

# Results

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## 1 Learning

## 2 Logic, Metric Spaces, and Set Theory

*Why study analysis or mathematics in general?* If you intend to reason and navigate the complexities of any system, circumstance, task, or structure, the patterns of reasoning covered in mathematics equips you with the skill of understanding and making inferences or deductions in and about complex systems. So we will study systems at an abstracted level so that our conclusions and hard work are applicable and will aid us in any vocation whether we really notice it or not. Before we begin the rigorous study of calculus, which is the system used to understand and gain insight to abstract dynamic magnitudes. To build this system, we need to first discuss what type of *connections* this systems structure allows.

The first *axiom* of the system is that a *mathematical statement* is either true or false. A mathematical statement is a relationship that is shown through a type of *expression(s)*. An expression is a sequence of mathematical symbols, concepts, and objects that produce some other mathematical object. One can make statements out of expressions by using *relations* such as  $=$ ,  $<$ ,  $\geq$ ,  $\in$ ,  $\subset$  or by using *properties* such as "is prime", "is invertible", "is continuous". Then one can make a compound statement from other statements by using *logical connectives*. We show some of these below,

**Conjunction:** If  $X$  is a statement and  $Y$  is a statement then the statement " $X$  and  $Y$ " is a true statement if  $X$  and  $Y$  are both true. Notice though that this only concerns truth, where the artist of the mathematics must bring the connotations that illustrate more information than just " $X$  and  $Y$ ". For example, " $X$  and also  $Y$ ", or "both  $X$  and  $Y$ ", or even " $X$  but  $Y$ ". Notice that  $X$  but  $Y$  suggests that the statements  $X$  and  $Y$  are in contrast to each other, while  $X$  and  $Y$  suggests that they support each other. We can find such reinterpretations of every logical connective.

**Disjunction:** If  $X$  is a statement and  $Y$  is a statement then the statement " $X$  or  $Y$ " is true if either  $X$  or  $Y$  is true, or both. The reason we include the " $X$  and  $Y$ " part is because when we are talking about  $X$  or  $Y$  we want to be talking about *all of*  $X$  or  $Y$ , instead of talking about  $X$  and not  $Y$  or  $Y$  and not  $X$ . So talking about the *exclusive* "or" (the one that doesn't include "and") is basically talking about two statements.

**Negation:** The statement " $X$  is not true" or " $X$  is false" is called the *negation* of  $X$  and is true if and only if  $X$  is false and is false if and only if  $X$  is true. Negations convert "and" into "or" and vice versa. For instance, the negation of "Jane Doe has black hair and Jane Doe has blue eyes" is "Jane Doe doesn't have black hair or doesn't have blue eyes". Notice how important the "inclusive or" is here to interpret the meaning of this statement.

**If and only if:** If  $X$  is a statement and  $Y$  is a statement, we say that " $X$  is true if and only if  $Y$  is true", whenever  $X$  is true,  $Y$  also has to be true, and whenever  $Y$  is true,  $X$  must too be true. This is sort of like a logical equivalence. So if we were trying to pin down some type of abstract causal structure of some system an if and only if statement tells me that  $X$  and  $Y$  will always cause each other.

**Implication:** If  $X$  is a statement and  $Y$  is a statement then if we want to know whether (using some abstract notion of "cause")  $X$  causes, implies, or leads to  $Y$  then we are trying to prove an *implication* which is given by "if  $X$  then  $Y$ " (the implication of  $X$  to  $Y$ ). So for  $X$  to truly *imply*  $Y$ , we need that when  $X$  is true  $Y$  is also true, if  $X$  is false then whether  $Y$  is true or false doesn't matter. So the only way to disprove an implication is by showing that when the hypothesis is true, the conclusion is false. One can also think of the statement "if  $X$ , then  $Y$ " as " $Y$  is at least as true as  $X$ "—if  $X$  is true, then  $Y$  also has to be true, but if  $X$  is false,  $Y$  could be as false as  $X$ , but it could also be true.

**Variables and Quantifiers:** Notice when we talk about some abstract, general,  $X$  and  $Y$ , the truth of the statements involving them depends on the context of  $X$  and  $Y$ . More precisely,  $X$  and  $Y$  are *variables* since they are variables that are set to obey some properties but the actual value of them hasn't been specified yet. Then *quantifiers* allow us to talk about the different values of these variables. We can say that there exists  $X$  where, say,  $X$  implies  $Y$  is true, this is denoted  $\exists$ . Or we can say for all  $X$  (denoted  $\forall$ ),  $X$  implies  $Y$ . **Equality:** Out of the different relations we have discussed, *equality* is the most obvious. We need to be able to express the relationship of equality. We will present the axioms of equality, called an *equivalence relation*.

**Definition 2.1** (Equivalence Relation). Given elements  $x, y, z$  in any set with the relation  $=$  defined, we have

1. (Reflexivity): Given any object  $x$ , we have  $x = x$ .
2. (Symmetry): Given any two objects  $x$  and  $y$  of the same type, if  $x = y$  then  $y = x$
3. (Transitive): Given any three objects  $x, y, z$  of the same type, if  $x = y$  and  $y = z$ , then  $x = z$ .
4. (Substitution): Given any two objects  $x$  and  $y$  of the same type, if  $x = y$ , then  $f(x) = f(y)$  for all functions or operations  $f$ . Similarly, for any property  $P(x)$  depending on  $x$ , if  $x = y$ , then  $P(x)$  and  $P(y)$  are equivalent statements.

**Definition 2.2.** A *set* is a well-defined collection of distinct objects, called *elements* or *members* considered as a single entity unified under the defining properties of the set. The membership of an element  $x$  in a set  $S$  is denoted by  $x \in S$ , while non-membership is written as  $x \notin S$ . A set containing no elements is called the *empty set*, denoted  $\emptyset$ .

**Proposition 2.1.** Let  $A, B, C$  be sets, and let  $X$  be a set containing  $A, B, C$  as subsets.

1. (Minimal element) We have  $A \cup \emptyset = A$  and  $A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$
2. (Maximal element) We have  $A \cup X = X$  and  $A \cap X = A$ .

3. (*Identity*) We have  $A \cup A = A$  and  $A \cap A = A$
4. (*Commutativity*) We have  $A \cup B = B \cup A$  and  $A \cap B = B \cap A$
5. (*Associativity*) We have  $(A \cup B) \cup C = A \cup (B \cup C)$  and  $(A \cap B) \cap C = A \cap (B \cap C)$
6. (*Distributivity*) We have  $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$  and  $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$
7. (*Partition*) We have  $A \cup (X \setminus A) = X$  and  $A \cap (X \setminus A) = \emptyset$
8. (*De Morgan Laws*) We have  $X \setminus (A \cup B) = (X \setminus A) \cap (X \setminus B)$  and  $X \setminus (A \cap B) = (X \setminus A) \cup (X \setminus B)$

**Definition 2.3.** An *ordered set* is a set  $S$  together with an ordering relation, denoted  $<$ , such that

1. (*trichotomy*)  $\forall x, y \in S$ , exactly one of  $x < y$ ,  $x = y$ , or  $y < x$  holds.
2. (*transitivity*) If  $x, y, z \in S$  such that  $x < y$  and  $y < z \implies x < z$ .

**Well ordering property of  $\mathbb{N}$ :** Every nonempty subset of  $\mathbb{N}$  has a least element.

**Definition 2.4.** We define the natural numbers  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$  to be a set  $\mathbb{N}$  with the *successor function*  $S$  defined on it. The successor function  $S : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ , is defined by the following axioms,

- N1:**  $1 \in \mathbb{N}$
- N2:** If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  then its successor  $n + 1 \in \mathbb{N}$
- N3:** 1 is not the successor of any element in  $\mathbb{N}$
- N4:** If  $n$  and  $m$  in  $\mathbb{N}$  have the same successor, then  $n = m$ .
- N5:** A subset of  $\mathbb{N}$  that contains 1, and contains  $n + 1$  whenever it contains  $n$ , must be equivalent to  $\mathbb{N}$ .

**Theorem 2.1** (Principle of induction). *Let  $P(n)$  be a statement depending on a natural number  $n$ . Suppose that*

- (i) (*basis statement*)  $P(1)$  is true.
- (ii) (*induction step*) If  $P(n)$  is true, then  $P(n + 1)$  is true.

*Then  $P(n)$  is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .*

**Definition 2.5.** A set  $F$  is called a *field* if it has two operations defined on it, addition  $x + y$  and multiplication  $xy$ , and if it satisfies the following axioms:

- (A1) If  $x \in F$  and  $y \in F$ , then  $x + y \in F$ .
- (A2) (*commutativity of addition*)  $x + y = y + x$  for all  $x, y \in F$ .
- (A3) (*associativity of addition*)  $(x + y) + z = x + (y + z)$  for all  $x, y, z \in F$ .
- (A4) There exists an element  $0 \in F$  such that  $0 + x = x$  for all  $x \in F$ .
- (A5) For every element  $x \in F$ , there exists an element  $-x \in F$  such that  $x + (-x) = 0$ .
- (M1) If  $x \in F$  and  $y \in F$ , then  $xy \in F$ .
- (M2) (*commutativity of multiplication*)  $xy = yx$  for all  $x, y \in F$ .
- (M3) (*associativity of multiplication*)  $(xy)z = x(yz)$  for all  $x, y, z \in F$ .
- (M4) There exists an element  $1 \in F$  (with  $1 \neq 0$ ) such that  $1x = x$  for all  $x \in F$ .
- (M5) For every  $x \in F$  such that  $x \neq 0$ , there exists an element  $1/x \in F$  such that  $x(1/x) = 1$ .
- (D) (*distributive law*)  $x(y + z) = xy + xz$  for all  $x, y, z \in F$ .

**Definition 2.6.** A field  $F$  is said to be an *ordered field* if  $F$  is also an ordered set such that

- (i) For  $x, y, z \in F$ ,  $x < y$  implies  $x + z < y + z$ .

(ii) For  $x, y \in F$ ,  $x > 0$  and  $y > 0$  implies  $xy > 0$ .

If  $x > 0$ , we say  $x$  is *positive*. If  $x < 0$ , we say  $x$  is *negative*. We also say  $x$  is *nonnegative* if  $x \geq 0$ , and  $x$  is *nonpositive* if  $x \leq 0$ .

**Proposition 2.2.** Let  $F$  be an ordered field and  $x, y, z, w \in F$ . Then

(i) If  $x > 0$ , then  $-x < 0$  (and vice versa).

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

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

(iv) If  $x \neq 0$ , then  $x^2 > 0$ .

(v) If  $0 < x < y$ , then  $0 < 1/y < 1/x$ .

(vi) If  $0 < x < y$ , then  $x^2 < y^2$ .

(vii) If  $x \leq y$  and  $z \leq w$ , then  $x + z \leq y + w$ .

Note that (iv) implies, in particular, that  $1 > 0$ .

**Definition 2.7.** Let  $E \subset S$ , where  $S$  is an ordered set.

(i) If  $\exists b \in S$  such that  $x \leq b$ ,  $\forall x \in E \implies E$  is *bounded above* and  $b$  is an *upper bound* of  $E$ .

(ii) If  $\exists b \in S$  such that  $x \geq b$ ,  $\forall x \in E \implies E$  is *bounded below* and  $b$  is a *lower bound* of  $E$ .

(iii) If  $\exists b_0$  an upper bound of  $E$  such that  $b_0 \leq b$ ,  $\forall$  upper bounds  $b$  of  $E$ , then  $b_0$  is called the *least upper bound* or the *supremum* of  $E$ . We write:

$$\sup E := b_0.$$

(iv) If  $\exists b_0$  a lower bound of  $E$  such that  $b_0 \geq b$ ,  $\forall$  lower bounds  $b$  of  $E$ , then  $b_0$  is called the *greatest lower bound* or the *infimum* of  $E$ . We write

$$\inf E := b_0.$$

When a set  $E$  is both bounded above and bounded below, we say simply that  $E$  is *bounded*.

**Definition 2.8** (Least Upper Bound Property). An ordered set  $S$  has the *least-upper-bound property* if every nonempty subset  $E \subset S$  that is bounded above has a least upper bound, that is,  $\sup E$  exists in  $S$ .

The *least-upper-bound property* is sometimes called the *completeness property* or the *Dedekind completeness property*.

**Proposition 2.3.** Let  $F$  be an ordered field with the least-upper-bound property. Let  $A \subset F$  be a nonempty set that is bounded below. Then  $\inf A$  exists.

**Proposition 2.4.** Let  $S$  be an ordered set, and let  $B \subseteq S$  be a subset that is bounded above and below. Suppose that  $A \subseteq B$  is a nonempty subset and that both  $\inf A$  and  $\sup A$  exist. Then we have the inequalities:

$$\inf B \leq \inf A \leq \sup A \leq \sup B.$$

**Proposition 2.5** (The Supremum is the least upper bound). Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$  be nonempty, and  $L \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty, -\infty\}$ . Then

$$\sup S \leq L \iff s \leq L \quad \forall s \in S.$$

**Proposition 2.6.** Let  $A, B \subset \mathbb{R}$  be nonempty sets such that  $x \leq y$  whenever  $x \in A$  and  $y \in B$ . Assume  $A$  is bounded above,  $B$  is bounded below, and  $\sup A \leq \inf B$ . Then it follows that  $A$  is bounded below,  $B$  is bounded above, and moreover:

$$\sup A \leq \inf B.$$

This inequality confirms that the upper bound of  $A$  does not exceed the lower bound of  $B$ , effectively placing  $A$  entirely below or at most touching  $B$ .

**Proposition 2.7.** If  $S$  and  $T$  are nonempty subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $T \subseteq S$ , then  $\sup T \leq \sup S$  and  $\inf T \geq \inf S$ . Note that the supremum and infimum could be finite or infinite.

