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2 Sequences and Series

2.1 The Limit of Sequence

2.1.1 Definition of convergence for a sequence

A sequence converges to some number a if $\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\forall n \geq N \implies |a_n - a| < \epsilon$.

2.1.2 Outline of a Proof of Convergence

- Let $\epsilon > 0$ be arbitrary.
- Demonstrate a choice of $N \in \mathbb{N}$. This essentially means solve for N in terms of $\epsilon > 0$.
- Show that N actually works. This is simply the inequality that you derived in the previous item.
- Assume $n \geq N$.
- Derive the inequality $|a_n a| < \epsilon$. Again, this is simply equivalent to solving for ϵ in an inequality.

2.2 The Monotone Convergence Theorem

A sequence is **monotone** if it is either increasing or decreasing.

2.2.1 Monotone Convergence Theorem

If a sequence is monotone and bounded, then it converges.

An infinite series is said to be converging if the sequence of partial sums is converging. Note how the definition of convergence of a series is linked back to the notion of convergence for a sequence.

2.3 Subsequences and the Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem

2.3.1 Subsequence Convergence Theorem

The subsequences of a convergent sequence converge to the same limit as the original sequence.

2.3.2 Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem

There exists a convergent subsequence within every bounded sequence.

2.4 The Cauchy Criterion

2.4.1 Cauchy Criterion Definition

A sequence a_n is called a Cauchy sequence if $\forall \epsilon > 0 \ \exists \ N \in \mathbb{N} : m, n \geq N \Longrightarrow |a_n - a_m| < \epsilon$. To simplify, a sequence is cauchy if there exists a point in the sequence after which all the numbers are closer to each other than to any arbitrary epsilon.

2.4.2 Cauchy Convergence

- Every convergent sequence is a Cauchy sequence.
- Cauchy sequences are bounded.
- A sequence converges if and only if it is a Cauchy Sequence.

2.4.3 Effects of Completeness on Convergence

Completeness is a necessary condition in order for the above definitions of convergence to work correctly. In particular, we need a way to guarantee that when a sequence is converging, the number that it is converging to is actually there. This is part of the reason why the real numbers were introduced - the rationals have holes in them. The Axiom of Completeness, Nested Interval Property, Bolzano-Weierstrauss, Cauchy Criterion, and Monotone Convergence Theorem are all equivalent.

2.5 Properties of Infinite Series

2.5.1 Convergence of an Infinite Series

The convergence of an infinite series a_k is defined in terms of the sequence of its partial sums s_n . $\Sigma_1^{\infty} a_k = A$ means that $\lim(s_n) = A$.

2.5.2 Cauchy Criterion for Series

- The series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}$ converges if and only if, given $\epsilon > 0$ $\exists N \in \mathbb{N} : n > m \ge N \implies |a_{m+1} + a_{m+2} + \ldots + a_n| < \epsilon$.
- Corrollary: If the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$ converges, then $a_k \to 0$.

2.5.3 Comparison Test

Assume (a_k) and (b_k) are sequences satisfying $0 \le a_k \le b_k \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$.

- If Σb_k converges, then Σa_k also converges.
- If Σa_k diverges, then Σb_k also diverges.

2.5.4 Absolute Convergence Test

If the series $\Sigma |a_k|$ converges, then Σa_k converges as well. A sequence is said to converge absolutely if for a sequence a_k , $\sigma_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k|$ also converges. Otherwise, the sequence is said to converge conditionally.

2.5.5 Alternating Series Test

Let (a_n) be a sequence that is monotonically decreasing and has a limit of 0. Then, the alternating series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} a_n$ converges.

2.5.6 Absolute Convergent Rearrangement Theorem For Series

If a series converges absolutely, than any rearrangement of the series converges to the same limit.

3 Topology of the Reals

3.1 Open and Closed Sets

3.1.1 Epsilon Neighborhoods

An ϵ – neighborhood is a set $V_{\epsilon}(x) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x - a| < \epsilon\}$. Note that the interval is open - it does not contain the endpoints since the distance must be less than epsilon.

3.1.2 Definition of an Open Set

A set $O \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is open if $\forall a \in O$ there exists an ϵ -neighborhood $V_{\epsilon}(a) \subseteq O$. Recall that an ϵ -neighborhood is the set of points surrounding a point that are less than ϵ away from it. This set particular set does not contain the endpoints.

3.1.3 Union and Intersection of Open Sets

The union of an arbitrary collection of open sets is open. The intersection of a finite collection of open sets is open.

3.1.4 Limit Points

A point x is a *limit point* of a set A if every ϵ -neighborhood $V_{\epsilon}(x)$ of x intersects A at some point other than A. Alternate interpretation: a limit point is the limit of a sequence at the edge of the set.

3.1.5 Limit Point Sequence Convergence

A point x is a limit point of a set A if and only if $x = lima_n$ for some sequence (a_n) contained in A satisfying $a_n \neq x \quad \forall n \in A$.