

INTRODUCTION TO ANALYSIS 1

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Abstract

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1. SEQUENCE, 序列;
2. SERIES, 级数;
3. METRIC SPACE, 赋范空间;
4. SEQUENCE OF FUNCTIONS, 函数列的性质;
5. INTEGRAL, 积分理论;
6. TAYLOR POLYNOMIAL, 泰勒多项式.

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十步杀一人，千里不留行。
事了拂衣去，深藏身与名。

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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, ϵ , 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 space¹ (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

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

¹The 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. □

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. □

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. □

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 Λ_{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

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

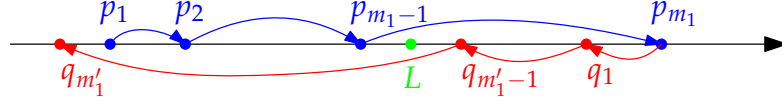
Then minus by q_1, q_2 and so on till $q_{m'_1-1}$ where

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

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 χ_n of $\sum_n a_n$ as

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



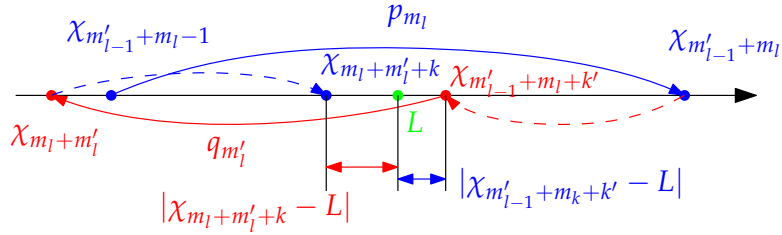
Now we will show that this rearrangement converges to L , i.e. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \chi_n = L$. Consider $\chi_{\dots+m'_{l-1}+m_l-1}$ which implies the point lies in the left of L and will cross the l in next jump, and we denote it by $\chi_{m'_{l-1}+m_l-1}$ for simply. And hence we have that

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

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

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

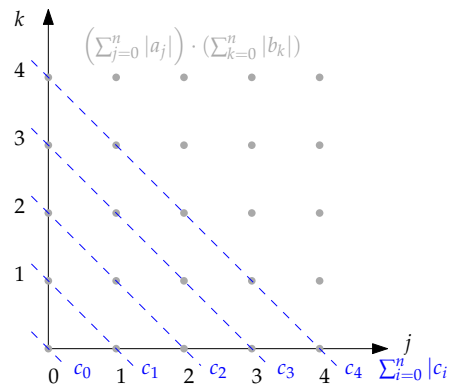
then $\sum_n |c_n| < \infty$ and $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n = (\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n) \cdot (\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n)$.

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.



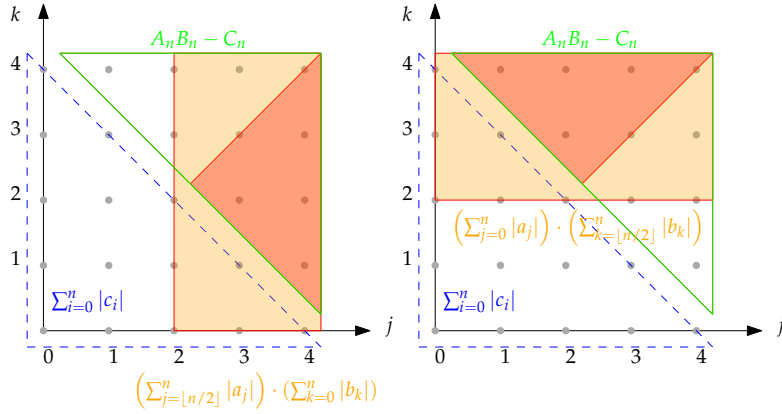
$$2. \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n = (\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n) \cdot (\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n).$$