**Proposition 2.8.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two nonempty bounded sets of real numbers, and let  $C = \{a + b : a \in A, b \in B\}$  and  $D = \{ab : a \in A, b \in B\}$ . Then

1.  $\sup C = \sup A + \sup B$  and  $\inf C = \inf A + \inf B$ .
2.  $\sup D = (\sup A)(\sup B)$  and  $\inf D = (\inf A)(\inf B)$ .

**Definition 2.9.** A function  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is a subset  $f$  of  $A \times B$  such that for each  $x \in A$ , there exists a unique  $y \in B$  for which  $(x, y) \in f$ . We write  $f(x) = y$ . Sometimes the set  $f$  is called the *graph* of the function rather than the function itself.

The set  $A$  is called the *domain* of  $f$  (and sometimes confusingly denoted  $D(f)$ ). The set

$$R(f) := \{y \in B : \text{there exists an } x \in A \text{ such that } f(x) = y\}$$

is called the *range* of  $f$ . The set  $B$  is called the *codomain* of  $f$ .

**Definition 2.10.** Consider a function  $f : A \rightarrow B$ . Define the *image* (or *direct image*) of a subset  $C \subset A$  as

$$f(C) := \{f(x) \in B : x \in C\}.$$

Define the *inverse image* of a subset  $D \subset B$  as

$$f^{-1}(D) := \{x \in A : f(x) \in D\}.$$

In particular,  $R(f) = f(A)$ , the range is the direct image of the domain  $A$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a function. Then the inverse relation  $f^{-1}$  is a function from  $B$  to  $A$  if and only if  $f$  is bijective. Furthermore, if  $f$  is bijective, then  $f^{-1}$  is also bijective.

**Proposition 2.9.** Consider  $f : A \rightarrow B$ . Let  $C, D$  be subsets of  $B$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(C \cup D) &= f^{-1}(C) \cup f^{-1}(D), \\ f^{-1}(C \cap D) &= f^{-1}(C) \cap f^{-1}(D), \\ f^{-1}(C^c) &= (f^{-1}(C))^c. \end{aligned}$$

Read the last line of the proposition as  $f^{-1}(B \setminus C) = A \setminus f^{-1}(C)$ .

**Proposition 2.10.** Consider  $f : A \rightarrow B$ . Let  $C, D$  be subsets of  $A$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} f(C \cup D) &= f(C) \cup f(D), \\ f(C \cap D) &\subseteq f(C) \cap f(D). \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 2.11.** Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a function. The function  $f$  is said to be *injective* or *one-to-one* if

$$f(x_1) = f(x_2) \text{ implies } x_1 = x_2.$$

In other words,  $f$  is injective if for all  $y \in B$ , the set  $f^{-1}(\{y\})$  is empty or consists of a single element. We call such an  $f$  an *injection*.

If  $f(A) = B$ , then we say  $f$  is *surjective* or *onto*. In other words,  $f$  is surjective if the range and the codomain of  $f$  are equal. We call such an  $f$  a *surjection*.

If  $f$  is both surjective and injective, then we say  $f$  is *bijective* or that  $f$  is a *bijection*.

**Definition 2.12.** Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow C$  be functions. Then we define the composition as  $(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x))$ . So we first use  $f$  to map from  $A$  to  $B$ , then take the value of  $f$  in  $B$  and input into  $g$  and use it to map to  $C$ .

**Proposition 2.11.** If  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow C$  are bijective functions, then  $f \circ g$  is bijective.

**Definition 2.13.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be sets. We say  $A$  and  $B$  have the same *cardinality* when there exists a bijection  $f : A \rightarrow B$ .

We denote by  $|A|$  the equivalence class of all sets with the same cardinality as  $A$ , and we simply call  $|A|$  the *cardinality* of  $A$ .

**Definition 2.14.** We write

$$|A| \leq |B|$$

if there exists an injection from  $A$  to  $B$ .

We write  $|A| = |B|$  if  $A$  and  $B$  have the same cardinality.

We write  $|A| < |B|$  if  $|A| \leq |B|$ , but  $A$  and  $B$  do not have the same cardinality.

If  $|A| \leq |\mathbb{N}|$  then we say that  $A$  is countable. If  $|A| = |\mathbb{R}|$  then we say that  $A$  is uncountable.

**Theorem 2.3.** If there exists a bijective function between two sets  $A$  and  $B$ , then we have that the cardinalities, [2.13](#), are equivalent.

**Proposition 2.12.** Let  $S$  be a nonempty collection of nonempty sets. A relation  $R$  is defined on  $S$  by  $A R B$  if there exists a bijective function from  $A$  to  $B$ . Then  $R$  is an equivalence relation [2.1](#).

**Proposition 2.13.** The set  $\mathbb{Z}$  is countable

**Proposition 2.14.** Every infinite subset of a countable set is also countable

**Proposition 2.15.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are countable, then  $A \times B$  is countable

**Theorem 2.4.** The set  $\mathbb{Q}$  is countable

**Theorem 2.5.** The open interval  $(0, 1)$  of real numbers is uncountable.

**Theorem 2.6.**  $|(0, 1)| = |\mathbb{R}|$

**Theorem 2.7.**  $|\mathcal{P}(A)| = 2^{|A|}$

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : C \rightarrow D$  be one-to-one functions, where  $A \cap C = \emptyset$ , and where the function  $h : A \cup C \rightarrow B \cup D$  is defined by

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if } x \in A, \\ g(x) & \text{if } x \in C. \end{cases}$$

If  $B \cap D = \emptyset$ , then  $h$  is also a one-to-one function. Consequently, if  $f$  and  $g$  are bijective functions, then  $h$  is a bijective function.

**Theorem 2.8.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be nonempty sets such that  $B \subseteq A$ . If there exists an injective function from  $A$  to  $B$ , then there exists a bijective function from  $A$  to  $B$ .

**Theorem 2.9 (Schröder-Bernstein Theorem).** If  $A$  and  $B$  are sets such that  $|A| \leq |B|$  and  $|B| \leq |A|$ , then  $|A| = |B|$ .

**Theorem 2.10.**  $|\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})| = |\mathbb{R}|$

## 2.1 Metric Spaces

**Definition 2.15.** Let  $X$  be a set, and let  $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function such that for all  $x, y, z \in X$ :

1.  $d(x, y) \geq 0$  (nonnegativity)
2.  $d(x, y) = 0$  if and only if  $x = y$  (identity of indiscernibles)
3.  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$  (symmetry)

$$4. d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z) \quad (\text{triangle inequality})$$

The pair  $(X, d)$  is called a *metric space*. The function  $d$  is called the *metric* or the *distance function*. Sometimes we write just  $X$  as the metric space instead of  $(X, d)$  if the metric is clear from context.

**Lemma 2.2.** (*Cauchy-Schwarz inequality*). Suppose  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then

$$\left( \sum_{k=1}^n x_k y_k \right)^2 \leq \left( \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 \right) \left( \sum_{k=1}^n y_k^2 \right).$$

**Proposition 2.16.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $Y \subset X$ . Then the restriction  $d|_{Y \times Y}$  is a metric on  $Y$ .

**Definition 2.16.** If  $(X, d)$  is a metric space,  $Y \subset X$ , and  $d' := d|_{Y \times Y}$ , then  $(Y, d')$  is said to be a *subspace* of  $(X, d)$ .

**Definition 2.17.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. A subset  $S \subset X$  is said to be *bounded* if there exists a  $p \in X$  and a  $B \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$d(p, x) \leq B \quad \text{for all } x \in S.$$

We say  $(X, d)$  is *bounded* if  $X$  itself is a bounded subset.

**Definition 2.18.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space,  $x \in X$ , and  $\delta > 0$ . Define the *open ball*, or simply *ball*, of radius  $\delta$  around  $x$  as

$$B(x, \delta) := \{y \in X : d(x, y) < \delta\}.$$

Define the *closed ball* as

$$C(x, \delta) := \{y \in X : d(x, y) \leq \delta\}.$$

When dealing with different metric spaces, it is sometimes vital to emphasize which metric space the ball is in. We do this by writing  $B_X(x, \delta) := B(x, \delta)$  or  $C_X(x, \delta) := C(x, \delta)$ .

**Definition 2.19.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. A subset  $V \subset X$  is *open* if for every  $x \in V$ , there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $B(x, \delta) \subset V$ . A subset  $E \subset X$  is *closed* if the complement  $E^c = X \setminus E$  is open. When the ambient space  $X$  is not clear from context, we say  $V$  is *open in  $X$*  and  $E$  is *closed in  $X$* . If  $x \in V$  and  $V$  is open, then we say  $V$  is an *open neighborhood* of  $x$  (or sometimes just *neighborhood*).

**Proposition 2.17.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space.

1.  $\emptyset$  and  $X$  are open.
2. If  $V_1, V_2, \dots, V_k$  are open subsets of  $X$ , then

$$\bigcap_{j=1}^k V_j$$

is also open. That is, a finite intersection of open sets is open.

3. If  $\{V_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in I}$  is an arbitrary collection of open subsets of  $X$ , then

$$\bigcup_{\lambda \in I} V_\lambda$$

is also open. That is, a union of open sets is open.

**Proposition 2.18.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space.

1.  $\emptyset$  and  $X$  are closed.
2. If  $\{E_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in I}$  is an arbitrary collection of closed subsets of  $X$ , then

$$\bigcap_{\lambda \in I} E_\lambda$$

is also closed. That is, an intersection of closed sets is closed.

3. If  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k$  are closed subsets of  $X$ , then

$$\bigcup_{j=1}^k E_j$$

is also closed. That is, a finite union of closed sets is closed.

**Proposition 2.19.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space,  $x \in X$ , and  $\delta > 0$ . Then  $B(x, \delta)$  is open and  $C(x, \delta)$  is closed.

**Proposition 2.20.** Suppose  $(X, d)$  is a metric space, and  $Y \subset X$ . Then  $U \subset Y$  is open in  $Y$  (in the subspace topology) if and only if there exists an open set  $V \subset X$  (so open in  $X$ ) such that  $V \cap Y = U$ .

**Proposition 2.21.** Suppose  $(X, d)$  is a metric space,  $V \subset X$  is open, and  $E \subset X$  is closed.

1.  $U \subset V$  is open in the subspace topology if and only if  $U$  is open in  $X$ .
2.  $F \subset E$  is closed in the subspace topology if and only if  $F$  is closed in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.20.** A nonempty metric space  $(X, d)$  is *connected* if the only subsets of  $X$  that are both open and closed (so-called *clopen* subsets) are  $\emptyset$  and  $X$  itself. If a nonempty  $(X, d)$  is not connected, we say it is *disconnected*.

When we apply the term *connected* to a nonempty subset  $A \subset X$ , we mean that  $A$  with the subspace topology is connected.

In other words, a nonempty  $X$  is connected if whenever we write  $X = X_1 \cup X_2$  where  $X_1 \cap X_2 = \emptyset$  and  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are open, then either  $X_1 = \emptyset$  or  $X_2 = \emptyset$ . So to show  $X$  is disconnected, we need to find nonempty disjoint open sets  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  whose union is  $X$ .

**Proposition 2.22.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. A nonempty set  $S \subset X$  is disconnected if and only if there exist open sets  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  in  $X$  such that  $U_1 \cap U_2 \cap S = \emptyset$ ,  $U_1 \cap S \neq \emptyset$ ,  $U_2 \cap S \neq \emptyset$ , and

$$S = (U_1 \cap S) \cup (U_2 \cap S).$$

**Proposition 2.23.** A nonempty set  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$  is connected if and only if  $S$  is an interval or a single point.

**Definition 2.21.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A \subset X$ . The *closure* of  $A$  is the set

$$\bar{A} := \bigcap \{E \subset X : E \text{ is closed and } A \subset E\}.$$

That is,  $\bar{A}$  is the intersection of all closed sets that contain  $A$ .

**Proposition 2.24.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A \subset X$ . The closure  $\bar{A}$  is closed, and  $A \subset \bar{A}$ . Furthermore, if  $A$  is closed, then  $\bar{A} = A$ .

**Proposition 2.25.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A \subset X$ . Then  $x \in \bar{A}$  if and only if for every  $\delta > 0$ ,  $B(x, \delta) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ .

**Definition 2.22.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A \subset X$ . The *interior* of  $A$  is the set

$$A^\circ := \{x \in A : \text{there exists a } \delta > 0 \text{ such that } B(x, \delta) \subset A\}.$$

The *boundary* of  $A$  is the set

$$\partial A := \bar{A} \setminus A^\circ.$$

**Proposition 2.26.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A \subset X$ . Then  $A^\circ$  is open and  $\partial A$  is closed.

**Proposition 2.27.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A \subset X$ . Then  $x \in \partial A$  if and only if for every  $\delta > 0$ ,  $B(x, \delta) \cap A$  and  $B(x, \delta) \cap A^c$  are both nonempty.

**Corollary 2.1.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A \subset X$ . Then

$$\partial A = \bar{A} \cap \overline{A^c}.$$



**Proposition 2.28.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  a sequence in  $X$ . Then  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges to  $p \in X$  if and only if for every open neighborhood  $U$  of  $p$ , there exists an  $M \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for all  $n \geq M$ , we have  $x_n \in U$ .

A closed set contains the limits of its convergent sequences.

**Proposition 2.29.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A \subset X$ . Then  $p \in \bar{A}$  if and only if there exists a sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  of elements in  $A$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = p.$$

**Definition 2.23.** We say a metric space  $(X, d)$  is *complete* or *Cauchy-complete* if every Cauchy sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  in  $X$  converges to a  $p \in X$ .

**Proposition 2.30.** The space  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with the standard metric is a complete metric space.

**Proposition 2.31.** The space of continuous functions  $C([a, b], \mathbb{R})$  with the uniform norm as metric is a complete metric space.

**Definition 2.24.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $K \subset X$ . The set  $K$  is said to be *compact* if for every collection of open sets  $\{U_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in I}$  such that

$$K \subset \bigcup_{\lambda \in I} U_{\lambda},$$

there exists a finite subset  $\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m\} \subset I$  such that

$$K \subset \bigcup_{j=1}^m U_{\lambda_j}.$$

A collection of open sets  $\{U_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in I}$  as above is said to be an *open cover* of  $K$ . A way to say that  $K$  is compact is to say that *every open cover of  $K$  has a finite subcover*.

