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Vector Analysis

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Chapter 1

1.1 The Real Numbers

Definition 1.1.1: Partial Order

Let X be a set with a binary relation \leq . \leq is a *partial order* if:

1. $x \leq x$ for all $x \in X$ (reflexivity)
2. $x \leq y$ and $y \leq z$ implies $x \leq z$ for all $x, y, z \in X$ (transitivity)
3. $x \leq y$ and $y \leq x$ implies $x = y$ for all $x, y \in X$ (antisymmetry)

Definition 1.1.2: Partially Ordered Set (poset)

A set X with a partial order \leq is called a *partially ordered set* or *poset*. It is notated as (X, \leq) .

Definition 1.1.3: Total Order

A partial order \leq is a *total order* if for all $x, y \in X$, we have $x \leq y$ or $y \leq x$.

Example 1.1.1 (poset)

Let Y be a set. Define $X = \{\text{all subsets of } Y\} = \mathcal{P}(Y)$. Let $E, F \in Y$, we say that $E \leq F$ if $E \subseteq F$. Then (X, \leq) is a poset. This is not a total order.

Definition 1.1.4: Upper Bound, Bounded Above, Supremum, Maximum

Let (X, \leq) be a poset. Let $E \subseteq X$.

1. $y \in X$ is an *upper bound* of E if $x \leq y$ for all $x \in E$.
2. E is *bounded above* if it has at least one upper bound.
3. If E is nonempty and bounded above, then the *supremum*, if it exists, of E , denoted $\sup E$, is the least upper bound of E .
4. E has a *maximum* if there is $y \in E$ such that $x \leq y$ for all $x \in E$.

Properties worth mentioning:

1. If E has a maximum, then $\sup E$ exists and is equal to the maximum.

Proof. Let y be the maximum of E . If $z \in X$, is an upper bound of E , then $z \geq y$ because $y \in E$. Since z was arbitrary, this is true for any upper bound. Thus, y is the least upper bound of E . \odot

Example 1.1.2

Let Y be a nonempty set, $(\mathcal{P}(Y), \subseteq)$ poset.
 Fix nonempty $Z \subseteq Y$.

$$E = \{W \subseteq Y : W \subset Z\}$$

Trivially, Z is an upper bound of E . Realize that any superset of Z is an upper bound as well. We can postulate that the supremum of E is Z . We will now prove it:

Proof. Need to show that if F is an upper bound of E , then $F \supseteq Z$. If $x \in Z$, then $\{x\} \in E$ by definition of E , so $F \supseteq x$ for all $x \in Z$. Thus, $F \supseteq Z$. \odot

Note that there is no maximum of E .

Definition 1.1.5: Lower Bound, Bounded Below, Infimum, Minimum

Let (X, \leq) be a poset. Let $E \subseteq X$.

1. $y \in X$ is a *lower bound* of E if $y \leq x$ for all $x \in E$.
2. E is *bounded below* if it has at least one lower bound.
3. If E is nonempty and bounded below, then the *infimum*, if it exists, of E , denoted $\inf E$, is the greatest lower bound of E .
4. E has a *minimum* if there is $y \in E$ such that $y \leq x$ for all $x \in E$.

Going back to example 1.1.2, we can see that E is bounded below by \emptyset . The infimum of E is \emptyset . The minimum of E is also \emptyset .

Definition 1.1.6: Complete

Let (X, \leq) poset. X is *complete* if every nonempty subset of X that is bounded above has a supremum.

Example 1.1.3 (\mathbb{Q})

(\mathbb{Q}, \leq) is not complete.

Claim 1.1.1 \mathbb{R}

There is a complete ordered field $(\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot, \leq)$. Its elements are called real numbers.

1.2 First Recitation, 1/18

Exercise 1.2.1 Function Example

Let X be the set of all functions $f : D_f \rightarrow Z$ with $D_f \subseteq Y$. We say that $f \leq g$ if $D_f \subseteq D_g$ and $f(x) = g(x)$ for all $x \in D_f$. Is (X, \leq) a poset? Is it complete?

Proof. To show that (X, \leq) is complete, we need to show that every nonempty subset of X that is bounded above has a supremum. Let $E \subseteq X$ be nonempty and bounded above. Let $G = \bigcup_{f \in E} D_f$. G is the union of all the domains of the functions in E . G is bounded above by the union of the upper bounds of the domains of the functions in E . Let $H = \bigcup_{f \in E} f(D_f)$. H is bounded above by the union of the upper bounds of the ranges of the functions in E . Let $F : G \rightarrow H$ be defined as $F(x) = f(x)$ for all $x \in D_f$. F is the supremum of E . \odot

1.3 Natural Numbers

Exercise 1.3.1

Take $(X, +, \cdot, \leq)$ ordered field. Prove:

1. If $0 \leq x$, then $-x \leq 0$.
2. If $x \leq y$, and $0 \leq z \neq 0$, then $xz \leq yz$.
3. For all $x \in X$, $0 \leq x^2$.
4. Prove $0 < 1$.

