18.100B Notes

1 Real Numbers

Definition 1.1. A *field* is a set F equipped with operations + and \times such that

- (F,+) and $(F \setminus \{0\}, \times)$ are Abelian groups
- x(y+z) = xy + xz for all $x, y, z \in F$.

(Distributivity)

Properties:

- 1. Additive identity is unique.
- $2. \ x \cdot 0 = 0 \ (\forall x \in F).$
- 3. $x, y \neq 0 \implies xy \neq 0$ (i.e. fields are integral domains).

Example 1.1.

- 1. The set $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ of natural numbers is not a field.
- 2. The set \mathbb{Z} of integers is an Abelian additive group but not a field.
- 3. The set \mathbb{Q} of rationals is a field.
- 4. The binary field $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} = \{0, 1\}$ with mod 2 operations is a field.
- 5. $\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ is not a field, e.g. $2 \cdot 2 = 0$ but $2 \neq 0$.

Definition 1.2. A field F is ordered if there exists a relation < on F (with x > y meaning y < x, $x \le y$ meaning x < y or x = y, etc) such that for all $x, y, z \in F$,

• Exactly one of x = y, x < y, x > y holds.

(Trichotomy)

• x < y and y < z implies x < z.

(Transitivity)

• x < y implies x + z < y + z.

(Additivity)

• x < y and z > 0 implies xz < yz.

(Multiplicativity)

We define $P = \{x \in F : x > 0\}.$

Properties:

- $1. \ x > y \implies x y \in P.$
- 2. $x^2 \ge 0$ for all $x \in F$.
- 3. $x > 0 \implies x^{-1} > 0$. (Hint: First prove 1 > 0.)

Definition 1.3. Let F be an ordered field.

• $u \in F$ is an upper bound for a subset $S \subseteq F$ if $x \le u$ for all $x \in S$. If an upper bound for S exists, we say S is bounded above.

- $\ell \in F$ is a lower bound for a subset $S \subseteq F$ if $x \ge \ell$ for all $x \in S$. If an upper bound for S exists, we say S is bounded below.
- If $S \subseteq F$ is bounded above and below, we say that it is bounded.
- $u \in F$ is the maximum of S, denoted max S, if u is an upper bound and $u \in S$.
- $\ell \in F$ is the minimum of S, denoted min S, if ℓ is a lower bound and $\ell \in S$.
- $u \in F$ is the *supremum* of S, denoted $\sup S$, if it is the least upper bound for S. More precisely, we say that S has supremum

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• $\ell \in F$ is the *infimum* of S, denoted inf S, if it is the greatest lower bound for S. More precisely, we say that S has infimum

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\sup S = \max\{x \in F : x \text{ is an lower bound for } S\} \qquad \text{if it exists.}
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- By convention, inf $\emptyset = \infty$ and $\sup \emptyset = -\infty$. If S is unbounded above (below) we say $\sup S = \infty$ (inf $S = -\infty$).
- We say that F is *complete* if it satisfies the *completeness axiom*: Every nonempty subset of F that is bounded above has a supremum.

Example 1.3.

- 1. $\{x \in \mathbb{Q} : x < 1\}$ has upper bounds but no maximum.
- 2. $\{x \in \mathbb{Q} : x \ge 1\}$ has no upper bounds but has a minimum.
- 3. $\{x \in \mathbb{Q} : x^2 < 2\}$ is bounded above but has no supremum.

Theorem 1.1. The set \mathbb{R} of real numbers is the unique complete ordered field.

No proof. To prove this we have to prove existence and uniqueness. Two ways for existence: via Dedekind cuts or via rational Cauchy sequences.

Example 1.4.

- 1. \mathbb{Q} is ordered but not complete (see previous example).
- 2. $[0,1] := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 0 \le x \le 1\}$ has maximum 1.
- 3. $(0,1) := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 0 \le x \le 1\}$ has supremum 1 but no maximum.

Theorem 1.2. (Existence of $\sqrt{2}$) There exists $r \in \mathbb{R}$ with $r^2 = 2$.

Proof. Set $S = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x^2 < 2\}$. We first prove a lemma:

Lemma. If v > 0 and $v^2 \ge 2$, then v is an upper bound for S.

Proof. Let $x \in S$ be any element. If x < 0 then x < 0 < v. If $x \ge 0$, we have that $x^2 < 2 \le v^2$. So $0 < v^2 - x^2 = (v - x)(v + x) \implies 0 < v - x$.

Since 5 > 0 and $5^2 \ge 2$, S is bounded above. Therefore there is a supremum $u = \sup S$.

• If
$$u^2 > 2$$
, set $a = \frac{u^2 - 2}{2u} > 0$. Then $u - a = \frac{u^2 + 2}{2u} > 0$ and
$$(u - a)^2 = u^2 - 2ua + a^2 = 2 + a^2 > 2$$

so u - a is a lower upper bound for S than u, a contradiction.

• If $u^2 < 2$, set $a = \frac{2 - u^2}{5} > 0$. Since 2 is an upper bound for S, we have 0 < u < 2. Also u + a > u and

$$(u+a)^2 = u^2 + 2ua + a^2 < 2 + 4a + a = 2$$

so u + a > u is in S, a contradiction.

Therefore, by trichotomy, $u^2 = 2$.

Theorem 1.3. (Archimedean Property) Let x, y be reals. Then

- A) $y > 0 \implies \exists n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } ny > x.$
- B) $x < y \implies \exists \ q \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that x < q < y. (\mathbb{Q} is dense in \mathbb{R})

Proof.

A) We show that $S = \{ny : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ has no upper bound. Assume not, then $z = \sup S$ exists. Since z - y < z is not an upper bound for S, there exists $z - y < ny \in S$. But then $z < (n+1)y \in S$, contradicting the fact that z is an upper bound for S.

B) Pick $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ such that n(y-x) > 1 using part A. Another useful lemma:

Lemma. For every $x \in \mathbb{R}$ there exists $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $n - 1 \le x < n$.

Proof. By part A applied to x and -x, we can find two integers $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that a < x < b. Since $\{n \in \mathbb{Z} : x < n \le b\} \subseteq \{n \in \mathbb{Z} : a \le n \le b\}$ is finite, there exists a minimum $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that x < n. This gives $n - 1 \le x < n$.

With $m-1 \le nx < m \ (m \in \mathbb{Z})$, we get $nx < m \le nx + 1 < ny \implies x < \frac{m}{n} < y$.

Theorem 1.4. (Principle of Induction) For a property P(n) $(n \in \mathbb{N})$, if P(0) and $P(n) \implies P(n+1)$ $(n \in \mathbb{N})$ are true, then P(n) is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proof. Assume for contradiction that there exists some $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that P(k) is false. Then

$$\{n \in \mathbb{N} : P(n) \text{ is false and } n \leq k\}$$

is a non-empty finite set. Hence it has a minimum element m. Then m > 0 (P(0) is true), and thus $m - 1 \in \mathbb{N}$ and P(m - 1) is true. But $P(m - 1) \implies P(m)$, a contradiction.

Exercise. Prove that $(1+x)^n \ge 1 + nx$ for all $x \ge -1$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

2 Sequences

Definition 2.1. The absolute value function is defined by

$$|x| = \begin{cases} x, & \text{if } x \ge 0 \\ -x, & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Theorem 2.1. (Triangle Inequality) $|x+y| \le |x| + |y|$ for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$.

Proof.

- If $x, y \ge 0$, then $x + y \ge 0$, so |x + y| = x + y = |x| + |y|.
- If x, y < 0, then x + y < 0, so |x + y| = -x y = (-x) + (-y) = |x| + |y|.
- If $x < 0 \le y$, then |x| + |y| = -x + y. Note that $-x + y \ge -x y$ and $-x + y \ge x + y$ are both true, so $|x| + |y| \ge |x + y|$ regardless. The case $y < 0 \le x$ is analogous.

Definition 2.2. A sequence $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}} = \{x_0, x_1, \dots\}$ is an ordered list of real numbers. Explicitly, we have a function $x: \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{R}$ and we denoted $x_n = x(n)$.

Example 2.1. The following are sequences:

- 1. $x_n = n^2$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
- 2. $x_n = 1/n$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ (here the sequence is $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$).
- 3. (Arithmetic progression) $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ satisfying $\begin{cases} x_n=x_{n-1}+a, & n\geq 1\\ x_0=b \end{cases}$

Definition 2.3. Let $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is said to *converge* to $\ell\in\mathbb{R}$ if

$$(\forall \varepsilon > 0) (\exists N \in \mathbb{N}) (\forall n \ge N) (|x_n - \ell| < \varepsilon)$$

If this is true, we write $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_n = \ell$.

Example 2.2. $\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0.$

Proof. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be arbitrary. Pick $N > 1/\varepsilon$ (Archimedean Property). For all $n \geq N$,

$$\left| \frac{1}{n} - 0 \right| = \frac{1}{n} \le \frac{1}{N} < \varepsilon.$$

Theorem 2.2. If a sequence $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ converges to both ℓ and ℓ' , then $\ell=\ell'$.

Proof. Given $\varepsilon > 0$,

- $\exists N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $|x_n \ell| < \varepsilon/2$ for all $n \geq N_1$.
- $\exists N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $|x_n \ell'| < \varepsilon/2$ for all $n \ge N_2$.

Then for any $n \ge \max\{N_1, N_2\}$,

$$|\ell - \ell'| \le |\ell - x_n| + |x_n - \ell'| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon.$$

Exercise. If $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_n = \ell$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\lim_{n\to\infty} cx_n = c\ell$ and $\lim_{n\to\infty} (x_n + c) = \ell + c$.

Definition 2.4. $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is bounded if $\exists M\in\mathbb{R}$ such that $|x_n|< M$ for all $n\in\mathbb{N}$.

Exercise. A converging sequence is bounded.

Theorem 2.3. If $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_n = \ell$ and $\lim_{n\to\infty} y_n = \ell'$, then

- $\bullet \lim_{n \to \infty} (x_n + y_n) = \ell + \ell'$
- $\bullet \lim_{n \to \infty} (x_n y_n) = \ell \ell'$
- if $\ell \neq 0$ and $x_n \neq 0$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\lim_{n \to \infty} (x_n + y_n) = 1/\ell$

Proof of Second Point. Let $L = \max(|\ell|, |\ell'|)$. Given $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists N such that

$$|x_n - \ell| < \min\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{3L}, L\right)$$
 and $|y_n - \ell'| < \min\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{3L}, L\right)$

for all $n \geq N$. Then, for all $n \geq N$,

$$|x_n y_n - \ell \ell'| = |(x_n - \ell) (y_n - \ell') + \ell (y_n - \ell') + \ell' (x_n - \ell)|$$

$$\leq |(x_n - \ell) (y_n - \ell')| + |\ell| |y_n - \ell'| + |\ell'| |x_n - \ell|$$

$$< \frac{\varepsilon}{3L} \cdot L + L \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{3L} + L \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{3L} = \varepsilon.$$

Definition 2.5. $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is said to diverge to ∞ , written as $x_n \to \infty$, if for all $M \in \mathbb{R}$ there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_n \geq M$ for all $n \geq N$. The case $x_n \to -\infty$ is analogous.

