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0.0 Section.

Introduction.

1.0 Section.

The real numbers.

1.1 Definition.

Denote the natural numbers \mathbb{N} , the integers \mathbb{Z} , and the rational numbers \mathbb{Q} .

1.2 Remark.

An axiomatic treatment of $\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}$ is beyond the scope of this course.

1.3 Remark.

For many purposes, the rationals are not "big enough".

1.4 Example.

There is no $x \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $x^2 = 2$. Indeed, assume there are $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ coprime such that $(p/q)^2 = 2$. Then $p^2 = 2q^2$, which means that p^2 is even, so p is even as well. But if p is even, then $p^2 = 2q^2$ is divisible by 4. But this is only possible if q is even as well, a contradiction of the coprime-ness of p, q .

1.5 Example.

In fact, there is not even a "best approximation" in \mathbb{Q} of the solution to $x^2 = 2$. Consider the sets

$$A = \{a \in \mathbb{Q} \mid a^2 < 2, a > 0\} \text{ and } B = \{b \in \mathbb{Q} \mid b^2 > 2, b > 0\}.$$

A has no largest element. Indeed, suppose $p \in A$ with $p > 0$. Then setting

$$q = \frac{2p + 2}{p + 2}$$

has that $q \in A$ and $q > p$. A similar argument shows that B has no smallest element.

1.6 Definition.

An order on a set S is a relation $<$ such that

(1) (Trichotomy) For $x, y \in S$, exactly one of the statements hold:

$$x < y \text{ or } x = y \text{ or } y < x.$$

(2) (Transitivity) For $x, y, z \in S$, if $x < y$ and $y < z$, then $x < z$.

If a set S is equipped with an order $<$, then $(S, <)$ or simply S is called an ordered set.

1.7 Example.

$\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}$ are all ordered by $x < y$ iff $y - x$ is positive.

1.8 Definition.

Let S be an ordered set. $E \subseteq S$ is bounded above if there exists some $M \in S$ such that $x \leq M$ for all $x \in E$. Similarly, $E \subseteq S$ is bounded below if there exists some $L \in S$ such that $x \geq L$ for all $x \in E$.

1.9 Example.

\mathbb{N} has the well-ordering principle, in that every $E \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ nonempty has a least element.

1.10 Definition.

Let S be an ordered set and let E be bounded above. If there exists an α such that

- (1) α is an upper bound of E ,
- (2) If $\beta < \alpha$, then β is not an upper bound of E ,

then $\alpha = \sup E$ is the supremum or least upper bound of E . Define symmetrically $\inf E$ to be the infimum or greatest lower bound of E .

1.11 Example.

A supremum/infimum, when it exists, need not be a member of the subset.

- (1) The sets $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$ defined in Example 1.4 have no supremum or infimum, respectively.
- (2) $\mathbb{N} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$ is bounded below but has no least upper bound.
- (3) $E = \{1/n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}$ has that $\inf E = 0 \notin E$.

1.12 Definition.

An ordered set has the least upper bound property if whenever $E \subseteq S$ is nonempty and bounded above, then $\sup E$ exists. Define symmetrically the greatest lower bound property.

1.13 Example.

\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{Z} have the greatest upper bound property. \mathbb{Q} does not.

1.14 Theorem.

Let S be an ordered set with the least upper bound property and let $B \subseteq S$ is nonempty and bounded below. Let L be the set of all lower bounds of B . Then $\sup L$ exists and is equal to $\inf B$, which exists.

1.15 Proof.

$L \neq \emptyset$ since B is bounded below. Since $y \leq x$ for every $y \in L, x \in B$, then every $x \in B$ is an upper bound of L . Thus L is bounded above since B is nonempty, so $\sup L$ exists by

the least upper bound property. Since every $x \in B$ is an upper bound of L , $\sup L \leq x$ for every $x \in B$, so $\sup L$ is a lower bound of B . For any lower bound $y \in L$ of B , $y \leq \sup L$, so $\sup L = \inf B$.

1.16 Remark.

A set S has the least upper bound property iff it has the greatest lower bound property.

1.17 Definition.

A field $(F, +, \cdot)$ is a set F equipped with two binary operations $+ : F \times F \rightarrow F$ and $\cdot : F \times F \rightarrow F$ that satisfy the field axioms: For any $x, y, z \in F$,

- (1) (Closure) $x + y \in F$ and $x \cdot y \in F$.
- (2) (Commutativity) $x + y = y + x$ and $x \cdot y = y \cdot x$.
- (3) (Associativity) $(x + y) + z = x + (y + z)$ and $(x \cdot y) \cdot z = x \cdot (y \cdot z)$.
- (4) (Identity) There exists two symbols $0, 1 \in F$ with $0 \neq 1$ such that $0 + x = x$ and $1 \cdot x = x$.
- (5) (Inverse) There exists $-x \in F$ such that $x + (-x) = 0$ for any x , and there exists $1/x \in F$ such that $x \cdot 1/x = 1$ for any $x \neq 0$.
- (6) (Distributivity) $x \cdot (y + z) = xy + xz$.

1.18 Example.

- (1) \mathbb{Q} with $+$ and \cdot defined normally as a field.
- (2) $\{0, 1\}$ is the trivial field.
- (3) \mathbb{Z} is not a field because it does not have multiplicative inverses.

1.19 Remark.

Fields are interesting because any statement proven about a general field F must hold in any field such as $\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}$ (to be defined later).

1.20 Definition.

An ordered field is a field F equipped with an order $<$ such that for $x, y, z \in F$,

- (1) $x + y < x + z$ if $y < z$.
- (2) $xy > 0$ if $x, y > 0$.

$x > 0$ is said to be positive and $x < 0$ is said to be negative.

1.21 Theorem.

There exists an ordered field \mathbb{R} with the least upper bound property. Moreover, $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$. The elements of \mathbb{R} are called the real numbers.

1.22 Proof.

The proof is delayed until the end of the course (though the tools already exist to prove it).

1.23 Theorem.

\mathbb{R} has the follow properties:

- (1) (Archimedean property) Lorem ipsum.
- (2) (Density of \mathbb{Q}) Lorem ipsum.
- (3) (Existence of roots) Lorem ipsum.

1.24 Proof.

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1.25 Lemma.

(Reverse triangle inequality) If $x, y \in \mathbb{C}$, then

$$||x| - |y|| \leq |x - y|.$$

Indeed, this inequality holds in any metric space (X, d) .

1.26 Proof.

$$||x| - |y|| = ||x - y + y| - |y|| \leq ||x - y|| + |y| - |y| = |x - y|.$$

2.0 Section.

Sequences and series.

2.1 Definition.

Let (X, d) be a metric space. A sequence $(x_n) \subseteq X$ converges in X if there is a point $x \in X$ such that for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there is an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq N$ implies that $x_n \in B(x, \varepsilon)$. x is said to be the limit of (x_n) . If (x_n) does not converge, then it diverges.

2.2 Remark.

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2.3 Example.

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2.4 Theorem.

Let (X, d) be a metric space and $x_n \subseteq X$.

- (1) Limits are unique.
- (2) Convergent sequences are bounded.
- (3) $x_n \rightarrow x$ iff every neighborhood of x contains all but finitely many of the (x_n) .
- (4) If $E \subseteq X$ and $x \in E'$, then there is a sequence $(x_n) \subseteq E$ such that $x_n \rightarrow x$.

2.5 Proof.

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2.6 Theorem.

Suppose $(x_n), (y_n) \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ with $x_n \rightarrow x$ and $y_n \rightarrow y$. Then

- (1) $(x_n + y_n) \rightarrow x + y$.
- (2) $(x_n y_n) \rightarrow xy$.
- (3) $(1/x_n) \rightarrow 1/x$ if $x_n, x \neq 0$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

2.7 Theorem.

Suppose $(x_n), (y_n) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^k$ and $(c_n) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ with $x_n \rightarrow x, y_n \rightarrow y$ in \mathbb{R}^k and $c_n \rightarrow c$ in \mathbb{R} .

- (1) If $x_n = (a_n^1, \dots, a_n^k)$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then

$$x_n \rightarrow (a^1, \dots, a^n) \iff a_n^i \rightarrow a^i$$

for every $i = 1, \dots, k$.

