

NUS MA2108 Finals Cheatsheet

Well-ordering principle for \mathbb{N} Every non empty subset S of \mathbb{N} has a least element, i.e. there exists $m \in S$ such that $m \leq k, \forall k \in S$.

The Real Numbers

The Order Property of \mathbb{R}

Bernoulli's Inequality If $x > -1$, then $(1+x)^n \geq 1+nx, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Absolute Value and the Real Line

Theorem 2.2.2 (Properties of absolute value)

- (a) $|ab| = |a||b|, \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$
- (b) $|a|^2 = a^2, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$
- (c) If $c \geq 0$, then $|a| \leq c \iff -c \leq a \leq c$
- (d) $-|a| \leq a \leq |a|, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$

Theorem 2.2.3 Triangle Inequality If $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, then $|a+b| \leq |a| + |b|$

Corollary 2.2.4 For $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, one has

- (i) $||a| - |b|| \leq |a - b| \equiv -|a - b| \leq |a| - |b| \leq |a - b|$
- (ii) $|a - b| \leq |a| + |b|$

Corollary 2.2.5 If a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n are any real numbers, then

$$|a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n| \leq |a_1| + |a_2| + \dots + |a_n|$$

Definition 2.2.7 Let $a \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\epsilon > 0$. Then the ϵ -neighborhood of a is the set $V_\epsilon(a) := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x - a| < \epsilon\}$.

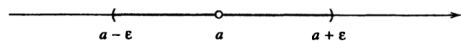


Figure 2.2.4 An ϵ -neighborhood of a

The Completeness Property of \mathbb{R}

Definition 2.3.2(a) Let S be a nonempty subset of \mathbb{R} . A number u is said to be **supremum** (or least upper bound) of S if it satisfies the conditions

- (1) u is an upper bound of S (i.e. $s \leq u, \forall s \in S$). By defn of upper bound, $u \in \mathbb{R}$.

- (2) if v is any upper bound of S , then $u \leq v$.

Definition 2.3.2(b) Let S be a nonempty subset of \mathbb{R} . A number w is said to be **infimum** (or greatest lower bound) of S if it satisfies the conditions:

- (1) w is an lower bound of S (i.e. $w \leq s, \forall s \in S$). By defn of lower bound, $w \in \mathbb{R}$.

- (2) if t is any lower bound of S , then $t \leq w$.

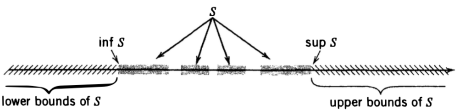


Figure 2.3.1 $\inf S$ and $\sup S$

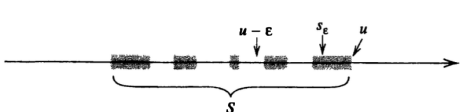


Figure 2.3.2 $u = \sup S$

The Supremum/Infimum Property (Axiom) of \mathbb{R} Every **nonempty** subset of \mathbb{R} that has an upperbound/lowerbound has a supremum/infimum.

Applications of the Supremum Property

2.4.3 Archimedean Property If $x \in \mathbb{R}$, then

$\exists n_x \in \mathbb{N} : x < n_x$.

Corollary 2.4.5 For any $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} < \epsilon$.

Note that the numerator can be any constant $c \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $n' := cn \in \mathbb{N}$.

$$\frac{c}{n'} < \epsilon \iff \frac{1}{n} < \epsilon$$

Theorem 2.4.8 (The Density Theorem of \mathbb{Q}) If $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ with $x < y$, then there exists a rational number $r \in \mathbb{Q} : x < r < y$.

Corollary (The Density Theorem of Irrational Numbers) If $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ with $x < y$, then there exists an irrational number $z : x < z < y$.

Intervals

Theorem 2.5.1 (Nested Interval Property) If

$I_n = [a_n, b_n], n \in \mathbb{N}$ is a nested sequence of closed bounded intervals, then there exists a number $\xi \in \mathbb{R} : \xi \in I_n, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Theorem 2.5.2 If $I_n = [a_n, b_n], n \in \mathbb{N}$ is a nested sequence of closed bounded intervals such that the lengths $b_n - a_n$ of I_n satisfy

$$\inf\{b_n - a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} = 0,$$

then the number ξ contained in all I_n is unique.

Sequences and their limits

Definition 3.1.3 (Definition of Limits)

$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists K(\epsilon) \in \mathbb{N} : |x_n - x| < \epsilon, \forall n \geq K(\epsilon)$.

Theorem 3.1.9. Let $X = \{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a sequence of real numbers and let $m \in \mathbb{N}$. Then the m -tail $X_m = \{x_{m+n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of X converges iff X converges. In this case, $\lim X_m = \lim X$.

Definition 3.2.1 A sequence $X = (x_n)$ of real numbers is said to be **bounded** if there exists a real number $M > 0 : |x_n| \leq M, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Theorem 3.2.2 A convergent sequence of real numbers is bounded. However, it is not true that bounded sequence implies convergence.