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

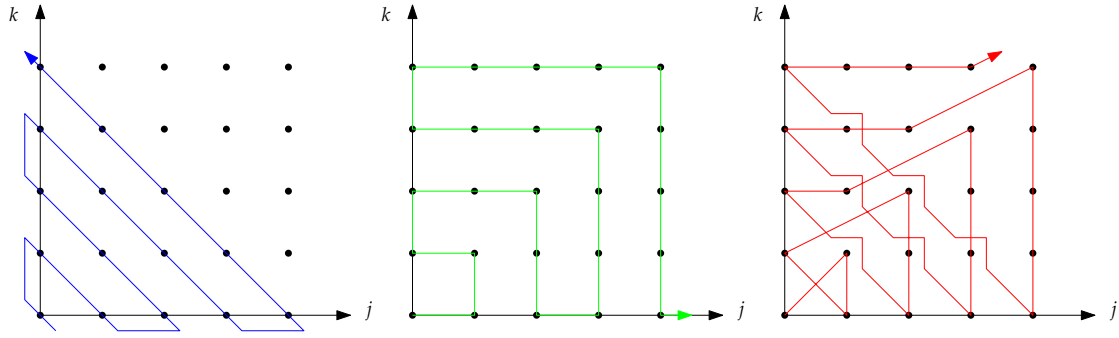


Figure 2.1: 3 kinds of bijections $(j(\cdot), k(\cdot))$

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

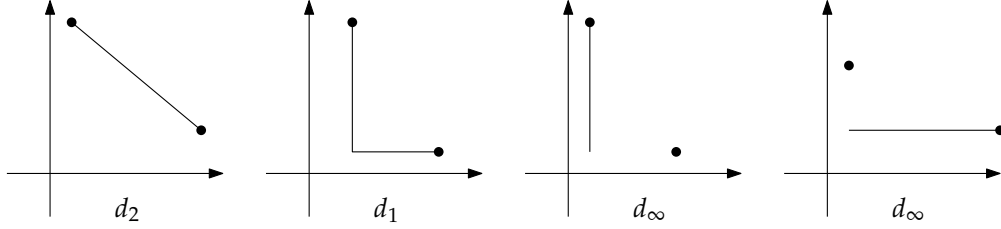
$$\begin{aligned} d(x, x') &< |d(x, x'') - d(x', x'')| \\ &\leq |d(x, x'') + d(x', x'') - d(x', x'')| \\ &\leq d(x, x'') \end{aligned}$$

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_∞ 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 $\$=\$$ 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. $O_\alpha \subseteq_{\text{open}} X, (\alpha \in A) \Rightarrow \cup_{\alpha \in A} O_\alpha \subseteq_{\text{open}} X$ (α 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 $a_n = B_{\frac{1}{n}}(x) \cap F$. 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_α , 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_α , but could be covered by O_i , which leads to a contradiction. \square

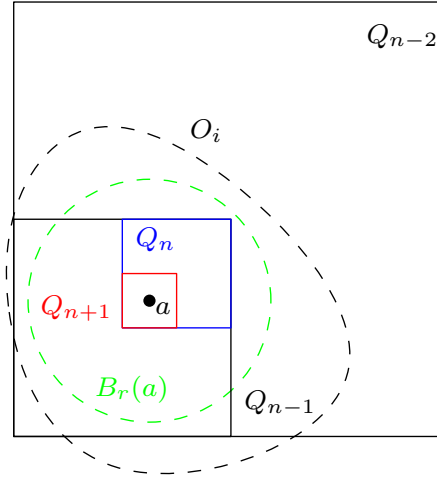


Figure 3.1: Heine-Borel theorem

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 $\alpha' \in A$ (α' depending on x).*

Proof. Since K is compact, for any open cover of K , there exists an 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_{α_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 an finite subcover of K , donate 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_α 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.

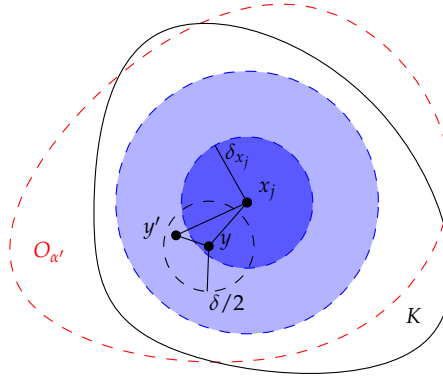
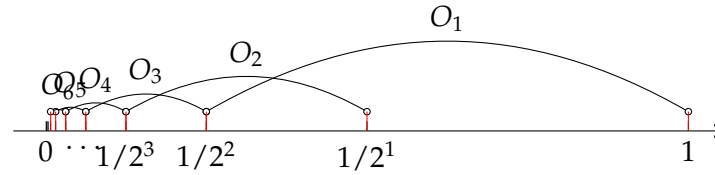
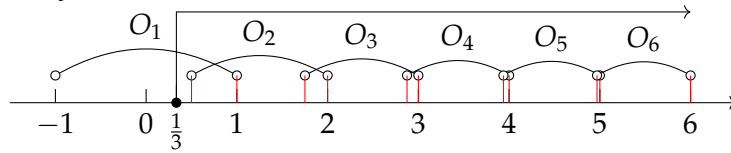


Figure 3.2: The Lebesgue number of an open cover

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_α 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_α , no matter how close they are.