(2) $(x_n + y_n) \rightarrow x + y$ and $(x_n y_n) \rightarrow xy$ and $(c_n x_n) \rightarrow cx$.

2.8 Proof.

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2.9 Definition.

Let (X, d) be a metric space and $(x_n) \subseteq X$. For a sequence $(n_k) \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ such that $1 \leq n_k < n_{k+1}$ for every $k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, the sequence $(x_{n_k}) \subseteq (x_n)$ is a subsequence of (x_n) . If (x_{n_k}) converges in X , then its limit is called a subsequential limit.

2.10 Theorem.

Let (X, d) be a metric space and $(x_n) \subseteq X$. Then $(x_n \rightarrow x)$ iff every subsequence of (x_n) converges to x .

2.11 Proof.

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2.12 Theorem.

(Bolzano-Weierstrauss) Let (X, d) be a compact metric space and $(x_n) \subseteq X$. Then $(x_n) \subseteq X$ has a convergent subsequence. In particular, every bounded subsequence in \mathbb{R}^k has a convergent subsequence.

2.13 Proof.

If the range of (x_n) is finite, then there is an $a \in (x_n)$ that appears infinitely many times. Taking the constant subsequence $(a) \subseteq (x_n)$ gives a convergent subsequence.

If the range of (x_n) is infinite, then it has a limit point $x \in X$ since X is compact. Since x is a limit point, for $k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, choose $x_{n_k} \in (x_n)$ with $d(x_{n_k}, x) < 1/k$. Choosing these n_k such that $1 \leq n_k < n_{k+1}$ for $k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ gives a subsequence (x_{n_k}) converging to x .

If $(x_n) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^k$ is bounded, then it is contained in a compact n -cell, so the arguments above hold.

2.14 Theorem.

Let (X, d) be a metric space and $(x_n) \subseteq X$. The set of subsequential limits of (x_n) is closed.

2.15 Proof.

Let $E \subseteq X$ be the set of subsequential limits of (x_n) . If E is empty or finite, then it has no limit points, so it is closed. Suppose, then, that E is infinite. Let $x \in E$ be a limit point of E . Fix $n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_{n_1} \neq x$ and note that for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$, there is some $x^k \in E$ such that $d(x^k, x) < 2^{-k}d(x_{n_1}, x)$ since x is a limit point of E . As $x^k \in E$ for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$, inductively choose $n_k > n_{k-1} \geq 1$ such that $d(x_{n_k}, x^k) < 2^{-k}d(x_{n_1}, x)$. (Since $x^k \in E$, there is a subsequence of (x_n) converging to it.) Thus,

$$d(x_{n_k}) \leq d(x_{n_k}, x^k) + d(x^k, x) < 2^{-k}d(x_{n_1}, x) + 2^{-k}d(x_{n_1}, x) = 2^{1-k}d(x_{n_1}, x),$$

so that $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$. Hence $x \in E$.

2.16 Definition.

Let (X, d) be a metric space and $(x_n \subseteq X)$. (x_n) is Cauchy if for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there is some $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that if $m, n \geq N$, then $d(x_m, x_n) < \varepsilon$.

2.17 Theorem.

A convergent sequence is a Cauchy sequence.

2.18 Proof.

For every $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $d(x_n, x) < \varepsilon/2$ for every $n \geq N$. Thus, if $m, n \geq N$, then

$$d(x_m, x_n) \leq d(x_m, x) + d(x, x_n) < \varepsilon/2 + \varepsilon/2,$$

and hence (x_n) is a Cauchy sequence.

2.19 Theorem.

Let (X, d) be a compact metric space. Every Cauchy sequence in XS converges in X . Moreover, every Cauchy sequence is bounded and so every Cauchy sequence in \mathbb{R}^k converges.

2.20 Proof.

If $(x_n) \subseteq X$ is Cauchy, then for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $d(x_m, x_n) < \varepsilon/2$ if $m, n \geq N$. Also, since X is compact, there is a subsequence (x_{n_k}) of (x_n) such that $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$ for some $x \in X$. Hence, there is a $\tilde{N} \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $d(x_{n_k}, x) < \varepsilon/2$ for $k \geq \tilde{N}$. Thus for any $n \geq N$,

$$d(x_n, x) \leq d(x_n, x_{n_{\tilde{N}}}) + d(x_{n_{\tilde{N}}}, x) < \varepsilon/2 + \varepsilon/2,$$

and hence $x_n \rightarrow x$.

Moreover, even if X is not compact, but $(x_n) \subseteq X$ is Cauchy, then since $d(x_m, x_n) < 1$ for every $m, n \geq N$ for some $N \in \mathbb{N}$. Now setting

$$M = \max\{1, d(x, x_N), \dots, d(x_{N-1}, x_N)\} > 0,$$

so

$$d(x_n, x_N) < M$$

for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Hence, (x_n) is bounded. Finally, if $(x_n) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^k$ is Cauchy, then it is bounded, so it is contained in a compact n -cell. Hence, (x_n) converges.

2.21 Definition.

A metric space is complete if every Cauchy sequence is convergent.

2.22 Remark.

Every compact metric space is complete. The converse is not true.

2.23 Example.

\mathbb{Q} is not complete.

2.24 Definition.

A sequence is monotone if it is increasing or decreasing. That is, if, $x_n \leq x_{n+1}$ or if $x_{n+1} \leq x_n$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. The terms strictly increasing/decreasing are used if the inequality is strict.

2.25 Theorem.

A monotone sequence converges iff it is bounded.

2.26 Proof.

(\Rightarrow) If (x_n) is not bounded, then it is not convergent.

(\Leftarrow) If (x_n) is monotone increasing and bounded, then the set $E = \{x_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is bounded and thus $\sup E$ exists such that $x_n \leq \sup E$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. For $\varepsilon > 0$, there is some $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_n \in B(\sup E, \varepsilon)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. (Otherwise, $\sup E$ would not be the supremum.) Hence, $x_n \rightarrow \sup E$. If instead (x_n) is monotone decreasing and bounded, simply consider $(-x_n)$.

2.27 Theorem.

(Squeeze) If $(x_n), (y_n), (z_n) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ are sequences with $x_n \rightarrow x, y_n \rightarrow y, z_n \rightarrow z$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $x \leq y \leq z$.

2.28 Proof.

It suffices to show that $x \leq y$. Suppose that $y \leq x$ and fix N, \tilde{N} such that

$$|x_n - x| < \frac{x - y}{2} \text{ and } |y_n - y| < \frac{x - y}{2}$$

for $n \geq \max\{N, \tilde{N}\}$. Thus for $n \geq \max\{N, \tilde{N}\}$,

$$y_n < \frac{x+y}{2} < x_n,$$

a contradiction.

2.29 Theorem.

A sequence diverges to $+\infty$ if for each $M \in \mathbb{R}$, there is an $N \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $x_n \geq M$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Symmetrically define when a sequence diverges to $-\infty$.

2.30 Definition.

Let $(x_n) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be a sequence and E be the set of subsequential limits (including $\pm\infty$) of (x_n) . Denote the upper and lower limits (or limit superior and limit inferior) of (x_n) by

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n) = \sup E \text{ and } \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n) = \inf E.$$

Equivalently, define

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\sup_{m \geq n} \{x_m\}) \text{ and } \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\inf_{m \geq n} \{x_m\}).$$

2.31 Theorem.

Let $(x_n) \in \mathbb{R}$ be a sequence and E the set of subsequential limits (including $\pm\infty$) of (x_n) .

(1) $\limsup(x_n), \liminf(x_n) \in E$.

(2) If $\limsup(x_n) < x$, then there is some $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_n < x$ for all $n \geq N$. A symmetric statement holds for if $\liminf(x_n) > x$.

Moreover, $\limsup(x_n), \liminf(x_n)$ are the only two numbers satisfying (1) and (2).

2.32 Proof.

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2.33 Remark.

(1) $\limsup(-x_n) = -\liminf(x_n)$.