**Proposition 2.32.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. If  $K \subset X$  is compact, then  $K$  is closed and bounded.

**Lemma 2.3.** (Lebesgue covering lemma). Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $K \subset X$ . Suppose every sequence in  $K$  has a subsequence convergent in  $K$ . Given an open cover  $\{U_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in I}$  of  $K$ , there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that for every  $x \in K$ , there exists a  $\lambda \in I$  with  $B(x, \delta) \subset U_{\lambda}$ .

**Theorem 2.11.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. Then  $K \subset X$  is compact if and only if every sequence in  $K$  has a subsequence converging to a point in  $K$ .

**Proposition 2.33.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and let  $K \subset X$  be compact. If  $E \subset K$  is a closed set, then  $E$  is compact.

**Theorem 2.12.** (Heine-Borel theorem). A closed bounded subset  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is compact.

So subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  are compact if and only if they are closed and bounded, a condition that is much easier to check. Let us reiterate that the Heine-Borel theorem only holds for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and not for metric spaces in general. The theorem does not hold even for subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , just in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  itself. In general, compact implies closed and bounded, but not vice versa.

**Definition 2.25.** Let  $(X, d_X)$  and  $(Y, d_Y)$  be metric spaces and  $c \in X$ . Then  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is *continuous* at  $c$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that whenever  $x \in X$  and  $d_X(x, c) < \delta$ , then  $d_Y(f(x), f(c)) < \epsilon$ .

When  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous at all  $c \in X$ , we simply say that  $f$  is a *continuous function*.

**Proposition 2.34.** Let  $(X, d_X)$  and  $(Y, d_Y)$  be metric spaces. Then  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous at  $c \in X$  if and only if for every sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  in  $X$  converging to  $c$ , the sequence  $\{f(x_n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges to  $f(c)$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** Let  $(X, d_X)$  and  $(Y, d_Y)$  be metric spaces and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  a continuous function. If  $K \subset X$  is a compact set, then  $f(K)$  is a compact set.

**Theorem 2.13.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a nonempty compact metric space and let  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous. Then  $f$  is bounded and in fact  $f$  achieves an absolute minimum and an absolute maximum on  $X$ .

**Lemma 2.5.** Let  $(X, d_X)$  and  $(Y, d_Y)$  be metric spaces. A function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous at  $c \in X$  if and only if for every open neighborhood  $U$  of  $f(c)$  in  $Y$ , the set  $f^{-1}(U)$  contains an open neighborhood of  $c$  in  $X$ .

**Theorem 2.14.** Let  $(X, d_X)$  and  $(Y, d_Y)$  be metric spaces. A function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous if and only if for every open  $U \subset Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(U)$  is open in  $X$ .

### 3 Algebra

**Definition 3.1.** A number is called an *algebraic number* if it satisfies a polynomial equation

$$c_n x^n + c_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + c_1 x + c_0 = 0$$

where the coefficients  $c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n$  are integers and  $c_n \neq 0$  and  $n \geq 1$ .

**Theorem 3.1** (Rational Zeros Theorem). Suppose  $c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n$  are integers and  $r \in \mathbb{Q}$  satisfies the polynomial

$$c_n x^n + c_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + c_1 x + c_0 = 0$$

where  $n \geq 1, c_n \neq 0$ , and  $c_0 \neq 0$ . Let  $r = \frac{m}{d}$ , where  $m, d \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\gcd(m, d) = 1$  and  $d \neq 0$ . Then  $m \mid c_0$  and  $d \mid c_n$ .

*Remark 3.1.* Since  $m/d$  is a solution, plug it into the polynomial. Then distributing your power of  $n$  and multiplying by  $d^n$  you will be able to rearrange to show that  $m$  divides  $c_0$ .

This result can be used to show that a number is a real number by letting  $x =$  the number we want to show is a rational then rearrange to get a polynomial on one side and 0 on the other. Then using the result above we can see if the number we originally let  $x =$  is a rational solution.

#### 3.1 Divisibility in $\mathbb{Z}$

**Definition 3.2** (Well Ordering Axiom). Every nonempty subset of the set of nonnegative integers contains a smallest element.

**Definition 3.3** ( $\mathbb{Z}$ ). The set of integers is any ordered set equipped with two operations  $+, \cdot$  that satisfy the following axioms.  $\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ :

1. If  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $a + b \in \mathbb{Z}$  [Closure for addition]

2.  $a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$  [Associative addition]

3.  $a + b = b + a$  [Commutative addition]

4.  $a + 0 = a = 0 + a$  [Additive identity]

5. For each  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ , the equation  $a + x = 0$  has a solution in  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

6. If  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $ab \in \mathbb{Z}$  [Closure for multiplication]

7.  $a(bc) = (ab)c$  [Associative multiplication]

8.  $a(b + c) = ab + ac$  and  $(a + b)c = ac + bc$  [Distributive laws]

9.  $ab = ba$  [Commutative multiplication]

10.  $a \cdot 1 = a = 1 \cdot a$  [Multiplicative identity]

11. If  $ab = 0$ , then  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$ .

**Theorem 3.2** (Division Algorithm). *Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $b > 0$ . Then there exist unique  $q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that*

$$a = bq + r \text{ and } 0 \leq r < b.$$

*Remark 3.2.* Consider  $S = \{a - bx \geq 0\}$ . Start by showing  $S$  is nonempty by choosing  $x = -|a|$ , then rederive the form of  $S$  from this chosen  $x$  and show that it is greater than 0. Then by well ordering axiom, let  $r$  be the least positive element. Then show that  $r < b$  and that  $r$  and  $q$  are unique. Remember to use absolute values for the uniqueness and recall  $|r_2 - r_1| < b$ .

**Definition 3.4** (Greatest Common Divisor). For any two nonzero integers  $a$  and  $b$ , the *greatest common divisor*  $\gcd(a, b)$  is the unique positive integers  $d$  such that

1.  $d \mid a$  and  $d \mid b$
2. If  $\exists c \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $c \mid a$  and  $c \mid b$ , then  $c \leq d$ .

**Theorem 3.3** (Bezout's Identity). *Let  $a$  and  $b$  be integers, not both 0, and let  $d = \gcd(a, b)$ . Then there exists integers  $u$  and  $v$  such that*

$$\gcd(a, b) = d = au + bv$$

*Remark 3.3.* Consider the set  $S = \{am + bn\}$ . Show nonempty and existence of nonnegative elements by letting  $m = a$  and  $n = b$ . Let  $d$  be the minimum positive element by well ordering axiom. Show that  $d$  fits the definition of gcd, note that you will show  $d \mid a$  by using the form given by division algo, you just need to show that  $r = 0$ . Once you set up 3.2, you can substitute your given expression of  $d$  because you then have 2 terms of  $a$  and a term of  $b$ , this is exactly the form of  $S$ . Thus  $r \in S$  but  $r < d$ , since  $r$ , by the requirement of division alg, must be greater than or equal to 0, we have that  $r = 0$ . Then show by contradiction that  $d$  is in fact the least element.

Notice we found that the gcd is the smallest positive element. This means the gcd divides any linear combination of  $a$  and  $b$ .

*Referenced in: 3.9*

**Proposition 3.1.** *Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . If  $a \mid bc$  and  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ , then  $a \mid c$ .*

*Remark 3.4.* The gcd of 1 implies the form of Bezout. Then multiplying by  $c$  allows us to show that  $c$  is a multiple of  $a$ .

Notice the property of coprime, or just prime in general, integers here: When  $a$  doesn't share any factors with  $b$ , if  $a$  divides any multiple of  $b$  then we know  $a$  must divide the number multiplying  $b$  for the sole purpose of it having no factors to share with  $b$ .

**Proposition 3.2.** *Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ . If  $a \mid c$  and  $b \mid c$ , then  $ab \mid c$ .*

**Proposition 3.3.** *Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $\forall t \in \mathbb{Z}$  all of the following hold*

1.  $\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(a, b + at)$
2.  $\gcd(ta, tb) = t \gcd(a, b)$  for  $t > 0$
3.  $\gcd(a, c) = 1 \implies \gcd(ab, c) = \gcd(b, c)$

*Remark 3.5.* (3): Notice that the prime factorization of  $d = \gcd(ab, c)$  must divide both  $ab$  and  $c$ . So if  $d$  shares any primes with  $a$ , then we have that those primes are also shared by  $c$ , so  $\gcd(a, c) > 1$  which is a contradiction.

This is exactly the result we would expect for the exact same reason the proof worked: adding factors of a number that cannot share any factors with  $c$  tells us the  $d =$  "the divisor that contains all divisors of both  $ab$  and  $c$ ."

(2) If you let  $d = \gcd(ta, tb)$ , then you have  $\frac{d}{t} \mid a$  and  $\frac{d}{t} \mid b$ . Then let  $m = \gcd(a, b)$  so we have that  $\frac{d}{t} \mid m$  or  $d \mid mt$ . Then using 3.3, show that  $mt \mid d$ .

This seems like it wouldn't be true because the gcd of  $ta$  and  $tb$  obviously must include the greatest factor of  $t$  and any additional factors  $a$  and  $b$  might have. Where the RHS is only the factors of  $a$  and  $b$ . The only thing missing on the RHS is the contribution of every single factor of  $t$ .

**Proposition 3.4.** *A positive integer is divisible by 3  $\iff$  the sum of its digits is divisible by 3.*

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $p \neq 0, 1, -1$ . Then  $p$  is prime if and only if  $p$  has the following property*

$$\text{whenever } p \mid bc, \text{ then } p \mid b \text{ or } p \mid c$$

*Remark 3.6.* Using 3.1, we see that  $p$  being prime implies that property. The converse is obvious by contrapositive.

**Theorem 3.5** (Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic). *Every integer  $n \neq 0, 1, -1$  has a unique prime factorization.*

*Remark 3.7.* Show every integer is either prime or has a prime factorization by contradiction. To show uniqueness of the factorization, show by contradiction that if two integers had the same factorization, then we would have something like  $p_1 p_2 \cdots p_n = q_1 q_2 \cdots q_n$ . But this means,  $p_1(p_2 \cdots p_n) = q_1(q_2 \cdots q_n)$ , so either  $p_1$  divides  $q_1$  or it divides the other integer. Since they are all prime, using 3.4 we can show they are equivalent.

**Proposition 3.5.** *If  $n > 1$  has no positive prime factor less than or equal to  $\sqrt{n}$ , then  $n$  is prime.*

*Remark 3.8.* This is obvious, if any integer doesn't have a product where one element is less than its root, then nothing can divide it. Prove this by contradiction and show that if  $p_1 p_2$  divide  $n$  then  $n = p_1 p_2 k \geq p_1 p_2 > \sqrt{n} \sqrt{n} = n \implies n > n$ .

**Proposition 3.6.**  $a \mid b \iff a^n \mid b^n$

*Remark 3.9.* For the reverse direction, use the prime factorizations of  $a$  and  $b$ . Then you will have the same argument as 3.5 where the primes divide primes so you will be able to show the primes divide.

## 3.2 Congruence and Congruence Classes

**Definition 3.5** (Congruence  $(\text{mod } n)$ ). Let  $a, b, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $n > 0$ . Then  $a$  is congruent to  $b$  modulo  $n$  if  $n \mid a - b$ . This is denoted  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$

*Remark 3.10.* Notice this means the integers have the same remainder when divided by  $n$ . To see this consider the definition above along with their form given by the division algo 3.2

**Theorem 3.6** (Congruence  $\in$  Equivalence Relations). *Let  $n$  be a positive integer, then  $\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,*

1.  $a \equiv a \pmod{n}$
2. If  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ , then  $b \equiv a \pmod{n}$
3. If  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$  and  $b \equiv c \pmod{n}$ , then  $a \equiv c \pmod{n}$ .

**Proposition 3.7** (Modulo Arithmetic). *If  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$  and  $c \equiv d \pmod{n}$ , then*

1.  $a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{n}$
2.  $ac \equiv bd \pmod{n}$

**Definition 3.6** (Congruence Class). Let  $a, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  be integers with  $n > 0$ . The *congruence class* of  $a$  modulo  $n$  (denoted  $[a]$ ) is the set of all integers that are congruent to  $a$  modulo  $n$ , that is,

$$[a] = \{b \mid b \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } b \equiv a \pmod{n}\}.$$

Recall  $b \equiv a \pmod{n}$  means that  $b - a = kn$  for some integer  $k$  or, equivalently, that  $b = a + kn$ . Thus

$$[a] = \{b \mid b \equiv a \pmod{n}\} = \{b \mid b = a + kn \text{ with } k \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \{a + kn \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

*Remark 3.11.* So a congruence class is just sets of integers that all leave the same remainder when divided by  $n$ . See 3.1 and 3.8.

**Theorem 3.7** (Congruence Class Equality).  $a \equiv c \pmod{n}$  if and only if  $[a] = [c]$ .

**Remark 3.12.** For the direction to the right, show that  $[a] \subseteq [c]$  and  $[c] \subseteq [a]$  by letting  $x \in [a]$  and show that  $x$  must be congruent to  $c$ . For the reverse direction, by Reflexivity  $a \in [a]$ ... This is completely obvious because we already know, integers are only equivalent modulo  $n$  if they have the same remainder when divided by  $n$ .

**Corollary 3.1.** *Two congruence classes modulo  $n$  are either disjoint or identical.*

**Remark 3.13.** Prove this by contradiction

**Proposition 3.8.** *Let  $n > 1$  be an integer and consider congruence modulo  $n$ .*

1. *If  $a$  is any integer and  $r$  is the remainder when  $a$  is divided by  $n$ , then  $[a] = [r]$ .*
2. *There are exactly  $n$  distinct congruence classes, namely,  $[0], [1], [2], \dots, [n-1]$ .*

**Remark 3.14.** For (1) use the form given by the division algo.

**Definition 3.7.** The set of all congruence classes modulo  $n$  is denoted  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ .

Note that an element of  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  is a class, the set of integers that it is congruent to, not a single integer.

**Proposition 3.9.** *If  $a, b$  are integers such that  $a \equiv b \pmod{p}$  for every positive prime  $p$ , then  $a = b$ .*

**Theorem 3.8.** *If  $[a] = [b]$  and  $[c] = [d]$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ , then*

$$[a + c] = [b + d] \quad \text{and} \quad [ac] = [bd].$$

**Definition 3.8** (Operations in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ ). We define addition  $+$  and multiplication  $\cdot$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  by

$$[a] \oplus [c] = [a + c] \quad \text{and} \quad [a] \odot [c] = [ac].$$

**Proposition 3.10.** *For any classes  $[a], [b], [c]$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ ,*

1. *If  $[a] \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  and  $[b] \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ , then  $[a] \oplus [b] \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ .*
2.  *$[a] \oplus ([b] \oplus [c]) = ([a] \oplus [b]) \oplus [c]$ .*
3.  *$[a] \oplus [b] = [b] \oplus [a]$ .*
4.  *$[a] \oplus [0] = [a] = [0] \oplus [a]$ .*
5. *For each  $[a]$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ , the equation  $[a] \oplus x = [0]$  has a solution in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ .*
6. *If  $[a] \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  and  $[b] \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ , then  $[a] \odot [b] \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ .*
7.  *$[a] \odot ([b] \odot [c]) = ([a] \odot [b]) \odot [c]$ .*
8.  *$[a] \odot ([b] \oplus [c]) = [a] \odot [b] \oplus [a] \odot [c]$  and  $([a] \oplus [b]) \odot [c] = [a] \odot [c] \oplus [b] \odot [c]$ .*
9.  *$[a] \odot [b] = [b] \odot [a]$ .*
10.  *$[a] \odot [1] = [a] = [1] \odot [a]$ .*

**Theorem 3.9.** *If  $p > 1$  is an integer, then the following are equivalent:*

1.  *$p$  is prime.*
2. *For any  $a \neq 0$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , the equation  $ax = 1$  has a solution in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ .*
3. *Whenever  $bc = 0$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , then  $b = 0$  or  $c = 0$ .*

**Remark 3.15.** For (1)  $\implies$  (2), we have that  $a \neq 0$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  implies  $p$  doesn't divide  $a$ . Since  $p$  is prime, this means  $\gcd(a, p) = 1$ . Then using 3.3 we can show (2).

For (2)  $\implies$  (3), we note that if  $b \neq 0$  then we have from (2) that there is a solution to  $bx = 1$ . Then we can say that  $c = 1 \cdot c = bcx = 0$ .

For (3)  $\implies$  (1) we note 3.4.

**Corollary 3.2.** *Let  $a$  and  $n$  be integers with  $n > 1$ . Then*

*The equation  $[a]x = [1]$  has a solution in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  if and only if  $\gcd(a, n) = 1$  in  $\mathbb{Z}$ .*

**Definition 3.9** (Units). For any  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ , if  $\exists b \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  such that  $ab = 1$ , then  $a$  is a *unit*. In this case, we say  $b$  is the *inverse* of  $a$ .

**Definition 3.10** (Zero Divisors). Suppose  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  and  $a \neq 0$ . If  $\exists c \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  such that  $c \neq 0$  and  $ac = 0$ .

### 3.3 Rings

We now generalize the properties we have found consistent across the number-like systems we have studied.

**Definition 3.11** (Ring). A ring is a nonempty set  $R$  equipped with two operations  $+$ ,  $\cdot$  that satisfy the following axioms.  $\forall a, b, c \in R$ :

1. If  $a \in R$  and  $b \in R$ , then  $a + b \in R$ . [Closure under Addition]
2.  $a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$  [Associativity of Addition]
3.  $a + b = b + a$  [Commutativity of Addition]
4. There exists an element  $0_R \in R$  such that  $a + 0_R = a = 0_R + a$ ,  $\forall a \in R$  [Additive identity]
5. For each  $a \in R$ ,  $a + x = 0_R$  has a solution in  $R$ , that is,  $x \in R$  [Additive Inverse]
6. If  $a \in R$  and  $b \in R$ , then  $ab \in R$  [Closure under Multiplication]
7.  $a(bc) = (ab)c$  [Associativity of Multiplication]
8.  $a(b + c) = ab + ac$  and  $(a + b)c = ac + bc$  [Distributive Law]

The additional axioms below come from the definitions that are to follow. These definitions are the specific types of rings.

9.  $ab = ba \quad \forall a, b \in R$  [Commutative Ring]
10.  $\exists 1_R \in R$  such that  $a1_R = a = 1_Ra \quad \forall a \in R$ . [Identity]
11. A commutative ring, with identity such that  $ab = 0 \implies a = 0$  or  $b = 0$ . [Integral Domain]
12. A commutative ring, with identity such that  $\forall a \neq 0 \in R$ ,  $ax = 1$  has a solution in  $R$ . [Field]

**Definition 3.12** (Commutative Ring). A commutative ring is a ring  $R$  that satisfies the additional axiom: commutative multiplication

$$ab = ba \quad \forall a, b \in R.$$

**Definition 3.13** (Multiplicative Identity). A ring with identity is a ring  $R$  that contains an element  $1_R$  that satisfies the additional axiom: multiplicative identity

$$a1_R = a = 1_Ra \quad \forall a \in R.$$

**Definition 3.14** (Integral Domain). An integral domain is a commutative ring  $R$  with identity  $1_R \neq 0_R$  that satisfies the additional axiom

$$\text{Whenever } a, b \in R \text{ and } ab = 0_R, \text{ then } a = 0_R \text{ or } b = 0_R.$$

**Definition 3.15** (Field). A field is a commutative ring  $R$  with identity  $1_R \neq 0_R$  that satisfies the axiom

$$\text{For each } a \neq 0_R \in R, \quad ax = 1_R \text{ has a solution in } R$$

**Proposition 3.11.** Let  $R$  and  $S$  be rings. Define addition and multiplication on the Cartesian product  $R \times S$  by

$$(r, s) + (r', s') = (r + r', s + s') \quad \text{and} \quad (r, s)(r', s') = (rr', ss').$$

Then  $R \times S$  is a ring. If  $R$  and  $S$  are both commutative, then so is  $R \times S$ . If both  $R$  and  $S$  have an identity, then so does  $R \times S$ .

**Theorem 3.10** (Subring). Suppose that  $R$  is a ring and that  $S$  is a subset of  $R$  such that:

1.  $S$  is closed under addition (if  $a, b \in S$ , then  $a + b \in S$ );
2.  $S$  is closed under multiplication (if  $a, b \in S$ , then  $ab \in S$ );

3.  $0_R \in S$ ;

4. If  $a \in S$ , then the solution of the equation  $a + x = 0_R$  is in  $S$ .

Then  $S$  is a subring of  $R$ .

**Remark 3.16.** To check that  $S$  is a subring, we need to show that  $S$  satisfies all the axioms of a ring.

**Theorem 3.11.** For any element  $a$  in a ring  $R$ , the equation  $a + x = 0_R$  has a unique solution.

**Remark 3.17.** Use axioms of rings. Specifically, since any element of the ring summed with the zero element is itself, we can substitute for the zero element using a different expression of  $a$  with 0. Then using associativity, we can finish the proof.

**Theorem 3.12.** If  $a + b = a + c$  in a ring  $R$ , then  $b = c$ .

**Remark 3.18.** Add  $-a$  (the additive inverse from the axiom of rings 3.11) from both sides and use associativity.

**Definition 3.16** (Subtraction). Let  $R$  be a ring and  $a \in R$ . By 3.11, the equation  $a + x = 0_R$  has a unique solution, call it  $-a$ . Then,

$$a + (-a) = 0_R = (-a) + a$$

**Proposition 3.12.** For any elements  $a$  and  $b$  of a ring  $R$ ,

1.  $a \cdot 0_R = 0_R = 0_R \cdot a$ . In particular,  $0_R \cdot 0_R = 0_R$ .

2.  $a(-b) = -ab$  and  $(-a)b = -ab$ .

3.  $-(-a) = a$ .

4.  $-(a + b) = (-a) + (-b)$ .

5.  $-(a - b) = -a + b$ .

6.  $(-a)(-b) = ab$ .

If  $R$  has an identity, then

7.  $(-1_R)a = -a$ .

**Definition 3.17.** Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $R$  is a ring with  $a \in R$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} a^n &= aaa \cdots a \quad (\text{n factors}) \\ a^n a^m &= a^{m+n} \text{ and } (a^m)^n = a^{mn} \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 3.13** (Subring). Let  $S$  be a nonempty subset of a ring  $R$  such that:

1.  $S$  is closed under subtraction (if  $a, b \in S$ , then  $a - b \in S$ );

2.  $S$  is closed under multiplication (if  $a, b \in S$ , then  $ab \in S$ ).

Then  $S$  is a subring of  $R$ .

**Definition 3.18.** An element  $a$  in a ring  $R$  with identity is called a *unit* if there exists  $u \in R$  such that  $au = 1_R = ua$ . In this case, the element  $u$  is called the (multiplicative) inverse of  $a$  and is denoted  $a^{-1}$ . Note that we already defined this in 3.9.

**Definition 3.19.** An element  $a$  in a ring  $R$  is a **zero divisor** provided that:

1.  $a \neq 0_R$ .

2. There exists a nonzero element  $c$  in  $R$  such that  $ac = 0_R$  or  $ca = 0_R$ .

Note that we already defined this in 3.10.

**Theorem 3.13.** *Cancellation is valid in any integral domain  $R$ : If  $a \neq 0_R$  and  $ab = ac$  in  $R$ , then  $b = c$ .*

*Remark 3.19.* Since subtraction is defined

**Theorem 3.14.** *Every field  $F$  is an integral domain.*

**Theorem 3.15.** *Every finite integral domain  $R$  is a field.*

**Definition 3.20** (Isomorphism). A ring  $R$  is isomorphic to a ring  $S$  (in symbols,  $R \cong S$ ) if there is a function  $f : R \rightarrow S$  such that all of the below hold:

1.  $f$  is injective;
2.  $f$  is surjective;
3.  $f(a + b) = f(a) + f(b)$  and  $f(ab) = f(a)f(b)$  for all  $a, b \in R$ .

In this case, the function  $f$  is called an **isomorphism**.

**Definition 3.21** (Homomorphism). Let  $R$  and  $S$  be rings. A function  $f : R \rightarrow S$  is said to be a **homomorphism** if

$$f(a + b) = f(a) + f(b) \quad \text{and} \quad f(ab) = f(a)f(b) \quad \text{for all } a, b \in R.$$

**Theorem 3.16.** *Let  $f : R \rightarrow S$  be a homomorphism of rings. Then*

1.  $f(0_R) = 0_S$ .
2.  $f(-a) = -f(a)$  for every  $a \in R$ .
3.  $f(a - b) = f(a) - f(b)$  for all  $a, b \in R$ .

*If  $R$  is a ring with identity and  $f$  is surjective, then*

4.  $S$  is a ring with identity  $f(1_R)$ .
5. Whenever  $u$  is a unit in  $R$ , then  $f(u)$  is a unit in  $S$  and  $f(u)^{-1} = f(u^{-1})$ .

**Corollary 3.3.** *If  $f : R \rightarrow S$  is a homomorphism of rings, then the image of  $f$  is a subring of  $S$ .*

**Theorem 3.17.** *If  $R$  is a ring, then there exists a ring  $T$  containing an element  $x$  that is not in  $R$  and satisfies*

1.  $R$  is a subring of  $T$
2.  $xa = ax, \quad \forall a \in R$
3. The set  $R[x]$  of all elements of  $T$  of the form

$$a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n, \quad \text{where } n \geq 0 \text{ and } a_i \in R$$

4. The representation of elements of  $R[x]$  is unique.
5.  $a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n = 0_R \iff a_i = 0_R, \forall i$ .

**Definition 3.22** (Polynomial). Let  $R$  be a ring. A polynomial with coefficients in  $R$  is an expression of the form

$$a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n$$

where  $n$  is a nonnegative integer and  $a_i \in R$ . Note that the elements  $x$  could be in some larger ring.

**Theorem 3.18.** *If  $R$  is a ring, then there exists a ring  $T$  containing an element  $x$  that is not in  $R$  and has these properties*

1.  $R$  is a subring of  $T$ .



2.  $xa = ax$  for every  $a \in R$

3. The set  $R[x]$  of all elements of  $T$  of the form

$$a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n$$

(where  $n \geq 0$  and  $a_i \in R$ ) is a subring of  $T$  that contains  $R$ .

4. The representation of elements of  $R[x]$  is unique: If  $n \leq m$  and

$$a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n = b_0 + b_1x + b_2x^2 + \cdots + b_mx^m$$

then  $a_i = b_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $b_i = 0_R$  for each  $i > n$ .

5.  $a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n = 0_R$  if and only if  $a_i = 0_R \quad \forall i$ .

**Remark 3.20.** To understand what this theorem is actually saying, the ring  $R$  is the polynomial ring, while  $T$  is the solutions to the polynomials which is possibly a different ring. The reason for this is the only elements that we need to be in  $R$  are the coefficients, so we could have a polynomial with integer coefficients which would give us  $R = \mathbb{Z}$ , but the solutions to the polynomial don't necessarily have to be integers. So the coefficients  $a \in R$  are elements of  $R$  which is a subring of  $R[x]$  which is the ring of polynomials, and this is a subring of  $T$  which is the ring containing the  $x$ .