Proof. Fields have the following important properties:

- If $a \leq b$, then $a + c \leq b + c$.
 - If $a, b \geq 0$, then $ab \geq 0$.
1. Take the first property with $a = 0$, $b = x$, and $c = -x$. Then $0 \leq x \implies 0 + (-x) \leq x + (-x) \implies -x \leq 0$.
 2. If $x \leq y$, then $0 \leq y + (-x)$. By the second property, $0 \leq z \cdot (y + (-x)) = zy + (-zx)$. Then $0 \leq zy + (-zx) \implies zx \leq zy$.
 3. We split into the three trichotomy cases:
 - If $x = 0$, then $0 \leq 0^2$.
 - If $x < 0$ with $x \neq 0$, then $0 \leq -x$. By the second property, $0 \leq (-x)^2 = (-x)(-x) = x^2$.
 - If $x > 0$, then $0 \leq x$. By the second property, $0 \leq x^2$.
 4. FSOC, assume $0 > 1$ and multiply both sides by 1. Then we get $0 \cdot 1 > 1 \cdot 1 \implies 0 > (1)^2$, which is a contradiction to the third property we proved.

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Definition 1.3.1: Inductive

Take $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$. E is *inductive* if $1 \in E$ and $x \in E$ implies $x + 1 \in E$.

Example 1.3.1 (Inductive Sets)

- \mathbb{R} is inductive.
- $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : 0 \leq x\}$

Proof. $1 \in E$ because $1 \geq 0$. If $x \in E$, then $x + 1 \geq 0$, so $x + 1 \in E$.

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Definition 1.3.2: Natural Numbers

The intersection of all inductive sets is denoted \mathbb{N} . The elements of \mathbb{N} are called *natural numbers*.

Properties of \mathbb{N} :

- $\mathbb{N} \neq \emptyset$. Since $1 \in$ every inductive set, $1 \in \mathbb{N}$.
- \mathbb{N} is an inductive set.

Theorem 1.3.1 Induction

For every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $P(n)$ be a proposition such that:

1. $P(1)$ is true.
2. If $P(n)$, then $P(n + 1)$.

Then $P(n)$ is true for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$

Proof. $E = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : P(n)\}$ is inductive by 1. and 2. So, $\mathbb{N} \subseteq E$, but $E \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ by definition of \mathbb{N} . Thus, $E = \mathbb{N}$. ☺

Theorem 1.3.2 Archimedean Property

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a > 0$. Then there is $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $na > b$.

Proof. If $b \leq 0$, then we take $n = 1$. Assume $b > 0$. For sake of contradiction, assume there does not exist n such that $na > b$. Then $E = \{na : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is bounded above by b . Let $c = \sup E$. $c - a \leq c$, so $c - a$ is not an upper bound of E . Thus, there is $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $c - a \leq na$. Then $c \leq (n + 1)a$. But c is an upper bound of E , so $c \geq (n + 1)a$. Thus, $c = (n + 1)a$. But $c \in E$, so $c = na$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Thus, $na = (n + 1)a$, so $n = n + 1$, which is a contradiction. ☹

Definition 1.3.3: Integers

$$\mathbb{Z} := \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \cup \{-n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

Theorem 1.3.3 Integer Part

For every $x \in \mathbb{R}$, there is a unique $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $k \leq x < k + 1$.

Definition 1.3.4: Integer Part

The k that satisfies the above theorem is called the *integer part* of x , denoted $\lfloor x \rfloor$.

Proof. Let $E = \{k \in \mathbb{Z} : k \leq x\}$. First we show that E is nonempty.

- If $x \geq 0$, then $0 \in E$, so E is nonempty.
- If $x < 0$, then $-x > 0$. By the Archimedean property, there is $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n > -x$. Thus, $-n < x$. So, $-n \in E$, so E is nonempty.

Now we show that E is bounded from above. Very clearly, x is an upper bound. By supremum property, there is $L = \sup(E)$ and $L \in \mathbb{R}$. $L - 1$ is not an upper bound, which means that there is an element $k \in E$ such that $L - 1 < k$. But since L is the supremum, $L \geq k$. Thus, $L - 1 < k \leq L$. So, $L < k + 1$ so $k + 1 \notin E$. Now, $k \leq x$ since $k \in E$. Now we show that k is unique. Assume there is $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $m \leq x < m + 1$. Then $m \in E$, so $m \leq L$. But L is the supremum, so $L \geq m$. Thus, $L = m$. So, $k = m$. ☹

Definition 1.3.5: \mathbb{Q}

If $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $p \neq 0$, then $\exists p^{-1} \in \mathbb{R}$. Define $\mathbb{Q} = \{pq^{-1} : p, q \in \mathbb{Z}, p \neq 0\}$.

1.4 Density of Rationals

Theorem 1.4.1 Density of the Rationals

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$. Then there is $r \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $a < r < b$.

Proof. We have $a < b \implies 0 = a + (-a) < b - a \implies 0 < \frac{1}{b-a}$. By the integer part theorem, there is $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $\frac{1}{b-a} < q$. So now, $\frac{1}{q} < b - a \implies a < a + \frac{1}{q} < b$. Multiply both sides by $q > 0$ to get $aq < a + 1 < bq$. By the integer part theorem, there is $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $p \leq qa < p + 1$ (i.e. $p = \lfloor qa \rfloor$). Since $qa < p + 1 \leq qa + 1 < qb$. Getting rid of unnecessary stuff, we have $qa < p + 1 < qb$. Thus, $a < \frac{p+1}{q} < b$. Let $r = \frac{p+1}{q}$. Then $r \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $a < r < b$. \odot

Definition 1.4.1: Irrational Numbers

$\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ is the set of *irrational numbers*.