Theorem 3.2.3. If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$, then

- (i) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n + y_n) = x + y$;
- (ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n - y_n) = x - y$;
- (iii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n y_n) = xy$;
- (iv) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c(x_n) = cx$;
- (v) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n / y_n) = x/y$ provided $y_n \neq 0, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $y \neq 0$.

Observations

Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n^k) = (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n))^k$.

T5Q2 If $x_n > 0$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x \neq 0$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n)^r = x^r \text{ for } r \in \mathbb{Q}.$$

Theorem 3.2.7 (Squeeze Theorem) If $x_n \leq y_n \leq z_n, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = a$, then we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = a$$

Theorem 3.2.9 Let the sequence $X = (x_n)$ converge to x . If $x = \lim(x_n)$, then $|x| = \lim(|x_n|)$.

HW2Q1(c) Let (x_n) be a sequence of positive real numbers such that $L := \lim(x_{n+1}/x_n)$ exists. If $|L| < 1$, then (x_n) converges and $\lim(x_n) = 0$.

Theorem 3.3.2 (Monotone Convergence Theorem) Let (x_n) be a **monotone** sequence of real numbers. Then

$$(x_n) \text{ is convergent} \iff (x_n) \text{ is bounded.}$$

Moreover,

(a) If (x_n) is bounded and increasing, then $\lim x_n = \sup\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$

(b) If (x_n) is bounded and decreasing, then $\lim x_n = \inf\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$

Theorem 3.4.2 If (x_n) converges to x , then any subsequence (x_{n_k}) also converges to x . That is,

$$\lim_{n_k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k} = x.$$

Theorem. If every subsequence of (x_n) converges to the same limit, then the limit of (x_n) is the same.

Theorem 3.4.5 If a sequence (x_n) has either of the following properties, then (x_n) is divergent.

- 1. (x_n) has two convergent subsequences whose limits are not equal.
- 2. (x_n) is unbounded.

Theorem 3.4.8 (Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem)

Every bounded sequence has a convergent subsequence.

Definition 3.5.1 (Cauchy Sequence)

$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists H(\epsilon) \in \mathbb{N} : |x_n - x_m| < \epsilon, \forall n, m \geq H(\epsilon)$. For the negation of 3.5.1, note that there can be a relation between n, m .

Theorem 3.5.5 (Cauchy Convergence Criterion) A sequence of real numbers is convergent

iff it is a Cauchy sequence.

Definition 3.5.7 A sequence (x_n) is called **contractive** if there exists a constant $C, 0 < C < 1$ such that

$$|x_{n+2} - x_{n+1}| \leq C|x_{n+1} - x_n|$$

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. The number C is called the **constant** of the contractive sequence.

Theorem 3.5.8 Every contractive sequence is Cauchy and so is convergent.

Examples for Sequences and their limits.

Example 3.1.6(a) $\lim(\frac{1}{n}) = 0$.

Example 3.1.6(b) $\lim(\frac{1}{n^2+1}) = 0$.

Example 3.1.6(d) $\lim(\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}) = 0$.

Example 3.1.6(e) If $0 < b < 1$, then $\lim(b^n) = 0$.

Example 3.1.11(c) $c > 0 \implies \lim(c^{1/n}) = 1$.

Example 3.1.11(d) $\lim(n^{1/n}) = 1$.

Example 3.2.8 (f) $\lim(\frac{\sin n}{n}) = 0$.

18/19 Midterm Q3(ii) $\lim(\frac{\sqrt{n^3}}{\sqrt{n^3+n}}) = 1$.

Introduction to Infinite Series

Theorem 3.7.3 (the n -th term test) If the series $\sum x_n$ converges, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$. Or

contrapositively, if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$ does not exist or exists but not 0, then the series diverges.

Theorem 3.7.4 (Cauchy criterion test) The series $\sum x_n$ converges if and only if for every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $M(\epsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$ such that if $m > n \geq M(\epsilon)$, then

$$|s_m - s_n| = |x_{n+1} + \dots + x_m| < \epsilon$$

Theorem 3.7.5 (Partial sum bounded test for series with nonnegative terms) Suppose $x_n \geq 0, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then the series $\sum x_n$ converges iff

the sequence (s_n) of partial sums is bounded. In this case,

$$\sum x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \sup\{s_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

Theorem 3.7.7 (Comparison Test) Let $(x_n), (y_n)$ be real sequences and suppose that *for some* $K \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$0 \leq x_n \leq y_n, \forall n \geq K$$

Then

(a) The convergence of $\sum y_n$ implies the convergence of $\sum x_n$.

(b) The divergence of $\sum x_n$ implies the divergence of $\sum y_n$ (contrapositive of (a)).

Theorem 3.7.8 (Limit comparison Test) Suppose that $(x_n), (y_n)$ are **strictly positive** sequences and suppose that the following limits exists:

$$r := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x_n}{y_n} \right)$$

(a) If $r > 0$ then $\sum x_n$ is convergent iff $\sum y_n$ is convergent.

(b) If $r = 0$ and if $\sum y_n$ is convergent, then $\sum x_n$ is convergent.

Remark

(i) The comparison tests 3.7.7 and 3.7.8 depend on having a stock of series that one knows to be convergent (or divergent). The reader will find that the p -series is often useful for this purpose.

