

# Honours Analysis Notes

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# 1 The Real Number System

## 1.1 Introduction

## 1.2 Ordered Field Axioms

- **Postulate 1** *Field Axioms*

There are functions  $+$  and  $\cdot$  defined on  $\mathbb{R}^2 := \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ , which satisfy the following properties  $\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$

- *Closure Properties*:  $a + b, a \cdot b \in \mathbb{R}$
- *Associative Properties*:  $a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$  and  $a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c$
- *Commutative Properties*:  $a + b = b + a$  and  $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$
- *Distributive Law*:  $a \cdot (b + c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$
- *Existence of Additive Identity*: There is a unique element  $0 \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $0 + a = a$  for all  $a \in \mathbb{R}$
- *Existence of Multiplicative Identity*: There is a unique element  $1 \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $1 \neq 0$  and  $1 \cdot a = a$  for all  $a \in \mathbb{R}$
- *Existence of Additive Inverses*: For every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  there is a unique element  $-x \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$x + (-x) = 0$$

- *Existence of Multiplicative Inverses*: For every  $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  there is a unique element  $x^{-1} \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$x \cdot (x^{-1}) = 1$$

- **Postulate 2** *Order Axioms*

There is a relation  $<$  on  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  that has the following properties:

- *Trichotomy Property*: Given  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , one and only one of the following statements hold:

$$a < b, b < a, \text{ or } a = b$$

- *Transitive Property*: For  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$

$$a < b \text{ and } b < c \implies a < c$$

- *Additive Property*: For  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$

$$a < b \text{ and } c \in \mathbb{R} \implies a + c < b + c$$

- *Multiplicative Properties*: For  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$

$$a < b \text{ and } c > 0 \implies ac < bc$$

and

$$a < b \text{ and } c < 0 \implies bc < ac$$

- **Remark 1.1**

We will assume that the sets  $\mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}$  satisfy the following properties:

1. If  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $n + m, n - m$  and  $mn$  belong to  $\mathbb{Z}$
2. If  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  if and only if  $n \geq 1$

3. There is no  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  that satisfies  $0 < n < 1$

• **Definition 1.4** *Absolute Value*

The *absolute value* of a number  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  is the number

$$|a| := \begin{cases} a & a \geq 0 \\ -a & a < 0 \end{cases}$$

• **Remark 1.5** The *absolute value* is multiplicative; that is,  $|ab| = |a||b| \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

• **Theorem 1.6** *Fundamental Theorem of Absolute Values*

Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $M \geq 0$ . Then  $|a| \leq M \iff -M \leq a \leq M$ .

• **Theorem 1.7** The absolute value satisfies the following three properties:

1. *Positive Definite*: For all  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $|a| > 0$  with  $|a| = 0$  if and only if  $a = 0$ .
2. *Symmetric*: For all  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $|a - b| = |b - a|$ ,
3. *Triangle Inequalities*: For all  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$|a + b| \leq |a| + |b| \quad \text{and} \quad ||a| - |b|| \leq |a - b|$$

• **Theorem 1.9** Let  $x, y, a \in \mathbb{R}$

1.  $x < y + \epsilon \forall \epsilon > 0 \iff x \leq y$
2.  $x > y - \epsilon \forall \epsilon > 0 \iff x \geq y$
3.  $|a| < \epsilon \forall \epsilon > 0 \iff a = 0$

### 1.3 Completeness Axiom

• **Definition 1.10** *Upper bounds*

Let  $E \subset \mathbb{R}$  be non-empty

1. The set  $E$  is said to be *bounded above* if and only if there is an  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $a \leq M$  for all  $a \in E$ , in which case  $M$  is called an *upper bound* of  $E$ .
2. A number  $s$  is called a *supremum* of the set  $E$  if and only if  $s$  is an upper bound of  $E$  and  $s \leq M$  for all upper bounds  $M$  of  $E$ . (In this case we shall say that  $E$  has a *finite supremum*  $s$  and write  $s = \sup E$ )

• **Remark 1.12** If a set has one upper bound, it has infinitely many upper bounds.