Exercise 1.4.1 TODO in Recitation 1/23

- Prove that there is no $r \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $r^2 = 2$.
- Prove that “ $\sqrt{2}$ ” exists in \mathbb{R} . (prove that there is at least one irrational number)
 - Have to play with the set $E = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > 0, x^2 < 2\}$.

Theorem 1.4.2 Density of Irrationals

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$. Then there is $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ such that $a < x < b$.

Proof. $a < b \implies a\sqrt{2} < b\sqrt{2}$. By the density of rationals, there is $r \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $a\sqrt{2} < r < b\sqrt{2}$. Then $a < \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}} < b$. Let $x = \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}$. If $r = 0$, then $a\sqrt{2} < 0 < b\sqrt{2}$. By previous theorem, we can find $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $a\sqrt{2} < q < 0 < b\sqrt{2}$. Then $a < \frac{q}{\sqrt{2}} < b$. Let $x = \frac{q}{\sqrt{2}}$. Then $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ and $a < x < b$. \odot

Note:

Take $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $E = \{r \in \mathbb{Q} : r < x\}$. x is the upper bound of E . This set is nonempty because we can take $x - 1 < r < x$. Now we prove that $x = \sup E$.

Proof. Assume $\exists L$ upper bound of E such that $L < x$. Then $L < x \implies$ there exists some $r \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $L < r < x$, but $r \in E$, so L is not an upper bound of E . Thus, L cannot be an upper bound of E and x is the least upper bound of E . \odot

Since now we know that $\sqrt{2} = \sup\{r \in \mathbb{Q} : r < \sqrt{2}\}$, we can also define $3^{\sqrt{2}} = \sup\{3^r : r \in \mathbb{Q}, r < \sqrt{2}\}$.

Definition 1.4.2: x^0

Let $0 \neq x \in \mathbb{R}$. We define $x^0 = 1$.

Definition 1.4.3: x^n

Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$. We start with $x^1 := x$. Then assume x^m has been defined. Then we say $x^{m+1} := x^m \cdot x$.

Definition 1.4.4: $x^{p/m}$

Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $p \in \mathbb{Z}$, $m \in \mathbb{N}$. We say $x^{p/m} = \sqrt[m]{x^p}$.

Exercise 1.4.2 Properties of Exponents

Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $r, q \in \mathbb{Q}$, and $x, r, q > 0$. Prove the following:

- $x^r \cdot x^q = x^{r+q}$
- $(x^r)^q = (x^q)^r = x^{rq}$

Proof.



Definition 1.4.5: Negative Exponent

Take $x > 0$, $r = -\frac{p}{m}$ for $p, m \in \mathbb{N}$. First, we have that $x^{-r} := (x^{-1})^{p/m}$.

Exercise 1.4.3 More Properties of Exponents

Take $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x > 0$, $r, q \in \mathbb{Q}$. Prove the following:

- If $r > 0$, prove that $x^r > 1$.
- If $r < q$, prove that $x^r < x^q$.

1.5 1/23 - Recitation - Proving Irrationality of $\sqrt{2}$

Existence of $\sqrt{2}$:

1. Let $E = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > 0, x^2 < 2\}$. Prove that E is non-empty and that E is bounded above.

Proof. We know that $0 < 1$ and from that we get $1^2 = 1 < 2$, which can be checked by subtracting 1 from both sides. As such E is nonempty.

Now we show that E is bounded above. We know that $2^2 = 4 > 2 > a^2 \in E$, so $2^2 > a^2 \Rightarrow 2 > a$, so 2 is an upper bound of E . ☺

2. By the completeness of (\mathbb{R}, \leq) , E has a supremum, L . Prove that $L > 0$ and that $L^2 = 2$.

Proof. Since L is the least upper bound, it has to be greater than 1 which is in the set E . Therefore, $L > 1 > 0 \Rightarrow L > 0$.

Now we show that $L^2 \geq 2$. For sake of contradiction, assume $L^2 < 2$. Since $L > 0$, this means that $L \in E$. By the density of rationals, there exists $r \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $L < r < \sqrt{2}$. Since L is an upper bound of E , $r \notin E$. But $r \in \mathbb{Q}$, so $r^2 \neq 2$. Thus, $r^2 > 2$. Since $r > 0$, $r^2 > 2 \Rightarrow r > \sqrt{2}$. But $r < \sqrt{2}$, so we have a contradiction. Thus, $L^2 \geq 2$. ☺

3. Prove that if $y \in \mathbb{R} \setminus E$ and $y > 0$, then y is an upper bound of E .

Proof. Assume $y \in \mathbb{R} \setminus E$ and $y > 0$. We need to show that y is an upper bound of E . Assume for sake of contradiction that y is not an upper bound of E . Then there exists $x \in E$ such that $x > y$. But $x \in E \Rightarrow x^2 < 2$. Since $y > 0$, $x^2 < 2 \Rightarrow y^2 < 2$. But $y \notin E$, so $y^2 \geq 2$. But this would mean that $y \in E$. Contradiction. Thus, y is an upper bound of E . ☺

4. Prove that $L^2 = 2$.

Proof. We know that $L^2 \geq 2$ from part 2. Now we show that $L^2 \leq 2$. Assume for sake of contradiction that $L^2 > 2$.

