# Analysis

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# Chapter 1

# The Real and Complex Numbers

#### 1.1 Ordered Sets

**Definition.** Let S be any set. An **order** on S is a relation < such that:

(1) For  $x, y \in S$ , one and only one of the following hold:

$$x < y$$
  $y < x$ 

We call this property the **trichotomy law** 

(2) < is transitive over S.

We denote the relations > and  $\le$  to mean x > y if and only if y < x, and  $x \le y$  if and only if x < y, or x = y. We call S together with < an **ordered set**.

**Example 1.1.** Define < on  $\mathbb{Q}$  such that for  $r, s \in \mathbb{Q}$ , r < s implies < 0s - r.

**Definition.** Let S be an ordered set, and let  $E \subseteq S$ . We say that E is **bounded above** there is some  $\beta \in S$  for which  $x \leq \beta$ , for all  $x \in E$ . We say that E is **bounded below** if  $\beta \leq x$ , for call  $x \in E$ . We say an  $\alpha \in S$  is a **least upperbound** of E, if  $\alpha$  is an upperbound of E, and for all other upperbounds,  $\gamma$ , of E,  $\alpha \leq \gamma$ . Likewise,  $\alpha$  is a **greatest lowerbound** of E if  $\alpha$  is a lowerbound of E, and for all other lowerbounds  $\gamma$  of E,  $\gamma \leq \alpha$ . We denote the least upperbound, and greatest lowerbound by  $\sup E$  and  $\inf E$ , respectively.

**Lemma 1.1.1.** Let S be an ordered set, and let  $E \subseteq S$ . Then E has (if they exist) a unique least upperbound, and a unique greatest lowerbound.

*Proof.* Let  $\alpha, \beta \in S$  be least upperbounds of E. Then by definition, we have that  $\alpha \leq \beta$ , and  $\beta \leq \alpha$ ; thus by the trichotomy law,  $\alpha = \beta$ . The proof is the same for greatest lowerbounds.

**Example 1.2.** (1) Let  $A = \{p \in \mathbb{Q} : p^2 < 2\}$ , and  $B = \{p \in \mathbb{Q} : p^2 > 2\}$ . Clearly, we have that every element of B is an upperbound of A, and every element of A is a lowerbound of B. Now take  $p \in \mathbb{Q}$  a positive rational, and take  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $q = p - \frac{p^2 - 2}{p + 2}$ . Then

 $q^2-2=\frac{2(p^2-2)}{(p+2)^2}$ . Now if  $p\in A$ , then  $p^2-2<0$ , which implies that p< q, and  $q^2<2$ ; thus A has no largest element; similarly, if  $p\in B$ , then  $p^2-2>0$ , which implies that q< p and  $q^2>2$ , which shows that B has no least element. Thus  $\sup A$  and  $\inf B$  do not exist in  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

- (2) If  $\alpha = \sup E \in S$ , it may or may not be that  $\alpha \in E$ . Take  $E_1 = \{r \in \mathbb{Q} : r < 0\}$ , and  $E_2 = \{r \in \mathbb{Q} : r \leq 0\}$ . Then  $\sup E_1 = \sup E_2 = 0$ , but  $0 \notin E_1$ , where as  $0 \in E_2$
- (3) Consider the set  $\frac{1}{\mathbb{Z}^+} = \{\frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$ . By the well ordering principle, 1 is the least element, and is also an upper bound of all  $\frac{1}{n}$  for n > 1. Now also notice that as n gets arbitrarily large, then  $\frac{1}{n}$  gets arbitratirly small; that is to say  $\frac{1}{n}$  "tends" to 0, so  $\sup \frac{1}{\mathbb{Z}^+} = 1 \in \frac{1}{\mathbb{Z}^+}$ , and  $\inf \frac{1}{\mathbb{Z}^+} = 0 \notin \frac{1}{\mathbb{Z}^+}$ .

**Definition.** We say an ordered set S has the **least upperbound property**, if whenever  $E \subseteq S$ , nonempty, and bounded above, then  $\sup E \in S$  exists; likewise, S has the **greatest lowerbound property** if whenever E is nonempty, bounded below then  $\inf E \in S$  exists.

- **Example 1.3.** (1) The set of all rationals  $\mathbb{Q}$  does not have the least upperbound property, nor the greatest lowerbound property, take A, B as in the previous example. Letting  $E = \{1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}\} \subseteq \frac{1}{\mathbb{Z}^+}$ , we see that  $\frac{1}{\mathbb{Z}^+}$  satisfies both properties, with  $\sup E = 1$ , and  $\inf E = \frac{1}{4}$ .
  - (2) Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be nonempty, and be bounded below. Then by the greatest lowerbound property,  $\alpha = \inf A \in \mathbb{R}$  exists; Then for all  $x \in A$ ,  $\alpha \leq x$ , and for all other lowerbounds  $\gamma, \gamma \leq \alpha$ . Then  $-x \leq -\alpha$ , and  $-\alpha \leq -\gamma$ , then we see that  $-\gamma$  and  $-\alpha$  are upper upper of -A, and that  $-\alpha$  is the least upper of -A

**Theorem 1.1.2.** If S is an ordered set with the least upperbound property, then S also inherits the greatest lowerbound property.

*Proof.* Let  $B \subseteq S$ , and let  $L \subseteq S$  be the set of all lowerbounds of B. Then we have for any  $y \in L$ ,  $x \in B$ ,  $y \le x$ . So every element of B is an upperbound of L, and L is nonempty, hence  $\alpha = \sup L \in S$  exists. Now if  $\gamma \le \alpha$ , then  $\gamma$  is not an upperbound of L, hence  $\gamma \notin B$ ; thus  $\alpha \le x$  for all  $x \in B$ , so  $\alpha \in L$ , and by definition of the greatest lowerbound, we get  $\alpha = \inf B$ .

### 1.2 Fields

**Definition.** A field is a set F, together with binary operations + and  $\cdot$  (called addition and multiplication, respectively) such that:

- (1) F forms an abelian group under +.
- (2)  $F \setminus \{0\}$  forms an abelian group under  $\cdot$  (where 0 is the additive identity of F).
- (3) · distributes over +.

We now state the following propositions without proof.

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**Proposition 1.2.1.** For all  $x, y, x \in F$ :

(1) 
$$x + y = x + y$$
 implies  $y = z$ 

(2) 
$$x + y = x$$
 implies  $y = 0$ 

(3) 
$$x + y = 0$$
 implies  $y = -x$ 

$$(4) - (-x) = x.$$

**Proposition 1.2.2.** For all  $x, y, x \in F \setminus \{0\}$ :

(1) 
$$xy = xy$$
 implies  $y = z$ 

(2) 
$$xy = x$$
 implies  $y = 1$ 

(3) 
$$xy = 1 \text{ implies } y = x^{-1}$$

$$(4) (x^{-1})^{-1} = x.$$

**Proposition 1.2.3.** For all  $x, y, x \in F$ :

(1) 
$$0x = 0$$

(2) 
$$x \neq 0$$
 and  $y \neq 0$  implies  $xy \neq 0$ 

(3) 
$$(-x)y = -(xy) = x(-y)$$

$$(4) (-x)(-y) = xy.$$

**Definition.** An **ordered field** is a field F that is also an ordered set, such that:

(1) 
$$x + y < x + z$$
 whenever  $y < z$ , for  $x, yz, z \in F$ 

(2) 
$$xy > 0$$
 whenever  $x > 0$  and  $y > 0$ , for  $x, y \in F$ .

**Proposition 1.2.4.** Let F be an ordered field, then for any  $x, y, z \in F$ , the following hold:

(1) 
$$x > 0$$
 implies  $-x < 0$ .

(2) If 
$$x > 0$$
 and  $y < z$ , then  $xy < xz$ .

(3) If 
$$x < 0$$
 and  $y < z$ , then  $xz < xy$ .

(4) If 
$$x \neq 0$$
, then  $x^2 > 0$ , in particular,  $1 > 0$ .

(5) 
$$0 < x < y$$
 implies that  $0 < y^{-1} < x^{-1}$ .

*Proof.* (1) If x > 0, then 0 = x + (-x) > 0 + (-x), so -x < 0.

(2) We have 
$$0 < z - y$$
, so  $0 < x(z - y) = xz - xy$ , so  $xy < xz$ .

- (3) Do the same as (2),, multiplying z y by -x.
- (4) If x > 0, we are done. Now suppose that x < 0, then -x > 0, so  $(-x)(-x) = xx = x^2 > 0$ ; in particular, we also have that  $1 \neq 0$ , and  $1 = 1^2$ , so 1 > 0.
- (5) We have  $0 < xy^{-1} < yy^{-1} = 1$ , then  $0 < x^{-1}xy^{-1} = y^{-1} < x^{-1}1 = x^{-1}$

#### 1.3 The Field of Real Numbers

**Theorem 1.3.1.** There exists an ordered field  $\mathbb{R}$  with the least upperbound property, such that  $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ .

**Definition.** We call the field  $\mathbb{R}$  the **field of real numbers**,and we call the elements of  $\mathbb{R}$  real numbers.

**Definition.** Let S be an ordered field, and let  $E \subseteq S$ . We say that E is **dense** in S, if for all  $r, s \in S$ , with r < s, there is an  $\alpha \in E$  such that  $r < \alpha < s$ .

**Theorem 1.3.2** (The Archimedean Principle). If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ , and x > 0, then there is an  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that nx > y.

*Proof.* Let  $A = \{nx : n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$ , and suppose that  $nx \leq y$ . Then y is an upperbound of A, abd since A is nonempty,  $\alpha = \sup A \in \mathbb{R}$ , since x > 0, we have  $\alpha - x < \alpha$ , so  $\alpha - x$  is not an upperbound of A. Hence  $\alpha - x < mx$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Then  $\alpha < (1 - m)x \in A$ , contradicting that  $\alpha$  is an upperbound of A.

**Theorem 1.3.3** (The density of  $\mathbb{Q}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ ).  $\mathbb{Q}$  is dense in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Proof. Let x < y be realnumbers, then y - x > 0, so by the Archimedean principle, there is an  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  fir which n(y-x) > 1. By the Archimedean principle again, we have  $m_1, m_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  for which  $m_1 > nx$  and  $m_2 > -nx$ , thus  $-m_2 < nx < m_1$ , and we also have that there is an  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  for which  $-m_2 < m < m_1$ , and  $m-1 \le nx < m$ . Thus combining inequalities, we get nx < m < ny, thus  $x < \frac{m}{n} < y$ .

**Theorem 1.3.4** (The existence of  $n^t h$  roots of positive reals). For every real number X > 0, and for every  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , there is one, and only one positive real number y for which  $y^n = x$ .

*Proof.* Let y > 0 be a real number; then  $y^n > 0$ , so there is at most one such y for which  $y^n = x$ . Now let  $E = \{t : \mathbb{R} : t^n < x\}$ , choosing  $t = \frac{x}{1+x}$ , we see that  $0 \le t < 1$ , hence  $t^n < t < x$ , so E is nonempty. Now if 1 + x < t, then  $t^n \ge x$ , so  $t \notin E$ , and E has 1 + x as an upperbound. Therefore,  $\alpha = \sup E \in \mathbb{R}$  exists.

Now suppose that  $y^n < x$ , choose  $0 \le h < 1$  such that  $h < \frac{x-y^n}{n(y+1)^{n-1}}$ , then  $(y+h)^n - y^n < hn(y+h)^{n-1} < hn(y+1)n-1 < x-y^n$ , thus  $(y+h)^n < x$ , so  $y+h \in E$ , contraditing that y is an upperbound. On the other hand, if  $y^n > x$ , choosing  $k = \frac{y^n - x}{ny^{n-1}}$ , then  $0 \le k < y$ , and letting  $t \ge y - k$ , we get that  $y^n - t^n \le y^n + (y-k)^n < kny_{n-1} = y^n - x^n$ , so  $t^n \ge x$ , making y - k an uppearbound of E, which contradicts  $y = \sup E$ .

Remark. We denote y as  $\sqrt[n]{x}$ , or as  $x^{\frac{1}{n}}$ .

Corollary. If  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , with a, b > 0, and  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , then  $\sqrt[n]{ab} = \sqrt[n]{a} \sqrt[n]{b}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\alpha = \sqrt[n]{a}$ , and  $\beta = \sqrt[n]{b}$ . Then  $\alpha^n = a$ , and  $\beta^n = b$ , so  $ab = \alpha^n \beta^n = (l\alpha\beta)^n$ , we are done.

**Definition.** We define the **extended real number system** to be the field  $\mathbb{R}$ , together with symbols  $\infty$ , and  $-\infty$ , called **positive infinity** and **negative infinity**, such that  $-\infty < x < \infty$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . We call elements of the extended real numbers **infinite**, and every other element not in the extended real numbers **finite**.

**Lemma 1.3.5.**  $\infty$  is an upperbound for every subset E, of  $\mathbb{R}$ , and  $-\infty$  is a lowerbound for every subset E of  $\mathbb{R}$ . Moreover, if E is not bounded above, then  $\sup E = \infty$ , and if E is not bounded below, then  $\inf E = -\infty$ .

*Remark.* We make the following assumptions for extended real numbers:

- (1) If  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $x + \infty = \infty$ ,  $x \infty = -\infty$ , and  $\frac{x}{\infty} = \frac{x}{-\infty} = 0$ .
- (2) If x > 0, then  $x(\infty) = \infty$  and  $x(-\infty) = -\infty$ .
- (3) If x < 0, then  $x(\infty) = -\infty$  and  $x(-\infty) = \infty$ .

## 1.4 The Complex Field

**Definition.** We define a **complex number** to be a pair of real numbers (a, b). We denote the set of all comlex numbers by  $\mathbb{C}$ . We define the **addition** and **multiplication** of complex numbers to be the binary operations  $+: \mathbb{C} \to \mathbb{C}$  and  $\cdot: \mathbb{C} \to \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$(a,b) + (c,d) = (a+c,b+d)$$
  
 $(a,b)(c,d) = (ac-bd,ad+bc)$ 

Lastly, we define i to be the complex number such that i = (0, 1).

**Theorem 1.4.1.**  $\mathbb{C}$  forms a field together with + and  $\cdot$ .

**Theorem 1.4.2.** For 
$$(a,0), (b,0) \in C$$
,  $(a,0) + (b,0) = (a+b,0)$ , and  $(a,0)(b,0) = (ab,o)$ .

*Proof.* This is a straightforward application of the addition and multiplication of complex numbers.

Theorem 1.4.3.  $i^2 = -1$ .