(2) $(x_n), (y_n) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ are such that $x_n \leq y_n$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} (y_n) \text{ and } \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n) \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (y_n).$$

(3) $x_n \rightarrow x$ iff

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

2.34 Example.

- (1) Let $\mathbb{Q} = (x_n)$. Then $\liminf(x_n) = -\infty$ and $\limsup(x_n) = +\infty$.
- (2) If $(y_n) = ((-1)^n(1 + 1/n))$, then $\liminf(x_n) = -1$ and $\limsup(x_n) = 1$.

2.35 Definition.

Given a sequence $(x_n) \subseteq \mathbb{C}$, denote the n th partial sum

$$S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k.$$

If the sequence $(S_n) \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ converges, then the series

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_k$$

converges. Thus $S_n \rightarrow S$ means $\sum x_k = S$. If $(S_n) \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ diverges, then the series diverges.

2.36 Theorem.

$\sum x_k$ converges iff for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there is an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $m, n > N$ implies that

$$\left| \sum_{k=n}^m x_k \right| < \varepsilon.$$

2.37 Proof.

This follows since convergent is equivalent to Cauchy in $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{C}$.

3.0 Section.

Continuity.

3.1 Definition.

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3.2 Example.

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3.3 Remark.

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3.4 Definition.

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3.5 Remark.

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3.6 Definition.

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3.7 Remark.

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3.8 Theorem.

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3.9 Proof.

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3.10 Remark.

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3.11 Theorem.

 Compositions of continuous functions are continuous.

3.12 Proof.

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3.13 Theorem.

- (1) If $f, g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ are continuous, then so are $f + g$, fg , and f/g (if $g \neq 0$).
- (2) If $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ is continuous iff it is componentwise-wise continuous.
- (3) If $f, g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ are continuous, then so are $f + g$, $f \cdot g$, and λf for $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$.

3.14 Proof.

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3.15 Examples.

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3.16 Theorem.

Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be continuous from a compact metric space X . Then $f(X)$ is compact.

3.17 Proof.

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3.18 Remark.

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3.19 Theorem.

Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a continuous bijection from a compact metric space X . Then $f^{-1} : Y \rightarrow X$ is continuous.

3.20 Proof.

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3.21 Example.

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3.22 Theorem.

If $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ is continuous from a compact metric space X , then $f(X)$ is closed and bounded.

3.23 Proof.

This theorem follows from Heine-Borel theorem.

3.24 Theorem.

(Extreme value) If $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a continuous map from a compact metric space X , then there are $x, y \in X$ such that

$$f(x) = \inf f(X) \text{ and } f(y) = \sup f(X).$$

3.25 Proof.

If X is nonempty, then $f(X)$ is bounded and nonempty, so $\inf f(X), \sup f(X)$ exist. Moreover, since $f(X)$ is closed, $\inf f(X), \sup f(X) \in \overline{f(X)} = f(X)$.

3.26 Definition.

Let $(X, d_X), (Y, d_Y)$ be metric spaces and $f : X \rightarrow Y$. f is uniformly continuous on X if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there is $\delta > 0$ such that $d_X(x, y) < \delta$ implies $d_Y(f(x), f(y)) < \varepsilon$ for every $x, y \in X$.

3.27 Example.

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3.28 Theorem.

If $f : X \rightarrow Y$, is continuous and X is compact, then f is uniformly continuous.

3.29 Proof.

For $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a $\delta_X > 0$ such that $d_X(x, y) < \delta_X$ implies that $d_Y(f(x), f(y)) < \varepsilon/2$. Take the open cover

$$X = \bigcup_{x \in X} B(x, \delta_x)$$

with finite subcover

$$X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n B(x_i, \delta_i)$$

and set

$$\delta = \frac{1}{2} \min\{\delta_1, \dots, \delta_n\} > 0.$$

If $x, y \in X$, then $y \in B(x_i, \delta_i)$ for some $i = 1, \dots, n$, so $d_X(x, y) < \delta$ implies that

$$d_X(x, x_i) \leq d_X(x, y) + d_X(y, x_i) < \delta + \delta_i/2 < \delta_i$$

so that

$$d_Y(f(x), f(y)) \leq d_Y(f(x), f(x_i)) + d_Y(f(y), f(x_i)) < \varepsilon/2 + \varepsilon/2.$$

Thus, f is uniformly continuous on X .

3.30 Theorem.

Let $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be noncompact.

- (1) There is an unbounded continuous function on E .
- (2) There is a continuous bounded function on E with no maximum.
- (3) If E is bounded, then there is a continuous function on E that is uniformly continuous on E .

3.31 Proof.

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3.32 Remark.

- (3) fails if E is unbounded by considering any function on \mathbb{Z} . (Every such function is uniformly continuous!)

3.33 Theorem.

If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous and X is connected, then $f(X)$ is connected.

3.34 Proof.

If $f(X)$ is not connected, then there are disjoint nonempty open sets $A, B \subseteq U$ such that $f(X) \in A \cup B$. Since f is continuous, $f^{-1}(A), f^{-1}(B) \subseteq X$ are disjoint nonempty sets in X that union to X , a contradiction of the connectedness of X .

3.35 Theorem.

(Intermediate value) If $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous and $z \in ((f(a), f(b)))$ (or $(f(b), f(a))$), then there is a $x \in (a, b)$ such that $f(x) = z$.

3.36 Proof.

By Theorem 3.33, $f([a, b])$, is connected. So if $f(a) < z < f(b)$, then $z \in f([a, b])$, so there is an $a \neq x \neq b$ in X with $f(x) = z$.

3.37 Definition.

If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is not continuous at $x \in X$, then f has a discontinuity at x .

3.38 Example.

The Heaviside function

$$H(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

is discontinuous at 0.

3.39 Definition.

Let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow Y$ and $a \leq x \leq b$. Then

$$f(x^+) = \lim_{t \rightarrow x^+} f(t) \text{ and } f(x^-) = \lim_{t \rightarrow x^-} f(t)$$

are the right- and left-hand limits of f at x , respectively, if $f(t_n) \rightarrow f(x^+)$ for all sequences $(t_n) \subseteq (x, b)$ and $(t_n) \subseteq (a, x)$, respectively, converging to x

3.40 Remark.

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow x} f(t)$$

exists iff

$$f(x^-) = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} f(t) = f(x^+).$$

3.41 Example.

Let H be the Heaviside function. Then $H(0^+) = 1$ and $H(0^-) = 0$, so the limit of H as $t \rightarrow 0$ does not exist.

3.42 Definition.

Let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow Y$ be discontinuous at $x \in [a, b]$.

- (1) x is a discontinuity of the first kind if $f(x^+), f(x^-)$ exist.
- (2) x is a discontinuity of the second kind otherwise.

3.43 Example.

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3.44 Definition.

$f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is monotone if it is either increasing or decreasing, i.e., if $f(x) \leq f(y)$ or $f(y) \leq f(x)$ for $a < x \leq y < b$.

3.45 Remark.

If f is both increasing and decreasing, then f is constant.

3.46 Theorem.

Let $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be monotone increasing. Then $f(x^+), f(x^-)$ exist for every $x \in (a, b)$. Moreover,

(1)

$$\sup_{a < t < x} f(t) = f(x^-) \leq f(x) \leq f(x^+) = \inf_{x < t < b} f(t).$$

(2) $f(x^+) \leq f(y^-)$ for $a < x < y < b$.

3.47 Proof.

Lorem ipsum.

3.48 Remark.

Monotone functions have only discontinuities of the first kind.

3.49 Theorem.

Monotone functions have at most countably many discontinuities.

3.50 Example.

Lorem ipsum.

4.0 Definition.

A norm on a vector space V over \mathbb{C} is a map $\|\cdot\| : V \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that for $x, y \in V$,

(1)

$$\|x\| = 0$$

iff $x = 0$.

(2)

$$\|\lambda x\| = |\lambda| \|x\|$$

for any $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$.

$$(3) \|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|.$$

$(V, \|\cdot\|)$ is called a normed vector space.

4.1 Example.

4.2 Remark.

Any norm defines a metric since $d : V \times V \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ may be defined by

$$d(x, y) = \|x - y\|$$

for $x, y \in V$. This is the induced metric on V . If V is complete with respect to its induced metric, then V is a Banach space.

4.3 Example.

$(\mathbb{R}, |\cdot|)$ is Banach space. $(\mathbb{Q}, |\cdot|)$ is not.

