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### Abstract

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# Chapter 1

## Completeness of the real numbers

### 1.1 Real number

**Definition 1.** Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  and  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ , we say that

1.  $r$  is an upper (lower) bound of  $S$  if  $\forall s \in S, r \geq (\leq) s$ ;
2.  $r$  is the greatest (least) element of  $S$  if  $r$  is an upper (lower) bound of  $S$  and  $r \in S$ , denoted by  $r = \max S$  ( $\min S$ ).
3.  $r$  is the least upper (greatest lower) bound of  $S$  if  $r$  is the least (greatest) element of the set of upper (lower) bound of  $S$ , denoted by  $r = \sup S$  ( $\inf S$ ).

*Remark 1.*  $r$  is a least upper bound of  $S$  means any element of  $S$  which is smaller than  $r$  is not an upper bound of  $S$ , that is  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists s \in S$ , s.t.

$$r - \epsilon < s \leq r.$$

Thus if for some  $l \in \mathbb{R}, S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  and  $\sup S > l$ , then  $\exists s \in S$ , s.t.  $s > l$ ; In the other word, if  $s < (\leq) l$  for  $\forall s \in S \Rightarrow \sup S \leq l$ .

We write  $\sup S = \infty$  ( $\inf S = -\infty$ ) if and only if  $S$  has no upper (lower) bound. If this is the case we say  $\sup S$  ( $\inf S$ ) does not exist. We say  $S$  is bounded from above (below) iff  $S$  has an upper (lower) bound.

**Definition 2** (Dedekind Cut). Let  $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , we say that  $(A, B)$  is a Dedekind cut if

1.  $A, B \neq \emptyset$ ;
2.  $A \cup B = \mathbb{R}$ ;
3.  $\forall a \in A, b \in B, a < b$ .

We usually call  $A(B)$  the lower (upper) part of  $(A, B)$ .

We assume that  $\mathbb{R}$  has the **Dedekind's Gapless Property**: If  $(A, B)$  is a Dedekind cut of  $\mathbb{R}$ , then exactly one of the following happens:

1.  $\max A$  exists but  $\min B$  does not;

2.  $\min B$  exists but  $\max A$  does not.

We call  $\max A$  in 1. (or  $\min B$  in 2.) the **cutting** of  $(A, B)$ .

**Exercise 1.** We may define Dedekind cuts on  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}$  similarly, does Dedekind Gapless Property hold for  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}$ ?

*Proof.* 1. Let  $A := \{q \in \mathbb{Q} | q^2 < 2\}, B := \{q \in \mathbb{Q} | q^2 > 2\}$ . It is direct to see that  $A, B \neq \emptyset$ .

If  $\exists r \in \mathbb{Q}$ , s.t.  $r^2 = 2$ , then  $\exists p, q \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $r = p/q$  and  $p, q$  are not both even. Then  $p^2/q^2 = 2 \Rightarrow p^2 = 2q^2 \Rightarrow p^2$  is even  $\Rightarrow p$  is even  $\Rightarrow p^2$  can be divided by 4  $\Rightarrow q^2$  can be divided by 2  $\Rightarrow q^2$  is even  $\Rightarrow q$  is even, which leads to a contradiction. Thus  $\forall r \in \mathbb{Q}, r^2 \neq 2$ . Thus  $A \cup B = \mathbb{Q}$ .

Finally  $\forall q_a \in A, q_b \in B$  one has  $q_a^2 < 2 < q_b^2 \Rightarrow q_a < q_b$ . Thus  $(A, B)$  is a Dedekind cut of  $\mathbb{Q}$ . It is direct to see that  $(A, B)$  has no Dedekind's gapless property:

For example, if  $p \in A$ , then  $p \in \mathbb{Q}$  and  $p^2 < 2$ , put  $\epsilon = 2 - p^2$ , then we should find a  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $q^2 < 2$  and  $q > p$ , which means

$$p^2 < q^2 < 2$$

we consider there exists a function  $r$  of  $p, \epsilon$ , such that  $r > 0$  and  $r \in \mathbb{Q}$ , and put  $q = p + r$ , thus  $q > p$  and  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ , we now prove that  $q^2 < 2$ . Since

$$2 - q^2 = 2 - (p^2 + r^2 + 2pr) = \epsilon - r^2 - 2pr$$

We now try to find a suitable structure of  $r$  to make  $r^2 + 2pr < \epsilon$ . Since  $p > 0$  and  $\epsilon = 2 - p^2, 0 < \epsilon < 2$ . Consider  $r = \epsilon/2$  then

$$r^2 = \frac{\epsilon^2}{4} = \frac{\epsilon}{2} \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

Consider  $r = \epsilon / ((2p + 1)2) < \epsilon/2$  and

$$2pr = 2p \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{(2p + 1)2} < \frac{\epsilon}{2},$$

then we have  $r^2 + 2pr < \epsilon$  and

$$q^2 < 2,$$

by defining

$$q = p + \frac{\epsilon}{2(2p + 1)} = \frac{3p^2 + 2p + 2}{4p + 2},$$

thus there is no maximal element in  $A$  and correspondingly, there is no minimal element in  $B$  as well.

2. trivial. □

**Theorem 1** (Weierstrass Theorem). Let  $\emptyset \neq S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , if  $S$  has an upper bound, then  $\sup S$  exists.

*Proof.* Let  $B$  be the set of all upper bound of  $S$ , and define  $A := \mathbb{R} \setminus B$ .

CLAIM 1:  $(A, B)$  is a Dedekind cut of  $\mathbb{R}$ :

1.  $S \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow \forall s \in S, s - 1 \notin B \Rightarrow s - 1 \in A \Rightarrow A \neq \emptyset$ ; And  $S$  has an upper bound  $\Rightarrow B \neq \emptyset$ ;
2.  $A = \mathbb{R} \setminus B \Rightarrow A \cup B = \mathbb{R}$ ;
3. If  $\exists a \in A, b \in B$ , s.t.  $a \geq b$  where  $b$  is an upper bound of  $S$  while  $a$  is not, thus  $\exists s' \in S$ , s.t.  $a < s' \leq b < a$ , which leads to a contradiction. Thus  $\forall a \in A, b \in B$  one has  $a < b$ .

CLAIM 2:  $\min B$  exists:

If  $\min B \nexists$ , then by Dedekind's gapless property,  $\max A \exists$ , denoted by  $a_0$ .  $a_0 \in A \Leftrightarrow a_0 \notin B \Leftrightarrow a_0$  is not an upper bound of  $S \Leftrightarrow \exists s_0 \in S$ , s.t.  $a_0 < s_0$ . Choose  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $a_0 < x < s_0$ , thus  $\max A < x \Rightarrow x \in B \Rightarrow x$  is an upper bound of  $S$  but  $x < s_0$  which leads to a contradiction.  $\square$

**Exercise 2** (Archimedean Property). Show that  $\forall r \in \mathbb{R}, r > 0 \Rightarrow \exists n \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $n > r$ . (or say  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $1/n < r$ ).

*Proof.* Let  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $S := \{n \in \mathbb{N} | n \leq r\}$ , since  $r > 0, 0 \in S \Rightarrow S \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  and  $S$  is bounded above (by  $r$ ), thus  $S$  has a least upper bound in  $\mathbb{R}$ , let  $s = \sup S$ .

Now consider the number  $s - 1$ . Since  $s$  is the supremum of  $S$ ,  $s - 1$  cannot be an upper bound of  $S$  by definition. Thus  $\exists m \in S$  such that

$$m > s - 1 \Rightarrow m + 1 > s$$

But as  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , it follows that  $m + 1 \in \mathbb{N}$ . Because  $m + 1 > s$ , it follows that  $m + 1 \notin S$  and so  $m + 1 > r$ . Furthermore, for  $\forall r > 0, 1/r > 0$  then  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $n > 1/r \Rightarrow 1/n < r$ .  $\square$

## 1.2 Sequence

**Definition 3** (sequence). A sequence  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  is a map  $\mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{a} \mathbb{R}$  where  $n \mapsto a(n)$ , denoted by  $a_n$ .

**Definition 4** (Convergence). Let  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $l \in \mathbb{R}$ , we say that  $a_n$  converges to  $l$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  if  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n \geq N, |a_n - l| < \epsilon$ , denoted by  $a_n \rightarrow l$  (as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ).

If such  $l$  exists, we call it the limit of  $\{a_n\}$  and denote it as  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$ , and call  $\{a_n\}$  a convergent sequence; otherwise we call it a **divergent** sequence. Furthermore, we say  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \infty$  if  $\forall M > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n \geq N, a_n \geq M$ .

**Exercise 3.** Show that

1.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = m \Rightarrow l = m$ ;
2.  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  is convergent  $\Rightarrow \{a_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is bounded;
3. if  $a_n < b_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = m \Rightarrow l \leq m$ .

*Proof.* 1.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = m \Rightarrow$  for  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N, M \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n \geq N$  one has  $|a_n - l| < \epsilon/2$  and  $\forall n \geq M$  has  $|a_n - m| < \epsilon/2$ , thus for  $\forall n \geq \max\{N, M\}$ , has

$$|l - m| = |l - a_n + a_n - m| \leq |a_n - l| + |a_n - m| < \epsilon$$

holds for  $\forall \epsilon > 0 \Rightarrow l = m$ .

2. Suppose  $a_n \rightarrow l$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then given an  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n \geq N$  we have  $|a_n - l| < \epsilon \Rightarrow l - \epsilon < a_n < l + \epsilon$ , thus  $a_n$  has upper bound

$$\max\{a_1, \dots, a_{N-1}, l + \epsilon\},$$

and lower bound

$$\min\{a_1, \dots, a_{N-1}, l - \epsilon\}.$$

3. if  $l > m$ , let  $\epsilon = l - m$ , then  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n \geq N$  has  $|a_n - l| < \epsilon/2$  and  $|b_n - m| < \epsilon/2$  thus

$$a_n < \frac{l + m}{2} < b_n,$$

which leads to a contradiction, thus  $l \leq m$ . □

**Remark 2.** Changing or removing finitely many terms in  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  does not effect  $a_n$ 's being convergent (and its limit)/ divergent.

**Proposition 1.** If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = m$  then

1.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n \pm b_n) = l \pm m$ ;
2.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n b_n = lm$ ;
3. if  $m \neq 0$  and  $b_n \neq 0$  for all but finitely many  $n$  then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n / b_n = l / m$ .

*Proof.* 1. For  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n \geq N$ ,  $|a_n - l| \leq \epsilon/2$  and  $\exists M \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n \geq M$ ,  $|b_n - m| \leq \epsilon/2$ , thus  $\forall n \geq \max\{N, M\}$ , one has

$$\begin{aligned} |(a_n \pm b_n) - (l \pm m)| &= |(a_n - l) \pm (b_n - m)| \\ &\leq |a_n - l| + |b_n - m| \\ &\leq \epsilon, \end{aligned}$$

thus  $(a_n \pm b_n) \rightarrow l \pm m$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

2. Since  $a_n, b_n$  are convergent, thus they are bounded. Choose  $C > 0$  such that  $|b_n| \leq C$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $|l| \leq C$ , then for  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N, M \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n \geq N$  one has  $|a_n - l| \leq$

$\epsilon/(2C)$  and  $\forall n \geq M$  has  $|b_n - m| \leq \epsilon/(2C)$ , thus  $\forall n \geq \max\{N, M\}$  one has

$$\begin{aligned} |a_n b_n - lm| &= |a_n b_n - lb_n + lb_n - lm| \\ &\leq |a_n - l| \cdot |b_n| + |b_n - m| \cdot |l| \\ &\leq (|a_n - l| + |b_n - m|) \cdot |C| \\ &\leq \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

thus  $a_n b_n \rightarrow lm$ .

3. all we need to show is  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1/b_n = 1/m$  which is trivial.  $\square$

**Exercise 4** (Squeeze theorem). If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = m$  and  $a_n \leq c_n \leq b_n$ , show that  $l = m \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = l$ .

*Proof.* Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = l$ , for  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n \geq N$  has  $|a_n - l| < \epsilon/3$  and  $|b_n - l| < \epsilon/3$ . And since  $a_n \leq c_n \leq b_n$ , we have that  $0 \leq c_n - a_n \leq b_n - a_n$ . Thus for  $\forall n \geq N$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |c_n - l| &= |c_n - a_n + a_n - l| \\ &\leq |c_n - a_n| + |a_n - l| \\ &\leq |b_n - a_n| + |a_n - l| \\ &= |b_n - l + l - a_n| + |a_n - l| \\ &\leq |b_n - l| + 2|a_n - l| \\ &< \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = l$ .  $\square$

**Exercise 5.** If  $a > 1$  show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1/a^n = 0$ .

*Proof.* Since  $a > 1 \Rightarrow b := a - 1 > 0$ , thus

$$0 \leq \frac{1}{a^n} = \frac{1}{(1+b)^n} \leq \frac{1}{1+nb} \rightarrow 0$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1/a^n = 0$  by Squeeze theorem.  $\square$

**Definition 5.** A seq.  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  is

1. nondecreasing monotone/increasing if  $a_n \leq a_{n+1}$  for  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , denoted by  $a_n \nearrow$ ; nonincreasing monotone/decreasing if  $a_n \geq a_{n+1}$  for  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , denoted by  $a_n \searrow$ .
2. strictly increasing if  $a_n < a_{n+1}$  for  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , denoted by  $a_n \nearrow \nearrow$ ; strictly decreasing if  $a_n > a_{n+1}$  for  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , denoted by  $a_n \searrow \searrow$ .

**Theorem 2** (Monotone Seq. Property). If  $a_n \nearrow$  and  $\{a_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  has an upper bound, then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \sup\{a_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ ;  $a_n \searrow$  and  $\{a_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  has a lower bound, then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \inf\{a_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .

*Proof.*  $\{a_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  has an upper bound  $\Rightarrow l := \sup\{a_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  exists by Weierstrass theorem. Thus for  $\forall \epsilon > 0, l - \epsilon$  is not an upper bound of  $\{a_n\}$ , then  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $a_N > l - \epsilon$  and since  $a_n \nearrow$ , we have that  $\forall n \geq N, l - \epsilon < a_n \leq l \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$ .  $\square$

**Example 1** (Decimal expression gives real number). Suppose  $d_i \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $0 \leq d_i \leq 9$  for  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , and define

$$a_n = \frac{d_1}{10} + \frac{d_2}{10^2} + \cdots + \frac{d_n}{10^n}$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then it is direct to see that  $a_n \nearrow$  and

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &\leq \frac{9}{10} + \frac{9}{10^2} + \cdots + \frac{9}{10^n} \\ &= \frac{9}{10} \left( \frac{1 - \frac{1}{10^{n+1}}}{1 - \frac{1}{10}} \right) \\ &< \frac{9}{10} \left( \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{10}} \right) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

and hence  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$  exists, and we can define a real number by  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n =: 0.d_1d_2 \cdots$

**Example 2** (The natural base  $e$ ). Define a seq.  $a_n = (1 + 1/n)^n$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ), then we have

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n \\ &= \binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1} \frac{1}{n} + \binom{n}{2} \frac{1}{n^2} + \cdots + \binom{n}{n} \frac{1}{n^n} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} \frac{1}{n^j} = \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{n!}{j!(n-j)!} \cdot \frac{1}{n^j} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{1}{j!} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{n}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{j-1}{n}\right) \\ &< \sum_{j=0}^{n+1} \frac{1}{j!} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n+1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{n+1}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{j-1}{n+1}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $a_n \nearrow$ . On the other hand, for  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &< \sum_{j=0}^{n+1} \frac{1}{j!} = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n!} \\ &< 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \cdots + \frac{1}{2^n} \\ &= 1 + \frac{1 - \frac{1}{2^n}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} \\ &< 3 \end{aligned}$$



Thus  $a_n$  has an upper bound and hence  $a_n$  converges, and we define  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n =: e$ .

**Definition 6** (subsequence). Let  $\mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{a} \mathbb{R}$  be a sequence, a subsequence  $a_{n_m} (m \in \mathbb{N})$  is a composite map

$$\mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{n.} \mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{a.} \mathbb{R}$$

where  $n.$  is a strictly monotone injection and  $m \mapsto n(m)$  denoted by  $n_m$ .

That is for any  $m_1, m_2 \in \mathbb{N}, m_1 > m_2 \Rightarrow n(m_1) = n_{m_1} > n_{m_2} = n(m_2)$ .

**Exercise 6.** Let  $\mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{a} X$  be a sequence in metric space<sup>1</sup>  $(X, d)$ ,  $a_{n_m} (m \in \mathbb{N})$  is a subsequence of  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , show that if  $\exists l \in X$  s.t.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l \Rightarrow \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_m} = l$ .