Proof. 
$$i^2 = (0,1)(0,1) = (0-1,1-1) = (-1,0) = -1.$$

**Theorem 1.4.4.** Let  $(a,b) \in \mathbb{C}$ , then (a+b) = a+ib.

Proof. 
$$(a,b) = (a,0) + (0,b) = (a,0) + (0,1)(b,0) = a+ib$$
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**Definition.** Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , and let  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  such that z = a + ib. We define the **complex conjugate** of z to be the complex number  $\overline{z} = a - ib$ . Moreover, we define the **real part** of z to be a, and the **imaginary part** of z to be b, and we denote them  $a = \operatorname{Re} z$ ,  $b = \operatorname{Im} z$ 

**Theorem 1.4.5.** Let  $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then

- (1)  $\overline{z+w} = \overline{z} + \overline{w}$ .
- (2)  $\overline{zw} = \overline{zw}$ .
- (3)  $z + \overline{z} = 2 \operatorname{Re} z$  and  $z \overline{z} = 2i \operatorname{Im} z$ .

(4)  $z\overline{z}$  is a nonegative real number.

Proof. Let z = a + ib, and let w = c + id. Then z + w = (a + c) + i(b + d), so  $\overline{z + w} = (a + b) - i(b + d) = (a - ib) + (c - id) = \overline{z} + \overline{w}$ ; similarly, we get  $\overline{zw} = \overline{zw}$ . Moreover, we have (a + ib) + (a - ib) = 2a, and (a + ib) - (a - ib) = 2ib, we also have that  $z\overline{z} = (a + ib)(a - ib) = a^2 + b^2 \ge 0$ , and  $z\overline{z} = 0$  if and only if a = b = 0.

**Definition.** Let  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ . We define the **modulus** of z to be  $|z| = \sqrt{z\overline{z}}$ .

Remark. |z| exists and is unique.

**Theorem 1.4.6.** Let  $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$ , then:

- (1)  $|z| \ge 0$  and |z| = 0 if and only if z = 0.
- $(2) |\overline{z}| = |z|.$
- (3) |zw| = |z||w|.
- (4) Re z < |z|.
- (5) |z+w+ < |z| + |w|.

*Proof.* Let z = a + ib, and w = c + id. Then  $|z| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \ge 0$ , and |z| = 0 if and only if a, b = 0. Moreover,  $|\overline{z}| = |a + i(-b)| = \sqrt{a^2 + (-b)^2} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = |z|$ . We also habe  $|zw|^2 = (a^2 + b^2)(c^2 + d) = |z|^2|w|^2$ , likewise,  $||rez|| = |a + i0| = \sqrt{a^2} \le \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ . Finally we prove (5).

We have  $|z+w|^2 = (x+w)(\overline{z}+\overline{w}) = z\overline{z} + \overline{z}w + \overline{w}z + w\overline{w} = |z|^2 + w\operatorname{Re} z\overline{w} + |w|^2 \le |z|^2 + 2|s\overline{w}| + |w|^2 = (|z| + |w|)^2.$ 

**Theorem 1.4.7** (The Cauchy Schwarz Inequality). Let  $a_i, b_i \in \mathbb{C}$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Then:

$$\left|\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i} \overline{b_{i}}\right| \leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{i}|^{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |b_{j}|^{2}$$
(1.1)

*Proof.* Let  $A = \sum a_j|^2$ ,  $B = \sum |b_i|^2$ , and  $C = \sum a_i\overline{b_i}$ . If B = 0, then  $b_i = 0$  for  $1 \le i \le n$ , and we are done; so suppose that B > 0. Then

$$\sum |Ba_j - Cb_j|^2 = \sum (Ba_j - Cb_j)(B\overline{a_j} - \overline{Cb_j})$$

$$= B \sum |a_j|^2 - B\overline{C} \sum a_j \overline{b_j} - BC \sum \overline{a_j} b_j + |C^2| \sum |b_j|^2$$

$$= (B^2A - B|C|^2) = B(AB - |C|^2) > 0$$

Since B > 0, we get  $|C|^2 \le AB$  as required.

## 1.5 Euclidean Spaces

**Definition.** Let  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , and let  $\mathbb{R}^k$  be the set of all ordered k-tuples  $(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_k)$ , with  $x_i \in \mathbb{R}$  for  $1 \le i \le k$ . We call  $\mathbb{R}^k$  the **Euclidean space** of **dimension** k; more simply the **Euclidean k-space**. We call elements of  $\mathbb{R}^k$  vectors or **points**; and we define vector addition and scalar multiplication to be:

$$(x_1, \dots, x_k) + (y_1, \dots, y_k) = (x_1 + y_1, \dots, x_k + y_k)$$
  
 $\alpha(x_1, \dots, x_k) = (\alpha x_1, \dots, \alpha x_k)$ 

for  $(x_1, \ldots, x_k), (y_1, \ldots, y_k) \in \mathbb{R}^k$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Theorem 1.5.1.**  $\mathbb{R}^k$  forms a vector space together with vector addition and scalar multiplication.

**Definition.** Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^k$ . We define the **inner product** of x and y to be the binary operation  $\langle , \rangle : \mathbb{R}^k \mathbb{R}^k \to \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{k} x_i y_i$$

We define the **norm** of x to be  $||x|| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle} = \sqrt{\sum x_i^2}$ .

**Theorem 1.5.2.** Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^k$ , and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then:

- (1)  $||x|| \ge 0$  and ||x|| = 0 if and only if  $x_i = 0$  for all  $1 \le i \le k$ .
- (2)  $||\alpha x|| = |\alpha|||x||$ .
- $(3) ||\langle x, y \rangle|| \le ||x|| ||y||.$
- (4)  $||x+y|| \le ||x|| + ||y||$ , and  $||x-z|| \le ||x-y|| + ||y-z||$

*Proof.* (1) follows by definition of the norm. We also have that  $||\alpha x|| = \sqrt{\sum \alpha^2 x_i^2} = \sqrt{\alpha^2} \sqrt{\sum x_i^2} = |\alpha|||x||$ .

Now by the Cauchy Schwarz inequality, we have that  $||\langle x,y\rangle||^2 = \sum x_i^2 y_i^2 \le \sum x_i^2 \sum y_i^2 = ||x||||y||$ . Finally we have that  $||x+y|| = \langle x+y,x+y\rangle = \langle x,x\rangle + 2\langle x,y\rangle + \langle y,y\rangle \le ||x||^2 + 2||x||||y|| + ||y^2|| = (||x|| + ||y||)^2$ , the last result follows immediately.

# Chapter 2

# **Topological Foundations**

### 2.1 Finite, Countable, and Uncountable Sets

**Definition.** Let A be a set, and let  $E \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ . We say that A is **finite** if there exists a 1-1 mapping of A ont E, we say A is **countable** if  $E = \mathbb{N}$ , and we say A is **atmost countable** if A is either finite or countable.

**Example 2.1.** The set of all integers  $\mathbb{Z}$  is countable. Take  $f: \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{Z}$  such that f(n) = 2 if n is even, and f(n) = -n if n is odd.

**Definition.** Let A be a set, and let  $E \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ . A **sequence** in A is a mapping  $f : E \to A$  such that  $f(n) = x_n$ , for  $x_n \in A$ . We call the values of f **terms** of the sequence. We denote sequences by  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^n$ , and when  $E = \mathbb{N}$ , we denote them simply by  $\{x_n\}$ .

**Theorem 2.1.1.** Every infinite subset of a countable set is countable.

*Proof.* Let A be countable, and let  $E \subseteq A$  be infinite. Arrange the elements of A into a sequence  $\{x_n\}$ , and construct a sequence  $\{n_k\}$  such that  $n_1$  is the least term for which  $\{x_{n_k}\} \in E$ , and  $n_k$  is the least term greater than  $n_{k-1}$  for which  $x_{n_k} \in E$ . Let  $f(k) = x_{n_k}$ , and we get a 1-1 mapping of  $\mathbb{N}$  onto E.

**Theorem 2.1.2.** Let  $\{E_n\}$  be a sequence of countable sets. Then  $S = \bigcup E_n$  is also countable.

*Proof.* Arrange every set  $E_n$  in a sequence  $\{x_{nk}\}$ , and consider the infinite array  $(x_{ij})$ , in which the elements of  $E_n$  form the *n*-th row. Then  $(x_{ij})$  contains all the elements of S, and we can arrange them is a sequence

$$x_{11}, (x_{21}, x_{12}), (x_{31}, x_{22}, x_{13}), \dots$$

Moreover, if  $E_j \cap E_j \neq \emptyset$ , for  $i \neq j$ , then the elements of  $E_i \cap E_j$  appear more than once in the sequence of S; so taking  $T \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ , we get a 1-1 mapping of T onto S, hence S is atmost countable, and since  $E_i \subseteq S$  for  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , is infinite, by theorem 2.1.1, S is infinite, thus S is countable.



Figure 2.1: The infinite array  $(x_{ij})$ 

Corollary. Let A be at most countable, and suppose for all  $\alpha \in A$  that the sets  $B_{\alpha}$  are at most countable. Then

$$T = \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} B_{\alpha}$$

is atmost countable.

**Theorem 2.1.3.** Let A be countable, and let  $B_n$  be the set of all n-tuples  $(a_1, \ldots, a_n)$  such that  $a_i \in A$  for  $1 \le i \le n$ . Then  $B_n$  is countable.

*Proof.* By induction on n, we have that  $B_1 = A$ , which is countable. Now suppose that  $B_n$  is countable, and consider  $B_{n+1}$  whose elements are of the form (b, a) where  $b \in B_n$  and  $a \in A$ . Fixing b, we get a 1-1 correspondence between the elements of  $B_{n+1}$  and A; therefore B is countable.

Corollary.  $\mathbb{Q}$  is countable.

*Proof.* For every rational  $\frac{p}{q} \in \mathbb{Q}$ , represent  $\frac{p}{q}$  as (p,q). Then the countability of  $\mathbb{Q}$  follows from theorem 2.1.3.

**Theorem 2.1.4.** Let A be the set of all sequences of 0 and 1; then A is uncountable.

*Proof.* Let EA be countable, and let E consist of all the sequences of 0 and 1,  $s_1, s_2, s_3, \ldots$  Construct the sequence s such that if the n-th term of the sequence  $s_i$  is 0, then the n-th term of s is 1, and vice versa, for  $i \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Then the sequence s differs from the sequence  $s_i$  at atleast one place; thus  $s \notin E$ , but  $s \in A$ . Therefore  $E \subset A$ , which establishes the uncountablity of A.

### 2.2 Metric Spaces

**Definition.** A set X, whose elements we will call **points**, is said to be a **metric space** if there exists a mapping  $d: X \times X \to \mathbb{R}$ , called a **metric** (or **distance function**) such that for  $x, y \in X$ 

- (1)  $d(x,y) \ge 0$ , and d(x,y) = 0 if and only if x = y.
- (2) d(x,y) = d(y,x).
- (3)  $d(x,y) \le d(x,z) + d(z,y)$  (The Triangle Inequality).

**Example 2.2.** The absolute value,  $|\cdot|$  for real numbers, the modulus  $|\cdot|$  for complex numbers, and the norm  $||\cdot||$  for vectors are all metrics. They turn  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{C}$ , and  $\mathbb{R}^k$  into metric spaces respectively.

**Definition.** An **open interval** in  $\mathbb{R}$  (or **segment**) is a set of the form  $(a,b) = \{a,b \in \mathbb{R} : a < x < b\}$ , a **closed interval** in  $\mathbb{R}$  is a set of the form  $[a,b] = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a \le x \le b\}$ ; and **half open intervals** in  $\mathbb{R}$  are sets of the form  $[a,b) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a \le x \le b\}$  and  $(a,b] = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a < x \le b\}$ .

If  $a_i < b_i$ , for  $1 \le i \le k$ , the set of all points  $(x_1, \ldots, x_k) \in \mathbb{R}^k$  which satisfy the Inequalities  $a_i \le x_i \le b_i$  is called a **k-cell** in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ . If  $x \in \mathbb{R}^k$ , and r > 0, we call the set  $B_r(x) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^k : ||x - y|| < r\}$  an **open ball** in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ , and we call the set  $B_r[x] = \in \mathbb{R}^k : ||x - y|| \le r\}$  a **closed ball** in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ .

**Definition.** We call a set  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^k$  convex, if whenever  $x, y \in E$ ,  $\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y \in E$  for  $0 < \lambda < 1$ .

**Lemma 2.2.1.** Open and closed balls, along with k-cells are convex.

Proof. Let  $B_r(x)$  be an open ball; let  $y, x \in B_r(x)$ , and  $0 < \lambda < 1$ . Then  $||x - (\lambda y + (1 - \lambda)z|| = ||\lambda(x - y) - (1 - \lambda)(x - z)|| \le \lambda ||x - y|| + (1 - \lambda)||x - z|| < \lambda r + (1 - \lambda)r$ . The proof is analogous for closed ball.

Now let K be a k-cell for  $a_i < b_i$ , for  $1 \le i \le k$ , let  $x, y \in K$ , then  $a_i \le x_i, y_i \le b_i$ , so  $\lambda a_i \le \lambda x_i \le \lambda b_i$ , and  $(1 - \lambda)a_i \le (1 - \lambda)y_i \le (1 - \lambda)b_i$ , since  $0 < \lambda < 1$ ,  $a_i \le a_i + (1 - \lambda)a_i \le \lambda x_i + (1 - \lambda)y_i \le \lambda b_i + (1 - \lambda)b_i \le b$ .

Corollary. Open and closed intervals, along with half open intervals are convex.

*Proof.* We just notice that open and closed intervals are open and closed balls in  $\mathbb{R}^1 = \mathbb{R}$ , we also notice that half open intervals [a, b) and (a, b] are subsets of the closed interval [a, b], and hence inherit convexity.

For the following definitions, let X be a metric space with metric d.

**Definition.** A **neighborhood** of a point  $x \in X$  is the set  $N_r(x) = \{y \in X : d(x,y) < r\}$  for some r > 0 called the **radius** of the neighborhood. We call x a **limit point** of a set  $E \subseteq X$  if every neighborhood of x contains a point  $y \neq x$  such that  $y \in E$ . If  $y \in E$ , and y is not a limit point, we call y an **isolated point**.

**Definition.** We call a set  $E \subseteq X$  closed if every limit point of E is in E. A point  $x \in X$  is an **interior point** of E if there is a neighborhood E of E such that E be call E open if every point of E is an interior point of E.

**Definition.**  $E \subseteq X$  is called **prefect** if E is closed, and every point of E is a limit point of E. We call E **dense** if every point of X is either a limit point of E, or a point of E, or both.

