

# Math 1010: One-Variable Analysis

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# Chapter 1

## The Real Numbers

### Lecture 1 - Jan 24:

#### Preliminaries

##### 1. Sets

**Definition:** A *set* is a collection of objects.

**De Morgan's Laws:**

$$\begin{aligned}(A \cap B)^c &= A^c \cup B^c \\ (A \cup B)^c &= A^c \cap B^c\end{aligned}$$

*Proof:* HW

##### 2. Functions

**Definition:** Given two sets  $A, B$ , a *function*  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is a rule that assigns to each  $a \in A$  a unique element  $f(a) \in B$ .

The *domain* of  $f$  is  $A$ . The *range* of  $f$  is a subset of  $B$ .

Examples:

(a) Dirichlet Function:

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0 & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$$

(Its domain is  $\mathbb{R}$  and its range is  $\{0, 1\}$ )

(b) Absolute value function:

$$|x| = \begin{cases} x & x \geq 0 \\ -x & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Properties:

$$\begin{aligned} |ab| &= |a| \cdot |b| \\ |a + b| &\leq |a| + |b| \quad (\text{Triangle Inequality}) \end{aligned}$$

### 3. Proofs

Types of Proofs:

- *Direct Proof* - Start with a valid statement (usually the hypothesis) and proceed by logical steps
- *Indirect Proof (Proof by Contradiction)* - Begin by negating the conclusion and proceed by logical steps to a contradiction.

**Theorem:** Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $a = b \iff \forall \varepsilon > 0, |a - b| < \varepsilon$

*Proof:* We have two statements:

- If  $a = b \implies \forall \varepsilon > 0, |a - b| < \varepsilon$
- If  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, |a - b| < \varepsilon \implies a = b$

*Proof of first statement:* Suppose  $a = b$ . Then  $|a - b| = 0$ . Thus,  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, |a - b| < \varepsilon$ .

*Proof of second statement:* Assume  $a \neq b$ . Then  $\exists \varepsilon_0 > 0$  s.t.  $|a - b| = \varepsilon_0$ . But this is contradiction by hypothesis. ■

*Proof by induction:*

Example: Let  $x_1 = 2$  and  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , define  $x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n+5}{3}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ . Prove that  $x_n$  is increasing.

*Proof:*

(a) Base Case:

$$x_1 = 2 < x_2 = \frac{7}{3} \quad \checkmark$$

(b) Inductive Step: Assume  $x_n \leq x_{n+1}$ . Then

$$\underbrace{\frac{x_n + 5}{3}}_{x_{n+1}} \leq \underbrace{\frac{x_{n+1} + 5}{3}}_{x_{n+2}} \implies x_{n+1} \leq x_{n+2} \quad \blacksquare$$

## Axioms for the real numbers

- **Field Axioms:**  $\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$

1.  $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$  (Additive Associativity)
2.  $\exists 0 \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $a + 0 = a$  (Additive Identity)
3.  $\exists -a \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $a + (-a) = 0$  (Additive Inverse)
4.  $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$  (Commutativity)
5.  $(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$  (Multiplicative Associativity)
6.  $\exists 1 \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $a \cdot 1 = a$  (Multiplicative Identity)
7.  $\exists a^{-1} \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $a \cdot a^{-1} = 1$  (Multiplicative Inverse)
8.  $a \cdot (b + c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$  (Distributivity)

- **Order Axioms:** there exists a subset of positive numbers  $P$  such that

10. exclusively either  $a \in P$  or  $-a \in P$  or  $a = 0$  (Trichotomy)
11.  $a, b \in P \implies a + b \in P$  (Closure under addition)
12.  $a, b \in P \implies a \cdot b \in P$  (Closure under multiplication)

- **Completeness Axiom:** a least upper bound of a set  $A$  is a number  $x$  such that  $x \geq y$  for all  $y \in A$ , and such that if  $z$  is also an upper bound of  $A$ , then

$$z \geq x.$$

13. Every nonempty set  $A$  which is bounded above has a least upper bound.

We will call Properties 1-12, and anything that follows from them, *elementary arithmetic*. These alone imply that  $\mathbb{Q}$  is a subfield of  $\mathbb{R}$  and basic properties of inequalities under addition and multiplication.

Adding Property 13 uniquely determines the real numbers. The standard proof is to identify each  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  with the subset of rationals  $\{y \in \mathbb{Q} : y < x\}$ , *the Dedekind cut*. This can also construct the reals from the rationals.

## Lecture 2 - Jan 30:

### Axiom of Completeness

1.  $\mathbb{R}$  is an ordered field.
2. There is a least upper bound and a greatest lower bound

*Note:* the axiom of completeness is only true for  $\mathbb{R}$

**Definition:** Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be a set. Then:

1.  $A$  is *bounded above* if  $\exists b \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $a \leq b$  for all  $a \in A$ . Conversely, then  $b$  is an *upper bound* of  $A$ .
2.  $A$  is *bounded below* if  $\exists l \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $a \geq l$  for all  $a \in A$ . Conversely, then  $l$  is a *lower bound* of  $A$ .

**Definition:**  $s \in \mathbb{R}$  is *least upper bound* of  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  if

1.  $s$  is an upper bound of  $A$
2. if  $b$  is any upper bound for  $A$ , then  $s \leq b$

$s$  is called *the supremum of  $A$*  and is denoted  $s := \sup A$ . Further, it is unique.

Similarly,  $\inf A$  (the *infimum*) is the greatest lower bound of  $A$ .

*Example:*  $A = \{\frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\} = \{1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \dots\}$ . Then  $\sup A = 1$ .

*Proof:*

1.  $1 \geq \frac{1}{n}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  ✓

2. Assume  $b$  is another upper bound. Since  $1 \in A$ ,  $1 \leq b$  ■

**Remark:**  $\sup A$  and  $\inf A$  do not have to be elements of  $A$ .

- When  $\sup A \in A$ , we call it the *maximum*
- When  $\inf A \in A$ , we call it the *minimum*

*Example:* In the example above,  $\inf A = 0 \notin A$ .

*Example:*

$$(0, 2) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : \underbrace{0}_{\inf} < x < \underbrace{2}_{\sup}\}$$

$$[0, 2] = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : \underbrace{0}_{\min} \leq x \leq \underbrace{2}_{\max}\}$$

**Theorem:** There is no rational number whose square is 2

*Proof:* Suppose  $\exists, p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $(\frac{p}{q})^2 = 2$ . We further assume that  $q \neq 0$  and  $\text{GCF}(p, q) = 1$ .

Then

$$\left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^2 = 2 \implies \frac{p^2}{q^2} = 2 \implies p^2 = 2q^2$$

Thus,  $p^2$  is even so  $p$  is even (because the product of two odd numbers is odd).

Thus, we can write  $p = 2r$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Substituting,

$$(2r)^2 = 2q^2 \implies 4r^2 = 2q^2 \implies 2r^2 = q^2$$

By similar logic,  $q$  is even. But this contradicts our assumption that  $\text{GCF}(p, q) = 1$ . ■

This allows us to show that  $\mathbb{Q}$  has gaps (it is incomplete). Consider:

$$S = \{r \in \mathbb{Q} : r^2 < 2\}$$

A sensible upper bound is  $\sqrt{2} \approx 1.4142\dots$ . Since  $\sqrt{2} \notin \mathbb{Q}$ , we need to approximate it with rational numbers. We can get infinitely close,

$$\frac{3}{2}, \frac{142}{100}, \frac{1415}{1000}, \dots$$

but because we need infinitely many terms, we do not have a least upper bound (the next term will always be closer).

**Lemma:** Let  $s \in \mathbb{R}$  be an upper bound for a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $s = \sup A$  iff  $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists a \in A$  s.t.  $s - \varepsilon < a$

*Proof:*

1. Suppose  $s = \sup A$ . Consider any  $s - \varepsilon$  with  $\varepsilon > 0$ . From the definition of supremum,  $s - \varepsilon$  is not an upper bound for  $A$  (because  $s - \varepsilon < \sup A$ ). Thus,  $\exists a \in A$  s.t.  $s - \varepsilon < a$
2. Suppose  $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists a \in A$  s.t.  $s - \varepsilon < a$ .

Since  $s - \varepsilon < a$ , it cannot be an upper bound by definition. Thus, for any  $b < s$ ,  $b$  is not an upper bound. Therefore, any upper bound  $b'$  must satisfy  $s \leq b'$ . This is precisely the definition of  $\sup A$ . ■

## Lecture 3 - Feb 1:

### Recall

- $\mathbb{R}$  is an ordered field satisfying the Axiom of Completeness
- $\mathbb{Q}$  is an ordered field but does not satisfy the Axiom of Completeness
- $\mathbb{Z}$  satisfies the AOC but is not a field (so we ignore it in analysis)
- $s = \sup A \implies a \leq b$  for any other upper bound  $b$

### Consequences of Completeness

**Theorem (Nested interval property):** For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , assume we are given a closed interval  $I_n = [a_n, b_n] = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a_n \leq x \leq b_n\}$ . Assume also that  $I_n$  contains  $I_{n+1}$ . Then the resulting nested sequence  $I_1 \supseteq I_2 \supseteq I_3 \supseteq \dots$  has a nonempty intersection  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n \neq \emptyset$

*Proof:*

Let  $A = \{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be the set of all left endpoints of the intervals  $I_n$ . Then  $A$  is nonempty and bounded above by the  $b$  (right) endpoints.

Consider  $x = \sup A$ . We know  $a_n \leq x \leq b_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  by the fact that  $x$  is an upper bound for  $A$  and that it is the *least* upper bound for  $A$ .

And indeed, this is exactly the intersection of the intervals. ■

Note that the theorem does not hold for  $\mathbb{Q}$ ! Imagine the series of intervals centered at  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  – all are non-empty but their intersection is empty (because there are rational numbers infinitely close to  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  but that final interval would be empty).

**Theorem (Archimedean Property):** Given any number  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  satisfying  $n > x$ . (i.e.  $\mathbb{N}$  is *not* bounded above)

*Proof by contradiction:*

Suppose  $\mathbb{N}$  is bounded above. By the axiom of completeness,  $\mathbb{N}$  has a least upper bound  $\alpha = \sup \mathbb{N}$ . By definition of supremum,  $\alpha - 1 < n \implies \alpha < n + 1$ . But  $n + 1 \in \mathbb{N}$ , so  $\alpha$  is not an upper bound. ■

**Consequence:** Given any real number  $y > 0$ ,  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  satisfying  $\frac{1}{n} < y$ .

*Proof:* Let  $x = \frac{1}{y}$ . By the Archimedean Property,  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  satisfying  $n > x$ . Then  $n > \frac{1}{y} \implies y < \frac{1}{n}$

**Theorem (Density of  $\mathbb{Q}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ ):** For every two real numbers  $a$  and  $b$  with  $a < b$ ,  $\exists r \in \mathbb{Q}$  s.t.  $a < r < b$

*Proof:*

We want to show that  $\exists m \in \mathbb{Z}, n \in \mathbb{N} : a < \frac{m}{n} < b$ .

First note that we can choose  $m \in \mathbb{Z}, n \in \mathbb{N}$  to bound  $a$ . We choose  $n$  such that

$$\frac{m-1}{n} < a < \frac{m}{n}$$

and  $m$  to be the smallest integer greater than  $na$ :

$$m-1 \leq na < m$$

The RHS inequality gives  $a < \frac{m}{n}$ .

By Archimedean property, we can pick  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\frac{1}{n} < b-a$ . Equivalently,  $a < b - \frac{1}{n}$ .



The LHS gives

$$m \leq na + 1 < n(b - \frac{1}{n}) + 1 = nb \implies m < nb \implies \frac{m}{n} < b$$

Thus,

$$a < \frac{m}{n} < b \quad \blacksquare$$

**Corollary:** Density of Irrationals (II) in  $\mathbb{R}$

## Cardinality

**Definition:** *Cardinality* is the size of a set

**Definition:**

- A function  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is *injective* (or *one-to-one*) if  $a_1 \neq a_2$  in  $A$  implies  $f(a_1) \neq f(a_2)$ .
- A function  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is *surjective* (*onto*) if, given any  $b \in B$ , it is possible to find an element  $a \in A$  for which  $f(a) = b$  (all elements in  $B$  have a pre-image in  $A$ )
- A function  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is *bijective* (has a “1-to-1 correspondence”) if it is both injective and surjective

**Definition:** The set  $A$  has the same cardinality as the set  $B$  if there exists a bijection  $f : A \rightarrow B$ .

*Example:*  $E = \{2, 4, 6, 8, \dots\}$ . We create an equivalence relation  $\mathbb{N} \sim E$  induced by  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow E$  given by  $f(n) = 2n$ . Thus  $\mathbb{N}$  and  $E$  have the same cardinality.

*Example:*  $\mathbb{N} \sim \mathbb{Z}$ . Consider

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} \frac{n-1}{2} & n \text{ is odd} \\ -\frac{n}{2} & n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

Proof of bijection is left as an exercise.

