# M1J2 Summary Notes (JMC Year 1, 2017/2018 syllabus)

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Dr Lawn refers to propositions, theorems, corollaries and lemmas. In this document I will refer to them all as 'theorems'.

This document contains a list of definitions and a list of theorems. Boxes cover content in more detail.

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#### Part I

## Abstract Linear Algebra

#### 1 Definitions

**Vector space** A vector space is a set V coupled with:

- a function  $+: V \times V \to V$  (addition)
- a function  $\cdot : \mathbb{R} \times V \to V$  (scalar multiplication)

(For the rest of this part, we will assume V is a vector space)

**Subspace** A subset  $U \subseteq V$  is a subspace if:

- $\mathbf{0}_V \in U$
- If  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in U$  then  $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} \in U$  (closure under addition)
- If  $\mathbf{x} \in U$  then for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\lambda \mathbf{x} \in U$  (closure under scalar multiplication)

**Linear combination** A linear combination of a set of vectors  $\{\mathbf{v}_1...\mathbf{v}_n\}$  is any vector  $\mathbf{x}$  of the form:

$$\mathbf{x} = \lambda_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \lambda_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \lambda_n \mathbf{v}_n \tag{1}$$

for some real numbers  $\lambda_1...\lambda_n$ 

**Span** The span of a set  $S \subseteq V$  is the set of all linear combinations of elements of S. We define  $\text{span}(\emptyset) = \{\mathbf{0}_V\}$ .

**Spanning set** A subset  $S \subseteq V$  is called a spanning set of V if  $\operatorname{span}(S) = V$ .

**Linear dependence** A subset of vectors  $\{\mathbf{v}_1...\mathbf{v}_n\} \subseteq V$  is linearly dependent if there exists some real numbers  $\lambda_1...\lambda_n$  (which are not just all 0s) such that:

$$\lambda_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + \lambda_2 \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \lambda_n \mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{0}_V \tag{2}$$

Basis A basis of a vector space is a linearly independent spanning set.

We can also think of a basis as a spanning set of minimum possible size, or a linearly independent set of maximum possible size (theorems to show this later).

**Standard basis of**  $\mathbb{R}^n$  We define the standard basis elements of any  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to be:

$$e_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, e_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \dots e_{n-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, e_{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(3)

The standard basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is therefore  $\{e_1, e_2 \dots e_n\}$ .

**Dimension** The dimension of a vector space is the size of any basis of that vector space.

**Linear map** Let U and V be vector spaces. A linear map is a function  $f: U \to V$  such that:

- for all  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in U$ ,  $f(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + f(\mathbf{y})$
- for all  $\mathbf{x} \in U$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(\lambda \mathbf{x}) = \lambda f(\mathbf{x})$

**Image** The image of a linear map  $f: U \to V$  is the set of all  $f(\mathbf{u}) \in V$  where  $\mathbf{u} \in U$ .

$$image(f) = \{ f(\mathbf{u}) \mid u \in U \}$$
 (4)

**Kernel** The kernel of a linear map  $f: U \to V$  is the set of all  $\mathbf{u} \in U$  such that  $f(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0}_V$ .

$$kernel(f) = \{ \mathbf{u} \mid u \in U, f(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0}_V \}$$
 (5)

**Isomorphism** A linear map  $f: U \to V$  is an isomorphism if it is bijective. We say  $U \simeq V$ .

**Rank** The rank of f is defined as  $\dim(\operatorname{image}(f))$ .

**Nullity** The rank of f is defined as  $\dim(\ker(f))$ .

 $T_A$  We define a function  $T_A$  that pre-multiplies a vector by a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ :

$$T_A: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m, \ \mathbf{v} \mapsto \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}, \ \mathbf{A} \in \mathrm{Mat}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$$
 (6)

where  $\mathrm{Mat}_{m\times n}(\mathbb{R})$  denotes the set of all  $m\times n$  matrices with real entries.

Note that if **A** is an  $m \times n$  matrix, then  $T_A$  transforms a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

**Matrix representing** f Following from the previous definition, if we have:

- $\bullet$  B is a basis of U
- $\bullet$  C is a basis of V
- There is an isomorphism  $f_B: \mathbb{R}^n \to U$
- There is an isomorphism  $f_C: \mathbb{R}^m \to V$

We say the matrix **A** is called the matrix representing f with respect to B and C. This is denoted by:

$$\mathbf{A} = \left[ f \right]_{B}^{C} \tag{7}$$

Change-of-basis matrix Let B and C be two bases for V. The matrix:

$$\mathbf{A} = \left[ \mathrm{Id}_V \right]_B^C \tag{8}$$

is called the change-of-basis matrix from B to C.  $\mathrm{Id}_V$  denotes the identity function in the vector space V (maps every vector to itself).

In this case the linear map  $T_A$  will convert a vector given with respect to the basis B into a vector with respect to the basis C.