**Lemma 2.2.2.** If  $E \subseteq X$ , then E is perfect in X if and only if  $\overline{E} = E$ .

**Lemma 2.2.3.** If EX is dense in X, then either E is perfect in X, or X = E, or both.

**Definition.** We call  $E \subseteq X$  bounded if there is a real number M > 0, and a point  $y \in X$  such that d(x, y) < M for all  $x \in E$ .

**Theorem 2.2.4.** Let X be a metric space and  $x \in X$ . Every neighborhood of x is open.

*Proof.* Consider the neighborhood  $N_r(x)$ , and  $y \in E$ , there is a positive real number h such that d(x,y) = r - h, then for  $z \in X$  such that d(y,s) < h, we have  $d(x,s) \le d(x,y) + d(y,s) < r - h + h = r$ , thus  $s \in E$ , so y is an interior point of E.

**Theorem 2.2.5.** If x is a limit point of a set E, then every neighborhood of x contains infinitely many points of E.

*Proof.* Let N be a neighborhood of x containing only a finite number points of E. Let  $y_1, \ldots, y_n$  be points of  $N \cap E$  distinct from x and let  $r = \min\{d(x, y_i)\}$  for  $1 \le i \le n$ , then r > 0, and the neighborhood  $N_r(x)$  contains no point y of E for which  $y \ne x$ , so x is not a limit point; which is a contradiction.

Corollary. A finite point set has no limit points.

*Proof.* By theorem 2.2.5, if x is a limit point in the finite point set E, then evry neoghborhood of contains infinitely many points of E; contradicting its finiteness.

**Example 2.3.** (1) The set of all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  such that |z| < 1 is open, and bounded.

- (2) The set of all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  for which  $|z| \leq 1$  is closed, perfect, and bounded.
- (3) Any nonempty finite set is closed, and bounded.
- (4)  $\mathbb{Z}$  is closed, but it is not open, perfect, or bounded.
- (5) The set  $\frac{1}{\mathbb{Z}^+}$  is neither closed, nor open, it is not perfect; but it is bounded..
- (6)  $\mathbb{C}$  is closed, open, and perfect, but it is not bounded.
- (7) The open interval in (a, b) is open (only in  $\mathbb{R}$ ), and bounded.

**Theorem 2.2.6.** Let X be a metric space, a set  $E \subseteq X$  is open if and only if  $X \setminus E$  is closed.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $X \setminus E$  is closed, let  $x \in E$ , then  $x \notin X \setminus E$ , and x is not a limit point of  $X \setminus E$ . Thus there is a neighborhood N of x such that  $N \cap E = \emptyset$ , thus  $N \subseteq E$ , and so x is an interior point of E.

Conversely, suppose that E is open, and let x be a limit point of  $X \setminus E$ , then every neighborhood of of x contains a point of  $X \setminus E$ , so x is not an interior point of E, since E is open, it follows that  $x \in X \setminus E$ , thus  $X \setminus E$  is closed.

Corollary. E is closed if and only if  $X \setminus E$  is open.

*Proof.* This is the converse of theorem 2.2.5.

**Theorem 2.2.7.** Let X be a metric space. The following are true:

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- (1) If  $\{G_{\alpha}\}$  is a collection of open sets, then  $\bigcup G_{\alpha}$  is open.
- (2) If  $\{G_i\}_{i=1}^n$  is a finite collection of open sets, then  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n G_i$  is open.
- (3) if  $\{G_{\alpha}\}$  is a collection of closed sets, then  $\bigcap G_{\alpha}$  is closed.
- (4) If  $\{G_i\}_{i=1}^n$  is a finite collection of closed sets, then  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n G_i$  is closed.

Proof. Let  $G = \bigcup G_{\alpha}$ , then if  $x \in G$ ,  $x \in G_{\alpha}$  for some  $\alpha$ , then x is an interior point of  $G_{\alpha}$ , hence an interior point of G, so G is open. Now let  $G = \bigcap_{i=1}^{n} G_i$  For  $x \in G$ , there are neighborhoods  $N_i$  of x, with radii  $r_i$  such that  $N_i \subseteq G_i$  for  $1 \le i \le n$ . Then let  $r = \min\{r_1, \ldots, r_n\}$ , and let N be the neighborhood of x with radius r, then  $N \subseteq G_i$ , hence  $N \subseteq G$ , so G is open.

The proofs of (3) and (4) are just the converse of the proofs of (1) and (2).

**Definition.** Let X be a metric space, and let  $E \subseteq X$ , and let E' be the set of all limit points of E. We define the **closure** of E to be the set  $\overline{E} = E \cup E'$ .

**Theorem 2.2.8.** If X is a metric space, and  $E \subseteq X$ , then the following hold

- (1)  $\overline{x}$  is closed.
- (2) E is closed if and only if  $E = \overline{E}$ .
- (3) If  $F \subseteq X$  such that  $E \subseteq F$ , and F is closed, then  $\overline{E} \subseteq F$ .

*Proof.* If  $x \in X$ , and  $x \notin \overline{E}$ , then  $x \notin E$ , nor is it a limit point of E, thus there is a neighborhood of x that is disjoint from E, hence  $X \setminus \overline{E}$  is open.

Now if E is closed, then  $E' \subseteq E$ , so  $\overline{E} = E$ , conversely, if  $E = \overline{E}$ , then clearly E is closed. Now if F is closed and  $E \subseteq F$ , then  $F' \subseteq F$ , and  $E' \subseteq F$ , therfore  $\overline{E} \subseteq F$ .

**Theorem 2.2.9.** Let  $E\mathbb{R}$  be nonempty and bnounded above, let y supE, then  $y \in \overline{E}$ , hence  $y \in E$  if E is closed.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $y \notin E$ , then for every h > 0, there exists a point  $x \in E$  such that y - h < x < y, then y is a limit point of E, thus  $y \in \overline{E}$ .

**Theorem 2.2.10.** Let  $Y \subseteq X$ ; a subset E of Y is open in Y if and only if  $E = Y \cap G$  for some open subset G of X.

*Proof.* Suppose E is open in Y, then for each  $x \in E$ , there is a  $r_p > 0$  such that  $d(x, y) < r_p$ , if  $y \in Y$ , that implies that  $y \in E$ ; hence let  $V_x$  be the set of all  $y \in X$  such that  $d(x, y) < r_p$ , and define

$$G = \bigcup_{x \in E} V_p$$

Then by theorems 2.2.2 and 2.2.6, G is open in X, and  $EG \cap Y$ . Now we also have that  $V_p \cap YE$ , thus  $G \cap YE$ , thus  $E = G \cap Y$ . Conversely, if G is open in X, and  $E = G \cap Y$ , then every  $x \in E$  has a neighborhood  $v_p \in G$ , thus  $V_p \cap Y \subseteq E$ , hence E is open in Y.

### 2.3 Compact Sets

**Definition.** Let X be a metric space, and let  $E \subseteq X$ . An **open cover** of E is a collection  $\{G_{\alpha}\}$  of subsets of X such that  $E \subseteq \bigcup G_{\alpha}$ . We call a collection  $\{E_{\beta}\}$  of subsets of X an **open subcover** of E if  $\{E_{\beta}\}$  is a cover of E, and  $\bigcup E_{\beta} \subseteq \bigcup G_{\alpha}$ . We call E **compact** if every open cover of E contains a finite open subcover.

Lemma 2.3.1. Every finite set is compact.

Proof. Let K be finite, and let  $\{G_{\alpha}\}$  be an open subcover of K. Since K is finite, there is a 1-1 mapping of K onto the set  $\{1,\ldots,n\}$ . Let  $\{E_i\}_{i=1}^n$  be the finite collection of all subsets of K, clearly,  $\{E_i\}$  is an open cover of K. Moreover, if  $\bigcup E_i \subseteq \bigcup G_{\alpha}$ , we are done, and if  $\bigcup G_{\alpha} \subseteq \bigcup E_i$ , then  $\{G_i\}$  is a finite subcollection that covers K, so in either case, K is compact.

**Theorem 2.3.2.** Let X be a metric space, and let  $K \subseteq Y \subseteq X$ . Then Y is compact in X if and only if K is compact in Y.

*Proof.* Suppose K is compact in Y, and let  $\{G_{\alpha}\}$  be a collection of subsets of Y X that cover K, and let  $V_{\alpha} = Y \cap G_{\alpha}$ , then  $\{V_{\alpha}\}$  is a collection of subsets of X covering K, in which  $V_{\alpha} \subseteq G_{\alpha}$  for all  $\alpha$ , therefore K is compact in Y

conversely, suppose that K is compact in X, and let  $\{V_{\alpha}\}$  be a collection of open sets in Y such that  $K \subseteq \bigcup V_{\alpha}$ , by theorem 2.2.10, there is a collection  $\{G_{\alpha}\}$  of open sets in Y such that  $V_{\alpha} = Y \cap G_{\alpha}$ , for all  $\alpha$ . Then  $K \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} G_{\alpha_{i}}$ ; therefore, K is compact in Y.

**Theorem 2.3.3.** Compact subsets of metric spaces are closed.

Proof. Let X be a metric space, and let K be compact in X and let  $x \in X \setminus K$ , if  $y \in K$ , let U and V be neighborhoods of x and y respectively, each of radius  $r < \frac{1}{2}d(x,y)$ . Since K is compact, there are finitely many points  $y_1, \ldots y_n$  such that  $K \bigcup_{i=1}^n V_i = V$ , where  $V_i$  is a neighborhood of  $y_i$  for  $1 \le i \le n$ . Let  $U = \bigcap_{i=1}^n U_i$ , then  $V \cap W$  is empty, hence  $UX \setminus V$ , therefore,  $x \in X \setminus K$ , therefore K is closed.

**Theorem 2.3.4.** Closed subsets of compact sets are compact.

*Proof.* Let X be a metric space with  $F \subseteq KX$ , with F closed in X, and K compact. Let  $\{V_{\alpha}\}$  be an open cover of F. If we append  $X \setminus F$  to  $\{V_{\alpha}\}$ , we get an open cover  $\Theta$  of K, and since K is compact, there is a finite subcollection  $\Phi$  which covers K, so  $\Phi$  is an open cover of F,  $X \setminus F\Phi$ , then  $\Phi \setminus (X \setminus F)$  still covers F, therefore F is compact.

**Theorem 2.3.5.** Let  $\{K_{\alpha}\}$  be a collection of compact sets of a metric space X, such that every finite subcollection of  $\{K_{\alpha}\}$  is nonempty. Then  $\bigcap K_{\alpha}$  is nonempty.

*Proof.* Fix  $K_1 \subseteq \{K_\alpha\}$ , and let  $G_\alpha = X \setminus K_\alpha$ . Suppose no point of  $K_1$  is in  $\bigcap K_\alpha$ , then  $\{G_\alpha\}$  covers  $K_1$ , and since K is compact, we have  $K_1 \bigcup_{i=1}^n G_{\alpha_i}$ , for  $1 \le i \le n$ , which implies that  $\bigcap K_\alpha$  is empty, a contradiction.

**Corollary.** If  $\{K_{\alpha}\}$  is a sequence of nonempty compact sets, such that  $K_{n+1} \subseteq K_n$ , then  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} K_n$  is nonempty.

**Theorem 2.3.6.** If E is a infinite subset of a compact set K, then E has a limit point in K.

*Proof.* Suppose no point of K is a limit point of E, then for all  $x \in K$ , the neighborhood  $U_x$  contains at most one point in E. Then no finite subcollection of  $\{U_x\}$  covers E, which contradicts the compactness on K.

**Theorem 2.3.7** (The Nested Interval Theorem). if  $\{I_n\}$  is a sequence of intervals in  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $I_{n+1} \subseteq I_n$ , then  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} I_n$  is nonempty.

*Proof.* We let  $I_n = [a_n, b_n]$ . Letting E be the set of all  $a_n$ , E is nonempty and bounded above by  $b_1$ . Letting  $x = \sup E$ , and  $m \ge n$ , we have  $[a_m, b_m] \subseteq [a_n, b_n]$ , thus  $a_m \le x \le b_m$  for all m, thus  $x \in I_m = \bigcap_{j=i}^n I_j$ 

**Theorem 2.3.8.** Let  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , and  $\{I_n\}$  be a nonempty sequence of k-cells of  $\mathbb{R}^k$  such that  $I_{n+1}I_n$ . Then  $\bigcap_{j=1}^{\infty} I_n$  is nonempty.

*Proof.* Let  $I_n$  be the set of all points  $x \in \mathbb{R}^k$  such that  $a_{n,j} \leq x_j \leq b_{n,j}$ , and let  $I_{n,j} = [a_{n,j}, b_{n,j}]$ . Then for each  $1 \leq j \leq k$ , by the nested interval theorem,  $\bigcap_{l=1}^{\infty} I_{l,j}$  is nonempty, hence there are real numbers  $x'_j$  such that  $a_{n,j} \leq x'_j \leq b_{n,j}$ . Letting  $x' = (x'_1, \ldots, x'_k)$ , we get that  $x' \in I \bigcap_{l=1}^{\infty} I_l$ 

Theorem 2.3.9. Every k-cell is compact.

Proof. Let I be a k-cell, and let  $\delta = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^k a(b_j - a_j)^2}$  we get for  $x, y \in I$ ,  $||x - y|| \leq \delta$ . Now suppose there is an open cover  $\{G_\alpha\}$  of I for which no finite subcover is contained. Let  $c_j = \frac{a_j + b_j}{2}$ , then the closed intervals  $[a_j, c_j]$ ,  $[c_j, b_j]$  determine the  $2^k$  k-cells  $Q_i$  such that  $\bigcup Q_i = I$ . Then at least one  $Q_i$  cannot be covered by any finite subcollectio of  $\{G_\alpha\}$ . Subdividing  $Q_1$ , we get a sequence  $\{Q_n\}$  such that  $Q_{n+1} \subseteq Q_n$ ,  $Q_n$  is not covered by any finite subcollection of  $\{G_\alpha\}$ , and  $||x - y|| \leq \frac{\delta}{2^n}$  for  $x, y \in Q_n$ . Then by theorem 2.3.8, there is a point  $x' \in Q_n$ , and for some  $\alpha, x' \in G_\alpha$ ; since  $G_\alpha$  is open, there is an r > 0 for which ||x - || < r implies  $y \in G_\alpha$ . Then for n sufficiently large, we have that  $\frac{\delta}{2^n} < r$ , then we get that  $Q_n \in G_\alpha$ , which is a contradiction.

**Theorem 2.3.10** (The Heine-Borel Theorem). If E is a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^k$ , then the following are equivalent:

- (1) E is closed and bounded.
- (2) E is compact.
- (3) Every infinite subset of E has a limit point in E.

*Proof.* Suppose that E is closed and bounded, then  $E \subseteq I$  for some k-cell I in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ , and hence it is compact. By theorem 2.3.4, E is compact. Now suppose that E is compact, then by theorem 2.3.6, every infinite subset of E has a limit point in E.