Exercise. If $x_n \leq y_n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $\lim_{n \to \infty} x_n \leq \lim_{n \to \infty} y_n$ if both limits exist.

Theorem 2.4. (Squeeze Theorem) If $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} y_n = \ell$ and $x_n \le z_n \le y_n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $\lim_{n\to\infty} z_n = \ell$.

Proof. Since $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} y_n = \ell$, for all $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$|x_n - \ell| < \varepsilon$$
 and $|y_n - \ell'| < \varepsilon$

for all $n \geq N$. Therefore for $n \geq N$,

$$\ell - \varepsilon < x_n \le z_n \le y_n < \ell + \varepsilon \implies |z_n - \ell| < \varepsilon.$$

Exercise. $\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{\sin n}{n} = 0.$

Definition 2.6. $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is monotone if it is either nonincreasing $(x_n \geq x_{n+1} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N})$ or nondecreasing $(x_n \leq x_{n+1} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N})$

Theorem 2.5. (Monotone Convergence Theorem) If $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is nondecreasing and bounded above, then it converges. Similarly, if it is nonincreasing and bounded below, then it converges.

Proof. Since $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is bounded above, $\{x_n:n\in\mathbb{N}\}$ has an upper bound, with a supremum ℓ . Then for any $\varepsilon>0$, there exists some $x_N>\ell-\varepsilon$, which means, for all $n\geq N$,

$$\ell - \varepsilon < x_N \le x_n \le \ell \implies |x_n - \ell| < \varepsilon.$$

Worked Example. The sequence defined by $\begin{cases} x_0 = \sqrt{2} \\ x_{n+1} = \sqrt{2 + x_n} & n \ge 0 \end{cases}$ converges.

Proof. We first prove by induction that $x_n \leq x_{n+1} \leq 2$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. For n = 0,

$$x_0 = \sqrt{2} \le \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}} = x_1 \le \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{4}} = 2.$$

If $x_{n-1} \leq x_n \leq 2$, then

$$x_n = \sqrt{2 + x_{n-1}} \le \sqrt{2 + x_n} = x_{n+1} \le \sqrt{2 + 2} = 2.$$

Therefore $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is non-decreasing and bounded above by 2. Hence it converges to some $\ell\in\mathbb{R}$. Extra: How to find ℓ ? If we apply the limit on both sides of $x_{n+1}=\sqrt{2+x_n}$,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} x_{n+1} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sqrt{2 + x_n}$$

$$\ell = \sqrt{2 + \ell}$$

$$\ell = -1 \text{ or } 2$$

Since all $x_n \geq 0$, we must have $\ell = 2$.

Definition 2.7. A subsequence of $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is any ordered infinite subset. Precisely, it is some $\{x_{n_j}\}_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$ where $n_0 < n_1 < n_2 < \cdots$ are natural numbers.

Exercise. If $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_n = \ell$ then every subsequence converges to ℓ .

Theorem 2.6. Every sequence $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ admits a monotone subsequence.

Proof. For each $m \in \mathbb{N}$ say x_m is a tail-major if $x_m \geq x_n$ for all $n \geq m$. If $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ has infinitely many tail-majors, the subsequence of tail-majors is a non-increasing subsequence. Otherwise, there are finitely many tail-majors, so eventually for each x_n there always exists some n' > n such that $x_n < x_{n'}$; this recursively defines an increasing subsequence.

Theorem 2.7. (Bolzano-Weierstrass) Every bounded sequence has a convergent subsequence.

Proof. Immediate from Theorem 2.7.

Definition 2.8. A sequence $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is Cauchy if

$$(\forall \varepsilon > 0)(\exists N \in \mathbb{N})(\forall m, n \ge N)(|x_n - x_m| < \varepsilon)$$

Theorem 2.8. In \mathbb{R} , a sequence converges if and only if it is Cauchy.

Proof. (\Rightarrow) Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then there exists N such that $|x_n - \ell| < \varepsilon/2$ for all $n \ge N$. Then for all $m, n \ge N$,

$$|x_n - x_m| \le |x_n - \ell| + |x_m - \ell| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon.$$

 (\Leftarrow) We perform three steps:

• $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is bounded: $|x_n-x_N|\leq 1$ for all $n\geq N$ for some N, so

$$|x_n| \le \max(1 + |x_N|, |x_1|, \cdots, |x_{N-1}|).$$

- By Bolzano-Weierstrass, let $\{x_{n_j}\}_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$ be a subsequence of $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ converging to ℓ .
- We prove that $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ converges to ℓ too. For any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists some N such that $|x_m x_n| < \varepsilon/2$ and $|x_{n_j} \ell| < \varepsilon/2$ for all $m, n, n_j \ge N$. Hence for all $n \ge N$,

$$|x_n - \ell| \le |x_n - x_{n_j}| + |x_{n_j} - \ell| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon.$$

Definition 2.9. The *limit superior* and *limit inferior* of $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ are defined by

$$\lim \sup x_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(\sup_{k \ge n} x_k \right), \qquad \lim \inf x_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(\inf_{k \ge n} x_k \right)$$

Note that limsup and liminf exists for any sequence (allowing $\pm \infty$) because $\sup_{n\geq N} x_n$ and $\inf_{n\geq N} x_n$ are both monotone sequences.

Theorem 2.9. $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ converges if and only if $\limsup x_n = \liminf x_n \in \mathbb{R}$.

Proof. (\Rightarrow) Assume $x_n \to \ell$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. There exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $|x_n - \ell| < \varepsilon$ for all $n \ge N$. Then $\inf_{k \ge n} x_k \ge \ell - \varepsilon$ and $\sup_{k \ge n} x_k \le \ell + \varepsilon$ for all $n \ge N$, giving

$$\ell - \varepsilon < \liminf x_n < \limsup x_n < \ell + \varepsilon$$

for any $\varepsilon > 0$ and hence $\liminf x_n = \limsup x_n$. (\Leftarrow) Assume $\limsup x_n = \liminf x_n = \ell \in \mathbb{R}$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. There exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\left| \inf_{k \ge n} x_k - \ell \right| < \varepsilon, \qquad \left| \sup_{k \ge n} x_k - \ell \right| < \varepsilon$$

for all $n \geq N$. Then for all $n \geq N$,

$$\ell - \varepsilon < \inf_{k \ge N} x_k \le x_n \le \sup_{k > N} x_k < \ell + \varepsilon$$

and hence $x_n \to \ell$.

3 Series

Definition 3.1. Given a sequence $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$, we define the series

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n} x_k = x_0 + x_1 + \dots + x_n \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{n} x_k \text{ if it converges.}$$

Properties:

1. Linearity:
$$\sum_{k=0}^{n} cx_k = c \sum_{k=0}^{n} x_k$$
 and $\sum_{k=0}^{n} (x_k + y_k) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} x_k + \sum_{k=0}^{n} y_k$.

2. Distributivity:
$$\sum_{k=0}^{n} x_k \sum_{k=0}^{n} y_k = \sum_{k=0}^{n} x_k \sum_{j=0}^{n} y_j = \sum_{k=0}^{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n} x_k y_j$$
.

Cauchy Revisited. $\sum_{k=0}^{n} x_k$ is Cauchy if and only if

$$(\forall \varepsilon > 0)(\exists N \in \mathbb{N})(\forall n > m \ge N) \left(\left| \sum_{k=m+1}^{n} x_k \right| < \varepsilon \right).$$

Example 3.1.

- 1. Geometric Series. $x_k = r^k$ where r > 0. Then $\sum_{k=0}^n r^k = \frac{1-r^{n+1}}{1-r}$ for $r \neq 1$, so
 - If r > 1, then $r^{n+1} \to \infty$ and hence $\sum_{k=0}^{n} r^k$ diverges.
 - If r = 1, then $\sum_{k=0}^{n} r^k = n + 1$ also diverges.
 - If 0 < r < 1, then $r^{n+1} \to 0$ and hence $\sum_{k=0}^{n} r^k$ converges to $\frac{1}{1-r}$.

Exercise. If all $x_k \ge 0$, then $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k$ converges if and only if the partial sums $\sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k$ are bounded for all n. As a corollary, if $0 \le a_k \le b_k$ for all $k \ge N_0$ and $\sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k$ diverges,

then $\sum_{k=0}^{n} b_k$ diverges too.

Theorem 3.1. (Comparison Test)

If $|a_k| \le b_k$ for all $k \ge N_0$ and $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k$ converges, then $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k$ converges.

Proof. We prove that $\sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k$ is Cauchy. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\left| \sum_{k=m+1}^{n} b_k \right| < \varepsilon \quad \text{for all } n > m \ge N.$$

Hence for all $n > m \ge N$,

$$\left| \sum_{k=m+1}^{n} a_k \right| \le \sum_{k=m+1}^{n} |a_k| \le \sum_{k=m+1}^{n} b_k < \varepsilon.$$

Definition 3.2. The series $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k$ converges absolutely if $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_k|$ converges.

By the Comparison Test, if a series converges absolutely then it converges too.

Theorem 3.2. (Alternating Series Test)

If $x_k \geq 0$ is non-increasing and $x_k \to 0$, then $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k x_k$ converges.

Proof. Let $S_n = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k x_k$. Observe

- $\bullet \ S_{2n+2} = S_{2n} x_{2n+1} + x_{2n+2} \le S_{2n}$
- $S_{2n+1} = S_{2n-1} + x_{2n} x_{2n+1} \ge S_{2n-1}$
- $\bullet \ S_{2n+1} = S_{2n} x_{2n+1} \le S_{2n}$
- $|S_{2n+1} S_{2n}| = |x_{2n+1}| \to 0$

Therefore $S_1 \leq S_3 \leq S_5 \leq \cdots \leq S_4 \leq S_2 \leq S_0$. By the Monotone Convergence Theorem, $\{S_{2n}\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ and $\{S_{2n+1}\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ both converge. By the fourth bullet point, they must converge to the same value ℓ . Hence $S_n \to \ell$.