• **Remark 1.13** If a set has a supremum, then it has only one supremum.

• **Theorem** *Approximation Property for Suprema*

If  $E$  has a finite supremum and  $\epsilon > 0$  is any positive number, then there is a point  $a \in E$  such that

$$\sup E - \epsilon < a \leq \sup E$$

• **Theorem 1.15**

If  $E \subset \mathbb{Z}$  has a supremum, then  $\sup E \in E$ . In particular, if the supremum of a set, which contains only integers, exists, that supremum must be an integer.

• **Postulate 3** *Completeness Axiom*

If  $E$  is a nonempty subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  that is bounded above, then  $E$  has a finite supremum.

• **Theorem 1.16** *The Archimedean Principle*

Given real numbers  $a$  and  $b$ , with  $a > 0$ , there is an integer  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $b < na$ .

- **Theorem 1.18** *Density of Rationals*

If  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfy  $a < b$ , then there is a  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $a < q < b$ .

- **Definition 1.19** *Upper bounds*

Let  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be nonempty

1. The set  $E$  is said to be *bounded below* if and only if there is an  $m \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $a \geq m$ , in which case  $m$  is called a *lower bound* of the set  $E$ .
2. A number  $t$  is called an *infimum* of the set  $E$  if and only if  $t$  is a lower bound of  $E$  and  $t \geq m$  and write  $t = \inf E$ .
3.  $E$  is said to be *bounded* if and only if it is bounded both above and below.

- **Theorem 1.20** *Reflection Principle*

Let  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be nonempty

1.  $E$  has a supremum if and only if  $-E$  has an infimum, in which case

$$\inf(-E) = -\sup E$$

2.  $E$  has an infimum if and only if  $-E$  has a supremum, in which case

$$\sup(-E) = -\inf E$$

- **Theorem 1.21** *Monotone Property*

Suppose that  $A \subseteq B$  are nonempty subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

1. If  $B$  has a supremum, then  $\sup A \leq \sup B$ .
2. If  $B$  has an infimum, then  $\inf A \geq \inf B$ .

## 1.4 Mathematical Induction

- **Theorem 1.22** *Well-Ordering Principle*

If  $E$  is a nonempty subset of  $\mathbb{N}$ , then  $E$  has a least element (i.e.  $E$  has a finite infimum and  $\inf E \in E$ ).

- **Theorem 1.23**

Suppose for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  that  $A(n)$  is a proposition which satisfies the following two properties:

1.  $A(1)$  is true.
2. For every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  for which  $A(n)$  is true,  $A(n+1)$  is also true.

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

- **Theorem 1.26** *Binomial Formula*

If  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}, n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $0^0$  is interpreted to be 1, then

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

## 1.5 Inverse Functions and Images

- **Definition 1.29** *Injection, Surjection, Bijection*

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be sets and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$

1.  $f$  is said to be *injective* if and only if

$$x_1, x_2 \in X \text{ and } f(x_1) = f(x_2) \implies x_1 = x_2$$

2.  $f$  is said to be *surjective* if and only if

$$\forall y \in Y \exists x \in X \ni y = f(x)$$

3.  $f$  is called *bijective* if and only if it is both injective and surjective

• **Theorem 1.30**

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be sets and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . Then the following three statements are equivalent.

1.  $f$  has an inverse;
2.  $f$  is injective from  $X$  onto  $Y$ ;
3. There is a function  $g : Y \rightarrow X$  such that

$$g(f(x)) = x \quad \forall x \in X$$

and

$$f(g(y)) = y \quad \forall y \in Y$$

Moreover, for each  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ , there is only one function  $g$  that satisfies these. It is the inverse function  $f^{-1}$ .

• **Remark 1.31**

Let  $I$  be an interval and let  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . If the derivative of  $f$  is either always positive on  $I$ , or always negative on  $I$ , then  $f$  is injective on  $I$ .