*Proof.* For any  $\epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n \geq N, d(x_n, l) < \epsilon$ . On the other hand,  $n. \nearrow \Rightarrow \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} n(m) = \infty \Rightarrow$  and hence  $\exists M \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall m \geq M \Rightarrow n_m \geq N \Rightarrow d(a_{n_m}, l) < \epsilon \Rightarrow \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_m} = l$ .  $\square$

### 1.3 Nested Intervals

**Definition 7** (Nested). A seq. of intervals  $I_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  is nested if  $I_n \neq \emptyset$  and  $I_{n+1} \subseteq I_n$  for  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Example 3.** If we have a seq. of nested intervals  $I_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , do we have  $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n \neq \emptyset$ ? The answer is not sure. For example,

1.  $I_n = (0, 1/n), n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then for any  $r \in \mathbb{R}, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $1/N < r$  by Archimedean Property, thus  $r \notin I_N$ , and hence  $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n = \emptyset$ ;
2.  $I_n = [n, \infty), n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then for any  $r \in \mathbb{R}, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $r < N$  by Archimedean Property, thus  $r \notin I_N$ , and hence  $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n = \emptyset$ ;

**Theorem 3** (Theorem of Nested Interval). If  $I_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  is a seq. of bounded closed nested intervals, then  $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n \neq \emptyset$ . (In the other word, there exists a real number  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $c \in \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n$ )

*Proof.* Write  $I_n = [a_n, b_n] (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , then  $I_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  is nested  $\Leftrightarrow a_n \leq b_n$  and  $a_n \nearrow$  and  $b_n \searrow$ . And furthermore, for  $\forall n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$a_n \leq a_{\max\{m, n\}} \leq b_{\max\{m, n\}} \leq b_m,$$

in the other word, for  $\forall m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $b_m$  is an upper bound of  $\{a_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , thus seq.  $a_n$  converges. Let  $c = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ , then given  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , for  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, a_n \leq b_m$  thus

$$c = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_m = b_m.$$

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<sup>1</sup>The concept of metric space will be given in Chapter 3.

On the other hand,  $c = \sup\{a_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , thus for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$a_m \leq c \leq b_m$$

thus  $c \in I_m$  for  $\forall m \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow c \in \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n$ . □

**Exercise 7.** Show that  $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n \neq \emptyset$ , if

1.  $I_n = (a_n, b_n)$ , nested and  $a_n \nearrow$  and  $b_n \searrow$ ?
2.  $I_n = (a_n, \infty)$ , nested and  $\{a_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is bounded from above.

*Proof.* 1. Just as analyzed before, there exist  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $c = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ , and  $c = \sup\{a_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  and hence  $a_n \leq c \leq b_m$  for  $\forall n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Note that  $a_n \leq c$  implies that  $a_n < c$  for  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , otherwise if  $\exists n' \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $a_{n'} = c$  then

$$a_{n'+1} \geq a_{n'} = c,$$

which leads to the contradiction. In the same way  $c \leq b_m$  implies that  $c < b_m$  for  $\forall m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus there  $\exists c \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$a_n < c < b_m$$

for  $\forall n, m \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow c \in \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n$ .

2. Since  $I_n = (a_n, \infty)$  is a nested interval,  $a_n \nearrow \Rightarrow a_n$  converges since  $a_n$  is upper bounded. That is  $\exists c \in \mathbb{R}$ , s.t.  $c = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \sup\{a_n\}$ , thus for  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $c \geq a_n$ , that is

$$c + 1 > c \geq a_n$$

for  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow c + 1 \in \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n$ . □

**Exercise 8.** Show that Theorem of Nested Interval implies Dedekind's Gapless Property.

*Proof.* Let  $(A, B)$  be a Dedekind cut of  $\mathbb{R}$ , pick  $a$  from  $A$  and  $b$  from  $B$ , and form an interval  $I_0 = [a, b]$ . Then  $(a + b)/2$  lies in the middle of  $I_0$  and must belong to  $A$  or  $B$ . If  $(a + b)/2$  belongs to  $A$ , we let

$$a_1 = \frac{a + b}{2}, \quad b_1 = b$$

and if  $(a + b)/2$  belongs to  $B$ , let

$$a_1 = a, \quad b_1 = \frac{a + b}{2}$$

and hence we can form a new interval  $I_1 = [a_1, b_1]$  whose length is half of the former  $I_0$ . Repeat this process, we obtain a seq. of nested intervals

$$I_0 \supseteq I_1 \supseteq \cdots \supseteq I_n \supseteq \cdots,$$

where  $I_n = [a_n, b_n]$ ,  $b_n - a_n = (b_{n-1} - a_{n-1})/2$ . Thus there exists  $s \in \mathbb{R}$  lies in the  $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n$  by the theorem of nested intervals, and either  $s \in A$  or  $s \in B$ .

Assume that  $s \in A$ , for any  $s' \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $s < s'$ , exists  $b_n$  such that  $s < b_n < s'$  since  $b_n \rightarrow s$ , thus  $s' \in B$ . That is  $s \in A$  and for any  $s' > s$ ,  $s' \in B$ . In the other word,  $s$  is the maximal element of  $A$  and  $B$  has no minimal element in this case, since assume  $s'$  is the minimal element of  $B$  then  $\exists b_n$ , s.t.  $b_n < s'$  and  $b_n \in B$ , which is a contradiction.  $\square$

*Remark 3.* Summary, we have discussed

- 1) Dedekind's Gapless Property;
- 2) Weierstrass Theorem;
- 3) Monotone Seq. Property;
- 4) Theorem of Nested Interval.

which have the relationship:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 1) & \implies & 2) \\ \uparrow & & \downarrow \\ 4) & \impliedby & 3) \end{array}$$

These 5 properties are equivalent and we call these the **Completeness of the real numbers**.

## 1.4 Limit superior / inferior

Let  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  be a bounded (upper bdd. and lower bdd.) seq. in  $\mathbb{R}$ , we define **upper seq. of  $a_n$**  as

$$u_n := \sup\{a_m | m \geq n\},$$

and **lower seq. of  $a_n$**  as

$$l_n := \inf\{a_m | m \geq n\},$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus give  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have that for  $\forall m \geq n$

$$l_n \leq a_m \leq u_n,$$

We now show that  $l_n$  and  $u_n$  is monotone. Assume that  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $u_n < u_{n+1}$ , let  $\epsilon = (u_{n+1} - u_n)/2$ , then

$$u_{n+1} - \epsilon > u_n = \sup\{a_m | m \geq n\},$$

thus for  $\forall m \geq n$ ,  $u_{n+1} - \epsilon > a_m$  and hence  $u_{n+1} - \epsilon$  is an upper bound of  $\{a_m | m \geq n + 1\}$ , which leads to a contradiction. Thus for  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $u_n \geq u_{n+1} \Rightarrow u_n \searrow$ , and  $l_n \nearrow$  in the same way.

Thus we have that for any  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$l_m \leq l_{\max\{m,n\}} \leq u_{\max\{m,n\}} \leq u_n,$$

thus  $l_1$  is a lower bound for  $\{u_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  and  $u_1$  is an upper bound of  $\{l_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  and hence  $u_n, l_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  are convergent by Monotone seq. property. We define the **limit superior** of  $a_n$  as the limit of  $u_n$ :

$$\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{m \geq n} a_m = \inf_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \sup_{m \geq n} a_m$$

The last equals sign is because  $u_n \searrow$  and hence converges to its greatest lower bound by Monotone seq. property. And the **limit inferior** of  $a_n$  as the limit of  $l_n$ :

$$\underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} l_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{m \geq n} a_m = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \inf_{m \geq n} a_m$$

**Exercise 9.** Let  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , show that

$$a_n \text{ converges} \Leftrightarrow \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

and if any of both sides holds, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

*Proof.*  $\Rightarrow$ : Suppose that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = s$ . Then for any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n \geq N$ ,  $|a_n - s| < \epsilon/2$ , thus  $s - \epsilon/2 < a_n < s + \epsilon/2$  for  $\forall n \geq N$ . Thus the upper seq.  $u_n$  of  $a_n$  has

$$s - \frac{\epsilon}{2} < a_n \leq u_n \leq s + \frac{\epsilon}{2},$$

for  $\forall n \geq N$ . The third inequality symbol is because if  $\exists n' \geq N$  such that  $u_{n'} > s + \epsilon/2$ , then there exist a real number  $q$  such that  $s + \epsilon/2 < q < u_{n'}$  and  $q > s + \epsilon/2 > a_n$  for  $\forall n \geq N$  and hence  $q > a_n$  for  $\forall n \geq n'$ , and then  $u_{n'}$  is not the least upper bound of  $\{a_n | n \geq n'\}$  which is contrary. Thus  $|u_n - s| \leq \epsilon/2 < \epsilon$ , thus

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = s,$$

and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} l_n = \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = s$  in the same way.

$\Leftarrow$ : Suppose  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} l_n = s$ , then for  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n \geq N$  one has  $|u_n - s| < \epsilon/3$  and  $|l_n - s| < \epsilon/3$  and  $|u_n - l_n| \leq |u_n - s| + |l_n - s| < 2\epsilon/3$ , since  $l_n \leq a_n \leq u_n$  then  $0 \leq a_n - l_n \leq u_n - l_n$ . Then we have that

$$\begin{aligned} |a_n - s| &= |a_n - l_n + l_n - s| \\ &\leq |a_n - l_n| + |l_n - s| \\ &\leq |u_n - l_n| + |l_n - s| \\ &< \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

for  $\forall n \geq N \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = s.$  □

**Exercise 10.** Let  $a_n, b_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  be two bdd. seq. show that

1.  $\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) \leq \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$ ;
2.  $\underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n \leq \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n)$ .

*Proof.* 1. Let  $u_n = \sup_{m \geq n} a_m, v_n = \sup_{m \geq n} b_m, w_n = \sup_{m \geq n} (a_m + b_m)$ . If  $\exists n' \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $w_{n'} > u_{n'} + v_{n'}$ , then  $\exists r \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $u_{n'} + v_{n'} < r < w_{n'}$  and hence for any  $m \geq n'$ ,  $a_m \leq u_{n'}, b_m \leq v_{n'}$  and

$$a_m + b_m \leq u_{n'} + v_{n'} < r$$

which means  $r$  is an upper bound of  $\{a_m + b_m | m \geq n'\}$  which leads to a contradiction with  $w_{n'}$  is the least upper bound of  $\{a_m + b_m | m \geq n'\}$ . Thus for  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, u_n + v_n \leq w_n$ , and since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} v_n$  exists, we have that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (u_n + v_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} v_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} w_n$$

that is

$$\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n \leq \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n).$$

2. The same as 1. □

And in the same way, we can prove that

1.  $\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n \cdot b_n) \leq \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \cdot \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$ ;
2.  $\underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \cdot \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n \leq \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n \cdot b_n)$ .

In general, the properties does not hold for subtraction.

## 1.5 Cauchy seq.

Given a seq.  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ , can we determine whether  $a_n$  converges or not without referring a limit candidate  $l$ , but concluding according to the mutual behavior of the terms of  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$ ?

**Definition 8** (Cauchy Sequence). A seq.  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  is a Cauchy seq. if  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n, m \geq N \Rightarrow |a_n - a_m| < \epsilon$ .

**Exercise 11.** Show that

1.  $a_n$  is convergent  $\Rightarrow a_n$  is Cauchy seq.
2.  $a_n$  is Cauchy seq.  $\Rightarrow a_n$  is bounded.

*Proof.* 1. assume that  $a_n$  converges to  $l$ , then for any  $\epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \geq N$  one has  $|a_n - l| < \epsilon/2$ , then for any  $m, n \geq N$  we have

$$|a_m - a_n| \leq |a_m - l| + |a_n - l| < \epsilon$$

thus  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  is Cauchy seq.

2. For  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n, m \geq N$  one has  $|a_m - a_n| \leq \epsilon$ , thus for  $\forall m \geq N \Rightarrow |a_N - a_m| \leq \epsilon \Rightarrow a_n - \epsilon \leq a_m \leq a_N + \epsilon$ , thus  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  has upper and lower bound

$$\max\{a_1, \dots, a_N, a_N + \epsilon\}, \quad \min\{a_1, \dots, a_N, a_N - \epsilon\},$$

thus  $a_n$  is bounded.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.** Let  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  be a seq. in  $\mathbb{R}$ , then  $a_n$  is convergent  $\Leftrightarrow a_n$  is Cauchy seq.

*Proof.*  $\Leftarrow$ :  $a_n$  is Cauchy seq.  $\Rightarrow a_n$  is bdd.  $\Rightarrow$  the upper/lower seq.  $u_n, l_n$  of  $a_n$  converges. Thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} l_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (u_n - l_n)$ . For  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ , there is some  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $\forall m, n \geq N, |a_n - a_m| < \epsilon/3$ . In particular,  $\forall n \geq N \Rightarrow |a_n - a_N| < \epsilon/3$  and hence

$$a_N - \frac{\epsilon}{3} < a_n < a_N + \frac{\epsilon}{3}$$

which means  $a_N - \epsilon/3$  is a lower bound of  $a_n (n \geq N)$  and is not greater than  $\{a_n | n \geq N\}$ 's greatest lower bound  $l_N$ , and the same to  $a_N + \epsilon/3$ , thus

$$a_N - \frac{\epsilon}{3} \leq l_N \leq u_N \leq a_N + \frac{\epsilon}{3}$$

and since  $l_n \nearrow$  and  $u_n \searrow$ , we have that for  $\forall n \geq N$

$$0 \leq u_n - l_n \leq u_N - l_N \leq \frac{2\epsilon}{3} < \epsilon$$

thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (u_n - l_n) = 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} l_n \Rightarrow a_n$  converges.  $\square$

**Exercise 12.** Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , if  $|s - s'| \leq 3$  for  $\forall s, s' \in S$ , show that

1.  $S$  is bdd.;
2.  $\sup S - \inf S \leq 3$ ;

*Proof.* 1. If  $S$  has no upper bound, then for any  $s \in S$ , define  $M = s + 4$ , then  $\exists s' \in S$  s.t.  $s' > M = s + 4 \Rightarrow s' - s = |s' - s| > 4$ , which is contrary.

2. Let  $u = \sup S, l = \inf S$ , suppose  $u - l > 3$ , then let  $\epsilon = u - l - 3$ , we have that  $\exists s \in S$ , s.t.

$$u - \frac{\epsilon}{3} < s \leq u,$$

and  $\exists s' \in S$  s.t.

$$l \leq s' < l + \frac{\epsilon}{3},$$

then

$$u - l - \frac{2\epsilon}{3} < s - s' \leq u - l$$

thus  $3 + \epsilon/3 < s - s' = |s - s'| \leq 3 + \epsilon \Rightarrow |s - s'| > 3$ , which is contrary.  $\square$

# Chapter 2

## Series

### 2.1 Positive series

**Definition 9.** Let  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  be a seq. in  $\mathbb{R}$ , we say that the series  $\sum_n^\infty a_n$  (or  $\sum_n a_n$ ) converges to a real number  $s$  if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = s,$$

where  $s_n := \sum_{j=1}^n a_j$  is called the  $n$ -th partial sum of  $\sum_n a_n$ .

If such  $s$  exists (resp. does not exist), we say that the series  $\sum_n a_n$  convergent (resp. divergent). For a series  $\sum_n a_n$  and  $l, m \in \mathbb{N}, l < m$ , we let  $s_{l,m} := \sum_{j=l}^m a_j$  the  $(l, m)$ -tail of  $\sum_n a_n$ . If a series  $\sum_n a_n$  converges, we denote it as  $\sum_n a_n < \infty$ .

**Exercise 13.** If a series  $\sum_n a_n < \infty$ , show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ .

*Proof.* Trivial. □

$\sum_n a_n$  converges  $\Leftrightarrow s_n$  converges by definition and  $\Leftrightarrow s_n$  is Cauchy seq., i.e.  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n, m \geq N$ , (assume that  $n > m$ )

$$\begin{aligned} |s_n - s_m| &= |a_{m+1} + \cdots + a_n| \\ &= |a_{m+1} + a_{m+2} + \cdots + a_{m+1+(n-1)}| \\ &\leq \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

In particular, for  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  and for  $\forall k > N, \forall l \geq 0$ , then  $|a_k| + \cdots + |a_{k+l}| < \epsilon \Leftrightarrow \sum_n |a_n|$  convergent  $\Leftrightarrow \exists M > 0, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, s_n = \sum_{j=1}^n a_j \leq M$ , since  $s_n \nearrow$ . Collectively, we have some conclusions:

1. series  $\sum_n a_n$  converges  $\Leftrightarrow$  for  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  and for  $\forall k > N, \forall l \geq 0, |a_k + \cdots + a_{k+l}| < \epsilon$ ;
2. series  $\sum_n b_n$ , where  $b_n \geq 0$ , converges  $\Leftrightarrow \exists M > 0, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \sum_{j=1}^n b_j \leq M$ .
3. series  $\sum_n |a_n|$  converges  $\Rightarrow \sum_n a_n$  converges.