**Definition 3.23** (Polynomial Addition and Multiplication). Let  $R[x]$  be the ring of polynomials with coefficients in a ring  $R$ . The operations of polynomial addition and multiplication are defined as follows:

*Polynomial Addition:* For polynomials

$$(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n) + (b_0 + b_1x + b_2x^2 + \cdots + b_mx^m),$$

addition is performed by adding corresponding coefficients:

$$(a_0 + b_0) + (a_1 + b_1)x + (a_2 + b_2)x^2 + \cdots + (a_n + b_n)x^n.$$

*Polynomial Multiplication:* For polynomials

$$(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n)(b_0 + b_1x + b_2x^2 + \cdots + b_mx^m),$$

multiplication is performed using the distributive property and collecting like powers of  $x$ :

$$a_0b_0 + (a_0b_1 + a_1b_0)x + (a_0b_2 + a_1b_1 + a_2b_0)x^2 + \cdots + a_nb_mx^{n+m}.$$

*Coefficient of  $x^k$  in the product:* For each  $k \geq 0$ , the coefficient of  $x^k$  in the product of two polynomials is given by:

$$a_0b_k + a_1b_{k-1} + a_2b_{k-2} + \cdots + a_kb_0 = \sum_{i=0}^k a_ib_{k-i},$$

where  $a_i = 0_R$  if  $i > n$  and  $b_j = 0_R$  if  $j > m$ .

*Properties:* - If  $R$  is commutative, then  $R[x]$  is also commutative. - If  $R$  has a multiplicative identity  $1_R$ , then  $1_R$  is also the multiplicative identity of  $R[x]$ .

**Definition 3.24** (Degree and Leading Coefficient of a Polynomial). Let

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n$$

be a polynomial in  $R[x]$  with  $a_n \neq 0_R$ . Then  $a_n$  is called the **leading coefficient** of  $f(x)$ .

The **degree** of  $f(x)$  is the integer  $n$ ; it is denoted as  $\deg f(x)$ . In other words,  $\deg f(x)$  is the largest exponent of  $x$  that appears with a nonzero coefficient, and this coefficient is the leading coefficient.

**Theorem 3.19.** If  $R$  is an integral domain and  $f(x), g(x)$  are nonzero polynomials in  $R[x]$ , then

$$\deg[f(x)g(x)] = \deg f(x) + \deg g(x).$$

**Corollary 3.4.** *If  $R$  is an integral domain, then so is  $R[x]$ .*

**Corollary 3.5.** *Let  $R$  be a ring. If  $f(x), g(x)$ , and  $f(x)g(x)$  are nonzero in  $R[x]$ , then*

$$\deg[f(x)g(x)] \leq \deg f(x) + \deg g(x).$$

**Corollary 3.6.** *Let  $R$  be an integral domain and  $f(x) \in R[x]$ . Then  $f(x)$  is a unit in  $R[x]$  if and only if  $f(x)$  is a constant polynomial that is a unit in  $R$ .*

*In particular, if  $F$  is a field, the units in  $F[x]$  are the nonzero constants in  $F$ .*

**Theorem 3.20** (The Division Algorithm in  $F(x)$ ). *Let  $F$  be a field and let  $f(x), g(x) \in F[x]$  with  $g(x) \neq 0_F$ . Then there exist unique polynomials  $q(x)$  and  $r(x)$  such that*

$$f(x) = g(x)q(x) + r(x)$$

*and either  $r(x) = 0_F$  or  $\deg r(x) < \deg g(x)$ .*

**Definition 3.25** (Divisibility in  $F(x)$ ). *Let  $F$  be a field and  $a(x), b(x) \in F[x]$  with  $b(x)$  nonzero. We say that  $b(x)$  **divides**  $a(x)$  (or that  $b(x)$  is a **factor** of  $a(x)$ ) and write  $b(x) \mid a(x)$  if*

$$a(x) = b(x)h(x)$$

*for some  $h(x) \in F[x]$ .*

**Definition 3.26** (Greatest Common Divisor in  $F(x)$ ). *Let  $F$  be a field and  $a(x), b(x) \in F[x]$ , not both zero. The **greatest common divisor** (gcd) of  $a(x)$  and  $b(x)$  is the monic polynomial of highest degree that divides both  $a(x)$  and  $b(x)$ .*

*In other words,  $d(x)$  is the gcd of  $a(x)$  and  $b(x)$  provided that  $d(x)$  is monic and:*

1.  $d(x) \mid a(x)$  and  $d(x) \mid b(x)$ ;
2. If  $c(x) \mid a(x)$  and  $c(x) \mid b(x)$ , then  $\deg c(x) \leq \deg d(x)$ .

**Corollary 3.7.** *Let  $F$  be a field and  $a(x), b(x) \in F[x]$ , not both zero. A monic polynomial  $d(x) \in F[x]$  is the greatest common divisor of  $a(x)$  and  $b(x)$  if and only if  $d(x)$  satisfies these conditions:*

1.  $d(x) \mid a(x)$  and  $d(x) \mid b(x)$ .
2. If  $c(x) \mid a(x)$  and  $c(x) \mid b(x)$ , then  $c(x) \mid d(x)$ .

**Theorem 3.21.** *Let  $F$  be a field and  $a(x), b(x), c(x) \in F[x]$ . If  $a(x) \mid b(x)c(x)$  and  $a(x)$  and  $b(x)$  are relatively prime, then  $a(x) \mid c(x)$ .*

**Definition 3.27** (Associates in  $F(x)$ ). *Let  $R$  be a commutative ring with identity. An element  $a \in R$  is said to be an **associate** of an element  $b \in R$  if there exists a unit  $u \in R$  such that*

$$a = bu.$$

*In this case,  $b$  is also an associate of  $a$  since  $u^{-1}$  is a unit and  $b = au^{-1}$ .*

*In the ring  $\mathbb{Z}$ , the only associates of an integer  $n$  are  $n$  and  $-n$  because  $\pm 1$  are the only units. If  $F$  is a field, then by Corollary 3.6, the units in  $F[x]$  are the nonzero constants in  $F$ . Therefore, in  $F[x]$ ,*

*$f(x)$  is an associate of  $g(x)$  if and only if  $f(x) = cg(x)$  for some nonzero  $c \in F$ .*

**Prime Elements:** A nonzero integer  $p$  is **prime** in  $\mathbb{Z}$  if it is not  $\pm 1$  (i.e.,  $p$  is not a unit in  $\mathbb{Z}$ ) and its only divisors are  $\pm 1$  (the units) and  $\pm p$  (its associates). Similarly, in  $F[x]$ , the units are the nonzero constants.

**Definition 3.28** (Irreducible and Reducible Polynomials). *Let  $F$  be a field. A nonconstant polynomial  $p(x) \in F[x]$  is said to be **irreducible** if its only divisors are its associates and the nonzero constant polynomials (units).*

*A nonconstant polynomial that is not irreducible is said to be **reducible**.*

**Theorem 3.22.** Let  $F$  be a field. A nonzero polynomial  $f(x)$  is **reducible** in  $F[x]$  if and only if  $f(x)$  can be written as the product of two polynomials of lower degree.

**Theorem 3.23.** Let  $F$  be a field and  $p(x)$  a nonconstant polynomial in  $F[x]$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:

1.  $p(x)$  is irreducible.
2. If  $b(x)$  and  $c(x)$  are any polynomials such that  $p(x) \mid b(x)c(x)$ , then  $p(x) \mid b(x)$  or  $p(x) \mid c(x)$ .
3. If  $r(x)$  and  $s(x)$  are any polynomials such that  $p(x) = r(x)s(x)$ , then  $r(x)$  or  $s(x)$  is a nonzero constant polynomial.

**Corollary 3.8.** Let  $F$  be a field and  $p(x)$  an irreducible polynomial in  $F[x]$ . If  $p(x) \mid a_1(x)a_2(x)\cdots a_n(x)$ , then  $p(x)$  divides at least one of the  $a_i(x)$ .

**Theorem 3.24.** Let  $F$  be a field. Every nonconstant polynomial  $f(x)$  in  $F[x]$  is a product of irreducible polynomials in  $F[x]$ . This factorization is unique in the following sense:

If

$$f(x) = p_1(x)p_2(x)\cdots p_r(x) \quad \text{and} \quad f(x) = q_1(x)q_2(x)\cdots q_s(x),$$

with each  $p_i(x)$  and  $q_j(x)$  irreducible, then  $r = s$  (that is, the number of irreducible factors is the same). After the  $q_j(x)$  are reordered and relabeled if necessary,

$$p_i(x) \text{ is an associate of } q_i(x) \quad (i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, r).$$

## 4 Linear Algebra

**Definition 4.1.** Let  $F$  be a field. A **vector space** over  $F$  is a set  $V$  equipped with two operations:

- **Vector addition:** A function  $+: V \times V \rightarrow V$  assigning to each pair  $(v, w) \in V \times V$  a sum  $v + w \in V$ .
- **Scalar multiplication:** A function  $\cdot: F \times V \rightarrow V$  assigning to each scalar  $a \in F$  and vector  $v \in V$  a product  $av \in V$ .

These operations satisfy the following axioms for all  $u, v, w \in V$  and all  $a, b \in F$ :

### 1. Axioms for Vector Addition:

- (a) **Closure:**  $v + w \in V$ .
- (b) **Associativity:**  $u + (v + w) = (u + v) + w$ .
- (c) **Commutativity:**  $v + w = w + v$ .
- (d) **Existence of Additive Identity:** There exists an element  $0 \in V$  such that  $v + 0 = v$  for all  $v \in V$ .
- (e) **Existence of Additive Inverses:** For each  $v \in V$ , there exists  $-v \in V$  such that  $v + (-v) = 0$ .

### 2. Axioms for Scalar Multiplication:

- (a) **Closure:**  $av \in V$  for all  $a \in F$  and  $v \in V$ .
- (b) **Distributivity over Vector Addition:**  $a(v + w) = av + aw$ .
- (c) **Distributivity over Scalar Addition:**  $(a + b)v = av + bv$ .
- (d) **Associativity:**  $(ab)v = a(bv)$ .
- (e) **Multiplicative Identity:** There exists a scalar  $1 \in F$  such that  $1v = v$  for all  $v \in V$ .

**Definition 4.2** (Subspace). Let  $V$  be a vector space, and let  $W$  be a subset of  $V$ . We define  $W$  to be a *subspace* if  $W$  satisfies the following conditions:

1. If  $v, w$  are elements of  $W$ , their sum  $v + w$  is also an element of  $W$ .

2. If  $v$  is an element of  $W$  and  $c$  is a scalar, then  $cv$  is an element of  $W$ .
3. The element  $O$  of  $V$  is also an element of  $W$ .

Then  $W$  itself is a vector space. Indeed, properties **VS1** through **VS8**, being satisfied for all elements of  $V$ , are satisfied *a fortiori* for the elements of  $W$ .

**Definition 4.3** (Linear Combination). Let  $V$  be an arbitrary vector space, and let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be elements of  $V$ . Let  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  be scalars. An expression of the form

$$x_1v_1 + \dots + x_nv_n$$

is called a *linear combination* of  $v_1, \dots, v_n$ .

**Definition 4.4** (Dot Product). Let  $V = K^n$ . Let  $A, B \in K^n$  with  $A = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$  and  $B = (b_1, \dots, b_n)$ . We define the *dot product* or *scalar product* as

$$A \cdot B = a_1b_1 + \dots + a_nb_n.$$

*Remark 4.1.* Geometrically we say that  $A$  and  $B$  are orthogonal MORE HERE

**Definition 4.5** (Linear Independence). Let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be vectors in a vector space. The set of vectors  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is said to be *linearly independent* if the only solution to the equation

$$a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n = O$$

is  $a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_n = 0$ . That is, the vectors are linearly independent if no nontrivial linear combination of them results in the zero vector.

**Definition 4.6** (Basis). Let  $V$  be a vector space. A set of vectors  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  in  $V$  is called a *basis* of  $V$  if:

1. The vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  *generate*  $V$ , meaning that every vector in  $V$  can be written as a linear combination of  $v_1, \dots, v_n$ .
2. The vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are *linearly independent*, meaning that the only solution to

$$a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n = O$$

is  $a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_n = 0$ .

If these conditions are satisfied, we say that  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  *forms a basis* of  $V$ .

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $V$  be a vector space. Let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be linearly independent elements of  $V$ . Let  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  and  $y_1, \dots, y_n$  be scalars. Suppose that

$$x_1v_1 + \dots + x_nv_n = y_1v_1 + \dots + y_nv_n.$$

Then  $x_i = y_i$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** Let  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  be a set of generators of a vector space  $V$ . Let  $\{v_1, \dots, v_r\}$  be a maximal subset of linearly independent elements. Then  $\{v_1, \dots, v_r\}$  is a basis of  $V$ .

**Definition 4.7** (Dimension of a Vector Space). Let  $V$  be a vector space having a basis consisting of  $n$  elements. We define  $n$  to be the *dimension* of  $V$ . If  $V$  consists only of the zero vector  $O$ , then  $V$  does not have a basis, and we define the dimension of  $V$  to be 0.

**Theorem 4.3.** Let  $V$  be a vector space, and  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  a maximal set of linearly independent elements of  $V$ . Then  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is a basis of  $V$ .

**Theorem 4.4.** Let  $V$  be a vector space of dimension  $n$ , and let  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  be linearly independent elements of  $V$ . Then  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  constitute a basis of  $V$ .

**Corollary 4.1.** Let  $V$  be a vector space and let  $W$  be a subspace. If  $\dim W = \dim V$ , then  $V = W$ .

**Corollary 4.2.** Let  $V$  be a vector space of dimension  $n$ . Let  $r$  be a positive integer with  $r < n$ , and let  $v_1, \dots, v_r$  be linearly independent elements of  $V$ . Then one can find elements  $v_{r+1}, \dots, v_n$  such that

$$\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$$

is a basis of  $V$ .

**Theorem 4.5.** Let  $V$  be a vector space having a basis consisting of  $n$  elements. Let  $W$  be a subspace which does not consist of  $O$  alone. Then  $W$  has a basis, and the dimension of  $W$  is  $\leq n$ .