Example 3.2.
$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k} = \ln 2$$
. (not obvious!)

Theorem 3.3. (Ratio Test)

If all $x_k \neq 0$ and $\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{x_{k+1}}{x_k} \right| < 1$, then $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k$ converges.

Proof. Say the limit is $0 \le \ell < 1$. Then there exists $\ell < \beta < 1$ and $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\left|\frac{x_{k+1}}{x_k}\right| \le \beta$ for all $k \ge N$. This recursively gives $|x_{k+N}| \le \beta^k |x_N|$ for all $k \ge 0$. By the

Comparison Test, $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |x_{k+N}|$ converges by comparing it to the geometric series $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \beta^k |x_N|$

which converges. Therefore $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k$ is absolutely convergent and thus convergent.

More General Form of the Ratio Test.

- If $\limsup \left| \frac{x_{k+1}}{x_k} \right| < 1$, then $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k$ converges.
- If $\lim \inf \left| \frac{x_{k+1}}{x_k} \right| > 1$, then $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k$ diverges.

Note that we cannot conclude convergence nor divergence when the limit is exactly 1.

Example 3.3.

1.
$$\lim_{n\to\infty} \left| \frac{1/(n+1)}{1/n} \right| = 1$$
 but $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k}$ diverges while $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k}$ converges.

Definition 3.3. The exponential function is defined as

$$\exp(x) = e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!}$$

Exercise. Prove that $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!}$ converges for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Hint: Ratio Test

Theorem 3.4. $e := \exp(1)$ is irrational.

Proof. Assume not, then $\frac{m}{n} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!}$ for some integers m, n > 0. Then

$$\left| m(n-1)! - \sum_{k=0}^{n} \frac{n!}{k!} \right| = n! \left| e - \sum_{k=0}^{n} \frac{1}{k!} \right|$$

$$= n! \left(\frac{1}{(n+1)!} + \frac{1}{(n+2)!} + \cdots \right)$$

$$< \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} + \frac{1}{(n+1)^3} + \cdots$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \le 1$$

is an integer strictly between 0 and 1, a contradiction!

Theorem 3.5.
$$e^x = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{x}{n}\right)^n$$
 for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Proof. We first prove a Lemma:

Lemma. $\left(1-\frac{1}{n}\right)\left(1-\frac{2}{n}\right)\cdots\left(1-\frac{k}{n}\right)\geq 1-\frac{k(k+1)}{2n}$ for any positive integers $k\leq n$.

Proof. Induct on k. For k = 1, equality holds. Assume it is true for some k < n, then

$$(1 - \frac{1}{n}) \cdots (1 - \frac{k+1}{n}) \ge \left(1 - \frac{k(k+1)}{2n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{k+1}{n}\right)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2n} + \frac{k(k+1)^2}{2n^2}$$

$$\ge 1 - \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2n}.$$

Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then pick $N_1 > \frac{|x|^2 e^{|x|}}{\varepsilon}$. For all $n \ge \max(2, N_1)$,

$$\left| \sum_{k=0}^{n} \frac{x^{k}}{k!} - \left(1 + \frac{x}{n} \right)^{n} \right| = \left| \sum_{k=2}^{n} \frac{x^{k}}{k!} \left[1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{n} \right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{k-1}{n} \right) \right] \right|$$

$$\leq \sum_{k=2}^{n} \frac{|x|^{k}}{k!} \cdot \frac{(k-1)k}{2n}$$

$$\leq \frac{|x|^{2}}{2n} \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \frac{|x|^{k}}{k!} \leq \frac{|x|^{2}e^{|x|}}{2n} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Also there exists an $N_2 > 2$ such that for all $n \ge N_2$,

$$\left| e^x - \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{x^k}{k!} \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

Hence, for all $n \ge \max(N_1, N_2)$,

$$\left| e^x - \left(1 + \frac{x}{n} \right)^n \right| \le \left| e^x - \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{x^k}{k!} \right| + \left| \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{x^k}{k!} - \left(1 + \frac{x}{n} \right)^n \right| < \varepsilon.$$

Theorem 3.6. (Products of Series)

If
$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k$$
 and $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k$ converge absolutely, then $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^k a_\ell b_{k-\ell}\right) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k$.

Proof.
$$\sum_{k=0}^{n} \left| \sum_{\ell=0}^{k} a_{\ell} b_{k-\ell} \right| \leq \sum_{k=0}^{n} \sum_{\ell=0}^{k} |a_{\ell}| |b_{k-\ell}| \leq \sum_{k=0}^{n} |a_{k}| \sum_{k=0}^{n} |b_{k}| \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_{k}| \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |b_{k}| \text{ converges}$$
 monotonically, so
$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^{k} a_{\ell} b_{k-\ell} \right) \text{ converges absolutely. Taking } n \to \infty \text{ in}$$

$$\left| \sum_{k=0}^{n} \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^{k} a_{\ell} b_{k-\ell} \right) - \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k} \sum_{k=0}^{n} b_{k} \right| = \left| \sum_{k=n+1}^{2n} \left(\sum_{\ell=k-n}^{n} a_{\ell} b_{k-\ell} \right) \right|$$

$$\leq \sum_{k=n+1}^{2n} \left(\sum_{\ell=k-n}^{n} |a_{\ell}| |b_{k-\ell}| \right)$$

$$\leq \sum_{k=n+1}^{2n} \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^{k} |a_{\ell}| |b_{k-\ell}| \right)$$

gives the desired result since $\sum_{k=0}^{n} \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^{k} |a_{\ell}| |b_{k-\ell}| \right)$ is Cauchy.

Example 3.4. The assumption of absolute convergence is necessary. Consider

$$a_k = b_k = \frac{(-1)^k}{\sqrt{k+1}}.$$

Then $\sum a_k$ and $\sum b_k$ converge by the alternating series test, but

$$\sum_{\ell=0}^{k} a_{\ell} b_{k-\ell} = (-1)^{k} \sum_{\ell=0}^{k} \frac{1}{\sqrt{(\ell+1)(k-\ell+1)}}$$

does not make a convergent series since

$$\sum_{\ell=0}^{k} \frac{1}{\sqrt{(\ell+1)(k-\ell+1)}} \ge \sum_{\ell=0}^{k} \frac{1}{k+1} = 1$$

so the series 'oscillates with amplitude ≥ 1 '.

Definition 3.4. A series $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k$ is *unconditionally convergent* if any reordering of the x_k gives a series converging to the same number.

The two theorems below show that absolute convergence and unconditional convergence are equivalent.

Theorem 3.7. (Dirichlet)

If $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k$ is absolutely convergent, it is unconditionally convergent.

Proof. We first treat the case where all $x_k \geq 0$. Let $\sigma : \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{N}$ be any bijection. Then the partial sums of $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_{\sigma(k)}$ are bounded above by $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k$, so by the Monotone Convergence Theorem, it converges. Now we treat the general case.

Define $x_k^+ = \max\{0, x_k\}$ and $x_k^- = \max\{0, -x_k\}$, then $x_k = x_k^+ - x_k^-$ and $|x_k| = x_k^+ + x_k^-$. From the previous case, $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_{\sigma(k)}^+$ and $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_{\sigma(k)}^-$ are unconditionally convergent, so any rearranged sum can be written as

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_{\sigma(k)} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(x_{\sigma(k)}^+ - x_{\sigma(k)}^- \right) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_{\sigma(k)}^+ - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_{\sigma(k)}^-.$$

Theorem 3.7. (Riemann)

If $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k$ converges but not absolutely, then for any $\ell \in \mathbb{R}$ or $\ell = \pm \infty$ there exists some

rearrangement σ such that $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_{\sigma(k)} = \ell$.

Proof. Again define $x_k^+ = \max\{0, x_k\}$ and $x_k^- = \max\{0, -x_k\}$. Now partition $\mathbb N$ into

$$P = \{k \in \mathbb{N} : x_k \ge 0\} = \{k \in \mathbb{N} : x_k^+ \ge 0, x_k^- = 0\}$$

$$N = \{k \in \mathbb{N} : x_k < 0\} = \{k \in \mathbb{N} : x_k^+ = 0, x_k^- > 0\}$$

Since $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k$ converges but not absolutely, we have

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |x_k| = \infty, \qquad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k^+ = \infty, \qquad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k^- = -\infty, \qquad \lim_{k \to \infty} x_k^+ = \lim_{k \to \infty} x_k^- = 0.$$

So the idea is

- If $\ell \in \mathbb{R}$, we keep choosing indices from P (or N) until we accumulate to a number close to ℓ , and then we alternate between P and N to get arbitrarily close to ℓ .
- If $\ell = \infty$, we keep choosing indices from P, but occasionally adding a term from N so that the series always grows more than it drops, and that we eventually can include everything from N.
- If $\ell = -\infty$, swap the roles of P and N.

We leave the formalities as an exercise.

4 Topology of \mathbb{R}

Definition 4.1.

- An open interval of \mathbb{R} is $(a,b) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a < x < b\}$ for some $a,b \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{\pm \infty\}$.
- A closed interval of \mathbb{R} is $[a, b] = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a \le x \le b\}$ for some $a, b \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{\pm \infty\}$.

For a given set $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, we say that $p \in E$ is

- an interior point of E if there exists $a such that <math>(a, b) \subseteq E$.
- an isolated point of E if there exists $a such that <math>(a, b) \subseteq E = \{p\}$.
- a boundary point if for all a , <math>(a, b) intersects both E and E^c .
- a limit point (or accumulation point) if for all $a , <math>(a, b) \cap E$ is infinite.

and we say E is

- open if every $p \in E$ is an interior point of E.
- closed if E contains all limit points of E.

Example 4.1.

- 1. p is a limit point if for all $a , <math>(a, b) \cap E \neq \{p\}$ (this definition works for \mathbb{R} but not other topological spaces)
- 2. An interior point of E must be a limit point of E.
- 3. For E = [0, 1] or (0, 1), the point 0 is a limit point and boundary point, but not an interior nor isolated point. The point 0.5 is an interior point of E.
- 4. Open intervals are open. Closed intervals are closed.

Definition 4.2.

- The interior of E, denoted \mathring{E} or int(E), is the set of its interior points.
- The *closure* of E, denoted \overline{E} , is the union of E and its limit points.

Properties:

- 1. (Pset) \mathring{E} is the largest open set $\subseteq E$ and \overline{E} is the smallest closed set $\supseteq E$.
- 2. E is open if and only if E^c is closed.

- 3. Finite intersections or arbitrary unions of open sets are open.
- 4. Arbitrary intersections or finite unions of closed sets are closed.

Definition 4.2.