'Vector with respect to a basis' If we have an n-dimensional vector space V and a basis  $B = \{\mathbf{b}_1...\mathbf{b}_n\}$ , then we say any  $\mathbf{v} \in V$  is given with respect to B if:

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}, \ \mathbf{v} = \lambda_1 \mathbf{b}_1 + \lambda_2 \mathbf{b}_2 + \dots + \lambda_n \mathbf{b}_n$$
 (9)

#### 2 Theorems

#### 2.1 Vector spaces

Vector space axioms

- (V, +) is an Abelian group (the identity element being  $\mathbf{0}_V$ )
- for any  $\mathbf{v} \in V$ ,  $1\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}$
- for any  $\mathbf{v} \in V, \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}, \lambda(\mu \mathbf{v}) = (\lambda \mu)\mathbf{v}$  (commutative w.r.t. scalar multiplication)
- for any  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in V, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \lambda(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = \lambda \mathbf{u} + \lambda \mathbf{v}$  (scalar multiplication distributes over addition)
- for any  $\mathbf{v} \in V$ ,  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $(\lambda + \mu)\mathbf{v} = \lambda \mathbf{v} + \mu \mathbf{v}$  (scalar multiplication distributes over scalar addition)

For any  $\mathbf{v} \in V$ :

- For any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $n\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{v} + ... + \mathbf{v}$  (n times)
- $0\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}_V$
- $(-1)\mathbf{v}$  is the additive inverse of  $\mathbf{v}$

#### 2.2 Subspaces

Every vector space V has two trivial subspaces, itself and  $\{\mathbf{0}_V\}$ .

For any subspaces  $U, W \subseteq V$ :

- $U \cap W$  is a subspace
- $U \cup W$  is NOT a subspace

Any  $U \subseteq V$  is a subspace iff every linear combination of vectors in U is again in U (i.e.  $\operatorname{span}(U) \subseteq U$ ).

For any  $S \subseteq V$ , span(S) is a subspace.

If  $U \subset V$  is a subspace and  $S \subset U$  then  $\mathrm{span}(S) \subset U$ .

#### 2.3 Spanning sets, linear independence, bases, dimension

Every element of a vector space V can be written as a unique linear combination of basis vectors (for any basis).

For any set  $S \subseteq V$ :

- If  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \lambda \mathbf{v}_2$  for any  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2 \in S$  then S is linearly dependent
- If  $\mathbf{0}_V \in S$  then S is linearly dependent

If a set S is linearly independent/dependent then any subset of S is also linearly independent/dependent respectively.

A vector space is finite dimensional if it contains a finite spanning set.

Every finite spanning set contains a basis.

Therefore, a vector space is finite dimensional if it has a finite basis.

If a finite dimensional vector space has a basis, then there exists a finite dimensional spanning set.

If  $S \subseteq V$  is a linearly DEPENDENT spanning set, there exists some  $\mathbf{s} \in S$  such that  $S - \{\mathbf{s}\}$  is still a spanning set.

In other words, we can keep removing elements from a spanning set until it is linearly independent. At this point the spanning set is now a basis, by definition. This gives us our alternate definition of a basis as a spanning set of minimum size.

Steinitz exchange lemma - base case

Let  $S \subset V$  be a spanning set, and let  $\mathbf{v} \in V$ . There always exists an  $\mathbf{s} \in S$  such that

$$(S \setminus \{\mathbf{s}\}) \cup \{\mathbf{v}\}\tag{10}$$

is still a spanning set.

Steinitz exchange lemma - in full

Let  $S \subset V$  be a spanning set, and let  $\mathbf{v}_1...\mathbf{v}_n \in V$  be a linearly independent subset. There always exists some  $\mathbf{s}_1...\mathbf{s}_n \in S$  such that

$$(S \setminus \{\mathbf{s}_1...\mathbf{s}_n\}) \cup \{\mathbf{v}_1...\mathbf{v}_n\}$$

$$\tag{11}$$

is still a spanning set.

In other words, we can substitute in any linearly independent set, and S will still be a spanning set.

Any linearly independent set is smaller than or equal to any spanning set.

If  $L \subset V$  linearly independent and  $\mathbf{v} \notin \operatorname{span}(L)$  then  $L \cup \mathbf{v}$  is linearly independent.

In other words, we can keep adding elements to a linearly independent set until it is a spanning set. At this point the linearly independent set is a basis, by definition. This gives us our alternate definition of a basis as a linearly independent set of maximum size.

If  $\dim(V) = n$  then every basis of V has size n.

If V is infinite-dimensional, we can always find a linearly independent subset of V with size n, for any n.

Any linearly independent set is contained in a basis.

Any linearly independent set L where  $\#L = \dim(V)$  is a basis.