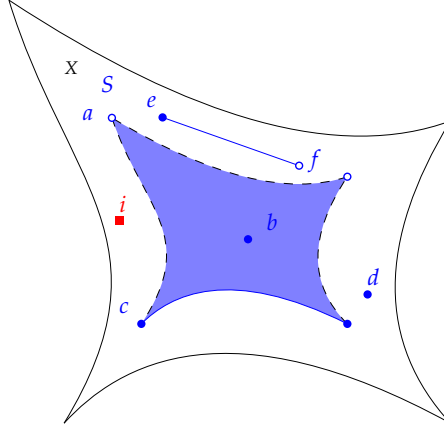
Exercise 31 (Unbounded set). Let $(X, d) = (\mathbb{R}, d_2), K = [1/3, \infty), O_\alpha = (\alpha - 1 - 1/2^{\alpha-1}, \alpha) (\alpha \in \mathbb{N})$. Thus $x = \alpha - 1/2^\alpha \in O_\alpha$ and $x' = \alpha \in O_{\alpha+1}$ and $d(x, x')$ could be arbitrarily small as $\alpha \uparrow$. Thus there exists $x \in K, x' \in X$ can not be covered one O_α , 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. Let X be a metric space, sequences $x_n, y_n \in X (n \in \mathbb{N})$ and $d(x_n, y_n) < 1/n$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = a, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = b$, show that $a = b$.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} d(a, b) &= d(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n, b) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, b) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} y_m) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_m) \right] \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (d(x_n, x_m) + d(x_m, y_m)) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left(d(x_n, x_m) + \frac{1}{m} \right) \right] \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [d(x_n, a) + 0] \\
&= d(a, a) + 0 = 0
\end{aligned}$$

Thus $0 \leq d(a, b) \leq 0 \Rightarrow d(a, b) = 0 \Leftrightarrow a = b$. \square

Exercise 38. 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 39. 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 ϕ 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 ϕ 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 $\Leftrightarrow \exists \text{ seq. } a_n \in A \setminus \{x\} (n \in \mathbb{N})$, 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 ϵ does not matter, and δ relies on the choice of x and ϵ .**

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, δ only relies on the choice of ϵ . 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 ϵ - **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 δ works for the given ϵ 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 δ for given ϵ 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. \square

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 $\bar{f}^* \searrow$ as $\delta \rightarrow 0$: Assume that if $\exists \delta < \delta'$ and $\bar{f}^*(\delta) > \bar{f}^*(\delta')$, let

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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 40. 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

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

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

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

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

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

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 $X \subseteq (-1, 1]$:

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

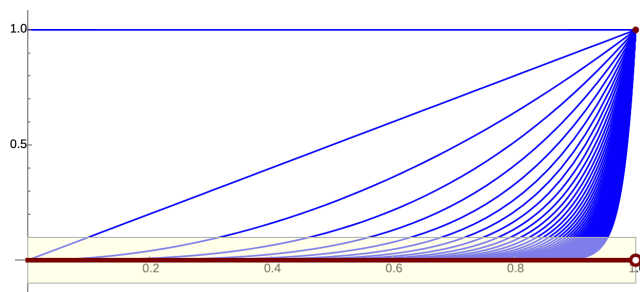


Figure 4.1: pointwise convergent

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 ϵ whose shaft is f can encase all functions after the f_{N_ϵ} of the $f_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$.

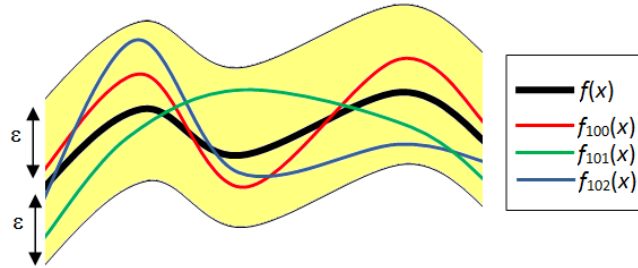


Figure 4.2: uniformly convergent

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_ϵ} 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 $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uni.}} f$, 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 $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uni.}} f$.