*Example:*  $(a, b) \sim \mathbb{R}$

## Lecture 4 - Feb 6:

### Countable Sets

**Definition:** A set  $A$  is *countable* if  $A \sim \mathbb{N}$  (it has the same cardinality as  $\mathbb{N}$ )

**Theorem:**  $\mathbb{Q}$  is countable

*Proof:* It suffices to construct a bijection  $\phi : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ .

Consider  $A_1 = \{0\}$  and for each  $n \geq 2$ ,

$$A_n = \left\{ \pm \frac{p}{q} : p, q \in \mathbb{N} \text{ with } p/q \text{ in lowest term with } p + q = n \right\}$$

i.e.,  $A_2 = \{1, -1\}$ ,  $A_3 = \{\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, 2, -2\}$ ,  $A_4 = \{\pm\frac{1}{3}, \pm 3\}$

We know that each  $A_n$  is finite. Further, every rational number appears *exactly* once in these sets.

We can then define  $\phi : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  by the one-to-one correspondence between the natural numbers and each element of the  $A_n$ 's

$$\begin{array}{cccccccc} \mathbb{N} : & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & \dots \\ \mathbb{Q} : & 0 & 1 & -1 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & 2 & -2 & \dots \\ & \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{A_1} & \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{A_2} & \underbrace{\hspace{3.5cm}}_{A_3} \end{array}$$

The correspondence is onto: every rational will appear. (e.g.  $\frac{22}{7} \in A_{29}$ )

The correspondence is 1-1: each rational appears exactly once. ■

**Theorem:**  $\mathbb{R}$  is uncountable

*Proof:* Assume  $\mathbb{R}$  is countable. Then  $\mathbb{R} = \{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$

Let  $I_1$  be a closed interval which does not contain  $x_1$ . Then  $I_2 \subseteq I_1$  and does not contain  $x_2$ . By induction,  $I_{n+1} \subseteq I_n$ ,  $x_n \notin I_n$

Consider  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$ . If  $x_{n_0}$  is in the list,  $\exists I_{n_0}$  s.t.  $x_{n_0} \notin I_{n_0}$ . But then

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n = \emptyset$$

However, by the nested interval property,  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n \neq \emptyset$ .

**Theorem:** If  $A \subseteq B$  and  $B$  is countable, then  $A$  is countable or finite

*Proof:* HW

**Theorem:**

1. If  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_m$  are countable, then  $\bigcup_{n=1}^m A_n$  is countable
2. If  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  are countable, then  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$  is countable

*Proof:* HW

# Chapter 2

## Sequences and Series

### Lecture 1 - Feb 6 (Continued):

#### The Limit of a Sequence

**Definition:** A *sequence* is a function whose domain is  $\mathbb{N}$

*Examples:*

- $(1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \dots) = (\frac{1}{n})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$
- $(\frac{1+n}{n})_{n=1}^{\infty} = (2, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{5}{4}, \dots)$
- $x_1 = 2, x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n+1}{2}$

**Definition (convergence of a sequence):** A sequence  $(a_n)$  *converges* to a real number  $a$  if, for every positive number  $\varepsilon$ , there exists a  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n \geq N$  implies  $|a_n - a| < \varepsilon$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a &\iff a_n \rightarrow a \\ &\iff \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } n \geq N \implies |a_n - a| < \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

**Definition ( $\varepsilon$ -neighborhood):** The  $\varepsilon$ -neighborhood of  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  (given  $\varepsilon > 0$ ) is the set  $V_\varepsilon(a) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x - a| < \varepsilon\}$

Here,  $\varepsilon$  is the radius about the center  $a$ .

**Definition:** A sequence  $(a_n)$  converges to  $a$  if, given any  $\varepsilon$ -neighborhood  $V_\varepsilon(a)$  if  $a$ , there exists a point in the sequence after which all the terms are in  $V_\varepsilon(a)$

## Lecture 2 - Feb 08:

### Convergence

**Example:** Let  $a_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$ . Show  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ .

First we try a few values of epsilon:

- $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{10}$ :  $(0 - \frac{1}{10}, 0 + \frac{1}{10}) = (-\frac{1}{10}, \frac{1}{10})$

When  $n = 100 \implies a_{100} = \frac{1}{10}$ . So the first element in the interval is  $a_{101}$ .

- $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{50}$ :  $(-\frac{1}{50}, \frac{1}{50})$

Here, the first element in the interval is  $a_{2501}$ .

Now for the rigorous version: Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Choose  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $N > \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} \implies \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} < \varepsilon$ .

Let  $n \geq N$ . Then

$$n > \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} \implies \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} < \varepsilon \implies \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} - 0 \right| < \varepsilon$$

### A template for convergence proofs:

1. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$
2. Demonstrate a choice for  $N \in \mathbb{N}$
3. Verify  $N$
4. With  $N$  well chosen, it should be possible to get  $|x_n - x| < \varepsilon$

**Example:** Prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{n} = 1$

We want  $\left| \frac{n+1}{n} - 1 \right| < \varepsilon$ . This is equivalent to  $\left| \frac{1}{n} \right| < \varepsilon$ . So we choose  $N \in \mathbb{N} > \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$ .

The actual proof then reads: Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Choose  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $N > \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$ . Let  $n \geq N$ .

$$n > \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \implies \frac{1}{n} < \varepsilon \implies \left| \frac{n+1}{n} - 1 \right| < \varepsilon$$

**Theorem (Uniqueness of limits):** The limit of a sequence, when it exists, is unique

*Proof:* HW

## The algebraic and order limit theorems

**Definition:** A sequence  $(x_n)$  is bounded if there exists a number  $M > 0$ , such that  $|x_n| \leq M$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Theorem:** Every convergent sequence is bounded

*Proof:* Assume  $(x_n)$  converges to  $l$ .

Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\exists N \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } x_n \in (l - \varepsilon, l + \varepsilon) \forall n \geq N$$

Since we do not know if  $l$  is positive or negative, we can only say

$$|x_n| < |l| + \varepsilon$$

From this we know  $x$  is bounded for  $n \geq N$ . Now we check the case  $n < N$ . Luckily, this is a finite number of cases.

By construction,  $M = \max\{|x_1|, |x_2|, \dots, |x_{N-1}|, |l| + 1\}$ . Then  $|x_n| \leq M$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . ■

**Theorem (Algebraic Limit Theorems):** Let  $\lim a_n = a$ ,  $\lim b_n = b$

1.  $\lim(ca_n) = ca, \quad \forall c \in \mathbb{R}$
2.  $\lim(a_n + b_n) = a + b$
3.  $\lim(a_n \cdot b_n) = a \cdot b$
4.  $\lim \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \frac{a}{b}$ , provided  $b \neq 0$

*Proof:*

1. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . We want to show  $|ca_n - ca| < \varepsilon$ . Notice

$$|ca_n - ca| = |c| \cdot |a_n - a|$$

Since  $a_n$  is convergent, we can make  $|a_n - a|$  arbitrarily small.

We choose  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $|a_n - a| < \frac{\varepsilon}{|c|}$  so  $\forall n > N$ ,

$$|ca_n - ca| < |c| \frac{\varepsilon}{|c|} = \varepsilon \quad \checkmark$$

2. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . We want to show  $|a_n + b_n - (a + b)| < \varepsilon$ . We can say  $|a_n - a + b_n - b| \leq |a_n - a| + |b_n - b|$  by the Triangle inequality. Then since  $a_n$  and  $b_n$  are convergent, we note that

$$\begin{aligned} \exists N_1 \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ s.t. } \forall n \geq N_1 : \quad |a_n - a| &< \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \\ \exists N_2 \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ s.t. } \forall n \geq N_2 : \quad |b_n - b| &< \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Choose  $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$  so

$$\forall n \geq N : \quad |(a_n + b_n) - (a + b)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon \quad \checkmark$$

3. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . We want to show that  $|a_n \cdot b_n - a \cdot b| < \varepsilon$ . We can say

$$\begin{aligned} |a_n b_n - ab_n + ab_n - ab| &\leq |a_n b_n - ab_n| + |ab_n - ab| \\ &= |b_n| \cdot |a_n - a| + |a| \cdot |b_n - b| \end{aligned}$$

Since  $a_n$  and  $b_n$  are convergent,  $\exists N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ , s.t.  $\forall n \geq N_1 : \quad |b_n - b| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2|a|}$ . Note then that  $b_n$  is convergent so bounded:  $|b_n| \leq M$ . Then  $\exists N_2$ , s.t.  $\forall n \geq N_2 : \quad |a_n - a| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2M}$

So with  $N = \max N_1, N_2$ ,  $\forall n \geq N$ , we have

$$|a_n b_n - ab| \leq M \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{2M} + |a| \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{2|a|} = \varepsilon$$

4. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . We want to show that  $\left| \frac{a_n}{b_n} - \frac{a}{b} \right| < \varepsilon$ . This is the same as showing  $a_n \cdot \frac{1}{b_n} \rightarrow a \cdot \frac{1}{b}$  so it suffices to show that  $\frac{1}{b_n} \rightarrow \frac{1}{b}$  and apply the multiplicative limit theorem.

Observe:

$$\left| \frac{1}{b_n} - \frac{1}{b} \right| = \left| \frac{b - b_n}{b_n \cdot b} \right| = \frac{|b - b_n|}{|b_n| \cdot |b|}$$

Intuitively, finding a lower bound for  $b_n$  gives an upper bound for  $1/b_n$ .

*Trick:* Choose a large  $n$  such that  $|b_n - b| > |b_n - 0| \implies |b_n| > \frac{|b|}{2}$ .

By convergence of  $(b_n)$ ,  $\exists N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $\forall n \geq N : |b_n - b| < \frac{|b|}{2}$ . Then  $|b_n| > \frac{|b|}{2}$ .

Now bound  $|b_n - b| < \frac{\varepsilon|b|^2}{2}$  by convergence at  $N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Finally, let  $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$  then for  $n > N$ ,

$$\left| \frac{1}{b_n} - \frac{1}{b} \right| = \frac{|b - b_n|}{|b_n| \cdot |b|} < \frac{\varepsilon|b|^2}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{|b|} \cdot \frac{1}{|b|} = \varepsilon \quad \blacksquare$$

## Lecture 3 - Feb 15:

**Theorem (Order Limit Theorem):** Assume  $(a_n) \rightarrow a$ ,  $(b_n) \rightarrow b$ .

1. If  $a_n \geq 0 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $a \geq 0$
2. If  $a_n \leq b_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $a \leq b$
3. If  $\exists c \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $c \leq b_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $c \leq b$

*Proof:*

1. Suppose  $a < 0$ . Consider  $\varepsilon = |a|$  so  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $\forall n \geq N : |a_n - a| < |a|$ . However, since  $a < 0$ , this tells us

$$a < a_n - a < -a \implies a_n < 0$$

But this contradicts the fact that  $a_n \geq 0$ .

2. By the Algebraic limit theorem,  $(b_n - a_n) \rightarrow b - a$ . Since  $a_n \leq b_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $b_n - a_n \geq 0$ , by part 1,  $b - a \geq 0 \implies b \geq a$
3. Take  $a_n = c \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $(a_n) \rightarrow c$ . The result follows from part 2.  $\blacksquare$



## Monotone Convergence Theorem

**Definition:** A sequence  $(a_n)$  is *increasing* if  $a_n \leq a_{n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . It is *decreasing* if  $a_n \geq a_{n+1} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

A sequence is *monotone* if it is either increasing or decreasing for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Theorem (Monotone Convergence Theorem):** If a sequence is monotone and bounded, then it is convergent

*Proof:* Let  $(a_n)$  be monotone and bounded. Assume WLOG that  $(a_n)$  is increasing. Consider the set  $A = \{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . Since  $(a_n)$  is bounded,  $\sup A$  exists.

We claim  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \sup A$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Since  $\sup A$  is the least upper bound,  $\sup A - \varepsilon$  is not an upper bound. Thus,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $a_N > \sup A - \varepsilon$ . Since  $a_n$  is monotone,  $a_n > \sup A - \varepsilon \quad \forall n \geq N$ . Further,  $a_n \leq \sup A + \varepsilon$  so

$$|a_n - \sup A| < \varepsilon$$

## Series Introduction

**Definition (Convergence of Series):** Let  $(b_n)$  be a sequence. A *infinite series* is an expression of the form

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n = b_1 + b_2 + \dots$$

The series *converges* to  $S$  if the sequence of *partial sums*  $(S_n)$  given by

$$S_m = \sum_{n=1}^m b_n = b_1 + \dots + b_m$$

converges to  $S$ .

**Example:** Consider  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$ .

$$S_m = 1 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{9} + \dots + \frac{1}{m^2}$$

We seek an upper bound for  $(S_m)$ . Notice

$$\begin{aligned} S_m &= \frac{1}{2 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{4 \cdot 4} + \cdots + \frac{1}{m \cdot m} \\ &< \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} + \cdots + \frac{1}{(m-1) \cdot m} \\ &= 1 + \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4}\right) + \cdots + \left(\frac{1}{m-1} - \frac{1}{m}\right) \\ &= 2 - \frac{1}{m} < 2 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $(S_m)$  has an upper bound and is increasing, it is convergent to some limit  $s$ .