If V is finite dimensional and  $U \in V$ :

- $\bullet$  U is finite dimensional
- $\dim(U) \leq \dim(V)$
- if  $\dim(U) = \dim(V)$  then U = V

#### 2.4 Linear maps

(For the rest of this subsection assume f,g are linear maps, and let  $f:U\to V$ )

 $g \circ f$  is also a linear map.

$$f(\mathbf{0}_U) = f(\mathbf{0}_V).$$

image(f) is a subspace of V. kernel(f) is a subspace of U.

If f surjective then image(f) = V. If f injective then  $kernel(f) = \{\mathbf{0}_U\}$ .

If  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{y}$  then  $f^{-1}(\mathbf{y}) = {\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{w} \mid \mathbf{w} \in \text{kernel}(f)}.$ 

If  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  then  $f \equiv T_A$  for some matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathrm{Mat}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ .

Specifically 
$$f: \lambda_1 \mathbf{e}_1 + ... + \lambda_n \mathbf{e}_n \mapsto \lambda_1 f(\mathbf{e}_1) + ... + \lambda_n f(\mathbf{e}_n)$$

Therefore we can set:

$$\mathbf{A} = [f(\mathbf{e}_1) \mid f(\mathbf{e}_2) \mid \dots \mid f(\mathbf{e}_n)] \tag{12}$$

so that for any  $\mathbf{v} \in U$ :

$$T_A(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{A} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} = \lambda_1 f(\mathbf{e}_1) + \dots + \lambda_n f(\mathbf{e}_n)$$
 (13)

Let  $g: U \to V$ , let  $B = \{\mathbf{b}_1...\mathbf{b}_n\}$  be a basis of U. If  $f(\mathbf{b}_i) = g(\mathbf{b}_i)$  for all  $\mathbf{b}_i$  then  $f \equiv g$ .

There is always a linear map between a basis of U and any set of vectors in V.

If 
$$U \simeq V$$
 then  $\dim(U) = \dim(V)$ 

If  $\dim(V) = n$  then  $f \simeq \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Let  $B = \{\mathbf{b}_1...\mathbf{b}_n\}$  be a basis of U and  $C = \{f(\mathbf{b}_1)...f(\mathbf{b}_n)\}$  a subset of V:

- $\operatorname{span}(C) = \operatorname{image}(f)$
- C is a spanning set  $\Leftrightarrow f$  is surjective
- $\bullet$  C is linearly independent  $\Leftrightarrow f$  is injective
- C is a basis  $\Leftrightarrow f$  is bijective (aka an isomorphism)

If  $\dim(U) = \dim(V)$  then f bijective  $\Leftrightarrow f$  surjective  $\Leftrightarrow f$  injective

$$Rank-Nullity\ Theorem$$
  
 $rank(f) + nullity(f) = dim(U)$ 

Any  $f: U \to V$  can be represented as  $T_A$  for some matrix **A**.

Steps for computing A:

Let 
$$B = \{\mathbf{b}_1...\mathbf{b}_n\}$$
 be a basis of  $U$   
Let  $C = \{\mathbf{c}_1...\mathbf{c}_m\}$  be a basis of  $V$ 

We have isomorphisms:

$$f_B: \mathbb{R}^n \to U, \ \lambda_1 \mathbf{e}_1 + \dots + \lambda_n \mathbf{e}_n \mapsto \lambda_1 \mathbf{b}_1 + \dots + \lambda_n \mathbf{b}_n$$
  
 $f_C: \mathbb{R}^m \to V, \ \lambda_1 \mathbf{e}_1 + \dots + \lambda_m \mathbf{e}_m \mapsto \lambda_1 \mathbf{c}_1 + \dots + \lambda_m \mathbf{c}_m$ 

Note that the linear map  $(f_C)^{-1} \circ f \circ f_B$  sends vectors from  $\mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ , therefore we can define:

$$T_A \equiv (f_C)^{-1} \circ f \circ f_B \tag{14}$$

since, from earlier,  $T_A: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ .

- 1. Take basis vectors of  $U(\mathbf{b}_j)$  in some order. Compute  $f(\mathbf{b}_j)$ . We have just applied  $f_B$ , followed by f.
- 2. Express each  $f(\mathbf{b}_j)$  as a linear combination of basis vectors of  $V(\mathbf{c}_i)$ .
- 3. Applying  $(f_C)^{-1}$  sends vectors in V to their coefficients w.r.t the basis vectors  $\mathbf{c}_i$ .

The matrix A is such that the  $j^{th}$  column of A is the vector  $(f_C)^{-1} \circ f \circ f_B(\mathbf{e}_j) = (f_C)^{-1} \circ f(\mathbf{b}_j)$ 

#### Part II

## Group Theory

#### 3 Definitions

**Binary operation** A binary operation on a set G is a any function  $f: G \times G \to G$ 

**Associative** A binary operation  $\star$  on a set G is associative if it satisfies:

$$(a \star b) \star c = a \star (b \star c) \tag{15}$$

for all  $a, b, c \in G$ .

**Commutative** A binary operation  $\star$  on a set G is commutative if it satisfies:

$$a \star b = b \star a \tag{16}$$

for all  $a, b \in G$ .