**Example 4.** Given series  $\sum_n 1/n$ . we have that

$$\begin{aligned} s_1 &= 1 \\ s_2 &= 1 + \frac{1}{2} \\ s_4 &= 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \geq 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = 1 + \frac{2}{2} \\ s_8 &\geq 1 + \frac{2}{2} + \frac{1}{5} + \cdots + \frac{1}{8} \geq 1 + \frac{2}{2} + \frac{4}{8} = 1 + \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

In general, for  $\forall m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $s_{2^m} \geq 1 + m/2$  which has no upper bound  $\Leftrightarrow \sum_n 1/n$  diverges.

**Example 5.** Given series  $\sum_n 1/n^2$ . we have that  $1/n^2 < 1/((n-1)n) = 1/(n-1) - 1/n$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} s_n &= 1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n^2} \\ &< 1 + 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n} \\ &= 2 - \frac{1}{n} \\ &< 2. \end{aligned}$$

thus  $s_n$  has upper bound 2  $\Leftrightarrow \sum_n 1/n^2$  converges.

**Definition 10.** Given a seq.  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , we say that

1.  $\sum_n a_n$  converges absolutely if  $\sum_n |a_n|$  converges;
2.  $\sum_n a_n$  converges conditionally if  $\sum_n |a_n|$  diverges but  $\sum_n a_n$  converges.

**Theorem 5 (Comparison Test).** If  $a_n, b_n \geq 0 (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , then  $\exists C > 0$  and  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq N \Rightarrow a_n \leq Cb_n \Rightarrow [\sum_n b_n < \infty \Rightarrow \sum_n a_n < \infty]$ .

*Proof.* If  $\sum_n b_n$  converges, then for  $\forall n \geq N$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 + \cdots + a_n &= a_1 + \cdots + a_N + a_{N+1} + \cdots + a_n \\ &\leq a_1 + \cdots + a_N + C \cdot (b_{N+1} + \cdots + b_n) \\ &\leq a_1 + \cdots + a_N + C \cdot M =: H, \end{aligned}$$

where  $M$  is an upper bound of  $\sum_{j=1}^n b_j$ , thus  $\sum_j^n a_j$  as upper bound  $H \Leftrightarrow \sum_n a_n$  converges.  $\square$

**Theorem 6 (Limit Form of Comparison Test).** If  $a_n, b_n \geq 0 (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , and if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n/b_n$  exists  $\Rightarrow [\sum_n b_n < \infty \Rightarrow \sum_n a_n < \infty]$ .

*Proof.* Let  $l = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n/b_n$ , then for  $\epsilon = 1, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n \geq N, a_n/b_n < l + 1 \Rightarrow a_n < (l + 1)b_n$ , which follows the proof by Comparison test. Furthermore if  $l \neq 0$ , then



for  $\epsilon = l/2, \exists N_l \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n \geq N_l$ , s.t.

$$\frac{l}{2} \leq \frac{a_n}{b_n} \leq \frac{3l}{2},$$

and hence  $b_n \leq a_n \cdot 2/l$  and  $a_n \leq b_n \cdot 3l/2$ , therefore  $\sum_n b_n$  converges  $\Leftrightarrow \sum_n a_n$  converges.  $\square$

**Exercise 14.** If  $a_n, b_n \geq 0 (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , show that if  $\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n/b_n$  exists  $\Rightarrow [\sum_n b_n < \infty \Rightarrow \sum_n a_n < \infty]$ .

*Proof.* Let  $u_n = a_n/b_n$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = l$ , then  $l = \inf_{n \in \mathbb{N}} u_n$  and for  $\epsilon = 1, \exists n' \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$$l \leq u_{n'} < l + 1$$

and hence for  $\forall n \geq n'$  we have that

$$\frac{a_n}{b_n} \leq u_{n'} < l + 1$$

thus  $a_n < (l + 1) \cdot b_n$  for  $\forall n \geq n'$  and finish the proof by comparison test.  $\square$

**Exercise 15** (Ratio and Root test). If  $a_n, b_n \geq 0 (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , show that

1.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1}/a_n < 1 \Rightarrow \sum_n a_n < \infty$ ;  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1}/a_n > 1 \Rightarrow \sum_n a_n$  diverges.
2.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n)^{1/n} < 1 \Rightarrow \sum_n a_n < \infty$ ;  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n)^{1/n} > 1 \Rightarrow \sum_n a_n$  diverges.

*Proof.* Trivial.  $\square$

## 2.2 Alternating series

**Definition 11.** A series  $\sum_n a_n$  is called alternating series, if  $\exists b_n > 0 (n \in \mathbb{N})$  s.t.  $a_n = (-1)^{n-1} b_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$ .

**Theorem 7** (Leibniz's Criterion). Let  $\sum_n a_n$  be an alternating series, and  $b_n = |a_n| \searrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $\sum_n a_n < \infty$ .

*Proof.* Since  $b_n = (-1)^{n-1} a_n$ , for any  $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$  the tail of  $\sum_n a_n$  is

$$\begin{aligned} |a_k + \dots + a_{k+l}| &= (-1)^{k-1} |b_k - b_{k+1} + \dots + (-1)^l b_{k+l}| \\ &= |b_k - b_{k+1} + \dots + (-1)^l b_{k+l}| \end{aligned}$$

define  $\lambda_{k,l} = b_k - b_{k+1} + \dots + (-1)^l b_{k+l}$ . Then if  $l$  is even, then

$$\lambda_{k,l} = (b_k - b_{k+1}) + \dots + (b_{k+l-2} - b_{k+l-1}) + b_{k+l} \geq 0,$$

and if  $l$  is odd, then

$$\lambda_{k,l} = (b_k - b_{k+1}) + \cdots + (b_{k+l-1} - b_{k+l}) \geq 0,$$

thus  $\lambda_{k,l} \geq 0$  for  $\forall k, l \in \mathbb{N}$ . And hence

$$\begin{aligned} |a_k + \cdots + a_{k+l}| &= |\lambda_{k,l}| = \lambda_{k,l} \\ &= \begin{cases} b_k - (b_{k+1} - b_{k+2}) - \cdots - (b_{k+l-1} - b_{k+l}), & l \text{ is even} \\ b_k - (b_{k+1} - b_{k+2}) - \cdots - (b_{k+l-2} - b_{k+l-1}) - b_{k+l}, & l \text{ is odd} \end{cases} \\ &\leq b_k \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 0 \Rightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $n \geq N \Rightarrow |b_n| < \epsilon \Rightarrow |a_n + \cdots + a_{n+l}| \leq b_n < \epsilon$  for  $\forall l \in \mathbb{N}$ , thus  $\sum_n a_n$  converges.  $\square$

## 2.3 Rearrangement theorem

Given a seq.  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , we can separate all terms into two subseq.s:

$$a_{n_1}, a_{n_2}, \cdots \text{ and } a_{n'_1}, a_{n'_2}, \cdots$$

where  $n_1 < n_2 < \cdots$  and  $n'_1 < n'_2 < \cdots$  and  $\{n_1, n_2, \cdots\} \cup \{n'_1, n'_2, \cdots\} = \mathbb{N}$ , such that  $a_{n_j} \geq 0 (j \in \mathbb{N}), a_{n'_k} \leq 0 (k \in \mathbb{N})$ . Let  $p_j := a_{n_j} (j \in \mathbb{N})$  and  $q_k := a_{n'_k} (k \in \mathbb{N})$ .

**Exercise 16.** Show that  $\sum_n |a_n| < \infty \Leftrightarrow \sum_j p_j < \infty$  and  $\sum_k q_k < \infty$ . Moreover, if any side holds, then

$$\sum_n |a_n| = \sum_j p_j + \sum_k q_k$$

and

$$\sum_n a_n = \sum_j p_j - \sum_k q_k.$$

*Proof.* 1.  $\Rightarrow$ : since  $\sum_n |a_n| < \infty$ , any partial sum of  $a_n$  has upper bound such as  $M$ , then for any  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} p_1 + \cdots + p_j &= |a_{n_1}| + \cdots + |a_{n_j}| \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{n_j} |a_n| \\ &\leq M, \end{aligned}$$

Thus any partial sum of  $p_j$  has upper bound  $M$  and hence  $\sum_j p_j < \infty$ . And  $\sum_k q_k < \infty$  in the same way.

2.  $\Leftarrow$ : The partial sum of  $\sum_n |a_n|$  can be decompose by the partial sums of  $\sum_n p_n$  and  $\sum_n q_n$  which have upper bounds, thus partial sum of  $\sum_n |a_n|$  has upper bound, and  $\sum_n |a_n| < \infty$ .
3. Define the partial sum of  $\sum_n |a_n|, \sum_n a_n, \sum_n p_n, \sum_n q_n$  as

$$A_m := \sum_{i=1}^m |a_i|, \quad S_m := \sum_{i=1}^m a_i$$

$$P_m := \sum_{i=1}^m p_i = \sum_{i=1}^m |a_{n_i}|, \quad Q_m := \sum_{i=1}^m q_i = \sum_{i=1}^m |a_{n'_i}|$$

Then for any  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have that

$$A_m \leq P_m + Q_m \leq A_{\max\{n_m, n'_m\}},$$

thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (P_n + Q_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Q_n$  since  $\sum_n p_n, \sum_n q_n$  exists, and the squeeze theorem. And hence  $\sum_n |a_n| = \sum_j p_j + \sum_k q_k$ .

On the contrary, for any  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , we can represent the partial sum of  $\sum_n a_n$  as

$$s_m = P_l - Q_v$$

where  $l, v \rightarrow \infty$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$ , thus  $\sum_n a_n = \sum_n p_n - \sum_n q_n$ . □

**Exercise 17.** If  $\sum_n a_n$  converges conditionally, show that

1.  $\sum_j p_j = \infty$  and  $\sum_k q_k = \infty$ ;
2.  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} p_j = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} q_k = 0$ .

*Proof.* 1. Denote the partial sum of  $\sum_n a_n, \sum_j p_j, \sum_k q_k$  as  $s_n, P_j, Q_k$  respectively, then we have that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (P_j - Q_k)$  exists, then either both  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_j, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Q_k$  exist or neither exists, since  $\sum_n a_n$  converges conditionally  $\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_j = \infty$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Q_k = \infty$ .

2. Since

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} p_j = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_j} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0,$$

and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} q_k = 0$  as well in the same way. □

**Exercise 18.** If  $\sum_n a_n, \sum_n b_n$  converges, show that  $\sum_n (a_n \pm b_n) = \sum_n a_n \pm \sum_n b_n$ .

*Proof.* Denote the partial sum of  $\sum_n (a_n + b_n), \sum_n a_n, \sum_n b_n$  as  $S_n, A_n, B_n$  respectively, then for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$S_n = A_n + B_n$$

and hence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (A_n + B_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} B_n$$

since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} B_n$  exists, thus  $\sum_n (a_n + b_n) = \sum_n a_n + \sum_n b_n$ , and  $\sum_n (a_n - b_n) = \sum_n a_n - \sum_n b_n$  in the same way. □

**Exercise 19.** Inserting 0s to a series will not affect its convergence / divergence and its sum (if the sum exists).

*Proof.* Consider the tail of series. Trivial.  $\square$

Recall that a sequence  $a_n$  is a map  $\mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{a_\cdot} \mathbb{R}$  where  $n \mapsto a(n)$  denoted by  $a_n$ . A subsequence  $a_{n_m}$  is a composite map

$$\mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{n_\cdot} \mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{a_\cdot} \mathbb{R}$$

where  $n_\cdot$  is a strictly monotone injection and  $m \mapsto n(m)$  denoted by  $n_m$ . A **rearrangement** is also a composite map

$$\mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{n(\cdot)} \mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{a_\cdot} \mathbb{R}$$

where  $n(\cdot)$  is a bijection. (To distinguish it from the notion of subseq., we don't use subscripts here)

Now we gonna explore two questions: if a series  $\sum_n$  converges,  $a_{n(m)} (m \in \mathbb{N})$  is a rearrangement of  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , then

1. whether  $\sum_m a_{n(m)}$  converges ?
2. whether  $\sum_n a_n = \sum_m a_{n(m)}$  ?

**Exercise 20.** Let  $\sum_n a_n$  be a positive series, show that

$$\sum_n a_n = \sup \Lambda$$

including the case  $\sum_n a_n = \infty$ . Here  $\Lambda = \{a_{n_1} + \dots + a_{n_k} \mid n_1 < \dots < n_k, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$  represents the set of every sum of finite terms of  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$ .

*Proof.* 1.  $\leq$ : since  $\sum_n a_n$  is the limit of the partial sum  $s_n$  (which is the sum of finite terms, i.e.  $s_n \in \Lambda$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ), and since  $a_n \geq 0$ ,  $s_n$  monotone, then

$$\sum_n a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} s_n \leq \sup \Lambda$$

2.  $\geq$ : If  $\sup \Lambda > \sup s_n$ , let  $\epsilon := \sup \Lambda - \sup s_n$ , then  $\exists \lambda = a_{n_1} + \dots + a_{n_{k_\lambda}} \in \Lambda$  such that

$$s_m \leq \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} s_n < \sup \Lambda - \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \lambda \leq \sup \Lambda$$

for  $\forall m \in \mathbb{N}$ , but

$$\lambda = a_{n_1} + \dots + a_{n_{k_\lambda}} \leq s_{n_{k_\lambda}}$$

which leads to a contradiction.

3. If  $\sum_n a_n = \infty$ , it is direct to see that  $\sup \Lambda = \infty$  as well by 1.  $\square$

**Exercise 21.** If  $\sum_n a_n$  is a convergent positive series, show that for every rearrangement  $a_{n(m)} (m \in \mathbb{N})$  of  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , we have that  $\sum_n a_n = \sum_m a_{n(m)}$ .

*Proof.* If  $\sum_n a_n$  is positive series, then  $\sum_m a_{n(m)}$  is positive series as well.

$$\sum_n a_n = \sup \Lambda_{a_n} = \sup \Lambda_{a_{n(m)}} = \sum_m a_{n(m)}$$

where  $\Lambda_{a_n}$  and  $\Lambda_{a_{n(m)}}$  are the set of every sum of finite terms of  $a_n$  and  $a_{n(m)}$  respectively. That is the proof follows by the  $\Lambda_{a_n} = \Lambda_{a_{n(m)}}$ .  $\square$

**Exercise 22** (Dirichlet's Rearrangement Theorem (1829)). If  $\sum_n a_n$  converges absolutely, show that for every rearrangement  $a_{n(m)} (m \in \mathbb{N})$  of  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , we have that  $\sum_n a_n = \sum_m a_{n(m)}$ .

*Proof.*  $\sum_n a_n$  converges absolutely  $\Rightarrow \sum_m a_{n(m)}$  converges absolutely. Furthermore

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_n a_n &= \sum_j p_j - \sum_k q_k \\ &= \sum_\mu p_{j_\mu} - \sum_\nu q_{k_\nu} \\ &= \sum_m a_{n_m}. \end{aligned}$$

$\square$

**Theorem 8** (Riemann's Rearrangement Theorem(1852)). If  $\sum_n a_n$  converges conditionally, then for  $\forall r \in \mathbb{R}$ , there exists a rearrangement  $a_{n(m)} (m \in \mathbb{N})$  of  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  such that  $\sum_m a_{n(m)} = r$ .

*Proof.* We will only use two known fact:

1.  $\sum_j p_j = \infty$  and  $\sum_k q_k = \infty$ ;
2.  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} p_j = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} q_k = 0$ .