**Definition 4.8.** Let  $V$  be a vector space over the field  $K$ . Let  $U, W$  be subspaces of  $V$ . We define the *sum* of  $U$  and  $W$  to be the subset of  $V$  consisting of all sums  $u + w$  with  $u \in U$  and  $w \in W$ . We denote this sum by  $U + W$ . It is a subspace of  $V$ . Indeed, if  $u_1, u_2 \in U$  and  $w_1, w_2 \in W$  then

$$(u_1 + w_1) + (u_2 + w_2) = u_1 + u_2 + w_1 + w_2 \in U + W.$$

If  $c \in K$ , then

$$c(u_1 + w_1) = cu_1 + cw_1 \in U + W.$$

Finally,  $O + O \in W$ . This proves that  $U + W$  is a subspace.

We shall say that  $V$  is a *direct sum* of  $U$  and  $W$  if for every element  $v$  of  $V$  there exist *unique* elements  $u \in U$  and  $w \in W$  such that  $v = u + w$ .

**Theorem 4.6.** Let  $V$  be a vector space over the field  $K$ , and let  $U, W$  be subspaces. If  $U + W = V$ , and if  $U \cap W = \{O\}$ , then  $V$  is the direct sum of  $U$  and  $W$ .

**Theorem 4.7.** Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional vector space over the field  $K$ . Let  $W$  be a subspace. Then there exists a subspace  $U$  such that  $V$  is the direct sum of  $W$  and  $U$ .

**Theorem 4.8.** If  $V$  is a finite-dimensional vector space over  $K$ , and is the direct sum of subspaces  $U, W$ , then

$$\dim V = \dim U + \dim W.$$

## 5 Analysis

**Theorem 5.1** (Archimedean Property). If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x > 0$ , then there exists an  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$nx > y.$$

**Theorem 5.2** (Density of  $\mathbb{Q}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ ). If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x < y$ , then there exists an  $r \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that

$$x < r < y.$$

### 5.1 Sequences

**Definition 5.1** (Sequence). A *sequence* (of real numbers) is a function  $x : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Instead of  $x(n)$ , we usually denote the  $n$ th element in the sequence by  $x_n$ . To denote a sequence we write

$$\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$$

**Definition 5.2** (Bounded Sequence). A sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is *bounded* if there exists  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$|x_n| \leq M \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

That is, the sequence  $x_n$  is bounded whenever the set  $\{x_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is bounded.

**Definition 5.3** (Monotone Sequence). A sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is *monotone increasing* if  $x_n \leq x_{n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . A sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is *monotone decreasing* if  $x_n \geq x_{n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If a sequence is either monotone increasing or monotone decreasing, we can simply say the sequence is *monotone*.

**Definition 5.4** (Convergent Sequence). A sequence  $x_n$  is said to *converge* to a number  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  if

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } \forall n \geq N, |x_n - x| < \varepsilon.$$

Note that this is equivalently written  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$  or  $x_n \rightarrow x$ .

**Proposition 5.1.** A convergent sequence has a unique limit.

**Proposition 5.2.** Let  $(s_n)$  be a sequence of non-negative real numbers and suppose  $s = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n$ . Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{s_n} = \sqrt{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n}$$

**Proposition 5.3.** Convergent sequences are bounded.

**Proposition 5.4** (Algebra of Limits). Let  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $\{y_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be convergent sequences.

1.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n + y_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n$ .
2.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n y_n) = (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n) (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n)$ .
3. If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n \neq 0$  and  $y_n \neq 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_n}{y_n} = \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n}$ .

**Lemma 5.1** (Squeeze lemma). Let  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ ,  $\{b_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ , and  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be sequences such that

$$a_n \leq x_n \leq b_n \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Suppose  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $\{b_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converge and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n.$$

Then  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n.$$

**Definition 5.5.** We say  $x_n$  *diverges to infinity* if

$$\forall K \in \mathbb{R}, \exists M \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ such that } \exists n \geq M \text{ where } x_n > K.$$

This is written

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \infty$$

**Theorem 5.3** (Monotone Convergence Theorem). A monotone sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is bounded if and only if it is convergent.

Furthermore, if  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is monotone increasing and bounded, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \sup\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}.$$

If  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is monotone decreasing and bounded, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \inf\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}.$$

**Proposition 5.5.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  then,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{1/n} = 1.$$

**Proposition 5.6.** If  $0 < c < 1$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c^n = 0.$$

**Proposition 5.7** (Ratio Test for Sequences). Let  $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence such that  $x_n \neq 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  and such that the limit

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x_{n+1}|}{|x_n|}$$

exists.

1. If  $L < 1$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$ .
2. If  $L > 1$ , then  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is unbounded.

**Remark 5.1.** So we want to use that  $\frac{|x_{n+1}|}{|x_n|}$  having a limit less than 1 implies we can find  $r$  such that  $0 \leq L < r < 1$  and  $\frac{|x_{n+1}|}{|x_n|} < r^n$ . Since we won't ever be less than  $L$ , we need  $1 > r > L$ . Then there exists an  $N$  such that  $\forall n \geq N$  we have that  $\frac{|x_{n+1}|}{|x_n|} < r$  then write out each term of  $\frac{|x_{n+1}|}{|x_n|}$  multiplying each term before it but stopping at  $x_N$  and show that this expression is bounded.

**Proposition 5.8.** If  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is convergent and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n^k = \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \right)^k$$

**Proposition 5.9.** If  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a convergent sequence and  $x_n \geq 0$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n^{1/k} = \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \right)^{1/k}$$

**Definition 5.6.** Let  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence. Let  $\{n_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  be a strictly increasing sequence of natural numbers, that is,  $n_i < n_{i+1}$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$  (in other words  $n_1 < n_2 < n_3 < \dots$ ). The sequence

$$\{x_{n_i}\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$$

is called a *subsequence* of  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ .

**Proposition 5.10.** If  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a convergent sequence, then every subsequence  $\{x_{n_i}\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  is also convergent, and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_i}.$$

**Definition 5.7.** Let  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a bounded sequence. Define the sequences  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $\{b_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  by

$$a_n := \sup\{x_k : k \geq n\}, \quad b_n := \inf\{x_k : k \geq n\}.$$

Define, if the limits exist,

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n, \quad \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n.$$

In words, the supremum of a sequence  $x_n$  is the supremum of all  $x_n$ 's after the  $n$ th value that we are currently on. So the limit of the supremum is the supremum of all terms to come. Notice that the sequence  $a_n$  is monotone decreasing (5.3) since with each passing  $n$ , the value that is the supremum of all  $x_n$  to come, can only decrease.

**Theorem 5.4.** If  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a bounded sequence, then there exists a subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  such that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k} = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n.$$

Similarly, there exists a (perhaps different) subsequence  $\{x_{m_k}\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  such that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{m_k} = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n.$$

**Remark 5.2.** Construct  $x_{n_k}$  inductively up to  $n_{k-1}$  then choose  $x_{n_k}$  such that  $a_{n_{k-1}+1} - x_{n_k} < \frac{1}{k}$ . The rest of the proof follows from here.

**Proposition 5.11.** Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$  be a nonempty bounded set. Then there exist monotone sequences  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $\{y_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  such that  $x_n, y_n \in S$  and

$$\sup S = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \quad \text{and} \quad \inf S = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n.$$

**Proposition 5.12.** Let  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  be a bounded sequence. Then  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  converges if and only if

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n.$$

Furthermore, if  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  converges, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n.$$

*Remark 5.3.* This follows from squeeze theorem.

**Proposition 5.13.** Suppose  $(x_n)_{n=1}^\infty$  is a bounded sequence and  $(x_{n_k})_{k=1}^\infty$  is a subsequence. Then

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k} \leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k} \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$$

**Proposition 5.14.** A sequence  $(x_n)_{n=1}^\infty$  converges to  $x \iff$  every subsequence  $(x_{n_k})_{k=1}^\infty$  converges to  $x$ .

**Definition 5.8** (Subsequential Limit). Let  $(x_n)_{n=1}^\infty$  be a sequence. A *subsequential limit* is any extended real number that is the limit of some subsequence of  $(x_n)_{n=1}^\infty$ .

**Theorem 5.5** (Bolzano–Weierstrass). Suppose a sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  of real numbers is bounded. Then there exists a convergent subsequence  $\{x_{n_i}\}_{i=1}^\infty$ .

*Remark 5.4.* Since  $x_n$  is bounded, we know  $\forall n, x_n \in [a, b]$  for some  $a$  and  $b$  as bounds. Then splitting this interval into two halves, we know that infinitely many  $x_{n_k}$  lie in one (or both) halves, so pick that side (suppose it was the top half), then set  $a_1 = a, b_1 = b$ , then since we choose the top half, pick  $a_2 = \frac{a_1 + b_1}{2}$ , and  $b_2 = b_1$ . If we continue to do this, we will have monotone sequences  $a_n$  and  $b_n$  such that  $b_n - a_n = \frac{b_1 - a_1}{2^{n-1}}$ . So we essentially use nested interval property to show that a convergent subsequence can be made just by the fact that

**Proposition 5.15.** Let  $(s_n)$  be any sequence of nonzero real numbers. Then we have

$$\liminf \left| \frac{s_{n+1}}{s_n} \right| \leq \liminf |s_n|^{1/n} \leq \limsup |s_n|^{1/n} \leq \limsup \left| \frac{s_{n+1}}{s_n} \right|.$$

**Definition 5.9** (Cauchy Sequence). A sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is a *Cauchy sequence* if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists an  $M \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for all  $n \geq M$  and all  $k \geq M$ , we have

$$|x_n - x_k| < \varepsilon.$$

**Lemma 5.2.** If a sequence is Cauchy, then it is bounded.

*Remark 5.5.* Since  $x_n$  is Cauchy, we can fix  $x_N$  so that  $|x_n - x_N| < \varepsilon = 1$ . Then apply reverse triangle inequality to obtain  $|x_n| < 1 + |x_N|$ .

This kinda hints that Cauchy might imply convergence because this means for any  $\varepsilon$ , we can fix an  $x_N$  so that  $|x_n - x_N| < \varepsilon$ , but this is basically  $x_n$  converging to a limit of  $x_N$ .

**Theorem 5.6** (Convergent  $\iff$  Cauchy). A sequence of real numbers is Cauchy  $\iff$  the sequence is convergent.

*Remark 5.6.* Since  $x_n$  is Cauchy, by 5.2, we know  $x_n$  is bounded. Since  $x_n$  is bounded, by 5.4 we know there exists subsequences convergent to  $\limsup$  and  $\liminf$ . Now we want to use 5.12 to show that  $x_n$  converges. Then using that  $x_n$  being Cauchy applies to the subsequences too, we can show  $|\limsup - \liminf| < \varepsilon$ .

## 5.2 Series

**Definition 5.10** (Series). Given a sequence  $(x_n)_{n=1}^\infty$ , we define

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$$



as a *series*. A series *converges* if the sequence  $(s_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}$ , called the partial sums, and defined by

$$s_k = \sum_{n=1}^k x_n = x_1 + x_2 + \cdots + x_k$$

converges. So a series converges if

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^k x_n.$$

**Proposition 5.16** (Geometric Series). *Suppose  $-1 < r < 1$ . Then the geometric series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n$  converges, and*

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n = \frac{1}{1-r}$$

*Remark 5.7.* Consider  $S_n = \sum_{i=0}^n r^i$  and  $S_n - rS_n$ .

**Proposition 5.17.** *Let  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  be a series and let  $M \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \text{ converges} \iff \sum_{n=M}^{\infty} x_n \text{ converges}.$$

**Definition 5.11** (Cauchy Series). A series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  is said to be *Cauchy* if the sequence of the partial sums  $(s_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a Cauchy sequence.

Note that a series is convergent if and only if it is Cauchy 5.6.

**Proposition 5.18.** *If a series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  converges, then  $\lim x_n = 0$ .*

*Remark 5.8.* Since  $\sum x_n$  converges, we know it is Cauchy. Since it is Cauchy, for any  $\varepsilon$  there is an  $N$  such that  $\forall n \geq N$ , we have that  $|\sum x_n - \sum x_{n-1}| < \varepsilon$  but this just means  $x_n < \varepsilon$ .

**Proposition 5.19** (Linearity of Series). *Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n$  be convergent series. Then*

1.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha x_n$  is a convergent series and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha x_n = \alpha \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n.$$

2.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x_n + y_n)$  is a convergent series and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x_n + y_n) = \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \right) + \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n \right).$$

**Proposition 5.20.** *If  $x_n \geq 0$  for all  $n$ , then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  converges if and only if the sequence of partial sums is bounded above.*

*Remark 5.9.* This is analogous to monotone convergence theorem 5.3 since being told  $x_n \geq 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  is the same as saying  $S_m = \sum_{n=1}^m x_n$  is a monotone increasing sequence. So given that  $S_m$  is bounded, we can say it converges.

**Definition 5.12** (Absolute Convergence). A series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  *converges absolutely* if the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_n|$  converges. If a series converges, but does not converge absolutely, we say it *converges conditionally*

**Proposition 5.21.** *If the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  converges absolutely, then it converges.*

*Remark 5.10.* Since the series of absolute values converges, that series must be Cauchy 5.11. So consider the partial sums of the Cauchy series's, since in Cauchy form you are just subtracting one series from the other, the residual will just be the terms leftover from the sequence that *went further out*. Then using triangle inequality we can show that  $|\sum_{i=k+1}^m x_n| < |\sum_{i=k+1}^m |x_n|| = \sum_{i=k+1}^m |x_n|$ .

**Proposition 5.22** (Comparison Test). *Let  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n$  be series such that  $0 \leq x_n \leq y_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .*

1. *If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n$  converges, then so does  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$ .*
2. *If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  diverges, then so does  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n$ .*

*Remark 5.11.* Since we require by hypothesis that the terms are nonnegative, we have that both of the series are monotone increasing, so if  $\sum y_n$  converges, then it is bounded, then  $\sum x_n$  is bounded and monotone increasing, thus convergent [5.3](#).