**Example (Harmonic Series):** Consider  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ . Taking partial sums,

$$S_m = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \cdots + \frac{1}{m}$$

Is  $S_m$  bounded? No!

$$S_4 = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} = 2$$

But

$$S_8 > 2 + \frac{1}{2}$$

and

$$S_{2^k} > 1 + k\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

and this is unbounded!

## Lecture 4 - Feb 22:

**Theorem (Cauchy Condensation Test):** Suppose  $(b_n)$  is decreasing and  $b_n \geq 0 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  converges iff  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^n b_{2^n} = b_1 + 2b_2 + 4b_4 + 8b_8 + \cdots$  converges

*Proof:* Omitted.

**Remark:** This is a mostly useless theorem used only for showing the harmonic series diverges.

**Corollary:** The series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$  converges iff  $p > 1$ .

## Subsequences

**Definition:** Let  $(a_n)$  be a sequence and let  $n_1 < n_2 < n_3 < \dots$  be an increasing sequence of natural numbers. Then the sequence  $(a_{n_1}, a_{n_2}, a_{n_3}, \dots)$  is a *subsequence* of  $(a_n)$  and is denoted by  $(a_{n_k})$  where  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  is the index.

**Example:**

$a_1$	$a_2$	$a_3$	$a_4$	$a_5$	$a_6$	$a_7$	$\dots$
1	5	-3	10	0	-8	12	$\dots$

If we choose  $n_1 = 3, n_2 = 4, n_3 = 6, \dots$  then  $(a_{n_k}) = (-3, 10, -8, \dots)$

**Note:** The order of the terms in the subseq is the same as in the original sequence. Further, no repetitions are allowed.

**Examples:**  $(a_n) = (1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{5}, \dots)$

- $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{8})$  is a subsequence
- $(\frac{1}{10}, \frac{1}{100}, \frac{1}{1000}, \frac{1}{10000}, \dots)$  is a subsequence
- $(\frac{1}{10}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{100}, \frac{1}{5}, \dots)$  is *not* a subsequence
- $(1, 1, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \dots)$  is *not* a subsequence

**Theorem:** A subsequence of a convergent sequence converges to the same limit as the original sequence

*Proof:* Assume  $(a_n) \rightarrow a$ . Let  $(a_{n_k})$  be a subsequence. Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $\forall n \geq N : |a_n - a| < \varepsilon$ . Since  $n_k \geq k \quad \forall k$ , the same  $N$  will suffice for the subsequence. Then,

$$|a_{n_k} - a| < \varepsilon \quad \forall k \geq N \quad \blacksquare$$

**Example:** Let  $0 < b < 1$ . Then  $b > b^2 > b^3 > \dots > 0$ . Therefore,  $(b^n)$  is decreasing and bounded below. By the Monotone Convergence Theorem,  $(b^n) \rightarrow l$ .  $(b^{2n})$  is a subsequence so by the Theorem above,  $(b^{2n}) \rightarrow l$ . However,

$$b^{2n} = b^n \cdot b^n \rightarrow l \cdot l \implies l^2 = l \implies l = 0$$

Therefore,  $(b_n) \rightarrow 0$ .

**Example:** Consider the sequence  $(1, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, -\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{5}, -\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, -\frac{1}{5}, \dots)$ . Does it converge? Consider:

- $(\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \dots) \rightarrow \frac{1}{5}$
- $(-\frac{1}{5}, -\frac{1}{5}, -\frac{1}{5}, -\frac{1}{5}, \dots) \rightarrow -\frac{1}{5}$

Since the subsequences do not converge to the same limit, the original sequence does not converge.

**Theorem (Bolzano-Weierstrass):** Every bounded sequence contains a convergent subsequence

*Proof:* Let  $(a_n)$  be a bounded subsequence.  $\exists M > 0$  s.t.  $|a_n| \leq M \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Split  $[-M, M]$  into equal intervals  $[-M, 0]$  and  $[0, M]$ . At least one these intervals must contain infinitely many terms of  $(a_n)$ . Call this interval  $I_1$ . WLOG, suppose  $I_1 = [-M, 0]$ .

Let  $(a_{n_1})$  to be some term of  $(a_n)$  which lies in  $I_1$ . Now we repeat:  $I_1 = [-M, \frac{M}{2}] \cup [-\frac{M}{2}, 0]$ . Label the interval with infinite terms  $I_2$  and pick  $(a_{n_2})$  from  $I_2$  with  $n_2 > n_1$ .

In general, construct the closed  $I_k$  by taking the half of  $I_{k-1}$  containing infinitely many terms of  $(a_n)$ . Select  $n_k > n_{k-1} > n_{k-2} > \dots > n_1$  such that  $a_{n_k} \in I_k$ .

Notice that the sets  $I_1 \supseteq I_2 \supseteq I_3 \supseteq \dots$  are nested and closed. By the Nested Interval Property,  $\exists x \in \mathbb{R}$  which lies in every  $I_k$ . Intuitively, this is a good limit candidate.

Now we seek to show that  $(a_{n_k}) \rightarrow x$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . By construction, each  $I_k$  has length  $M(\frac{1}{2})^{k-1} \rightarrow 0$ .  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $\forall k \geq N$ , the length of  $I_k$  is less than  $\varepsilon$ . Since  $x \in I_k$  and  $a_{n_k} \in I_k$ ,  $|a_{n_k} - x| < \varepsilon$ .

Therefore,  $(a_{n_k})$  is a convergent subsequence of the bounded sequence  $(a_n)$ .  
■

## Lecture 5 - Feb 27:

Recall:

- A *subsequence* of  $(a_n)$  is a sequence  $(a_{n_k})$  where  $n_1 < n_2 < n_3 < \dots$
- Any subsequence of a convergent sequence converges to the same limit as the original sequence

- If two convergent subsequences converge to different limits, the original sequence diverges
- *Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem*: Every bounded sequence contains a convergent subsequence

## The Cauchy Criterion

**Definition:** A sequence  $(a_n)$  is called a Cauchy sequence if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\exists N \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } |a_n - a_m| < \varepsilon \quad \forall n, m \geq N$$

**Theorem:** Every convergent sequence is a Cauchy sequence

*Proof:* Assume  $(x_n)$  converges to  $x$ . To prove  $(x_n)$  is a Cauchy sequence, we need to find a point in the sequence after which  $|x_n - x_m| < \varepsilon$ .

Since  $(x_n) \rightarrow x$ ,  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|x_n - x| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ .

$$|x_n - x_m| = |(x_n - x) + (x - x_m)| \leq |x_n - x| + |x_m - x| < \varepsilon$$

**Lemma:** Cauchy sequences are bounded

*Proof:* Set  $\varepsilon = 1$ . Then  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\forall m, n \geq N$ ,

$$|x_n - x_m| < 1 \implies |x_n| < |x_N| + 1 \quad \forall n \geq N$$

Then

$$M = \max\{|x_1|, |x_2|, \dots, |x_{N-1}|, |x_N| + 1\}$$

is a bound for the sequence. ■

**Theorem (Cauchy Criterion):** A sequence converges iff it is a Cauchy sequence

*Proof:* The first direction follows from the fact that every convergent sequence is Cauchy.

For the other direction, assume  $(x_n)$  is a Cauchy sequence. Then  $(x_n)$  is bounded by the Lemma. By the Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem,  $(x_n)$  contains a convergent subsequence  $(x_{n_k}) \rightarrow x$ .

Since  $(x_n)$  is Cauchy,  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $|x_n - x_m| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \quad \forall n, m \geq N$ .

Since  $(x_{n_k}) \rightarrow x$ , choose  $x_{n_k}$  with  $n_k \geq N$ . Then,

$$|x_{n_k} - x| > \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

Now

$$|x_n - x| \leq |x_n - x_{n_k}| + |x_{n_k} - x| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon \quad \blacksquare$$

## Properties of Infinite Series

**Recall:**

- For a sequence  $(a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots)$ , the sequence of partial sums is given by

$$(S_m) = (S_1, S_2, S_3, \dots) = (a_1, a_1 + a_2, a_1 + a_2 + a_3, \dots)$$

- A series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges to  $A$  if  $\lim(S_m) = A$

**Theorem (Algebraic Limit Theory for Series):** If  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k = A$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k = B$ , then

1.  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ca_k = cA, \quad \forall c \in \mathbb{R}$
2.  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k + b_k) = A + B$

*Proof:*

1. Since  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k = A$ ,  $(S_m) = \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \rightarrow A$ . Then  $\lim(cS_m) = c \lim S_m = cA$  by the Algebraic Limit Theorem for Sequences (ALT). Then, by definition,  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ca_k = cA$
2. Let  $S_m = \sum_{k=1}^m a_k$  and  $T_m = \sum_{k=1}^m b_k$ . Then  $S_m + T_m = \sum_{k=1}^m (a_k + b_k)$ . Since  $(S_m) \rightarrow A$  and  $(T_m) \rightarrow B$ ,  $(S_m + T_m) \rightarrow A + B$  by the ALT. Then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k + b_k) = A + B \quad \blacksquare$

**Theorem (Cauchy Criterion for Series):** The series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges iff  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $\forall m \geq n \geq N$  we have

$$\left| \sum_{k=m+1}^n a_k \right| = |a_{m+1} + a_{m+2} + \cdots + a_n| < \varepsilon$$

*Proof:* Define  $S_n = a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_n$ . Observe that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \text{ converges} \iff (S_n) \text{ converges} \xLeftrightarrow{*} (S_n) \text{ Cauchy seq}$$

where  $\xLeftrightarrow{*}$  follows from the Cauchy Criterion for sequences.

Further, if and only if  $(S_n)$  is Cauchy,  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $\forall n > m \geq N$ ,

$$|S_n - S_m| = |a_{m+1} + a_{m+2} + \cdots + a_n| < \varepsilon \quad \blacksquare$$

## Lecture 6 - Feb 29:

**Theorem:** If the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges, then  $(a_k) \rightarrow 0$ .

*Proof:* Pick  $n = m + 1$  in previous theorem: for  $m > N$ ,

$$|a_{m+1}| < \varepsilon$$

**Remark:** The converse is *not* true! Consider the harmonic series:  $a_n = \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0$  but  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \infty$

**Theorem (Comparison Test):** Assume  $(a_k)$  and  $(b_k)$  are sequences satisfying  $0 \leq a_k \leq b_k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then

1. If  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k$  converges, then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges.
2. If  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  diverges, then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k$  diverges.

*Proof:* Apply Cauchy Criterion for series and observe that

$$|a_{m+1} + a_{m+2} + \cdots + a_n| \leq |b_{m+1} + \cdots + b_n|$$

**Example (Geometric Series):** A series is called a *geometric series* if it is of the form

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ar^k = a + ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + \dots$$

If  $r \geq 1$  and  $a \neq 0$ , then the series diverges. If  $r \neq 1$ , we use the identity

$$(1 - r)(1 + r + r^2 + r^3 + \dots + r^{m-1}) = 1 - r^m$$

Then for partial sums

$$S_m = a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{m-1} = a(1 + r + r^2 + \dots + r^{m-1}) = a \frac{1 - r^m}{1 - r}$$

If  $|r| < 1$ ,  $a \frac{1 - r^m}{1 - r} \rightarrow \frac{a}{1 - r}$ . Therefore, for  $|r| < 1$ ,

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ar^k = \frac{a}{1 - r}$$

**Theorem (Absolute Convergence Test):** If the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$  converges, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges.

*Proof:* Since  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$  converges, by Cauchy Criterion, given  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for all  $n > m \geq N$ ,

$$|a_{m+1}| + |a_{m+2}| + \dots + |a_n| < \varepsilon$$

By triangle inequality,

$$|a_{m+1} + a_{m+2} + \dots + a_n| \leq |a_{m+1}| + |a_{m+2}| + \dots + |a_n| < \varepsilon$$

**Remark:** The converse is not true! Consider the alternating harmonic series:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \text{ converges, } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \right| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \text{ diverges}$$



**Theorem (Alternating Series Test):** Let  $(a_n)$  be a sequence satisfying

- (a)  $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_n \geq a_{n+1} \geq \dots$  (Decreasing)
- (b)  $(a_n) \rightarrow 0$  (Converges to 0)

Then the alternating series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} a_n$  converges.

*Proof:* From conditions (i) and (ii), we have that  $a_n \geq 0$ . We want to show that the sequence of partial sums  $(S_n)$  converges by showing that  $(S_n)$  is Cauchy. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be arbitrary. We need to find an  $N$  such that  $n > m \geq N$  implies  $|S_n - S_m| < \varepsilon$ .

$$|S_n - S_m| = |a_{m+1} - a_{m+2} + a_{m+3} - \dots \pm a_n|$$

Since  $(a_n)$  is decreasing and all the terms are positive, we can use an induction argument to show  $|S_n - S_m| \leq |a_{m+1}|$  for all  $n > m$ .