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 $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{uni.}} f$. □

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

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

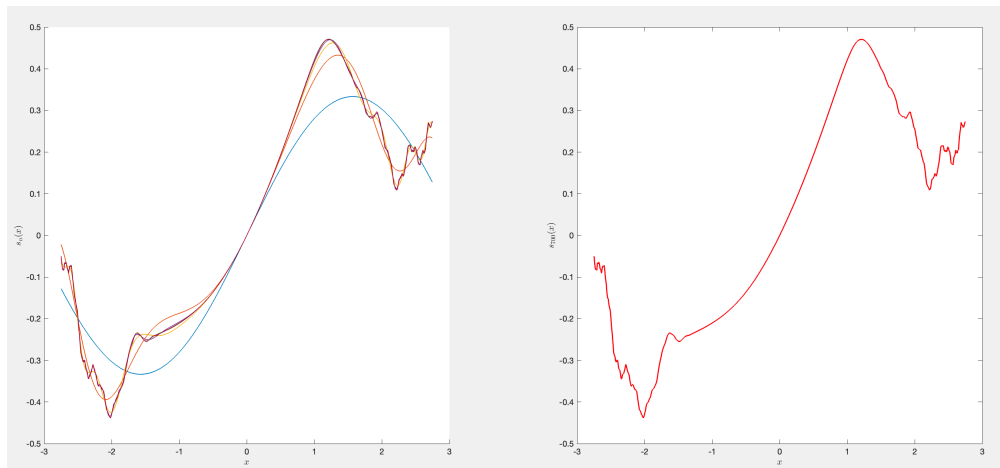
Thus $s_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$ converges uniformly and hence $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g_n$ converges uniformly. □

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 41. 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

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

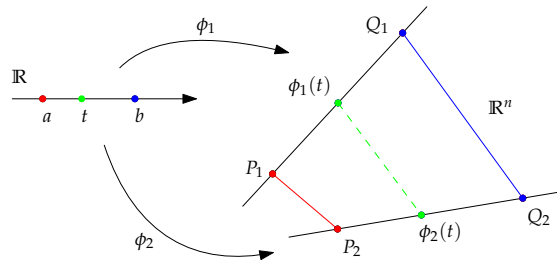
□

4.3 Space filling curves

Lemma 1. Given $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$ and $P_1, P_2, Q_1, Q_2 \in \mathbb{R}^n$, let $\mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{\phi_i} \mathbb{R}^n$ be the affine maps (仿射) with $\phi_i(a) = P_i, \phi_i(b) = Q_i, i = 1, 2$. Then

$$|\phi_1(t) - \phi_2(t)| \leq \max\{|P_1 - P_2|, |Q_1 - Q_2|\}$$

for $t \in [a, b]$.



Proof. Actually,

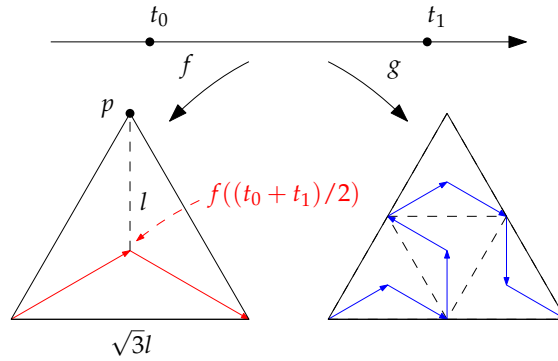
$$\phi_i(t) = \frac{b-t}{b-a} \cdot P_i + \frac{t-a}{b-a} \cdot Q_i,$$

$t \in \mathbb{R}, i = 1, 2$. Then for $t \in [a, b]$, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi_1(t) - \phi_2(t)| &= \left| \frac{b-t}{b-a} \cdot (P_1 - P_2) + \frac{t-a}{b-a} \cdot (Q_1 - Q_2) \right| \\ &\leq \frac{b-t}{b-a} \cdot |P_1 - P_2| + \frac{t-a}{b-a} \cdot |Q_1 - Q_2| \\ &\leq \left(\frac{b-t}{b-a} + \frac{t-a}{b-a} \right) \cdot \max\{|P_1 - P_2|, |Q_1 - Q_2|\} \\ &= \max\{|P_1 - P_2|, |Q_1 - Q_2|\}. \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 2. Let \triangle be an equilateral triangle in $\mathbb{R}^n (n \geq 2)$, whose edges all have length $\sqrt{3}l$. Let f and g be maps from $[t_0, t_1]$ to \triangle representing motions with constant speed along the following two given paths respectively from time t_0 to time t_1 .