• **Definition 1.33** *Image*

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be sets and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . The *image* of a set  $E \subseteq X$  under  $f$  is the set

$$f(E) := \{y \in Y : y = f(x) \text{ for some } x \in E\}$$

The *inverse image* of a set  $E \subseteq Y$  under  $f$  is the set

$$f^{-1}(E) := \{x \in X : f(x) = y \text{ for some } y \in E\}$$

• **Definition 1.35** *Union, Intersection*

Let  $\mathcal{E} = \{E_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  be a collection of sets.

1. The *union* of the collection  $\mathcal{E}$  is the set

$$\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} E_\alpha := \{x : x \in E_\alpha \text{ for some } \alpha \in A\}$$

2. The *intersection* of the collection  $\mathcal{E}$  is the set

$$\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} E_\alpha := \{x : x \in E_\alpha \text{ for all } \alpha \in A\}.$$

• **Theorem 1.36** *DeMorgan's Laws*

Let  $X$  be a set and  $\{E_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  be a collection of subsets of  $X$ . If for each  $E \subseteq X$  the symbol  $E^c$  represents the set  $X \setminus E$ , then

$$\left( \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} E_\alpha \right)^c = \bigcap_{\alpha \in A} E_\alpha^c$$

and

$$\left( \bigcap_{\alpha \in A} E_\alpha \right)^c = \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} E_\alpha^c$$

- **Theorem 1.37**

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be sets and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ .

1. If  $\{E_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  is a collection of subsets of  $X$ , then

$$f\left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} E_\alpha\right) = \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} f(E_\alpha) \quad \text{and} \quad f\left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} E_\alpha\right) \subseteq \bigcap_{\alpha \in A} f(E_\alpha)$$

2. If  $B$  and  $C$  are subsets of  $X$ , then  $f(C) \setminus f(B) \subseteq f(C \setminus B)$

3. If  $\{E_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  is a collection of subsets of  $Y$ , then

$$f^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} E_\alpha\right) = \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} f^{-1}(E_\alpha) \quad \text{and} \quad f^{-1}\left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} E_\alpha\right) = \bigcap_{\alpha \in A} f^{-1}(E_\alpha)$$

4. If  $B$  and  $C$  are subsets of  $Y$ , then  $f^{-1}(C \setminus B) = f^{-1}(C) \setminus f^{-1}(B)$ .

5. If  $E \subseteq f(X)$ , then  $f(f^{-1}(E)) = E$ , but if  $E \subseteq X$ , then  $E \subseteq f^{-1}(f(E))$ .

## 1.6 Countable and Uncountable Sets

- **Definition 1.38** *Countable Uncountable* Let  $E$  be a set.

1.  $E$  is said to be *finite* if and only if either  $E = \emptyset$  or there exists an injective function which takes  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  onto  $E$ , for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
2.  $E$  is said to be *countable* if and only if there exists an injective function which takes  $\mathbb{N}$  onto  $E$ .
3.  $E$  is said to be *at most countable* if and only if  $E$  is either finite or countable.
4.  $E$  is said to be *uncountable* if and only if  $E$  is neither finite nor countable.

- **Remark 1.39** *Cantor's Diagonalisation Argument*

The open interval  $(0, 1)$  is uncountable.

- **Lemma 1.40**

A nonempty set  $E$  is at most countable if and only if there is a function  $g$  from  $\mathbb{N}$  onto  $E$ .

- **Theorem 1.41**

Suppose  $A$  and  $B$  are sets.

1. If  $A \subseteq B$  and  $B$  is at most countable, then  $A$  is at most countable.
2. If  $A \subseteq B$  and  $A$  is uncountable, then  $B$  is uncountable.
3.  $\mathbb{R}$  is uncountable.

- **Theorem 1.42**

Let  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  be at most countable sets.

1. Then  $A_1 \times A_2$  is at most countable.
2. If

$$E = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j := \bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} A_j := \{x : x \in A_j \text{ for some } j \in \mathbb{N}\},$$

then  $E$  is at most countable.

- **Remark 1.43**

The sets  $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}$  are countable, but the set of irrationals is uncountable.