Sketch:

$$|a_{m+3}| \leq |a_{m+2}| \leq |a_{m+1}| \implies a_{m+1} - a_{m+2} + a_{m+3} \leq a_{m+1}$$

Since  $(a_n) \rightarrow 0$ , we can choose  $N$  such that  $m \geq N$  implies  $|a_m| < \varepsilon$ . Then

$$|S_n - S_m| \leq |a_{m+1}| < \varepsilon$$

Therefore,  $(S_n)$  is Cauchy so it converges ■

### Definition:

- If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$  converges, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  *converges absolutely*
- If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges but  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$  diverges, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  *converges conditionally*

**Definition:** Let  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  be a series. A series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  is called a rearrangement of the original series if there exists  $f : \mathbb{N} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{N}$  such that  $b_{f(n)} = a_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

*Note:* the bijectivity means that every term eventually appears and there are no repetitions.

**Theorem:** If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges absolutely, then every rearrangement of the series converges to the same limit.

*Proof:* Omitted

# Chapter 3

## Basic Topology on $\mathbb{R}$

**March 05:**

**Recall:** an  $\varepsilon$ -neighborhood of a point  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  is the set

$$V_\varepsilon(a) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x - a| < \varepsilon\}$$

**Definition:** A set  $O \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is *open* if for all points  $a \in O$ , there exists an  $\varepsilon$ -neighborhood of  $a$  such that  $V_\varepsilon(a) \subseteq O$ .

**Examples:**

- $\mathbb{R}$  is open
- $\emptyset$  is open
- $(c, d) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : c < x < d\}$  is open (*Proof:* Let  $x \in (c, d)$ . Then  $V_{\min\{x-c, d-x\}}(x) \subseteq (c, d)$ )

**Theorem:**

1. The union of an arbitrary collection of open sets is open
2. The intersection of a finite collection of open sets is open

*Proof:*

1. Let  $\{O_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  be a collection of open sets.

Let  $O = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} O_\lambda$ . We need an  $\varepsilon$ -neighborhood of an arbitrary  $a \in O$  to be completely contained in  $O$ .

Notice that  $a \in O \implies a \in O_{\lambda'}$  for some  $\lambda' \in \Lambda$ . Since  $O_{\lambda'}$  is open,  $\exists \varepsilon > 0$  such that  $V_\varepsilon(a) \subseteq O_{\lambda'} \subseteq O$ .

2. Let  $\{O_1, O_2, \dots, O_n\}$  be a finite collection of open sets. Denote  $O = \bigcap_{k=1}^n O_k$ . We need to show that  $O$  is open.

Let  $a \in O$ . Then  $a \in O_k$  for all  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Since  $O_k$  is open,  $\exists \varepsilon_k > 0$  such that  $V_{\varepsilon_k}(a) \subseteq O_k$  for all  $k$ .

Now, we have different  $\varepsilon$ -neighborhoods in each  $O_k$ . We want an  $\varepsilon$ -neighborhood which is contained in *every*  $O_k$ .

Let  $\varepsilon = \min\{\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n\}$ . Then  $V_\varepsilon(a) \subseteq O_k$  for all  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Therefore,  $V_\varepsilon(a) \subseteq \bigcap_{k=1}^n O_k$ . ■

**Definition:** A point  $x$  is a *limit point* (cluster point/accumulation point) of a set  $A$  if every  $\varepsilon$ -neighborhood of  $x$  intersects  $A$  at some point other than  $x$ .

**Theorem:** A point  $x$  is a limit point of a set  $A$  iff there exists a sequence  $(a_n)$  in  $A$  such that  $(a_n) \rightarrow x$  and  $a_n \neq x$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

*Proof:*

Assume  $x$  is a limit point of  $A$ . We need a sequence  $(a_n)$  in  $A$  such that  $(a_n) \rightarrow x$ . By definition, every  $\varepsilon$ -neighborhood of  $x$  intersects  $A$  at some point other than  $x$ . Pick  $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{n}$ . Then for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , pick

$$a_n \in V_{1/n}(x) \cap A, \quad a_n \neq x$$

Now we want  $(a_n) \rightarrow x$ . Given  $\varepsilon > 0$  choose  $N$  such that  $\frac{1}{N} < \varepsilon$  so  $|a_n - x| < \varepsilon$  for all  $n \geq N$ .

Now, suppose there exists a sequence  $(a_n)$  in  $A$  such that  $(a_n) \rightarrow x$  and  $a_n \neq x$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We need to show that  $x$  is a limit point of  $A$ .

Let  $V_\varepsilon(x)$  be an arbitrary  $\varepsilon$ -neighborhood. By definition of convergence,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for all  $n \geq N$ ,  $|a_n - x| < \varepsilon$ . Then  $a_n \in V_\varepsilon(x)$  for all  $n \geq N$ . ■

**Definition:** A point  $a \in A$  is an isolated point of  $A$  if it is *not* a limit point of  $A$

**Note:** An isolated point is *always* a point in the set. A limit point does not necessarily belong to the set.

**Definition:** a set  $F \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is closed if it contains its limit points.

**Theorem:** A set  $F \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is closed iff every Cauchy sequence contained in  $F$  has a limit in  $F$

*Proof:* HW

**Example:** Let  $A = \{\frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . Show each point in  $A$  is isolated.

Given  $\frac{1}{n} \in A$ , choose  $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}$ . Therefore,  $V_\varepsilon(\frac{1}{n}) \cap A = \{\frac{1}{n}\}$  so  $\frac{1}{n}$  is an isolated point and not a limit point.

Further, the limit of  $A$  is 0. Therefore,  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $V_\varepsilon(0)$  contains points in  $A$ . Since  $0 \notin A$ ,  $A$  is not closed.

However, we can create a closed set  $F = A \cup \{0\}$ . This is the *closure* of  $A$ .

**Example:** Show  $[c, d] = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : c \leq x \leq d\}$  is closed.

If  $x$  is a limit point, then  $\exists (x_n) \in [c, d]$  with  $(x_n) \rightarrow x$ . We want to show that  $x \in [c, d]$ . Since  $c \leq x_n \leq d$ , by the Order Limit Theorem,

$$c \leq \lim x_n \leq d \implies \lim x_n \in [c, d] \implies x \in [c, d]$$

so the set is closed.

**Example:**  $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . The set of all limit point in  $\mathbb{Q}$  is  $\mathbb{R}$ .

*Proof:* Let  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Consider any neighborhood  $V_\varepsilon(y) = (y - \varepsilon, y + \varepsilon)$ . From the density of  $\mathbb{Q}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\exists r \neq y$  such that  $y - \varepsilon < r < y + \varepsilon$ . Therefore,  $r \in V_\varepsilon(y)$  so  $y$  is a limit point of  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

## Lecture 1 - March 7:

**Definition:** given a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , let  $L$  be the set of all limit points of  $A$ . The *closure* of  $A$  is the set  $\overline{A} = A \cup L$ .

**Example:**

- $\overline{\mathbb{Q}} = \mathbb{R}$
- $A = (a, b) \implies \overline{A} = [a, b]$

- If  $A$  is closed,  $\overline{A} = A$

**Theorem:** For any  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , the closure  $\overline{A}$  is a closed set and it is the smallest closed set containing  $A$

*Proof:* Let  $L$  be the set of limit points of  $A$ . Then  $\overline{A} = A \cup L$  is closed (it contains all its limit points, obviously). Any closed set containing  $A$  must contain  $L$ . Therefore  $\overline{A}$  is the smallest closed set containing  $A$ . ■

**Complement:** Recall that  $A^c = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \notin A\}$

**Theorem:**

1. A set  $O$  is open  $\iff O^c$  is closed
2. A set  $F$  is closed  $\iff F^c$  is open

*Proof:*

1. Let  $O \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be open. We want to show  $O^c$  is closed. By definition, if  $x$  is a limit point of  $O^c$ , then every  $\varepsilon$ -neighborhood of  $x$  contains some point of  $O^c$ . Thus, any  $\varepsilon$ -neighborhood of  $x$  cannot be a subset of  $O$  so  $x \notin O$ . Since  $x \in O^c$ ,  $O^c$  is closed.  
  
Now assume  $O^c$  is closed. We want to show that  $O$  is open, i.e. for any  $x \in O$ ,  $\exists V_\varepsilon(x) \subseteq O$ . By definition,  $O^c$  is closed so  $x$  is not a limit point of  $O^c$ . Therefore,  $\exists V_\varepsilon(x)$  which does not intersect  $O^c$ . Then  $V_\varepsilon(x) \subseteq O$ .
2.  $(E^c)^c = E$ . The rest of the proof follows from 1).

**Theorem:**

1. The union of a finite collection of closed sets is closed
2. The intersection of an arbitrary collection of closed sets is closed

*Proof:* Follows from previous theorem and de Morgan's laws:

$$\left( \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} E_\lambda \right)^c = \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} E_\lambda^c, \quad \left( \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} E_\lambda \right)^c = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} E_\lambda^c$$

## Compact Sets

**Motivation:** Bring “finite” quality to infinite arguments.

**Definition:** A set  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is *compact* if every sequence in  $K$  has a convergent subsequence whose limit is in  $K$ .

**Example:**  $[c, d]$  is compact. *Proof:* if  $(a_n) \in [c, d]$ , then it is bounded so by Bolzano-Weierstrass,  $\exists(a_{n_k})$  which converges to  $a$ . Further  $a \in [c, d]$  since  $[c, d]$  is closed.

**Definition:** A set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is bounded if  $\exists M > 0$  such that  $|a| < M$  for all  $a \in A$ .

**Theorem (Characterization of compactness in  $\mathbb{R}$ ):** A set  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is compact iff it is closed and bounded

*Proof:* Assume  $K$  is compact. Suppose  $K$  is not bounded. Since  $K$  is not bounded:

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : \quad \exists x_n \in K, \text{ s.t. } |x_n| > n$$

Since  $K$  is compact,  $(x_n)$  should have a convergent subsequence. However,  $(x_n)$  is unbounded so  $(x_{n_k})$  is unbounded. Therefore, there is no convergent subsequence in  $(x_n)$ . This is a contradiction of compactness so  $K$  is bounded.

Now we want to show  $K$  is closed. Let  $x = \lim x_n$  with  $(x_n) \in K$ . It suffices to show  $x \in K$ . By definition,  $K$  is compact so  $(x_n)$  has a convergent subsequence  $(x_{n_k})$  which converges to  $x$  and lies in  $K$ .  $(x_{n_k}) \rightarrow x \implies x \in K \implies K$  is closed.

It remains to prove that  $K$  is compact if it is closed and bounded. This is left for HW.

**Theorem (Nested Compact Set Property):** If  $K_1 \supseteq K_2 \supseteq K_3 \supseteq \dots$  is a nested sequence of nonempty compact sets, then  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n \neq \emptyset$

*Proof:* Use compactness of  $K_n$  to produce a sequence that belongs to each set.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , pick  $x_n \in K_n$ . Therefore,  $(x_n) \in K_1 \implies \exists(x_{n_k}) \in K_1$  with  $\lim x_{n_k} = x \in K_1$ .

Given an  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ , the terms of  $(x_n)$  are contained in  $K_{n_0}$  as long as  $n > n_0$ . We now ignore the finite number of terms for which  $n_k < n_0$ . Therefore,

$(x_{n_k}) \in K_{n_0}$  so  $\lim x_{n_k} = x \in K_{n_0}$ . Since  $n_0$  was arbitrary,

$$x \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n$$

## March 12:

**Definition:** Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . An *open cover* of  $A$  is a (possibly infinite) collection of open sets  $\{O_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  such that

$$A \subseteq \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} O_\lambda$$

Given an open cover for  $A$ , a *finite subcover* is a finite collection of open sets from the original open cover, whose union still contains  $A$

**Example:** Find an open cover for  $(0, 1)$ .

$\forall x \in (0, 1)$ , let  $O_x$  be the open interval  $(\frac{x}{2}, 1)$  so we have the infinite collection

$$\{O_x : x \in (0, 1) \text{ covering } (0, 1)\}$$

However, it is impossible to find a finite subcover for  $(0, 1)$  using this open cover: Construct  $\{O_{x_1}, O_{x_2}, \dots, O_{x_n}\}$  and set  $x' = \min\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ . But then any  $y \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $0 < y \leq \frac{x'}{2}$  is not in  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n O_{x_i}$

**Example:** Find an open cover for  $[0, 1]$ .

Naturally, we can use the same open cover as  $(0, 1)$ . However, this does not include the endpoints. Now let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and define  $O_0 = \{-\varepsilon, \varepsilon\}$ ,  $O_1 = (1 - \varepsilon, 1 + \varepsilon)$ . Then

$$\{O_0, O_1, O_x : x \in (0, 1)\}$$

is an open cover of  $[0, 1]$ .