How small does $\epsilon > 0$ need to be such that $(L - \epsilon)^2 > 2$ as well.

Start with $(L - \epsilon)^2 = L^2 - 2L\epsilon + \epsilon^2$, which is greater than $L^2 - 2L\epsilon$ since $\epsilon > 0$. So now, how small does ϵ need to be such that $L^2 > 2 \implies L^2 - 2L\epsilon > 2$ too.

$$\begin{aligned} 2L\epsilon &< 2 - L^2 \\ \epsilon &< \frac{2 - L^2}{2L} \end{aligned}$$

Since $L^2 > 2$, this means that an ϵ can be found. This means that L is not the least upper bound. Contradiction. Thus, $L^2 \leq 2$. \odot

1.6 Exponents

Definition 1.6.1: $\sqrt{2}$

$$\sqrt{2} := \sup\{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > 0, x^2 < 2\}$$

Exercise 1.6.1

For $n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 2$. Fix $x > 0$.

$$E = \{y \in \mathbb{R} : y > 0, y^n < x\}.$$

Prove that $l = \sup E$ satisfies $l^n = x$.

Proof. We first need to show that $\sup E$ exists. Let $y = x/(1+x)$. Then, $0 \leq y < 1$, so $y^n \leq y < x$. Thus, $y \in E$. So, E is nonempty. E is also bounded from above because x is an upper bound of E . Thus, $\sup E$ exists by the completeness of \mathbb{R} . Let $l = \sup E$. We now show that $l^n = x$.

First we show that $l^n \leq x$. FSO, assume $l^n > x$. If you choose an $\epsilon > 0$ that is small enough, then $(l - \epsilon)^n > x$ as well. We can't do this because $y > l - \epsilon$ for some $y \in E$ since l is the supremum of E . As such, we arrive at a contradiction which means that $l^n \leq x$.

To show that $l^n \geq x$, assume FSO that $l^n < x$. Then we can choose an ϵ such that $(l + \epsilon)^n < x$, meaning we have an element $(l + \epsilon)$ which is in E but bigger than the supremum, which is a contradiction.

Thus, $l^n = x$. ⊕

Definition 1.6.2: $\sqrt[n]{x}$

$$\sqrt[n]{x} := \sup\{y \in \mathbb{R} : y > 0, y^n < x\}$$

Definition 1.6.3: $x^{p/q}$

$$x^{p/q} := \left(\sqrt[q]{x}\right)^p$$

Definition 1.6.4: x^q

For $q \in \mathbb{R}, q > 0$, and $x > 1$.

$$x^q := \sup\{x^r : r \in \mathbb{Q}, 0 < r < q\}$$

Example 1.6.1

$$\sqrt{2} = \sup\{r \in \mathbb{Q} : r > 0, r < \sqrt{2}\}$$

Theorem 1.6.1

Take $a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a, b > 0$ and $x \in \mathbb{R} > 1$. Then $x^a \cdot x^b = x^{a+b}$.

Proof. Let $E_i = \{x^r : r \in \mathbb{Q}, r > 0, r < i\}$. Consider E_a, E_b, E_{a+b} . Then let $l_i = \sup(E_i)$. Consider l_a, l_b, l_{a+b} . We want to show that $l_a \cdot l_b = l_{a+b}$ by showing that both $l_a \cdot l_b \leq l_{a+b}$ and $l_a \cdot l_b \geq l_{a+b}$.

Let $r \in \mathbb{Q}$ with $0 < r < a$. Let $s \in \mathbb{Q}$ with $0 < s < b$. Then we have that $x^r \cdot x^s = x^{r+s}$ (from the exercise two days ago and since $r, s \in \mathbb{Q}$.) we know that $0 < r + s < a + b$ and is rational. Thus, $x^{r+s} \in E_{a+b}$. Thus, $x^r \cdot x^s \leq l_{a+b}$.

We want to divide both sides by x^s while fixing r . So, we have that $x^r \leq \frac{l_{a+b}}{x^s}$, which is true for all $r \in \mathbb{Q}$, such that $0 < r < a$. Thus, $\frac{l_{a+b}}{x^s}$ is an upper bound for E_a . Thus, $l_a \leq \frac{l_{a+b}}{x^s}$. Thus, $x^s \leq \frac{l_{a+b}}{l_a}$, meaning that $\frac{l_{a+b}}{l_a}$ is an upper bound for E_b . Thus, $l_b \leq \frac{l_{a+b}}{l_a}$. Thus, $l_a \cdot l_b \leq l_{a+b}$.