**Proposition 5.23** (P-Series). *(p-series or the p-test). For  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ , the series*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$$

*converges if and only if  $p > 1$ .*

**Proposition 5.24** (Root Test). *Let  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  be a series and let*

$$L = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x_n|^{1/n}.$$

1. *If  $L < 1$ , then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  converges absolutely.*
2. *If  $L > 1$ , then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  diverges.*

**Proposition 5.25** (Ratio Test). *Let  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  be a series,  $x_n \neq 0$  for all  $n$ , and such that*

1. *If  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \right| = L < 1$ , then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  converges absolutely.*
2. *If  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \right| = L > 1$ , then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  diverges.*

**Proposition 5.26** (Alternating Series Test). *Let  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a monotone decreasing sequence of positive real numbers such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$ . Then the alternating series*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n x_n$$

*converges.*

**Definition 5.13.** Consider a series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$ . Given a bijective function  $\sigma : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  the corresponding rearrangement is the series

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_{\sigma(k)}$$

We simply sum the series in a different order.

**Proposition 5.27.** *Let  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$  be an absolutely convergent series converging to  $x$ . Let  $\sigma : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  be a bijection. Then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_{\sigma(n)}$  is absolutely convergent and converges to  $x$ .*

**Theorem 5.7** (Mertens Theorem). *Suppose  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$  and  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n$  are two convergent series, converging to  $A$  and  $B$  respectively. Suppose at least one of the series converges absolutely. Then  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n$  converges to  $AB$ , where*

$$c_n = a_0 b_n + a_1 b_{n-1} + \cdots + a_n b_0 = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i b_{n-i}$$

### 5.3 Continuity

**Definition 5.14** (Cluster Point). A number  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  is called a cluster point of a set  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , the set

$$(x - \epsilon, x + \epsilon) \cap (S \setminus \{x\})$$

is nonempty.

Equivalently,  $x$  is a cluster point of  $S$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists some  $y \in S$  such that  $y \neq x$  and  $|x - y| < \epsilon$ .

A cluster point of  $S$  need not belong to  $S$ .

**Proposition 5.28.** Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  is a cluster point of  $S$  if and only if there exists a convergent sequence of numbers  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  such that  $x_n \neq x$  and  $x_n \in S$  for all  $n$ , and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ .

**Definition 5.15.** Let  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function and  $c$  a cluster point of  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$ . Suppose there exists an  $L \in \mathbb{R}$  and for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that whenever  $x \in S \setminus \{c\}$  and  $|x - c| < \delta$ , we have

$$|f(x) - L| < \epsilon.$$

We then say  $f(x)$  converges to  $L$  as  $x$  goes to  $c$ , and we write

$$f(x) \rightarrow L \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow c.$$

We say  $L$  is a *limit* of  $f(x)$  as  $x$  goes to  $c$ , and if  $L$  is unique (it is), we write

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) := L.$$

If no such  $L$  exists, then we say that the limit does not exist or that  $f$  diverges at  $c$ .

**Proposition 5.29.** Let  $c$  be a cluster point of  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$  and let  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function such that  $f(x)$  converges as  $x$  goes to  $c$ . Then the limit of  $f(x)$  as  $x$  goes to  $c$  is unique.

**Lemma 5.3.** Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$ , let  $c$  be a cluster point of  $S$ , let  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function, and let  $L \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $f(x) \rightarrow L$  as  $x \rightarrow c$  if and only if for every sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  such that  $x_n \in S \setminus \{c\}$  for all  $n$ , and such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = c$ , we have that the sequence  $\{f(x_n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges to  $L$ .

**Proposition 5.30.** Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$  and let  $c$  be a cluster point of  $S$ . Suppose  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are functions such that the limits of  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  as  $x$  goes to  $c$  both exist, and

$$f(x) \leq g(x) \quad \text{for all } x \in S \setminus \{c\}.$$

Then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) \leq \lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x).$$

**Proposition 5.31.** Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$  and let  $c$  be a cluster point of  $S$ . Suppose  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $g : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , and  $h : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are functions such that

$$f(x) \leq g(x) \leq h(x) \quad \text{for all } x \in S \setminus \{c\}.$$

Suppose the limits of  $f(x)$  and  $h(x)$  as  $x$  goes to  $c$  both exist, and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} h(x).$$

Then the limit of  $g(x)$  as  $x$  goes to  $c$  exists and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} h(x).$$

**Proposition 5.32.** Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$  and let  $c$  be a cluster point of  $S$ . Suppose  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are functions such that the limits of  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  as  $x$  goes to  $c$  both exist. Then

$$1. \lim_{x \rightarrow c} (f(x) + g(x)) = (\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)) + (\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x)).$$

2.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c}(f(x) - g(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) - \lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x)$ .
3.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c}(f(x)g(x)) = (\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x))(\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x))$ .
4. If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) \neq 0$  and  $g(x) \neq 0$  for all  $x \in S \setminus \{c\}$ , then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)}{\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x)}.$$

**Proposition 5.33.** Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$  and let  $c$  be a cluster point of  $S$ . Suppose  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a function such that the limit of  $f(x)$  as  $x$  goes to  $c$  exists. Then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} |f(x)| = \left| \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) \right|.$$

**Definition 5.16.** Let  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function and  $A \subset S$ . Define the function  $f|_A : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$f|_A(x) := f(x) \quad \text{for } x \in A.$$

We call  $f|_A$  the *restriction* of  $f$  to  $A$ .

**Proposition 5.34.** Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , and let  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function. Suppose  $A \subset S$  is such that there is some  $\alpha > 0$  such that

$$(A \setminus \{c\}) \cap (c - \alpha, c + \alpha) = (S \setminus \{c\}) \cap (c - \alpha, c + \alpha).$$

1. The point  $c$  is a cluster point of  $A$  if and only if  $c$  is a cluster point of  $S$ .
2. Supposing  $c$  is a cluster point of  $S$ , then  $f(x) \rightarrow L$  as  $x \rightarrow c$  if and only if  $f|_A(x) \rightarrow L$  as  $x \rightarrow c$ .

**Proposition 5.35.** Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$  be such that  $c$  is a cluster point of both  $S \cap (-\infty, c)$  and  $S \cap (c, \infty)$ , let  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function, and let  $L \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $c$  is a cluster point of  $S$  and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f(x) = L.$$

**Definition 5.17.** Suppose  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$  and  $c \in S$ . We say  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is *continuous* at  $c$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that whenever  $x \in S$  and  $|x - c| < \delta$ , we have  $|f(x) - f(c)| < \epsilon$ .

When  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous at all  $c \in S$ , then we simply say  $f$  is a *continuous function*.

**Proposition 5.36.** Consider a function  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined on a set  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$  and let  $c \in S$ . Then:

1. If  $c$  is not a cluster point of  $S$ , then  $f$  is continuous at  $c$ .
2. If  $c$  is a cluster point of  $S$ , then  $f$  is continuous at  $c$  if and only if the limit of  $f(x)$  as  $x \rightarrow c$  exists and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = f(c).$$

3. The function  $f$  is continuous at  $c$  if and only if for every sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  where  $x_n \in S$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = c$ , the sequence  $\{f(x_n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges to  $f(c)$ .

**Proposition 5.37.** Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a polynomial. That is,

$$f(x) = a_d x^d + a_{d-1} x^{d-1} + \cdots + a_1 x + a_0,$$

for some constants  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_d$ . Then  $f$  is continuous.

**Proposition 5.38.** Let  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be functions continuous at  $c \in S$ .

1. The function  $h : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $h(x) := f(x) + g(x)$  is continuous at  $c$ .
2. The function  $h : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $h(x) := f(x) - g(x)$  is continuous at  $c$ .
3. The function  $h : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $h(x) := f(x)g(x)$  is continuous at  $c$ .

4. If  $g(x) \neq 0$  for all  $x \in S$ , the function  $h : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  given by  $h(x) := \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$  is continuous at  $c$ .

**Proposition 5.39.** Let  $A, B \subset \mathbb{R}$  and  $f : B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g : A \rightarrow B$  be functions. If  $g$  is continuous at  $c \in A$  and  $f$  is continuous at  $g(c)$ , then  $f \circ g : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous at  $c$ .

**Proposition 5.40.** Let  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function and  $c \in S$ . Suppose there exists a sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ , where  $x_n \in S$  for all  $n$ , and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = c$  such that  $\{f(x_n)\}_{n=1}^\infty$  does not converge to  $f(c)$ . Then  $f$  is discontinuous at  $c$ .

**Lemma 5.4.** A continuous function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is bounded.

**Theorem 5.8** (Minimum-maximum theorem / Extreme value theorem). A continuous function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  achieves both an absolute minimum and an absolute maximum on  $[a, b]$ .

**Lemma 5.5.** Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function. Suppose  $f(a) < 0$  and  $f(b) > 0$ . Then there exists a number  $c \in (a, b)$  such that  $f(c) = 0$ .

**Theorem 5.9** (Bolzano's Intermediate Value Theorem). Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function. Suppose  $y \in \mathbb{R}$  is such that  $f(a) < y < f(b)$  or  $f(a) > y > f(b)$ . Then there exists a  $c \in (a, b)$  such that  $f(c) = y$ .

## 6 Combinatorics

**Theorem 6.1.** Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be finite sets with cardinalities  $|X_1|, |X_2|, \dots, |X_n|$ . If a process consists of making sequential choices such that:

- The first choice is made from  $X_1$ ,
- The second choice is made from  $X_2$ ,
- ...,
- The  $n$ th choice is made from  $X_n$ ,

where the number of choices at each stage is independent of previous choices, then the total number of ways to complete the process is:

$$|X_1| \cdot |X_2| \cdots |X_n| = \prod_{i=1}^n |X_i|.$$

**Theorem 6.2.** Let  $n$  and  $k$  be nonnegative integers with  $0 \leq k \leq n$ . The number of distinct subsets of size  $k$  that a set of size  $n$  has is given by the binomial coefficient

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

**Theorem 6.3.** For any integer  $n \geq 0$  and any real or complex numbers  $a, b$ ,

$$(a + b)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^k b^{n-k},$$

**Theorem 6.4.** The number of ways a set of  $n$  distinct objects can be partitioned into  $k$  subsets with  $n_k$  objects in the  $k$ th subset is

$$\binom{n}{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k} = \frac{n!}{n_1! n_2! \cdots n_k!}$$

**Theorem 6.5.** The number of ways to arrange  $n$  distinct objects in a sequence is

$$P(n) = n! = n(n-1)(n-2) \cdots 2 \cdot 1$$

The number of ways to select and arrange  $k$  objects from  $n$  distinct objects is

$$P(n, k) = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}.$$

**Theorem 6.6.** Let  $n, k$ , and  $j$  be nonnegative integers with  $0 \leq k \leq n$ . Then for a set with  $n$  distinct elements, all of the following hold

1.

$$\binom{n+1}{k} = \binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{k-1}$$

2.

$$\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n}{n-k}$$

3.

$$\sum_{j=0}^k \binom{m}{j} \binom{n}{k-j} = \binom{m+n}{k}$$

4.

$$\binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{k+1} = \binom{n+1}{k+1}$$

5.

$$2^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}$$

6.

$$\binom{k}{k} + \binom{k+1}{k} + \binom{k+2}{k} + \cdots + \binom{n}{k} = \binom{n+1}{k+1}$$

## 7 Probability

### 7.1 Probability Axioms

**Definition 7.1** (Algebra and  $\sigma$ -algebra). Let  $\Omega$  be an abstract space. Let  $2^\Omega$  denote all subsets of  $\Omega$ . With  $\mathcal{A}$  being a subset of  $2^\Omega$ . Then  $\mathcal{A}$  is an algebra if it satisfies (1), (2), and (3).  $\mathcal{A}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra if it satisfies (1), (2), and (4).

1.  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $\Omega \in \mathcal{A}$

2. If  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  then  $A^c \in \mathcal{A}$ .

3. If the finite sequence of events  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \in \mathcal{A}$  then  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i \in \mathcal{A}$ .

4. If the countable sequence of events  $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{A}$  then  $\bigcup_{i=1}^\infty A_i \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $\bigcap_{i=1}^\infty A_i \in \mathcal{A}$ .

**Theorem 7.1** (Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra). If  $\Omega = \mathbb{R}$ , the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra is the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by open sets (or equivalently closed sets). Then the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra can be generated by intervals of the form  $(-\infty, a]$ , where  $a \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

**Definition 7.2** (Probability Measure). A probability measure defined on a  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  of  $\Omega$  is a function  $P : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, 1]$  that satisfies

1.  $P(\Omega) = 1$

2. For every pairwise disjoint  $(A_n \cap A_m = \emptyset \text{ whenever } n \neq m)$  countable sequence  $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}$  of elements of  $\mathcal{A}$ , we have

$$P\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^\infty A_n\right) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty P(A_n).$$

**Theorem 7.2.** Let  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$  be events, then

$$\begin{aligned} P(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n) &= \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) - \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 \leq n} P(A_{i_1} \cap A_{i_2}) \\ &+ \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < i_3 \leq n} P(A_{i_1} \cap A_{i_2} \cap A_{i_3}) - \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < i_3 < i_4 \leq n} P(A_{i_1} \cap A_{i_2} \cap A_{i_3} \cap A_{i_4}) \\ &+ \dots + (-1)^{n+1} P(A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n) = \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k+1} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq n} P(A_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap A_{i_k}) \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 7.3.** (Indicator Function) If  $A \in 2^\Omega$ , then the indicator function  $1_A(\omega)$  be given by

$$1_A(\omega) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \omega \in A, \\ 0 & \text{if } \omega \notin A. \end{cases}$$

We say  $A_n \in \mathcal{A}$  converges to  $A$  if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1_{A_n}(\omega) = 1_A(\omega) \forall \omega \in \Omega$ .