(ii) Contrapositive argument for divergence test.

Examples for Infinite Series

Example 3.7.6(b) The **harmonic series** $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ diverges.

Example 3.7.6(c) The **2-series** $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ converges.

Example 3.7.6(d) The **p-series** $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$ converges when $p > 1$.

Example 3.7.6(e) The **p-series** $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$ diverges when $0 < p \leq 1$.

Example 3.7.6(f) The alternating harmonic series given by

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} = \frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \dots + \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} + \dots$$

is convergent to $\ln 2$.

T7Q2(b) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} = e, e_n = e$. The series converges.

T7Q2(c) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1 + \frac{1}{n})^n$ converges.

Infinite Series

Absolute Convergence

Definition 9.1.1 The series $\sum x_n$ is **absolutely convergent** if the series $\sum |x_n|$ is convergent. A series is said to be **conditionally (or nonabsolutely) convergent** if it is convergent, but it is not absolutely convergent.

Theorem 9.1.2 If a series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$ is absolutely convergent, then it is convergent.

Tests for Absolute Convergence

Theorem 9.2.1 (Limit Comparison Test II)
Suppose that $(x_n), (y_n)$ are non-zero sequences and suppose that the following limits exists:

$$r := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{|x_n|}{|y_n|} \right)$$

- (a) If $r > 0$, then $\sum x_n$ is *absolutely convergent* iff $\sum y_n$ is *absolutely convergent*.
- (b) If $r = 0$ and $\sum y_n$ is *absolutely convergent*, then $\sum x_n$ is absolutely convergent.

Theorem 9.2.2 (Root Test) Let (x_n) be a sequence
(a) If there exist $r \in \mathbb{R}$ with $0 \leq r < 1$ and $K \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$|x_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} \leq r \quad \forall n \geq K$$

- then the series $\sum x_n$ is absolutely convergent.
- (b) If there exists $K \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$|x_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} \geq 1 \quad \forall n \geq K$$

- then the series $\sum x_n$ is divergent.

Corollary 9.2.3 Suppose that the limit $r := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x_n|^{\frac{1}{n}}$ exists. Then $\sum x_n$ is absolutely convergent when $r < 1$ and is divergent when $r > 1$.
Remark. (i) If $r = 1$, the root test provides no information.
(ii) Corollary 9.2.3 uses \lim while Theorem 9.2.2 uses upper/lower bound.

Theorem 9.2.4 (Ratio Test) Let (x_n) be a sequence of nonzero real numbers.
(a) If there exist r with $0 < r < 1$ and $K \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \right| \leq r \quad \forall n \geq K$$

- then $\sum x_n$ is absolutely convergent.
- (b) If there exists $K \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \right| \geq 1 \quad \forall n \geq K$$

- then $\sum x_n$ is divergent.

Corollary 9.2.5 Let (x_n) be a sequence of nonzero real numbers and suppose that the limit $r := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \right|$ exists. Then $\sum x_n$ is absolutely convergent when $r < 1$ and is divergent when $r > 1$.

Limits

Limits of Functions

Definition 4.1.1 Let A be a subset of \mathbb{R} . A point c is called a **cluster point** of A if for every $\delta > 0$, there exists at least one point $x \in A, x \neq c$ such that $|x - c| < \delta$ or $c - \delta < x < c + \delta$. Alternatively,

$$(V_\delta(c) \setminus \{c\}) \cap A \neq \emptyset \text{ for any } \delta > 0$$

Definition 4.1.4 Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ and c be a cluster point of A . For a function $f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}$, a real number L is said to be a **limit** of f at c if for any given $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a $\delta = \delta(\epsilon) > 0$ such that if $x \in A$ and $0 < |x - c| < \delta$, then $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$, that is,

$$x \in A \cap (V_\delta(c) \setminus \{c\}) \implies f(x) \in V_\epsilon(L)$$

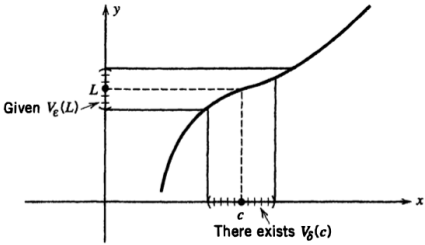
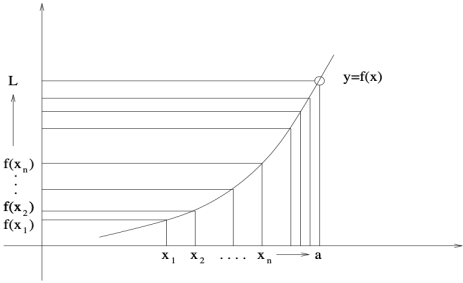


Figure 4.1.1 The limit of f at c is L

Remark
1. The cluster point c does not necessarily belong to A . Thus to discuss the limit of f at a point $x = c$, we do not require f to be defined at $x = c$.
2. Even if $f(c)$ is defined, its value has no bearing on $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$.
Definition If f has no limit at $x = c$, then we say that f diverges at c .
Theorem 4.1.8 (Sequential Criterion for Limits of Functions) Let $f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ and a be a cluster point of A . The following statements are equivalent:
1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$
2. For every sequence (x_n) in A that converges to a such that $x_n \neq a$ for all n , the sequence $(f(x_n))$ converges to L .