Now we show that $l_a \cdot l_b \geq l_{a+b}$. Let $t \in \mathbb{Q}$ with $0 < t < a + b$. We need $0 < r \in \mathbb{Q} < a$ and $0 < s \in \mathbb{Q} < b$ with $t = r + s$. We start by looking at $t - a < b$. By the density of \mathbb{Q} , find $s \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $t - a < s < b$. Take $s > 0$ because $b > 0$. So $t - s < a$. By the density of \mathbb{Q} , find $0 < p \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $t - s < p < a$. So $t < s + p$. So, $x^t < x^{s+p} = x^s x^p \leq l_a l_b$ since $x^s \in E_b$ and $x^p \in E_a$. We know that $l_a l_b$ is an upper bound of E_{a+b} , so $l_{a+b} \leq l_a l_b$.

Therefore $l_a \cdot l_b = l_{a+b}$. \ominus

Definition 1.6.5: Negative Exponents

Let $x > 1$, $a < 0$. Then:

$$x^a := (x^{-a})^{-1}$$

Definition 1.6.6: Exponents between 0 and 1

Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$ with $0 < x < 1$ and $a > 0$. Then:

$$x^a := \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^{-a}$$

An important note is that if we have $E \subseteq (0, \infty)$ with a bounded E . Then if we define $F = \{\frac{1}{x} : x \in E\}$, then we have the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \sup E &= \frac{1}{\inf F} \\ \inf E &= \frac{1}{\sup F} \end{aligned}$$

1.7 1/25 - Recitation - Sequences of Set

Definition 1.7.1: Sequence of a Set

Given a set X , a sequence on X is a function $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow X$. We denote $f(n)$ as x_n . We can also denote the sequence as $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$.

Definition 1.7.2

Let (X, \leq) be a poset and $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a sequence on X . Then $E = \{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a subset of X . We say that $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is bounded from above if the set E is bounded from above. We say that $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is bounded from below if the set E is bounded from below. We say that $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is bounded if it is bounded from above and below.

Definition 1.7.3: Limit Superior

Let (X, \leq) be a poset. Let $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a sequence on X . Suppose $\{x_n\}_n$ is bounded from above. Then, we define the *limit superior* of x_n as $n \rightarrow \infty$ as:

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \inf_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \sup_{k \geq n} x_k$$

Definition 1.7.4: Limit Inferior

Let (X, \leq) be a poset. Let $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a sequence on X . Suppose $\{x_n\}_n$ is bounded from below. Then, we define the *limit inferior* of x_n as $n \rightarrow \infty$ as:

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \inf_{k \geq n} x_k$$

Exercise 1.7.1

1. Let $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a sequence on \mathbb{R} bounded above. Prove that $L \in \mathbb{R}$ is the limsup of $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ iff for every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $n_{\epsilon} \in \mathbb{N}$ such that:
 - (a) $x_n < L + \epsilon$ for all $n \geq n_{\epsilon}$.
 - (b) $L - \epsilon < x_n$ for infinitely many n .

Proof. Let $L \in \mathbb{R}$ be the limsup of $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$. Let $\epsilon > 0$. L being the lim sup means that $L = \inf_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \sup_{k \geq n} x_k$. Thus, $L \leq \sup_{k \geq n} x_k$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Thus, $L - \epsilon < \sup_{k \geq n} x_k$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $L - \epsilon$ is not an upper bound of $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$. Thus, there is $n_{\epsilon} \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $L - \epsilon < x_{n_{\epsilon}}$. Thus, $L - \epsilon < x_n$ for infinitely many n . Now we show that $x_n < L + \epsilon$ for all $n \geq n_{\epsilon}$. Assume for sake of contradiction that there is $n \geq n_{\epsilon}$ such that $x_n \geq L + \epsilon$. Then $L + \epsilon$ is an upper bound of $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$. But L is the limsup, so $L \geq L + \epsilon$. Contradiction. Thus, $x_n < L + \epsilon$ for all $n \geq n_{\epsilon}$.

Now we show the other direction. Assume that for every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $n_{\epsilon} \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_n < L + \epsilon$ for all $n \geq n_{\epsilon}$ and $L - \epsilon < x_n$ for infinitely many n . We want to show that L is the limsup of $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$. We know that L is an upper bound of $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$. We need to show that L is the least upper bound. Assume for sake of contradiction that L is not the least upper bound. Then there is $L' < L$ such that L' is an upper bound of $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$. Let $\epsilon = L - L'$. Then $L' < L - \epsilon$. But $L - \epsilon < x_n$ for infinitely many n . But $L' < L - \epsilon$, so L' is not an upper bound of $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$. Contradiction. \odot

1.8 Vector Spaces

Example 1.8.1 (Vector Spaces)

- Euclidean Space $\subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$. $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is a vector. $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$.
- Polynomial Space from $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. $x \in \mathbb{R}^x$. $x = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_nx^n$.
- $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ continuous functions.

Definition 1.8.1: Boundedness of Functions

Let E be a set and $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

1. f is bounded from above if the set $f(E) = \{y \in \mathbb{R} : y = f(x), x \in E\}$ is bounded from above.
2. f is bounded from below if the set $f(E) = \{y \in \mathbb{R} : y = f(x), x \in E\}$ is bounded from below.
3. f is bounded if $f(E)$ is bounded.

