

Thursday, July 1

- No class on Monday, July 5.

Recall Notion of a subsequence.

(s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots)

- $(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_5, s_8, s_{13}, s_{21}, \dots)$ is a subsequence
- $(s_5, s_4, s_7, s_6, \dots)$ is not a subsequence.

Ex: \mathbb{Q} is countable: there is a bijection from \mathbb{N} to \mathbb{Q} .

Therefore we have a sequence $(q_n) = (q_1, q_2, q_3, \dots)$

such that $\{q_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} = \mathbb{Q}$.

"enumeration of \mathbb{Q} "

$$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

Ex. $f(x) = x^2$.

$$\text{Range}(f) = [0, \infty).$$

Proposition: Let (q_n) be an enumeration of \mathbb{Q} .

Then for any $a \in \mathbb{R}$, there exists a subsequence (q_{n_k}) of (q_n) such that $q_{n_k} \rightarrow a$.

Proof: ("Inductive construction" — See HW2 #10)

Construct (q_{n_k}) inductively.

First there exists $r_1 \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $a-1 < r_1 < a+1$ (\mathbb{Q} dense in \mathbb{R}).

There exists $n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $q_{n_1} = r_1$.

Having already found n_1, \dots, n_k :

find $n_{k+1} > n_k$ such that $a - \frac{1}{k+1} < q_{n_{k+1}} < a + \frac{1}{k+1}$.

(Why is this always possible?)

There are infinitely many rationals between $a - \frac{1}{k+1}$ and $a + \frac{1}{k+1}$.

Not all of these rationals come before the n_k^{th} term in (q_n) .

By construction, $q_{n_k} \rightarrow a$.

Theorem: Let (s_n) be a sequence of real numbers.

If $s_n \rightarrow s$, then $s_{n_k} \rightarrow s$ for every subsequence (s_{n_k}) of (s_n) .

Proof: Suppose $s_n \rightarrow s \in \mathbb{R}$. Let (s_{n_k}) be a subsequence of (s_n) .
 $(s_{n_k})_{k \in \mathbb{N}} = (s_{n_1}, s_{n_2}, s_{n_3}, \dots)$.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$. There exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that
 $n \geq N$ implies $|S_n - s| < \varepsilon$.

There exists $K \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n_K \geq N$.

Then for $k \geq K$, $|S_{n_k} - S| < \varepsilon$ since $n_k \geq N$.

Also can prove similar for $s \in \{c_0, -c_0\}$.

Theorem: Every sequence of real numbers has a monotonic subsequence.

Proof: Let $S = \{ n \in \mathbb{N} : s_n > s_m \text{ for all } m > n \}$

↑ terms which are (strictly) larger than everything afterward.

Case 1: S has infinitely many elements
→ decreasing subsequence.

Case 2: S has finitely many elements.

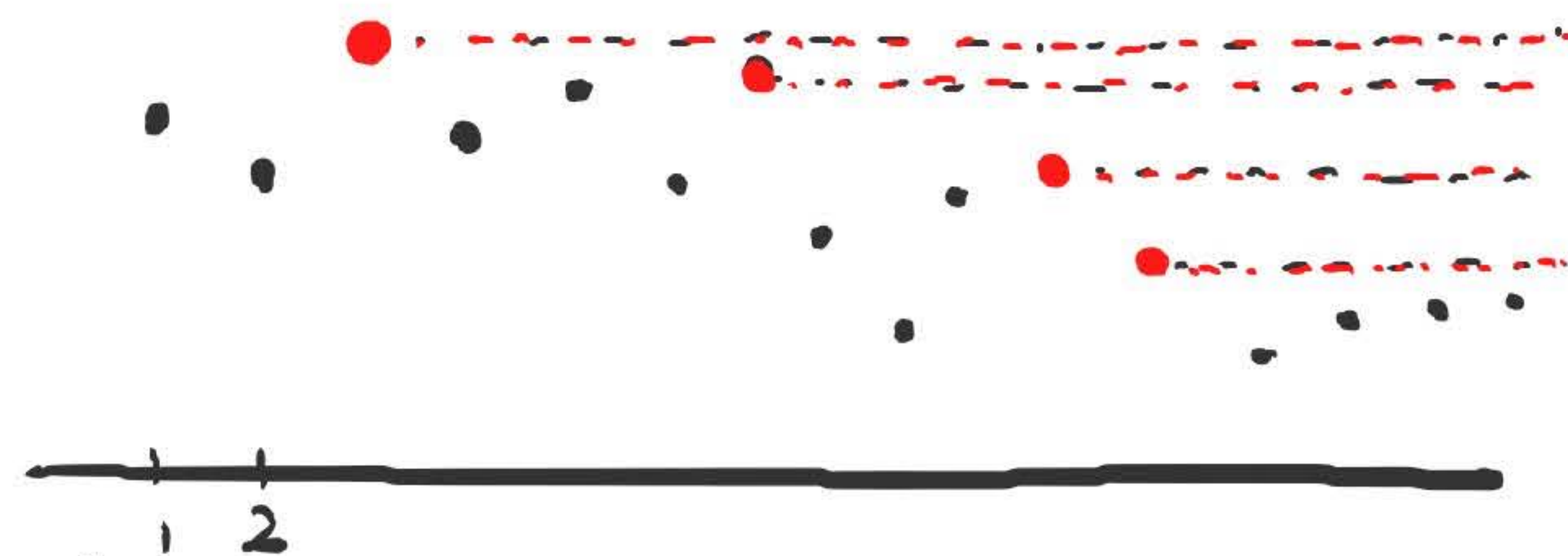
Let $m = \max S$.