**Left/right identity** An element  $e \in G$  is called the left identity if:

$$e \star q = q \tag{17}$$

for all  $g \in G$ . Similar statement for right identity.

(Two sided) Identity element An element  $e \in G$  is a two-sided identity element if it is both a left identity and a right identity.

From now on the two-sided identity element will be referred to as e.

**Left/right inverse** An element  $h \in G$  is called the left inverse of  $g \in G$  if:

$$h \star g = e \tag{18}$$

Similar statement for right inverse.

**Two sided inverse** A two sided inverse of an element  $g \in G$  is both a left inverse and a right inverse of g.

From now on the two-sided inverse of g will be referred to as  $g^{-1}$ .

**Group** A group  $(G, \star)$  is a set G equipped with a binary operation  $\star$  such that:

- $\bullet$  \* is associative
- $\star$  has an identity element  $e \in G$
- Every  $g \in G$  has an inverse  $g^{-1} \in G$

The above three suffice for the exam, however there is technically a fourth requirement:

• G is closed under  $\star$ , i.e. for all  $g, h \in G, g \star h \in G$ 

(For the rest of this part, we will assume  $(G, \star)$  is a group)

Order (group) The order of a group  $(G, \star)$  is the size of G.

**Abelian group** An Abelian group is a group with a commutative binary operation  $\star$ .

**Powers of** g We can define the powers of any  $g \in G$  to be:

$$g^{n} = \begin{cases} g \star g \star ...g & n > 0 \\ g^{-1} \star g^{-1} \star ...g^{-1} & n < 0 \\ e & n = 0 \end{cases}$$
 (19)

where in the first cases there are n copies of g, and in the second case there are -n copies of  $g^{-1}$ .

**Definition of**  $[a]_n$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  For any  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ :

$$[a]_n = \{ b \in \mathbb{Z} \mid b \equiv a \bmod n \}$$
 (20)

Note that  $[a]_n$  forms an equivalence class, and there are exactly n of these equivalence classes.  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  is the set of all these equivalence classes.

$$\mathbb{Z}_n = \{ [a]_n \mid a \in \mathbb{Z} \} \tag{21}$$

**Definition of**  $\mathbb{Z}_n^*$  is the set of all invertible  $[a]_n$ . Note in this case the identity element is  $[1]_n$ .

$$\mathbb{Z}_n^* = \{ [a]_n \mid \exists [b]_n \in Z_n \quad s.t. \quad [a]_n [b]_n = [1] \}$$
 (22)

Note that  $[a]_n[b]_n = 1 \Leftrightarrow gcd(a,n) = 1$ .

**Order (element)** The order of any  $g \in G$  is the smallest positive integer such that:

$$g^n = e (23)$$

Cyclic group + generator A group  $(G, \star)$  is cyclic if:

$$G = \{ g^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z} \} \tag{24}$$

g is called the generator of the group.

**Permutation** A permutation  $\sigma$  on n symbols is a bijection:

$$\sigma: \{1...n\} \to \{1...n\}$$
 (25)

**Symmetric group** The symmetric group  $S_n$  on n symbols is the set of all permutations of n symbols.

$$S_n = \{\sigma : \{1...n\} \to \{1...n\}\}\$$
 (26)

Note that  $S_n$  is a set of functions. Therefore the identity element is the identity function.

**k-cycle** A permutation  $\sigma \in S_n$  is a k-cycle if there exists some  $a_1...ak \in \{1...n\}$  such that:

$$\sigma(a_1) = a_2, \quad \sigma(a_2) = a_3 \quad \dots \quad \sigma(a_k) = a_1$$
 (27)

and  $\sigma(i) = i$  for all  $i \notin \{1...n\}$ . k is called the length of the cycle. The notation for a cycle is  $(a_1...a_k)$ .

**Disjoint cycles** Two cycles  $(a_1...a_m)$  and  $(b_1...b_n)$  are disjoint if no  $a_i$  is equal to any  $b_j$ .

**Subgroup** Let  $(G, \star)$  be a group, and  $H \subseteq G$ .  $(H, \star)$  is a subgroup of G if:

- $e \in H$
- For any  $g, h \in H$ ,  $g \star h \in H$
- For any  $g \in H$ ,  $g^{-1} \in H$

Cyclic subgroup Let  $(G, \star)$  be a group. For any  $g \in G$ , the cyclic subgroup  $\langle g \rangle$  generated by g is defined as:

$$\langle g \rangle = (\{g^i \mid i \in \mathbb{Z}\}, \star) \tag{28}$$

Note that order of  $g = \text{size of cyclic subgroup } \langle g \rangle$ .

**Left/right cosets** Let  $(G, \star)$  be a group and  $(H, \star)$  a subgroup. For any  $g \in G$ , the left coset of H by g (denoted by gH) is defined as:

$$gH = \{g \star h \mid h \in H\} \tag{29}$$

Similar definition for right coset of H by g (denoted by Hg).