Definition 1.8.2: Inner Product

A function $(\cdot, \cdot) : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is an *inner product* if it satisfies the following properties:

- $(x, x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in X$.
- $(x, x) = 0$ iff $x = 0$.
- $(x, y) = (y, x)$ for all $x, y \in X$.
- $(sx + ty, z) = s(x, z) + t(y, z)$ for all $x, y, z \in X$ and $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Example 1.8.2 (Examples of Inner Products)

- \mathbb{R}^n with dot products.
- $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $(f, g) = \int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx$. This is not an inner product because we can define:

$$f = \begin{cases} 1 & x = 0.5 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

which has an integral of 0. But $f \neq 0$. If we add that f is continuous, then it is an inner product.

Definition 1.8.3: Norm

Let V be a vector space with an inner product (\cdot, \cdot) . Then the *norm* of $x \in X$ is defined as $\|\cdot\| : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that:

1. $\|x\| = 0 \iff x = 0$
2. $\|tx\| = |t|\|x\|$ for all $x \in X$
3. $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$ for all $x, y \in X$

Example 1.8.3 (Examples of Norms)

- $\|x\| = \sqrt{(x, x)}$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- $X = \{f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f \text{ bounded}\}$. $\|f\| = \sup_{x \in E} |f(x)|$.
 - First property is obviously true.
 - For the second property, we use the fact that

$$\sup(tF) = \begin{cases} t \sup(F) & \text{if } t \geq 0 \\ t \inf(F) & \text{if } t < 0 \end{cases}$$

- For the third property, we use the triangle inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} \sup |f + g| &\leq \sup |f| + \sup |g| \\ |f(x) + g(x)| &\leq |f(x)| + |g(x)| \leq \sup |f| + \sup |g| \end{aligned}$$

Note:

Space of bounded functions denoted as $\ell^\infty(E) = \{f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : f \text{ bounded}\}$.

Theorem 1.8.1 Cauchy Schwarz Inequality

Let X be a vector space with an inner product (\cdot, \cdot) . Then for all $x, y \in X$, we have that $|(x, y)| \leq \sqrt{(x, x)} \cdot \sqrt{(y, y)}$.

Proof. Let $y \neq 0$. Consider $(x + ty, x + ty) = (x, x + ty) + t(y, x + ty) = (x, x) + t(x, y) + t(y, x) + t^2(y, y)$. We can

combine the middle terms to get $t^2(y, y) + 2(x, y) + (x, x)$, which is quadratic in t . Take $t = -\frac{(x, y)}{(y, y)}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &\leq (x, x) - 2\frac{(x, x)^2}{(y, y)} + \frac{(x, y)^2}{(y, y)} \\
0 &\leq (x, x)(y, y) - 2(x, y)^2 + (x, y)^2 \\
0 &\leq (x, x)(y, y) - (x, y)^2 \\
(x, y)^2 &\leq (x, x)(y, y) \\
|(x, y)| &\leq \sqrt{(x, x)} \cdot \sqrt{(y, y)}
\end{aligned}$$

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1.9 Inner Products, Norms, and Metric Spaces

Theorem 1.9.1

Let X be a vector space with an inner product (\cdot, \cdot) . Then $\|\cdot\| : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is a norm.

Proof. We check the properties of norms:

1. $\|x\| = 0 \iff \sqrt{(x, x)} = 0 \iff (x, x) = 0 \iff x = 0$.
2. $\|tx\| = \sqrt{(tx, tx)} = \sqrt{t^2(x, x)} = |t|\sqrt{(x, x)} = |t|\|x\|$.
3. $\|x + y\|^2 = (x + y, x + y) = (x, x) + 2(x, y) + (y, y) = \|x\|^2 + 2(x, y) + \|y\|^2 \leq \|x\|^2 + 2|(x, y)| + \|y\|^2 \leq \|x\|^2 + 2\|x\| \cdot \|y\| + \|y\|^2 = (\|x\| + \|y\|)^2$.

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Corollary 1.9.1 Parallelogram Identity

Let X be a vector space with inner product (\cdot, \cdot) . Then for all $x, y \in X$, we have that

$$\|x + y\|^2 + \|x - y\|^2 = 2\|x\|^2 + 2\|y\|^2$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
\|x + y\|^2 + \|x - y\|^2 &= (x + y, x + y) + (x - y, x - y) \\
&= (x, x) + 2(x, y) + (y, y) + (x, x) - 2(x, y) + (y, y) \\
&= 2(x, x) + 2(y, y) \\
&= 2\|x\|^2 + 2\|y\|^2
\end{aligned}$$

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If we subtract them instead, we get

$$\frac{\|x + y\|^2 - \|x - y\|^2}{4} = (x, y) \quad (*)$$

So, if $\|\cdot\|$ is a norm, then if i want to define an inner product, I can use $*$.

Exercise 1.9.1

Let $\|\cdot\|$ be a norm. Then $(x, y) := \frac{1}{4}(\|x + y\|^2 - \|x - y\|^2)$ is an inner product iff the parallelogram identity holds.

Linearity of inner products is the hard part to prove because we have to consider:

- $t \in \mathbb{N}$
- $t = \frac{1}{2}$
- $t \in \mathbb{Q}$
- $t \in \mathbb{R}$ (density of \mathbb{Q})

Note:

For recitation:

1. $X = \{f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ bounded}\}, \|f\| = \sup_E |f|$, does not satisfy the parallelogram identity.
2. $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $\|x\|_1 = |x_1| + |x_2| + \cdots + |x_N|$ does not satisfy the parallelogram identity.