Let $n_1 = m+1$. Having already found

n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k : Since $n_k > m$, $n_k \notin S$, so there exists

$n_{k+1} > n_k$ such that $s_{n_{k+1}} \geq s_{n_k}$.

(s_{n_k}) is nondecreasing.



Corollary : (Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem)

Every bounded sequence has a convergent subsequence.

Proof: Apply monotone convergence theorem with previous theorem.

Def: Let (s_n) be a sequence of real numbers.

A subsequential limit of (s_n) is any $a \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty, -\infty\}$ such that there exists a subsequence (s_{n_k}) of (s_n) for which $s_{n_k} \rightarrow a$.

Math 104 Worksheet 5
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The aim of this worksheet is to prove the equivalence of two definitions of \limsup . (The analogous definitions for \liminf will also be equivalent, with nearly an identical proof.)

Definition 1. Given a sequence (s_n) of real numbers, we define

$$\limsup s_n := \begin{cases} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sup\{s_m : m \geq n\} \right) & \text{if } (s_n) \text{ is bounded from above,} \\ +\infty & \text{if } (s_n) \text{ is not bounded from above.} \end{cases}$$

Definition 2. Given a sequence (s_n) of real numbers, let $L \subseteq \mathbb{R} \cup \{\pm\infty\}$ denote the set of *subsequential limits* of (s_n) . Define $\limsup s_n := \sup L$.

Theorem. The two definitions of \limsup above are equivalent.

Proof. Let (s_n) be a sequence of real numbers.

Case 1. (s_n) is NOT bounded from above. Then according to Definition 1, $\limsup s_n = \infty$. On the other hand, since (s_n) is not bounded from above, it should be possible to construct a subsequence (s_{n_k}) of (s_n) such that $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} s_{n_k} = \infty$.

• **Exercise 1.** Inductively construct a subsequence (s_{n_k}) of (s_n) such that $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} s_{n_k} = \infty$.

1 is not an upper bound for (s_n) , so there exists $n_1 \in \mathbb{N} : s_{n_1} > 1$.
Having already found n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k : can find $n_{k+1} > n_k$ s.t.

Therefore, $\infty \in L$ and hence $\limsup s_n = \sup L = \infty$.

$s_{n_{k+1}} > k+1$.

$s_{n_k} > k \Rightarrow s_{n_k} \rightarrow \infty$.

Case 2. (s_n) is bounded from above. Then the goal is to show that

$$\sup L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sup\{s_m : m \geq n\} \right) \quad (= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} v_n).$$

To do this, we will prove inequality in both directions.

• **Exercise 2.** To show that $\sup L \leq \lim v_n$, it suffices to show that for every subsequence (s_{n_k}) of (s_n) such that $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} s_{n_k}$ exists, we have the inequality $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} s_{n_k} \leq \lim v_n$ (why?). Now prove the assertion.

$$s_{n_k} \leq v_{n_k} = \sup\{s_m : m \geq n_k\}.$$

$$\lim s_{n_k} \leq \lim v_{n_k} = \lim v_n.$$

Since (v_n) converges to v , (v_{n_k}) also converges to v .

$\lim v_n$ is an upper bound for L .

$\sup L$ is the L.U.B.

• **Exercise 3.** To show that $\sup L \geq \lim v_n$, it suffices to show that there exists a subsequence (s_{n_k}) of (s_n) such that $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} s_{n_k} = \lim v_n$ (why?). Now inductively construct such a subsequence.

Find $n_1 : s_{n_1} > v_1 - 1$.

$\sup\{s_m : m \geq 1\}$.

Having already found n_1, \dots, n_k :

find $n_{k+1} > n_k$ such that $s_{n_{k+1}} > v_{n_{k+1}} - \frac{1}{k+1}$.

$\sup\{s_m : m \geq n_{k+1}\}$

$v_{n_{k+1}} - \frac{1}{k+1} < s_{n_{k+1}} \leq v_{n_{k+1}}$
Use squeeze theorem.
 $\therefore \lim s_{n_k} = \lim v_n$

Theorem: Let (s_n) be a sequence in \mathbb{R} , let L denote the set of subsequential limits of (s_n) . Then

(i) $L \neq \emptyset$.

(ii) $\lim s_n$ exists if and only if $\overbrace{|L|}^{\text{\# of elements in } L} = 1$, in which case $L = \{\lim s_n\}$.

(iii) if (s_n) is not bounded above, then $\infty \in L$.
" " " below " " $-\infty \in L$.

(iv) $\limsup s_n \in L$ and $\liminf s_n \in L$.

(v) $\sup L = \limsup s_n$ and $\inf L = \liminf s_n$.

We've developed quite a bit of theory about the real numbers!
What are some of the important properties of \mathbb{R} that we've used?

- \mathbb{Q} dense \mathbb{R}
- Archimedean
- completeness
- Order field
- Distance

Def: A metric space (X, d) is a set X equipped with a "distance function" $d: X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ satisfy:

- $\forall x, y$
• $d(x, y) \geq 0$ and $d(x, y) = 0 \iff x = y$. (positive definiteness)
- $\forall x, y$
• $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ (symmetry)
- $\forall x, y, z$
• $d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$ (triangle inequality).

Ex: \mathbb{R} with $d(x, y) = |x - y|$.

\mathbb{R}^2 with $d((x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)) = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$.

We can generalize some of the concepts that we developed in \mathbb{R} .

Def: A sequence (x_n) in a metric space (X, d) converges to x if for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $d(x_n, x) < \varepsilon$.

Def: A sequence (x_n) is Cauchy if for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $m, n \geq N$ implies $d(x_m, x_n) < \varepsilon$.

Def: A metric space (X, d) is complete if every Cauchy sequence converges.

Ex: \mathbb{Q} is not complete.
metric space.

Exercise: If (x_n) converges, then it is Cauchy.