Limit Theorems

Definition 4.2.1 Let $f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ and c be a cluster point of A . We say that f is **bounded on a neighbourhood** of c if there exists $V_\delta(c)$ and a constant $M > 0$ such that $|f(x)| \leq M$ for all $x \in A \cap V_\delta(c)$.
Theorem 4.2.2 If $f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ has a limit at a cluster point c , then f is bounded on some neighbourhood of c .

Definition 4.2.3 Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ and let f and g be functions defined on A . We define the **sum** $f + g$, the **difference** $f - g$, and the **product** fg on A to be the functions given by

$$\begin{aligned} (f + g)(x) &:= f(x) + g(x) \\ (f - g)(x) &:= f(x) - g(x) \\ (fg)(x) &:= f(x)g(x) \end{aligned}$$

If $b \in \mathbb{R}$, we define the **multiple** bf to be the function given by

$$(bf)(x) := bf(x)$$

If $h(x) \neq 0, \forall x \in A$, we define the **quotient** f/h to be the function given by

$$\left(\frac{f}{h} \right)(x) := \frac{f(x)}{h(x)}$$

Theorem 4.2.4 Suppose that $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$ and $g(x) = M$. Let $b \in \mathbb{R}$.
(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (f \pm g)(x) = L \pm M$;
(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (fg)(x) = LM, \lim_{x \rightarrow c} (bf)(x) = bL$;
(c) If $h(x) \neq 0, \forall x \in A$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} h(x) = H \neq 0$, then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \left(\frac{f}{h} \right)(x) = \frac{L}{H}.$$

Remark Let f_1, \dots, f_n be functions on A to \mathbb{R} . Assume that $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f_i(x) = L_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$.

- 1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (f_1 + \dots + f_n)(x) = L_1 + \dots + L_n$.
- 2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (f_1 \cdot \dots \cdot f_n)(x) = L_1 \cdot \dots \cdot L_n$.
- 3. If $L = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (f(x)^n) = (\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x))^n = L^n$.

Theorem 4.2.7 (Squeeze Theorem) Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, let $f, g, h : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ and let $c \in \mathbb{R}$ be a cluster point of A . Suppose that $f(x) \leq g(x) \leq h(x)$ for all $x \in A$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} h(x) = L$, then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = L.$$

Theorem 4.2.9 (Lower Bound) If $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) > 0$ (resp. $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) < 0$), then there exists $V_\delta(c)$ of c such that $f(x) > 0$ (resp. $f(x) < 0$) for all $x \in A \cap V_\delta(c), x \neq c$.

Remark. Lower bound theorem can be applied to continuous points as well since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = f(c)$ iff f is continuous at c .

Definition 4.3.1 (One-sided limit) Let f be a function on A to \mathbb{R} .
(i) Let c be a cluster point of $A \cap (c, \infty)$. We say that L is the **right-hand limit** of f at c if for any $\epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$:

$$0 < x - c < \delta (i.e. x \in (c, c + \delta)) \implies |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$$

In this case, we write $\lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f(x) = L$.

(ii) Let c be a cluster point of $A \cap (-\infty, c)$. We say that L is the **left-hand limit** of f at c if for any $\epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$:

$$-\delta < x - c < 0 (i.e. x \in (c - \delta, c)) \implies |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$$

In this case, we write $\lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f(x) = L$.

Theorem 4.3.2 (Sequential Criterion for one-sided limits).
(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f(x) = L \iff$ if for every (x_n) converges to c and $x_n > c$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, the sequence $(f(x_n))$ converges to L .
(ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f(x) = L \iff$ for every (x_n) converges to c and $x_n < c$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, the sequence $(f(x_n))$ converges to L .

Theorem 4.3.3 $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$ exists iff both $\lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f(x)$ exist and

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

Continuous Functions

Continuous Functions

Definition 5.1.1 ($\epsilon - \delta$ definition of continuity)
Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, let $f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ and let $c \in A$. We say that f is **continuous at c** if given any number $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that if x is any point of A satisfying $|x - c| < \delta$, then $|f(x) - f(c)| < \epsilon$.
Equivalent Definition to 5.1.1. If c is a cluster point in A , $f(x)$ is continuous at c iff

$$f(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$$

Remark. The equivalent definition is useful as it opens up limit theorems (e.g. squeeze theorem, lower bound etc).

