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Lecture 1

Construction of Reals

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1.1 Overview of the construction of reals in 3 easy steps

1. Use set theory (axiomatic) to construct \mathbb{N} and \mathbb{Z} , with notions of $<, +, \cdot, |\cdot|$.
2. Construct \mathbb{Q} :

$$\mathbb{Q} = \{(p, q) : p \in \mathbb{Z}, q \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}\} / \sim$$

where $(p, q) \sim (r, s) \Leftrightarrow ps - qr = 0$.

Subsequently define $<, +, \cdot, |\cdot|$ on \mathbb{Q} . Let us note that \mathbb{Z} naturally embeds in \mathbb{Q} , with the correspondence $n \mapsto [(n, 1)]$.

3. Construct \mathbb{R} . There are 2 ways to perform this step:

- Dedekind cuts. This is the natural, elegant way of doing it. It is a method adapted to extend the ordering notion $<$ to a bigger field (\mathbb{R}).
- Cauchy sequences. This method is adapted to extend $|\cdot|$ to a bigger field. Overall, this is a more general method for other “completions”.

Both methods “complete” \mathbb{Q} , but in a priori different ways: Cuts make $<$ complete, and thus giving rise to the LUB property; while Cauchy sequences make $|\cdot|$ complete, and thus Cauchy sequences converge (in the field). They both produce the same isomorphic \mathbb{R} , and \mathbb{Q} is dense in \mathbb{R} in both constructions.

1.2 Dedekind cuts

The big idea of Dedekind cuts is to fill in the holes between the rationals.

Definition 1.1 (Dedekind cut)

A **Dedekind cut** is a pair $A \mid B$ with $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$ such that

1. $A \sqcup B = \mathbb{Q}$
2. $\forall x \in A, y \in B, x < y$
3. A has no greatest element in \mathbb{Q}

Example

1. $A = \{x : x < \frac{1}{2}\} \mid A^C$

Then this cut is a rational cut, since B has a least element in \mathbb{Q} , namely $\frac{1}{2}$. Generalizing this, for all $z \in \mathbb{Q}$, there exists a cut:

$$z^* = \{x : x < z\} \mid \text{rest}$$

that corresponds to that rational.

2. $A = \{x : x^2 < 2\} \mid A^C$

This is an irrational cut, since B has no least element in \mathbb{Q} .

Definition 1.2 (Reals from Dedekind cuts)

Let $\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}_{\text{Ded}}$ be the set of all Dedekind cuts.

Properties

1. $\mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{R}$ with the naturally embedding $z \mapsto z^*$ above.
2. $<, +, \cdot$ extend naturally.

Note, that by “extending” we mean that the operation on \mathbb{R} agrees with the notion on \mathbb{Q} .

3. We can also define $0, -x$, so the constructed \mathbb{R} is indeed an ordered field.
4. Define $|x| = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -x & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$
5. Lastly, it is nontrivial that \mathbb{R} has the LUB property, and that Cauchy sequences converge.
6. And that \mathbb{Q} and $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ are dense in \mathbb{R} .

Definition 1.3 (Cauchy sequences in \mathbb{R})

$(a_n)_{n \geq 1} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is **Cauchy** if $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \in \mathbb{R}, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n, m \geq N \Rightarrow |a_n - a_m| < \varepsilon$.

1.3 Cauchy sequences

The big idea of Cauchy sequences is to “complete the voyages” in \mathbb{Q} , in which the $<$ is not used in the construction, and only $|\cdot|$.

Definition 1.4 (Cauchy sequences in \mathbb{Q})

$(a_n)_{n \geq 1} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$ is **Cauchy** if $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \in \mathbb{Q}, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n, m \geq N \Rightarrow |a_n - a_m| < \varepsilon$.

Definition 1.5 (Reals from Cauchy sequences)

$$\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}_{\text{Cauchy}} = \{ \text{Cauchy sequences } (a_n) \} / \sim$$

where $(a_n) \sim (b_n) \Leftrightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq N \Rightarrow |a_n - b_n| < \varepsilon$.

In short, $\mathbb{R} = \{ [(a_n)] : a_n \text{ Cauchy} \}$

Properties

We then check the operations:

1. $+, \cdot : [(a_n)] + [(b_n)] = [(a_n + b_n)]$
2. $|\cdot| : |[(a_n)]| = [(|a_n|)]$
3. $<$ takes work: $[(a_n)] < [(b_n)]$ if $a_n < b_n$ for infinitely many n .