- The *interior* of E, denoted \check{E} or $\operatorname{int}(E)$, is the set of its interior points.
- The *closure* of E, denoted \overline{E} , is the union of E and its limit points.

Tangent: Countability

Definition 4.3. A set S is *countable* if there exists a surjection $f: \mathbb{N} \to S$.

Example 4.2.

- 1. Finite sets and \mathbb{N} are countable.
- 2. If X, Y are countable, $X \times Y$ is countable. Hence \mathbb{Q} is countable.
- 3. A countable union of countable sets is countable.

Theorem 4.1. \mathbb{R} is not countable (*uncountable*).

Proof. We use a trick called Cantor's diagonalization. Suppose that there exists a surjective $f: \mathbb{N} \to (0,1)$. Every number in (0,1) has a unique decimal expansion. We write

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f(0) = 0.a_{00}a_{01}a_{02}a_{03}\cdots
f(1) = 0.a_{10}a_{11}a_{12}a_{13}\cdots
f(2) = 0.a_{20}a_{21}a_{22}a_{23}\cdots
\vdots
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and construct a number r that is different from f(n) at the (n+1)-th decimal place for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. We can construct this by letting the (n+1)-th decimal place of r be $a_{nn} + 1$ if $a_{nn} < 9$ or 0 if $a_{nn} = 9$. Then r does not have a preimage, contradicting surjectivity.

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Theorem 4.2. Every open set of \mathbb{R} is a countable union of disjoint open intervals.

Proof. Let E be an open set. For every $x \in E$, define

$$a_x = \inf \{ y \in E : (y, x] \subseteq E \}$$

$$b_x = \sup \{ z \in E : [x, z) \subseteq E \}$$

$$I_x = (a_x, b_x)$$

Since E is open, $a_x < x < b_x$ for all $x \in E$.

Claim 1. $a_x, b_x \notin E$.

Proof. If $a_x \in E$, then since E is open there exists $y < a_x$ such that $(y, a_x] \in E$, but then y is a smaller lower bound of $\{y \in E : (y, x] \in E\}$, a contradiction. Similar for b_x .

Claim 2.
$$I_x = (a_x, b_x) \subseteq E$$
.

Proof. Let $y \in (a_x, b_x)$. Then there exists $z \in (a_x, y)$ such that $(z, x] \in E$ since $a_x < z$ is the infimum. Then $y \in (z, x] \subseteq E$. Since y was arbitrary, $(a_x, b_x) \subseteq E$.

Claim 3. If
$$I_x \cap I_y = \emptyset$$
, then $I_x = I_y$.

Proof. WLOG $a_x \leq a_y$. Since I_x, I_y overlap, we have $a_x \leq a_y < b_x$. Now if $a_x < a_y$, then $a_y \in I_x \subseteq E$ but Claim 1 says $a_y \notin E$, a contradiction.

Therefore $\{I_x : x \in E\}$ is a set of disjoint intervals whose union is E. To prove that it is countable, simply pick a rational in each I_x . Since the I_x are disjoint, each I_x maps to a different rational, hence embedding $\{I_x : x \in E\}$ into a subset of \mathbb{Q} which is countable.

Definition 4.4.

- An open cover U of $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is a collection of open sets $\{O_{\alpha}\}_{{\alpha}\in I}$ such that such that $E\subseteq \bigcup_{{\alpha}\in I}O_{\alpha}$.
- $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is (covering) compact if every open cover of K admits a finite subcover.
- $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is sequentially compact if every sequence in K admits a converging subsequence in K.

Theorem 4.3. Let $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$. The following are equivalent:

- 1. K is compact.
- 2. K is sequentially compact.
- 3. K is closed and bounded.

Example 4.3. [0,1] and finite sets are compact. (0,1) and \mathbb{R} are not compact.

Theorem 4.4. (Cantor's Intersection Theorem)

Let $\{K_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of nonempty compact sets in \mathbb{R} such that $K_0\supseteq K_1\supseteq K_2\supseteq\cdots$. Then $K=\bigcap_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is compact and nonempty.

Proof. $K \subseteq K_0$ is bounded. K is also closed because an arbitrary intersection of closed sets is closed. To prove K is non-empty, pick a $x_n \in K_n$ for each n and use the Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem.

Example 4.4. The Cantor set K is defined recursively as follows:

- $K_0 = [0, 1]$.
- Remove the middle third of each interval in K_n to get K_{n+1} , so

$$K_1 = \left[0, \frac{1}{3}\right] \cup \left[\frac{2}{3}, 1\right], \qquad K_2 = \left[0, \frac{1}{9}\right] \cup \left[\frac{2}{9}, \frac{1}{3}\right] \cup \left[\frac{2}{3}, \frac{7}{9}\right] \cup \left[\frac{8}{9}, 1\right], \qquad \cdots$$

• $K = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} K_n$.

Each K_n is made up of 2^n closed intervals of length $1/3^n$, so the 'total length' of K_n is $(2/3)^n$, which goes to 0 as $n \to \infty$! Exercise:

- K is uncountable. (*Hint*: The points in C are exactly the reals in [0, 1] that can be written with digits 0 and 2 in base 3, but be careful of things like $0.022 \cdots = 0.1$.)
- K is perfect (closed without isolated points) with an empty interior.

5 Metric Spaces

Definition 5.1. A metric space (X, d) is a set X equipped with a metric d, which is a function $d: X \times X \to \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ such that for all $x, y, z \in X$,

- $d(x,y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = y$
- d(x,y) = d(y,x) (Symmetry)
- $\bullet \ d(x,z) \leq d(x,y) + d(y,z) \eqno(\text{Triangle Inequality})$

Example 3.1.

- 1. \mathbb{R} with d(x,y) = |x-y|. (We have been working in this metric space so far)
- 2. \mathbb{R}^n with $d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i y_i)^2}$. (Euclidean metric)
- 3. \mathbb{R}^n with $d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sup_{1 \le i \le n} |x_i y_i|$. (Uniform metric)
- 4. Any set X with $d(x,y) = \mathbf{1}(x \neq y)$. (Discrete metric)
- 5. $\mathcal{L}_2 = \{ \{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} : \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} x_n^2 < \infty \} \text{ with } d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = d_2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (x_i y_i)^2}.$
- 6. $\mathcal{L}_1 = \{ \{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} : \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} |x_n| < \infty \} \text{ with } d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = d_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x_i y_i|.$
- 7. $\mathcal{L}_{\infty} = \{\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} : \text{bounded}\}\ \text{with } d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = d_{\infty}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sup_{1 < i < n} |x_i y_i|.$

We can generalize many definitions from the real topology to general metric spaces:

Definition 5.2.

- Convergence: $(\forall \varepsilon > 0) (\exists N \in \mathbb{N}) (\forall n \geq N) (d(x_n, \ell) < \varepsilon)$.
- Cauchy sequence: $(\forall \varepsilon > 0) (\exists N \in \mathbb{N}) (\forall m, n \geq N) (d(x_n, x_m) < \varepsilon)$.
- Open/Closed balls: $\mathcal{B}(x,r) = \{y : d(x,y) < r\}, \overline{\mathcal{B}}(x,r) = \{y : d(x,y) \le r\}.$
- Open set: $(\forall x \in E) (\exists r > 0) (\mathcal{B}(x, r) \subseteq E)$. Closed set: E^c is open.
- Neighborhood of $x \in X$: Any open set containing x.
- Diameter of E: diam $(E) = \sup \{d(x,y) : x,y \in E\}$. Bounded set: diam $(E) < \infty$.
- Limit point of E: Any neighborhood of it intersects E infinitely much.
- Isolated point of E: Exists some neighbourhood that intersects E at only itself.

Definition 5.2 cotd.

- Closure of E: $\overline{E} = E \cup \{\text{limit points of } E\}.$
- Interior of E: $\mathring{E} = \{x \in E : \text{exists neighborhood of } x \text{ contained in } E\}.$
- E is dense in F if $F \subseteq \overline{E}$. (Equivalently, all neighborhoods of all points in F must intersect E.)
- $K \subseteq X$ is *compact* if every open cover of K admits a finite subcover.
- $K \subseteq X$ is totally bounded if $(\forall \varepsilon > 0) (\exists x_1, \dots, x_n) (K \subseteq \mathcal{B}(x_1, \varepsilon) \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{B}(x_n, \varepsilon))$.
- $K \subseteq X$ is *complete* if every Cauchy sequence converges.
- $K \subseteq X$ is *separable* if it has a countable dense subset.

Example 5.2.

- 1. $(\mathbb{R}, |\bullet \bullet|)$ is complete and separable $(\overline{\mathbb{Q}} = \mathbb{R})$.
- 2. $(\mathcal{L}_{\infty}, d_{\infty})$ is not separable.

Proof. Consider $A = \{\text{sequences of 0s and 1s}\}$ which is uncountable. Then $d_{\infty}(x,y) = 1$ for all $x \neq y$, so $\{\mathcal{B}(x,0.5) : x \in A\}$ is an uncountable collection of disjoint open neighborhoods. Any dense subset has to intersect each ball, hence must be uncountable.

3. Totally bounded \Rightarrow bounded. The converse is not true; check discrete metric.

Exercise. In $(\mathbb{R}, |\bullet - \bullet|)$,

- Totally bounded \Leftrightarrow Bounded.
- Complete \Leftrightarrow Closed.

Exercise. In (X,d), a sequence $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ converges to ℓ if and only if

$$\ell \in \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \overline{\{x_n, x_{n+1}, \cdots\}}$$

Theorem 5.1. Let $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$. The following are equivalent:

- 1. K is compact.
- 2. K is sequentially compact.
- 3. K is complete and totally bounded.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (3): Assume K is compact. Fix $\varepsilon > 0$. Then $K \subseteq X = \bigcup_{x \in X} \mathcal{B}(x, \varepsilon)$, so there exists a finite subcover $\{\mathcal{B}(x_i, \varepsilon) : 1 \le i \le n\} \supseteq K$. Hence K is totally bounded. Consider a Cauchy sequence $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in X. Assume it does not converge. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ define $U_n = X \setminus \overline{\{x_n, x_{n+1}, \dots\}}$. By the exercise above, $\{U_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is an open cover of K, so it admits a finite subcover, whose union is $X \setminus \overline{\{x_N, x_{N+1}, \dots\}}$ for some $N \in \mathbb{N}$. Hence

$$\{x_0, x_1, x_2, \cdots\} \subseteq K \subseteq X \setminus \overline{\{x_N, x_{N+1}, \cdots\}}$$

which is a contradiction.