Now suppose that every infinite subset of E has a limit point in E. If E is not bounded, then  $||x_n|| > n$  for some  $x_n \in E$  and  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Then the set of all such  $x_n$  is infinite, and

has no limit point in E, a contradiction; moreover suppose that E is not closed. Then there is a point  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^k \backslash E$ , which is a limit point of E. Then there are points  $x_n \in E$  for which  $||x_n - x_0|| < \frac{1}{n}$ , let S be the set of all such points. Then S is infinite and has  $x_0$  as its only limit point; for if  $y \neq x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^k$ , then  $\frac{1}{2}||x_0 - y|| \leq ||x_0 - y|| - \frac{1}{n} \leq ||x_0 - y|| - ||x_n - x_0|| \leq ||x_n - y||$  for only some n. Thus by theorem 2.2.3, y is not a limit point of S Therefore, if every infinite subset of E has a limit point in E, E must be closed.

**Theorem 2.3.11** (The Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem). Every bounded infinite subset E of  $\mathbb{R}^k$  has a limit point in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ .

*Proof.* We have that  $E \subseteq I$ , for some k-cell I in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ . Since k-cells are compact, by the Heine-Borel theorem, E is also compact and has a limit point in I.

#### 2.4 Perfect Sets

**Theorem 2.4.1.** If  $P \subseteq \mathbb{R}^k$  is a nonempty perfect set, then P is uncountable.

Proof. Since every point of P is a limit point of P, we gave that P must be infinite. Then suppose that P is countable. For points  $x_n \in P$ , construct the sequence  $\{U_n\}$  of neighborhoods of  $x_n$ , for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ; now by induction, if  $U_1$  is a neighborhood of  $x_1$ , then for  $y \in \hat{U_1}$ ,  $||x_1 - y|| \leq r$  for some r > 0. Now suppos the neighborhood  $U_n$  of  $x_n$  has been constructed such that  $U_n \cap P$  is nonempty. Then there is a neighborhood  $U_{n+1}$  fo  $x_{n+1}$  such that  $\hat{U_{n+1}} \subseteq U_n$ ,  $x_n \notin \hat{U_{n+1}}$ , and  $\hat{U_{n+1}} \cap P$  is nonempty. Therefore there is a nonempty  $K_n = U_n \cap P$ . Since  $\hat{U_n}$  is close and bounded,  $\hat{U}$  is compact, and since  $x_n \notin K_{n+1}$ ,  $x_n \notin \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} K_i$ , and since  $K_n \subseteq P$ ,  $\bigcap K_i$  is empty, a contradiction.

**Corollary.** Let a < b be real numbers. Then the closed interval [a, b] is uncountable. Moreover,  $\mathbb{R}$  is uncountable.

*Proof.* We have [a, b] is closed, and perfect (since (a, b)[a, b] is [a, b] is uncountable. Moreover, take  $f : \mathbb{R} \to [a, b]$ , by  $f(x) = \frac{a+b}{2}x$ ; then f is a 1-1 mapping of  $\mathbb{R}$  onto [a, b], which makes  $\mathbb{R}$  uncountable.

**Theorem 2.4.2** (The construction of the Cantor set). There exists a perfect set in  $\mathbb{R}$  which contains no open interval.

*Proof.* Let  $E_0 = [0, 1]$ , and remove  $(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$ , and let  $E_1 = [0, \frac{1}{3}] \cup [\frac{2}{3}, 1]$ . Now remove the open intervals  $(\frac{1}{9}, \frac{2}{9})$   $(\frac{3}{9}, \frac{6}{9})$ ,  $(\frac{7}{9}, \frac{8}{9})$ , and let  $E_2 = [0, \frac{2}{9}] \cup [\frac{2}{9}, \frac{3}{9}] \cup [\frac{6}{9}, \frac{7}{9}] \cup [\frac{7}{8}, \frac{8}{9}]$ . Continuing the remove the middle third of each interval, we obtain the sequence of compact sets  $\{E_n\}$ , such that  $E_{n+1}E_n$ , and  $E_n$  is the union of  $2^n$  closed intervals of length  $\frac{1}{3^n}$ . Then let:

$$P = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i \tag{2.1}$$

Then P is nonempty, and compact.

Now let I be the open interval of the form  $(\frac{3k+1}{3^m}, \frac{3k+2}{3^m})$ , with  $k, m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Then by the construction of P, I has no point in P, we also see that every other open interval contains a subinterval of the form of I; them P contains no open interval.

Now let  $x \in P$ , and let S be any open interval for which  $x \in S$ . LEt  $I_n$  be the closed interval of  $E_n$  such that  $x \in I_n$ . Choose n sufficiently large such that  $I_nS$ . If  $x_n \neq x$  is an endpoint of  $I_n$ , then  $x_n \in P$ , and so x is a limit point of P. Therefore P is perfect.

**Definition.** The we call the set P constructed in the proof of theorem 2.4.2 the **Cantor set**.

#### 2.5 Connected Sets

**Definition.** Two subsets A and B of a metric space X are **seperated** if  $A \cap \hat{B}$  and  $\hat{A} \cap B$  are both empty. We say a subset E of X is **connected**, if E is not the union of two nonepmty speperated sets.

**Theorem 2.5.1.** A subset E of  $\mathbb{R}$  is connected if and only if  $x, y \in E$  and x < z < y imply  $z \in E$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x,y \in E$  such that for some  $z \in (x,y)$ ,  $z \notin E$ . Then  $E = A \cup B$ , with  $A = E \cup (-\infty, z)$  and  $B = E \cup (z, \infty)$ . Then A and B are separated, which contradicts the connectedness of E.

Conversely suppose for  $x, y \in E$ , that  $z \in E$  for  $z \in (x, y)$ . Then there are nonempty seperated sets A and B such that  $A \cup B = E$ . Choose  $x \in A$ ,  $y \in B$  such that x < y, and let  $z = \sup(A \cap [x, y])$ . Then by theorem 2.2.8,  $z \in \hat{A}$ , so z notinB. In particular,  $x \le x < y$ . Now if  $z \notin A$ , then x < z < y, with  $z \notin E$ . Now if  $z \in A$ , then  $z \notin \hat{B}$ , hence there is a z' such that z < z' < y, and  $z' \notin B$ . Then x < z' < y and  $z' \notin B$ .

# Chapter 3

# Sequences

## 3.1 Convergent Sequences

**Definition.** A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in a metric space X is said to **converge** if there is a point  $x \in X$  such that for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is an  $N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $d(x_n, x) < \epsilon$  whenever  $n \geq N$ . We say  $\{x_n\}$  **converges** to x, and we call x the **limit** of  $\{x_n\}$  as n approaches  $\infty$ . We write  $x_n \to x$  as  $n \to \infty$ , and  $\lim_{n \to \infty} x_n = x$  (or  $\lim x_n = x$ ). If  $\{x_n\}$  does not converge, we say the  $\{x_n\}$  diverges, or is divergent.

**Example 3.1.** Consider the following sequences in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

- (1)  $\{\frac{1}{n}\}$  is bounded, and  $\lim_{n\to\infty}\frac{1}{n}=0$ .
- (2) The sequence  $\{n^2\}$  us unbounded and diverges.
- (3)  $1 + \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \to 1$  as  $n \to \infty$ , and  $\left\{1 + \frac{(-1)^n}{n}\right\}$  is bounded.
- (4)  $\{i^n\}$  is bounded and divergent.
- (5)  $\{1\}$  is bounded and converges to 1.

**Theorem 3.1.1.** Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in a metric space, then:

- (1)  $\{x_n\}$  converges to  $x \in X$  if and only if every every neighborhood of x contains  $x_n$  for all but finitely many n.
- (2) If  $\{x_n\}$  converges to x, and x', then x = x'.
- (3) If  $\{x_n\}$  converges, then  $x_n$  is bounded.
- (4) If  $E \subseteq X$ , and x is a limit point of E, then there is a sequence in E that converges to x.

*Proof.* Suppose  $x_n \to x$ , and let U be a neighborhood of x. For some  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is an  $N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  for which  $d(x_n, x) < \epsilon$ , whenever  $n \geq N$ , thus  $x_n \in U$  for finitely many n. Conversely, suppose that  $x_n \in U$  for some  $n \geq N$ , then letting  $\epsilon > 0$ , we havae  $d(x, x_n) < \epsilon$ , hence  $x_n \to x$ .

Let > 0, then there are  $N_1, N_2 \in Z^+$  such that  $d(x_n, x) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ , and  $d(x_n, x') < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ . Then choosing  $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$ , and letting  $\epsilon$  be arbitrarily small, we have  $d(x, x') \le d(x, x_n) + d(x_n, x') < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$ ; and so we get that x = x'.

Let  $x_n \to x$ , then there is an  $N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  for which  $d(x_n, x) < 1$  whenever  $n \geq N$ . Letting  $r = \max\{1, d(x_N, x)\}$ , then  $d(x_n, x) \leq r$ .

Finally, let x be a limit point of E, then for each  $n \in Z^+$ , there is an  $x_n \in E$  such that  $d(x, x_n) < \frac{1}{n}$ , choose  $N > \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ , then whenever  $n \ geq N$ ,  $d(x, x_n) < \epsilon$ ; hence  $x_n \to x$ .

**Theorem 3.1.2.** Suppose  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  are sequences in  $\mathbb{C}$ , and that  $\lim x_n = x$ ,  $\lim y_n = y$  as  $n \to \infty$ . Then the following hold as  $n \to \infty$ :

- (1)  $\lim (x_n + y_n) = \lim x_n + \lim y_n = x + y$ .
- (2)  $\lim x_n y_n = \lim x_n \lim y_n = xy$ .
- (3)  $\lim_{y_n} \frac{x_n}{\lim y_n} = \frac{\lim x_n}{\lim y_n} = \frac{x}{y}$ ; given that  $y_n, y \neq 0$ .
- *Proof.* (1) Let > 0, then for  $N_1, N_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,  $|x_n x| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  and  $|y_n y| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ . Then choose  $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$ , then whenever  $n \ge N$ , we have  $|(x_n + y_n) (x + y)| \le |x_n x| + |y_n y| < \epsilon$ .
  - (2) Notice that  $x_n y_n xy = (x_n x)(y_n y) + x(y_n y) + y(x_x x)$ , then for  $N_1, N_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,  $|x_n x| < \sqrt{\epsilon}$ , and  $|y_n y| < \sqrt{\epsilon}$ . Then choosing  $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$ , then  $|(x_n x)(y_n y)| < \epsilon$ , thus we have  $|x_n y_n xy| \le |(x_n x)(y_n y)| + |x(y_n y)| + |y(x_x x)| < \epsilon$ .
  - (3) We first show that  $\frac{1}{y_n} \to \frac{1}{y}$ , given that  $y_n, y \neq 0$ . Choose m such that  $|y_n y| < \frac{1}{2}|y|$  whenever  $n \geq m$ , then  $|y_n| > \frac{1}{2}|y|$ . Then for  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is an N > m such that whenever  $n \geq N$ ,  $|y_n y| < \frac{1}{2}|y|^2\epsilon$ . Then  $|\frac{1}{y_n} \frac{1}{y}| \leq \frac{|y_n y|}{|y_n y|} < \frac{2}{|y|^2}|y_n y| < \epsilon$ . Then choosing the sequences  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{\frac{1}{y_n}\}$ , the rest follows.

**Corollary.** (1) For any  $c \in \mathbb{C}$ , and a sequene  $x_n \to x$ , we have  $\lim cx_n = c \lim x_n = cx$  and  $\lim (c + x_n) = c + \lim x_n = c + x$  as  $n \to \infty$ .

(2) Provided that  $x, x_n \neq 0$ , we have  $\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{1}{\lim x_n} = \frac{1}{\lim x_n} = \frac{1}{x}$ , as  $n \to \infty$ .

*Proof.* We choose  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\} = \{c\}$  for all n, then the results follow.

**Theorem 3.1.3.** (1) Let  $x_n = (\alpha_{1n}, \dots \alpha_{kn}) \in \mathbb{R}^k$ . Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges to x if and only if  $\lim \alpha_{jn} = \alpha_j$  for  $1 \leq j \leq k$ , as  $n \to \infty$ .

(2) Let  $\{x_n\}$ ,  $\{y_n\}$  be sequences in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ , and let  $\{\beta_n\}$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $x_n \to x$ ,  $y_n \to y$ , and  $\beta_n \to \beta$ . Then  $\lim (x_n + y_n) = x + y$ ,  $\lim x_n y_n = xy$ , and  $\lim \beta_n x_n = \beta x$ .

*Proof.* If  $x_n \to x$ , then  $|\alpha_{jn} - \alpha_j| \le ||x_n - x|| < \epsilon$ , thus  $\lim \alpha_{jn} = \alpha_j$ . Conversely, suppose that  $\alpha_{jn} \to \alpha_j$ . Then for  $\epsilon > 0$  there is an  $N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $n \ge N$  implies  $|\alpha_{jn} - \alpha_j| < \frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{k}}$ . Then for  $n \ge N$ ,

$$||x_n - x|| = \sqrt{\sum |\alpha_{jn} - \alpha_j|^2} < epsilon$$

To prove (2), we appy part (1) of this theorem together with theorem 3.1.2.

**Theorem 3.1.4** (The Sandwhich Theorem). Let  $\{x_n\}$ ,  $\{y_n\}$ , and  $\{w_n\}$  be sequences in  $\mathbb{R}$ , and Suppose that  $\lim x_n = \lim y_n = a$  and that there is an  $N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such hat  $x_n \leq w_n \leq y_n$  for all  $n \geq N$ . Then  $\lim_{n \to \infty} w_n = a$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  both converge to a. Then by definition there are  $N_1, N_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $|x_n - a| < \epsilon$  and  $|y_n - a| < \epsilon$  for  $n \geq N_1, N_2$ . Now choose  $N = \max\{N_0, N_1, N_2\}$ , if  $n \geq N$ , we have  $-\epsilon < x_n - a < \epsilon$ , and we also have  $x_n - a < w_n - a < y_n - a$ , thus we have that:

$$-\epsilon < x_n - a < w_n - a < y_n - a < \epsilon$$

Thus we have that  $|w_n - a| < \epsilon$ .

**Corollary.** If  $x_n \to \infty$  as  $n \to \infty$ , and  $\{y_n\}$  is bounded, then  $x_n y_n \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ .

*Proof.* We have that  $\{y_n\}$  is bounded, hence, there is M>0 such that  $|y_n|< M$  for all  $n\in\mathbb{Z}^+$ . And since  $\{x_n\}$  converges to 0 we have that for any  $\epsilon$  there is an  $N\in\mathbb{Z}^+$  such that for  $n\geq N$ ,  $|x_n-0|<\frac{\epsilon}{M}$ . For  $|x_ny_n-0|=|x_ny_n|< M|x_n|< M\frac{\epsilon}{M}=\epsilon$ . Therefore,  $x_ny_n\to 0$  as  $n\to\infty$ .

**Corollary.** Let  $\{x_n\}$ ,  $\{y_n\}$  be sequences such that  $0 \le x_n \le y_n$  for  $n \ge N > 0$ . Then if  $y_n \to 0$ , then  $x_n \to 0$  as  $n \infty$ .

*Proof.* This is a special case of the sandwhich theorem.

### 3.2 Subsequences

**Definition.** Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence, and let  $\{n_k\}\mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $n_k < n_{k+1}$ . We call the sequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  a **Subsequence** of  $\{x_n\}$ . If  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  converges, we call its limit the **subsequential limit** of  $\{x_n\}$ .

**Theorem 3.2.1.** A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges to a point x if and only if every subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  converges to x.

Proof. Clearly if  $x_n \to x$ , then every subsequence  $x_{n_k} \to x$ , (since subsequences can be thought of as subsets of thier parent sequences). On the other hand, let  $x_{n_k} \to x$  for  $\{k\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Then for  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a  $K \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  for which  $d(x_{n_k}, x) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  for  $k \ge K$ . Let  $N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , and choose  $n \ge \max\{N, K\}$ , then  $d(x_n, x) \le d(x_n, x_{n_k}) + d(x_{n_k}, d) < \epsilon$ .

**Theorem 3.2.2.** If  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in a compact metric space X, then some subsequence of  $\{x_n\}$  converges to a point x.

*Proof.* If  $\{x_n\}$  is finite, then thre is an  $x \in \{x_n\}$  and a sequence  $\{n_k\}$  with  $n_k < n_{k+1}$  such that  $x_{n_i} = x$  for  $1 \le i \le k$ , then the subsequence converges to x.

Now if  $\{x_n\}$  is infinite, there is a limit point  $x \in X$  of  $\{x_n\}$ , then choose  $n_i$  such that  $d(x, x_i) < \frac{1}{i}$  for  $1 \le i \le k$ . Obtaining  $\{n_k\}$  from this, we see that  $n_k < n_{k+1}$ , and so we get that  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  converges to x.

Corollary. Every bounded sequence in  $\mathbb{R}^k$  contains a convergent subsequence.

**Theorem 3.2.3.** The subsequential limits of  $\{x_n\}$  is a metric space X form a closed subset of X.

Proof. Let E be the set of all subsequential limits of  $\{x_n\}$ , and let x be a limit point of E. Choose  $n_i$  such that  $x_{n_i} \neq x$  and let  $\delta = d(x, x_{n_i})$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq k$ . Then consier the sequence  $\{n_k\}$ , since x is a limit point of E, there is an  $x' \in E$  for which  $d(x, x') < \frac{\delta}{2^i}$ . Thus there is an  $N_I > n_i$  such that  $d(x', x_{n_i}) < \frac{\delta}{2^i}$ , thus  $d(x, x_{n_i}) < \frac{\delta}{2^i}$ . So  $\{x_n\}$  converges to x and  $x \in E$ .

### 3.3 Cauchy Sequences

**Definition.** We call a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in a metric space X a **Cauchy sequence** in X, or more simply, **Cauchy** in X if for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is an  $N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $d(x_n, x_m) < \epsilon$  whenever  $m, n \geq N$ .

**Definition.** Let E be a nonempty subset of a metrix space X, and lelt  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be the all real numbers d(x, y), with  $x, y \in E$ . We call sup S the **diameter** of E, and denote it diam E.

**Theorem 3.3.1.** Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence, and let  $E_N$  be the set of all points  $p_N$  such that  $N < p_{n+1}$ . Then  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy if and only if  $\lim \dim E_N = 0$  as  $N \to \infty$ .

Proof. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be Cauchy, Let  $x_{N_1}, x_{N_2} \in E$  such that  $d(x_n, x_{N_1}) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ , and  $d(x_{N_2}, x_m) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ . Then we see that  $d(x_{N_1}, x_{N_2}) \le d(x_{N_1}, x_n) + d(x_m, x_{N_2}) < \epsilon$ , so  $\{x_{N_k}\}$  is Cauchy and we see that  $\lim \dim E_N = 0$ . Now suppose that  $\lim \dim E = 0$ , then for any  $x_n, x_m \in S$ ,  $d(x_n, 0) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  and  $d(0, x_m) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  implies that  $d(x_n, x_m) \le d(x_n, 0) + d(0, x_m) < \epsilon$ , whenever n, m > N, for  $\epsilon > 0$ .

**Theorem 3.3.2.** (1) If  $E \subseteq X$ , then diam  $\hat{E} = \text{diam } E$ .

(2) If  $\{K_n\}$  is a sequence of compact sets in X, such that  $K_{n+1} \subseteq K_n$ , and if  $\lim \dim K_n = 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ , then  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\inf ty} K_i$  contains exactly one point.

*Proof.* Clearly diam  $E \leq \dim \hat{E}$ . Now let  $\epsilon > 0$ , and choose  $x, y \in \hat{E}$ , then there are points  $x', y' \in \hat{E}$  such that  $d(x, x') < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  and  $d(y, y') < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ . Hence,  $d(x, y) \leq d(x, x') + d(x', y') + d(y'y) < \epsilon \operatorname{diam} E$ , then choosing  $\epsilon$  arbitrarily small, diam  $\hat{E} \leq \operatorname{diam} E$ .

Now, we also have that by the nested interval theorem that  $K = \bigcap K_i$  is nonempty. Now suppose that K contains more that one point. then diam K > 0, and since  $K \subseteq K_n$  for all n,  $diam K \le \dim K_n$ , a contradiction. Thus K contains exactly one element.

**Theorem 3.3.3.** (1) In any metric space X, every convergent sequence is a Cauchy sequence.

- (2) If X is compact, and  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy in X, then  $\{x_n\}$  converges to a point in X.
- *Proof.* (1) If  $x_n \to x$ , and  $\epsilon > 0$  such that there is an  $N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $d(x_n, x) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  for all  $n \geq N$ , then for  $m \geq N$ , we have  $d(x_n, x_m) \leq d(x_n, x) + d(x, x_m) < \epsilon$ . Thus  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy.

(2) Let  $\{x_n\}$  be Cauchy, and let  $E_N$  be the set of all points  $x_N$  for which  $x_N < x_{N+1}$ . Then  $\lim \operatorname{diam} \hat{E} = 0$ , then being closed in X, each  $\hat{E_N}$  is compact in X, and  $\hat{E_{N+1}} \subseteq \hat{E_N}$ , so by theorem 3.3.2, there is a unique  $x \in X$  in all of  $\hat{E_N}$ . Now for  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is an  $N_0 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  for which  $\operatorname{diam} \hat{E} < \epsilon$ . Then for all  $x_n \in \hat{E}$ ,  $d(x_n, x) < \epsilon$  whenever  $n \geq N_0$ .

**Corollary** (The Cauchey Criterion). Every Cauchy sequence in  $\mathbb{R}^k$  converges to a point in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\{x_n\}$  be Cauchy in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ , define  $E_N$  as in (2), then for some  $N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , diam E < 1, and so  $\{x_n\}$  us the union of all  $E_n$ , and ther set of points  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_{N-1}\}$ , so  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded, and thus has a compact closure, it follows then that  $x_n \to x$  for some  $x \in \mathbb{R}^k$ .

**Definition.** We call a metric space **complete** if every Cauchy sequence in the space converges.

**Theorem 3.3.4.** All compact metric spaces, and all Euclidean spaces are complete.

**Example 3.2.** Consider  $\mathbb{Q}$  together with the metric |x-y|. The metric space induced on  $\mathbb{Q}$  by  $|\cdot|$  is not complete.

**Definition.** A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  is said to be **monotonically increasing** if  $x_n \leq x_{n+1}$ ,  $\{x_n\}$  is said to be **monotonically decreasing** if  $x_{n+1} < x_n$ . We call  $\{x_n\}$  **monotonic** if it is either monotonically increasing or monotonically decreasing.

**Theorem 3.3.5.** A monotonic sequence converges if and only if it is bounded.

*Proof.* Suppose, without loss of generality, that  $\{x_n\}$  is monotonically increasing. If  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded, then  $x_n \leq x$ , then for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is an  $N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  for which  $x - \epsilon < x_N \leq x$ . Then for  $n \geq N$ ,  $x_n \to x$ . The converse follows from theorem 3.1.2.

## 3.4 Upper and Loweer Limits.

Let  $\{n\}$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$  such that for all M > 0, there is an  $N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  for which  $n \geq N$  implies that either  $x_n \geq M$ , or  $x_n \leq M$ . Then we write  $x_n \to \infty$  and  $x_n \to -\infty$ , respectively.

**Definition.** Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$ , and let E the set of all extended real numbers x such that  $x_{n_k} \to x$  for some subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}$ . Then E contains all subsequential limits of  $\{x_n\}$ , and possible  $\pm \infty$ . We then call  $\sup E$  the **upper limit** of E, and  $\inf E$  the **lower limit** of E.

**Theorem 3.4.1.** Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$ , and let E be the set of all extended real numbers x, let  $s = \sup E$  and  $s' = \inf E$ . Then the following hold:

(1)  $s,s' \in E$ .

(2) If x > s, and x' > s', there is an  $N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $n \ge N$  implies that  $x' < x_n < x$ .

*Proof.* We prove the theorem for the case of s, since it is analogous for s'.

- (1) If  $s = \infty$ , then E is not bounded above, so neither is  $\{x_n\}$ , and there is a subsequence for which  $x_n \to \infty$ . Now if  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ , then E is bounded above, and has at least one subsequential limit. Then  $s \in E$ . Now if  $s = -\infty$ , then E contains only  $-\infty$ , and so by definition  $x_n \to -\infty$ .
- (2) Suppose there is an x > s, such that  $x_n \ge x$  for all n. Then there is a  $y \in E$  such that  $y \ge x \ge s$ , a contradiction of the definition of s.

**Example 3.3.** (1) Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{Q}$ , then every real number is a subsequential limit, and  $\limsup x_n = \infty$  and  $\liminf x_n = -\infty$ .

- (2) Let  $\{x_n\} = \{\frac{(-1)^n}{1+\frac{1}{n}}\}$ ; then  $\limsup x_n = 1$  and  $\liminf X_n = -1$  as  $n \to \infty$ .
- (3) For a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\lim x_n = x$  if and only if  $\limsup x_n = \liminf x_n = x$  as  $n \to \infty$ .

**Theorem 3.4.2.** If  $x_n \leq y_n$ , for  $n \geq N > 0$ , then  $\liminf x_n \leq \liminf y_n$  and  $\limsup x_n \leq \limsup y_n$  as  $n \to \infty$ .

### 3.5 Special Sequences

**Theorem 3.5.1.** Let  $n, p \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Then the following hold as  $n \to \infty$ .

- (1)  $\lim \frac{1}{n^p} = 0$ .
- (2)  $\lim \sqrt[p]{n} = 1$ .
- (3)  $\lim \sqrt[n]{n} = 1$ .
- (4) If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $\lim \frac{n^{\alpha}}{(1+p)^n} = 0$ .
- (5) If |x| < 1, then  $\lim x^n = 0$ .

*Proof.* (1) Let  $n > [p] \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ ; then  $|\frac{1}{n^p}| < \epsilon$ .

- (2) If p=1, we are done. If p>1, let  $x_n=\sqrt[p]{p}-1$ , then  $x_n>0$ . By the binomial theorem,  $1+nx_n\leq (1+x_n)^p=p$ , hence  $0\leq x_n\leq \frac{p-1}{p}$ . Now if 1>p>0, then  $\frac{1}{p}>0$ , so we notice that  $0\leq \frac{1}{x_n}\leq \frac{1}{\frac{p-1}{n}}$ .
- (3) Let  $x_n = \sqrt[n]{n} 1$ , then  $x_n \ge 0$ , then by the binomial theorem again,  $n = (1 + x_n)^n \ge \frac{n(n-1)}{2}x_n^2$ , then  $0 \le x_n \le \sqrt{\frac{2}{n-1}}$ .
- (4) Let  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $k > \alpha$ . Then n > 2k, let  $(1+p)^n > \binom{n}{k} p^k > \frac{n^k p^k}{2^k k!}$ . So  $0 < \frac{n^{\alpha}}{(1+p)^n} < \frac{2^k k!}{p^k} n^{-k}$ , since  $\alpha k < 0$ ,  $n^{\alpha k} \to 0$  and we are done.
- (5) Take  $\alpha = 0$ , and let  $x = \frac{1}{1+p}$ , then the result follow.

# Chapter 4

# Continuity

#### 4.1 Limits of Functions.

**Definition.** Let X, and Y be metric spaces, and let  $E \subseteq X$ , and let  $f : E \to Y$  be a function. We say that f **converges** to a point  $q \in Y$ , as x **approaches** a limit point  $p \in X$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a  $\delta > 0$  for which  $d_Y(f(x), q) < \epsilon$ , whenever  $0 < d_X(x, p) < \delta$ . We say that q is the **limit** of f at p and we write  $f \to q$  as  $x \to p$ , and  $\lim_{x \to p} f(x) = q$ , or more simply,  $\lim f = q$ .

- **Example 4.1.** (1) Let  $X = Y = \mathbb{R}$ , under the absolute value  $|\cdot|$ , and let  $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be an interval, and  $f: I \to \mathbb{R}$ . Then f has a limit L as x approaches a limit point  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|f(x) L| < \epsilon$  whenever  $0 < |x c| < \delta$ . We call functions that map into  $\mathbb{R}$  real valued.
  - (2) Let  $X = Y = \mathbb{C}$ , under the modulus  $|\cdot|$ , and let  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be an domain, and  $f: D \to \mathbb{R}$ . Then f has a limit L as z approaches a limit point  $w \in \mathbb{R}$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|f(x) L| < \epsilon$  whenever  $0 < |z w| < \delta$ . We call functions that map into  $\mathbb{C}$  complex valued.
  - (3) Let  $X = Y = \mathbb{R}^k$ , under the norm  $||\cdot||$ , and let  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^k$  be an domain, and  $f: D \to \mathbb{R}^k$ . Then f has a limit L as x approaches a limit point  $c \in \mathbb{R}^k$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $||f(x) L|| < \epsilon$  whenever  $0 < ||x c|| < \delta$ . We call functions that map into  $\mathbb{R}^k$  vector valued.