The set of all left cosets of H by g is denoted by G: H. The set of all right cosets of H by g is denoted by H: G.

#### 4 Theorems

#### 4.1 Groups

Any identity element e is unique for that group.

Any two-sided inverse  $g^{-1}$  of an element  $g \in G$  is unique.

For any  $g, h \in G$ 

$$(g \star h)^{-1} = h^{-1} \star g^{-1} \tag{30}$$

The normal exponent rules apply within groups, e.g.

$$g^n \star g^m = g^{n+m} \tag{31}$$

$$(g^n)^{-1} = g^{-n} (32)$$

$$(g^n)^m = g^{nm} (33)$$

Some examples of groups:  $(\mathbb{R}, +)$ ,  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ ,  $(\mathbb{Z}^*, \times)$ 

## 4.2 Modular arithmetic and $\mathbb{Z}_n$

 $(\mathbb{Z}_n,+)$  is an Abelian group.

 $(\mathbb{Z}_n^*, \cdot)$  is an Abelian group.

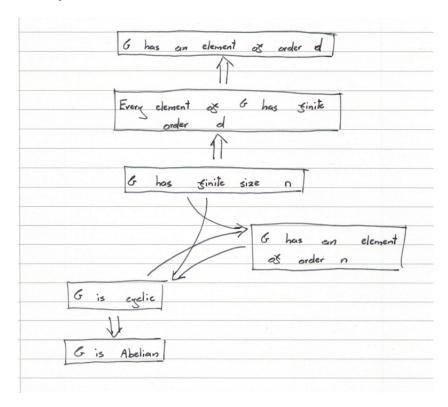
## 4.3 Cyclic groups

If  $(G, \star)$  is a finite group then every  $g \in G$  has finite order.

Any  $g \in G$  with order n has distinct powers  $g^0, g^1, g^2...g^{n-1}$ .

All cyclic groups are Abelian.

Assume G is finite with size n. G is cyclic  $\Leftrightarrow G$  contains an element of order n.



#### 4.4 Symmetric groups

 $(S_n, \circ)$  is a group.

The size of any  $S_n$  is n!

The order of a k-cycle is k.

For any  $\sigma \in S_n$ :

- for any  $i \in \{0...n\}$  there exists a d > 0 such that  $\sigma^d(i) = i$  (i.e.  $\sigma^d \equiv Id = e$ )
- if d is the smallest integer such that  $\sigma^d(i) = i$  then the numbers  $i, \sigma^1(i), \sigma^2(i)...\sigma^{d-1}(i)$  are distinct
- If j is not in the set  $\{i, \sigma(i), \sigma^2(i)...\sigma^{d-1}(i)\}$  then neither is  $\sigma(j)$

Any permutation  $\sigma$  can be expressed as the product of disjoint k-cycles.

#### 4.5 Subgroups

Any group  $(G, \star)$  has two trivial subgroups,  $(e, \star)$  and itself.

Subgroup test

Any  $H \subseteq G$  is a subgroup if:

- H ≠ ∅
- for all  $x, y \in H, x \star y^{-1} \in H$

#### 4.6 Cosets and Lagrange's Theorem

For any  $g_1, g_2 \in G$  and subgroup H:

$$g_1 H = g_2 H \Leftrightarrow g_1 \in g_2 H \tag{34}$$

The left cosets of H form a partition of G. This means any  $g \in G$  is in exactly one left coset of H. The right cosets also form a (different) partition.

For any  $g \in G$ :

$$\#gH = \#hG = \#H$$
 (35)

Lagrange's Theorem

For any subgroup  $(H, \star)$  where  $H \subseteq G$ :

$$\#G = \#H \cdot \#(G:H)$$
 (36)

For any  $g \in G$ , the order of g divides #G.

If #G = p, where p is prime, then G is cyclic.

#### Part III

# Analysis

#### 5 Definitions

**Sequence** A sequence is simply a map  $f: \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{R}$ , denoted by  $a_n$ 

Convergence (as  $n \to \infty$ ) A sequence  $a_n$  converges to a limit L if for all real numbers  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for all n > N we have  $|a_n - L| < \epsilon$ .