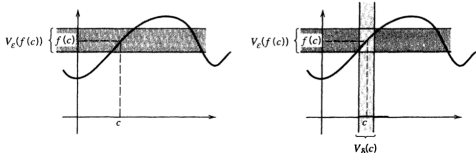
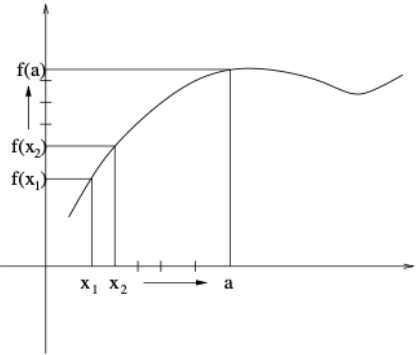


Figure 5.1.1 Given $V_\epsilon(f(c))$, a neighborhood $V_\delta(c)$ is to be determined

Remarks
(i) Limit has to exist (i.e. left and right limit must exist and be the same.)
(ii) Equality must hold
(iii) $f(c)$ must be well defined.
Theorem 5.1.3 (Sequential Criterion for Continuity)
A function $f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ is continuous at the point $c \in A$ iff for every sequence (x_n) in A that converges to c , the sequence $(f(x_n))$ converges to $f(c)$.



Theorem 5.1.4 (Discontinuity Criterion) f is discontinuous at $x = a$ iff there **exists** a sequence (x_n) in the domain of f such that $x_n \mapsto a$, but $f(x_n) \not\mapsto f(a)$.

Remark (i) $(f(x_n))$ is divergent or (ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) \neq f(a)$.

Combinations of Continuous Functions

Theorem 5.2.1 Suppose that f and g are continuous at $x = c$, then
(a) $f \pm g, f \cdot g$, and bf are also continuous at $x = c$, where b is a constant.
(b) If $g(c) \neq 0$, then f/g is also continuous at $x = c$.
Theorem 5.2.2 Suppose that f and g are continuous on A , then
(a) $f \pm g, f \cdot g$, and bf are also continuous on A .
(b) If $g(c) \neq 0$, then f/g is also continuous on A .

Theorem 5.2.6 Let $f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}, g : B \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ and $f(A) \subseteq B$. If f is continuous at c , and g is continuous at $b = f(c)$, then $g \circ f$ is continuous at c .

Theorem 5.2.7 Let $f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}, g : B \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ and $f(A) \subseteq B$. If f is continuous at A , and g is continuous at B , then $g \circ f$ is continuous on A .

Continuous Functions on Intervals

Definition 5.3.1 A function $f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ is **bounded** on A if there exists $M > 0$ such that

$$|f(x)| \leq M, \forall x \in A$$

Or, the set $f(A)$ is bounded.

Definition 5.3.3 (i) We say that f has an **absolute maximum** on A if there exists $x^* \in A$ such that

$$f(x^*) \geq f(x), \forall x \in A.$$

So in this case, $f(x^*) = \sup f(A) = \max f(A)$.

(ii) We say that f has an **absolute minimum** on A if there exists $x_* \in A$ such that

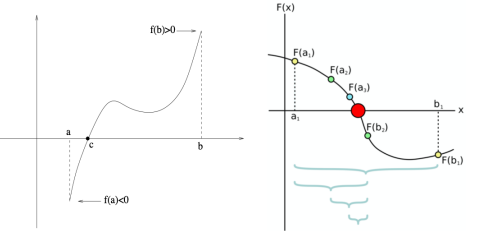
$$f(x_*) \leq f(x), \forall x \in A.$$

So in this case, $f(x_*) = \inf f(A) = \min f(A)$.

Theorem 5.3.4 (Maximum-Minimum Theorem) If f is continuous on $[a, b]$, then f has an absolute maximum and an absolute minimum on $[a, b]$.

Bisection Method. Essentially Binary Search.

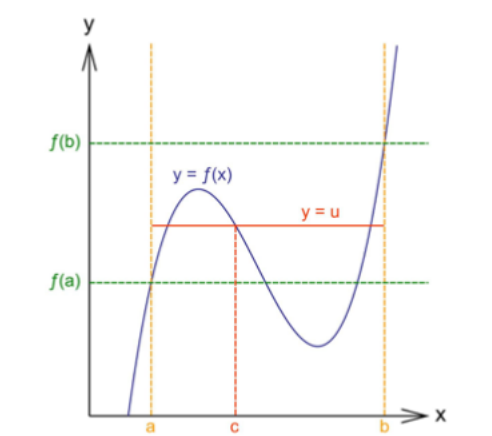
Theorem 5.3.5 (Location of Roots Theorem) If f is continuous on $[a, b]$ and $f(a)f(b) < 0$, then there exists a point $c \in (a, b)$ such that $f(c) = 0$.



Theorem 5.3.7 (Intermediate Value Theorem)

Let I be an interval, f be continuous on I , and $a, b \in I$ with $f(a) \leq f(b)$. For any $k \in [f(a), f(b)]$, then there exists a point c in I such that $f(c) = k$.

Remark. $a, b \in I$. (i) Case $a \leq b$: $[a, b] \subseteq I$ (ii) Case $b > a$: $[b, a] \subseteq I$.



Theorem 5.3.10 (Preservation of Closed Intervals Theorem) If f is continuous on $[a, b]$, then

$$f([a, b]) := \{f(x) : x \in [a, b]\} = [m, M]$$

where $m = \inf f([a, b]) = f(x_*)$ and $M = \sup f([a, b]) = f(x^*)$. That is, for any $m \leq k \leq M$, there exists $c \in [a, b]$ such that $f(c) = k$.