Definition 1.9.1: Metric

Let X be a set. A *metric* on X is a function $d : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that:

1. $d(x, y) = 0 \iff x = y$
2. $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ for all $x, y \in X$
3. $d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$ for all $x, y, z \in X$

Definition 1.9.2: Metric Space

A set X with a metric d is called a *metric space* and is denoted as (X, d) .

Example 1.9.1 (Metrics)

Let X be a set. Then the following is a metric on X :

$$d(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & x = y \\ 1 & x \neq y \end{cases}$$

Theorem 1.9.2 If X is a vector space with $\|\cdot\|$ as a norm. Then

$$d(x, y) := \|x - y\|$$

is a metric on X .

Proof. We check all the properties of metrics.

- $d(x, y) = 0 = \|x - y\| \Rightarrow 0 = x - y \iff x = y$.
- $d(x, y) = \|x - y\| = \|y - x\| = d(y, x)$.
- $d(x, y) = \|x - y\| = \|x - z + z - y\| \leq \|x - z\| + \|z - y\| = d(x, z) + d(z, y)$.



Example 1.9.2

Let's define

$$d(x, y) = \left| \frac{x}{1 + |x|} - \frac{y}{1 + |y|} \right|$$

as a metric on \mathbb{R} . However, this is not a norm because $d(tx, ty) \neq td(x, y)$.

Definition 1.9.3: Ball

Let (X, d) be a metric space. Let $x \in X$ and $r > 0$. Then the *ball* of radius r centered at x is defined as $B_r(x) = \{y \in X : d(x, y) < r\}$.

Example 1.9.3

- Take $X = \mathbb{R}^2$ with $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}$. Then define $\|(x, y)\|_\infty = \max(|x|, |y|)$ is a norm. Take $B((0, 0), 1) = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \|(x, y) - (0, 0)\|_\infty < 1\}$. This is a square with vertices $(1, 1), (-1, 1), (-1, -1), (1, -1)$.
- If we have $\|(x, y)\|_1 = |x| + |y|$, then $B((0, 0), 1) = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \|(x, y) - (0, 0)\|_1 < 1\}$. This is a square with vertices $(1, 0), (0, 1), (-1, 0), (0, -1)$.

Definition 1.9.4: Interior

Let (X, d) be a metric space and $E \subseteq X$. $x \in E$ is called an *interior point* of E if there is $B(x, r) \subseteq E$. The set of all interior points of E is called the *interior* of E and is denoted as E° .

Definition 1.9.5: Open Set

E is *open* if $E = E^\circ$.

1.10 Open Sets

Example 1.10.1 (Balls)

$B(x, r)$ is open.

Proof. Let $y \in B(x, r)$ and take $B(y, r - d(x, y))$. Let $z \in B(y, r - d(x, y))$. Then $d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z) < d(x, y) + r - d(x, y) = r$. Thus, $z \in B(x, r)$. Thus, $B(y, r - d(x, y)) \subseteq B(x, r)$. Thus, $B(x, r)$ is open. \odot

Example 1.10.2 (\mathbb{R})

1. $E = (0, 1) \cap \mathbb{Q}$ is not open. Because the irrationals are dense, we can always find a rational number in any ball. Thus, $E^\circ = \emptyset$.
2. $E = (3, 4)$ is open. Let $x \in E$. Take $B(x, \min(x - 3, 4 - x))$. Then $B(x, \min(x - 3, 4 - x)) \subseteq E$. Thus, E is open.
3. $E = [3, 4)$ is not open. $E^\circ = (3, 4)$.
4. $E = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x^3 - 3x + 4 > 0\}$. This is open and we'll be able to use continuity to prove this easily later.
5. $l^\infty([0, 1]) = \{f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ bounded}\}$. $\|f\|_\infty = \sup_{[0, 1]} |f|$. $d(f, g) = \|f - g\|_\infty$. $E = \{f \in l^\infty([0, 1]) : f(x) > 0 \forall x \in [0, 1]\}$ is open? (finish in recitation)

Properties of open sets (X, d) :

- \emptyset is open. X is open.
- Infinite intersections of open sets are not necessarily open. For example, we have $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1/n, 1/n) = \{0\}$, which is not open.
- Finite intersections of open sets are open. Consider U_1, \dots, U_n . Let $x \in \bigcap_{i=1}^n U_i$. Then $x \in U_i$ for all i . Since U_i is open, there exists $r_i > 0$ such that $B(x, r_i) \subseteq U_i$. Let $r = \min(r_1, \dots, r_n)$. Then $B(x, r) \subseteq U_i$ for all i . Thus, $B(x, r) \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^n U_i$.
- Unions of open sets are open because if a point in the union is contained in one of the open sets, then there is a ball in that set that is contained in the union.

Definition 1.10.1: Topological Space

Let X be a set. A *topology* on X is a collection \mathcal{T} of subsets of X such that:

1. $\emptyset, X \in \mathcal{T}$.
2. If $U_1, \dots, U_n \in \mathcal{T}$, then $\bigcap_{i=1}^n U_i \in \mathcal{T}$. (finite intersections)
3. If $U_\alpha \in \mathcal{T}$ for all $\alpha \in A$, then $\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha \in \mathcal{T}$. (arbitrary unions)

Elements of \mathcal{T} are called open sets.