To find a finite subcover, choose  $x'$  such that  $\frac{x'}{2} < \varepsilon$ :

$$\{O_0, O_1, O_{x'}\}$$



**Theorem (Heine-Borel):** For  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , then the following are equivalent:

- (i)  $K$  is compact
- (ii)  $K$  is closed and bounded
- (iii) Every open cover of  $K$  has a finite subcover

*Proof:* (i)  $\iff$  (ii) follows from the Characterization of compactness in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

It suffices to show (ii)  $\iff$  (iii):

Assume that every open cover of  $K$  has a finite subcover. We want to show that  $K$  is closed and bounded. Let  $O_x = \{|x - a| < 1 : a \in \mathbb{R}\} = V_1(x)$ . Since  $\{O_x : x \in K\}$  must have finite subcover,  $\exists x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in K$  such that  $\{O_{x_1}, O_{x_2}, \dots, O_{x_n}\}$  is a finite subcover of  $K$ .

Since  $K$  is contained in a finite collection of sets, it is bounded.

To show  $K$  is closed, let  $(y_n)$  be a Cauchy sequence in  $K$  with  $(y_n) \rightarrow y$ . Suppose  $y \notin K$ , i.e.  $\forall x \in K$ ,  $x$  lies some positive distance away from  $y$ .

Construct an open cover by taking  $O_x$  to be the interval of radius  $\frac{|x-y|}{2}$  around  $x \in K$ . By (iii), we have a finite subcover  $\{O_{x_1}, O_{x_2}, \dots, O_{x_n}\}$ .

Let  $\varepsilon_0 = \min \left\{ \frac{|x_i - y|}{2} : 1 \leq i \leq n \right\}$ . Since  $(y_n) \rightarrow y$ ,  $\exists y_N$  such that  $|y_N - y| < \varepsilon_0$ .

This means that  $y_N$  must be excluded from each  $O_x$  so certainly,  $y \notin \bigcup_{i=1}^n O_{x_i}$ . Therefore, this finite collection cannot be a subcover since it does not contain all of  $K$ . This is a contradiction so  $K$  contains every limit point, and therefore  $K$  is closed.

The other direction, (ii)  $\implies$  (iii), is left for homework.  $\blacksquare$

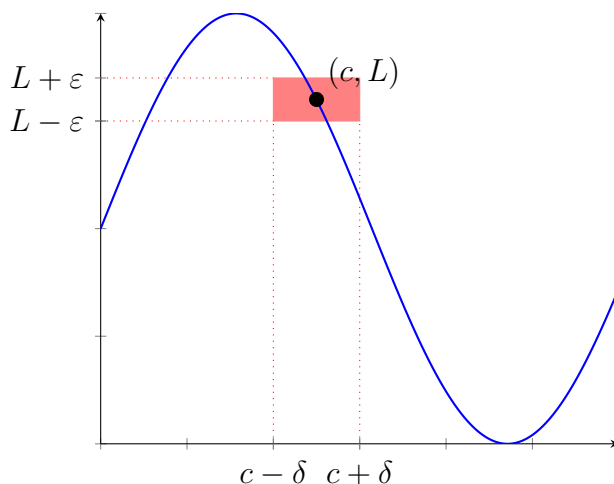
# Chapter 4

## Functional Limits and Continuity

### March 12 (Continued)

**Definition (Functional limit):** Let  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function and let  $c$  be a limit point of the domain  $A$ . We say  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$  if  $x \rightarrow c$ .

Then  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$ , such that whenever  $0 < |x - c| < \delta$  and  $x \in A$ , we have  $|f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$ .



**Topological Definition:** Let  $c$  be a limit point in  $A$  of  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . We say that

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

if  $\forall V_\varepsilon(L)$ , there exists  $V_\delta(c)$  such that  $\forall x \in V_\delta(c)$ ,  $f(x) \in V_\varepsilon(L)$

**Example:** Show  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = 7$  with  $f(x) = 3x + 1$ .

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . We need to produce a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $0 < |x - 2| < \delta$  implies  $|f(x) - 7| < \varepsilon$ .

$$|f(x) - 7| = |3x + 1 - 7| = |3x - 6| = 3|x - 2|$$

Choose  $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$  so  $0 < |x - 2| < \delta \implies |f(x) - 7| < 3\delta = \varepsilon$ .

**Example:** Show  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} g(x) = 4$ ,  $g(x) = x^2$ .

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . We want  $|g(x) - 4| < \varepsilon$  by restricting  $|x - 2| < \delta$ .

Notice

$$|g(x) - 4| = |x^2 - 4| = |x + 2||x - 2|$$

So we construct a  $\delta$ -neighborhood around  $c = 2$  with radius no bigger than  $\delta = 1$ :

$$|x + 2| \leq |3 + 2| = 5$$

Choose  $\delta = \min\{1, \frac{\varepsilon}{5}\}$ . Then when  $0 < |x - 2| < \delta$ , we have

$$|g(x) - 4| < \varepsilon$$

## Lecture 1 - March 19:

**Theorem (Sequential Criterion for Functional Limits):** Given  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $c$  is a limit point of  $A$ , then the following are equivalent:

1.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$
2. For every sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $A$  with  $(x_n) \rightarrow c$  and  $x_n \neq c$ , we have  $f(x_n) \rightarrow L$

*Proof:*

Assume  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$ . Let  $(x_n)$  be a sequence in  $A$  with  $(x_n) \rightarrow c$  and  $x_n \neq c$ . We want to show that  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists V_\delta(c)$  such that  $\forall x \in V_\delta(c)$ ,  $f(x) \in V_\varepsilon(L)$ .

We assume that  $(x_n) \rightarrow c \implies \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $x_n \in V_{\delta}(c)$  for all  $n \geq N$ . Then for all  $n \geq N$ ,  $f(x_n) \in V_\varepsilon(L)$ .

For the other direction, we argue the contrapositive statement:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) \neq L \implies \exists \varepsilon_0 \text{ s.t. } \forall \delta > 0, \exists x \in V_\delta(c) \text{ s.t. } f(x) \notin V_{\varepsilon_0}(L)$$

Consider  $\delta_n = \frac{1}{n}$ . Then  $\exists x_n \in V_{\delta_n}(c)$  such that  $f(x_n) \notin V_{\varepsilon_0}(L)$ . Then  $(x_n) \rightarrow c$  but  $f(x_n) \not\rightarrow L$ . ■

**Corollary (ALT for Functional Limits):** Let  $f$  and  $g$  be functions defined on a domain  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  and assume  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = M$ . Then

1.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} kf(x) = kL$  for any  $k \in \mathbb{R}$
2.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (f(x) + g(x)) = L + M$
3.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (f(x)g(x)) = LM$
4.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{L}{M}$ , provided  $M \neq 0$

*Proof:* Direct consequence of ALT for sequences and Sequential Criterion for Functional Limits.

**Corollary (Divergence Criterion):** If  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $c$  a limit point of  $f$ , if  $\exists (x_n) \rightarrow c$  and  $(y_n) \rightarrow c \in A$  but  $\lim_{x_n \rightarrow c} f(x_n) \neq \lim_{y_n \rightarrow c} f(y_n)$ , then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$  does not exist.

*Proof:* Omitted

**Example:** To show  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin(\frac{1}{x})$  does not exist, consider the sequences  $(x_n) = \frac{1}{2n\pi}$  and  $(y_n) = \frac{1}{2n\pi + \frac{\pi}{2}}$ .

Clearly,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = 0$ . However,  $\sin(\frac{1}{x_n}) = 0$  and  $\sin(\frac{1}{y_n}) = 1$  so  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin(\frac{1}{x})$  does not exist.

**Definition:** A function  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is *continuous* at a point  $c \in A$  if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  such that for  $x \in V_\delta(c)$  (and  $x \in A$ ), it follows that

$$|f(x) - f(c)| < \varepsilon$$

If  $f$  is continuous at every point in  $A$ , then we say  $f$  is *continuous* on  $A$ .

**Theorem (Characterization of continuity):** Let  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $c \in A$ . The following definition of continuity of  $f$  at  $c$  are equivalent:

1.  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ , such that  $|x - c| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(c)| < \varepsilon$
2.  $\forall V_\varepsilon(f(c)), \exists \delta > 0$  such that  $x \in V_\delta(c) \implies f(x) \in V_\varepsilon(f(c))$
3. If for  $x_n \in A$  we have  $(x_n) \rightarrow c$ , then  $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(c)$

*Proof:*

Equivalently, if  $c$  is a limit point of  $A$ , then  $f$  is continuous at  $c$  if  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = f(c)$ .

**Corollary (Criterion for discontinuity):**  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $c \in A$  be a limit point of  $A$ . If  $\exists (x_n) \in A$  with  $(x_n) \rightarrow c$  but with  $f(x_n) \nrightarrow f(c)$ , then  $f$  is not continuous at  $c$ .

*Proof:* Direct from Characterization of continuity

**Algebraic Continuity Theorem:** Assume  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $g : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are continuous at  $c \in A$ . Then

1.  $kf(x)$  is continuous at  $c$  for any  $k \in \mathbb{R}$
2.  $f(x) + g(x)$  is continuous at  $c$  for any continuous functions  $f$  and  $g$
3.  $f(x)g(x)$  is continuous at  $c$
4.  $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$  is continuous at  $c$  provided  $g(c) \neq 0$

*Proof:* Direct from sequential criterion and sequences

**Example:** All polynomials (and in fact all rational functions) are continuous. Consider

$$g(x) = x \implies |g(x) - g(c)| = |x - c|$$

so  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ , pick  $\delta = \varepsilon$  and then  $|x - c| < \delta \implies |g(x) - g(c)| < \varepsilon$  so  $g(x) = x$  is continuous.

Now consider  $f(x) = k$ . Clearly, with  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\delta = 1$ ,  $k$  is continuous.

Notice the general form of a polynomial:

$$p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n$$

Each term is continuous by the Algebraic Continuity Theorem so the sum is continuous.

**Example:** Consider

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} x \sin(\frac{1}{x}) & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

Then we can estimate

$$|g(x) - g(0)| = \left| x \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) - 0 \right| \leq x$$

since  $|\sin x| \leq 1$ .

Then,  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ , set  $\delta = \varepsilon$  so whenever  $|x - 0| = |x| < \delta$ ,

$$|g(x) - g(0)| < \varepsilon \implies g \text{ is continuous at } 0$$

## Lecture 2 - March 21:

**Example:**  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  on  $A = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \geq 0\}$ . Show that  $f(x)$  is continuous in  $A$ .

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . We need to show that

$$|f(x) - f(c)| < \varepsilon$$

for all  $x$  in some  $V_\delta(c)$ .

*Case 1* ( $c = 0$ ):

$$\left| f(x) - \sqrt{0} \right| = \sqrt{x} < \varepsilon \implies x < \varepsilon^2$$

Choosing  $\delta = \varepsilon^2$ , we have  $|x - 0| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(0)| < \varepsilon$ .

*Case 2* ( $c > 0$ ):

$$|f(x) - f(c)| = |\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{c}| = \frac{|x - c|}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{c}} \leq \frac{|x - c|}{\sqrt{c}}$$

Choose  $\delta = \sqrt{c} \cdot \varepsilon$ . Then

$$|x - c| < \delta \implies |\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{c}| < \frac{\varepsilon \sqrt{c}}{\sqrt{c}} = \varepsilon$$

**Theorem (Composition of Continuous Functions):** Given  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g : B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $f(A) \subseteq B$ , if  $f$  is continuous at  $c \in A$  and  $g$  is continuous at  $f(c) \in B$ , then  $g \circ f$  is continuous at  $c$ .

*Proof:* HW

## Continuous Functions on Compact Sets

Let  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $B \subseteq A$ . We say  $f(B) = \{f(x) : x \in B\}$  is the *image* of  $B$  under  $f$ .

**Question:** does a continuous function map open sets to open sets?

No!  $f(x) = x^2$  maps  $(-1, 1)$  to  $[0, 1)$  which is not open. In fact, this property is also not true for closed sets:  $g(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$  maps  $[0, \infty)$  to  $(0, 1]$  which is not closed.

This leads to another natural question: is there any property which is preserved under continuous maps?

**Theorem (Preservation of Compact Sets):** Let  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous on  $A$ . If  $K \subseteq A$  is compact, then  $f(K)$  is compact.

*Proof:* Let  $(y_n) \in f(K)$ . It suffices to find a subsequence  $(y_{n_k})$  which converges to a limit contained in  $f(K)$ .

Note that  $(y_n) \in f(K) \implies \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \exists x_n \in K$  such that  $f(x_n) = y_n$ .

Since  $K$  is compact,  $\exists (x_{n_k})$  such that  $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x \in K$ .

Since  $f$  is continuous on  $A$ , clearly  $f$  is continuous at  $x$ . Therefore,

$$(x_{n_k}) \rightarrow x \implies y_{n_k} = f(x_{n_k}) \rightarrow f(x) \in f(K)$$

**Extreme Value Theorem:** If  $f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous on a compact set  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , then  $f$  attains a maximum and minimum value, i.e.  $\exists x_0, x_1 \in K$  such that  $f(x_0) \leq f(x) \leq f(x_1)$  for all  $x \in K$ .

*Proof:* Since  $f(K)$  is compact, we can set  $\alpha = \sup f(K)$  and we know  $\alpha \in f(K)$ . Therefore,  $\exists x_1 \in K$  such that  $f(x_1) = \alpha$  and we call it the maximum.

