

Give an example of an infinite sequence $(A_j : j \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0})$ that satisfies the three requirements: (1) Each A_j is a nonempty subset of the interval set $[-100, 100]$.

(2) For each $j \geq 1$, $A_{j+1} \subseteq A_j$.

(3) There is no number that belongs to all of the sets.

Let $A_j = (0, \frac{1}{2^j})$. Clearly the sequence satisfies (1), $\frac{1}{2^j}$ is comfortably under 100 for $j \geq 1$.

For (2), since $\frac{1}{2^j}$ is monotonically decreasing and the left side bound of 0 doesn't change,

then $(0, \frac{1}{2^{j+1}}) \subseteq (0, \frac{1}{2^j})$. For property (3), one can show that for picking any value $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$

that one can choose a value for j such that $\frac{1}{2^j} < \epsilon$, as j can be constructed to be $j > \frac{\ln(\epsilon)}{\ln(2)}$

therefore for all the $j - 1$ intervals that contain the element ϵ , $\epsilon \notin A_j$. Therefore there does not exist a number common to all of the intervals.