Given a  $L \in \mathbb{R}$ , start with  $p_1$ , plus by  $p_2$  and so on till  $p_{m_1-1}$  where

$$\sum_i^{m_1-1} p_i \leq L \quad \text{but} \quad \sum_i^{m_1} p_i > L.$$

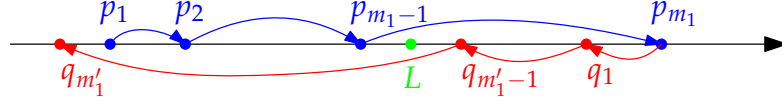
Then minus by  $q_1, q_2$  and so on till  $q_{m'_1-1}$  where

$$\sum_i^{m_1} p_i - \sum_{j=1}^{m'_1-1} q_j > L \quad \text{but} \quad \sum_i^{m_1} p_i - \sum_{j=1}^{m'_1} q_j \leq L.$$

This process can be repeat since  $\sum_j p_j = \infty$  and  $\sum_k q_k = \infty$  and hence any tail of  $\sum_j p_j, \sum_k q_k$  has no upper bound, therefore the cross action can always happen, in the other word,  $m_i, m'_i (i \in \mathbb{N})$  exists.

Thus we can form a rearrangement  $\chi_n$  of  $\sum_n a_n$  as

$$p_1, \dots, p_{m_1}, -q_1, \dots, -q_{m'_1}, \dots$$



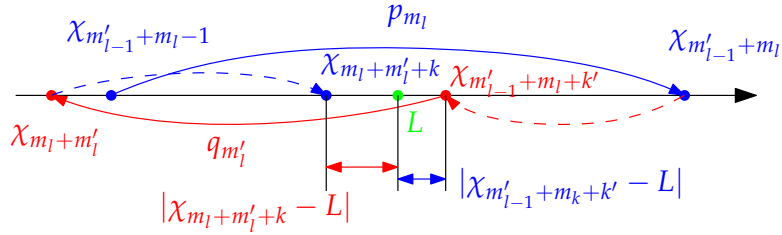
Now we will show that this rearrangement converges to  $L$ , i.e.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \chi_n = L$ . Consider  $\chi_{\dots+m'_{l-1}+m_l-1}$  which implies the point lies in the left of  $L$  and will cross the  $L$  in next jump, and we denote it by  $\chi_{m'_{l-1}+m_l-1}$  for simply. And hence we have that

$$|\chi_{m'_{l-1}+m_l+k'} - L| < p_{m_l}$$

if  $0 \leq k' < m'_l - m'_{l-1}$ . And similarly

$$|\chi_{m_l+m'_l+k} - L| < q_{m'_l}$$

if  $0 \leq k < m_{m+1}-m_l$ .



And since  $\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} p_{m_l} = \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} q_{m'_l} = 0$ , for  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $l \geq N_0 \Rightarrow p_{m_l}$  and  $q_{m'_l} < \epsilon$ . Let  $N = m'_{N_0-1} + m_{N_0}$ , then  $n \geq N \Rightarrow |\chi_n - L| < \epsilon$ .  $\square$

*Remark 4* ( $2S = S$ ). Dirichelet made the following observation in 1827: Consider a alternating series

$$S = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} - \dots$$

which is convergent (conditionally) by Leibniz's Criterion, and hence

$$\begin{aligned} 2S &= 2 - 1 + \frac{2}{3} - \frac{2}{4} + \frac{2}{5} - \frac{2}{6} + \frac{2}{7} - \frac{2}{8} + \frac{2}{9} - \frac{2}{10} + \dots \\ &= (2 - 1) - \frac{2}{4} + \left( \frac{2}{3} - \frac{2}{6} \right) - \frac{2}{8} + \left( \frac{2}{5} - \frac{2}{10} \right) + \dots \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} - \dots \\ &= S \end{aligned}$$

*Remark 5.* In summary, given a series  $\sum_n a_n$ , and its any rearrangement  $\sum_m a_{n(m)}$ , then

1. If  $a_n \geq 0$  for  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow \sum_n a_n = \sum_m a_{n(m)}$ ;
2. If  $\sum_n |a_n| < \infty \Rightarrow \sum_n a_n = \sum_m a_{n(m)}$ ;
3. If  $\sum_n |a_n| = \infty$  but  $\sum_n a_n < \infty \Rightarrow \sum_m a_{n(m)}$  could be anything.

## 2.4 Multiplying absolutely convergent series

**Proposition 2.** Let  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$  and  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n$  converge absolutely, let

$$c_n = a_n b_0 + \cdots + a_0 b_n = \sum_{j+k=n; j,k \geq 0} a_j b_k,$$

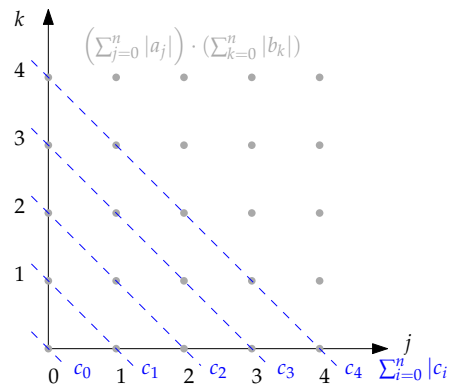
then  $\sum_n |c_n| < \infty$  and  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n = (\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n) \cdot (\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n)$ .

*Proof.* 1.  $\sum_n |c_n| < \infty$

For all  $n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{m=0}^n |c_m| &= \sum_{m=0}^n \left| \sum_{\substack{j+k=m \\ j,k \geq 0}} a_j b_k \right| \leq \sum_{m=0}^n \sum_{\substack{j+k=m \\ j,k \geq 0}} |a_j| |b_k| \\ &\leq \left( \sum_{j=0}^n |a_j| \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{k=0}^n |b_k| \right). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$  and  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n$  converges absolutely, the partial sums of  $|a_n|, |b_n|$  have upper bounds, denoted by  $M, N$  respectively, then  $\sum_{m=0}^n |c_m|$  has a upper bound  $M \cdot N$  and hence  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n$  converges absolutely.



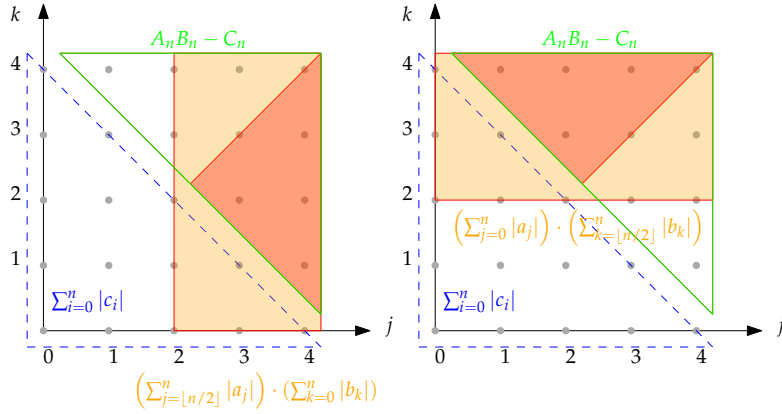
2.  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n = (\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n) \cdot (\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n)$ .

Let  $A_n := a_0 + \cdots + a_n$ ,  $B_n := b_0 + \cdots + b_n$  and  $C_n := c_0 + \cdots + c_n$ , we claim that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (A_n B_n - C_n) = 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
|A_n B_n - C_n| &= \sum_{\substack{j+k > n \\ 0 \leq j, k \leq n}} |a_j b_k| \\
&\leq \left( \sum_{j=\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}^n |a_j| \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{k=0}^n |b_k| \right) + \left( \sum_{j=0}^n |a_j| \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{k=\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}^n |b_k| \right)
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\sum_{k=0}^n |b_k|, \sum_{j=0}^n |a_j|$  are bounded, and tails  $\sum_{j=\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}^n |a_j|, \sum_{k=\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}^n |b_k| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  since  $\sum_n a_n, \sum_n b_n$  are converges abs. Thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |A_n B_n - C_n| = 0$  and since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} B_n, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} C_n$  exists, we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} C_n \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n B_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} B_n \\
&= \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n \right)
\end{aligned}$$



□

**Theorem 9.** If  $\sum_n a_n, \sum_n b_n$  cvg. abs.,  $\mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{(j(\cdot), k(\cdot))} \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  is bijection where  $n \mapsto (j(n), k(n))$ , let  $c_n := a_{j(n)} b_{k(n)}$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ), then  $\sum_n |c_n| < \infty$  (cvg. abs.) and  $\sum_n c_n = (\sum_n a_n)(\sum_n b_n)$ .

*Proof.* 1.  $\sum_n c_n$  cvg. abs.

For  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $l = \max\{j(1), \dots, j(n), k(1), \dots, k(n)\}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
|c_1| + \dots + |c_n| &= |a_{j(1)} b_{k(1)}| + \dots + |a_{j(n)} b_{k(n)}| \\
&\leq \left( \sum_{j=1}^l |a_j| \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{k=1}^l |b_k| \right) \\
&\leq M \cdot N
\end{aligned}$$



Thus  $\sum_n c_n$  cvg. abs.

2.  $\sum_n c_n = (\sum_n a_n)(\sum_n b_n)$ .

Let  $A_n = a_1 + \cdots + a_n$ ,  $B_n = b_1 + \cdots + b_n$  and  $C_n = c_1 + \cdots + c_n$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ). And define the bijection  $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  by the second one in Figure 2.1. Then

$$\begin{aligned} A_n B_n &= (a_1 + \cdots + a_n)(b_1 + \cdots + b_n) \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq j, k \leq n} a_j b_k \\ &= C_{n^2} \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n B_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} C_{n^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} C_n \Rightarrow \sum_n c_n = (\sum_n a_n)(\sum_n b_n)$ .  $\square$

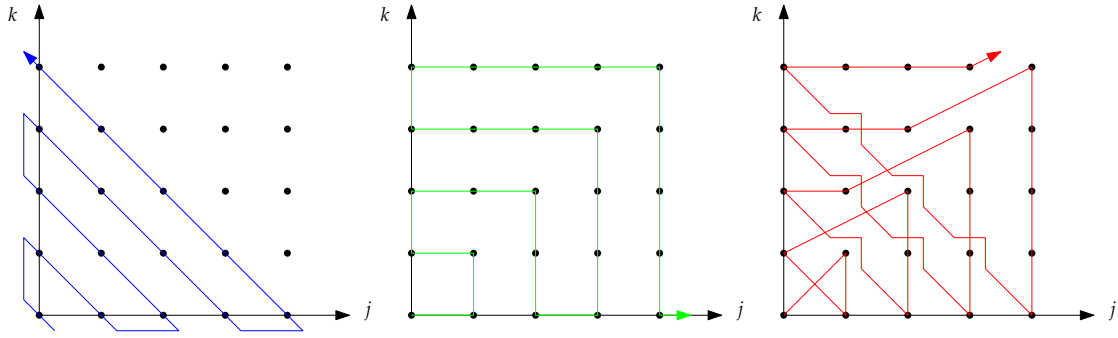


Figure 2.1: 3 kinds of bijections  $(j(\cdot), k(\cdot))$

## Chapter 3

# Metric space

This chapter refers to *Chapter 2 of General Topology Notes* for details.

### 3.1 Metric space

**Definition 12** (Metric Space). Let  $X \times X \xrightarrow{d} \mathbb{R}$  be a function, we say that  $d$  is a metric on  $X$  or  $(X, d)$  is a metric space if for  $\forall x, x', x'' \in X$  have

1. Positivity:  $d(x, x') \geq 0$  and  $d(x, x') = 0$  iff  $x = x'$ ;
2. Symmetry:  $d(x, x') = d(x', x)$ ;
3. Triangle inequality:  $d(x, x') \leq d(x, x'') + d(x'', x')$ .

**Exercise 23.** Show that the triangle inequality is equivalent with for  $\forall x, x', x'' \in X$

$$d(x, x') \geq |d(x, x'') - d(x', x'')|.$$

*Proof.*  $\geq \Rightarrow \leq$ : since  $d(x, x') \geq |d(x, x'') - d(x', x'')| \geq d(x, x'') - d(x', x'')$ , we have that  $d(x, x'') \leq d(x, x') + d(x', x'')$ .

$\leq \Rightarrow \geq$ : if  $\exists x, x', x''$  such that  $d(x, x') < |d(x, x'') - d(x', x'')|$ , then

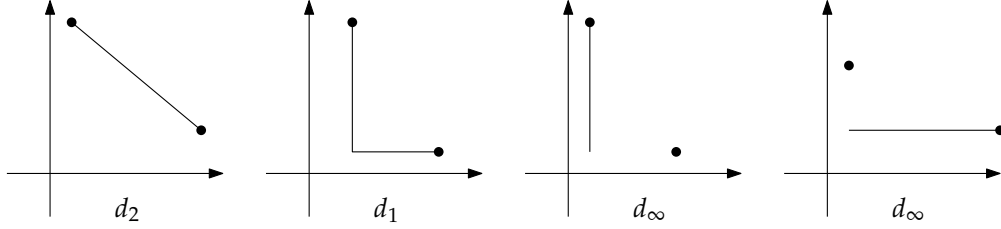
$$\begin{aligned} d(x, x') &< |d(x, x'') - d(x', x'')| \\ &\leq |d(x, x') + d(x', x'') - d(x', x'')| \\ &\leq d(x, x') \end{aligned}$$

thus  $d(x, x') < d(x, x')$ , which leads to a contradiction.  $\square$

**Example 6.** Here are some metric examples:

1. define  $d_2(x, y) := (\sum_{i=1}^m |x_i - y_i|^2)^{1/2}$ ,  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . Then  $d_2$  is a metric on  $\mathbb{R}^m$  by Cauchy inequality.
2. define  $d_1(x, y) := \sum_{i=1}^m |x_i - y_i|$ ,  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . Then  $d_1$  is a metric on  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

3. define  $d_\infty(x, y) := \max \{|x_i - y_i|\}, i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}, x, y \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . Then  $d_\infty$  is a metric on  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .



$d_2$  can be proved to be a metric by Cauchy inequality:

**Exercise 24** (Cauchy inequality). For any  $(x_1, \dots, x_n), (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , show that

$$(x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_n y_n)^2 \leq (x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2)(y_1^2 + \dots + y_n^2)$$

and  $\Delta \geq 0$  holds iff  $\exists a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  which are not all 0.

*Proof.* Consider the polynomial  $p(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i t + y_i)^2 = t^2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + 2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i t + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \geq 0$ , thus  $\Delta = 4 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \right)^2 - 4 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \leq 0 \Rightarrow \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \right)^2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2$ .  $\square$

**Example 7** (p-adic). If  $p$  is a prime number,  $x \in \mathbb{Q}$ , define

$$|x|_{p\text{-adic}} := \begin{cases} p^{-m}, & x = \frac{a}{b} \cdot p^m, x \neq 0, \\ 0, & x = 0, \end{cases}$$

where  $a, b, m \in \mathbb{Z}, (a, p) = (b, p) = 1$ . For  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{Q}$ , define  $d_{p\text{-adic}}(x, y) = |x - y|_{p\text{-adic}}$ , then  $d_{p\text{-adic}}$  is a metric on  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Assume  $x = (a/b)p^m, y = (s/t)p^n \in \mathbb{Q}$  where  $a, b, s, t, m, n \in \mathbb{Z}, (a, p) = (b, p) = (s, p) = (t, p) = 1, m > n$ , then  $|x|_{p\text{-adic}} = p^{-m} < |y|_{p\text{-adic}} = p^{-n}$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} |x - y|_{p\text{-adic}} &= |(a/b)p^m - (s/t)p^n|_{p\text{-adic}} \\ &= \left| \frac{adt^{m-n} - bcs}{bd} p^n \right|_{p\text{-adic}}. \end{aligned}$$

it is easy to check  $adt^{m-n} - bcs, bd \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $(adt^{m-n} - bcs, p) = (bd, p) = 1$ , thus

$$|x - y|_{p\text{-adic}} = p^{-n} = |y|_{p\text{-adic}} = \max\{|x|_{p\text{-adic}}, |y|_{p\text{-adic}}\}.$$

Thus for any  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Q}$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} d_{p\text{-adic}}(x, y) &= \max\{|x|_{p\text{-adic}}, |y|_{p\text{-adic}}\} \\ &\leq \max\{|x|_{p\text{-adic}}, |z|_{p\text{-adic}}\} + \max\{|z|_{p\text{-adic}}, |y|_{p\text{-adic}}\} \\ &= d_{p\text{-adic}}(x, z) + d_{p\text{-adic}}(y, z), \end{aligned}$$

which follows the triangle inequality, the other two conditions is trivial.

### 3.2 Open and compact on metric space

**Definition 13** (Open Ball). Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space, for  $\forall r > 0$  and  $x_0 \in X$ , we let

$$B_r(x_0) := \{x \in X | d(x, x_0) < r\},$$

and call it the open ball with center  $x_0$  and radius  $r$ ; let

$$\overline{B_r(x_0)} := \{x \in X | d(x, x_0) \leq r\},$$

and call it the close ball with center  $x_0$  and radius  $r$ .