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \quad s.t \quad \forall n > N \quad |a_n - L| < \epsilon$$
 (37)

Tends to infinity (sequence) We say a sequence tends to infinity if for all  $R \in \mathbb{R}$ , the sequence  $a_n$  is eventually bigger than R.

$$\forall R \in \mathbb{R} \quad \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \quad s.t. \quad \forall n > N \quad a_n > R \tag{38}$$

**Shift** The shift of a sequence by say, k, is the sequence  $b_n = a_{n+k}$ 

**Triangle inequality** The general triangle inequality is:

$$|x - y| < |x - z| + |z - y| \tag{39}$$

Setting z = 0 gives us:

$$|x - y| > |x| - |y| \tag{40}$$

Then setting y = -y gives us the familiar case:

$$|x+y| < |x| + |y|$$
 (41)

**Bounded above** A sequence  $a_n$  is bounded above if there's a real number A such that  $a_n < A$  for all n.

**Bounded below** A sequence  $a_n$  is bounded below if there's a real number A such that  $a_n > A$  for all n.

**Bounded** A sequence  $a_n$  is bounded if there's a real number A such that  $|a_n| < A$  for all n.

**Increasing** A sequence is increasing if  $a_{n+1} \ge a_n$  for all n.

**Strictly increasing** A sequence is strictly increasing if  $a_{n+1} > a_n$  for all n.

**Decreasing** A sequence is decreasing if  $a_{n+1} \leq a_n$  for all n.

**Strictly decreasing** A sequence is strictly decreasing if  $a_{n+1} < a_n$  for all n.

Monotonic A sequence is monotonic if it is increasing or decreasing.

**Supremum** The supremum A of a set S is the least upper bound of that set i.e. the smallest number such that  $s \leq A$  for all  $s \in S$ .

**Supremum (function)** The supremum of a function f is the sup of  $\{f(x) \mid x \in \text{dom}(f)\}.$ 

**Infimum** The infimum B of a set S is the greatest lower bound of that set i.e. the largest number such that  $s \geq B$  for all  $s \in S$ .

**Infimum (function)** The infimum of a function f is the inf of  $\{f(x) \mid x \in \text{dom}(f)\}$ .

**Subsequence** A subsequence of  $a_n$  is a sequence  $a_{f(n)}$ , where f(n) is a strictly increasing function.

Cauchy sequence A sequence is Cauchy if all the terms get arbitrarily close to one another. To put it mathematically:

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \quad s.t \quad \forall m, n \ge N \quad |a_n - a_m| < \epsilon$$
 (42)

**Partial sum** The  $n^{th}$  partial sum  $S_n$  of a sequence  $a_n$  is the sum of terms up to that point:

$$S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n a_n \tag{43}$$

**Summable** A sequence is summable if the sequence of its partial sums converges. The limit of the sequence of partial sums will be:

$$L = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_n \tag{44}$$

**Absolutely summable** A sequence  $a_n$  is absolutely summable if  $|a_n|$  is summable.

Conditionally summable A sequence is conditionally summable if it is summable but not absolutely summable.

**Power series** The power series associated with a sequence  $a_n$  is the sequence of partial sums:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i x^i \tag{45}$$

**Radius of convergence** The radius of convergence R of a power series P(x) is defined as the largest x for which P(x) is convergent.

$$R = \sup\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid P(x) \text{ convergent}\} \tag{46}$$

**Limit as**  $x \to \infty$  (function) A function f(x) tends to a limit L as  $x \to \infty$  if for all real numbers  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists an  $R \in \mathbb{R}$  such that for all  $x \ge R$  we have  $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$ .

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists R \in \mathbb{R} \quad s.t \quad \forall x > R \quad |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$$
 (47)

**Tends to infinity (function)** A function f(x) tends to infinity as  $x \to \infty$  if for any  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  there exists an  $R \in \mathbb{R}$  such that if x > M then f(x) > R.

$$\forall M \in \mathbb{R} \quad \exists R \in \mathbb{R} \quad s.t. \quad x > M \Rightarrow f(x) > R$$
 (48)

**One-sided limit** A function f(x) tends to a limit L as  $x \to a^-$  if for any  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that if  $x \in (a - \delta, a)$  then  $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$ .

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists \delta > 0 \quad s.t. \quad x \in (a - \delta, a) \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$$
 (49)

Same format for the other sided limit  $(x \to a^+)$ 

(Note that  $\epsilon - \delta$  definition is only used for limits as x tends to a finite number a, not infinity)

**Limit as**  $x \to a$  A function f(x) tends to a limit L as  $x \to a$  if we have both:

$$\lim_{x \to a^{-}} f(x) = L \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{x \to a^{+}} f(x) = L \tag{50}$$

**Limit** as  $x \to a$  ( $\epsilon$  -  $\delta$  def.) A function f(x) tends to a limit L as  $x \to a$  if:

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists \delta > 0 \quad s.t. \quad |x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$$
 (51)

Continuous A function f(x) is continuous at a if:

$$\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = f(a) \tag{52}$$

Continuous ( $\epsilon$  -  $\delta$  def.) A function f(x) is continuous at a if for all  $\epsilon > 0$  there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that if  $|x - a| < \delta$  then  $|f(x) - f(a)| < \epsilon$ .

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists \delta > 0 \quad s.t. \quad |x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(a)| < \epsilon$$
 (53)

Continuous everywhere A function f(x) is continuous everywhere if it is continuous at a for all  $a \in \text{dom}(f)$ .

