound of  $A$
- (ii) if  $\beta' > \beta$  then,  $\exists x \in A$  such that  $\beta \leq x \leq \beta'$

We denote the Greatest lower bound of  $A$  as  $\text{glb}A$

**Theorem 2.3**

The least upper bound(or greatest lower bound) of a bounded above(or below) set is unique.

**Definition 8** (Completeness Axiom)

Every bounded above(or below) subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  has a least upper bound(or greatest lower bound).

**Remark 2.2**

This is an important property in  $\mathbb{R}$ .  $\mathbb{Q}$  does not have this property. For instance, consider the set  $A = \{x \in \mathbb{Q} : 0 < x^2 < 2\}$ . Clearly,  $\text{lub}A = \sqrt{2} \notin \mathbb{Q}$

**Theorem 2.4 (Archimedean Property)**(AP1)  $\mathbb{N}$  is not bounded above in  $\mathbb{R}$ (AP2) Let  $x > 0, y \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $nx > y$ **Proof:**

First, we prove AP1 by contradiction. Let us assume to the contrary that  $\mathbb{N}$  is bounded above in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Then, by the Completeness Axiom,  $\exists \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\alpha = \text{lub}\mathbb{N}$ . Then, by definition of lub,  $\alpha - 1$  is not an upper bound of  $\mathbb{N}$ . Hence,  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\alpha - 1 < n < \alpha$ . Then we have  $n + 1 > \alpha$ . This is a contradiction since  $n + 1 \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\alpha$  is an upper bound of  $\mathbb{N}$ . Hence,  $\mathbb{N}$  is not bounded above in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Now, we show that  $\text{AP1} \Rightarrow \text{AP2}$ . However, that trivially follows, since if we have  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $x > 0$ , then from AP1 we have that  $\frac{y}{x}$  cannot be an upper bound of  $\mathbb{N}$ . Hence,  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $n > \frac{y}{x}$ , i.e.  $nx > y$ .

The proof for  $\text{AP2} \Rightarrow \text{AP1}$  is left as an exercise.

Q.E.D.

**Definition 9 (Bounded Sets)**

Let  $A$  be a non-empty subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ . Then,  $A$  is said to be bounded if  $A$  is bounded above and bounded below.

**Theorem 2.5 (Greatest Integer Function)**

Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then,  $\exists$  a unique  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $m \leq x < m + 1$ . This  $m$  is denoted as  $\lfloor x \rfloor$ . We define the **greatest integer function**  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  as,  $f(x) = \lfloor x \rfloor$

**Proof:**

Let  $S := \{k \in \mathbb{Z} : k \leq x\}$ .  $S$  is bounded above as  $x$  is an upper bound from set definition. We now aim to show that  $S$  is non-empty. Let us suppose to the contrary that  $S$  is empty then we have  $\forall k \in \mathbb{Z}, k > x$ . Thus  $k$  is a lower bound of  $\mathbb{Z}$  which is a contradiction. Thus  $S$  is non empty. We know  $S$  is bounded above and non-empty. Then by the completeness axiom, there exists a least upper bound. Let  $m = \sup(S)$ . We now show that  $m \leq x < m + 1$ . Clearly  $m \leq x$  as  $x$  is any upper bound for  $S$ . For proving the right inequality we use contradiction. Let us suppose to the contrary that  $x \geq m + 1$ . Since  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $m + 1 \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Thus  $m + 1 \in S$ . Thus we have  $m + 1 = \sup(S)$ , which is a contradiction.

Q.E.D.

**Claim:**  $m$  is unique.

**Proof:**

Suppose we have  $m \neq n$  and  $m = \lfloor x \rfloor = n$ . WLOG  $n > m$ . we have,  $m \leq x < m + 1$  and  $n \leq x < n + 1$ . Since  $n > m$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $n \geq m + 1$ . Now  $m \leq x < m + 1 \leq n \Rightarrow x < n$  which is a contradiction of the law of trichotomy of order as we assumed  $x \geq n$ .

Q.E.D.

**Theorem 2.6 (Density of Rational Numbers)**

$\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a < b$ . Then  $\exists q \in \mathbb{Q}$  s.t.  $a < q < b$ .

**Proof:**

Since  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ , we can write  $q = \frac{m}{n}$  where  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $n \neq 0$ . Thus we have  $a < \frac{m}{n} < b \Rightarrow na < m < nb$

Using the Archimedean Property, we choose  $n_0$  s.t.  $n_0 > \frac{1}{b-a}$ . Now we choose  $m = \lfloor n_0 a + 1 \rfloor$ . Thus, we have  $n_0 a < m \leq n_0 a + 1$ . We thus have  $m \leq n_0 a + 1$ . We know from the AP inequality  $n_0(b-a) > 1$ , we get  $m < n_0 a + n_0(b-a) = n_0 b$ . Thus we have  $n_0 a < m < n_0 b$

Q.E.D.

**Definition 10** (Irrational Numbers)

If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\alpha \notin \mathbb{Q}$ , we say that  $\alpha$  is an irrational number.

**Theorem 2.7** (Density of Irrational Numbers)

$\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a < b$ . Then  $\exists \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$  s.t.  $a < \alpha < b$ .