**Example 8** (discrete metric). For  $\forall x, x' \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , define metric  $d(x, x') = 0$  if  $x = x'$ , and  $d(x, x') = 1$  if  $x \neq x'$ , then  $B_1(x) = \{x\}$ ,  $\overline{B_1(x)} = \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $B_{1.1}(x) = \mathbb{R}^2$ .

**Definition 14** (Open Set).  $S(\subseteq X)$  is called an Open Set of  $X$  with respect to  $d$ , if  $\forall x_0 \in S$ ,  $\exists r > 0$  such that  $B_r(x_0) \subseteq S$ ;  $F(\subseteq X)$  is Close Set of  $X$  w.r.t.  $d$  if  $X \setminus F$  is open set of  $X$  w.r.t.  $d$ .

**Exercise 25.** Prove that  $B_r(x)$  is open set and  $\overline{B_r(x)}$  is close.

*Proof.* For  $\forall x' \in B_r(x)$ , we have  $d(x, x') < r$ , donate  $r - d(x, x')$  by  $s$ , then for  $\forall x'' \in B_{s/2}(x')$  satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, x'') &\leq d(x, x') + d(x', x'') \\ &\leq d(x, x') + \frac{s}{2} \\ &< r, \end{aligned}$$

thus  $x'' \in B_r(x)$  and  $B_{s/2}(x') \subseteq B_r(x)$  and  $B_r(x)$  is a open set. For  $\forall x' \in X \setminus \overline{B_r(x)}$  has  $d(x, x') > r$ . Denote  $d(x, x') - r$  by  $t$ , then for  $\forall x'' \in B_{t/2}(x')$  satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, x'') &\geq |d(x, x') - d(x', x'')| \\ &\geq d(x, x') - d(x', x'') \\ &\geq d(x, x') - \frac{t}{2} \\ &> r. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $B_{t/2}(x') \subseteq X \setminus \overline{B_r(x)}$  and  $X \setminus \overline{B_r(x)}$  is an open set, thus  $\overline{B_r(x)}$  is a close set.  $\square$

**Exercise 26.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. show that

1.  $X, \emptyset \subseteq_{\text{open}} X$ ;
2.  $O_1, O_2 \subseteq_{\text{open}} X \Rightarrow O_1 \cap O_2 \subseteq_{\text{open}} X$ ;
3.  $O_\alpha \subseteq_{\text{open}} X, (\alpha \in A) \Rightarrow \cup_{\alpha \in A} O_\alpha \subseteq_{\text{open}} X$  ( $\alpha$  not necessarily be integral or countable);
4. All above corresponding statements for close set are true.

- Proof.* 1. Obviously  $X$  is an Open set thus  $\emptyset$  is a close set. If  $\emptyset$  is not an open set, then  $\exists x \in \emptyset, \forall r > 0$  such that  $B_r(x) \not\subseteq \emptyset$ , which is impossible. Thus  $\emptyset$  is an open set (logically) and  $X$  is a close set;
2.  $\forall x \in O_1 \cap O_2, \exists r_1, r_2 > 0$ , s.t.  $B_{r_1}(x) \subseteq O_1$  and  $B_{r_2}(x) \subseteq O_2$ . Thus  $\forall x' \in B_{\min\{r_1, r_2\}}(x) = B_{r_1}(x) \cap B_{r_2}(x) \Rightarrow x' \in O_1 \cap O_2 \Rightarrow B_{\min\{r_1, r_2\}}(x) \subseteq O_1 \cap O_2$ , thus  $O_1 \cap O_2$  is open. Collectively, the intersection of any finite open sets is an open set;
3. For  $\forall x \in \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} O_\alpha, \exists$  at least one  $\alpha' \in A$ , s.t.  $x \in O_{\alpha'}$ , then  $\exists r > 0$ , s.t.  $B_r(x) \subseteq O_{\alpha'} \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} O_\alpha$ , thus  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} O_\alpha$  is an open set;
4. Take complementary set: The union of finite close sets is close; the intersection of any close sets is close.

□

*Remark 6.* First 3 statements are the essential intuition for the definition of *Topology*.

**Exercise 27.** Show that an open set is the union of open balls.

*Proof.* Given an open set  $O$ , for any  $o \in O, \exists r_o > 0$ , s.t.  $B_{r_o}(o) \subseteq O$ , define  $O' = \bigcup_{o \in O} B_{r_o}(o)$ . Thus for  $\forall x \in O', \exists o',$  s.t.  $x \in B_{r_o'}(o') \subseteq O \Rightarrow O' \subseteq O$ ;  
On the other hand, for any  $y \in O, \exists r_y > 0$ , s.t.  $B_{r_y}(y) \subseteq O \Rightarrow y \in B_{r_y}(y) \subseteq O' \Rightarrow O \subseteq O'$ . Thus  $O = O' = \bigcup_{o \in O} B_{r_o}(o)$ . □

**Definition 15** (Convergence). Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space,  $a_n \in X, (n \in \mathbb{N}), L \in X$ , define  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$  w.r.t.  $d$ , if  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \geq N$  s.t.  $d(a_n, L) < \epsilon$ , that is  $a_n \in B_\epsilon(L)$ .

**Exercise 28.** Show that

1.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L \Leftrightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(a_n, L) = 0$ ;
2.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L \Leftrightarrow \forall U \subseteq_{\text{open}} X, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \geq N$  s.t.  $a_n \in U$ .

*Proof.* (1) Trivial; (2)  $\Rightarrow$ : Suppose that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$ , for  $\forall U$  that  $L \in U, \exists r > 0$ , s.t.  $B_r(L) \subseteq U$ , and  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\forall n \geq N$ , s.t.  $a_n \in B_r(L) \subseteq U$ ;  $\Leftarrow$ : Suppose  $L \in U \subseteq_{\text{open}} X$ , then  $\exists r > 0$  such that  $B_r(L) \subseteq U$ . Since  $B_r(L)$  is also an open set, then  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , for  $\forall n \geq N$ , s.t.  $a_n \in B_r(L) \subseteq U$ . □

We say  $S \subseteq X$  is bounded w.r.t.  $d$ , if  $\exists r > 0$  and  $x_0 \in X$ , s.t.  $S \subseteq B_r(x_0)$ .

**Theorem 10** (Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem). If  $a_n \in \mathbb{R}^m (n \in \mathbb{N})$  is bounded w.r.t.  $d_2$ , then  $\exists$  a subsequence  $a_{n_m} (m \in \mathbb{N})$  which converges.

*Proof.* We only prove  $\mathbb{R}^2$  case. If we want to prove that the vector  $a = (a_1, \dots, a_m) \in \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow L = (l_1, \dots, l_m) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , all we need to prove is  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_i = l_i, (i = 1, \dots, m)$ . Choose  $M > 0$ , s.t.  $a_n \in Q = [-M, M] \times [-M, M]$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Divide  $Q$  into 4 squares with equal size and choose one, say  $Q_1$ , such that  $|\{n | a_n \in Q\}| = \infty$ . Select  $n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that  $a_{n_1} \in Q_1$ . Repeat this and we have  $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} Q_k = \{a\}$ . By theorem of nested interval we have that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_k} = a$ . □

**Remark 7.** The conclusion of Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem can be generalize to metric space (Remark 13).

**Exercise 29.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space,  $F \subseteq X$  show that  $F \subseteq_{\text{close}} X \Leftrightarrow \forall a_n \in F (n \in \mathbb{N})$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a \in X$  then  $a \in F$ .

*Proof.*  $\Rightarrow$ : Assume that  $F$  is close and  $a_n \in F$ . If  $a_n \rightarrow a \in X \setminus F$ , then  $\exists r > 0$ , s.t.  $B_r(a) \in X \setminus F$ . Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a$ , for  $r$ , there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \geq N$ , s.t.  $d(a_n, a) < r$ , i.e.  $a_n \in B_r(a) \subseteq X \setminus F$ , which leads to a contradiction.  $\Leftarrow$ : Suppose that  $\forall a_n \in F (n \in \mathbb{N})$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a \in X$  then  $a \in F$ , and  $F$  is not close, which means  $X \setminus F$  is not open, and  $\exists x \in X \setminus F, \forall r > 0, B_r(x) \cap F \neq \emptyset$ . Select  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $a_n \in B_{\frac{1}{n}}(x) \cap F$ . Thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = x \notin F$ , which leads to a contradiction.  $\square$

**Remark 8.** Set family of sets as  $\{B_{1/n}(x)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a very useful skill.

**Definition 16** (Open cover, Compact set). Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space,  $S \subseteq X$ ,  $O_\alpha \in X (\alpha \in A)$ , we say that  $O_\alpha (\alpha \in A)$  form an open cover of  $S$ , if  $S \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} O_\alpha$ .  $S$  is called a compact set if  $\forall$  open cover  $O_\alpha (\alpha \in A)$  of  $S$ ,  $\exists \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m \in A$ , s.t.  $S \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^m O_{\alpha_i}$ , where  $\bigcup_{i=1}^m O_{\alpha_i}$  is called a finite subcover.

If there exists an open cover of  $F$  whose any finite subcover can not cover it, then  $F$  is not a compact set. for instance, let  $F = (0, 1), O_n = (1/n, 2), n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $O_n$  is an open cover of  $F$ , however any finite subcover of  $O_n$  can not cover  $F$ .

**Theorem 11** (Heine-Borel theorem). Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $S$  is compact  $\Leftrightarrow S$  is bounded and closed.

*Proof.*  $\Rightarrow$ : Suppose that  $S$  is compact, select a point  $s \in S$  arbitrarily, define  $O_i = B_i(s)$ , it is easy to check that  $S \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} O_i$ , since for any  $s' \in S$ , we have that  $s' \in B_{2d(s, s')}(s) \subseteq O_{\lceil 2d(s, s') \rceil}$ . Since  $S$  is compact, there exists a finite subcover, thus  $S$  is bounded. Suppose  $S$  is compact, but  $S$  is not closed, which means  $X \setminus S$  is not open and  $\exists x \in X \setminus S$ , s.t.  $\forall r > 0, B_r(x) \cap S \neq \emptyset$ . Since  $S$  is bounded, define  $\iota = \sup_{s \in S} d(s, x)$ , define open cover

$$O_n = B_{\frac{\iota}{n}}(x) - B_{\frac{\iota}{n+1}}(x),$$

thus  $O_i \cap O_j = \emptyset (i \neq j)$  and  $O_i \cap S \neq \emptyset (\forall i)$ . Thus  $O_n$  has no finite subcover, which leads to a contradiction and  $S$  is closed.

$\Leftarrow$ : Suppose that  $S$  is bounded and closed, and  $\exists$  an open cover  $O_\alpha (\alpha \in A)$  of  $S$  which admits no finite subcover. Choose a cube  $Q$  containing  $S$  ( $S$  is bounded), divide  $Q$  into 4 equal-sized cubes and select one of them denoted by  $Q_1$ , s.t.  $Q_1 \cap S$  can not be covered by finitely many  $Q_\alpha$ , select a point such that  $s_1 \in Q_1 \cap S$ . Repeat.

Obviously,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = a$ , notice that  $s_n \in Q_n \cap S \subseteq S$ , thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = a \in S$  for  $S$  is closed. Thus there exist  $O_i$  such that  $a \in O_i$ . Since  $O_i$  is open,  $\exists r > 0$ , s.t.  $B_r(a) \subseteq O_i$ .

Then  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \geq N$ , s.t.  $Q_n \subseteq B_r(a) \subseteq O_i$ . Since  $Q_n \cap S$  can not be covered by finitely many  $O_\alpha$ , but could be covered by  $O_i$ , which leads to a contradiction.  $\square$

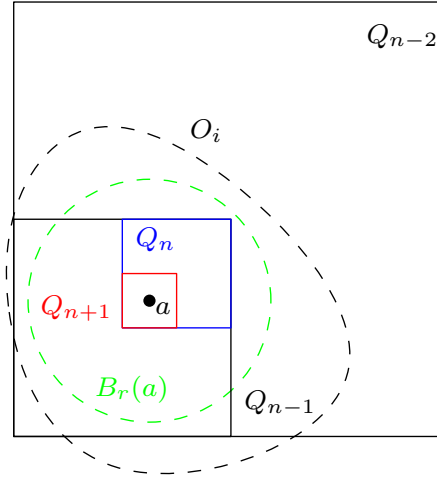


Figure 3.1: Heine-Borel theorem

**Theorem 12** (The Lebesgue number of an open cover). *Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $K(\subseteq X)$  a compact set. For any given open cover  $O_\alpha (\alpha \in A)$  of  $K$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$ , s.t. for every  $x \in K$  we have  $B_\delta(x) \subseteq O_{\alpha'}$  for some  $\alpha' \in A$  ( $\alpha'$  depending on  $x$ ).*

*Proof.* Since  $K$  is compact, for any open cover of  $K$ , there exists a finite subcover of  $K$ , that is  $\exists O_{\alpha_i}, i = 1, \dots, N$  such that

$$K \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^N O_{\alpha_i}.$$

For any point  $x \in K$  there exist  $O_{\alpha_j} \in \{O_{\alpha_i}\}_{i=1}^N$ , s.t.  $x \in O_{\alpha_j}$  and exists  $\delta_x > 0$ , s.t.  $B_{\delta_x/2}(x) \subseteq B_{\delta_x}(x) \subseteq O_{\alpha_j}$  for  $O_{\alpha_j}$  is open. Obviously we have that  $B_{\delta_x/2}(x)$  is an open cover of  $K$ , i.e.

$$K \subseteq \bigcup_{x \in K} B_{\delta_x/2}(x),$$

and  $B_{\delta_x/2}(x)$  has a finite subcover of  $K$ , denote as  $\{B_{\delta_{x_i}/2}(x_i)\}_{i=1}^M$ . Let  $\delta = \min\{\delta_{x_i}\}_{i=1}^M$ . Then for any  $y \in K$ , there exists  $B_{\delta_{x_j}/2}(x_j) \in \{B_{\delta_{x_i}/2}(x_i)\}_{i=1}^M$  such that  $y \in B_{\delta_{x_j}/2}(x_j)$  and  $d(y, x_j) < \delta_{x_j}/2$ . and for any  $y'$  where  $d(y', y) < \delta/2 < \delta_{x_j}/2$ , we have  $d(x_j, y') \leq d(x_j, y) + d(y, y') < \delta_{x_j}$ , thus  $y, y' \in B_{\delta_{x_j}}(x_j) \subseteq O_{\alpha'}$ , or say  $y, y' \in B_{\delta/2}(y) \subseteq B_{\delta_{x_j}}(x_j) \subseteq O_{\alpha'}$ .  $\square$

The theorem indicates for any open cover  $O_\alpha$  of  $K$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$ , s.t. for  $\forall x \in K, x' \in X$ , is  $d(x, x') < \delta$ , then  $\exists \alpha \in A$  we have  $x, x' \in O_\alpha$ . Such a  $\delta > 0$  is called a **Lebesgue**

**number** of the given open cover  $O_\alpha (\alpha \in A)$ . Notice that the statement could be false if the compactness assumption is dropped.

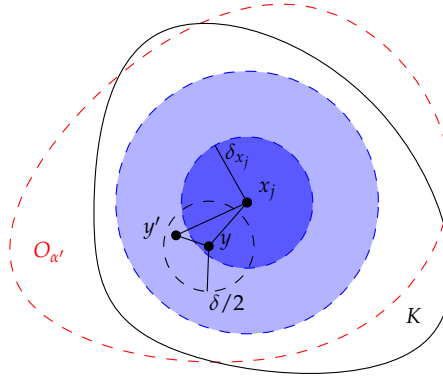
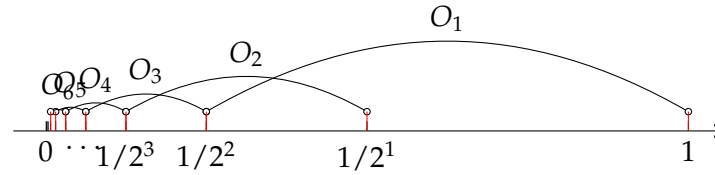
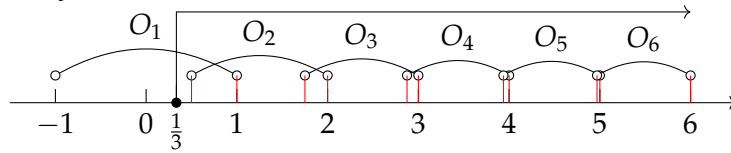


Figure 3.2: The Lebesgue number of an open cover

**Exercise 30** (Open set). Let  $(X, d) = (\mathbb{R}, d_2), K = (0, 1), O_\alpha = (1/2^{\alpha+1}, 1/2^{\alpha-1}) (\alpha \in \mathbb{N})$ . Thus  $1/2^\alpha \in O_\alpha$  and  $\notin O_{\alpha'}$  if  $\alpha' \neq \alpha (\alpha, \alpha' \in \mathbb{N})$ . It is easy to check  $O_\alpha$  is an open cover of  $K$ , but  $|1/2^\alpha - 1/2^{\alpha+1}| = 1/2^{\alpha+1}$  can be arbitrarily small if  $\alpha \uparrow$ . Thus there exists  $x \in K, x' \in X$  can not be covered one  $O_\alpha$ , no matter how close they are.