4.4 Definition.

Let $(x_n) \subseteq V$ be a sequence in a normed vector space. The series $\sum x_n$ is said to converge in V if the sequence S_n of partial sums converges to some $x \in X$, i.e., if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| x - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right\| = 0.$$

4.5 Theorem.

$(V, \|\cdot\|)$ is a Banach space iff $\sum x_n$ converges in V whenever $\sum \|x_n\|$ converges in \mathbb{R} .

4.6 Proof.

(\Rightarrow) If $(V, \|\cdot\|)$ is Banach and $\sum \|x_n\|$ converges, then for $\varepsilon > 0$, set

$$S_n = \sum_{i=1}^N x_i \text{ and } T_N = \sum_{i=1}^N \|x_i\|.$$

$(T_N) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is Cauchy, so

$$\|S_m - S_n\| \leq |T_m - T_n| < \varepsilon$$

for $m > n$ sufficiently large. Hence, $(S_N) \subseteq V$ is Cauchy and thus converges in V .

(\Leftarrow) If $\sum x_n$ converges whenever $\sum \|x_n\|$ does, let $(y_n) \subseteq V$ be Cauchy so that for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$, there is an $N_k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\|y_m - y_n\| < 2^{-k}$ if $m, n \geq N_k$. Setting $x_1 = y_{N_1}$ and $x_j = y_{N_j} - y_{N_{j-1}}$ for $j \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ gives that

$$\|x_j\| = \|y_{N_j} - y_{N_{j-1}}\| < 2^{-j+1}$$

and that for $k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$,

$$S_k = \sum_{i=1}^k x_i = y_{N_k}.$$

Now note that for $k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$,

$$\sum_{i=1}^k \|x_i\| \leq \|x_1\| + \sum_{i=2}^k 2^{-i+1} < \|x_1\| + 1,$$

so

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^k \|x_i\| \right) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$$

is bounded and increasing and therefore convergent. By assumption, $\sum x_i$ converges, so

$$(S_k) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^k x_i \right) = (y_{N_k})$$

converges to some $y \in V$. Thus (y_n) is a Cauchy sequence in V with a convergent subsequence. An $\varepsilon/2$ argument shows that (y_n) converges also, so V is Banach.

4.7 Remark.

Any finite dimensional vector space is isomorphic to some Euclidean space. Does this isomorphism preserve the norm structure?

4.8 Definition.

Two norms $\|\cdot\|_1$ and $\|\cdot\|_2$ on a vector space V are equivalent if there exist $A, B > 0$ such that

$$A\|x\|_1 \leq \|x\|_2 \leq B\|x\|_1$$

for all $x \in V$.

4.9 Theorem.

All norms on finite dimensional vector spaces are equivalent.

4.10 Proof.

First note that the equivalence of norms is an equivalence relation. Choose a basis $\{e_i\}_{i=1}^n$ for V n -dimensional and define the norm

$$\left\| \sum_{j=1}^n a_j e_j \right\|_1 = \sum_{j=1}^n |a_j|$$

for $\{a_j\}_{j=1}^n \subseteq \mathbb{R}$. It thus suffices to show that any norm $\|\cdot\|_2$ is equivalent to $\|\cdot\|_1$. Note that if $x = 0$, there is nothing to show. Moreover, it suffices to show that

$$A\|u\|_1 \leq \|u\|_2 \leq B\|u\|_1$$

for $u \in V$ with $\|u\|_1 = 1$.

By the reverse triangle inequality, if

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i e_i \text{ and } y = \sum_{i=1}^n b_i e_i,$$

then

$$|\|x\|_2 - \|y\|_2| \leq \|x - y\|_2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |a_i - b_i| \|e_i\|_2 \leq \|x - y\|_1 \max_{i=0, \dots, n} \{\|e_i\|\}_2.$$

Thus for $\varepsilon > 0$, choose

$$\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{\max\{\|e_i\|_2\}}$$

such that $\|x - y\|_1 < \delta$ implies that $|\|x\|_2 - \|y\|_2| < \varepsilon$. Hence, the map $\|\cdot\|_2 : (V, \|\cdot\|_1) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is continuous.

$S = \{x \in V \mid \|x\|_1 = 1\}$ is compact. Indeed, consider

$$T = \left\{ (a_1, \dots, a_n) \subseteq \mathbb{R} \mid \sum_{i=1}^n |a_i| = 1 \right\}$$

and the map $f : T \rightarrow S$ defined by

$$f(a_1, \dots, a_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i e_i.$$

Since T is closed and bounded and thus compact by Heine-Borel Theorem, S is compact if f is continuous. For $\varepsilon > 0$, choose $\delta = \varepsilon/\sqrt{n}$ so that

$$|(a_1, \dots, a_n) - (b_1, \dots, b_n)| < \varepsilon/\sqrt{n}$$

implies that

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i - b_i) e_i \right\|_1 \leq \sqrt{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |a_i - b_i|^2 \right)^{1/2} < \varepsilon.$$

So f is continuous and S is compact. Now by Extreme Value Theorem, the image of $\|\cdot\|_2$ is bounded, so

$$A\|u\|_1 \leq \|u\|_2 \leq B\|u\|_1$$

for every $y \in S$.

4.11 Remark.

All finite normed vector spaces are the same as R^n with the absolute value. Thus, the only interesting vector spaces are those of infinite dimension. The proof relies on the fact that the unit sphere is compact in finite dimensional vector spaces. This holds iff the space is finite dimension.

4.12 Definition.

$f : [a, b] : \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable at $x \in [a, b]$ if the derivative of f at x

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x}$$

exists. If f is differentiable at every $x \in E \subseteq [a, b]$, then f is differentiable on E and let $f' : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function.

4.13 Theorem.

If $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable at $x \in [a, b]$, then f is continuous at x .

4.14 Proof.

If $t \neq x$, then

$$f(t) - f(x) = \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x}(t - x) \rightarrow f'(x)(t - x) = 0$$

as $t \rightarrow x$. Hence, f is continuous at x .

4.15 Example.

$f(x) = |x|$ is continuous at 0 but not differentiable at 0.

4.16 Theorem.

If $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are differentiable at x , then

- (1) $(f + g)'(x) = f'(x) + g'(x)$.
- (2) (Product rule) $(fg)'(x) = f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$.

4.17 Proof.

(1) The statement follows from limit laws.

(2) Note that

$$f(t)g(t) - f(x)g(x) = f(t)(g(t) - g(x)) + g(x)(f(t) - f(x)),$$

so dividing that by $(t - x)$ and letting $t \rightarrow x$ gives the product rule.

4.18 Example.

The product rule gives that $(x^n)' = nx^{n-1}$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ (with $x \neq 0$ for $n \leq 0$), so polynomials and rational functions are differentiable.

4.19 Theorem.

(Chain rule) If $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous and f' exists for some $x \in [a, b]$, and $g : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable at $f(x) \in I$, then

$$(g \circ f)'(x) = f'(x)g'(f(x)).$$

4.20 Proof.

By definition, there are $u(t), v(s) \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow x, s \rightarrow f(x)$ so that

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) - f(x) &= (t - x)(f'(x) + u(t)) \\ g(s) - g(f(x)) &= (s - f(x))(g'(f(x)) + v(s)). \end{aligned}$$

Setting $s = f(t)$,

$$\begin{aligned} g(f(t)) - g(f(x)) &= (f(t) - f(x))(g'(f(x)) + v(f(t))) \\ &= (t - x)(f'(x) + u(t))(g'(f(x)) + v(f(t))). \end{aligned}$$

Dividing both sides by $(t - x)$ and letting $t \rightarrow x$ gives the chain rule.

4.21 Example.

(Quotient rule)

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)' &= (f(g)^{-1})' \\ &= f'(g)^{-1} - f(g)^{-2}g' \\ &= \frac{f'g - fg'}{g^2}. \end{aligned}$$

4.22 Example.

Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin(1/x) & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

Then for $x \neq 0$,

$$f'(x) = 2x \sin(1/x) - \cos(1/x).$$

At $x = 0$, if $t \neq 0$, then

$$\left| \frac{f(t) - f(0)}{t} \right| = |t \sin(1/t)| \leq |t|,$$

so

$$f'(0) = 0.$$

But

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos(1/x)$$

does not exist, so f' is not continuous.