Remark. Let f be a continuous function on $[a, b]$.

1. $f([a, b]) = [m, M]$ does not imply $f([a, b]) = [f(a), f(b)]$. Image of the closed interval might not equal the closed interval given by $f(a), f(b)$.

2. If we replace the closed bounded interval $[a, b]$ by an arbitrary interval I (e.g. open or half-open), then $f(I)$ could be of any type such as half-open or unbounded.

Uniform Continuity

Uniform Continuity Let $A \subset \mathbb{R}, f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}$. We say that f is **uniformly continuous** on A if for each $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a $\delta(\epsilon) > 0$ ($\delta(\epsilon)$ only depends on ϵ) such that

$$\forall x, y \in A, |x - y| < \delta(\epsilon) \implies |f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$$

Negative Definition. f is **not uniformly continuous** on A if there exists an $\epsilon_0 > 0$ such that for all $\delta > 0$, there are points x_δ, y_δ such that $|x_\delta - y_\delta| < \delta$ and $|f(x_\delta) - f(y_\delta)| \geq \epsilon_0$.

(Sequential Criterion for Uniform Continuity)

The function $f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ is uniformly continuous on A iff for any two sequences $(x_n), (y_n)$ in A such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n - y_n = 0$, we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) - f(y_n) = 0$.

Negative Definition. There exists an $\epsilon_0 > 0$ and two sequences $(x_n), (y_n)$ in A such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n - y_n = 0$ and we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |f(x_n) - f(y_n)| \geq \epsilon_0$.

Theorem 5.4.3 (Uniform Continuity Theorem)

If f is continuous on a closed bounded interval $[a, b]$, then it is uniformly continuous on $[a, b]$.

Definition 5.4.4 A function $f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ is said to be a **Lipschitz function** (or satisfy a **Lipschitz condition**) on A if there exists a $K > 0$ such that

$$\frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{|x - y|} \leq K, \text{ for } x \neq y \in A$$

which implies that its *derivative* $f'(x)$ (if exists) is bounded on A .

Theorem 5.4.5 If $f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ is a Lipschitz function, then f is uniformly continuous on A .

Theorem 5.4.7 (Uniformly continuous functions preserve Cauchy sequence) If $f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ is uniformly continuous on A and (x_n) is a Cauchy sequence in A , then $(f(x_n))$ is a Cauchy sequence.

Theorem 5.4.8 (Continuous Extension Theorem)

A function f is uniformly continuous on the interval (a, b) iff $\lim_{x \mapsto a^+} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \mapsto b^-} f(x)$ can be defined at the endpoints a and b such that the extended function is continuous on $[a, b]$.

Monotone and Inverse Functions

Theorem 5.6.1 (One-sided Limits for Monotone Functions Exist Theorem) Let $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ be an interval and let $f : I \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be **increasing** on I .

Suppose that $c \in I$ is not an endpoint of I . Then

- $\lim_{x \mapsto c^-} f(x) = \sup\{f(x) : x \in I, x < c\}$
- $\lim_{x \mapsto c^+} f(x) = \inf\{f(x) : x \in I, x > c\}$

Remark. By showing limit exists, we can also use theorems related to limits such as the sequential criterion for limits theorem.

Definition If $f : I \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ is **increasing** on I and if c is not an endpoint of I , we define the **jump of f at c** to be

$$\begin{aligned} j_f(c) &:= \lim_{x \mapsto c^+} f(x) - \lim_{x \mapsto c^-} f(x) \\ &= \inf\{f(x) : x \in I, x > c\} - \sup\{f(x) : x \in I, x < c\} \end{aligned}$$

At the endpoints a or b , define

$$j_f(c) := \begin{cases} \lim_{x \mapsto a^+} f(x) - f(a) & \text{if } c = a \\ f(b) - \lim_{x \mapsto b^-} f(x) & \text{if } c = b \end{cases}$$

Theorem 5.6.3 Let $f : I \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be **increasing** on I . Then f is continuous at c iff $j_f(c) = 0$.

Remark. Theorem 5.6.1, Corollary 5.6.2, defn of Jump, and theorem 5.6.3 can be reformulated from **increasing to decreasing** functions.

Theorem 5.6.4 (Discontinuous points of monotone functions) Let $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be an interval and let $f : I \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be monotone on I . Then the set of points $D \subseteq I$ at which f is discontinuous is a countable set.

Theorem 5.6.5 (Continuous Inverse Theorem) Let $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ be an interval and $f : I \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be **strictly** monotone and continuous. Then the inverse function f^{-1} is also strictly monotone and continuous on $J := f(I) = \mathcal{R}(f)$.

Remark. $f^{-1} : J \mapsto \mathbb{R}$, where J might not equal the codomain of f .

Rational Power Function. $x^r, r \in \mathbb{Q}$ is defined.