**Exercise 31** (Unbounded set). Let  $(X, d) = (\mathbb{R}, d_2), K = [1/3, \infty), O_\alpha = (\alpha - 1 - 1/2^{\alpha-1}, \alpha) (\alpha \in \mathbb{N})$ . Thus  $x = \alpha - 1/2^\alpha \in O_\alpha$  and  $x' = \alpha \in O_{\alpha+1}$  and  $d(x, x')$  could be arbitrarily small as  $\alpha \uparrow$ . Thus there exists  $x \in K, x' \in X$  can not be covered one  $O_\alpha$ , no matter how close they are.

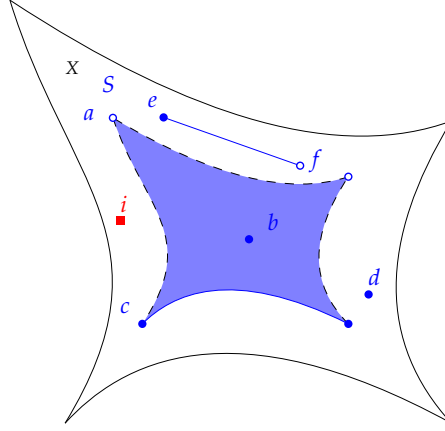


**Definition 17** (Isolated point, limit point and accumulation point). Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $S \subseteq X$ . A point  $x \in X$  is called:

- an **isolated point** of  $S$ , if  $\exists \epsilon > 0$ , s.t.  $B_\epsilon(x) \cap S = \{x\} (\Rightarrow x \in S)$ ;
- a **limit point** of  $S$ , if  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ , s.t.  $B_\epsilon(x) \cap S \setminus \{x\} \neq \emptyset$ ;
- an **accumulation point** of  $S$ , if  $\exists$  seq.  $a_n \in S (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , s.t.  $x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ .

**Example 9.**  $S \subseteq X$  is as the figure, point  $i \notin S$ :





Then

point	iso. pts. of $S$	limit pts. of $S$	acc. pts. of $S$	$\in S$
$i$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$
$a$	$\times$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\times$
$b$	$\times$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
$c$	$\times$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
$d$	$\checkmark$	$\times$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
$e$	$\times$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
$h$	$\times$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\times$

Notice that  $x$  is a isolated point of  $S \Rightarrow x \in S$ ; but  $x$  is a limit/accumulate point of  $S \nRightarrow x \in S$ .

**Exercise 32.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space,  $S \subseteq X$ ,

1. Show that  $x$  is an isolated/limit point of  $S \Rightarrow x$  is a accumulate point of  $S$ ;
2. Denote  $\{\text{iso. pts. of } S\}$ ,  $\{\text{limit pts. of } S\}$  and  $\{\text{acc. pts. of } S\}$  by  $I_S, L_S, A_S$  respectively. Show that  $I_S \cup L_S = A_S$ ;
3. Suppose  $E \subseteq K \subseteq X$ , where  $E$  is infinite and  $K$  is compact, show that  $L_E \neq \emptyset$ ; (Prove by contradiction)

*Proof.* 1. If  $x$  is an isolated point of  $S$ , thus  $x \in S$ . Let  $a_n \equiv x$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = x$ , thus  $x$  is an accumulate point of  $S$ ; If  $x$  is a limit point of  $S$ , then for any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $B_\epsilon(x) \cap S \setminus \{x\} \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $a_n \in B_{1/n}(x) (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , then  $d(a_n, x) < 1/n$  for  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = x$ , and  $x$  is an accumulate point of  $S$ .

2. We have obtained that  $I_S, L_S \subseteq A_S$ . Suppose  $x \in A_S \setminus (I_S \cup L_S) \neq \emptyset$ . Which means : (1) there exists seq.  $a_n \in S$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = x$ ; (2)  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ , s.t.  $B_\epsilon(x) \cap S \neq \{x\}$  ( $\neg I_S$ ); (3)  $\exists \epsilon' > 0$ , s.t.  $B_{\epsilon'}(x) \cap S \setminus \{x\} = \emptyset$  ( $\neg L_S$ ). Let  $B_\epsilon(x) \cap S = Q_\epsilon \neq \{x\}$ , if  $x \in Q_\epsilon$ , then it leads to a contradiction with (3); If  $x \notin Q_\epsilon$ , then  $Q_\epsilon = \emptyset$ , that is  $B_{\epsilon'}(x) \cap S = \emptyset$  and for  $\forall s \in S \Rightarrow d(s, x) \geq \epsilon'$ , which leads to a contradiction with (1). Thus  $A_S \setminus (I_S \cup L_S) = \emptyset$ . Because  $I_S, L_S \subseteq A_S$ , we have  $I_S \cup L_S = A_S$ .

3. We claim there exists a limit point  $s$  of  $E$  in  $K$ , i.e.  $\exists s \in K$  s.t.  $\forall r > 0, B_r(s) \cap E \setminus \{s\} \neq \emptyset$ .

Assume the contrary, that is  $\forall s \in K, \exists r_s > 0$  s.t.  $B_{r_s}(s) \cap E \setminus \{s\} = \emptyset$ , and  $B_{r_s}(s) (s \in K)$  form an open cover of  $K$ :  $K = \cup_{s \in K} B_{r_s}(s)$ . Since  $K$  is compact, there exists  $s_1, \dots, s_n \in K$  s.t.  $K = \cup_{i=1}^n B_{r_{s_i}}(s_i)$ .

Define  $S = \{s_1, \dots, s_n\}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} K \cap E \setminus S &= \left( \cup_{i=1}^n B_{r_{s_i}}(s_i) \right) \cap E \setminus S \\ &= \cup_{i=1}^n B_{r_{s_i}}(s_i) \cap (E \setminus S) \\ &= \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

but since  $E$  is infinite set,  $S$  is finite set and  $E \subseteq K \Rightarrow K \cap E \setminus S = E \setminus S \neq \emptyset$ , which is contrary. □

*Remark 9.* Refer to the proof method.

**Exercise 33.** Let  $(X, d) = (\mathbb{R}, d_2), S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , show that if  $\sup S$  ( $\inf S$ ) exists, then it is an accumulate point.

*Proof.* If  $\sup S$  exists, then for  $\forall x \in S$ , s.t.  $x \leq \sup S$  and for  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists x' \in S$ , s.t.  $\sup S - \epsilon < x' \leq \sup S$ . For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exists  $x_n \in S$  s.t.  $\sup S - 1/n < x_n \leq \sup S$ , and  $d(x_n, \sup S) < 1/n$ , thus  $x_n \rightarrow \sup S$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . □

**Exercise 34.** Show that, if  $(X, d)$  be a metric space, then

$$S \subseteq_{\text{close}} X \Leftrightarrow A_S = S \Leftrightarrow L_S \subseteq S.$$

*Proof.* For any  $x \in S$ , let  $a_n = x$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = x$ , thus  $S \subseteq A_S$ . Since example (??), we have  $S \subseteq_{\text{close}} X \Leftrightarrow A_S = S$ .  $\Rightarrow$  Since  $I_S \cup L_S = A_S$ , we have  $L_S \subseteq A_S = S$ ;  $\Leftarrow$ , for  $L_S \subseteq A_S \subseteq S$ , we have  $S \subseteq A_S \Rightarrow S = A_S$ . □

### 3.3 Functions on metric space

**Definition 18** (Limit of function). Let  $(X, d_X), (Y, d_Y)$  be metric spaces.  $a \in S \subseteq X$ ,  $f : S \mapsto Y$ , we say map  $f$  has limit at  $a$  if  $\exists b \in Y$  s.t. for  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0, \forall x \in S \cap B_\delta(a) \setminus \{a\} \Rightarrow f(x) \in B_\epsilon(b)$ . Denoted as  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = b$  and  $B_\delta(a) \setminus \{a\} =: B_\delta^*(a)$ , then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = b \Leftrightarrow f(S \cap B_\delta^*(a)) \subseteq B_\epsilon(b).$$

**Definition 19** (Continuous). Let  $(X, d_X), (Y, d_Y)$  be metric spaces.  $a \in S \subseteq X$ ,  $f : S \mapsto Y$ , we say

1. map  $f$  is continuous at  $a$  if for  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ , for  $\forall x \in B_\delta(a) \cap S$ , s.t.  $f(x) \in B_\epsilon(f(a))$ , that is  $f(B_\delta(a)) \subseteq B_\epsilon(f(a))$ .
2. map  $f$  is a continuous map if  $f$  is continuous at every  $a \in S$ .

**Exercise 35.** Let  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$  be a continuous map between metric spaces, a sequence  $x_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  in  $X$  converges to  $x \in X$ , show that  $f(x_n) (n \in \mathbb{N})$  in  $Y$  converges to  $f(x) \in Y$ . In the other word:

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

*Proof.* Since  $f$  is continuous, then for  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $f(B_\delta(x)) \subseteq B_\epsilon(f(x))$ . And since  $x_n \rightarrow x$ , then  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $\forall n \geq N, x_n \in B_\delta(x) \Rightarrow f(x_n) \in B_\epsilon(f(x))$ . Thus for  $\epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $\forall n \geq N \Rightarrow d(f(x_n), f(x)) < \epsilon \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = f(x) = f(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n)$ .  $\square$

**Exercise 36.**  $(Y, d)$  is a metric space,  $y_0 \in Y$ , show that  $Y \xrightarrow{d} \mathbb{R}$  where  $y \mapsto d(y, y_0)$  is a continuous map.

*Proof.* Assume that the map  $d$  is not continuous, then  $\exists y \in Y, \exists \epsilon > 0, \forall \delta > 0, \exists y' \in B_\delta(y)$  s.t.

$$|d(y) - d(y')| = |d(y, y_0) - d(y', y_0)| \geq \epsilon.$$

select  $\delta < \epsilon$ , then  $d(y', y) < \delta < \epsilon$  and hence

$$|d(y, y_0) - d(y', y_0)| \geq \epsilon > d(y', y)$$

which leads to the contradiction with triangle inequality.  $\square$

*Remark 10.* Thus if there exists a seq  $y_n \rightarrow y$ , then

$$d(y, y_0) = d(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n, y_0) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(y_n, y_0),$$

for any  $y_0 \in Y$ .

**Exercise 37.** Given a map  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y, a \in X$ , Show that

1.  $f$  is continuous at  $a \Leftrightarrow$  for  $\forall V \subseteq_{\text{open}} Y$ , where  $f(a) \in V$ ,  $\exists U \subseteq_{\text{open}} X$ , where  $a \in U$ , such that  $f(U) \subseteq V$ .
2.  $f$  is a continuous map  $\Leftrightarrow$  for  $\forall V \subseteq_{\text{open}} Y, f^{-1}(V) \subseteq_{\text{open}} X$ .

*Proof.* 1.  $\Rightarrow$ : for  $\forall V \subseteq_{\text{open}} Y$ , where  $f(a) \in V$ ,  $\exists \epsilon > 0$ , s.t.  $B_\epsilon(f(a)) \subseteq V$ , thus  $\exists U = B_\delta(a)$ .  $\Leftarrow$ : trivial.

2.  $\Rightarrow$ : Given an open set  $V \subseteq_{\text{open}} Y$ , for  $\forall x \in f^{-1}(V)$ , have  $f(x) \in V$ . Since  $V$  is open,  $\exists r > 0$  s.t.  $B_r(f(x)) \subseteq V$ . Since  $f(x)$  is continuous map,  $\exists \epsilon > 0$ , s.t.  $f(B_\epsilon(x)) \subseteq B_r(f(x)) \subseteq V \Rightarrow B_\epsilon(x) \in f^{-1}(V)$ , thus  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open.

$\Leftarrow$ : Given  $x \in X, f(x) \in Y$ , given  $r > 0$ , s.t.  $B_r(f(x)) \subseteq Y$ , then  $f^{-1}(B_r(f(x))) \subseteq_{\text{open}} X$ , and  $x \in f^{-1}(B_r(f(x)))$ . Thus  $\exists \epsilon > 0$ , s.t.  $B_\epsilon(x) \subseteq f^{-1}(B_r(f(x)))$  and  $f(B_\epsilon(x)) \subseteq B_r(f(x))$ .  $\square$

*Remark 11.* It can also be proved that  $f$  is cont.  $\Leftrightarrow$  for  $\forall V \subseteq_{\text{close}} Y, f^{-1}(V) \subseteq_{\text{close}} X$ . Suppose  $V \subseteq_{\text{close}} Y$ , then  $X \setminus f^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(X \setminus V) \subseteq_{\text{open}} X$ , thus  $f^{-1}(V) \subseteq_{\text{close}} X$ .

**Exercise 38.** Given maps  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y, Y \xrightarrow{g} Z$ , show that

1. If  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0$ ,  $g$  is continuous at  $f(x_0)$ , then  $g \circ f$  is continuous at  $x_0$ .
2. If  $f, g$  are continuous maps, then  $g \circ f$  is a continuous map.

*Proof.* 1. For any  $V$ , s.t.  $g(f(x_0)) \in V \subseteq_{\text{open}} Z, \exists U$ , s.t.  $f(x_0) \in U \subseteq_{\text{open}} Y, \exists W$ , s.t.  $x_0 \in W \subseteq X$ , thus  $g \circ f$  is continuous at  $x_0$ .

2. For any  $V \subseteq_{\text{open}} Z, \exists U \subseteq_{\text{open}} Y, \exists W \subseteq_{\text{open}} X$ , thus  $g \circ f$  is continuous.  $\square$

*Remark 12.* Note that we prove this exercise using general sets instead of metrics. We replaced open ball with open set in last Exercise, this is a meaningful operation, which means we could **substitute the metric with set** (here is open set), which drives the concept of topology. Generally, topology is a family of sets which have the basic properties, using these sets, we can define open set no longer rely on metric  $d$ .

**Theorem 13.** Let  $X \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous map between metric space,  $X$  is compact, then  $\max_{x \in X} f(x), \min_{x \in X} f(x)$  exists.

*Proof.* 1.  $f$  is bdd. and hence  $\sup_{x \in X} f(x)$  exists (l.u.b. property):

Assume the contrary. Then  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \exists x_n \in X$  s.t.  $f(x_n) > n$  and we can form a seq.  $x_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  which is a infinite subset of a compact set, thus there exists  $a \in X$  and a convergent subseq.  $x_{n_k} (k \in \mathbb{N}) \rightarrow a$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  (see Remark 13). And hence  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f(x_{n_k}) = f(a)$  since  $f$  is continuous, which leads to a contradiction with  $f(x_{n_k}) \geq n_k$ . Thus  $f$  is bdd. (Thus continuous map on compact set is bounded)

2. Let  $M = \sup_{x \in X} f(x)$ , then  $\exists x \in X$ , s.t.  $f(x) = M$ :

Assume the contrary, i.e.  $\forall x \in X, f(x) < M$ . Then the map  $X \xrightarrow{\phi} \mathbb{R}$  where  $x \mapsto 1/(M - f(x))$  is well-defined continuous map, and hence  $\phi$  is bounded by 1. Then for any  $R \in \mathbb{R}_+, 1/R > 0$  and  $\exists x \in X$  s.t.

$$M - \frac{1}{R} < f(x) \leq M$$

thus  $\phi(x) = 1/(M - f(x)) > R$  which leads to a contradiction with  $\phi$  is bdd.  $\square$

*Remark 13* (Generalize B-W theorem to metric space). Two facts:

1. Any infinite subset of a compact set  $K$  has a limit point in  $K$  (Exercise 32);
2.  $x$  is a limit point of  $A \subseteq X$ , where  $X$  is a metric space  $\Leftrightarrow \exists$  seq.  $a_n \in A \setminus \{x\} (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , s.t.  $a_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

These two facts generalize the Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem (Theorem 10) from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  space to general metric space as: *A sequence  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  in a compact metric space has a convergent subsequence.*

### 3.4 Uniformly continuous function

Recall that the concept of continuous map: let  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$  be a map between metric space,

- $f$  is continuous
- $\Leftrightarrow f$  is continuous at every  $x \in X$
- $\Leftrightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0, \forall x \in X, \exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $\forall x' \in X, d(x, x') < \delta \Rightarrow d(f(x), f(x')) < \epsilon$   
(or say  $f(B_\delta(x)) \subseteq B_\epsilon(f(x))$ ). **Note that here the order of  $x$  and  $\epsilon$  does not matter, and  $\delta$  relies on the choice of  $x$  and  $\epsilon$ .**

**Definition 20** (Uniformly continuous, 均匀连续). Let  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$  be a map between metric space, we say  $f$  is uniformly continuous if

- $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  s.t. for  $\forall x, x' \in X, d(x, x') < \delta \Rightarrow d(f(x), f(x')) < \epsilon$ .