**Theorem 4.1.1** (The Sequential Criterion). Let X and Y be metric spaces, and let  $E \subseteq X$ , and  $f: E \to Y$  be a function, and  $p \in E$  be a limit point. Then  $\lim f(x) = q$  as  $x \to p$  if and only if  $\lim f(x_n) = q$  as  $n \to \infty$  for any sequence  $\{x_n\} \in E$ , such that  $x_n \neq p$  and  $\lim x_n = p$ .

Proof. Suppose that  $\lim f(x) = q$  as  $x \to p$ , and choose  $\{x_n\} \subseteq E$  such that  $x_n \neq p$  and  $\lim x_n = p$  as  $n \to \infty$ . Then for  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $d_Y(f(x), q) < \epsilon$  whenever  $0 < d_X(x, p) < \delta$ , and since  $d_X(x_n, p) < \delta$  whenever  $n \geq N$  for some N > 0, we have  $d_Y(f(x_n), q) < \epsilon$  whenever  $d_X(x_n, p) < \delta$ .

Conversely, suppose that  $\lim f \neq q$ , that is for some  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $d_Y(f(x), q) > \geq \epsilon$  whenever  $d_X(x, p) < \delta$  for all  $\delta > 0$ . Then choose  $\delta = \frac{1}{n}$ , for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , then we have  $\lim x_n = p$ , but  $\lim f(x_n) \neq q$ .

The importance of the sequential criterion is that it lets us translate theorems about limits of sequences into theorems about limits of functions.

Corollary. If f has a limit at p, then the limit of f is unique.

**Definition.** Letting  $f, g : E \to Y$ , we define the sum, product, scalar product and the quotient of f and g to be the functions from E into Y:

- (1) f + g(x) = f(x) + g(x).
- (2) fg(x) = f(x)g(x).
- (3)  $(\lambda f)(x) = \lambda f(x)$  for  $\lambda \in X$ .
- (4)  $\frac{f}{g}(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ , provided that  $g(x) \neq 0$ .

It is well known that the set of all functions from E into Y form an algebra under these operations.

**Theorem 4.1.2.** Let  $E \subseteq X$  a metric space, and let  $p \in E$  be a limit point. Let  $f, g : E \to Y$  be functions, such that  $\lim f = A$  and  $\lim g = B$  as  $x \to p$ . Then the following hold as  $x \to p$ .

- (1)  $\lim (f+g) = \lim f + \lim g = A + B$ .
- (2)  $\lim fg = \lim f \lim g = AB$ .
- (3)  $\lim \frac{f}{g} = \frac{\lim f}{\lim g} = \frac{A}{B}$ , provided that  $B \neq 0$ .

Corollary. The following hold:

(1) 
$$\lim \lambda f = \lambda \lim f = \lambda A$$
, and  $\lim (\lambda + f) = \lambda + \lim f = \lambda + A$ .

(2) 
$$\lim \frac{1}{f(x)} = \frac{1}{\lim f} = \frac{1}{A}$$
, provided that  $A \neq 0$ .

**Theorem 4.1.3** (The Sandwich Theorem). Let f, g, and h be real valued functions defined on  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $\lim_{x \to \infty} f = \lim_{x \to \infty} g = A$  as  $x \to p$ , and suppose that  $f(x) \le h(x) \le g(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $\lim_{x \to \infty} h = A$  as  $x \to p$ .

**Corollary.** Let f, g be real valued functions defined on  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $0 \le f(x) \le g(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then if  $g \to 0$  as  $x \to p$ , then  $f \to 0$ .

The proofs of all these are the result of appling the sequential criterion.

#### 4.2 Continuous Functions.

**Definition.** Let X and Y be metric spaces and let  $p \in E \subseteq X$ , and  $f : E \to Y$  be a function. We say that f is **continuous** at p if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $d_Y(f(x), f(p)) < \epsilon$  whenever  $0 < d_X(x, p) < \delta$ . If f is continuous at every point in X, we say that f is **continuous on** X.

**Theorem 4.2.1.** If  $E \subseteq X$  a metric space, and if f is a function defined on X, and  $p \in E$  is a limit point, then f is continuous if and only if  $\lim f(x) = f(p)$  as  $x \to p$ .

**Theorem 4.2.2.** Suppose X, Y, and Z are metric spaces, and that  $f: E \to Y$ ,  $g: Y \to Z$ , are functions (with  $E \subseteq X$ ) such that f is continuous at p and g is continuous at f(p). Then  $g \circ f$  is continuous at p.

*Proof.* For every  $\epsilon > 0$ , we have  $\delta_1, \delta_2 > 0$  such that  $d_Y(f(x), f(p)) < \epsilon$ , when  $0 < d_X(x, p) < \delta_1$ , and  $d_Z(g(y), g(f(p))) < \epsilon$  whenever  $d_Y(y, f(p)) < \delta_2$ . Then choose  $\delta = \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2\}$ , and we see that  $d_Z(g(f(x)), g(f(p))) < \epsilon$  whenever  $0 < d_X(x, p) < \delta$ .

**Theorem 4.2.3.** A mapping f of a metric space X into a metric space Y is continuous if and only if for every open set  $V \subseteq Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open in X.

*Proof.* Let f be continuous on X, and let V be open in Y. For  $p \in X$ ,  $f(p) \in V$ , and since V is open, there is an  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $y \in V$  when  $d_Y(y, f(p)) < \epsilon$ . Since f is continuous, there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $d_Y(f(x), f(p)) < \epsilon$ , whenever  $0 < d_X(x, p) < \delta$ . Thus  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open in X.

Conversly, suppose that  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open in X for V open in Y. Let  $p \in X$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ , and let  $V = \{y \in Y : d_Y(y, f(p)) < \epsilon\}$ ; V is open in Y, so  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open in X, thus there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $x \in f^{-1}(V)$  when  $0 < d_X(x, p) < \delta$ , then  $f(x) \in V$ , so  $d_Y(f(x), f(p)) < \epsilon$ ; therefore, f is continuous at p.

**Corollary.** A mapping f from X into Y is continuous if and only if  $f^{-1}(C)$  is closed in X, whenever C is closed in Y.

*Proof.* This is the converse of the previous theorem.

**Theorem 4.2.4.** Let  $f, g: X \to \mathbb{C}$  be continuous complex valued functions defined on a metric space X, then f + g, fg, and  $\frac{f}{g}$  are continuous.

*Proof.* This follows from theorem 4.1.2 and the sequential criterion.

**Theorem 4.2.5.** Let  $f_1, \ldots, f_k$  be realized functions defined on a metric space X, and define  $f: X \to \mathbb{R}^k$  by  $f(x) = (f_1(x), \ldots, f_k(x))$  for all  $x \in X$ . Then f is continuous if and only if  $f_i$  is continuous for  $11 \le i \le k$ . Moreover, if  $g: X \to \mathbb{R}^k$  and f are continuous, then so is f + g and fg.

*Proof.* Notice that  $|f_i(x) - f_i(y)| \le ||f(x) - f(y)|| = \sqrt{\sum |f_i(x) - f_i(y)|^2}$  for  $1 \le i \le k$ . If follows then that f is continuous if and only  $f_i$  is. Moreover, if  $g: X \to \mathbb{R}^k$  is also continuous, then by the previous theorem, so is f + g and fg.

- **Example 4.2.** (1) Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^k$ , define the functions  $\phi_i : \mathbb{R}^k \to \mathbb{R}$  by  $\phi_i(x) = x_i$  for all  $1 \le i \le k$ , then  $\phi_i$  is continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^k$ 
  - (2) The monomials  $x_1^{n_1}x_2^{n_2}\dots x_k^{n_k}$ , with  $n_i \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  for  $1 \le i \le k$  are continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^k$ . So are all constant ultiples, thus the polynomial  $\sum c_{n_1,\dots,n_k}x_1^{n_1}x_2^{n_2}\dots x_k^{n_k}$  is also continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^k$ .
  - (3) We have  $||||x|| ||y|||| \le ||x y||$  for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^k$ , thus the mapping  $x \to ||x||$  is continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^k$ .

## 4.3 Continuity and Compactness.

**Definition.** A mappinf  $f: E \to \mathbb{R}^k$  is said to be **bounded** if there is a real number M > 0 such that  $||f|| \le M$  for all  $x \in E$ .

**Theorem 4.3.1.** Let f be a cn=ontinuous mapping of a compact metric space X into a metric space Y. Then f(X) is compact in Y.

*Proof.* Let  $\{V_{\alpha}\}$  be an open cover of f(X), since f is continuous, then  $f^{-1}(V_{\alpha})$  is open in X, and since X is compact,  $X \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} V_{\alpha_i}$ , and  $f(f^{-1}(E)) \subseteq E$ , we have that  $f(X) \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} 6nV_{\alpha_i}$ .

**Theorem 4.3.2.** If  $f: X \to \mathbb{R}^k$  is continuous, where X is a compact metric space, then f(X) is closed and bounded; in particular, f is bounded.

*Proof.* From theorem 4.3.1, we have that f(X) is compact in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ , therefore, it is closed and bounded.

**Theorem 4.3.3** (The Extreme Value Theorem). Suppose f is a continuous, realvalued function on a metric space X, and that  $M = \sup f$ , and  $m = \inf f$ . Then there exist points  $p, q \in X$  such that f(p) = M and f(q) = m.

*Proof.* By theorem 4.3.2, f(X) is closed and bounded, thus  $M, m \in f(X)$ .

**Theorem 4.3.4.** Suppose f is a continuous 1-1 mapping of a compact metric space X onto a metric space Y. Then the inverse mapping  $f^{-1}: Y \to X$  is a Continuous mapping of Y onto X.

*Proof.* By theorem 4.2.3, it suffices to show that f(V) is open in Y whenever V is open in X. We have that  $X \setminus V$  is closed in X, and compact, thus  $f(X \setminus V)$  is closed and compact in Y, thus  $f(V) = Y \setminus f(X \setminus V)$  is open in Y.

**Definition.** Let f be a mapping of a metric space X into a metric space Y. We say that f is **uniformly continuous** on X if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $d_Y(f(q), f(p)) < \epsilon$ , for all  $p, q \in X$  for which  $d_X(p, q) < \delta$ .

**Lemma 4.3.5.** If f is uniformly continuous, then f is continuous.

**Theorem 4.3.6.** Let f be a continuous mapping of a compact metric space X into a metric space Y. Then f is uniformly continuous on X

Proof. Let  $\epsilon > 0$ , by the continuity of f, we can associate for each  $p \in X$  a number  $\phi(p) > 0$  such that for  $q \in X$ ,  $d_X(p,q) < \phi(p)$  implies  $d_Y(f(p),f(q)) < \frac{1}{2}\phi(p)$ . Now let  $J(p) = \{q \in X: d_X(p,q) < (p)\}$ . Clearly,  $p \in J(p)$ , so J(p) is an open cover of X, and since X is compact, there are  $p_1, \ldots, p_n$  for which  $X \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n J(p_i)$ , then take  $\delta = \min\{\phi(p_1), \ldots, \phi(p_n)\}$ ; we have  $\delta > 0$ . Now let  $p, q \in X$  such that  $d_X(p,q) < \delta$ . Then there is an  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  with  $1 \le m \le n$  such that  $p \in J(p_m)$ , thus  $d_X(p,q) < \frac{1}{2}\phi(p_m)$ , by the triangle inequality, we get  $d_i(q,p_m) \le d_X(q,p) + d_X(p,p_m) < \delta + \frac{1}{2}\phi(p_m) = \phi(p_m)$ , for  $1 \le m \le n$ . Therefore,  $d_Y(f(p),f(q)) \le d_Y(f(p),f(p_m)) + d_Y(f(p_m),f(q)) < \epsilon$ . Thus, f is uniformly continuous.

*Remark.* What this theorem says, is that in any compact metric space, continuity and uniform continuity are equivalent.

**Theorem 4.3.7.** Let  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be noncompact, then:

- (1) There exists a continuous function on E which is not bounded.
- (2) There is a bounded, continuous function on E which has no maximum.
- (3) If E is bounded, there exists a continuous function on E that is not uniformly continuous

*Proof.* Suppose first that E is bounded. Then there is a limit point  $x_0 \notin E$  of E. Consider the function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x - x_0}$$
 for all  $x \in E$ 

Then f is continuous on E, but not bounded. Then let  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $\delta > 0$ , and choose  $x \in E$  such that  $|x - x_0| < \delta$ , then taking t arbitrarily close to  $x_0$ , we can get  $|f(x) - f(t)| \ge \epsilon$ , even though  $|x - t| < \delta$ . Thus f is not uniformly continuous.

Now choose

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{1 + (x - x_0)^2}$$
 for all  $x \in E$ 

g is continuous, and bounded on E (0igi1), then  $\sup g = 1$ , and since g(x) < 1 for all x, we see that g attains no maximum.

Lastly, suppose that E is unbounded, then the functions f(x) = x and  $h(x) = \frac{x^2}{1+x^2}$  for all  $x \in E$  establish (1) and (2).

**Example 4.3.** Let f be the mapping of the interval  $[0, 2\pi)$  onto the unit circle. That is  $f(t) = (\cos t, t)$  for  $0 \le t < 2\pi$ . Then f is a continuous 1-1 mapping of  $[0, 2\pi)$  onto the unit circle, however, the inverse mapping,  $f^{-1}$  fails to be continuous at the point f(0) = (1, 0).

### 4.4 Continuity and Connectedness.

**Theorem 4.4.1.** If f is a continuous mapping of a metric space X into a metric space Y, and if  $E \subseteq X$  is Connected, then so is f(E).

Proof. Suppose that  $f(E) = A \cup B$  with  $A, B \subseteq Y$  nonempty and seperated. Let  $G = E \cap f^{-1}(A)$  and  $H = E \cap f^{-1}(B)$ , then  $E = G \cup H$ , and G and H are both nonempty. Then since  $A \subseteq \overline{A}$ ,  $G \subseteq f^{-1}(\overline{A})$ , and since f is continuous,  $f^{-1}(\overline{A})$  is closed, so  $\overline{G} \subseteq f^{-1}(\overline{A})$ , thus  $f(\overline{G}) \subseteq \overline{A}$ . Since f(H) = B, and  $\overline{A} \cap B$  is empty,  $\overline{G} \cap H$ , and  $H \cap \overline{H}$  are also empty, which contradicts the connectedness of E.

**Theorem 4.4.2** (The Intermediate Value Theorem). Let  $f[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$  be a realizable function. If f(a) < f(b), and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  such that f(a) < c < f(b), then there is an  $x \in (a,b)$  such that f(x) = x.