4.23 Definition.

$f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ has a local maximum at $x \in X$ if there is some δ such that $d(x, y)\delta$ implies that $f(y) \leq f(x)$. The local minimum is defined symmetrically.

4.24 Theorem.

(Fermat's) If $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ has a local extremum at $x \in (a, b)$ and $f'(x)$ exists, then $f'(x) = 0$.

4.25 Proof.

Suppose, without loss of generality, that $x \in X$ is a local maximum. Thus, there is some $\delta > 0$ such that $y \in B(x, \delta)$ implies $f(y) \leq f(x)$. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} &\geq 0 && \text{if } t \in (x - \delta, x) \\ \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t - x} &\leq 0 && \text{if } t \in (x, x + \delta). \end{aligned}$$

So if $f'(x)$ exists, it must be zero.

4.26 Theorem.

(Mean value) If $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are continuous functions that are differentiable on (a, b) , then there is some $\xi \in (a, b)$ such that

$$(f(b) - f(a))g'(\xi) = (g(b) - g(a))f'(\xi).$$

In particular, if $g(x) = x$, then

$$f'(\xi) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}.$$

4.27 Proof.

Let

$$h(x) = (f(b) - f(a))g(x) - (g(b) - g(a))f(x)$$

so that h is continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) . If h is constant, then $h'(x) = 0$ for all $x \in (a, b)$. Otherwise, if h is not constant, then

$$h(a) = h(b) = f(b)g(a) - g(b)f(a),$$

so there must be some local extremum $x \in (a, b)$ so that by the previous result $h'(x) = 0$.

4.28 Remark.

Mean Value Theorem shows that

- (1) $f' \geq 0$ implies that f is increasing.
- (2) $f' = 0$ implies that f is constant.
- (3) $f' \leq 0$ implies that f is decreasing.

4.29 Theorem.

(L'Hopital's rule) Let $f, g : (a, b)$ (a, b can be $\pm\infty$) be differentiable and $g(x) \neq 0$ for $x \in (a, b)$. If

$$\frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} \rightarrow A \in \overline{\mathbb{R}}$$

as $x \rightarrow a$ or $x \rightarrow b$ and either $f(x), g(x) \rightarrow 0$ or $g(x) \rightarrow \infty$ as $x \rightarrow a$ or $x \rightarrow b$, then

$$\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \rightarrow A \in \overline{\mathbb{R}}$$

as $x \rightarrow a$ or $x \rightarrow b$.

4.30 Proof.

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4.31 Theorem.

(Darboux's) If $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable and $z \in (f'(a), f'(b))$ (or $(f'(b), f'(a))$), then there is some $x \in (a, b)$ such that $f'(x) = z$.

4.32 Proof.

Let $g(x) = f(x) - zx$ such that both

$$\begin{aligned} g'(a) &= f'(a) - z < 0 \\ g'(b) &= f'(b) - z > 0, \end{aligned}$$

and thus a, b are not extrema of g . Hence, by the Extreme Value Theorem, g has a local extremum $x \in (a, b)$, which by Fermat's theorem, implies that $g'(x) = 0$ iff $f'(x) = z$.

4.33 Remark.

Darboux's theorem says that the derivative of a function cannot have discontinuities of the first kind.

4.34 Theorem.

(Taylor's) Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $n \in Z_+$ and $f^{(n-1)}$ be continuous on $[a, b]$ and $f^{(n)}$ be defined on (a, b) . Then if $\alpha, \beta \in [a, b]$ with $\alpha \neq \beta$, then

$$f(\beta) = \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{f^{(k)}(\alpha)}{k!} (\beta - \alpha)^k + \frac{f^{(n)}(\xi)}{n!} (\beta - \alpha)^n$$

for some $\xi \in (\alpha, \beta)$. Denote

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

the $(n - 1)$ th order Taylor polynomial of f at α .

4.35 Remark.

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4.36 Proof.

Lorem ipsum.

4.37 Definition.

$f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is real analytic if $f^{(n)}$ exists on (a, b) for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ (i.e., f is smooth) and for every $y \in (a, b)$,

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(y)}{k!} (x - y)^k$$

(i.e., if f is the limit of its Taylor polynomials).

4.38 Example.

(1) Polynomials, exponentials, trigonometric functions, and logarithms are real analytic.

(2) $|x|$ is not real analytic as it is not differentiable.

(3) Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \exp(1/x) & \text{if } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

Then f is smooth and $f^{(b)}(0) = 0$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Thus, any Taylor polynomial of f at 0 is 0, but $f(\varepsilon) > 0$ for every $\varepsilon > 0$, so f is not real analytic.

4.39 Remark.

The definition of derivatives for functions $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ or to \mathbb{C} makes sense provided the correct interpretation of norms and points. All the rules (sum, product chain, differentiable implies continuous) hold with the correct interpretation (e.g., if \mathbb{R}^n then $f \cdot g$ the dot product for the product rule).

4.40 Remark.

If $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, then $f = f_1 + i f_2$ for $f_1, f_2 : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, so $f' = f'_1 + i f'_2$. Therefore, f is differentiable iff f_1, f_2 are differentiable. Similarly, if $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, then $f = (f_1, \dots, f_n)$ for $f_1, \dots, f_n : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ so that $f' = (f'_1, \dots, f'_n)$. Therefore, f is differentiable iff f_1, \dots, f_n are.

4.41 Example.

The Mean Value Theorem and its consequences fail in the multivariate setting.

(1) If $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is defined by $f(\theta) = \exp(i\theta)$, then $f(0) = f(2\pi)$. But $|f'(\theta)| = 1$ for any $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$, so the Mean Value Theorem fails.

(2) If $g : (0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is defined by $g(x) = x + x^2 \exp(1/x^2)$ and $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is defined by $f(x) = x$, then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = 1.$$

But

$$g'(x) = 1 + (2x - 2i/x) \exp(1/x^2)$$

so that

$$|g'(x)| \geq -1 + |2x - 2i/x| \geq -12/x,$$

so

$$|f'(x)/g'(x)| = 1/|g'(x)| \leq x/(2-x)$$

implies that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = 0,$$

so L'Hopital's rule fails too.

4.42 Remark.

Note that the Mean Value Theorem implies that for differentiable $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,

$$|f(b) - f(a)| \leq (b-a) \sup_{a < x < b} |f'(x)|.$$

Even though the Mean Value Theorem does not hold for multivariate functions, an analogous statement to the above holds.

4.43 Theorem.

If $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a continuous function that is differentiable on (a, b) , then there is an $x \in (a, b)$ such that

$$|f(b) - f(a)| \leq (b - a)|f'(x)|.$$

4.44 Proof.

Let $z = f(b) - f(a)$ and define $g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by setting $g(t) = z \cdot f(t)$. Then g is a continuous function that is differentiable on (a, b) so the Mean Value Theorem implies that

$$g(b) - g(a) = (b - a)g'(x) = (b - a)(z \cdot f'(x))$$

for some $x \in (a, b)$. Note that

$$g(b) - g(a) = z \cdot (f(b) - f(a)) = z \cdot z = |z|^2$$

and thus

$$|z|^2 \leq (b - a)(z \cdot f'(x)).$$

By the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality,

$$|z \cdot f'(x)| \leq |z||f'(x)|,$$

so

$$|z|^2 \leq (b - a)|z \cdot f'(x)| \leq (b - a)|z||f'(x)|.$$

Thus, even if $z = 0$,

$$|z| \leq (b - a)|f'(x)|,$$

as desired.

5.0 Section.

Sequences and series of functions.

5.1 Definition.

Given a sequence of (f_n) of \mathbb{C} -valued functions on a metric space (X, d) such that $\lim f_n(x)$ exists for every $x \in X$, then define the limit $\lim f_n$ to be the function $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ such that

$$f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)$$

for every $x \in X$. (f_n) is said to converge pointwise to f

5.2 Remark.

Do limits/sums of functions preserve the properties of the sequence? If (f_n) is a sequence of continuous/differentiable functions, then is the limit/sum continuous/differentiable? Moreover, is (f'_n) related to f' ?