Then

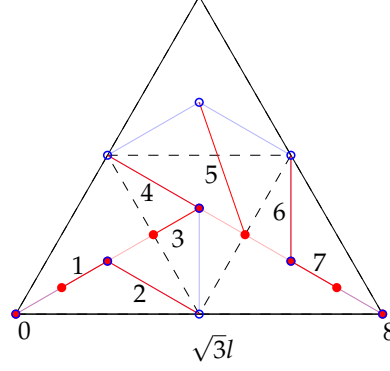
1. $\forall a \in \triangle, \exists t \in [t_0, t_1]$, we have $f(t) \in \overline{B_l(a)}$;
2. $\forall t \in [t_0, t_1]$, we have $|f(t) - g(t)| \leq \sqrt{7}/4 \cdot l$.

Proof. 1. It is direct to see that the farthest point in \triangle to the path $f(t) (t \in [t_0, t_1])$ is p , and $p \in \overline{B_l(f((t_0 + t_1)/2))}$.

2. We cut interval $[t_0, t_1]$ into 8 parts equally. And on each part, f and g are affine maps. Thus we have that

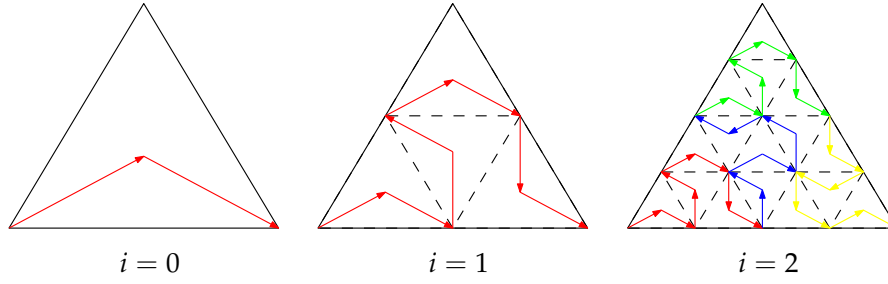
t	t_0	$t_{1/8}$	$t_{2/8}$	$t_{3/8}$	$t_{4/8}$	$t_{5/8}$	$t_{6/8}$	$t_{7/8}$	t_1
$ f(t) - g(t) $	0	$l/4$	$l/2$	$l/4$	$l/2$	$l\sqrt{7}/4$	$l/2$	$l/4$	0

Then by lemma 1, we obtain 2.



□

Let $l = 1$, we can define a sequence of functions $[0, 1] \xrightarrow{f_i} \Delta, i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ like



Then

$$|f_n(t) - f_{n-1}(t)| \leq \frac{\sqrt{7}}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$$

for all $t \in [0, 1], n \in \mathbb{N}$. And $\forall a \in \Delta, \exists t \in [t_0, t_1]$, we have $f_n(t) \in \overline{B_{1/2^n}(a)}$ for $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0$. In particular, for all $t \in [0, 1]$, define $f_{-1}(t) = 0$, then for any $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$:

$$f_m(t) = \sum_{n=0}^m (f_n(t) - f_{n-1}(t)) \leq \frac{\sqrt{7}}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2^{n-1}},$$

thus f_m converges uniformly to a map $[0, 1] \xrightarrow{f} \Delta$ by Weierstrasse's M - test. And for all $t \in [0, 1]$:

$$\begin{aligned} |f(t) - f_m(t)| &= \left| \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (f_n(t) - f_{n-1}(t)) - \sum_{n=0}^m (f_n(t) - f_{n-1}(t)) \right| \\ &= \left| \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} (f_n(t) - f_{n-1}(t)) \right| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} |f_n(t) - f_{n-1}(t)| \\
&\leq \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{7}}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \\
&= \frac{\sqrt{7}}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2^m}.
\end{aligned}$$

Since f_m is continuous, and hence f is continuous. Furthermore, since for any $t \in [0, 1]$, $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$, $f_m(t) \in \Delta$, thus $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} f_m(t) \in \Delta$ since Δ is close, thus $\forall t \in [0, 1] \Rightarrow f(t) \in \Delta \Rightarrow f([0, 1]) \subseteq \Delta$.

Theorem 15. $f([0, 1]) = \Delta$.

Proof. $[0, 1]$ is compact $\Rightarrow f([0, 1])$ is compact subset of \mathbb{R}^n and hence $f([0, 1])$ is closed. We will show that $\forall a \in \Delta, \forall r > 0, \exists t \in [0, 1]$, s.t. $f(t) \in B_r(a) \Rightarrow a$ **is limit of a seq. in the closed set** $f([0, 1])$, and hence $a \in f([0, 1]) \Rightarrow \Delta \subseteq f([0, 1])$.