 $(3) \Rightarrow (2)$: Let $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence in K. Since K is totally bounded, write $K \subseteq \mathcal{B}(x_1,1) \cup \cdots \cup \mathcal{B}(x_N,1)$. Then there exists a $\mathcal{B}(x_i,1)$ containing infinitely many elements of $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, corresponding to a subsequence $\{x_n^{(0)}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$. Repeat the same argument with balls of radius 1/2, giving a subsequence $\{x_n^{(1)}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of $\{x_n^{(0)}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, and so on for radii $1/2^n$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then the diagonal sequence $\{x_n^{(n)}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is Cauchy: For all n, they will eventually be contained in some ball of radius $1/2^n$. Therefore it is a converging subsequence.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$: Let K be sequentially compact.

Lemma. K is totally bounded.

Proof. Pick $\varepsilon > 0$. Assume the union of any finite collection of open ε -balls does not contain K. We generate a sequence that does not converge in K, namely a sequence $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ such that $d(x_i, x_j) \geq \varepsilon$ for all $i \neq j$:

• Assume x_0, \dots, x_k are chosen such that $d(x_i, x_j) \geq \varepsilon$ for all $i \neq j$. Then K has an element that is not in $\mathcal{B}(x_0, \varepsilon) \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{B}(x_n, \varepsilon)$, and we pick that as x_{k+1} . \square

Let $\mathcal{I} = \{I_0, I_1, I_2, \dots\}$ be the union, over all $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, of finite sets of open (1/n)-balls that cover K. Let U be an open cover of K. We first show that there is a countable subcover U': For each $k \in \mathbb{N}$ we choose, if it exists, some $O_k \in U$ such that $I_k \subseteq O_k$. Write $U' = \{O_k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$.

Lemma. U' covers K.

Proof. Pick any $x \in K$, then there exists some $O \in U$ that contains x. Since O is open, there exists some neighborhood $\mathcal{B}(x,\varepsilon) \subseteq O$. Pick some $I_k \in \mathcal{I}$ which is an open ball of radius $< \varepsilon/2$ and contains x. Then $x \in I_k \subseteq \mathcal{B}(x,\varepsilon) \subseteq O$, so there exists some O_k (e.g. O) to be chosen when building U'. Since x was arbitrary, U' covers K. \square

Hence $U' = \{O_0, O_1, \dots\}$ is a countable subcover of K. It sufficies to prove that U' admits a finite subcover. Assume not, then for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\bigcup_{i=0}^{k} O_i \not\supseteq K \implies \exists x_k \in K \setminus \bigcup_{i=0}^{k} O_i$$

Now, a subsequence of $\{x_k\}_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$ converges to x. So for all $k\in\mathbb{N}$, there exists a sequence in $K\setminus\bigcup_{i=0}^kO_i\subseteq\bigcup_{c=0}^kO_i$ that converges to $x\in K$ (a sufficiently far tail of the subsequence). But $\left(\bigcup_{i=0}^kO_i\right)^c$ is closed, so it contains the limit point x. Since $k\in\mathbb{N}$ was arbitrary,

$$x \in \left(\bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} O_i\right)^c = K^c$$

which is a contradiction since x was in K.

Theorem 5.2. (Baire) Let (X, d) be a complete metric space and O_n is open and dense in X for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $O = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} O_n$ is dense in X.

Example 5.3. Enumerate the rational numbers $\mathbb{Q} = \{q_0, q_1, \dots\}$ and let $O_n = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{q_n\}$. Then $\bigcup O_n = \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ is dense in \mathbb{R} (not open!).

Proof. Let U be any open subset. We want to prove that U intersects O.

- Since O_1 is dense, there exists $x_1 \in O_1 \cap U$. Since O_1 is open, there exists a neighborhood whose closure $\mathcal{B}(x_1, r_1) \subseteq O_1 \cap U$.
- Recursively, pick $x_n \in O_n \cap \mathcal{B}(x_{n-1}, r_{n-1})$, and pick some $\overline{\mathcal{B}}(x_n, r_n) \subseteq O_n \cap \mathcal{B}(x_{n-1}, r_{n-1})$ such that $0 < r_n < r_{n-1}/2$.

So we have x_1, x_2, \cdots and $r_1 > 2r_2 > 4r_3 > \cdots$, so $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is Cauchy, so it converges to some $x \in \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{B}(x_n, r_n)$ which is contained in both U and O.

6 Continuous Functions

Definition 6.1.

- Let $(X, d_X), (Y, d_Y)$ be metric spaces. We say $f: X \to Y$ is continuous at $x \in X$ if for every $x_n \to x$ we have $f(x_n) \to f(x)$.
- $f: X \to Y$ is *continuous* if it is continuous at every $x \in X$.

Theorem 6.1. $f: X \to Y$ is continuous at x if and only if

$$(\forall \varepsilon > 0) (\exists \delta > 0) (\forall d_X(x, y) < \delta) (d_Y(f(x), f(y)) < \varepsilon).$$

Proof. (\Rightarrow) Let $x_n \to x$ and $\varepsilon > 0$, pick the associated δ . Then there exists some $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $d_X(x, x_n) < \delta$ for all $n \geq N$, so $d_Y(f(x), f(x_n)) < \varepsilon \implies f(x_n) \to f(x)$. (\Leftarrow) Assume there is an $\varepsilon > 0$ such that there is no such δ . Then for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we pick x_n such that $d_X(x, x_n) < 1/n$ and $d_Y(f(x), f(x_n)) \geq \varepsilon$. Then $x_n \to x$ but $f(x_n) \not\to f(x)$.

Theorem 6.2.

 $f: X \to Y$ is continuous if and only if for all open sets U in Y, $f^{-1}(U)$ is open in X.

Proof. Say f is continuous. Take U open in Y, and any $x \in f^{-1}(U)$. Since U is open, there exists $\mathcal{B}(f(x), \varepsilon) \subseteq U$. Since $f(x_n) \to f(x)$ for all $x_n \to x$, we can find a $\delta > 0$ such that

$$f(\mathcal{B}(x,\delta)) \subseteq \mathcal{B}(f(x),\varepsilon)$$

so $\mathcal{B}(x,\delta) \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$ and hence $f^{-1}(U)$ is open. Conversely, fix $\varepsilon > 0$. Then $\mathcal{B}(f(x),\varepsilon)$ is open in Y and hence $f^{-1}(\mathcal{B}(f(x),\varepsilon))$ is open in X, so there exists a neighborhood $\mathcal{B}(x,\delta) \subseteq f^{-1}(\mathcal{B}(f(x),\varepsilon))$ and thus $f(\mathcal{B}(x,\delta)) \subseteq \mathcal{B}(f(x),\varepsilon)$.

Example 6.1. Continuous functions:

- 1. Isometries: $f: X \to Y$ such that $d_Y(f(x), f(y)) = d_X(x, y)$ for all $x, y \in X$.
- 2. L-Lipschitz functions: $f: X \to Y$ such that there exists L > 0 such that $d_Y(f(x), f(y)) \leq Ld_X(x, y)$ for all $x, y \in X$.
- 3. α -Hölder functions: $f: X \to Y$ such that there exists $L > 0, 0 < \alpha < 1$ such that $d_Y(f(x), f(y)) \leq L d_X(x, y)^{\alpha}$ for all $x, y \in X$.
- 4. f(x) = |x| on \mathbb{R} is 1-Lipschitz. $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ on $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ is 0.5-Hölder.

Theorem 6.3. (Banach Fixed Point Theorem)

Let (X, d) be complete and $f: X \to X$ be α -Lipschitz for some $0 < \alpha < 1$ (such functions are called *contractions*). Then f has a unique fixed point: f(a) = a.

Proof. Uniqueness is easy: If f(x) = x and f(y) = y then

$$d(x,y) = d(f(x), f(y)) \le \alpha d(x,y) \implies x = y.$$

We prove existence by starting at any $x_0 \in X$ and considering the sequence $x_n = f(x_{n-1})$.

$$d(x_{n+1}, x_n) = d(f(x_n), f(x_{n-1})) \le \alpha d(x_n, x_{n-1})$$

$$\therefore d(x_{n+1}, x_n) \le \alpha^n d(x_1, x_0).$$

With this, $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is Cauchy (exercise), so it converges to some x. Taking $n\to\infty$ on both sides of $x_{n+1}=f(x_n)$ (allowed because Lipschitz is continuous!) gives f(x)=x.

Definition 6.2. $f: X \to Y$ is uniformly continuous if

$$(\forall \varepsilon > 0) (\exists \delta > 0) (\forall d_X(x, y) < \delta) (d_Y(f(x), f(y)) < \varepsilon).$$

Remark: Here δ does not depend on x!

Example 6.2.

- 1. Hölder functions are uniformly continuous.
- 2. $f(x) = x^2$ on \mathbb{R} is not uniformly continuous:

Proof. Say $\varepsilon = 1$. For any chosen δ , we see that for $x > 1/\delta$,

$$\left| f\left(x + \frac{\delta}{2}\right) - f\left(x\right) \right| = \delta x + \frac{\delta^2}{4} > 1 = \varepsilon.$$

Theorem 6.4. If X is compact and $f: X \to Y$ is continuous, then f(X) is compact.

Proof. Let $\{U_{\alpha}\}_{{\alpha}\in I}$ be an open cover of $f(X)\subseteq Y$. Since f is continuous, $\{f^{-1}(U_{\alpha})\}_{{\alpha}\in I}$ is an open cover of X and hence there exists some finite subcover $\{f^{-1}(U_1), \cdots, f^{-1}(U_k)\}$ of X. Then $\{U_1, \cdots, U_k\}$ is a finite subcover of f(X).

Theorem 6.5. (Heine-Cantor)

If X is compact and $f: X \to Y$ is continuous, then f is uniformly continuous.

Proof. Fix $\varepsilon > 0$. Since f is continuous, for every x there exists $\delta_x > 0$ such that $d_y(f(y), f(x)) < \varepsilon/2$ whenever $d_X(y, x) < \delta_x$. Consider the finite subcover of $\{\mathcal{B}(x, \delta_x/2) : x \in X\}$

that covers X, say $\{\mathcal{B}(x_i, \delta_{x_i}/2) : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$. We then define $\delta = \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \delta_{x_i}/2$.

Now take any $x, y \in X$ with $d_X(x, y) < \delta$. Then there exists x_i such that $x \in \mathcal{B}(x_i, \delta_{x_i}/2)$. That means $y \in \mathcal{B}(x_i, \delta_{x_i})$, so

$$d_Y(f(x), f(y)) \le d_Y(f(x), f(x_i)) + d_Y(f(x_i), f(y))$$

$$< \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon.$$

Let's now focus on functions whose image is in \mathbb{R} .