*Remark 14.* Now,  $\delta$  only relies on the choice of  $\epsilon$ . If  $f$  is uniformly continuous  $\Rightarrow f$  is continuous.

For a given  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $x \in X$ , consider the set

$$\Delta_x := \{\delta > 0 | f(B_\delta(x)) \subseteq B_\epsilon(f(x))\}$$

Then if  $f$  is continuous at  $x \Leftrightarrow \Delta_x \neq \emptyset$ . And if  $f$  is continuous at  $x$ , define  $\epsilon$  - **threshold** of  $f$  at  $x$  as

$$\delta_{f,\epsilon}(x) := \sup \Delta_x$$

Consider a map  $(0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  where  $x \mapsto 1/x$ , if any  $\delta$  works for the given  $\epsilon$  and  $x$ , then

$$\frac{1}{x-\delta} - \frac{1}{x} = \frac{\delta}{(x-\delta)x} < \epsilon$$

thus  $\delta < \epsilon(x-\delta)x < x^2\epsilon \Rightarrow \delta_{f,\epsilon}(x) \leq x^2\epsilon \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow 0$ , thus there does not exist a  $\delta$  for given  $\epsilon$  such that works for all  $x \in X$ .

**Theorem 14.** If  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$  is a continuous map between metric space and  $X$  is compact, then  $f$  is uniformly continuous.

*Proof 1.* Given  $\epsilon > 0$ , for every  $a \in X$ , choose a number  $\delta_a > 0$  s.t.  $\forall x \in X, f(B_{\delta_a}(a)) \subseteq B_{\epsilon/2}(f(a))$ . Then  $B_{\delta_a}(a) (a \in X)$  is an open cover of  $X$ , then let  $\delta > 0$  be a Lebesgue number of this cover.

Thus for  $\forall x, x' \in X, d(x, x') < \delta \Rightarrow \exists a \in X$ , s.t.  $x, x' \in B_{\delta_a}(a) \Rightarrow f(x), f(x') \in B_{\epsilon/2}(f(a)) \Rightarrow d(f(x), f(x')) \leq d(f(x), f(a)) + d(f(a), f(x')) < \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon$ .  $\square$

*Proof 2.* Assume the contrary, that is there exists  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\forall \delta = 1/n (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , exists  $x_n, x'_n \in X$ , s.t.  $d(x_n, x'_n) < \delta$  but  $d(f(x_n), f(x'_n)) > \epsilon$ . And then we can form two sequence:  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  and  $x'_1, x'_2, \dots$ .

Since  $X$  is compact, and  $x_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  is a infinite subsets of  $X \Rightarrow x_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  has a limit point  $a \in X$ . And  $x_n$  has a subseq.  $x_{n_k} (k \in \mathbb{N})$ , s.t.  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k} = a$ . The correspond subseq.  $x'_{n_k}$  is a infinite subset of compact set  $X \Rightarrow x'_{n_k}$  has a limit point  $b \in X$ , and has a subseq.  $x'_{n_{k_j}} (j \in \mathbb{N})$  s.t.  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} x'_{n_{k_j}} = b$ . (Remark 13)

Since  $x_{n_k} \rightarrow a$ , then  $x_{n_{k_j}} \rightarrow a$  as well (Exercise 6). Thus we have that

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_{k_j}} = a, \quad \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} x'_{n_{k_j}} = b,$$

and  $d(x_{n_{k_j}}, x'_{n_{k_j}}) < 1/n_{k_j}$ . Thus for any  $\epsilon_1 > 0$ ,  $\exists J$ , s.t.  $\forall j \geq J$  has  $d(a, x_{n_{k_j}}) < \epsilon_1/3$  and  $d(b, x'_{n_{k_j}}) < \epsilon_1/3$  and  $d(x_{n_{k_j}}, x'_{n_{k_j}}) < \epsilon_1/3$  (Archimedean Property), thus

$$\begin{aligned} d(a, b) &\leq d(a, x_{n_{k_j}}) + d(x_{n_{k_j}}, x'_{n_{k_j}}) + d(x'_{n_{k_j}}, b) \\ &< \frac{\epsilon_1}{3} + \frac{\epsilon_1}{3} + \frac{\epsilon_1}{3} = \epsilon_1 \end{aligned}$$

thus  $d(a, b) = 0 \Leftrightarrow a = b$ . Since  $f$  is continuous, then (Exercise 35)

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} f(x_{n_{k_j}}) = f(a) = f(b) = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} f(x'_{n_{k_j}})$$

Then for any  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} d(f(x_{n_{k_j}}), b) &= d(f(x_{n_{k_j}}), \lim_{j' \rightarrow \infty} f(x'_{n_{k_{j'}}})) \\ &= \lim_{j' \rightarrow \infty} d(f(x_{n_{k_j}}), f(x'_{n_{k_{j'}}})) \\ &\geq \epsilon \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Remark 10})$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} d(a, b) &= d(\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} f(x_{n_{k_j}}), b) \\ &= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} d(f(x_{n_{k_j}}), b) \\ &\geq \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

which leads to a contradiction. □

### 3.5 Limit superior / inferior for function

Let  $X$  be metric space,  $S \subseteq X$  and  $S \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}$  be a map, for  $a \in X$ , we define

$$\bar{f}^*(\delta) := \sup_{x \in B_\delta(a) \setminus \{a\}} f(x) = \sup\{f(x) | 0 < d(x, a) < \delta\}$$

$$\underline{f}^*(\delta) := \inf_{x \in B_\delta(a) \setminus \{a\}} f(x) = \inf\{f(x) | 0 < d(x, a) < \delta\}$$

It is direct to see that  $\underline{f}^*$  as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ : Assume that if  $\exists \delta < \delta'$  and  $\underline{f}^*(\delta) > \underline{f}^*(\delta')$ , let

$$\epsilon = \underline{f}^*(\delta) - \underline{f}^*(\delta')$$

then  $\exists x \in B_\delta(a) \setminus \{a\} \subseteq B_{\delta'}(a) \setminus \{a\}$  such that

$$\underline{f}^*(\delta) \geq f(x) > \underline{f}^*(\delta) - \epsilon/2 > \underline{f}^*(\delta') = \sup_{x \in B_{\delta'}(a) \setminus \{a\}} f(x),$$

which is contrary. Thus similarly,  $\underline{f}^*$  as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ . For any  $\delta, \delta' \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have that

$$\underline{f}^*(\delta) \leq \underline{f}^*(\min\{\delta, \delta'\}) \leq \underline{f}^*(\min\{\delta, \delta'\}) \leq \underline{f}^*(\delta')$$

thus  $\underline{f}^*(\delta)$  has upper bound and  $\underline{f}^*(\delta)$  has lower bound when  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ . And hence  $\underline{f}^*(\delta)$  converges to its infimum: assume the contrary, if  $\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \underline{f}^*(\delta) > \inf_{\delta > 0} \underline{f}^*(\delta)$ <sup>1</sup>, then  $\exists \epsilon > 0$  and  $\delta' > 0$  s.t.

$$\inf_{\delta > 0} \underline{f}^*(\delta) \leq \underline{f}^*(\delta') < \inf_{\delta > 0} \underline{f}^*(\delta) + \epsilon < \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \underline{f}^*(\delta)$$

and hence  $\forall \delta < \delta'$  has

$$\underline{f}^*(\delta) \leq \underline{f}^*(\delta') < \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \underline{f}^*(\delta)$$

since  $\underline{f}^*(\delta)$  as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ . And it is contrary.

Thus  $\underline{f}^*(\delta)$  converges to its infimum,  $\underline{f}^*(\delta)$  converges to its supremum, and we can define

$$\limsup_{x \rightarrow a}^* f(x) = \overline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow a}^* f(x) := \inf_{\delta > 0} \underline{f}^*(\delta) = \inf_{\delta > 0} \sup_{x \in B_\delta(a) \setminus \{a\}} f(x) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \underline{f}^*(\delta)$$

$$\liminf_{x \rightarrow a}^* f(x) = \underline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow a}^* f(x) := \sup_{\delta > 0} \underline{f}^*(\delta) = \sup_{\delta > 0} \inf_{x \in B_\delta(a) \setminus \{a\}} f(x) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \underline{f}^*(\delta)$$

Corresponding, we can define the 'non - \*' conception by containing the  $\{a\}$ :

$$\bar{f}(\delta) := \sup_{x \in B_\delta(a)} f(x) = \sup\{f(x) | 0 \leq d(x, a) < \delta\}$$

$$\underline{f}(\delta) := \inf_{x \in B_\delta(a)} f(x) = \inf\{f(x) | 0 \leq d(x, a) < \delta\}$$

and

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<sup>1</sup>In this section,  $\delta \rightarrow 0$  is regarded as  $\delta \rightarrow 0^+$  by default.

$$\limsup_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \overline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) := \inf_{\delta > 0} \overline{f}(\delta) = \inf_{\delta > 0} \sup_{x \in B_\delta(a)} f(x) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \overline{f}(\delta)$$

$$\liminf_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \underline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) := \inf_{\delta > 0} \underline{f}(\delta) = \sup_{\delta > 0} \inf_{x \in B_\delta(a)} f(x) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \underline{f}(\delta)$$

Then it is direct to see that

$$\underline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \leq \underline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow a}^* f(x) \leq \overline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow a}^* f(x) \leq \overline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$$

**Example 10.** Consider a map  $\mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}$  where  $x \mapsto 1$  if  $x \neq 0$  and  $0 \mapsto 0$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow 0}^* f(x) &= 1, & \underline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow 0}^* f(x) &= 1 \\ \overline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) &= 1, & \underline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**Exercise 39.** Let  $X$  be metric space,  $a \in S \subseteq X$  and  $S \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}$  be a map, show that

1.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  exists  $\Leftrightarrow \overline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow a}^* f(x)$  and  $\underline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow a}^* f(x)$  exists and equal to each other.
2.  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $a$  exists  $\Leftrightarrow \overline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  and  $\underline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  exists and equal to each other.

*Proof.* Define  $B_\delta^*(a) := B_\delta(a) \setminus \{a\}$ .

1.  $\Rightarrow$ :  $\exists l \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = l$ , then for any  $\epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $\forall x \in B_\delta^*(a) \Rightarrow l - \epsilon/2 < f(x) < l + \epsilon/2$ . Then for any  $x \in B_\delta^*(a)$ , one has

$$\begin{aligned} l - \epsilon/2 < l - \frac{\epsilon}{2} &\leq \inf_{x \in B_\delta^*(a)} f(x) = \underline{f}^*(\delta) \\ &\leq f(x) \leq \sup_{x \in B_\delta^*(a)} f(x) = \overline{f}^*(\delta) \\ &\leq l + \frac{\epsilon}{2} < l + \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\overline{f}^*(\delta) \searrow$  as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ , then for any  $\mu \leq \delta \Rightarrow$

$$l - \epsilon < \underline{f}^*(\delta) \leq \underline{f}^*(\mu) \leq \overline{f}^*(\mu) < l + \epsilon.$$

Thus for any  $\epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ , s.t.  $\mu \in B_\delta^*(0) \Rightarrow \overline{f}^*(\mu) \in B_\epsilon(l)$ , thus

$$\overline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow a}^* f(x) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \overline{f}^*(\delta) = l.$$

and  $\underline{\lim}_{x \rightarrow a}^* f(x) = l$  in the same way.



$\Leftarrow$ : Assume that  $\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \bar{f}^*(\delta) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \underline{f}^*(\delta) = r$ . Then for any  $\epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $\forall \mu \in B_\delta^*(0)$  has

$$r - \epsilon < \underline{f}^*(\mu) \leq f(x) \leq \bar{f}^*(\mu) < r + \epsilon$$

for any  $x \in B_\mu^*(a)$ . Thus for  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \mu > 0$ , s.t.  $\forall x \in B_\mu^*(a) \Rightarrow |f(x) - r| < \epsilon$ , thus  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = r$ .

2.  $\Rightarrow$ : assume that  $f$  is continuous at  $a$  and  $f(a) = l$ , then for any  $\epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  and for any  $0 < \mu < \delta$  one has for any  $x \in B_\mu(a) \subseteq B_\delta(a)$

$$l - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \leq \underline{f}(\mu) \leq f(x) \leq \bar{f}(\mu) \leq l + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Thus for any  $\epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ , s.t.  $\forall \mu \in B_\delta^*(0)$  has  $\underline{f}(\mu), \bar{f}(\mu) \in B_\epsilon(l) \Rightarrow \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \underline{f}(\delta) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \bar{f}(\delta) = l$ .

$\Leftarrow$ : assume that  $\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \underline{f}(\delta) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \bar{f}(\delta) = r$ , then for any  $\epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ , s.t.  $\forall 0 < \mu < \delta$  has

$$r - \epsilon < \underline{f}(\mu) \leq f(x) \leq \bar{f}(\mu) < r + \epsilon$$

for  $\forall x \in B_\mu(a)$ . That is for any  $\epsilon > 0, \exists \mu > 0, \forall x \in B_\mu(a)$  has  $|f(x) - r| < \epsilon \Rightarrow f$  is continuous at  $a$  and  $f(a) = r$ .  $\square$

## Chapter 4

# Convergence of sequence / series of functions

### 4.1 Pointwise / uniformly convergent

**Definition 21.** Let  $X \xrightarrow{f_n} Y (n \in \mathbb{N})$  be a seq. of maps,  $Y$  is a metric space. We say that  $f_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  converges to a map  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$

- pointwise (逐点收敛):  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \forall x \in X, \exists N_x \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ s.t. } \forall n \geq N_x \Rightarrow d(f_n(x), f(x)) < \epsilon$ ;
- uniformly (均匀收敛):  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ s.t. } \forall x \in X, \forall n \geq N \Rightarrow d(f_n(x), f(x)) < \epsilon$ .

Denoted as  $f_n \rightarrow f$  and  $f_n \xrightarrow{uni.} f$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  respectively.

**Example 11.** Given a seq. of maps  $X \xrightarrow{f_n} \mathbb{R}$  where  $x \in X \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $f_n(x) = x^n (n \in \mathbb{N})$ . Then  $f_n$  converges pointwise if  $X \subseteq (-1, 1]$ :

$$f_n \rightarrow f = \begin{cases} 1, & x = 1 \\ 0, & x \in (-1, 1) \end{cases}$$

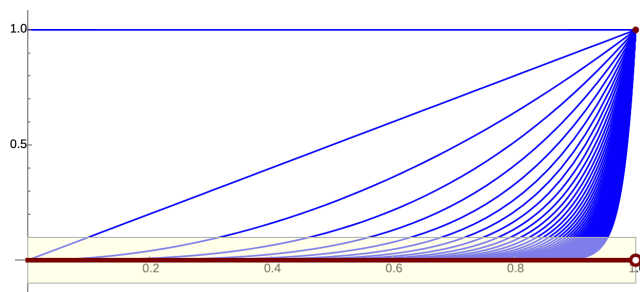


Figure 4.1: pointwise convergent

However,  $f_n$  does not converges to  $f$  uniformly, since

$$|f_n(x) - f(x)| = \begin{cases} |1 - 1| = 0, & x = 1 \\ |x^n - 0| = |x|^n, & x \in (-1, 1) \end{cases}$$

For any  $\epsilon > 0$ , to have  $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon$ , we need  $|x|^n < \epsilon$  for  $x \in (-1, 1)$ , that is  $n \ln |x| < \ln \epsilon \Leftrightarrow n > \ln \epsilon / \ln |x|$  which has no upper bound, thus there does not exist a  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\forall n \geq N$  has  $|f_n - f| < \epsilon$  for  $x \in (-1, 1)$ .