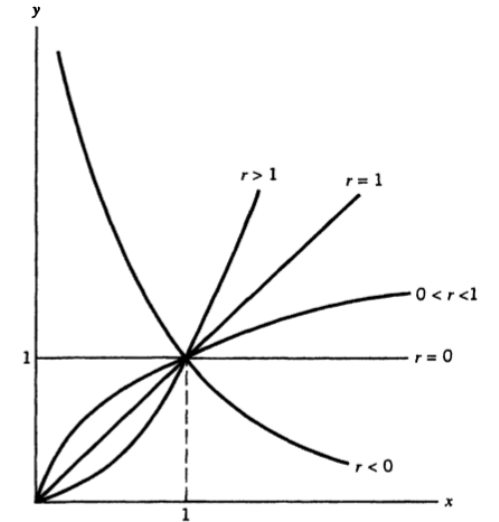


Figure 5.6.8 Graphs of $x \mapsto x^r \ (x \geq 0)$

Theorem 5.6.7 If $m \in \mathbb{Z}, n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x > 0$, then $(x^{\frac{1}{n}})^m = (x^m)^{\frac{1}{n}}$

A Glimpse into Topology

Open and Closed Sets in \mathbb{R}

Definition 11.1.1 A set V is called a **neighbourhood** of a point $x \in \mathbb{R}$ if $\exists \epsilon > 0 : V_\epsilon(x) \subseteq V$.

Definition 11.1.2

(i) A subset G of \mathbb{R} is **open** in \mathbb{R} if G is a neighbourhood of any point in G , that is, $\forall x \in G, \exists \epsilon_x > 0 : V_{\epsilon_x}(x) \subseteq G$.

(ii) A subset F of \mathbb{R} is **closed** in \mathbb{R} if the complement $C(F) := \mathbb{R} \setminus F$ is open in \mathbb{R} . Equivalently, for any $y \notin F, \exists \epsilon_0 > 0 : V_{\epsilon_0}(y) \cap F = \emptyset$.

Theorem 11.1.4 (Open Set Properties)

(a) The union of an arbitrary collection of open subsets in \mathbb{R} is open.

(b) The intersection of any **finite** collection of open sets in \mathbb{R} is open.

Theorem 11.1.5 (Closed Set Properties)

(a) The intersection of an arbitrary collection of closed subsets in \mathbb{R} is closed

(b) The union of any finite collection of closed sets in \mathbb{R} is closed.

Theorem 11.1.7 (Characterisation of Closed Sets) A subset F of \mathbb{R} is closed iff for any convergent sequence (x_n) in F , $\lim_{n \mapsto \infty} x_n$ belongs to F .

Theorem 11.1.8 A subset F of \mathbb{R} is closed iff it contains all of its cluster points.

Theorem 11.1.9 (Characterisation of Open Sets) A subset of \mathbb{R} is open iff it is the union of countably many disjoint open intervals in \mathbb{R} .

Continuous Functions

Lemma 11.3.1 A function $f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ is continuous at the point c in A iff for every (open) neighborhood U of $f(c)$, there exists a (open) neighborhood V of c such that if $x \in V \cap A$, then $f(x) \in U$. That is, \forall neighborhood U of $f(c)$, \exists a neighborhood V of c st. $f(V \cap A) \subseteq U$.

Theorem 11.3.2 (Global Continuity Theorem)

Let $f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be a function with domain A . Then the following are equivalent:

(a) f is continuous at every point of A .

(b) For every open set G in \mathbb{R} , there exists an open set H in \mathbb{R} such that $H \cap A = f^{-1}(G)$.

Note that for a set $G, f^{-1}(G) := \{x \in A : f(x) \in G\}$ (preimage, not inverse!).

Corollary 11.3.3 A function $f : \mathbb{R} \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ is continuous iff $f^{-1}(G)$ is open in \mathbb{R} , whenever G is open. Or, the preimage of an open set is always open.

Remark. In general, for an open set G , the direct image $f(G)$ is not necessarily open.

Metric Spaces

Definition 11.4.1 A **metric** on a set S is a function $d : S \times S \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ that satisfies the following properties:

- (a) $d(x, y) \geq 0, \forall x, y \in S$ (positivity);
- (b) $d(x, y) = 0 \iff x = y$ (definiteness);
- (c) $d(x, y) = d(y, x), \forall x, y \in S$ (symmetry);
- (d) $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y), \forall x, y, z \in S$ (triangle inequality);

Definition 11.2.1 An **open cover** of a subset A of a metric space S is a collection of $\mathcal{G} := \{G_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ of open subsets of S whose union contains A ; that is,

$$A \subseteq \cup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} G_\lambda$$

If \mathcal{G}' is a subcollection of sets from \mathcal{G} , such that the union of the sets in \mathcal{G}' also contains A , then \mathcal{G}' is called a **subcover** of \mathcal{G} .

If \mathcal{G}' consists of finitely many sets, then we call \mathcal{G}' a **finite subcover** of \mathcal{G} .

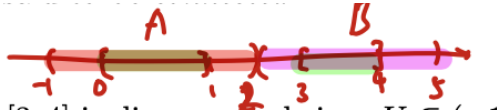
Definition 11.2.2 A subset K of a metric space S is said to be **compact** if every open cover of K has a finite subcover.

Definition. Let (S, d) be a metric space. A subset A of S is called **bounded** if there exist a positive real number M and a point $x \in S$ such that $A \subseteq V_M(x)$ (i.e. $d(a, x) < M, \forall a \in A$).