*Proof.* We have that [a,b] is connected in  $\mathbb{R}$ , thus by theorem 4.4.1, f([a,b]) is connected in  $\mathbb{R}$ , hence there is an  $x \in (a,b)$  for which f(x) = c.

**Corollary.** If  $f : [a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$  is a real-valued function such that f(a) < 0 < f(b), then there is an  $x \in (a,b)$  such that f(x) = 0.

#### 4.5 Discontinuities.

**Definition.** Let X and Y be metric spaces, and let  $f: E \to Y$  for  $E \subseteq X$ . If there is a point x in E for which f is not continuous, we say that f is textbfdiscontinuous at x, and we say that f has a **discontinuity** at x.

**Definition.** Let f be defined on (a, b), and let x be such that  $a \le x < b$ . We write f(x+) = q if  $f(t_n) \to q$  for all sequences  $\{t_n\}$  in (x, b) such that  $t_n \to x$ . Similarly, if x is such that  $a < x \le b$ , we write f(x-) = q if  $f(t_n) \to q$  for all sequences  $\{t_n\}$  in (a, x) such that  $t_n \to x$ . We call f(x+) and f(x-) the **right handed limit** and **left handed limit** of f at x respectively, and write  $\lim_{t\to x^+} f = f(x+)$  and  $\lim_{t\to x^-} f = f(x-)$ .

**Theorem 4.5.1.** If  $x \in (a,b)$ , then  $\lim f$  exists as  $t \to x$  if and only if,  $f(x+) = f(x-) = \lim f$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\lim f$  exists, by the uniqueness of the limit, and the sequential criterion, we get that  $f(x+) = f(x-) = \lim f$ . Conversely, suppose that f(x+) = f(x-) = q. Then  $f(t_n) \to q$  for all sequences  $\{t_n\}$  in (x,b) and (a,x), then  $f(t_n) \to q$  for all sequences  $\{t_n\}$  in (a,b), thus by the sequential criterion again,  $\lim f$  exists, and  $\lim f = q$ .

**Definition.** Let f be defined on (a, b). If f is discontinuous at a point x, and f(x+) and f(x-) exists, we say that f has a **removable discontinuity** at x, otherwise, we say the f has an **infinite discontinuity**.

**Example 4.4.** (1) The function f(x) = 1 for  $x \in \mathbb{Q}$  and f(x) = 0 for  $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$  has an infinite discontinuity at every point x.

- (2) The function f(x) = x for  $x \in \mathbb{Q}$  and f(x) = 0 for  $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$  is continuous at x = 0, and has an infinite discontinuity at every other point x.
- (3) The function  $f(x) = \sin \frac{1}{x}$  for  $x \neq 0$  and f(x) = 0 for x = 0, has an infinite discontinuity at x = 0.

(4) The function f(x) = x + 2 for -3 < x < -2 and  $0 \le x < 1$  and f(x) = -x - 2 for  $-2 \le x < 0$  has a removable discontinuity at x = 0, and is continuous everywhere else.

*Remark.* The discontinuities in examples (1) and (2) are the result of  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{R}\backslash\mathbb{Q}$  being dense in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

#### 4.6 Monotonic Functions.

**Definition.** Let f be a real-valued function on an interval (a, b). We say that f is **monotonically increasing** on (a, b) if a < x < y < b implies  $f(x) \le f(y)$ . We say that f is **monotonically decreasing** on (a, b) if a < x < y < b implies  $f(y) \le f(x)$ . We say f is **monotonic** if it is either monotonically increasing or monotonically decreasing.

**Theorem 4.6.1.** Let f be monotonic on (a,b) then f(x+) and f(x-) exist at every point of (a,b) and sup f=f(x-) and inf f=f(x+), and the following hold:

- (1) If f is monotonically increasing  $f(x-) \le f(x) \le f(x+)$
- (2) If f is monotonically decreasing  $f(x+) \le f(x) \le f(x-)$

*Proof.* We prove only (1), since (2) is analogous. Suppose that f is monotonically increasing, clearly, f has an upperbound A for which  $A \leq f$ . Now let  $\epsilon > 0$ , then there is a  $\delta > 0$  for which  $a < x - \delta < x$ , and  $A - \epsilon < f(x - \delta) \leq A$ . Then we have  $f(x - \delta) < f(t) \leq A$  for all  $x - \delta < t < x$ , then we get  $|f(t) - A| < \epsilon$ , hence  $f(x - \delta) = A$ , Similarly, we get  $f(+) = -\inf f$ . Now since  $\sup f \leq f \leq \inf f$ , we get the desired result.

Corollary. Monotonic functions have no infinite discontinuities.

**Theorem 4.6.2.** Let f be monotonic on (a,b), then the set of all points of (a,b) for which f is discontinuous is atmost countable.

Proof. Suppose, without loss of generality that g is monotonically increasing, and let E be the set of all points of (a,b) for which f is discontinuous. By the density of  $\mathbb{Q}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ , for each  $x \in E$  associate  $r(x) \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that f(x+) < f(x) < f(x-). Since  $x_1 < x_2$  implies  $f(x_1+) \leq f(x_2-)$ , then  $r(x_1) \neq r(x_2)$ , thus  $x_1 \neq x_2$ , and so r is a 1-1 mapping of E into  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Now, given a countable E in an interval (a,b), we can construct a monotonic function f that is discontinuous at every point in E and continuous everywhere else. Arrange the points of E into a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  and let  $\{c_n\}$  be a sequence such that  $c_n > 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , such that  $\sum c_n$  converges. Define  $f(x) = \sum_{x_n < x} c_n$ , for  $x \in (a,b)$ . Then we have that

- (1) f is monotonically increasing on (a, b).
- (2) f is discontinuous at every point in E with  $f(x_n+) f(x_n-) = c_n$ .
- (3) f is continuous at every point in  $(a, b) \setminus E$ .

**Definition.** Let f be a real-valued function defined on an interval (a, b). We say that f is **continuous form the right** if f(x+) = f(x), and we say f is **continuous from the left** if f(x-) = f(x).

## 4.7 Infinite Limits and Limits at Infinity.

**Definition.** For any  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , the set of all real numbers x such that x > c is called the **neighborhood of**  $\infty$ , and denoted  $(c, \infty)$ . The set of all real numbers x such that x > c is called the **neighborhood of**  $-\infty$ , and denoted  $(-\infty, c)$ .

**Definition.** Let  $f: E \to \mathbb{R}$  be a real-valued function. We say that  $f(t) \to A$  as  $t \to x$ , with A, and x extended real numbers if for every neighborhood of U A, there is a neighborhood V of x such that  $V \cap E$  is nonempty, and  $f(t) \in U$  for all  $t \neq x \in V \cup E$ .

**Theorem 4.7.1.** Let  $f, g : E \to \mathbb{R}$  be realvalued functions such that  $f \to A$ , and  $g \to B$  as  $t \to x$ , for extended real numbers A, B, and x. Then the following hold as  $t \to x$ .

- (1)  $f \to A'$  implies A = A'.
- (2)  $f + g \rightarrow A + B$ .
- (3)  $fg \rightarrow AB$ .
- (4)  $\frac{f}{g} \to \frac{A}{B}$ . Provided that (1), (2), and (3) are not of the forms  $\infty \infty$ ,  $0 \cdot \infty, \frac{\infty}{\infty}$ , and  $A_{\overline{0}}$ , respectively.

*Proof.* This is a direct application of the sequential criterion using the appropriate definition.

# Chapter 5

## Differentiation

#### 5.1 The Derivative of Real valued Functions.

**Definition.** Let  $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$  be a real-valued function defined on [a,b]. The **derivative** of f at a point  $x \in (a,b)$  is the function  $f':(a,b) \to \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$f'(x) = \lim_{t \to x} \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x}$$
 (5.1)

If f' is defined at  $x \in [a, b]$ , then we say that f is **differentiable** at x, and if f' is defined for all  $x \in (a, b)$ , we say that f is **differentiable** on (a, b).

**Theorem 5.1.1.** Let  $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$  be a real-valued function. If f is differentiable at a point  $x \in (a,b)$ , then f is continuous.

*Proof.* As 
$$t \to x$$
, we get  $|f(t) - f(x)| = \left| \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} \right| |t - x| \to f'(x) = 0$ , thus  $f(t) \to f(x)$ .

**Theorem 5.1.2.** Suppose  $f, g : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$  are realvalued functiond differentiable at a point  $x \in (a, b)$ . Then f + g, fg, and  $\frac{f}{g}$  are differentiable at x, and as  $t \to x$ :

- (1) (f+g)' = f' + g'.
- (2) (fg)' = f'g + fg'.
- (3)  $(\frac{f}{g})' = \frac{f'g fg'}{g^2}$ , provided that  $g(x) \neq 0$ .

*Proof.* (1) follows directly from the definition. Now notice that fg(t) - fg(x) = f(t)(g(t) - g(x)) + g(t)(f(t) + f(x)), then dividing by t - x, the result follows by definition.

Now also notice that  $\frac{\frac{f}{g}(t) - \frac{f}{g}(x)}{t - x} = \frac{1}{g(t)g(x)} (g(x) \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} - f(x) \frac{g(t) - g(x)}{t - x})$ , and the result again follows by definition.

**Example 5.1.** (1) The derivative of constant functions are alway 0, and the derivative of the identity function is always 1.

(2) Let  $f(x) = x^n$ , for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and  $x \neq 0$  for n < 0, then f is differentiable and  $f'(x) = nx^{n-1}$ .

(3) Polynomial functions are differentiable, and so are rational functions  $\frac{p}{q}$ , provided that  $q \neq 0$ .

**Theorem 5.1.3** (Caratheodory's Theorem). Let  $f : [a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous real valued function. Then f is differentiable at a point  $x \in (a,b)$  if and only if there is a continuous function  $\phi : (a,b) \to \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f(t) - f(x) = \phi(t)(t-x)$ ; moreover,  $\phi = f'$ .

*Proof.* Suppose f' exists at x, and define  $\phi:(a,b)\to\mathbb{R}$  by  $\phi(t)=\frac{f(t)-f(x)}{t-x}$  when  $t\neq x$ , and  $\phi(t)=f'(x)$  at t=x. Then by the continuity of f,  $\phi$  is continuous at x, moreover, at  $t\neq x$  we see that  $f(t)-f(x)=\phi(t)(x-t)$ .

Conveersely, sup[ose there is a  $\phi$ , continuous at x such that  $f(t) - f(x) = \phi(t)(x - t)$ , then clearly,  $\lim \phi = f'(x)$  as  $t \to x$ , and since  $\phi$  is continuous,  $\phi(x) = f'(x)$ .

**Theorem 5.1.4** (The Chain Rule). Suppose that  $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$  and  $g:I \to \mathbb{R}$  are continuous, where  $f([a,b]) \subseteq I \subseteq [a,b]$ , and suppose that f is differentiable at x, and that g is differentiable at f(x). Then  $g \circ g$  is differentiable at x, and  $(g \circ f)' = (g' \circ f)f'$ .

*Proof.* We have by Caratheodory's theorem that f(t) - f(x) = (t - x)(f'(x) - u(t)), and g(s) - g(y) = (s - y)(g'(y) - v(s)). Then letting y = f(x), and  $s \to y$  as  $t \to x$ , we see that  $u, v \to 0$ , and we get that g(f(t)) - g(f(x)) = g'(f(t)f(t)) - g'(f(x))f(x), dividing by t - x give the desired result.

- **Example 5.2.** (1) Let  $f(x) = \sin \frac{1}{x}$  at  $x \neq 0$ , and f(x) = 0 at x = 0. We have at  $x \neq 0$ , that  $f'(x) = \sin \frac{1}{x} \frac{1}{x} \cos \frac{1}{x}$ , but at x = 0, we must appeal to the definition, and we get  $f(t) = \sin \frac{1}{t}$ , which diverges at  $t \to 0$ , thus f'(0) does not exist.
- (2) Let  $f(x) = x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x}$  at  $x \neq 0$ , and f(x) = 0 at x = 0. For  $x \neq 0$ , we get  $f'(x) = 2x \sin \frac{1}{x} \cos \frac{1}{x}$ , and at x = 0, we notice that  $|t \sin \frac{1}{t}| \leq |t|$ , so by the sandwhich theorem, f'(0) = 0 as  $t \to 0$ .

#### 5.2 Mean Value Theorems.

**Definition.** Let  $f: X \to \mathbb{R}$  be defined on a metric space X. We say that f has a **local maximum** at a point  $p \in X$ , if there is a  $\delta > 0$  for which  $f(q) \le f(p)$  whenever  $d(q, p) < \delta$ . Likewise f has a **local minimum** at a point  $p \in X$ , if there is a  $\delta > 0$  for which  $f(q) \le f(p)$  whenever  $d(q, p) < \delta$ . We call local maxima and local minimums **local extrema**.

**Theorem 5.2.1.** Let  $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$  be a realvalued function, and suppose that f has a local extremum at  $x \in (a,b)$ . If f' exists, then f'(x) = 0.

*Proof.* Suppose, without loss of generality that f has a local maximum at x. Chooses  $\delta > 0$  such that  $a < x - \delta < x < x + \delta < b$ . Then if  $x - \delta < t < x$ , we have  $|t - x + \delta| < \delta$ , so  $f(t) \le f(x)$ , thus  $\frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} \le 0$ . Similarly, for  $x < t < x + \delta$ , we get  $\frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} \ge 0$ , hence, as  $t \to x$ , we get  $0 \le f'(0) \le 0$ , thus f'(x) = 0.

**Theorem 5.2.2** (The Generalized Mean Value Theorem). If  $f, g : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$  are continuous on [a, b], and differentiable on (a, b), then there is a point  $x \in (a, b)$  such that (f(b) - f(a))g'(x) = (g(b) - g(a))f'(x).

Proof. Let h(t) = (f(b) - f(a))g'(x) - (g(b) - g(a))f'(x), for  $t \in [a, b]$ , then h is continuous on [a, b], and differentiable on (a, b), moreover, we have h(b) = f(b)g(a) - f(a)g(b) = h(b). Now if h is constant, then h' = 0 for all t and we are done., Now suppose that  $h(a) \le h(t)$ , and let  $x \in (a, b)$ , be a local minimum of h, then h'(x) = 0, and we are done; the same result follows for local minima of h.

**Corollary** (The Mean Value Theorem). LEt  $f : [a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$  be continuous on [a,b], and differentiable on (a,b). Then there is an  $x \in (a,b)$  such that f(b) - f(a) = (b-a)f'(x).

Proof. Take g(t) = t.

**Theorem 5.2.3.** Suppose that  $f : [a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable on (a,b). Then the following hold for all  $x \in (a,b)$ :

- (1) If  $f' \geq 0$ , then f is monotonically increasing.
- (2) If f' = 0, then f is constant.
- (3) If  $f' \leq 0$ , then f is monotonically decreasing.