Recall that f is continuous at x iff $f(t) \rightarrow f(x)$ as $t \rightarrow x$. Thus, asking whether the limit of continuous functions is continuous is the same as asking if

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{t \rightarrow x} f_n(t),$$

namely if it is possible to "swap limits".

5.3 Example.

Pointwise convergence is not sufficient to swap limits. Let $S_{m,n} = m/(m+n)$ for each $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. Then,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} S_{m,n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 = 1$$

while

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_{m,n} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} 0 = 0.$$

5.4 Example.

Pointwise convergence is not enough to guarantee continuity of limits! For $x \in \mathbb{R}$, let

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_n(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{(1+x^2)^n}.$$

Since $f_n(0) = 0$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $f(0) = 0$. If $x \neq 0$, then

$$f(x) = x^2 + \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} + \frac{x^2}{(1+x^2)^2} + \dots = 1 + x^2,$$

so

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ 1 + x^2 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases},$$

so f is not continuous!

5.5 Example.

For $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let

$$g_n(x) = \frac{\sin(nx)}{\sqrt{n}}$$

so that

$$g(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n(x) = 0$$

for every $x \in R$. But

$$g'_n = \sqrt{n} \cos(nx)$$

is such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g'_n(0) = \sqrt{n},$$

so g'_n does not converge pointwise to g' .

5.6 Definition.

Let (f_n) be a sequence of \mathbb{C} -valued functions on a metric space (X, d) . (f_n) converges uniformly on $E \subseteq X$ if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there is an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq N$ implies that

$$|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon$$

for every $x \in E$.

5.7 Remark.

Uniform convergence is stronger than pointwise convergence: $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly implies that $f_n \rightarrow f$ pointwise.

5.8 Theorem.

Let (f_n) be a sequence of \mathbb{C} -valued functions on a metric space (X, d) . (f_n) converges uniformly on $E \subseteq X$ iff (f_n) is uniformly Cauchy on E , namely iff for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there is an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $m, n \geq N$ implies that

$$|f_m(x) - f_n(x)| < \varepsilon$$

for every $x \in E$.

5.9 Proof.

(\Rightarrow) If $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on E and $\varepsilon > 0$, then there is an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq N$ implies that $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon/2$ for every $x \in E$. Hence, for $m, n \geq N$,

$$|f_m(x) - f_n(x)| \leq |f_m(x) - f(x)| + |f(x) - f_n(x)| < \varepsilon/2 + \varepsilon/2$$

for every $x \in E$, so (f_n) is uniformly Cauchy in E .

(\Leftarrow) If (f_n) is uniformly Cauchy on E and $\varepsilon > 0$, then there is an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $m, n \geq N$ implies that $|f_m - f_n| < \varepsilon/2$ for every $x \in E$. The sequence $(f_m(x))$ is Cauchy in \mathbb{C} for every $x \in E$, so

$$f(x) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} f_m(x)$$

exists for every $x \in E$. This means that if $m, n \geq N$, then for each $x \in E$,

$$|f_m(x) - f_n(x)| < \varepsilon/2 \implies -\varepsilon/2 < f_m(x) - f_n(x) < \varepsilon/2,$$

so that

$$-\varepsilon/2 \leq \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (f_m(x) - f_n(x)) = f(x) - f_n(x) \leq \varepsilon/2,$$

which means that

$$|f(x) - f_n(x)| < \varepsilon$$

for every $x \in E$, so $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on E .

5.10 Theorem.

Suppose that $f_n \rightarrow f$ pointwise on $E \subseteq X$. Then $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly iff $f_n \rightarrow f$ in the supremum norm, namely, if

$$\sup_{x \in E} |f_n(x) - f(x)| \rightarrow 0$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

5.11 Proof.

(\Rightarrow) If $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly then $\sup |f_n(x) - f(x)| \rightarrow 0$ by definition.

(\Leftarrow) If $\sup |f_n(x) - f(x)| \rightarrow 0$, then for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there is an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq N$ implies that $\sup |f_n(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon$. Hence, for $n \geq N$,

$$|f_n(x) - f(x)| \leq \sup_{x \in E} |f_n(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon$$

for every $x \in E$, so $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly.

5.12 Example.

The sequence of functions $f_n(x) = 1/(nx + 1)$ on $(0, 1) \supseteq \mathbb{R}$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is such that $f_n \rightarrow 0$ pointwise but for every n ,

$$|0 - f_n(x)| = \left| \frac{1}{nx + 1} \right|,$$

so choosing $x = 1/n \in (0, 1)$ has that

$$\left| 0 - f_n \left(\frac{1}{n} \right) \right| = \frac{1}{2}$$

for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. So f_n does not converge to 0 uniformly.

5.13 Theorem.

(Weierstrauss M-test) If (f_n) is a sequence of \mathbb{C} -valued functions on $E \subseteq X$ for a metric space (X, d) with $|f_n(x)| \leq M_n$ for every $x \in E, n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $\sum f_n$ converges uniformly if $\sum M_n$ converges.

5.14 Proof.

If $\sum M_n$ converges in \mathbb{R} , then its partial sums are Cauchy in \mathbb{R} . Hence, for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there is an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $m, n \geq N$ implies by the triangle equality that

$$\left| \sum_{i=m}^n f_i(x) \right| \leq \sum_{i=m}^n |f_i(x)| \leq \sum_{i=m}^n M_i < \varepsilon$$

so that the partial sums of $\sum f_n$ are uniformly Cauchy and hence uniformly convergent.

5.15 Example.

The converse statement to the Weierstrauss M-test fails in general. Choose the sequence of functions on \mathbb{R} defined by

$$f_n(x) = \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n}$$

for $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. Then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x) = \log 2$$

for every $x \in \mathbb{R}$. But $|f_n(x)| = 1/n$ for every $x \in X$, so setting $M_n = 1/n$ has that $\sum M_n$ diverges. Hence $\sum f_n$ converges uniformly but $\sum M_n$ diverges, so the converse fails.

5.16 Theorem.

Suppose that $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on $E \subseteq X$ for a metric space (X, d) and that $x \in X$ is a limit point of E and that $f_n(t) \rightarrow A_n$ as $t \rightarrow x$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then (A_n) converges and

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow x} f(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{t \rightarrow x} f_n(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n.$$

Moreover, if (f_n) is a sequence of continuous functions, then f is continuous also.

5.17 Proof.

Since $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly, the sequence is uniformly Cauchy, so for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there is an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $m, n \geq N$ implies that $|f_m(t) - f_n(t)| < \varepsilon/2$ for every $t \in E$. Sending $t \rightarrow x$, $m, n \geq N$ implies that

$$|A_m - A_n| \leq \varepsilon/2 < \varepsilon,$$

so (A_n) is uniformly Cauchy in \mathbb{C} and thus converges to $A \in \mathbb{C}$. Note that for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $t \in E$,

$$|f(t) - A| \leq |f(t) - f_n(t)| + |f_n(t) - A_n| + |A_n - A|$$

by the triangle inequality. For $\varepsilon > 0$, choose $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for $n \geq N$, both

$$|f(t) - f_n(t)| < \varepsilon/3$$

for every $t \in E$ (since $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly) and

$$|A_n - A| < \varepsilon/3$$

since $A_n \rightarrow A$. Finally, choose some neighborhood U of x in X such that

$$|f_n(t) - A_n| < \varepsilon/3$$

for all $t \in (U \cap E) \setminus \{x\}$. Combining these three inequalities,

$$|f(t) - A| < \varepsilon,$$

for every $t \in (U \cap E) \setminus \{x\}$, to get the desired conclusions.

5.18 Theorem.

(Dini's) Suppose that (f_n) be a sequence of \mathbb{R} -valued functions on a compact subset $K \subseteq X$ for a metric space (X, d) . If $f_n \rightarrow f$ pointwise, f_n continuous for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, f is continuous, and $f_n \geq f_{n+1}$ or \leq for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on K .