Theorem 11.2.5. Let (S, d) be a metric space. A subset K of S is compact iff it is closed and bounded.

Theorem 11.4.13 (Preservation of Compactness) If (S, d) is a compact metric space and if the function $f : S \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, then $f(S)$ is compact in \mathbb{R} .

Definition (disconnected) A subset U of S is called **disconnected** if U has an open cover $\{A, b\}$ such that $A \cap B \cap U = \emptyset, A \cap U \neq \emptyset, B \cap U \neq \emptyset$. Otherwise, U is said to be *connected*.



Theorem A subset E of \mathbb{R} is connected iff E is an interval.

Theorem (Preservation of connectedness) Let $f : S \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function. If E is a connected subset of S , then $f(E)$ is connected.

Corollary (Generalised form of preservation of closed intervals). Let $f : S \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function. If K is a connected compact subset of S , then $f(K) = [\inf f(K), \sup f(K)]$, a closed bounded interval.

Calculus

L'Hospital's Rule. Suppose that we have one of the following cases,

$$\lim_{x \mapsto \alpha} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{0}{0} \text{ OR } \frac{\pm \infty}{\infty}$$

where α can be any real number, $\pm \infty$. In these cases, we have,

$$\lim_{x \mapsto \alpha} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \text{ to } \alpha} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$$

- Partial Fraction Decomposition.** (1) Factor the bottom. $\frac{5x-4}{x^2-x-2} = \frac{5x-4}{(x-2)(x+1)}$.
(2) Write one partial fraction for each of those factors. $\frac{5x-4}{(x-2)(x+1)} = \frac{A_1}{x-2} + \frac{A_2}{x+1}$.
(3) Multiply through by the bottom so we no longer have fractions. $5x - 4 = A_1(x + 1) + A_2(x - 2)$.
(4) Now find constants A_1 and A_2 by substituting the roots (i.e. $x = -1, 2$).

Inequalities

- (i) **Multiplicative Inverse** If $a < b$, then $\frac{1}{a} < \frac{1}{b}$
- (ii) **Square Root Property** If $a \leq b$, then $\sqrt{a} \leq \sqrt{b}$

- (iii) **Exponential** $f(x) = a^x$ is monotonely increasing/decreasing for $a > 1$ and $0 < a < 1$ respectively.
- sin **properties**
- (i) $\sin x \leq x$
 - (ii) $\sin x - \sin y = \sin \frac{x-y}{2} \cos \frac{x+y}{2}$

List of Questions

- The Real Numbers**
- Define Bernoulli's Inequality.
 - Define Triangle Inequality and it's two corollaries.
 - The Completeness Property of \mathbb{R}**
 - Define ϵ -neighborhood of a .
 - Define sup and inf and *sup/inf* property.
 - Define Archimedean Property and corollary.
 - Define Density theorem (both rational and irrational).
 - Describe nested interval property.
 - How to prove convergence and calculate limits: five ways to identify limits (for cauchy criterion, state negation too).
 - Define divergent properties.
 - State relation between limits of subsequences and sequences (2).
 - State and define five ways to test if infinite series converge/diverge
 - State and define three ways to test for absolute convergence.**
 - State relation between limit of modulus and modulus of limit
 - Limits**
 - Define cluster point.
 - State ways to prove limits of functions (3, excluding one-sided limit)
 - State lower bound theorem.
 - Continuous Functions**
 - State ways to show that a function is continuous at a point (4)
 - Define continuous functions and sequential criterion for continuity. State usefulness of relation to limit.

- State discontinuity criterion.
 - State combinations/composition of functions.
 - State max-min theorem.
 - State location of roots and intermediate value theorem.
 - Define preservation of closed intervals theorem.
 - How to prove uniform continuity (4)?
 - How to prove non-uniform continuity (2)?
 - Define theorems of uniform continuity (2x)
 - Define one-sided limits for monotone function exist theorem and it's usefulness.
 - Define jump and it's usefulness.
 - Define discontinuous points of monotone functions theorem.
 - Define continuous inverse theorem.
 - State usefulness of rational power functions.
 - A glimpse into topology**
 - Define neighbourhood, open set, **closed set**.
 - Define open set properties, closed set properties.
 - Define characterisation of **closed sets** and open sets.
 - Define Global Continuity Theorem corollary
 - Define metric conditions
 - Define open cover
 - State intuitive understanding of disconnected
 - State theorems related to compactness (x2) and connectedness (x2)
 - State Generalised form of preservation of closed intervals
 - Calculus**
 - What to do when you see $\frac{2n+1}{n^2(n+1)^2}$?
 - If $x < y$ and $0 < a < 1$, what's the inequality relating a^x and a^y ?
- Examples to relook**
- 2.1.13 (1, 2), 2.2.6(b), 2.4.1(b), 3.1.6(d), 3.2.8 (e), 3.4.3(a), 3.5.6(c), 3.7.6(c), T3Q2 (FD), T3Q5, T5Q2(a), T6Q3, 18/19 (Q2), 13/14(Q1(a), Q5(ii))
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