Exercise.

- 1. If $f, g: X \to \mathbb{R}$ are continuous, then $f + g, fg, f \circ g$ are continuous.
- 2. Intervals are *connected*: For any two disjoint open sets O_1, O_2 whose union is the interval, the interval is completely contained in one of O_1, O_2 . (Pset 7)

Theorem 6.6.

If X is compact, $f: X \to \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, then f(X) has a maximum and minimum.

Proof. By Theorem 6.5, f(X) is compact, so it is closed and bounded (Theorem 4.3). Since it is bounded, f(X) has a supremum and an infimum. Since it is closed, the supremum and infimum are in f(X).

Theorem 6.7. (Intermediate Value Theorem)

If $f : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ is continuous and $f(a) < \mu < f(b)$, there exists $c \in [a, b]$ with $f(c) = \mu$.

Proof. Assume $\mu \notin f([a,b])$. Then $f^{-1}((-\infty,\mu)) \cup f^{-1}((\mu,\infty)) = f^{-1}((-\infty,\mu) \cup (\mu,\infty))$ are two disjoint open sets whose union is [a,b], contradicting connectedness.

Definition 6.3.

If X is compact, we define the uniform metric on $C(X) = \{f : X \to \mathbb{R} \text{ continuous}\}$:

$$d(f,g) = \sup \{ |f(x) - g(x)| : x \in X \}$$

Exercise. Check that $(\mathcal{C}(X), d)$ is a metric space.

Definition 6.4. Let $\{f_n: X \to \mathbb{R}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of continuous functions.

- We say f_n converges pointwise to f if $f_n(x) \to f(x)$ for all $x \in X$.
- We say f_n converges uniformly to f if $\sup_{x \in X} |f_n(x) f(x)| \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$.

This is equivalent to f_n converging in $(\mathcal{C}(X), d)$, so we can write $f_n \stackrel{d}{\to} f$.

Example 6.3. Set X = [0, 1].

- 1. $f_n(x) = 1/n$ converges uniformly to 0.
- 2. $f_n(x) = x^n$ converges pointwise to $\mathbf{1}(x=1)$ but does not converge uniformly.

Theorem 6.8. $(\mathcal{C}(X), d)$ is complete.

Proof. Let $\{f_n: X \to \mathbb{R}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be Cauchy. Then for all $x \in X$, $\{f_n(x)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is Cauchy and hence f_n converges pointwise, say to f. We now have to prove f is continuous and $f_n \xrightarrow{d} f$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then there exists N such that $|f_n(x) - f_m(x)| < \varepsilon$ for all $m, n \geq N$ and $x \in X$. Taking $m \to \infty$ gives $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon$, which is the criteria of uniform convergence. To check that f is continuous, let $\varepsilon > 0$ again and fix x.

- There exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $|f_n(x) f(x)| < \varepsilon/3$ for all $n \ge N$.
- Since f_N is continuous, $\exists \delta > 0$ such that $|f_N(x) f_N(y)| < \varepsilon/3$ for all $d_X(x,y) < \delta$.

Therefore,

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \le |f(x) - f_N(x)| + |f_N(x) - f_N(y)| + |f(y) - f_N(y)|$$

$$< \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} = \varepsilon.$$

Definition 6.5.

- A set $K \subseteq \mathcal{C}(X)$ is uniformly bounded if there exists an $M \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $f(x) \leq M$ for all $f \in K$ and $x \in X$.
- A set $K \subseteq \mathcal{C}(X)$ is (uniformly) equicontinuous if

$$(\forall \varepsilon > 0) (\exists \delta > 0) (\forall f \in K, d_X(x, y) < \delta) (d_Y(f(x), f(y)) < \varepsilon).$$

Theorem 6.9. (Arzelà-Ascoli)

Let X be compact. $K \subseteq \mathcal{C}(X)$ is relatively compact (i.e. \overline{K} is compact) if and only if it is uniformly bounded and uniformly equicontinuous.

Proof. We make three observations when X is compact:

- 1. A continuous $f: X \to \mathbb{R}$ must be uniformly continuous and bounded.
- 2. X is separable.

Proof. Since X is totally bounded, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ there exists a finite set S_n of points whose (1/n)-ball neighborhoods cover X. Then $S = \bigcup_n S_n$ is a countable dense set: Given any open $U \subseteq X$, there is some $\mathcal{B}(u, 1/N) \subseteq U$ and some $s \in S_{2N}$ with $u \in \mathcal{B}(s, 1/2N)$. This means $s \in \mathcal{B}(u, 1/N) \subseteq U$.

3. \overline{K} is compact if and only if \overline{K} is complete and totally bounded.

Assume \overline{K} is compact.

1. Proving K is uniformly bounded.

Since \overline{K} is totally bounded, there exists f_1, \dots, f_n such that $\overline{K} \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n \mathcal{B}(f_i, 1)$. By Obv 1, each f_j is bounded by some M_j . Now let $M = \max_{1 \le j \le n} M_j + 1$. Hence, for any $f \in K \subseteq \overline{K}$, there exists some $\mathcal{B}(f_j, 1)$ that contains f, so

$$|f(x)| \le |f_j(x)| + |f(x) - f_j(x)| < M_j + 1 \le M$$

2. Proving K is uniformly equicontinuous.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$. There exists f_1, \dots, f_n such that $\overline{K} \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n \mathcal{B}(f_i, \varepsilon/3)$. For each $1 \leq j \leq n$, since f_j is uniformly continuous there exists $\delta_j > 0$ such that $|f_j(x) - f_j(y)| < \varepsilon/3$ whenever $d_X(x,y) < \delta_j$. Let $\delta = \min_{1 \leq j \leq n} \delta_j$. Now take any $f \in K \subseteq \overline{K}$. Then $f \in \mathcal{B}(f_j, \varepsilon/3)$ for some j. For any $d_X(x,y) < \delta$,

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \le |f(x) - f_j(x)| + |f_j(x) - f_j(y)| + |f_j(y) - f(y)|$$

$$< \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} = \varepsilon.$$

Now we prove the other direction. We will prove \overline{K} is sequentially compact, but we first note that we just need to prove for sequences strictly in K:

Lemma. To prove that \overline{K} is sequentially compact, we just need to prove that all sequences in K (instead of in \overline{K}) has a convergent subsequence (in \overline{K} automatically).

Proof. Let $\{y_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ be any sequence in \overline{K} . Then every y_n is the limit of some sequence $\{y_{nj}\}_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$ in K, so for every n there exists N_n such that $d(y_{nj},y_n)<1/(n+1)$ for all $j\geq N_n$. Then the diagonal sequence $\{y_{nN_n}\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is in K, so it admits a subsequence $\{y_{n_kN_{n_k}}\}_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$ that converges to say y. We claim that $\{y_{n_k}\}_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$ converges to y too: Let $\varepsilon>0$. Choose N such that $1/(N+1)<\varepsilon/2$ and $d(y_{n_kN_{n_k}},y)<\varepsilon/2$ for $k\geq N$. Then

$$d(y_{n_k}, y) \le d(y_{n_k}, y_{n_k N_{n_k}}) + d(y_{n_k N_{n_k}}, y) < \frac{1}{n_k + 1} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} < \varepsilon.$$

Hence, let $\{f_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}\subseteq K$. Since X is separable, say $\{x_k\}_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$ is dense in X.

- Given x_0 , we can extract a subsequence $\{f_{0j}\}_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$ such that $f_{0j}(x_0) \xrightarrow{j\to\infty} g(x_0) \in \mathbb{R}$ by the Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem.
- We then extract a subsequence $\{f_{1j}\}_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$ of $\{f_{0j}\}_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$ such that $f_{1j}(x_1) \xrightarrow{j\to\infty} g(x_1) \in \mathbb{R}$ by the Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem. Note that $f_{1j}(x_0) \xrightarrow{j\to\infty} g(x_0)$ still.
- Repeat for x_2, x_3, \cdots .

We then consider the diagonal sequence $\{f_{jj}\}_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$. Then $f_{jj}(x_k) \xrightarrow{j\to\infty} g(x_k)$ for all k. Rename the initial sequence $\{f_n\}$ to be the subsequence $\{f_{jj}\}_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$. We want to show that $\{f_n\}$ is Cauchy.

- Since K is equicontinuous, $\exists \delta > 0$ such that $|f(x) f(y)| < \varepsilon/3$ for all $d_X(x, y) < \delta$.
- Let $\{\mathcal{B}(x_j, \delta) : 0 \leq j \leq J\}$ be a finite subcover of X. Then there exists N such that $|f_n(x_j) f_m(y_j)| < \varepsilon/3$ for all $m, n \geq N$ and $0 \leq j \leq J$.

Therefore for all $m, n \geq N$ and $x \in X$, we have some $x \in \mathcal{B}(x_j, \delta)$ and so

$$|f_n(x) - f_m(x)| \le |f_n(x) - f_n(x_j)| + |f_n(x_j) - f_m(x_j)| + |f_m(x_j) - f_m(x)|$$

$$< \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} = \varepsilon.$$

$$\therefore d(f_n, f_m) = \sup_{x \in X} |f_n(x) - f_m(x)| \le \varepsilon.$$

and hence $\{f_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is Cauchy, so it converges to some $g\in\overline{K}$.

7 Derivatives

Definition 7.1.

• Let $f: I \to \mathbb{R}$ where $I \subseteq R$. Then we say $\lim_{x \to x_0} f(x) = \ell$ if for all $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $|f(x) - \ell| < \varepsilon$ for all $x \in I$ with $0 < |x - x_0| < \delta$.

• Let I be an open interval. We say that $f: I \to \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable at x_0 if

$$\lim_{x \to x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} = \lim_{\delta \to 0} \frac{f(x_0 + \delta) - f(x_0)}{\delta} \in \mathbb{R}$$

exists, in which case we denote the limit by $f'(x_0)$, called the *derivative* at x_0 . We say f is differentiable if f is differentiable at all points in I.

• $\frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0}$ is called the difference quotient and represents the slope.

Exercise. $\lim_{x\to x_0} f(x) = \ell$ if and only if $\lim_{n\to\infty} f(x_n) = \ell$ for any sequence $x_n \to x_0$.

Example 7.1.
$$f(x) = x^2$$
 is differentiable: $\lim_{\delta \to 0} \frac{(x+\delta)^2 - x^2}{\delta} = \lim_{\delta \to 0} 2x_0 + \delta = 2x$.

Theorem 7.1. If f is differentiable at x_0 , then it is continuous at x_0 .