**Definition 7.4** (Supremum and Infimum of Sequence of Sets). Let  $A_n$  be a sequence of sets. If  $A_n \in \mathcal{A} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  then define

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n &= \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{m \geq n} A_m \\ \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n &= \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{m \geq n} A_m. \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 7.1.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a  $\sigma$ -algebra and  $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}^\infty$  be a sequence of sets in  $\mathcal{A}$ . Then,

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n \in \mathcal{A}, \quad \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n \in \mathcal{A}, \quad \text{and} \quad \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n \subseteq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n$$

**Lemma 7.2.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a  $\sigma$ -algebra and  $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}^\infty$  be a sequence of sets in  $\mathcal{A}$ . Then,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = A \iff \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = A$$

**Theorem 7.3** (Continuity of Probability Measure). Let  $P$  be a probability measure, and let  $A_n$  be a sequence of events in the  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  which converges to  $A$ . Then  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) = P(A)$ .

**Definition 7.5** (Monotone Sequence of Sets). A sequence of events  $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}^\infty$  is said to be an *monotone increasing* sequence of sets if

$$A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq \dots \subseteq A_k \subseteq A_{k+1} \subseteq \dots$$

Similarly, a sequence of sets  $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}^\infty$  is said to be a *monotone decreasing* sequence if

$$A_1 \supseteq A_2 \supseteq \dots \supseteq A_k \supseteq A_{k+1} \supseteq \dots$$

Further, if an increasing sequence  $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}^\infty$  converges to some event  $A$ , then we write  $A_n \uparrow A$  and we have  $A = \bigcup_{n \geq 1}^\infty A_n$ . Similarly, if  $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}^\infty$  decreases to  $A$  then we write  $A_n \downarrow A$ , with  $A = \bigcap_{n \geq 1}^\infty A_n$ .

**Theorem 7.4.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a  $\sigma$ -algebra and let  $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}^\infty \in \mathcal{A}$  be a sequence of sets. Suppose  $P : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is a probability measure. Then the following are equivalent,

1. Axiom (2) of definition (7.2)
2.  $A_n \downarrow A \implies P(A_n) \downarrow P(A)$ .
3.  $A_n \uparrow A \implies P(A_n) \uparrow P(A)$

**Proposition 7.1.** Let  $A_i \in \mathcal{A}$  be a sequence of events. Then,

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i).$$

## 7.2 Conditional Probability and Independence

**Definition 7.6.** Let  $B$  be an event in the sample space  $\Omega$  such that  $P(B) > 0$ . Then for all events  $A$  the *conditional probability* of  $A$  given  $B$  is defined as

$$P(A | B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}.$$

**Proposition 7.2** (Conditional Probability Measure). *The conditional probability is a probability measure (7.2).*

**Definition 7.7.** A collection of events  $(A_i)_{i \in I}$  is an independent collection if for every finite subset  $J$  of  $I$ , one has

$$P(\cap_{i \in J} A_i) = \prod_{i \in J} P(A_i).$$

If the above condition is satisfied for the whole collection, we say the collection  $(A_i)_{i \in I}$  is mutually independent. Also, if  $A_i$  and  $A_j$  are independent  $\forall i, j$  with  $i \neq j$ , that is if any two events you pick from the collection  $(A_i)_{i \in I}$  are independent, then the collection is pairwise independent.

**Proposition 7.3.** *If  $A$  and  $B$  are independent, so also are  $A$  and  $B^c$ ,  $A^c$  and  $B$ , and  $A^c$  and  $B^c$ .*

**Proposition 7.4** (Partition Equation). *If  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \in \mathcal{A}$  and if  $P(A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_{n-1}) > 0$ , then*

$$P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_n) = P(A_1)P(A_2 | A_1)P(A_3 | A_1 \cap A_2) \dots P(A_n | A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_{n-1}).$$

**Definition 7.8** (Partition). A countable collection of events  $B_1, \dots, B_n$  are a *partition* of  $\Omega$  if the sets  $B_i$  are pairwise disjoint and together they make up  $\Omega$ . That is, for all  $i$  and  $j$ ,  $B_i \cap B_j = \emptyset$  whenever  $i \neq j$  and  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n B_i = \Omega$

**Theorem 7.5** (Bayes Theorem). *Let  $B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n$  be a partition of the sample space  $\Omega$  such that each  $P(B_i) > 0$ . Then for any event  $A$  with  $P(A) > 0$ , and for any  $k = 1, \dots, n$ , we have:*

$$P(B_k | A) = \frac{P(AB_k)}{P(A)} = \frac{P(A | B_k)P(B_k)}{\sum_{i=1}^n P(A | B_i)P(B_i)}.$$

**Definition 7.9.** Let  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$  and  $B$  be events with  $P(B) > 0$ . Then  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$  are *conditionally independent, given  $B$* , if the following condition holds:

For any  $k \in \{2, \dots, n\}$  and indices  $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k \leq n$ ,

$$P(A_{i_1} A_{i_2} \dots A_{i_k} | B) = P(A_{i_1} | B)P(A_{i_2} | B) \dots P(A_{i_k} | B).$$

## 7.3 Random Variables

**Definition 7.10** (Random Variable). A random variable is a measurable function  $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that for all Borel measurable sets  $B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , the preimage of  $B$  is an event in  $\mathcal{A}$ , that is

$$X^{-1}(B) = \{\omega \in \Omega | X(\omega) \in B\} \in \mathcal{F}.$$

This means that  $X$  is  $\mathcal{A}$ -measurable, ensuring that we can compute probabilities of the form  $P(X \in B)$

**Definition 7.11** (Distribution). Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  be a probability space and  $(S, \mathcal{S})$  a measurable space. A random variable  $X : \Omega \rightarrow S$  is a measurable function. The distribution of  $X$  is the pushforward measure  $\mu$  on  $(S, \mathcal{S})$  defined by

$$\mu(A) = P(\{\omega \in \Omega : X(\omega) \in A\}) \quad \text{for all } A \in \mathcal{S}.$$

When  $S = \mathbb{R}$  with its Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra, we say:

$X$  is discrete if  $\mu$  is a discrete probability measure, i.e. there exists a countable (finite or infinite) set  $\{x_i\} \subset \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\mu$  is concentrated on these points. Concretely,  $\mu = \sum_i p_i \delta_{x_i}$  where  $\delta_{x_i}$  is the Dirac measure at  $x_i$  and  $\sum_i p_i = 1$ .

$X$  is continuous if  $\mu$  is absolutely continuous with respect to the Lebesgue measure  $\lambda$  on  $\mathbb{R}$ . In that case there exists a nonnegative measurable function  $f$  (called a probability density function) such that

$$\mu(A) = \int_A f(x) \lambda(dx) \quad \text{for all Borel sets } A \subseteq \mathbb{R}.$$



**Definition 7.12** (Cumulative Distribution Function). Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$  be a probability space, and let  $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a real-valued random variable. The cumulative distribution function (CDF) of  $X$ , denoted  $F_X : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ , is defined by

$$F_X(x) = P(X \leq x), \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

The function  $F_X(x)$  satisfies the following properties

1. (Monotonicity)  $F_X(x)$  is monotone increasing
2. (Right Continuity)  $F_X(x)$  is right continuous

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} F_X(x+h) = F_X(x)$$

3. (Limits at Infinity)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F_X(x) = 0, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F_X(x) = 1.$$

4. (Jumps) If  $F_X(x)$  has a jump at  $x$ , then

$$P(X = x) = F_X(x) - \lim_{y \rightarrow x^-} F_X(y),$$

then  $X$  has positive probability at  $x$

5. (Absolute Continuity) If  $F_X(x)$  is absolutely continuous, then there exists a probability density function (PDF)  $f_X(x)$  such that

$$F_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(t) dt.$$

**Definition 7.13** (Expected Value). Let  $X$  be a real-valued random variable on a countable space  $\Omega$ . The expectation of  $X$ , denoted  $E(X)$ , is defined to be

$$E(X) = \sum_{\omega \in \Omega} X(\omega)P(\{\omega\}) \quad \text{or equivalently} \quad E(X) = \sum_k x_k p_k$$

where  $p_k = P(X = x_k)$ .

If  $X$  has a probability density function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  or a cumulative distribution function  $F(x) = P(X \leq x)$  then

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx \quad \text{or} \quad E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x dF(x)$$

In full generality, we have

$$E(X) = \int_{\Omega} X(\omega) dP(\omega)$$

**Definition 7.14.** The  $n$ th moment of the random variable  $X$  is the expectation  $E(X^n)$ .

$$E(X^n) = \sum_{\omega} X^n(\omega)P(X = \omega) \quad \text{or} \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^n dF(x)$$

**Definition 7.15.** Let  $g$  be a real valued function defined on the range of a random variable  $X$ . If  $X$  is a discrete random variable then

$$E[g(X)] = \sum_k g(k)P(X = k)$$

while if  $X$  is continuous random variable with density function  $f$ , then

$$E[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x)f(x)dx$$

**Definition 7.16.** The *median* of a random variable  $X$  is any real value  $m$  that satisfies

$$P(X \geq m) \geq \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad P(X \leq m) \geq \frac{1}{2}.$$

**Definition 7.17.** For  $0 < p < 1$ , the  $p$ th quantile of a random variable  $X$  is any real value  $x$  satisfying

$$P(X \geq x) \geq 1 - p \quad \text{and} \quad P(X \leq x) \geq p$$

**Theorem 7.6.** Let  $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a nonnegative function and let  $X$  be a real valued random variable. Then

$$P(\{\omega \mid h(X(\omega)) \geq a\}) \leq \frac{E(h(X))}{a}, \quad \forall a > 0.$$

**Corollary 7.1** (Markov's Inequality).

$$P(|X| \geq a) \leq \frac{E(|X|)}{a}$$

**Definition 7.18.** Let  $X$  be a real valued random variable with  $X^2 \in \mathcal{L}^1$  where  $\mathcal{L}^1$  is the space of real valued random variables on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, P)$ . The variance of  $X$  is defined to be

$$\sigma^2 = \sigma_X^2 = E((X - E(X))^2) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2$$

The standard deviation of  $X$ ,  $\sigma_X$ , is the nonnegative square root of the variance.

**Proposition 7.5** (Affine Equivariance). Let  $X$  be a random variable and  $a$  and  $b$  be real numbers. Then,

$$E(aX + b) = aE(X) + b$$

$$\text{Var}(aX + b) = a^2 \text{Var}(X)$$

**Corollary 7.2** (Chebyshev's Inequality). If  $X^2$  is in  $\mathcal{L}^1$ , then for  $a > 0$  we have

1.  $P(\{|X| \geq a\}) \leq \frac{EX^2}{a^2}$
2.  $P(\{|X - E(X)| \geq a\}) \leq \frac{\sigma_X^2}{a^2}$

## 7.4 Distributions

We will now look at the different distributions associated with a random variable and we will discuss the motivations for using each one.

The most obvious distribution of all is the one where each point has equivalent probability.

**Definition 7.19** (Uniform Distribution). Let  $[a, b]$  be a bounded interval on the real line. A random variable  $X$  has a *uniform distribution on the interval  $[a, b]$*  if  $X$  has the density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a}, & x \in [a, b] \\ 0, & x \notin [a, b] \end{cases}$$

### Repeated Independent Trials

If we are sampling with replacement, that is, whatever *data* we are looking at is being drawn from equivalent sets. This means the information of each given trial (or occurrence/value/outcome of the random variable) does not provide any information for the next trial.

The simplest trial is one which has two outcomes, success or failure, for each trial. If we let the probability of a success be  $p$ , then the probability of fail is  $1 - p$ . So suppose we do  $n$  trials and we have  $k = 1$  success. Then the probability of that one success is  $p(1 - p)^{n-1}$ , but the number of ways to have this success is  $\binom{n}{1} = n$  since for each of the  $n$  spots, only one of them was a success. Extending this, we get the definition below.

**Definition 7.20 (Binomial Distribution).** Let  $n$  be a positive integer and  $0 \leq p \leq 1$ . A random variable  $X$  has the *binomial distribution* with parameters  $n$  and  $p$  if the possible values of  $X$  are  $\{0, 1, \dots, n\}$  and the probabilities are

$$P(\{X = k\}) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \quad \text{for } k = 0, 1, \dots, n.$$

This is denoted  $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$ .

Now consider you are trying to figure out how many flips of a coin till you get a head. Let the probability of a head be  $p$ . Then the probability of obtaining heads on the 10th flip is  $(1-p)^9 p$ . This motivates the below definition

**Definition 7.21 (Geometric Distribution).** A random variable  $X$  follows a Geometric distribution with parameter  $p$  (success probability per trial) if the probability of  $k$  independent trials till a success on the  $k$ th trial is given by,

$$P(X = k) = (1-p)^{k-1} p, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Now imagine you have a finite population with  $N$  objects. Then suppose  $K$  objects are of type 1 and  $N - K$  objects are of type 2. We draw a sample of  $n$  without replacement from the  $N$  total and want to know the probability of getting exactly  $k$  objects of type 1. This is the exact same as the binomial distribution only now we are not replacing.

So for some  $P(X = k)$  we have  $\binom{K}{k}$  ways of choosing the  $k$  type 1 objects from the total  $K$  amount of them. Then we have  $\binom{N-K}{n-k}$  ways to select the remaining  $n - k$  objects of type 2 from the total  $N - K$  of type 2. Then  $\binom{N}{n}$  is the total number of ways to select the  $n$  objects.

**Definition 7.22 (Hypergeometric Distribution).** A hypergeometric random variable represents the number of successes of size  $n$ , drawn without replacement from a population of size  $N$  that contains  $K$  successes. The PMF is given by

$$P(X = k) = \frac{\binom{K}{k} \binom{N-K}{n-k}}{\binom{N}{n}}, \quad \max(0, n - (N - K)) \leq k \leq \min(n, K).$$

**Definition 7.23 (Poisson Distribution).** A Poisson random variable models the number of events occurring in a fixed interval of time or space, under the assumption that events occur independently and at a constant average rate  $\lambda$ . A random variable  $X$  follows a Poisson distribution with rate parameter  $\lambda > 0$  if

$$P(X = k) = \frac{\lambda^k e^{-\lambda}}{k!}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

**Definition 7.24 (Normal Distribution).** A random variable  $X$  follows a Normal distribution with mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ , written as  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , if its probability density function (PDF) is

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$