The minimum follows by similar argument

## Uniform Continuity

**Example:**

1.  $f(x) = 3x + 1$  is continuous at  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  so

$$|f(x) - f(c)| = |3x + 1 - 3c - 1| = 3|x - c|$$

Then, given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , choose  $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$  so  $|x - c| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(c)| < \varepsilon$ .

2.  $g(x) = x^2$ . Given  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$|g(x) - g(c)| = |x^2 - c^2| = |x - c||x + c|$$

we need an upper bound so choose  $\delta \leq 1$  which bounds  $x \in (c - 1, c + 1)$ .

Then,

$$|x + c| \leq |x| + |c| \leq (|c| + 1) + |c| = 2|c| + 1$$

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ , choose  $\delta = \min\{1, \frac{\varepsilon}{2|c|+1}\}$ . Finally,

$$|x - c| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(c)| < \varepsilon$$

**Conclusion:** In example 1, we chose an arbitrary  $c$ . In example 2, our value of  $\delta$  depended on  $c$ .

**Definition:** A function  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is *uniformly continuous* on  $A$  if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  such that  $\forall x, y \in A$ ,

$$|x - y| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(y)| < \varepsilon$$

**Remark:** Continuity requires only that for each  $c$  there exists at least one  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|x - c| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(c)| < \varepsilon$ .

Uniform continuity requires that a single  $\delta > 0$  works for all  $c \in A$ .

**Sequential Criterion for Absence of Uniform Continuity:**  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  fails to be uniformly continuous iff  $\exists \varepsilon_0 > 0$  and  $(x_n), (y_n) \in A$  such that  $\forall \delta > 0$ ,

$$|x_n - y_n| \rightarrow 0 \text{ but } |f(x_n) - f(y_n)| \geq \varepsilon_0$$

*Proof:* Suppose that  $f$  fails to be uniformly continuous. Then, by definition,  $\exists \varepsilon_0 > 0$  such that  $\forall \delta > 0, \exists x, y \in A$  such that  $|x - y| < \delta$  but  $|f(x) - f(y)| \geq \varepsilon_0$ .



Then we can construct  $(x_n)$  and  $(y_n)$  by choosing  $\delta_n = \frac{1}{n}$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ) so that  $\exists x_n, y_n$  with

$$|x_n - y_n| < \frac{1}{n} \text{ but } |f(x_n) - f(y_n)| \geq \varepsilon_0$$

For the other direction, suppose that  $\exists \varepsilon_0 > 0$  and  $(x_n), (y_n) \in A$  such that  $|x_n - y_n| \rightarrow 0$  but  $|f(x_n) - f(y_n)| \geq \varepsilon_0$ .

Obviously, as  $|f(x_n) - f(y_n)| \geq \varepsilon_0$ ,  $f$  fails to be uniformly continuous. ■

## Lecture 3 - April 2:

**Example of uniform continuity:** We showed that  $h(x) = \sin(\frac{1}{x})$  is continuous on  $(0, 1)$ . However, it is not uniformly continuous: Take  $\varepsilon_0 = 2$  so

$$x_n = \frac{1}{\frac{\pi}{2} + 2n\pi}, \quad y_n = \frac{1}{\frac{3\pi}{2} + 2n\pi}$$

As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $(x_n) \rightarrow 0$  and  $(y_n) \rightarrow 0$  so  $|x_n - y_n| \rightarrow 0$ . However,

$$|h(x_n) - h(y_n)| = 2$$

so it is not uniformly continuous

**Theorem (Uniform Continuity on Compact Sets):** A function that is continuous on a compact set  $K$  is uniformly continuous on  $K$ .

*Proof (by Contradiction):* Assume  $f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous on  $K$ . Suppose that  $f$  is not uniformly continuous on  $K$ .

Then by the Criterion for Absence,  $\exists \varepsilon_0 > 0$  and  $(x_n), (y_n) \in K$  such that  $|x_n - y_n| \rightarrow 0$  but  $|f(x_n) - f(y_n)| \geq \varepsilon_0$ .

Since  $K$  is compact,  $(x_n)$  has a convergent subsequence  $(x_{n_k})$  which converges to  $x \in K$ . We can then consider  $(y_{n_k})$  consisting of the terms in  $y_n$  that correspond to the terms in  $(x_{n_k})$ . We know these exist since  $|x_n - y_n| \rightarrow 0$ .

By the ALT,

$$\lim(y_{n_k}) = \lim((y_{n_k} - x_{n_k}) + x_{n_k}) = 0 + x \implies y_{n_k} \rightarrow x$$

Since  $f$  is continuous at  $x$ , we have  $f(x_{n_k}) \rightarrow f(x)$  and  $f(y_{n_k}) \rightarrow f(x)$ . However, this implies

$$\lim(f(x_{n_k}) - f(y_{n_k})) = 0$$

but this contradicts the Criterion for Absence. Therefore,  $f$  is uniformly continuous on  $K$ . ■

**Intermediate Value Theorem:** Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous. If  $L$  is a real number satisfying  $f(a) < L < f(b)$  or  $f(a) > L > f(b)$ , then  $\exists c \in (a, b)$  such that  $f(c) = L$ .

*Proof:* HW

# Chapter 5

## Derivatives

### April 2 (Continued):

**Definition:** Let  $g : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Given  $c \in A$ , the *derivative* of  $g$  at  $c$  is given

$$g'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{g(x) - g(c)}{x - c}$$

provided the limit exists. In this case, we say  $g$  is *differentiable* at  $c$ .

If  $g$  is differentiable at every point in  $A$ , then we say  $g$  is differentiable on  $A$ .

**Example:**

- $f(x) = x^n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

For  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have

$$x^n - c^n = (x - c)(x^{n-1} + cx^{n-2} + c^2x^{n-3} + \cdots + c^{n-1})$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} f'(c) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{x^n - c^n}{x - c} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow c} (x^{n-1} + cx^{n-2} + c^2x^{n-3} + \cdots + c^{n-1}) \\ &= c^{n-1} + c^{n-1} + \cdots + c^{n-1} \\ &= nc^{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

- $g(x) = |x|$ .

Attempting to calculate the derivative at  $c = 0$ , we have

$$g'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{|x|}{x} = \pm 1$$

so the limit does not exist.

**Theorem:** If  $g : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable at  $c \in A$ , then  $g$  is continuous at  $c$ .

*Proof:* Let  $g$  be differentiable at  $c$ . Then

$$g'(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{g(x) - g(c)}{x - c}$$

exists.

It suffices to show  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = g(c)$ . By ALT,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) - g(c) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{g(x) - g(c)}{x - c} \cdot (x - c) = g'(c) \cdot 0 = 0$$

so  $g$  is continuous at  $c$ . ■

**Algebraic Differentiability Theorem:** Let  $f, g$  be defined on an interval  $A$  and assume both are differentiable at some point  $c \in A$ . Then:

1.  $(f + g)'(c) = f'(c) + g'(c)$
2.  $(kf)'(c) = kf'(c) \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{R}$
3.  $(fg)'(c) = f'(c)g(c) + f(c)g'(c)$
4.  $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)'(c) = \frac{f'(c)g(c) - f(c)g'(c)}{g^2(c)}$  provided  $g(c) \neq 0$

*Proof:* (1) and (2) come directly from the definition of the derivative and the ALT.

(3):

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

Since  $f$  is differentiable at  $c$ , it is continuous, i.e.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = f(c)$ . Therefore, by the ALT,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{(fg)(x) - (fg)(c)}{x - c} = f(c)g'(c) + f'(c)g(c)$$

(4): Similar

**Theorem (Chain Rule):** Let  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g : B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $f(A) \subseteq B$ . If  $f$  is differentiable at  $c \in A$  and  $g$  is differentiable at  $f(c) \in B$ , then  $g \circ f$  is differentiable at  $c$  and

$$(g \circ f)'(c) = g'(f(c)) \cdot f'(c)$$

*Proof:* Since  $g$  is differentiable at  $f(c)$ ,

$$g'(f(c)) = \lim_{y \rightarrow f(c)} \frac{g(y) - g(f(c))}{y - f(c)}$$

We can write

$$\begin{aligned}d(y) &= \frac{g(y) - g(f(c))}{y - f(c)} \\ \implies \lim_{y \rightarrow f(c)} d(y) &= g'(f(c)) \\ \implies g(y) - g(f(c)) &= d(y)(y - f(c))\end{aligned}$$

This new equation is defined  $\forall y \in B$ , including  $g(c)$ . Make the substitution  $y = f(t)$  for some  $t \in A$ .

If  $t \neq c$ ,

$$\frac{g(f(t)) - g(f(c))}{t - c} = d(f(t)) \frac{f(t) - f(c)}{t - c}$$

Taking the limit as  $t \rightarrow c$  and applying the ALT gives the result. ■

**Interior Extremum Theorem:** Let  $f$  be differentiable on an open interval  $(a, b)$ . If  $f$  attains a max value at some point  $c \in (a, b)$  (i.e.  $f(c) \geq f(x)$  for all  $x \in (a, b)$ ), then  $f'(c) = 0$ .

*Proof:* Since  $c \in (a, b)$ , construct  $(x_n), (y_n)$  such that  $(x_n) \rightarrow c$ ,  $(y_n) \rightarrow c$ , and  $x_n < c < y_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Since  $f(c)$  is a max,  $f(y_n) - f(c) \leq 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . So (by the Order Limit Theorem),

$$f'(c) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(y_n) - f(c)}{y_n - c} \leq 0$$

Similarly,

$$\frac{f(x_n) - f(c)}{x_n - c} \geq 0 \implies f'(c) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x_n) - f(c)}{x_n - c} \geq 0$$

Therefore,  $f'(c) = 0$ . ■

**Darboux's Theorem:** If  $f$  is differentiable on an interval  $[a, b]$  and if  $\alpha$  satisfies  $f'(a) < \alpha < f'(b)$  then  $\exists c \in (a, b)$  where  $f'(c) = \alpha$ .

*Proof:* HW

## The Mean Value Theorem

**Rolle's Theorem:** Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on  $(a, b)$ . If  $f(a) = f(b)$ , then  $\exists c \in (a, b)$  such that  $f'(c) = 0$ .

*Proof:* Since  $f$  is continuous on a compact set,  $f$  attains extrema on that set.

If both the max and min occur at the endpoints, then  $f$  is constant since  $f(a) = f(b)$ . Trivially,  $f'(c) = 0$  for all  $c \in [a, b]$ .

If either the max or the min occur some point  $c \in (a, b)$ , then by the Interior Extremum Theorem,  $f'(c) = 0$ .

**The Mean Value Theorem:** If  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on  $(a, b)$ , then  $\exists c \in (a, b)$  such that

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

*Proof:* Notice that Rolle's Theorem is a special case of the MVT when  $f(a) = f(b)$ . We seek to reduce the general case to the special case.

The equation of the line through the points  $(a, f(a))$  and  $(b, f(b))$  is given by:

$$y = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}(x - a) + f(a)$$

Consider the difference between this line and the function  $f(x)$ :

$$d(x) = f(x) - \left[ \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}(x - a) + f(a) \right]$$

Clearly,  $d(x)$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ . Further, it is differentiable on  $(a, b)$  and  $d(a) = d(b) = 0$ . Therefore, we can apply Rolle's Theorem.

This gives that  $\exists c \in (a, b)$  where  $d'(c) = 0$ . Since

$$d'(x) = f'(x) - \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} \implies 0 = f'(c) - \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} \quad \blacksquare$$

**Corollary:** If  $g : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable on an interval  $A$  and satisfies  $g'(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in A$ , then  $g(x) = k$  with  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .

*Proof:* Take  $x, y \in A$  and assume  $x < y$ . By MVT (applied to  $g$  on  $[x, y]$ ),  $\exists c \in (x, y)$  such that

$$g'(c) = \frac{g(y) - g(x)}{y - x} = 0 \implies g(y) = g(x) = k$$

Since  $x, y$  were arbitrary,  $g(x) = k \quad \forall x \in A$ .  $\blacksquare$

**Corollary:** If  $f$  and  $g$  are differentiable functions on an interval  $A$  and satisfy  $f'(x) = g'(x) \forall x \in A$ , then  $f(x) = g(x) + k$  for  $k \in \mathbb{R}$

*Proof:* Let  $h(x) = f(x) - g(x)$ .  $h'(x) = 0$  so by the previous corollary,  $h(x) = k$ .  
 ■

**Theorem (Generalized MVT):** If  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous on the closed interval  $[a, b]$  and differentiable on  $(a, b)$ , then  $\exists c \in (a, b)$  where

$$[f(b) - f(a)]g'(c) = [g(b) - g(a)]f'(c)$$

If  $g \neq 0$  on  $(a, b)$ ,

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

*Proof:* Follows from applying MVT to  $h(x) = [f(b) - f(a)]g(x) - [g(b) - g(a)]f(x)$

## Lecture 1 - April 9:

**Theorem (L'Hopital's Rule - 0 case):** Let  $f, g$  be continuous on an interval containing  $a$  and assume  $f, g$  are differentiable on this interval. If  $f(a) = g(a) = 0$ , and  $g'(x) \neq 0$  for all  $x \neq a$  then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = L \implies \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = L$$

*Proof:* Direct application of Generalized Mean Value Theorem

**Definition:** Give  $g : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and a limit point  $c \in A$ , we say that

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

if  $\forall M > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  such that

$$0 < |x - c| < \delta \implies g(x) \geq M$$



**Theorem (L'Hopital's Rule -  $\infty$  case):** Assume  $f$  and  $g$  are differentiable on  $(a, b)$  and that  $g'(x) \neq 0$  for all  $x \in (a, b)$ . If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = \infty$  (or  $-\infty$ ), then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = L \implies \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = L$$

*Proof:* Omitted (again largely by Generalized MVT)

# Chapter 6

## Sequences and Series of Functions

April 9 (Continued):

### Pointwise Convergence

**Definition:** For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $f_n$  be defined on a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . The sequence  $(f_n)$  of functions *converges pointwise* on  $A$  to a function  $f$  if  $\forall x \in A$ , the sequence of real numbers  $f_n(x)$  converges to  $f(x)$ .