Lecture 2

Metric Spaces

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2.1 Metric spaces

The goal of metric spaces is to generalize the notion of distance, which can just be a function that takes in 2 arguments and returns the distance between them, such that this distance satisfies certain reasonable properties.

Definition 2.1 (Metric spaces)

A **metric space** is a pair (M, d) where M is a set and $d : M \times M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ such that for all $x, x', y, z \in M$:

1. (Positive definite) $d(x, x') \geq 0$, equality holds iff $x = x'$.
2. (Symmetry) $d(x, x') = d(x', x)$.
3. (Triangle inequality) $d(x, y) + d(y, z) \geq d(x, z)$.

Example

1. $M = \mathbb{R}, d(x, y) = |x - y|$.
2. $M = \mathbb{R}^n, d(x, y) = \|x - y\|$ where $\|v\| = (v \cdot v)^{1/2}$. This d is the usual Euclidean distance.
3. (Induced metric) $X \subseteq (M, d)$, and define $d_X(x, x') = d_M(x, x')$. The metric on X is induced by the metric on M .
4. Using $M = \mathbb{R}^n$ (with appropriate choice of n in the examples below, the set M can really be anything): insert figure
5. (Discrete metric)

$$d(x, x') = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \neq x' \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

2.2 Isometry and equivalence

When are (X, d_X) and (Y, d_Y) the same?

Definition 2.2 (Isometry)

$f : X \rightarrow Y$ is an **isometry** if f is bijective and

$$d_X(x, x') = d_Y(fx, fx')$$

We say that (X, d_X) and (Y, d_Y) are **isometric** if there exists such an isometry.

This is an equivalence relation!

Remark

Fix a metric space (X, d_X) , the isometries $f : X \rightarrow X$ are (sometimes) interesting! They form a group! For example, on the circle $S^1 \subset \mathbb{R}^2$, its isometries are rotations and line reflections.

Remark

Consider $\mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{R}$. Are $(\mathbb{Z}, d_{\text{discrete}})$ and $(\mathbb{Z}, d_{\mathbb{R}})$ isometric? Clearly no. Because if there exists $f : (\mathbb{Z}, d_{\text{discrete}}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{Z}, d_{\mathbb{R}})$ then $d_{\text{discrete}}(f^{-1}(0), f^{-1}(2)) = d_{\mathbb{R}}(0, 2) = 2, \Rightarrow \Leftarrow$

2.3 Convergence and limit points

An important point (pun intended) of consideration, perhaps the most as I recognized it so far, for metric spaces is *convergence*. This consideration takes place in many shapes and forms. Does a sequence

converge in the metric space at all? If it does, and the points of the sequence are from a certain subset of the metric space, is this point of convergence in the subset? If a sequence doesn't converge, does then exist a convergent subsequence? And many, many more.

Definition 2.3 (Convergence)

A sequence $(x_n)_{n \geq 1}$ in (X, d) **converges** if $\exists x \in X$ such that

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } n \geq N \Rightarrow d(x_n, x) < \varepsilon$$

We write $x_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} x$.

Definition 2.4 (Limit point)

Given $Y \subseteq X$. Say $x \in X$ is a **limit point** of Y if there exists a sequence $(y_n) \subseteq Y$ such that $y_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} x$.

A word of caution: The limit point might not be in Y itself!

Example

The set of limit points of S^1 in \mathbb{R}^2 is S^1 itself. The set of limit points of $(0, 1)$ is $[0, 1]$.

Definition 2.5 (Closed set)

$K \subseteq X$ is **closed** if it contains (and therefore equals to) all of its limit points.

Definition 2.6 (Open set)

$U \subseteq X$ is **open** if $\forall x \in U, \exists r > 0$ such that $\forall x' \in X, d(x, x') < r \Rightarrow x' \in U$.

In words, it is open if we can draw a positive-radius open ball around every point of the set, so that this ball is wholly contained in the set U .

Notation

In (X, d) , $x \in X, r > 0$, denote:

$$B_X(x, r) = \{x' : d(x, x') < r\}$$

Then as mentioned, U open if $\forall x \in U, \exists r > 0$ such that $B_X(x, r) \subseteq U$.

Here comes the first non-trivial statement:

Proposition 2.7

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Proof

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