Proof. Assume we have a sequence $x_n \to x$. Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} |f(x_n) - f(x)| \le \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(x_n) - f(x)}{x_n - x} \cdot (x_n - x)$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(x_n) - f(x)}{x_n - x} \cdot \lim_{n \to \infty} (x_n - x)$$

$$= f'(x) \cdot 0 = 0.$$

and hence $f(x_n) \to f(x)$.

Properties:

- 1. \mathbb{R} -linearity: (cf)' = cf' for all $c \in \mathbb{R}$.
- 2. Leibniz (Product) Rule: (fg)' = f'g + fg'.
- 3. Quotient Rule: If $g'(x_0) \neq 0$, $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)' = \frac{f'g fg'}{g^2}$.

Proof of (2).

$$\lim_{\delta \to 0} \frac{f(x_0 + \delta)g(x_0 + \delta) - f(x_0)g(x_0)}{\delta}$$

$$= \lim_{\delta \to 0} \frac{f(x_0 + \delta) - f(x_0)}{\delta} g(x_0 + \delta) + f(x_0) \frac{g(x_0 + \delta) - g(x_0)}{\delta}$$

$$= f'(x_0)g(x_0) + f(x_0)g'(x_0).$$

Exercise. $f(x) = x^n \ (n \in \mathbb{N}) \implies f'(x) = nx^{n-1}$.

Theorem 7.2. (Chain Rule)

If f, g are differentiable at x_0 , then $f \circ g$ is differentiable at x_0 , with

$$(f \circ g)'(x_0) = f'(g(x_0))g'(x_0).$$

Proof. Take $x_n \to x$ with $x_n \neq x$ for all n. Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(g(x_n)) - f(g(x))}{x_n - x_0} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f(g(x_n)) - f(g(x))}{g(x_n) - g(x_0)} \cdot \frac{g(x_n) - g(x)}{x_n - x_0}$$
$$= f'(g(x_0))g'(x_0)$$

if $g(x_n) \neq g(x)$ eventually. If $g(x_n) = g(x)$ eventually, then it evaluates to 0 anyway and $g'(x_0) = 0$ too.

Example 7.2.

- 1. With $f = g^{-1}$, we get f'(g(x)) = 1/g'(x).
- 2. Say $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ and $g(x) = x^2$, then $f'(x^2) = \frac{1}{2x}$.
- 3. f(x) = |x| is not differentiable at 0: $\lim_{\delta \to 0^-} \frac{|\delta|}{\delta} = -1 \neq 1 = \lim_{\delta \to 0^+} \frac{|\delta|}{\delta}$.

Definition 7.2.

 $f:\Omega\subseteq\mathbb{R}^n\to\mathbb{R}^n$ is said to have directional derivative at $x_0\in\Omega$ in direction $v\in\mathbb{R}^n$ if

$$Df(x_0)[v] := \lim_{\delta \to 0} \frac{f(x_0 + \delta v) - f(x_0)}{\delta}$$

exists. We say f is differentiable at x_0 if $Df(x_0): \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ is a linear map.

Theorem 7.3. If $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable, then the maximum of f occurs at either a, b or a point x_0 with $f'(x_0) = 0$. Note: Maximum exists since [a,b] is compact.

Proof. If it does not occur at a nor b, then it occurs at an interior point $x_0 \in (a,b)$. Then

$$f'(x_0) = \lim_{\delta \to 0^+} \frac{f(x_0 + \delta) - f(x_0)}{\delta} \le 0$$

and

$$f'(x_0) = \lim_{\delta \to 0^-} \frac{f(x_0 + \delta) - f(x_0)}{\delta} \ge 0$$

and hence $f'(x_0) = 0$.

Theorem 7.4. (Rolle's)

If $f:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$ is continuous, f is differentiable on (a,b), and f(a)=f(b), then there exists $c\in(a,b)$ with f'(c)=0.

Proof. If f is constant then the result is trivial. Otherwise, a maximum or minimum occurs at the interior, and we can use Theorem 7.3.

Theorem 7.5. (Mean Value Theorem)

If $f:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$ is continuous, f is differentiable on (a,b), then there exists $c\in(a,b)$ with $f'(c)=\frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}$.

Proof. Define
$$F(x) = f(x) - \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}(x - a)$$
 and apply Rolle's Theorem.

Exercise.

- 1. If f' = 0 then f is constant.
- 2. If $|f'| \leq L$ then f is L-Lipschitz. Hint: Use the Mean Value Theorem.

Theorem 7.6. (L'Hôpital's Rule) Let f, g be differentiable on I, and let $x_0 \in I$ such that $f(x_0) = g(x_0) = 0$, and g'(x) = 0 on some $\mathcal{B}(x_0, \varepsilon)$, and $\lim_{x \to x_0} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$ exists.

Then
$$\lim_{x \to x_0} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \to x_0} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}.$$

Proof. Take some $x_1 \in \mathcal{B}(x_0, \varepsilon)$. Consider $\Phi(x) = f(x_1)g(x) - g(x_1)f(x)$. By Rolle's Theorem, there exists some c between x_0 and x_1 such that $\Phi'(c) = f(x_1)g'(c) - g(x_1)f'(c) = 0$. Hence for all $x \in \mathcal{B}(x_0, \varepsilon)$, there exists some c_x between x and x_0 such that $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{f'(c_x)}{g'(c_x)}$. Taking the limit $x \to x_0$ (and hence $c_x \to x_0$) gives the result.

Definition 7.3.

• A function $f: I \to \mathbb{R}$ is *convex* if for all $x_1 < x_2$ in I and any $0 < \alpha < 1$,

$$f(\alpha x_1 + (1 - \alpha)x_2) \le \alpha f(x_1) + (1 - \alpha)f(x_2).$$

We say that f is *strictly convex* if the inequality is always strict.

• A function $f: I \to \mathbb{R}$ is *concave* if for all $x_1 < x_2$ in I and any $0 < \alpha < 1$,

$$f(\alpha x_1 + (1 - \alpha)x_2) \ge \alpha f(x_1) + (1 - \alpha)f(x_2).$$

We say that f is *strictly concave* if the inequality is always strict.

• Define the right and left derivative

$$f'_{+}(x_0) = \lim_{\delta \to 0^{+}} \frac{f(x_0 + \delta) - f(x_0)}{\delta}, \qquad f'_{-}(x_0) = \lim_{\delta \to 0^{-}} \frac{f(x_0 + \delta) - f(x_0)}{\delta}$$

Exercise. If f is convex on I, then $x \mapsto \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0}$ is nondecreasing on I.

Theorem 7.7.

Say f is convex on I. Then $f'_{-}(x) \leq f'_{+}(x) \leq f'_{-}(y) \leq f'_{+}(y)$ for all x < y in I.

Proof. Firstly, $\frac{f(x_0 + \delta) - f(x_0)}{\delta}$ is nondecreasing as $\delta \to 0^-$ and hence $f'_-(x_0)$ (and similarly $f'_+(x_0)$) exists for any $x_0 \in I$. The result then follows from the Exercise above.

Corollary.

- 1. When f is differentiable, then f is convex if and only if f' is nondecreasing.
- 2. When f, f' are both differentiable, then f is convex if and only if $f'' \ge 0$.

Theorem 7.8. If f is convex, f' exists except at countably many points.

Proof. Whenever f is not differentiable at $x \in I$, we have $f'_{-}(x) < f'_{+}(x)$, so we can pick a $q_x \in \mathbb{Q}$. We then have an injective map $x \mapsto q_x$ on nondifferentiable points.

Example 7.3.

- 1. f(x) = |x| is convex, with $f'(x) = \operatorname{sgn}(x)$ when $x \neq 0$ and $f'_{-}(0) = -1$, $f'_{+}(0) = 1$.
- 2. $f(x) = e^x$ is convex because $f''(x) = e^x > 0$.

Definition 7.4.

- A function $f: I \to \mathbb{R}$ is in C^1 if it is differentiable and f' is continuous.
- If $f'(x_0) = 0$, we say x_0 is a critical point and $f(x_0)$ is a critical value.
- We say $y \in \mathbb{R}$ is a regular value if it is not a critical value.
- A set $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ has measure zero if for all $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists countably many intervals that (i) covers S and (ii) have total combined length $< \varepsilon$.

Exercise.

- 1. A subset of a measure zero set has measure zero.
- 2. Every finite or countable subset has measure zero.
- 3. The Cantor set (uncountable!) has measure zero.
- 4. A countable union of measure zero sets has measure zero. Hint: Take a covering of total length $< \varepsilon/2^{n+1}$ for the n-th set.

Theorem 7.9. (Sard's Theorem)

Let $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be in C^1 . Then {critical values of f} $\subseteq \mathbb{R}$ has measure zero.

Proof. It suffices to prove that the set of critical values of f on a closed interval [a, b] has measure zero, because to get the full set of critical values we just apply to [-n, n] for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and take the countable union. WLOG we will prove for [0, 1]. Let $\varepsilon > 0$

Since $f': [0,1] \to \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, it is uniformly continuous and hence there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $|f'(x) - f'(y)| < \varepsilon/2$ for all |x - y| < 1/N. Partition [0,1] into $I_k = \left[\frac{k}{N}, \frac{k+1}{N}\right]$ for $k = 0, \dots, N-1$. For every k where I_k has a critical point x_k , for all $x, y \in I_k$ we have

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \stackrel{\text{MVT}}{=} |f'(c)| |x - y| = |f'(c) - f'(x_k)| |x - y| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{N}$$

and hence the length of $f(I_k)$ is $< \varepsilon/2N$. Taking all $0 \le k \le N-1$ for which I_k has a critical point, we get a covering with total length $< \varepsilon$.

Example 7.4.

1. The constant function has critical points everywhere, with exactly one critical value, and hence {critical value} has measure zero.

Theorem 7.10. Any regular value of $f:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$ in C^1 has a finite pre-image.

Proof. Let y_0 be a regular value $(f'(y) \neq 0 \text{ for any } f(y) = y_0)$. Then $f^{-1}(\{y_0\}) \subseteq [a, b]$ is closed and hence compact. If $f^{-1}(\{y_0\})$ were infinite, then it admits a sequence $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ converging to some \overline{x} . But then $f(x_n) = f(\overline{x}) = y_0$ and hence by Rolle's there always exists a x'_n between x_n and \overline{x} such that $f'(x'_n) = 0$. Then $0 = f'(x'_n) \to f'(\overline{x}) \neq 0$ which is a contradiction since $f(\overline{x}) = y_0$.

8 Riemann Integral

Definition 8.1.