*Notation:* to designate pointwise convergence, we can write

- $f_n \rightarrow f$
- $\lim f_n = f$
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = f(x)$

**Example:** Consider  $f_n(x) = \frac{x^2 + nx}{n}$  on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

We compute

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2 + nx}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2}{n} + x = x$$

**Example:** Let  $g_n(x) = x^n$  on  $[0, 1]$

If  $0 \leq x < 1$ , then  $x^n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . For  $x = 1$ ,  $x^n \rightarrow 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Therefore,  $g_n \rightarrow g$  pointwise on  $[0, 1]$  where

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 \leq x < 1 \\ 1 & x = 1 \end{cases}$$

**Remark:** This is a problem! A continuous sequence might not have a continuous limit. We will see more of this later.

**Example:**  $h_n(x) = x^{\frac{1}{2n-1}}$  on  $[-1, 1]$ .

For a fixed  $x \in [-1, 1]$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h_n(x) = x \cdot x^{\frac{1}{2n-1}} = x \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{2n-1}} = |x|$$

since  $x^{\frac{1}{2n-1}} \rightarrow 1$  if  $x > 0$  and  $\rightarrow -1$  if  $x < 0$ .

#### Lemma (Failure Continuity of the Limit Function):

*Proof:* For  $f$  to be continuous: fix  $c \in A$  with  $\varepsilon > 0$ . We need to find  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$|x - c| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(c)| < \delta$$

Notice

$$|f(x) - f(c)| \leq |f(x) - f_N(x)| + |f_N(x) - f_N(c)| + |f_N(c) - f(c)|$$

Choose  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|f_N(c) - f(c)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$ . By continuity of  $f_N$ ,

$$|f_N(x) - f_N(c)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

However, it might be true that  $N$  is not large enough to ensure  $|f(x) - f_N(x)|$  converges.

**Example:** Let  $g_n(x) = x^n$  on  $[0, 1]$  as above. Notice

$$\left| g_n\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - g\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \right| < \frac{1}{3} \implies n \geq 2$$

but

$$\left| g_n\left(\frac{9}{10}\right) - g\left(\frac{9}{10}\right) \right| < \frac{1}{3} \implies n \geq 11$$

For any chosen  $n$ , there are values of  $x$  for which  $|g_n(x) - g(x)|$  might not be small enough.

## Uniform Convergence

**Definition:** Let  $(f_n)$  be a sequence of functions defined on  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $f_n$  *converges uniformly* on  $A$  to a limit function  $f$  defined on  $A$ , if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon$  whenever  $n \geq N$  and  $x \in A$ .

**Example:**  $g_n = \frac{1}{n(1+x^2)}$

For any fixed  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n(x) = 0 \implies g(x) = 0$  is the pointwise limit of  $(g_n)$ .

Do we have uniform convergence?

Notice:

$$\frac{1}{1+x^2} \leq 1 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \implies |g_n(x) - g(x)| = \left| \frac{1}{n(1+x^2)} - 0 \right| \leq \frac{1}{n}$$

Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , choose  $N > \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$  so  $n \geq N \implies |g_n(x) - g(x)| < \varepsilon$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Since  $N$  *does not depend on*  $x$ ,  $g_n \rightarrow 0$  uniformly on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Example:**  $f_n(x) = \frac{x^2+nx}{n} \xrightarrow{p.w.} f(x) = x$  but not uniformly!

$$|f_n(x) - f(x)| = \left| \frac{x^2+nx}{n} - x \right| = \frac{x^2}{n}$$

so  $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon$  requires  $N > \frac{x^2}{\varepsilon}$  which depends on  $x$ .

**Theorem (Cauchy Criterion for Uniform Convergence):** A sequence of functions  $(f_n)$  defined on a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  converges uniformly on  $A$  iff  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|f_n(x) - f_m(x)| < \varepsilon$  whenever  $n, m \geq N$  and  $x \in A$ .

*Proof:* HW

**Theorem (Continuous Limit Theorem):** Let  $(f_n)$  be a sequence of functions defined on  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that converges uniformly on  $A$  to a function  $f$ . If each  $f_n$  is continuous at  $c \in A$ , then  $f$  is continuous at  $c$ .

*Proof:* Fix  $c \in A$  and let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Choose  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$|f_N(x) - f(x)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

Since  $f_N$  is continuous at  $c$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$  for which

$$|f_N(x) - f_N(c)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

whenever  $|x - c| < \delta$ .

This implies:

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - f(c)| &= |f(x) - f_N(x) + f_N(x) - f_N(c) + f_N(c) - f(c)| \\ &\leq |f(x) - f_N(x)| + |f_N(x) - f_N(c)| + |f_N(c) - f(c)| \\ &< \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} = \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

**Note:** we only have the convergence of the first term because of uniform continuity

## Lecture 1 - April 11:

**Differentiable Limit Theorem:** Let  $f_n \rightarrow f$  pointwise on the closed interval  $[a, b]$  and assume that each  $f_n$  is differentiable if  $(f'_n)$  converges uniformly on  $[a, b]$  to a function  $g$ . Then  $f$  is differentiable on  $[a, b]$  and  $f' = g$ .

*Proof:* We want to show that  $f'(c)$  exists and equals  $g(c)$ .

Since

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

it suffices to show that  $\exists \delta > 0$  such that whenever  $0 < |x - c| < \delta$ .

$$\left| \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} - g(c) \right| < \varepsilon$$

By the triangle inequality,  $\forall x \neq c$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} - g(c) \right| &\leq \left| \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} - \frac{f_n(x) - f_n(c)}{x - c} \right| \\ &\quad + \left| \frac{f_n(x) - f'_n(c)}{x - c} - f'_n(c) \right| \\ &\quad + |f'_n(c) - g(c)| \end{aligned}$$

Start by choosing  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|f'_m(c) - g(c)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$  for all  $m \geq N$ .

By uniform convergence of  $(f'_n)$ ,  $\exists N_2$  such that  $\forall m, n \geq N_2$ ,

$$|f'_m(x) - f'_n(x)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$$

Pick  $N = \max\{N, N_2\}$ . Since  $f_n$  is differentiable at  $c$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$  such that

$$0 < |x - c| < \delta \implies \left| \frac{f_N(x) - f_N(c)}{x - c} - f'_N(c) \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

Now all that remains is to bound the first term. Fix  $x$  satisfying  $0 < |x - c| < \delta$  and let  $m \geq n$ . We can apply the MVT to  $f_m - f_n$  on  $[c, x]$

By the MVT,  $\exists \alpha \in [c, x]$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} f'_m(\alpha) - f'_n(\alpha) &= \frac{(f_m(x) - f_n(x)) - (f_m(c) - f_n(c))}{x - c} \\ \implies \left| \frac{f_m(x) - f_m(c)}{x - c} - \frac{f_n(x) - f_n(c)}{x - c} \right| &< \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f_m \rightarrow f$ , take the limit as  $m \rightarrow \infty$ . By OLT,

$$\left| \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} - \frac{f_N(x) - f_N(c)}{x - c} \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} - g(c) \right| &\leq \left| \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c} - \frac{f_n(x) - f_n(c)}{x - c} \right| \\ &\quad + \left| \frac{f_n(x) - f_n(c)}{x - c} - f'_n(c) \right| \\ &\quad + |f'_n(c) - g(c)| \\ &< \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} = \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem:** Let  $(f_n)$  be a sequence of differentiable functions defined on  $[a, b]$  and assume that  $(f'_n)$  converges uniformly on  $[a, b]$ . If  $\exists x_0 \in [a, b]$  where  $f_n(x)$  is convergent, then  $(f_n)$  converges uniformly on  $[a, b]$ .

*Proof:* HW

**Theorem:** Let  $(f_n)$  be a sequence of differentiable functions defined on  $[a, b]$  and assume  $(f'_n)$  converges uniformly to  $g$  on  $[a, b]$ . If  $\exists x_0 \in [a, b]$  for which  $(f_n(x_0))$  converges, then  $(f_n)$  converges uniformly and  $f = \lim f_n$  is differentiable with  $f' = g$ .

*Proof:* Follows from previous two theorems

## Series of Functions

**Definition:** For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $f_n$  and  $f$  be defined on a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . Then infinite series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x) = f_1(x) + f_2(x) + \dots$$

*converges pointwise* on  $A$  to  $f(x)$  if the sequence  $(S_k(x))$  of partial sums

$$S_k(x) = f_1(x) + \dots + f_k(x)$$

converges pointwise to  $f(x)$ .

Similarly, the series *converges uniformly* on  $A$  to  $f(x)$  if the sequence of partial sums converges uniformly to  $f(x)$ .

**Term-by-term Continuity Theorem:** Let  $f_n$  be continuous functions defined on  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  and assume  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$  converges uniformly on  $A$  to  $f$ . Then  $f$  is continuous on  $A$ .

*Proof:* Apply Continuous Limit Theorem to  $(S_k)$

**Term-by-term Differentiability Theorem:** Let  $f_n$  be a sequence of differentiable functions defined on  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  and assume that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f'_n$  converges uniformly on  $A$  to  $g$ . If  $\exists x_0 \in A$  where  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$  converges, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$  converges uniformly on  $A$  to a function  $f$  that is differentiable on  $A$  with  $f' = g$ .

*Proof:* Apply Differentiable Limit Theorem to  $(S_k)$

**Theorem (Cauchy Criterion for Uniform Convergence of Series):** The series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$  converges uniformly on  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  iff  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|f_{m+1}(x) + f_{m+2}(x) + \dots + f_n(x)| < \varepsilon$  when  $n > m \geq N$  and  $x \in A$ .

*Proof:* Follows immediately

**Corollary (Weierstrass M-test):** For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $f_n$  be a function defined on  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  and  $M_n > 0$  a real number satisfying

$$|f_n(x)| \leq M_n \quad \forall x \in A$$

If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n$  converges, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$  converges uniformly on  $A$

*Proof:* HW

## Lecture 2 - April 16:

### Power Series

**Definition:** Functions expressed in the form

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots$$

are called *power series*.



**Theorem:** If a power series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  converges at some point  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ , then it converges absolutely for all  $x$  with  $|x| < |x_0|$

*Proof:* If  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x_0^n$  converges, then  $(a_n x_0^n)$  converges to 0 and is bounded.

Since it is bounded,  $\exists M > 0$  such that  $|a_n x_0^n| < M$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $|x| < |x_0|$ , then

$$|a_n x^n| = |a_n x_0^n| \left| \frac{x}{x_0} \right|^n \leq M \left| \frac{x}{x_0} \right|^n$$

Since  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} M \left| \frac{x}{x_0} \right|^n$  is a geometric series with  $\left| \frac{x}{x_0} \right| < 1$ , it converges.

By the Comparison Test,  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  converges absolutely.

The set of points for which the power series converges is  $\{0\}, \mathbb{R}$ , or some interval around 0:  $(-R, R), [-R, R), (-R, R], [-R, R]$  where  $R$  is the *radius of convergence*

**Theorem:** If a power series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  converges absolutely at a point  $x_0$ , then it converges uniformly on the closed interval  $[-c, c]$  where  $c = |x_0|$ .

*Proof:* Weierstrass M-theorem.