For any $a \in \Delta$, and $r > 0$, choose $m \in \mathbb{N}$ so large that

$$\frac{1}{2^m} + \frac{\sqrt{7}}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2^m} < r,$$

Then by lemma 2 (1), $\exists t \in [0, 1]$, s.t. $f_m(t) \in \overline{B_{1/2^m}(a)}$, i.e.

$$|f_m(t) - a| \leq \frac{1}{2^m},$$

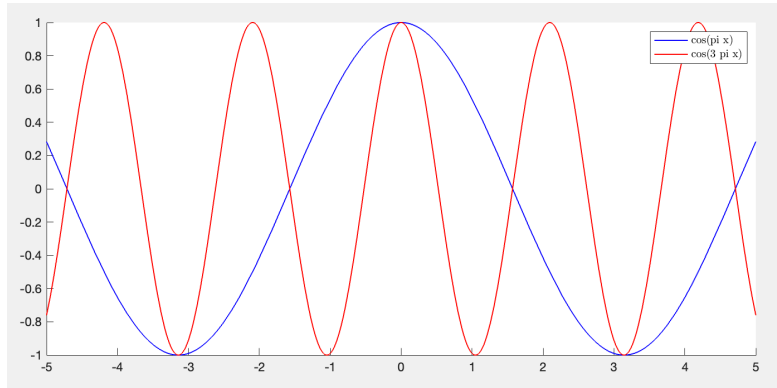
and hence

$$\begin{aligned}
|f(t) - a| &\leq |f(t) - f_m(t)| + |f_m(t) - a| \\
&\leq \frac{\sqrt{7}}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2^m} + \frac{1}{2^m} \\
&< r.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus $f(t) \in B_r(a)$. □

4.4 Weierstrass's function

Consider a cosine function $\cos(\pi x)$. The slope of its peaks and trough at $x = 0$ is 2, we can steepen it by 'squeezing' the function, such as $\cos(3\pi x)$.



Following this method, we can construct a function

$$f_n(x) = b^n \cos(a^n \pi x), \quad F(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_n(x),$$

where

- $0 < b < 1$, to satisfy the Weierstrass's M - test, and hence $\sum_{n=0}^m f_n(x)$ uniformly converges to $F(x)$;
- $a(> 1)$ is an odd number, to ensure for any $n_1 < n_2$, The peaks and troughs of the $b^{n_1} \cos(a^{n_1} \pi x)$ remain the peaks and troughs of the $b^{n_2} \cos(a^{n_2} \pi x)$.

The main idea of this construction is to superpose a seq. of squeezed (by a^n) maps to increase the slope at some point. And control the amplitudes (by b^n) of these maps to make them cvg. uni.

But the problem is the slope decreases as the amplitudes decrease, thus we need to find a balance between a and b , so that the slope at any point is infinitely large when the sequence of functions converges uniformly.

Theorem 16 (Weierstrass). *If $ab > 1 + 3\pi/2$, then F is nowhere differentiable.*

Proof. We will estimate $\left| \frac{F(x) - F(c)}{x - c} \right|$ for every $c \in \mathbb{R}$ and x near c . For any $m \in \mathbb{N}$, define

$$F_m(x) := \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} b^n \cos(a^n \pi x), \quad F'_m(x) = \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} b^n \cos(a^n \pi x).$$

Then for any $c \in \mathbb{R}, m \in \mathbb{N}, x$ near c , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} F(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b^n \cos(a^n \pi x) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} b^n \cos(a^n \pi x) + \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} b^n \cos(a^n \pi x) \\ &= F_m(x) + F'_m(x) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |F(x) - F(c)| &= |F_m(x) - F_m(c) + F'_m(x) - F'_m(c)| \\ &\geq -|F_m(x) - F_m(c)| + |F'_m(x) - F'_m(c)| \quad (\text{triangle inequality}) \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$\left| \frac{F(x) - F(c)}{x - c} \right| \geq - \left| \frac{F_m(x) - F_m(c)}{x - c} \right| + \left| \frac{F'_m(x) - F'_m(c)}{x - c} \right|.$$

Now we will focus on $\left| \frac{F_m(x) - F_m(c)}{x - c} \right|$ and $\left| \frac{F'_m(x) - F'_m(c)}{x - c} \right|$ respectively.