*Remark 15.* Intuitively, a seq. of maps  $f_n \xrightarrow{uni.} f$  means: a pipe with any radius  $\epsilon$  whose shaft is  $f$  can encase all functions after the  $f_{N_\epsilon}$  of the  $f_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$ .

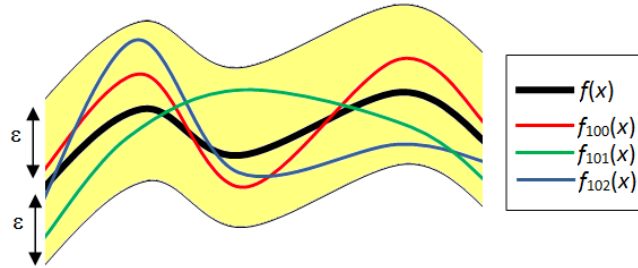


Figure 4.2: uniformly convergent

**Proposition 3.** Let  $X \xrightarrow{f_n} Y (n \in \mathbb{N})$  is a seq. of maps between metric spaces, which converges to map  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$  uniformly, if  $f_n$  is continuous at  $a \in X$  for  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $f$  is, too.

*Proof.* Note that for all  $x \in X$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have that

$$d(f(x), f(a)) \leq d(f(x), f_n(x)) + d(f_n(x), f_n(a)) + d(f_n(a), f(a));$$

Then for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , since  $f_n \xrightarrow{uni.} f$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\exists N_\epsilon \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $\forall x \in X, n \geq N_\epsilon \Rightarrow d(f_n(x), f(x)) < \epsilon/3$ . In particular,  $d(f_{N_\epsilon}(x), f(x)) < \epsilon/3$  for  $\forall x \in X$ .

On the other hand, since  $f_{N_\epsilon}$  is continuous at  $a$ , then  $\exists \delta_{N_\epsilon} > 0$  s.t.  $d(x, a) < \delta_{N_\epsilon} \Rightarrow d(f_{N_\epsilon}(x), f_{N_\epsilon}(a)) < \epsilon/3$ . Then given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta_{N_\epsilon} > 0$ , s.t. for  $\forall x \in B_{\delta_{N_\epsilon}}(a)$  one has

$$\begin{aligned} d(f(x), f(a)) &\leq d(f(x), f_{N_\epsilon}(x)) + d(f_{N_\epsilon}(x), f_{N_\epsilon}(a)) + d(f_{N_\epsilon}(a), f(a)) \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $f$  is continuous at  $x$ . □

## 4.2 Complete metric space

**Definition 22** (Complete, 完备). A metric space  $(Y, d)$  is complete if every Cauchy sequence  $a_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  in  $Y$  converges. That is  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a \in Y$ .

**Example 12.**  $(\mathbb{R}^n, d_2)$  is complete;  $(\mathbb{Q}, d_2)$  is incomplete.

**Proposition 4** (Uniform Cauchy). Let  $X \xrightarrow{f_n} Y (n \in \mathbb{N})$  be a seq. of maps, and  $Y$  be a complete metric space. Then  $f_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  converges uniformly  $\Leftrightarrow \forall \epsilon, \exists N$ , s.t.  $\forall x \in X, [n, m \geq N \Rightarrow d(f_n(x), f_m(x)) < \epsilon]$  (such  $f_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  is called **uniform Cauchy seq.**).

*Proof.*  $\Rightarrow$ : (The completeness of  $Y$  is not need). Since  $f_n \xrightarrow{uni.} f$ , then for  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall x \in X, n \geq N \Rightarrow |f - f_n| < \epsilon/2$ , then for  $\forall x \in X, \forall n, m \geq N$  one has

$$\begin{aligned} |f_n - f_m| &\leq |f_n - f| + |f - f_m| \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

$\Leftarrow$ : The assumption implies that for every fixed  $x \in X$ , the seq.  $f_n(x) (n \in \mathbb{N})$  is a Cauchy seq. in  $Y$  and hence  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)$  exists, which we denoted as  $f(x)$ . This define a map  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ . Now we will show that  $f_n \xrightarrow{uni.} f$ .

Since for  $\forall x \in X$  and a fixed  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , map  $Y \xrightarrow{d} \mathbb{R}$  where  $y \mapsto d(y, f_m(x))$  is continuous, then

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

for all  $x \in X$  (Remark 10). Since for  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}, \forall x \in X, [m, n \geq N \Rightarrow d(f_n(x), f_m(x)) < \epsilon/2]$ . For every  $x \in X, m \geq N$ , let  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we obtain that

$$d(f(x), f_m(x)) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(f_n(x), f_m(x)) \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \epsilon$$

thus  $f_n \xrightarrow{uni.} f$ . □

**Remark 16.** It is direct to see that:  $f_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  converges pointwise  $\Leftrightarrow \forall \epsilon, \forall x, \exists N$ , s.t.  $\in X, [n, m \geq N \Rightarrow d(f_n(x), f_m(x)) < \epsilon]$ .

The power of this proposition is to convert the seq. of functions  $f_n (n \in \infty)$ . to a series of functions  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g_n$ , where we define  $f_0 \equiv 0$  and

$$g_n = f_n - f_{n-1}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N},$$

then partial sum  $s_n = g_1 + \cdots + g_n = f_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , and hence  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n$ .

**Definition 23.** Let  $X \xrightarrow{g_n} \mathbb{R} (n \in \mathbb{N})$  be a seq. of functions, we say that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g_n$  converges pointwise / uniformly the partial sum  $s_n = g_1 + \cdots + g_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  does.

**Proposition 5** (Weierstrass's M - test). Let  $X \xrightarrow{g_n} \mathbb{R} (n \in \mathbb{N})$  be a seq. of functions, if there exists a positive seq.  $M_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  s.t.

1.  $|g_n(x)| \leq M_n$  for all  $x \in X, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and

2.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n < \infty$ ,

then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g_n$  converges uniformly.

*Proof.* Let partial sum  $s_n(x) = g_1(x) + \cdots + g_n(x) (x \in X, n \in \mathbb{N})$ , it is sufficient to show that  $s_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  is uniformly Cauchy seq. (since  $\mathbb{R}$  is complete metric space.)

Since series  $\sum_n M_n < \infty$ , for  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $\forall n > m \geq N \Rightarrow$  the tail  $M_{m+1} + \cdots + M_n < \epsilon$ , then for any such  $n, m$ , for  $\forall x \in X$  we have that

$$\begin{aligned} |s_n(x) - s_m(x)| &= |g_{m+1}(x) + \cdots + g_n(x)| \\ &\leq |g_{m+1}(x)| + \cdots + |g_n(x)| \\ &\leq M_{m+1} + \cdots + M_n \\ &< \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

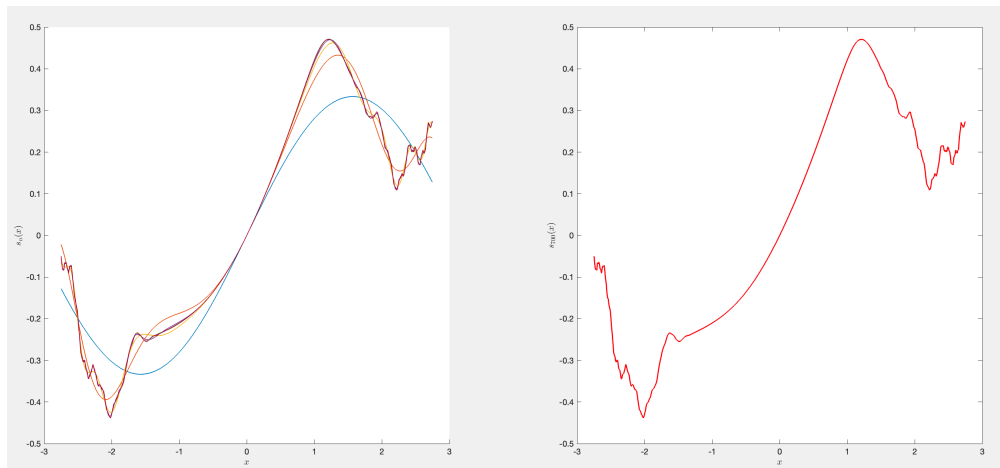
Thus  $s_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  converges uniformly and hence  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g_n$  converges uniformly. □

*Remark 17.* The above conclusion still holds if modify  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}^k$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Example 13.** Consider series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(x^n)/3^n$  since

$$|g_n| = \left| \frac{\sin(x^n)}{3^n} \right| \leq \frac{1}{3^n} =: M_n$$

thus  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(x^n)/3^n$  converges uniformly. We can plot them out, define  $s_n = \sum_{i=1}^n g_i$ , then



with the MATLAB code:

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1 gn = 1000; % grid number
2 fn = 700; % func number
3 X = linspace(-5,5,gn);
4 Y = zeros(gn,fn);
5 for n = 1:fn
6     F = @(x) sin(x.^n)/(3.^n);
7     Y(:,n) = F(X)';
8 end
9 T = triu(ones(fn,fn));
10 YY = Y*T;
11
12 clf;
13 subplot(1,2,1);
14 hold on;
15 for n = 1:fn
16     plot(X,YY(:,n), LineWidth=1);
17 end
18 xlabel('$x$', 'Interpreter', 'latex');
19 ylabel('$s_n(x)$', 'Interpreter', 'latex');
20 hold off;
21
22 subplot(1,2,2);
23 plot(X,YY(:,end), LineWidth=1.5, Color='r');
24 xlabel('$x$', 'Interpreter', 'latex');
25 ylabel('$s_{700}(x)$', 'Interpreter', 'latex');

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**Exercise 40.** Let  $X$  be a metric space, and define

$$C_b(X) := \{x \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is bounded continuous}\}.$$

For any  $f \in C_b(X)$ , we let

$$\|f\|_{\sup} := \sup_{x \in X} |f(x)|$$

For  $f, g \in C_b(X)$ , define

$$d(f, g) := \|f - g\|_{\sup}$$

show that

1. (1.a)  $\|f\|_{\sup} \geq 0$  and equality holds iff  $f(x) \equiv 0$  for  $\forall x \in X$ ;
- (1.b)  $\|f + g\|_{\sup} \leq \|f\|_{\sup} + \|g\|_{\sup}$  for all  $f, g \in C_b(X)$ ;
- (1.c)  $\|cf\|_{\sup} = |c| \cdot \|f\|_{\sup}$  for all  $f \in C_b(X), c \in \mathbb{R}$ ;

2.  $d$  is a metric on  $C_b(X)$ ;
3.  $(C_b(X), d)$  is complete;
4. if  $f_n \in C_b(X) (n \in \mathbb{N})$  and  $f \in C_b(X)$ ,  $[f_n \xrightarrow{uni.} f \Leftrightarrow f_n \xrightarrow{w.r.t. d} f]$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

*Proof.* Since  $\forall f \in C_b(X)$  is bounded, then any  $\|f\|_{\sup}$  exists.

1. (1.a) trivial; (1.b) Assume that exists  $f, g \in C_b(X)$  s.t.  $\sup_{x \in X} (|f| + |g|) > \sup_{x \in X} |f| + \sup_{x \in X} |g|$ . Then exists  $x \in X$ , s.t.

$$\sup_{x \in X} |f| + \sup_{x \in X} |g| < |f(x)| + |g(x)| \leq \sup_{x \in X} (|f| + |g|)$$

which is contrary, thus

$$\begin{aligned} \|f + g\|_{\sup} &= \sup_{x \in X} |f + g| \leq \sup_{x \in X} (|f| + |g|) \\ &\leq \sup_{x \in X} |f| + \sup_{x \in X} |g| \\ &= \|f\|_{\sup} + \|g\|_{\sup} \end{aligned}$$

$$(1.c) \|cf\|_{\sup} = \sup_{x \in X} |c \cdot f(x)| = \sup_{x \in X} |c| \cdot |f(x)| = |c| \cdot \sup_{x \in X} |f(x)| = |c| \cdot \|f\|_{\sup}.$$

2. We only prove the triangle inequality: for any  $f, g \in C_b(X)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(f, g) &= \|f - g\|_{\sup} = \|f + (-g)\|_{\sup} \\ &\leq \|f\|_{\sup} + \|-g\|_{\sup} \\ &= \|f\|_{\sup} + \|g\|_{\sup}. \end{aligned}$$

3. Suppose  $f_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$  is a Cauchy seq. in  $(C_b(X), d)$ , thus for any  $\epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t. for  $\forall n, m \geq N$ , one has

$$d(f_n, f_m) = \|f_n - f_m\|_{\sup} = \sup_{x \in X} |f_n - f_m| < \epsilon$$

thus for  $\forall x \in X$ ,  $|f_n(x) - f_m(x)| \leq \sup_{x \in X} |f_n - f_m| < \epsilon$ . Thus fix any  $x' \in X$ , then  $f_n(x') (n \in \mathbb{N})$  is a Cauchy seq. in  $\mathbb{R}$ , and converges since  $\mathbb{R}$  is complete metric space, denote the limit as  $f(x')$ . It is direct to see that  $f$  is bounded, and we will show that  $f$  is continuous on  $X$  as well.

Since for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $f_n \in C_b(X) \Rightarrow f_n$  is continuous on  $X$ , thus for any  $x \in X, \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  s.t. for any  $x' \in B_\delta(x)$  (w.r.t.  $d_2$ ), we have that  $d_2(f_n(x'), f_n(x)) < \epsilon/3$ . And since for any  $x \in X$ ,  $f_n(x)$ , as a Cauchy seq. in  $\mathbb{R}$ , converges to  $f(x)$ , and hence  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t. for  $n \geq N$ ,  $d_2(f(x), f_n(x)) < \epsilon/3$ . Thus for any  $n \geq N, x' \in B_\delta(x)$  (w.r.t.  $d_2$ ), we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(f(x), f(x')) &\leq d(f(x), f_n(x)) + d(f_n(x), f_n(x')) + d(f_n(x'), f(x')) \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $f$  is continuous on  $X \Rightarrow f \in C_b(X)$ . Now we show that  $f_n \rightarrow f$  w.r.t.  $d$ . Assume that  $f_n$  does not converges to  $f$  w.r.t.  $d$ , that is  $\exists \epsilon > 0, \forall N \in \mathbb{N}, \exists n \geq N$ , s.t.

$$d(f, f_n) = \|f - f_n\|_{\sup} = \sup_{x \in X} |f - f_n| \geq \epsilon > \frac{\epsilon}{2},$$

and hence  $\exists x \in X$  s.t.

$$\frac{\epsilon}{2} < |f(x) - f_n(x)| \leq \sup_{x \in X} |f - f_n|$$

which leads to a contradiction with  $f_n(x)$  is Cauchy in  $\mathbb{R}$  and converges to  $f(x)$ . Thus  $f_n \rightarrow f \in C_b(X)$  w.r.t.  $d$ .

4. It is sufficient to show that **bounded continuous  $f_n(n \in \mathbb{N})$  is a uniform Cauchy seq. of functions**  $\Leftrightarrow f_n(n \in \mathbb{N})$  **is a Cauchy seq. in  $(C_b(X), d)$ .**

$\Rightarrow$ :  $f_n(n \in \mathbb{N})$  are bounded continuous  $\Rightarrow f_n \in C_b(X)(n \in \mathbb{N})$ . And for any  $\epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n > m \geq N$ , has  $|f_n(x) - f_m(x)| < \epsilon/2$  for  $\forall x \in X$ , thus  $\sup_{x \in X} |f_n - f_m| \leq \epsilon/2 < \epsilon \Rightarrow d(f_m, f_n) < \epsilon \Rightarrow f_n(n \in \mathbb{N})$  are Cauchy seq. in  $(C_b(X), d)$ .

$\Leftarrow$ :  $f_n(n \in \mathbb{N})$  are Cauchy seq. in  $(C_b(X), d)$ , then for  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.,  $\forall n, m \geq N$  has  $d(f_m, f_n) = \sup_{x \in X} |f_m - f_n| < \epsilon \Rightarrow \forall x \in X$  has  $|f_m(x) - f_n(x)| < \epsilon \Rightarrow f_n(n \in \mathbb{N})$  are uniform Cauchy seq.

Since  $(C_b(X), d)$  is complete, then

$$\begin{aligned} f_n \xrightarrow{\text{w.r.t. } d} f &\Leftrightarrow f_n \text{ are Cauchy seq. in } (C_b(X), d) \\ &\Leftrightarrow f_n \text{ are uniform Cauchy seq.} \\ &\Leftrightarrow f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uni.}} f. \end{aligned}$$

□