Proof. Let  $x_1, x_2 \in (a, b)$ , then by the mean value theorem, there is an  $x \in (x_1, x_2)$  such that  $f(x_2) - f(x_1) = (x_2 - x_1)f'(x)$ . Then if f'(x) = 0, we get  $f(x_2) = f(x_1)$ , and that f is constant. If  $f'(x) \ge 0$ , we get  $f(x_2) \ge f(x_1)$ , making f monotonically increasing, similarly, if  $f'(x) \le 0$ , we get f monotonically decreasing.

### 5.3 The Continuity of Derivatives.

**Theorem 5.3.1.** Let  $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable on all of [a,b], and suppose that  $f'(a) < \lambda < f'(b)$ . Then there is an  $x \in (a,b)$  such that  $f'(x) = \lambda$ .

Proof. Let  $g(t) = f(t) - \lambda t$ , then g'(a) < 0 and g'(b) > 0. Then for  $t_1, t_2 \in (a, b), g(t_1) < g(a)$ , and  $g(b) < g(t_2)$ . Then by the extreme value theorem, g attains a maximum at a point  $x \in (t_1, t_2)$ , hence g'(x) = 0, hence  $f'(x) = \lambda$ .

**Corollary.** If  $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable, then f cannot have any removable discontinuities, nor jump discontinuities.

Remark. f' may have infinite discontinuities.

### 5.4 L'Hosptal's Rule.

**Theorem 5.4.1** (L'Hospital's Rule). Suppose f and g are realvalued functions differentiable on (a,b), and that g' neq0 for all  $x \in (a,b)$ , where  $-\infty \le a < b \le \infty$ , and suppose that  $\frac{f'}{g'} \to A$  as  $x \to a$ . If  $f,g \to 0$ , or if  $g \to \pm \infty$ , as  $x \to a$ , then  $\frac{f}{g} \to A$  as  $x \to a$ .

Proof. Suppose first that  $-\infty \leq A < \infty$ , and choose  $q, r \in \mathbb{R}$  such that A < r < q. By hypothesis, there is a  $c \in (a,b)$  for which a,x < c implies  $\frac{f}{g} < r$ . If a < x < y < c, then by the generalized mean value theorem,  $\frac{f(x)-f(y)}{g(x)-g(y)} = \frac{f'(t)}{g'(t)} < r$ , thus letting  $x \to a$ , we see hat  $\frac{f(y)}{g(y)} \leq r < q$ . Now suppose, without loss of generality, that  $g \to \infty$ . Fixing y, and choosing  $c_1 \in (a,y)$  such that g(x) > g(y), and g(x) > 0, if  $a < x < c_1$ , then  $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} < r - r \frac{g(y)+f(y)}{g(x)}$ , then as  $x \to a$ , there is a  $c_2 \in (x,c_1)$  such that  $\frac{f}{g} < q$ .

Likewise, if we suppose that  $-\infty < A \le \infty$ , by the same reasoning, we can choose a p < A and  $c_3 \in (a,b)$  such that  $p < \frac{f}{g}$  as  $x \to a$ . Since p < A < q, by the sandwhich theorem, we get  $\frac{f}{g} = A$  as  $x \to a$ .

## 5.5 Taylor's Theorem.

**Definition.** If f has a derivative f' on an interval, and f' is differentiable, we denote f'' to be (f')' and call it the **second derivative** of f; likewise, if f'' is differentiable, we denote the **third derivative** by  $f^{(3)} = (f'')'$ . More generally, for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , we define recursively the nth derivative to be:

- (1)  $f^{(0)} = f$  and  $f^{(1)} = f'$ .
- (2)  $f^{(n+1)} = (f^{(n)})'$ , given that  $f^{(n)}$  is differentiable.

We call f nth differentiable if  $f^{(n)}$  exists.

**Theorem 5.5.1** (Taylor's Theorem). Suppose  $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$  is a real-valued function, that is nth differentiable, and let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  be such that  $f^{(n-1)}$  is continuous on [a,b], and that  $f^{(n)}$  exists on (a,b). LEt  $\alpha, \beta \in [a,b]$  be distinct, and define:

$$p(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{f^{(k)}(\alpha)}{k!} (t - \alpha)^k$$
 (5.2)

Then there exists a point  $x \in (\alpha, \beta)$  such that  $f(\beta) = p(\beta) + \frac{f^{(n)}(x)}{n!}(\beta - \alpha)^n$ .

Proof. For n = 1, this reduces to the mean value theorem, so suppose that n > 1. Let  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  be such that  $f(\beta) = p(\beta) + M(\beta - \alpha)^n$ , and let  $g(t) = f(t) - p(t) + M(\beta - \alpha)^n$ , for  $t \in [a, b]$ . Then g is nth differentiable, and we get  $g^{(n)} = f^{(n)} - n!M$  for  $t \in (a, b)$ . We wish to show that  $f^{(n)} = n!M$ .

We have that  $p^{(k)} = f^{(k)}(\alpha)$  for  $0 \le k \le n-1$ , then  $g(\alpha) = g'(\alpha) = \cdots = g^{(n-1)}(\alpha) = 0$ , and our choice of M shows that  $g(\beta) = 0$ . So  $g'(x_1) = 0$  for  $x_1 \in (\alpha, \beta)$ , so by the mean value theorem, since  $g'(\alpha) = 0$ , then g''(2) = 0 for  $x_2 \in (\alpha, x_2)$ . Proceeding inductively, we then get that  $g_{(n)}(x_n)=0$  for  $x_n \in (\alpha, x_{n-1})$ , hence we get that  $n!M = f^{(n)}(x)$ .

**Definition.** We call the series in equation (5.2) the **Taylor series** (or **Taylor polynomial**) of f about  $\alpha$ . We call the realnumber M such tat  $n!M = f^{(n)}(x)$  the **tail**, (or **error**) of the Taylor series.

#### 5.6 Derivatives of vector valued functions.

**Definition.** Let  $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{C}$  be a complex valued function, such that  $f(t) = f_1(t) + if_2(t)$ . We say that f is **differentiable** at a point x if and only if  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are differentiable, and we denote the **derivative** of f to be the function  $f:(a,b) \to \mathbb{C}$  such that  $f' = f'_1 + if'_2$ 

**Definition.** Let  $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}^k$  be a vectorvalued function for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . f is said to be differentiable at  $x \in (a,b)$  if there is some point  $f'(x) \in \mathbb{R}^k$  such that:

$$\lim_{t \to x} ||\frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} - f'(x)|| = 0 \tag{5.3}$$

We define the **derivative** of f at x to be the function  $f':(a,b)\to\mathbb{R}$  such that the values of f' statisfy equat ion (5.3)

Remark. If  $f:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}^k$  is defined by  $f=(f_1,\ldots,f_k)$ , then f is differentiable at a point  $x\in(a,b)$  if and only if  $f_i$  is differentiable at x for  $1\leq i\leq k$ , and we have that  $f'=(f'_1,\ldots,f'_k)$ .

Theorem 5.1.1 follows naturally, and so does theorem 5.1.2(a) and (2), where we define fg as  $\langle f, g \rangle$ , however, the mean value theorem in general does not hold.

- **Example 5.3.** (1) Define  $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{C}$  by  $f(x) = e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x$ . Then  $f(2\pi) f(0) = 0$ , however,  $f'(x) = ie^{ix} \neq 0$  for all x (moreover, |f'| = 1), so the generalized mean value theorem fails here.
- (2) Define  $f, g: (0,1) \to \mathbb{C}$  by f(x) = x and  $g(x) = x + x^2 e^{\frac{i}{x^2}}$  for all x. Since  $|e^{it}| = 1$ , we have that  $\lim \frac{f}{g} = 1$  as  $x \to 0$ . Now  $g'(x) = 1 + (2x i\frac{2}{x})e^{\frac{1}{x^2}}$  on (0,1), hence  $|g'| = |2x i\frac{2}{x}| 1 \ge \frac{2}{x} 1$ , so  $|\frac{f'}{g'}| \le \frac{x}{2-x} \to 0$  as  $x \to 0$ , so L'Hospital's rule fails in  $\mathbb{C}$  as well, and hence in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  (as  $\mathbb{C}$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ).

**Theorem 5.6.1.** Suppose  $f:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}^k$ , for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  is continuous, and that f is differentiable on (a,b). Then there is an  $x \in (a,b)$  for which  $||f(b) - f(a)|| \le (b-a)||f'(x)||$ .

Proof. Let z=f(b)-f(a), and define  $\phi=\langle f,g\rangle$  for all  $t\in[a,b]$ , then  $\phi$  is a real valued function continuous on [a,b], moreover it is differentiable on (a,b); therefore, by the mean value theorem,  $\phi(b)-\phi(a)=(b-a)\phi'(a)=(b-a)\langle z,f'(x)\rangle$  for  $x\in(a,b)$ . On the other hand, we have that  $\phi(b)-\phi(a)=\langle z,z\rangle=||z||^2$ , hence, by the Cauchy Schwarz inequality, we have that  $||z||^2=(b-a)\langle z,f'\rangle\leq ||z||||f'||$ , which gives the desired result.

# Chapter 6

# Integration

## 6.1 The Riemann-Stieltjes Integral.

**Definition.** Let [a, b] be an interval. A **partition** of [a, b] is a set of points  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \ldots, x_n\}$  such that  $a = x_0 < x_1 < \cdots < x_n = b$ , and we write  $\Delta x_i = x_i - x_{i-1}$ . Now let  $f : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$  be a bounded real-valued function, and for each partition P of [a, b] let  $M_i = \sup f$  and  $m_i = \inf_f$  for all  $x_{i-1} \le x \le x_i$ . We define the **upper Riemann sum** and the **lower Riemann sum** to of f with respect to be:

$$U(f,P) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} M_i \Delta x_i \tag{6.1}$$

$$L(f,P) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} m_i \Delta x_i \tag{6.2}$$

respectively. We also define the **upper Riemann integral** and the **lower Riemann integral** of f over [a, b] to be:

$$\overline{\int_{a}^{b}} f(x)dx = \inf U(f, P) \tag{6.3}$$

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx = \sup L(f, P) \tag{6.4}$$

Respectively.

If  $\overline{\int_a^b} f = \underline{\int_a^b} f$ , then we say that f is **Riemann integrable** on [a,b], and we its value the **Riemann integral**, and denote it to be:

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx = \overline{\int_{a}^{b}} f(x)dx = \underline{\int_{a}^{b}} f(x)dx$$
 (6.5)

**Lemma 6.1.1.**  $\overline{\int_a^b} f$ , and  $\underline{\int_a^b} f$  are defined for every bounded realvalued function f over [a,b].

*Proof.* Let f be bounded on [a,b], then there are m and M such that  $m \leq f \leq M$  for all  $a \leq x \leq b$ . Now let P be a partition of [a,b]. Since  $\inf f \leq \sup f$ , we have that  $m \leq m_i = \inf f \leq M_i = \sup f \leq M$ , thus  $m(b-a) \leq L(f,P) \leq U(f,P) \leq M(b-a)$ , hence L and U form a bounded set, and we are done.

Corollary.  $L(f, P) \leq U(f, P)$  for every bounded function f.

Now the question of the integrability of f is a very delicate matter, and requires a closer scrutiny on the concepts of upper and lower sums. Infact, it turns out that the Riemann integral is a consequence of a more general class of integrals. Developing this more general situation will allow us to discern facts about the Riemann integral.

**Definition.** Let  $\alpha$  be a bounded monontonically increasing function on [a, b], and let P be a partition of [a, b] and let  $\Delta \alpha_i = \alpha(x_i) - \alpha(x_{i-1})$ . For any real-valued, bounded function on [a, b], defined the **upper sum** and the **lower sum** of f with respect to P and  $\alpha$  to be:

$$U(f, P, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} M_i \Delta \alpha_i$$
(6.6)

$$L(f, P, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} m_i \Delta \alpha_i$$
(6.7)

Where  $M_i = \sup f$  and  $m_i = \inf f$  for all  $x_{i-1} \leq x \leq x_i$ , and again, define the **upper** integral and lower integral of f with respect to  $\alpha$  on [a, b] to be:

$$\overline{\int_{a}^{b}} f(x)d\alpha = \inf U(f, P, \alpha)$$
(6.8)

$$\underline{\int_{a}^{b}} f(x)d\alpha = \sup L(f, P, \alpha)$$
(6.9)

If  $\overline{\int_a^b} f d\alpha = \int_a^b f d\alpha$ , we call the value:

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x)d\alpha = \overline{\int_{a}^{b}} f(x)d\alpha = \int_{a}^{b} f(x)d\alpha \tag{6.10}$$

the **Riemann-Stieltjes integral** of f with respect to f on [a, b]. If such an integra exists, we say that f is **integrable** with respect to  $\alpha$  on [a, b].

**Example 6.1.** Let  $\alpha(x) = \alpha$ , be defined over [a, b]. Then  $\alpha$  is monontonically increasing, and our definititions reduces to those for the Riemann integral. Here U(f, P, x) = U(f, P) and L(f, P, x) = L(F, P).

We are now in a position to investigate the properties of integrability, in the Riemann-Stielties sense.

**Definition.** Let a, b be an interval, and let P and Q be partitions of [a, b]. We say that Q is a **refinment** of P if PQ, and we also say that Q is **finer** than P. Now if neither P nor Q is a refinment of the other, we say that the two partitions are **noncomparable**.

**Lemma 6.1.2.** Let P and Q be partitions of and interval [a,b], then  $P \cup Q$  is a partition of [a,b], and is a refinment of both P and Q.

Proof. If P is a refinment of Q, or viceversa, then we are done; so suppose that P and Q are noncomparable. Let  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \ldots, x_n\}$  and  $Q = \{y_0, y_1, \ldots, y_m\}$  with  $a = x_0 < x_1 < \ldots x_n = b$  and  $a = y_0 < y_1 < \ldots y_m = b$ . Then  $P \cup Q = \{x_0, y_0, x_1, y_1, \ldots, x_n, y_m\}$  and  $a = x_0 = y_0 < x_1, y_1 < \cdots < x_n = y_m = b$ , thus  $P \cup Q$  is a partition of [a, b], that it is a refinment of P and Q follows trivially.

**Theorem 6.1.3.** Let  $\alpha$  be monontonically increasing, and bounded on [a,b], and let P and Q be partitions of [a,b]. If Q is a refinment of P, then  $L(f,P,\alpha) \leq L(f,Q,\alpha)$  and  $U(f,Q,\alpha) \leq U(f,P,\alpha)$ .