1.

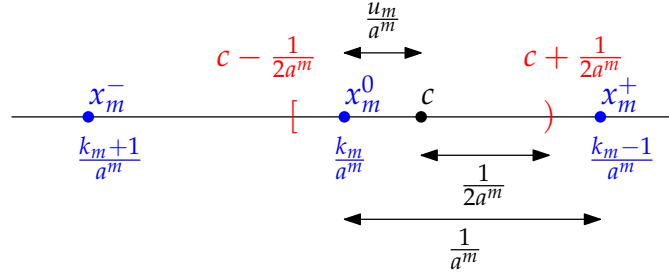
$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{F_m(x) - F_m(c)}{x - c} \right| &= \left| \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{m-1} b^n \cos(a^n \pi x) - \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} b^n \cos(a^n \pi c)}{x - c} \right| \\ &= \left| b^n \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} \frac{[\cos(a^n \pi x) - \cos(a^n \pi c)]}{x - c} \right| \\ &\leq b^n \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} \left| \frac{\cos(a^n \pi x) - \cos(a^n \pi c)}{x - c} \right| \\ &\leq b^n \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} a^n \pi |\sin \xi| \quad (\text{mean-value thm}) \\ &\leq \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} (ab)^n \pi \\ &= \frac{(ab)^m - 1}{ab - 1} \pi. \end{aligned}$$

2. For any given $c \in \mathbb{R}$ and $m \in \mathbb{N}$, the wavelength of $f_m = b^m \cos(a^m \pi x)$ is $2/a^m$, and hence f_m achieve peaks or troughs at k/a^m ($k \in \mathbb{Z}$). And there exists a unique $k_m \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t.

$$c - \frac{1}{2a^m} \leq \frac{k_m}{a^m} < c + \frac{1}{2a^m}.$$

Let $x_m^0 := k_m/a^m$, $x_m^+ := (k_m + 1)/a^m$ and $x_m^- := (k_m - 1)/a^m$. (Thus if x_m^0 is peak, then x_m^+ , x_m^- is trough, otherwise the vice.) And $\exists u_m \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $c = (k_m + u_m)/a^m$. And since $x_m^0 \in [c - 1/2a^m, c + 1/2a^m] \Rightarrow u_m \in [-1/2, 1/2)$. And then

$$a^m \pi x_m^\pm = (k_m \pm 1)\pi, \quad a^m \pi c = (u_m + k_m)\pi$$



Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{F'_m(x_m^\pm) - F'_m(c)}{x - c} &= \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \frac{f_n(x_m^\pm) - f_n(c)}{x_m^\pm - c} \\ &= \frac{f_m(x_m^\pm) - f_m(c)}{x_m^\pm - c} + \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} \frac{f_n(x_m^\pm) - f_n(c)}{x_m^\pm - c} \end{aligned}$$

(2.a) $l = 0$, substitute $a^m \pi x_m^\pm = (k_m \pm 1)\pi$, $a^m \pi c = (u_m + k_m)\pi$, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f_m(x_m^\pm) - f_m(c)}{x_m^\pm - c} &= (ab)^m \cdot \frac{\cos((k_m \pm 1)\pi) - \cos((u_m + k_m)\pi)}{-u_m \pm 1} \\ &= (ab)^m \cdot \frac{(-1)^{k_m+1} - (-1)^{k_m} \cos(u_m \pi)}{\pm 1 - u_m} \\ &= (-1)^{k_m+1} (\pm 1) (ab)^m \cdot \frac{1 + \cos(u_m \pi)}{1 \mp u_m} \end{aligned}$$

where $\frac{1+\cos(u_m \pi)}{1 \mp u_m} \geq 0$, thus $(-1)^{k_m+1} (\pm 1)$ is the sign of $\frac{f_m(x) - f_m(c)}{x - c}$. Since $u_m \in [-1/2, 1/2] \Rightarrow \cos(u_m \pi) \geq 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1+\cos(u_m \pi)}{1 \mp u_m} \geq \frac{2}{3}$. Thus

$$\left| \frac{f_m(x_m^\pm) - f_m(c)}{x_m^\pm - c} \right| \geq \frac{(ab)^m 2}{3}.$$