5.19 Proof.

Consider the sequence $(g_n) = (f_n - f)$. Then g_n is continuous for every $n \in N$ and $g_n \rightarrow 0$ pointwise and $g_n \geq g_{n+1}$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. For $\varepsilon > 0$, let

$$K_n = g_n^{-1}([\varepsilon, \infty))$$

(which is closed since g_n is continuous) for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Since K is compact, $K_n \subseteq K$ is compact also. If $x \in K_{n+1}$, then $\varepsilon \leq g_{n+1}(x) \leq g_n(x)$, so $x \in K_n$ also. Thus the $K_{n+1} \subseteq K_n$ are nested for $n \in N$. Now for each $x \in K$, $g_n(x) \rightarrow 0$ so that $x \notin K_n$ eventually. Thus $\cap K_n = \emptyset$, which means that $K_n = \emptyset$ eventually since the K_n are compact and nested. This means that there is some $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $K_n = \emptyset$ for all $n \geq N$, so $g_n < \varepsilon$ for all $n \geq N$ for all $x \in K$. Since $g_n \geq 0$ for every $n \geq 1$, this implies that $g_n \rightarrow 0$ uniformly which implies that $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly.

5.20 Remark.

(1) Compactness is necessary for Dini's Theorem as exhibited by the sequence $(f_n(x)) = (1/(nx + 1))$ on $(0, 1)$ with $f_n \geq f_{n+1}$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

(2) Monotonicity is necessary for Dini's Theorem as exhibited by the example of the sequence (g_n) on $[0, 1]$ defined by

$$g_n(x) = \begin{cases} nx & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1/n \\ 2 - nx & \text{if } 1/n \leq x \leq 2/n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Here, $g_n \rightarrow 0$ pointwise, but g_n does not converge to 0 uniformly.

5.21 Theorem.

The set of bounded continuous functions $\mathcal{C}(X)$ on a metric space (X, d) under the supremum norm is a complete metric space.

5.22 Proof.

$(f_n) \subseteq \mathcal{C}(X)$ is Cauchy iff it is uniformly Cauchy iff there is some $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ such that $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on X . Since (f_n) is a sequence of continuous functions, then f is continuous. Moreover, f is bounded because $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly implies that $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < 1$ for every $x \in X$ eventually. So $f \in \mathcal{C}(X)$ and since $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly, $d(f_n, f) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

5.23 Theorem.

Let (f_n) be a sequence of \mathbb{C} -valued functions differentiable on $[a, b]$ such that $f_n(x_0)$ converges for some $x_0 \in [a, b]$. If (f'_n) converges uniformly on $[a, b]$, then (f_n) converges uniformly on $[a, b]$ to a function f and

$$f'(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'_n(x)$$

for every $x \in [a, b]$.

5.24 Proof.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Since $(f_n(x_0))$ converges, it is Cauchy, so there is some $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $m, n \geq N$ implies that

$$|f_m(x_0) - f_n(x_0)| < \varepsilon/2$$

and since (f'_n) is uniformly convergent, it is uniformly Cauchy, so taking N potentially larger, $m, n \geq N$ implies that

$$|f'_m(t) - f'_n(t)| < \frac{1}{2} \frac{\varepsilon}{b-a}$$

for every $t \in [a, b]$. By the Mean Value Theorem, for any $x, t \in [a, b]$ there is some $\xi \in (x, t)$ (or $\xi \in (t, x)$) such that if $m, n \geq N$, then

$$|(f_m(x) - f_n(x)) - (f_m(t) - f_n(t))| = |x-t| |f'_m(\xi) - f'_n(\xi)| \leq \frac{1}{2} \frac{|x-t|}{b-a} \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \quad (*)$$

Hence for any $x \in [a, b]$, for $m, n \geq N$,

$$|f_m(x) - f_n(x)| \leq |(f_m(x) - f_n(x)) - (f_m(x_0) - f_n(x_0))| + |f_m(x_0) - f_n(x_0)| < \varepsilon/2 + \varepsilon/2$$

so that (f_n) is uniformly Cauchy and hence uniformly convergent on $[a, b]$. Let f be the limit of (f_n) and fix $x \in [a, b]$. Define for $t \in [a, b] \setminus \{x\}$ the functions

$$\varphi_n(t) = \frac{f_n(t) - f_n(x)}{t-x} \text{ and } \varphi(t) = \frac{f(t) - f(x)}{t-x}.$$

Note then that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \varphi_n(t) = f'_n(x)$$

for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. By (*),

$$|\varphi_m(t) - \varphi_m(x)| \leq \frac{1}{2} \frac{\varepsilon}{b-a}$$

for $m, n \geq \mathbb{N}$, so (φ_n) converges uniformly on $[a, b] \setminus \{x\}$ as it is uniformly Cauchy. As $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly, $\varphi_n \rightarrow \varphi$ on $[a, b] \setminus \{x\}$, and as x is a limit point of $[a, b] \setminus \{x\}$,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \varphi(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_n(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \varphi_n(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'_n(x)$$

so that

$$f'(x) = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} \varphi(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'_n(x)$$

for every $x \in [a, b]$.

5.25 Example.

If $(f_n(x_0))$ converging for some $x_0 \in [a, b]$ is not given, then (f_n) may not even converge. Consider the $(f_n) = n$ on $[0, 1]$ such that $f'_n = 0$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ but f_n diverges.

5.26 Theorem.

There is a continuous function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that is nowhere differentiable.

5.27 Proof.

Lorem ipsum.

5.28 Definition.

A sequence (f_n) of \mathbb{C} -valued functions on a metric space (X, d) is

- (1) pointwise bounded on X if there is some $\varphi : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $|f_n| \leq \varphi$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
- (2) uniformly bounded on X if there is some $M \geq 0$ such that $|f_n| \leq M$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

5.29 Remark.

Uniformly convergent implies uniformly bounded.

5.30 Remark.

If X is countable, then one can use the Cantor diagonalization argument to find a subsequence converging pointwise on X if the sequence is pointwise bounded.

5.31 Remark.

If (f_n) is uniformly bounded, it does not necessarily contain a pointwise convergent subsequence. This is shown in Rudin using the dominated convergence theorem on the sequence $(\sin(nx))$ on $[0, 2\pi]$.

5.32 Example.

Convergent uniformly bounded sequences do not necessarily contain uniformly convergent subsequences. Let (f_n) be defined by

$$f_n(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2 + (1 - nx)^2}$$

on $[0, 1]$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $|f_n(x)| \leq 1$ so (f_n) is uniformly bounded. Moreover, $f_n(x) \rightarrow 0$ for every $x \in [0, 1]$. But $f_n(1/n) = 1$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, so no subsequence converges uniformly.

5.33 Theorem.

If (f_n) is a pointwise bounded sequence of \mathbb{C} -valued functions on a countable metric space (X, d) , then there is a subsequence (f_{n_k}) that converges for every $x \in X$.

5.34 Proof.

Enumerate $X = (x_i)$. As $(f_n(x_1))$ is bounded, there is a subsequence (f_k^1) of (f_n) such that $f_k^1(x_1)$ converges as $k \rightarrow \infty$. As $f_k^1(x_2)$ is bounded, there is a subsequence (f_k^2) of (f_k^1) such that $(f_k^2(x_2))$ converges as $k \rightarrow \infty$. Continuing inductively, consider the subsequence (f_k^{l+1}) of f_k^l such that $(f_k^{l+1})(x_{l+1})$ converges as $k \rightarrow \infty$. Choose the diagonal subsequence (f_k^k) of (f_n) such that $(f_k^k)(x_i)$ converges for every $i \in \mathbb{N}$ since (f_k^k) is a subsequence of (f_k^i) for $k \geq i$ by construction. Reindexing $(f_k^k) = (f_{n_k})$ for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$ gives the desired subsequence.

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} x_1 & f_1^1 & f_2^1 & f_3^1 & \dots \\ x_2 & f_1^2 & f_2^2 & f_3^2 & \dots \\ x_3 & f_1^3 & f_2^3 & f_3^3 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \end{array}$$

The i th row converges for x_i . Every row is a subsequence of the row above. The diagonal subsequence is such that $(f_k^k(x_i))$ is convergent for every $i \in \mathbb{N}$.

5.35 Definition.

A collection \mathcal{F} of \mathbb{C} -valued functions on a set $E \subseteq X$ for a metric space (X, d) is (uniformly) equicontinuous on E if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there is some $\delta > 0$ such that for any $x, y \in E$, $d(x, y) < \delta$ implies that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| < \varepsilon$$

for every $f \in \mathcal{F}$.