Notice! If  $g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  converges conditionally at  $x = R$ , then it *is* possible for it to diverge when  $x = -R$

*Example:* With  $R = 1$

$$g(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (-1)^n}{n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{2n}}{n}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$$

**Abel's Lemma:** Let  $(b_n)$  satisfy  $b_1 \geq b_2 \geq \dots \geq 0$  and let  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$  be a series for which the partial sums are bounded. Then,  $\exists A$  such that

$$|a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \dots + a_n b_n| \leq A \cdot b_1$$

*Proof:* Let  $s_n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$ . Recall Summation by Parts: with  $s_0 = 0$ ,

$$\sum_{j=m}^n x_j y_j = s_n y_{n+1} - s_{m-1} y_m + \sum_{j=m}^n s_j (y_j - y_{j+1})$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
\left| \sum_{k=1}^n a_k b_k \right| &= \left| s_n b_{n+1} + \sum_{k=1}^n s_k (b_k - b_{k+1}) \right| \\
&\leq \left| A b_{n+1} + \sum_{k=1}^n A (b_k - b_{k+1}) \right| \\
&\leq A b_{n+1} + A \sum_{k=1}^n (b_k - b_{k+1}) \\
&= A b_{n+1} + A [(b_1 - b_2) + (b_2 - b_3) + \cdots + (b_n - b_{n+1})] \\
&= A b_{n+1} + A (b_1 - b_{n+1}) \\
&= A b_1
\end{aligned}$$

**Abel's Theorem:** Let  $g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  be a power series that converges at the point  $x = R > 0$ . Then  $g(x)$  converges uniformly on  $[0, R]$ . A similar result holds if the series converges at  $x = -R$ .

*Proof:* To be able to apply Abel's Lemma, we write

$$g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a_n R^n) \left( \frac{x}{R} \right)^n$$

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . By Cauchy Criterion for uniform convergence of a series, if we can produce  $N$  such that for  $n > m \geq N$ ,

$$\left| (a_{m+1} R^{m+1}) \left( \frac{x}{R} \right)^{m+1} + \cdots + (a_n R^n) \left( \frac{x}{R} \right)^n \right| < \varepsilon$$

then we are done.

Since  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n R^n$  converges, by Cauchy Criterion for series,

$$|a_{m+1} R^{m+1} + \cdots + a_n R^n| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

when  $n > m \geq N$ .

Notice that  $\left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{m+j}$  is monotone decreasing so we can apply Abel's Lemma to get

$$\left| (a_{m+1}R^{m+1}) \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{m+1} + \cdots + (a_nR^n) \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^n \right| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{m+1} < \varepsilon$$

**Theorem:** If a power series converges pointwise on a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , then it converges uniformly on any compact set  $K \subseteq A$ .

*Proof:* A compact set contains a max  $x_1$  and a min  $x_0$ . By Abel's theorem, the series converges uniformly on  $[x_0, x_1]$  and thus also on  $K$ .

**Corollary:** A power series is continuous at every point at which it converges

**Theorem:** If  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  converges  $\forall x \in (-R, R)$  then the differentiated series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$  converges a  $x \in (-R, R)$ .

*Proof:* HW

**Corollary:** The convergence is uniform on compact sets contained in  $(-R, R)$

## Lecture 3 - April 18:

**Theorem:** Assume  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  converges on  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . The function  $f$  is continuous on  $A$  and differentiable on any open interval  $(-R, R) \subseteq A$ . The derivative is given by

$$f'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$$

Moreover,  $f$  is infinitely differentiable on  $(-R, R)$  with successive derivatives obtained term-by-term differentiation.

*Proof:* Continuity follows from uniform convergence on compact sets (by pointwise convergence of  $f$ ). Differentiability follows from term-by-term differentiation theorem.

The radius of convergence is constant because  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$  is also a power series with the same radius of convergence.

Infinite derivatives follow immediately by induction.

## Taylor Series

Consider:

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots$$

for  $|x| < 1$ .

We can equally replace  $x$  with  $-x^2$  and have

$$\frac{1}{1+x^2} = 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + x^8 + \dots$$

We recall from calculus that

$$\int \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \arctan(x)$$

so we can integrate term-by-term to get

$$\arctan(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \dots$$

for  $|x| < 1$ .

**Taylor's Formula:** Let

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots$$

be defined on some nontrivial interval centered at 0. Then

$$a_n = \frac{f^n(0)}{n!}$$

*Proof:* HW

**Example:** Suppose  $\sin(x)$  has a Taylor series. Then it could be written using Taylor's formula as

$$x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$$

**Converse:** Assume  $f$  is infinitely times differentiable around 0. If  $a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}$ , does  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n \rightarrow f(x)$ ?

Potentially no!

Let  $S_n = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k x^k$ . Does  $S_n \rightarrow f$ ? Consider  $E_N(x) = f(x) - S_N(x)$ .

**Lagrange's Remainder Theorem:** Let  $f$  be  $N + 1$  times differentiable on  $(-R, R)$ . Define

$$a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

and let  $S_N(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + \dots + a_N x^N$ . Given  $x \neq 0$  in  $(-R, R)$ ,  $\exists c$  such that  $|c| < |x|$  where the error function  $E_N(x)$  satisfies

$$E_N(x) = \frac{f^{(N+1)}(c)}{(N+1)!} x^{N+1}$$

*Proof:* By assumption  $f^{(n)} = S_n^{(n)}(0)$  for all  $n$  such that  $0 \leq n \leq N$ .

Clearly,  $E_N(x) = f(x) - S_N(x)$  satisfies  $E_N^{(n)}(0) = 0$  for all  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N$ .

Assume WLOG  $x > 0$ . Apply the generalized MVT to  $E_N(x)$  and  $x^{N+1}$  on  $[0, x]$  so

$$\exists x_1 \in (0, x), \quad \frac{E_N(x)}{x^{N+1}} = \frac{E'_N(x_1)}{(N+1)x_1^N}$$

We can apply the MVT to  $E'_N(x)$  and  $(N+1)x^N$  on  $[0, x_1]$ . Then,  $\exists x_2 \in (0, x_1)$  such that

$$\frac{E_N(x)}{x^{N+1}} = \frac{E'_N(x_1)}{(N+1)x_1^N} = \frac{E''_N(x_2)}{(N+1)(N)x_2^{N-1}}$$

We may repeat this until we have  $x_{N+1} \in (0, x_N) \subset \dots \subset (0, x)$  with

$$\frac{E_N(x)}{x^{N+1}} = \frac{E_N^{(N+1)}(x_{N+1})}{(N+1)!}$$

Set  $c = x_{N+1}$ . Since  $S_N^{(N+1)}(x) = 0$ , we have

$$E_N^{(N+1)}(x) = f^{(N+1)}(x) \implies E_N(x) = \frac{f^{(N+1)}(c)}{(N+1)!} x^{N+1}$$

**Example:** How well does  $S_5(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!}$  approximate  $\sin(x)$  for  $x \in [-2, 2]$ ?

By Lagrange's Remainder Theorem,

$$E_5(x) = \sin(x) - S_5(x) = -\frac{\sin(c)}{6!}x^6$$

for some  $c \in (-|x|, |x|)$ .

$$|\sin(c)| \leq 1 \text{ so for } x \in [-2, 2], |E_5| \leq \frac{2^6}{6!} \approx 0.089$$

To prove  $S_N \rightarrow \sin(x)$  uniformly on  $[-2, 2]$ , using  $|f^{(N+1)}(c)| \leq 1$ , we get

$$|E_N(x)| = \left| \frac{f^{(N+1)}(c)}{(N+1)!} x^{N+1} \right| \leq \frac{2^{N+1}}{(N+1)!} \rightarrow 0$$

But! We can replace  $[-2, 2]$  by  $[-R, R]$  with  $R$  arbitrary. The Taylor Series thus converges to  $\sin(x)$  on every  $[-R, R]$ .

**Theorem:** If  $f$  is defined in some neighborhood of  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and infinitely differentiable at  $a$ , then

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(x-a)^n, \quad c_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}$$

*Proof:* By Lagrange's Remainder Theorem,  $\exists c \in (a, x)$  such that

$$E_N(x) = \frac{f^{(N+1)}(c)}{(N+1)!} (x-a)^{N+1}$$

# Chapter 7

## Riemann Integral

### Lecture 1 - April 23:

Throughout this chapter, we assume  $f$  is bounded on  $[a, b]$ : that is, there exists  $M > 0$  such that  $|f(x)| < M$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$

**Definition:** A *partition*  $P$  of  $[a, b]$  is a finite set of points from  $[a, b]$  that includes  $a$  and  $b$ :

$$P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\} \quad \text{such that} \quad a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b$$

For each subinterval  $[x_{k-1}, x_k]$  of  $P$ :

$$m_k = \inf\{f(x) : x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\}$$

$$M_k = \sup\{f(x) : x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\}$$

The lower sum of  $f$  with respect to  $P$  is

$$L(f, P) = \sum_{k=1}^n m_k(x_k - x_{k-1})$$

(sum of areas of rectangles with height  $m_k$  and width  $x_k - x_{k-1}$  which *underestimates* the value)

The upper sum of  $f$  with respect to  $P$  is

$$U(f, P) = \sum_{k=1}^n M_k(x_k - x_{k-1})$$

(sum of areas of rectangles which *overestimate* the value)

**Definition:** A partition  $Q$  is *refinement* of  $P$  if  $P \subseteq Q$  ( $Q$  contains all points of  $P$ )

**Lemma:** If  $P \subseteq Q$ , then  $L(f, P) \leq L(f, Q)$  and  $u(f, P) \geq u(f, Q)$

*Proof:* Consider the refinement of  $P$  by considering  $\{z\} \cup [x_{k-1}, x_k]$ .

Now, our lower sum is

$$\begin{aligned} m_k(x_k - x_{k-1}) &= m_k(x_k - z) + m_k(z - x_{k-1}) \\ &\leq m'_k(x_k - z) + m''_k(z - x_{k-1}) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} m'_k &= \inf\{f(x) : x \in [z, x_k]\} \\ m''_k &= \inf\{f(x) : x \in [x_{k-1}, z]\} \end{aligned}$$

By induction on  $k$ , we have  $L(f, P) \leq L(f, Q)$

Similar argument shows the upper sum case.

**Lemma:** If  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are any two partitions of  $[a, b]$ , then  $L(f, P_1) \leq u(f, P_2)$

*Proof:* Let  $Q = P_1 \cup P_2$  (the common refinement of  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ )

Since  $P_1 \subseteq Q$  and  $P_2 \subseteq Q$ ,

$$L(f, P_1) \leq L(f, Q) \leq u(f, Q) \leq u(f, P_2)$$

by the previous lemma

## Integrability

A function is integrable if the upper and lower sums “meet” as partitions get more refined.

*Idea:* instead of limits, use AoC and lim/sup

**Definition:** Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be the collection of all possible partitions of  $[a, b]$ . The *upper*



integral of  $f$  is

$$U(f) = \inf\{U(f, P) : P \in \mathcal{P}\}$$

the lower integral of  $f$  is

$$L(f) = \sup\{L(f, P) : P \in \mathcal{P}\}$$

**Lemma:** For any bounded function  $f$  on  $[a, b]$  we always have  $U(f) \geq L(f)$

*Proof:* HW

**Definition (Riemann Integrability):** A bounded function  $f$  defined on  $[a, b]$  is Riemann-integrable if  $U(f) = L(f)$ . Then we write

$$\int_a^b f = U(f) = L(f)$$

## Criterion for Integrability

To review:

$$\begin{aligned} \sup\{L(f, P), P \in \mathcal{P}\} &= L(f) \leq U(f) \\ &= \inf\{U(f, P), P \in \mathcal{P}\} \end{aligned}$$

and  $f$  is integrable if  $L(f) = U(f)$

**Theorem (Integrability Criterion):** A bounded function  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$  iff  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists P_\varepsilon$ , a partition of  $a, b$  such that

$$U(f, P_\varepsilon) - L(f, P_\varepsilon) < \varepsilon$$

*Proof:* (  $\Leftarrow$  ) Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . If such a partition  $P_\varepsilon$  exists, then  $U(f) - L(f) \leq U(f, P_\varepsilon) - L(f, P_\varepsilon) < \varepsilon$

Since  $\varepsilon$  is arbitrary,  $U(f) = L(f)$  so  $f$  is integrable.

(  $\Rightarrow$  ) Since  $U(f)$  is the greatest lower bound of the upper sums, given  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists P_1$  such that

$$U(f, P_1) < U(f) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

and  $\exists P_2$  such that

$$L(f, P_2) > L(f) - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

Let  $P_\varepsilon = P_1 \cup P_2$  be the common refinement of  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ . Then...

**Theorem:** If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  then it is integrable.

*Proof:* Since  $f$  is continuous on a compact set, it is bounded, and uniformly continuous.

Therefore, given  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta$  such that  $|x - y| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(y)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{b-a}$

Let  $P$  be a partition on  $[a, b]$  where

$$\Delta x_k = x_k - x_{k-1} < \delta$$

Given a particular  $[x_{k-1}, x_k]$ , by the Extreme Value Theorem

$$\sup \implies \exists M_k = f(z_k) \quad \text{for some } z_k \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]$$

$$\inf \implies \exists m_k = f(y_k) \quad \text{for some } y_k \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]$$

Therefore,  $|z_k - y_k| < \delta$  so  $M_k - m_k = f(z_k) - f(y_k) < \frac{\varepsilon}{b-a}$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} U(f, P) - L(f, P) &:= \sum_{k=1}^n (M_k - m_k) \delta x_k \\ &< \frac{\varepsilon}{b-a} \sum_{k=1}^n \delta x_k \\ &= \frac{\varepsilon}{b-a} (b-a) = \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $f$  is integrable.