- A partition of [a, b] is a finite set of points $\sigma = \{a = x_0 < \dots < x_N = b\}$.
- The size $|\sigma|$ of σ is $\max_{1 \le i \le N} |x_i x_{i-1}|$.
- A partition σ' is a refinement of σ if $\sigma' \supseteq \sigma$.
- Given a bounded $f:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$ and a partition σ of [a,b],
 - The upper (Riemann) sum is $S(f, \sigma) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i x_{i-1}) \sup_{x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} f(x)$.
 - The lower (Riemann) sum is $s(f, \sigma) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i x_{i-1}) \inf_{x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} f(x)$.
- Given a bounded $f:[a,b]\to \mathbb{R}$,
 - The upper (Riemann) integral is $\mathcal{I}^+(f) = \inf_{\forall \sigma} S(f, \sigma)$.
 - The lower (Riemann) integral is $\mathcal{I}^-(f) = \sup_{\forall \sigma} s(f, \sigma)$.
- A bounded $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$ is Riemann integrable if $\mathcal{I}^-(f) = \mathcal{I}^+(f) := \int_a^b f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x$. Denote by $\mathcal{R}(a,b)$ the set of all Riemann integrable functions on [a,b].
- Given $f:[a,b]\in\mathbb{R}$ and $I\subseteq[a,b]$ an interval, define $\underset{I}{\operatorname{osc}}f=\sup_{I}f-\inf_{I}f.$

Remark.

- 1. Given two partitions σ_1, σ_2 of [a, b], there is always a partition that is refinement of both, e.g. $\sigma_3 = \sigma_1 \cup \sigma_2$.
- 2. $s(f,\sigma) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i x_{i-1}) f(\xi_i) \leq S(f,\sigma)$ for any choice $\xi_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$ for all i.
- 3. **Exercise.** If σ_3 is a refinement of both σ_1, σ_2 , then

$$s(f, \sigma_1) \le \sigma(f, \sigma_3) \le S(f, \sigma_3) \le S(f, \sigma_2) \implies s(f, \sigma_1) \le S(f, \sigma_2) \quad \forall \sigma_1, \sigma_2$$

which implies $\mathcal{I}^{-}(f) \leq \mathcal{I}^{+}(f)$ for any (bounded) f.

Theorem 8.1. The following are equivalent:

- 1. $f \in \mathcal{R}(a,b)$.
- 2. $(\forall \varepsilon > 0) (\exists \sigma) (S(f, \sigma) s(f, \sigma) < \varepsilon)$.
- 3. $(\forall \varepsilon > 0) (\exists \delta > 0) (\forall |\sigma| < \delta) (S(f, \sigma) s(f, \sigma) < \varepsilon)$.
- 4. $(\forall \varepsilon > 0) (\exists N > 0) (\forall n \ge N) (S(f, \sigma_n) s(f, \sigma_n) < \varepsilon)$ where

$$\sigma_n = \left\{ a + \frac{k}{n}(b-a) : 0 \le k \le n \right\}$$
 (equipartition)

5. $(\exists \mathcal{I} \in \mathbb{R}) (\forall \varepsilon > 0) (\exists \delta > 0) (\forall |\sigma| < \delta) (\forall \xi_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i])$:

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - x_{i-1}) f(\xi_i) - \mathcal{I} \right| < \varepsilon.$$

Proof. We just prove $(2) \Leftrightarrow (3)$. (\Leftarrow) is trivial. (\Rightarrow)

Assume (2) is true. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then there exists some $\sigma = \{x_0 < \cdots < x_N\}$ with $S(f, \sigma) - s(f, \sigma) < \varepsilon$. Since f is bounded, let $|f(x)| \leq M$ for all x.

We pick $\delta = \varepsilon/(2MN)$. Then let $\sigma' = \{y_0 < \cdots < y_{N'}\}$ be any partition of size $< \delta$. Note that any interval $Y_i = [y_{i-1}, y_i]$ is either

- (A) entirely contained within some $X_{f(i)} = [x_{f(i)-1}, x_{f(i)}],$ or
- (B) contains some x_j for some j. (There are at most N such intervals)

$$\therefore S(f, \sigma') - s(f, \sigma') = \sum_{i=1}^{N'} (y_i - y_{i-1}) \underset{X_f(i)}{\text{osc}} f
\leq \sum_{i:(A)} (y_i - y_{i-1}) \underset{X_f(i)}{\text{osc}} f + \sum_{i:(B)} (y_i - y_{i-1}) \underset{Y_i}{\text{osc}} f
= \sum_{j=1}^{N} \sum_{i:(A), Y_i \subseteq X_j} (y_i - y_{i-1}) \underset{X_j}{\text{osc}} f + \sum_{i:(B)} (y_i - y_{i-1}) \underset{Y_i}{\text{osc}} f
\leq \sum_{j=1}^{N} (x_j - x_{j-1}) \underset{X_j}{\text{osc}} f + N(\delta) (2M)
= S(f, \sigma) - s(f, \sigma) + 2MN\delta < 2\varepsilon.$$

Theorem 8.2. Continuous functions are Riemann integrable.

Proof. Let $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$ be continuous and $\varepsilon > 0$. Then f is uniformly continuous and hence exists an $\delta > 0$ such that $|f(x) - f(y)| < \varepsilon$ for all $|x - y| < \delta$. Then for any partition σ of size $< \delta$,

$$S(f,\sigma) - s(f,\sigma) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - x_{i-1}) \underset{[x_{i-1},x_i]}{\text{osc}} f \le \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - x_{i-1}) \varepsilon = \varepsilon(b-a).$$

Example 8.1. The Dirichlet function $\varphi(x) = \mathbf{1}(x \in \mathbb{Q})$ on [0,1] is not Riemann integrable, with $\mathcal{I}^+(\varphi) = 1$ and $\mathcal{I}^-(\varphi) = 0$.

Properties: If $f, g \in \mathcal{R}(a, b)$, then

- 1. $f + g, \lambda f$ ($\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$) are in $\mathcal{R}(a, b)$ and $\int_a^b f + g = \int_a^b f + \int_a^b g$, $\int_a^b \lambda f = \lambda \int_a^b f$.
- 2. $fg, \max(f, g), \min(f, g) \in \mathcal{R}(a, b)$.
- 3. $f/g \in \mathcal{R}(a,b)$ if $\inf g > 0$.
- 4. $f \leq g \implies \int_a^b f \leq \int_a^b g$.
- 5. $|f| \in \mathcal{R}(a,b)$ with $\int_a^b |f| \ge \left| \int_a^b f \right|$. (Triangle inequality)
- 6. If $c \in (a,b)$, then $f \in \mathcal{R}(a,c) \cap \mathcal{R}(c,b)$ with $\int_a^b f = \int_a^c f + \int_c^b f$.

Remark: We denote $\int_a^a f = 0$ and $\int_b^a f = -\int_a^b f$ if a < b.

Theorem 8.3. (Fundamental Theorem of Calculus / FTC)

If $f:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$ is continuous, then $F(x)=\int_a^x f$ is differentiable with F'=f.

Proof. For any $x \in (a, b)$ and h > 0,

$$\left| \frac{F(x+h) - F(x)}{h} - f(x) \right| = \frac{1}{h} \left| \int_{x}^{x+h} f - hf(x) \right|$$

$$= \frac{1}{h} \left| \int_{x}^{x+h} (f - f(x)) \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{h} \int_{x}^{x+h} |f - f(x)|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{h} \sup_{[x,x+h]} |f - f(x)| \xrightarrow{h \to 0^{+}} 0$$

The case where h < 0 is similar.

Theorem 8.4. (Integral Form of FTC)

If $F: [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ is in C^1 , then $\int_a^b F' = F(b) - F(a)$.

Proof. Apply FTC to f = F', giving $G(x) = \int_a^x F'$ with G' = F'. But $(G - F)' = 0 \implies G(b) - F(b) = G(a) - F(a)$ and thus $\int_a^b F' = G(b) - G(a) = F(b) - F(a)$.

Theorem 8.5. (Integration by Parts)

If $f, g: [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ are in C^1 , then $\int_a^b f'g = f(b)g(b) - f(a)g(a) - \int_a^b fg'$.

Proof. Apply Theorem 8.4 to F = fg (with F' = f'g + gf').

Theorem 8.6. (Characterization of Riemann Integrability)

 $f \in \mathcal{R}(a,b)$ if and only if

- f is bounded, and
- The set of points of discontinuity of f has measure zero.

Example 8.2.

- 1. $f:[0,1]\to\mathbb{R}$ with $f(x)=\mathbf{1}(x=1/2)$ is in $\mathcal{R}(a,b)$ (discontinuous only at 1/2).
- 2. The Dirichlet function is discontinuous everywhere, so it is not in $\mathcal{R}(a,b)$.

Definition 8.2. The oscillation of f at point x is $\operatorname{osc}(f, x) = \lim_{\delta \to 0^+} \operatorname{osc}_{[x - \delta, x + \delta]} f \geq 0$

Exercise. osc(f, x) = 0 if and only if f is continuous at x.

Proof of Backwards Direction of Theorem 8.6. Let $|f(x)| \leq M$ for all x. Denote E as the set of discontinuity points, so E has measure zero. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then

$$E_{\varepsilon} = \left\{ x \in [a, b] : \operatorname{osc}(f, x) \ge \frac{\varepsilon}{2(b - a)} \right\} \subseteq E$$

has measure zero too. Also, E_{ε} is closed (Exercise! If $x \notin E_{\varepsilon}$, choose δ small enough so that the oscillation is still within $\varepsilon/2(b-a)$, so E_{ε}^c is open). Therefore, E_{ε} is compact and hence can be covered by finitely many disjoint closed intervals of total length $< \varepsilon/(4M)$.

We then consider a partition σ of [a,b] that contains all the closed intervals chosen above

(type A), and the rest where the oscillations are $< \varepsilon/2(b-a)$ (type B). Then

$$S(f,\sigma) - s(f,\sigma) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - x_{i-1}) \underset{[x_{i-1},x_i]}{\operatorname{osc}} f$$

$$= \sum_{i:(A)} (x_i - x_{i-1}) \underset{[x_{i-1},x_i]}{\operatorname{osc}} f + \sum_{i:(B)} (x_i - x_{i-1}) \underset{[x_{i-1},x_i]}{\operatorname{osc}} f$$

$$\leq \sum_{i:(A)} (x_i - x_{i-1})(2M) + \sum_{i:(B)} (x_i - x_{i-1}) \frac{\varepsilon}{2(b-a)}$$

$$< \frac{\varepsilon}{4M} (2M) + (b-a) \frac{\varepsilon}{2(b-a)} = \varepsilon.$$