**Open interval** An open inteval I is a set  $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  of the form:

- I = (a, b) for some  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , or
- $I=(-\infty,b)$ , or
- $I=(a,+\infty)$ , or
- $I = \mathbb{R}$

**Discontinuity** Discontinuity is the negation of continuity. Hence a function f(x) is discontinuous at a if there exists  $\epsilon > 0$  such that for all  $\delta > 0$ ,  $|x - a| < \delta$  AND  $|f(x) - f(a)| > \epsilon$ .

$$\exists \epsilon > 0 \quad s.t. \quad \forall \delta > 0 \quad |x - a| < \delta \text{ AND } |f(x) - f(a)| > \epsilon \quad (54)$$

**Bounded (function)** A function f(x) is bounded if the set of all possible values of f(x) is bounded.

**Differentiable (ver. 1)** A function f(x) is differentiable at a if:

$$\lim_{x \to a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} \tag{55}$$

exists.

**Differentiable (ver. 2)** A function f(x) is differentiable at a if:

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} \tag{56}$$

exists.

**Differentiable everywhere** A function f(x) is differentiable everywhere if it is differentiable at a for all  $a \in \text{dom}(f)$ .

**Global maximum** A function f(x) has a global maximum at a if  $f(a) \ge f(x)$  for all other values of f(x).

Similar definition for global minimum.

**Local maximum** A function f(x) has a local maximum at a if  $f(a) \ge f(x)$  for all x in the set  $(a - \epsilon, a + \epsilon)$ , for some  $\epsilon$ .

Similar definition for local minimum.

**Lipschitz continuous** A function is Lipschitz continuous if:

$$|f'(x)| \le L \Rightarrow |f(x_1) - f(x_2)| \le L|x_1 - x_2|$$
 (57)

#### 6 Theorems

#### 6.1Sequences

Every convergent sequence has a unique limit.

Every convergent sequence is bounded.

If all terms of a convergent sequence are larger than a number B, then so is its limit.

Some properties of limits:

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} (a_n + b_n) = \lim_{x \to \infty} a_n + \lim_{x \to \infty} b_n \tag{58}$$

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} (\lambda a_n) = \lambda \lim_{x \to \infty} a_n \tag{59}$$

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} (a_n b_n) = \lim_{x \to \infty} a_n \lim_{x \to \infty} b_n \tag{60}$$

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} (a_n b_n) = \lim_{x \to \infty} a_n \lim_{x \to \infty} b_n$$

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} (\frac{a_n}{b_n}) = \frac{\lim_{x \to \infty} a_n}{\lim_{x \to \infty} b_n}$$
(60)

where  $\lambda$  is any real number.

If  $a_n \to \infty$  and  $b_n$  is bounded below,  $a_n + b_n \to \infty$ .

If  $a_n \to \infty$  and  $b_n$  is bounded below by a positive number,  $a_n b_n \to$ 

If  $a_n$  is bounded and  $b_n \to \infty$ , then  $\frac{a_n}{b_n} \to 0$ .

If  $a_n \to \infty$ , for any real number  $\lambda$ :

- $\lambda < 0 \Rightarrow \lambda a_n \to -\infty$
- $\lambda = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda a_n \to 0$
- $\lambda > 0 \Rightarrow \lambda a_n \to \infty$

If  $a_n \to a$  and  $b_n \to b$ , and for all n  $a_n < b_n$ , then a < b.

Sandwich Theorem

If  $a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n$  for all n, and  $a_n$  and  $c_n$  tend to the same limit L, then  $b_n \to L$ .

Every bounded monotonic sequence is convergent.

Completeness Axiom

Every non-empty subset of the real numbers which is bounded above has a supremum. Similar statement for infimum.

Useful results for sequences:

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \lambda^n = \begin{cases} \infty & \lambda > 1\\ 1 & \lambda = 1\\ 0 & -1 < \lambda < 1 \end{cases}$$
 (62)

 $\lambda^n$  diverges if  $\lambda = -1$ .

If m > 0 and  $\lambda > 1$  then  $\frac{\lambda^n}{n^m} \to \infty$  (exponentials beat powers).

If m > 0 then  $\frac{\log(n)}{n^m} \to 0$  (powers beat logs).

#### 6.2 Subsequences

If  $a_n \to L$  then any subsequence  $a_{f(n)} \to L$ .

If two subsequences of  $a_n$  converge to different limits,  $a_n$  doesn't converge to a limit.

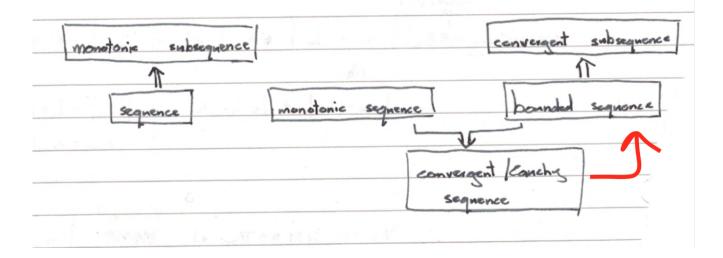
Every sequence has a monotonic subsequence.

Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem

Every bounded sequence has a convergent subsequence.

Every Cauchy sequence is bounded.

Cauchy sequence  $\Leftrightarrow$  convergent sequence (for real numbers).



## 6.3 Summability

A sequence is summable iff the sequence of its partial sums converges.

If two subsequences of a sequence  $a_n$  converge to two different limits,  $a_n$  is not summable.

If  $a_n$  and  $b_n$  are summable with  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i = a$  and  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b_i = b$ :

- $a_n + b_n$  is summable with  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (a_i + b_i) = a + b$ .
- $\lambda a_n$  is summable with  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \lambda a_i = \lambda a$  (for any real number  $\lambda$ )

If  $b_n = a_{n+k}$  then  $a_n$  summable  $\Leftrightarrow b_n$  summable.

 $a_n$  is summable  $\Rightarrow a_n \to 0$ .

Let  $S_n$  denote the sequence of partial sums of  $a_n$  ( $S_n = \sum_{i=0}^n a_n$ ). A sequence of non-negative numbers  $a_n$  is summable iff  $S_n$  is bounded above. Similar statement for sequences of non-positive numbers.

Every absolutely summable sequence is summable.

Comparison test

If  $b_n > a_n$  for all n then  $b_n$  summable  $\Rightarrow a_n$  summable.

Alternating series test

If  $a_n$  is a decreasing sequence AND  $a_n \ge 0$  for all n AND  $a_n \to 0$  then  $(-1)^{n+1}a_n$  is a convergent sequence.

Ratio test for sequences Let  $r = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}$ :

- $r < 1 \Rightarrow a_n$  is absolutely summable
- $r > 1 \Rightarrow a_n$  is not summable
- r = 1 is an indeterminate case

#### Power series

The power series associated with a sequence  $a_n$  converges iff the sequence of partial sums of  $a_n x^n$  converges (i.e. if  $\sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i$  converges).

Let P(x) be a power series. If P(a) converges absolutely for some a, then P(x) converges absolutely for all x such that |x| < |a|

Let R be the radius of convergence of P(x). For all real numbers a:

- $|a| < R \Rightarrow P(a)$  converges absolutely
- $|a| > R \Rightarrow P(a)$  diverges

Ratio test for power series

Let  $r = \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}$ . Let  $P(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i$  (i.e. the power series associated with  $a_n$ ):

- $r \to 0 \Rightarrow R = \infty$
- $r \to L$  for some  $L \Rightarrow R = \frac{1}{L}$
- $r \to \infty \Rightarrow R = 0$

Note: if r=1 here then R=1. This is DIFFERENT to the ratio test for sequences, where r = 1 is an indeterminate case.

#### 6.5 Continuity

The limit of a function at any specific point is unique.

If functions f and g are continuous at a:

- (f+g) is continuous at a
- fg is continuous at a
- $\frac{1}{f(x)}$  and  $\frac{1}{g(x)}$  are continuous at a
- $g \circ f$  is continuous at a

Any polynomial in  $\mathbb{R}$  is continuous

Any rational function in  $\mathbb{R}$  is continuous

#### Sequential continuity

A function f is continuous at a iff  $f(a_n) \to f(a)$  for all sequences  $a_n$  such that  $a_n \to a$ .

Any continuous function on a closed bounded interval is bounded.

Intermediate Value Theorem

If f continuous and  $f(a) \le f(b)$  for some a, b, then there exists some  $c \in [a, b]$  such that  $f(a) \le f(c) \le f(b)$ .

Fixed Point Theorem

If f continuous and  $f:[a,b]\to [a,b]$ , then there exists some  $c\in [a,b]$  such that f(c)=c.

Polynomials of odd degree have at least 1 root.

f differentiable  $\Rightarrow f$  continuous.

#### 6.6 Differentiable functions

If functions f and g are differentiable at a:

- (f+g) is differentiable at a
- $\bullet$  fg is differentiable at a

- $\frac{1}{f(x)}$  and  $\frac{1}{g(x)}$  are differentiable at a
- $g \circ f$  is differentiable at a
- $g^{-1}$  and  $f^{-1}$  are differentiable at a

Let f be continuous and differentiable. If f has a local extremum at a then f'(a) = 0 (except at endpoints of the interval).

Let f be continuous and differentiable. If f has a local extremum at c (say in the interval [a, b]), there are 3 possibilities:

- c is an endpoint of [a, b]
- f'(c) = 0
- $\bullet$  c is a non-differentiable point

Mean Value Theorem

Let f be continuous on [a, b] and differentiable on (a, b). There exists a point  $c \in (a, b)$  such that:

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} \tag{63}$$

Rolle's Theorem

Let f be continuous and differentiable on (a, b). If f(a) = f(b) then there exists some  $c \in (a, b)$  such that f'(c) = 0. This is a special case of the Mean Value Theorem.