5.36 Remark.

If \mathcal{F} is equicontinuous, then every $f \in \mathcal{F}$ is uniformly continuous.

5.37 Example.

(1) If $\mathcal{F} = (f_n)$, a sequence of differentiable functions on $[0, 1]$ with (f'_n) uniformly bounded, then \mathcal{F} is equicontinuous. Indeed, if $|f'_n(x)| \leq M$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x \in [0, 1]$, then for $\varepsilon > 0$, choose $\delta = \varepsilon/(M + 1)$ so that by the Mean Value Theorem,

$$|x - y| < \frac{\varepsilon}{M + 1}$$

implies that

$$|f_n(x) - f_n(y)| \leq |x - y| \sup_{t \in [0, 1]} |f'(t)| < \frac{\varepsilon M}{M + 1} < \varepsilon.$$

(2) The sequence

$$\mathcal{G} = \left(\frac{x^2}{x^2 + (1 - nx)^2} \right)$$

on $[0, 1]$ is uniformly bounded, converges pointwise to 0, but has no uniformly convergent subsequence. \mathcal{G} is not equicontinuous as $g_n(1/n) = 1$ but $g_n = 0$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, so there is no $\delta > 0$ for $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$.

(3) $\mathcal{H} = (\arctan(nx))$ is not equicontinuous since $\arctan(nx) \rightarrow \pm\pi/2$ if $x > / < 0$.

5.38 Theorem.

Let (K, d) be compact and $(f_n) \subseteq \mathcal{C}(K)$. Then if (f_n) converges uniformly on K , then (f_n) is equicontinuous on K .

5.39 Proof.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and note that (f_n) is uniformly Cauchy such that there is an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $m, n \geq N$ implies

$$\|f_n - f_m\| < \varepsilon/3.$$

Now as continuous functions on compact sets are uniformly continuous, there is some $\delta_i > 0$ for each $i \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $d(x, y) < \delta_i$ implies that

$$|f_i(x) - f_i(y)| < \varepsilon/3.$$

Hence, for $n \geq N$ and $\delta_N > 0$,

$$|f_n(x) - f_n(y)| \leq |f_n(x) - f_N(x)| + |f_N(x) - f_N(y)| + |f_N(y) - f_n(y)| < \varepsilon/3 + \varepsilon/3 + \varepsilon/3$$

if $d(x, y) < \delta_N$. Setting

$$\delta = \min\{\delta_1, \dots, \delta_N\}$$

gives $d(x, y) < \delta$ implying that

$$|f_n(x) - f_n(y)| < \varepsilon$$

for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ so that (f_n) is equicontinuous.

5.40 Lemma.

Compact sets of metric spaces are separable.

5.41 Proof.

Let (K, d) be compact. If K is at most countable, then K is separable. Otherwise, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, consider the cover

$$K \subseteq \bigcup_{x \in K} B(x, 1/n).$$

Since K is compact, there is a finite subcover

$$K \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^{L_n} B(x_i^n, 1/n).$$

Define the set

$$E = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \{x_i^n\}_{i=1}^{L_n},$$

which is at most countable. If $U \subseteq K$ is open, then for every $x \in U$, there is some $\delta > 0$ such that $B(x, \delta) \subseteq U$. For $n \geq 1/\delta$, there is some $x_i^n \in E$ such that $d(x, x_i^n) < 1/n \leq \delta$ so that $x_i^n \in U$ also. So $E \cap U$ is nonempty, so E is dense in K .

5.42 Theorem.

(Arzela-Ascoli) Let (K, d) be a compact metric space and let $(f_n) \subseteq \mathcal{C}(K)$. Then if (f_n) is pointwise bounded and equicontinuous on K , then both

- (1) (f_n) is uniformly bounded on K .
- (2) (f_n) has a uniformly convergent subsequence.

5.43 Proof.

(1) Choose $\delta > 0$ from the equicontinuity of (f_n) such that $d(x, y) < \delta$ implies that

$$|f_n(x) - f_n(y)| < 1$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. By the compactness of K , there are $x_1, \dots, x_L \in K$ such that

$$K \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^L B(x_i, \delta),$$

and since (f_n) is pointwise bounded, there are $M_1, \dots, M_L > 0$ such that

$$|f_n(x_i)| \leq M_i$$

for every $i = 1, \dots, L$. Then

$$|f_n(x)| \leq 1 + \max\{M_1, \dots, M_L\},$$

for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, so (f_n) is uniformly bounded on K .

(2) Let $E \subseteq K$ be a dense countable subset by Lemma 5.40. Now as (f_n) is pointwise bounded on $E \subseteq K$ and E is at most countable, there is a pointwise convergent subsequence (f_{n_k}) of (f_n) on E by Theorem 5.33. Denote this sequence $(g_k) = (f_{n_k})$. The claim is that (g_k) is uniformly convergent. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and choose $\delta > 0$ from the equicontinuity of (g_k) such that $d(x, y) < \delta$ implies that

$$|g_k(x) - g_k(y)| < \varepsilon/3$$

for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$. For $n \geq 1/\delta$, let

$$K \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^{L_n} B(x_i^n, \delta)$$

for $\{x_i^n\}_{i=1}^{L_n} \subseteq E$ by the construction in Theorem 5.40. As (g_k) is pointwise convergent on E , there is some $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $l, m \geq N$ implies that

$$|g_l(x_i^n) - g_m(x_i^n)| < \varepsilon/3$$

for every $i = 1, \dots, L_n$. Now if $x \in K$, then $x \in B(x_i^n, \delta)$ for some $i = 1, \dots, L_n$, so for $l, m \geq N$,

$$|g_l(x) - g_m(x)| \leq |g_l(x) - g_l(x_i^n)| + |g_l(x_i^n) - g_m(x_i^n)| + |g_m(x_i^n) - g_m(x)| < \varepsilon/3 + \varepsilon/3 + \varepsilon/3,$$

so (g_k) is uniformly Cauchy and hence uniformly convergent by the completeness of $\mathcal{C}(K)$.

5.44 Example.

(1) Compactness is necessary for Arzela-Ascoli Theorem. If $\mathcal{F} = (f)$ (a constant sequence), then equicontinuity is equivalent to uniform continuity. But every affine function $f(x) = ax + b$ on \mathbb{R} is uniformly continuous but not uniformly bounded.

(2) Equicontinuity is necessary for Azela-Ascoli Theorem. Consider the example

$$\mathcal{G} = \left(\frac{x^2}{x^2 + (1 - nx)^2} \right),$$

which uniformly and hence pointwise bounded, but has no uniformly convergent subsequence.

(3) Pointwise boundedness is necessary for Arzela-Ascoli Theorem. $\mathcal{H} = (n)$ is equicontinuous on $[0, 1]$ but is not pointwise bounded. It is not uniformly bounded, nor does it have a convergent subsequence.

5.45 Remark.

The Arzela-Ascoli theorem has deep implications for the study of differential equations. Its proof involves the combination of almost all the concepts of this course.

5.46 Example.

If $\mathcal{F} = (f_n)$, a sequence of differentiable functions on $[0, 1]$ with (f'_n) uniformly bounded, then \mathcal{F} is equicontinuous by the Mean Value Theorem. If f_n are uniformly Holder continuous on a compact metric space (X, d) for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, i.e., if (f_n) are \mathbb{C} -valued and for some $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ and $M > 0$,

$$|f_n(x) - f_n(y)| \leq M d(x, y)^\alpha$$

for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x, y \in X$, then (f_n) is equicontinuous. (If $\varepsilon > 0$, let $\delta = (\varepsilon/M)^\alpha$ so that $M d(x, y)^\alpha < \varepsilon$.) Hence, Arzela-Ascoli Theorem applies if (f_n) is pointwise bounded to guarantee that (f_n) is uniformly bounded and contains a uniformly convergent subsequence. The α Holder space $\mathcal{C}^{0,\alpha}(X)$ is the set of all α -Holder continuous functions on X . If X is compact, then $\mathcal{C}^{0,\alpha} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{C}$ is a "compact embedding" as every bounded sequence has a convergent subsequence.