(2.b) $l > 0$, for any $l \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f_{m+l}(x_m^\pm) - f_{m+l}(c)}{x_m^\pm - c} &= b^{m+l} \cdot \frac{\cos(a^l a^m \pi x_m^\pm) - \cos(a^l a^m \pi c)}{x_m^\pm - c} \\ &= a^m b^{m+l} \cdot \frac{\cos(a^l (k_m \pm 1)\pi) - \cos(a^l (k_m + u_m)\pi)}{-u \pm 1} \end{aligned}$$

Since a is odd, then a^l is odd $\Rightarrow \cos(a^l (k_m + 1)\pi) = \cos((k_m + 1)\pi) = -1^{k_m+1}$ and $\cos(a^l (k_m + u_m)\pi) = \cos(a^l k_m \pi + a^l u_m \pi) = -1^{k_m} \cos(a^l u_m \pi)$. Thus

$$\frac{f_{m+l}(x) - f_{m+l}(c)}{x - c} = a^m b^{m+l} (-1)^{k_m+1} (\pm 1) \frac{1 + (-1)^{k_m} \cos(a^l u_m \pi)}{1 \mp u_m}$$

since $\frac{1+(-1)^{km} \cos(a^l u_m \pi)}{1 \mp u_m} \geq 0$, $\frac{f_m(x) - f_m(c)}{x - c}$ has the same sign with $\frac{f_{m+l}(x) - f_{m+l}(c)}{x - c}$ for any $l \in \mathbb{N}$. Therefore

$$\left| \frac{F'_m(x_m^\pm) - F'_m(c)}{x_m^\pm - c} \right| = \left| \frac{f_m(x_m^\pm) - f_m(c)}{x_m^\pm - c} + \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} \frac{f_n(x_m^\pm) - f_n(c)}{x_m^\pm - c} \right| \geq \frac{2}{3}(ab)^m.$$

In summary,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{F(x_m^\pm) - F(c)}{x_m^\pm - c} \right| &\geq - \left| \frac{F_m(x_m^\pm) - F_m(c)}{x_m^\pm - c} \right| + \left| \frac{F'_m(x_m^\pm) - F'_m(c)}{x_m^\pm - c} \right| \\ &\geq \frac{2}{3}(ab)^m - \frac{(ab)^m - 1}{ab - 1} \pi \\ &> \frac{2}{3}(ab)^m - \frac{(ab)^m}{ab - 1} \quad (\text{let } ab > 1) \\ &= (ab)^m \cdot \left[\frac{2}{3} - \frac{\pi}{ab - 1} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Let $\frac{2}{3} - \frac{\pi}{ab-1} > 0 \Rightarrow ab > 1 + 3\pi/2$. Then

$$\left| \frac{F(x_m^\pm) - F(c)}{x_m^\pm - c} \right| > \lambda \cdot (ab)^m$$

where $\lambda > 0$. Note that $x_m^\pm \rightarrow c$ and $\lambda \cdot (ab)^m \rightarrow \infty$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$. Thus $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \left| \frac{F(x) - F(c)}{x - c} \right| = \infty$. \square

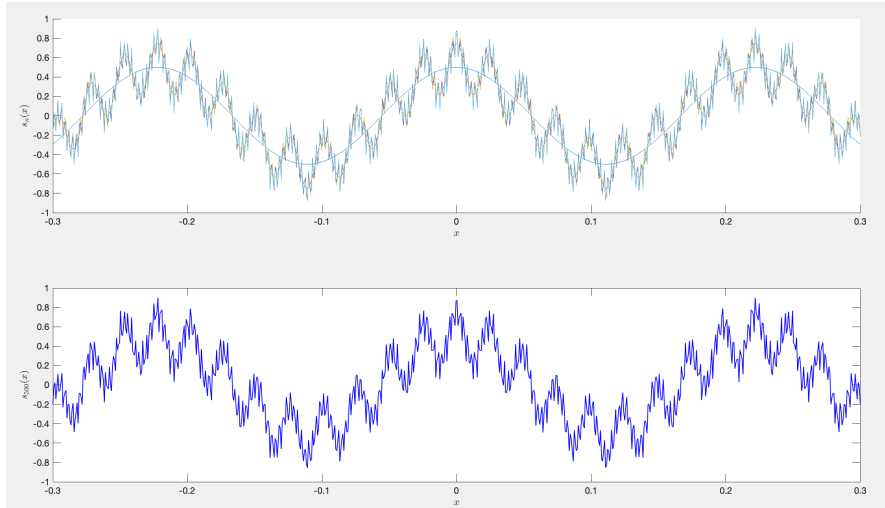


Figure 4.3: Weierstrass's function

Chapter 5

Integral