Definition 1.10.2: Closed

Let (X, d) be a metric space. We say $C \subseteq X$ is *closed* if $X \setminus C$ is open.

Note that X and \emptyset are both open and closed.

Example 1.10.3 (Open and Closed Sets)

- $[0, 1)$ is not open or closed.
- $[0, 1]$ is closed.

Properties of closed sets:

- \emptyset and X are closed.
- Infinite intersections of closed sets are closed. (De Morgan's Law)
- Finite unions of closed sets are closed. For example, if we have $\bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} (-\infty, -\frac{1}{m}) = (-\infty, 0)$ which is open.

1.11 2/1 - Rectitation

Recall:

1. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence bounded above in \mathbb{R} . Then $L \in \mathbb{R}$ is the limit superior of $\{x_n\}$ if for every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $n_\epsilon \in \mathbb{N}$ such that:
 - (a) $x_n < L + \epsilon$ for all $n \geq n_\epsilon$.
 - (b) $x_n > L - \epsilon$ for infinitely many n .
2. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence bounded below in \mathbb{R} . Then $L \in \mathbb{R}$ is the limit inferior of $\{x_n\}$ if for every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $n_\epsilon \in \mathbb{N}$ such that:
 - (a) $x_n < L + \epsilon$ for infinitely many n .
 - (b) $x_n > L - \epsilon$ for all $n \geq n_\epsilon$.

Now consider the following sequence:

$$x_n = (-1)^n \frac{2n}{n+1} \in \mathbb{R}$$

Prove that $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 2$.

Proof. We need to show that for every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $n_\epsilon \in \mathbb{N}$ such that:

1. $x_n < 2 + \epsilon$ for all $n \geq n_\epsilon$.
2. $2 - \epsilon < x_n$ for infinitely many n .

Let $\epsilon > 0$. We need to find $n_\epsilon \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_n < 2 + \epsilon$ for all $n \geq n_\epsilon$ and $2 - \epsilon < x_n$ for infinitely many n . We can find $n_\epsilon \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $2 - \epsilon < x_n$ for all $n \geq n_\epsilon$. Then $x_n < 2 + \epsilon$ for all $n \geq n_\epsilon$. Thus, $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 2$. ☺

Now prove that for any $\{x_n\}$ in \mathbb{R} , prove that $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$.

Proof. Comes quickly from properties of limits and that the inf is less than the sup. ☺

Now prove that $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} -x_n = -\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$ and that $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} -x_n = -\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$.

Proof. We start by using the property that $\inf(-E) = -\sup(E)$. Then we use the property that $\sup(-E) = -\inf(E)$.
So,

$$\begin{aligned} \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} -x_n &= \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \inf_{k \geq n} -x_k \\ &= \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} -\sup_{k \geq n} x_k \\ &= -\inf_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \sup_{k \geq n} x_k \\ &= -\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \end{aligned}$$

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1.12 Closure

Definition 1.12.1: Closure

Let (X, d) be a metric space

Definition 1.12.2: Boundary Point

Let (X, d) be a metric space

Theorem 1.12.1

Let (X, d) be a metric space and $E \subseteq X$. Then $\bar{E} = E \cup \partial E$.

Definition 1.12.3: Accumulation Point

Let (X, d) be a metric space with $E \subseteq X$. Then $x \in X$ is an *accumulation point* of E if for every $r > 0$, there exists $y \in E$ such that $y \neq x$ and $d(x, y) < r$.

Definition 1.12.4: Bounded

Definition 1.12.5: Interval

$I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is an *interval* if we have that $z \in I$ for all $x < z < y$.

Definition 1.12.6: Rectangle

$R \subseteq \mathbb{R}^N$ is a *rectangle* if $R = I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N$ where I_1, \dots, I_N are intervals in \mathbb{R} .

Definition 1.12.7: Sequence

Let X be a set. A *sequence* is a function $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow X$. We denote $f(n)$ as x_n .

Definition 1.12.8: Convergent Sequence

Let (X, d) be a metric space. A sequence $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is *convergent* if there exists $x \in X$ such that for every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $n_{\epsilon} \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $d(x, x_n) < \epsilon$ for all $n \geq n_{\epsilon}$. We write $x_n \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ or $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$.

1.13 Bolzano-Weierstrass

Theorem 1.13.1 Bolzano-Weierstrauss

If $E \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ is bounded and contains infinitely many distinct points, then E has an accumulation point

Proof.

Lemma 1.13.1 1

If $[a_n, b_n] \supseteq [a_{n+1}, b_{n+1}]$ for all n , then $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} [a_n, b_n] \neq \emptyset$.

Lemma 1.13.2 2

Let R_n be a closed and bounded rectangle. Assume that $R_1 \supseteq R_2 \supseteq \dots$. Then $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} R_n \neq \emptyset$.

Proof. We know that

$$R_n = [a_{1,n}, b_{1,n}] \times \dots \times [a_{N,n}, b_{N,n}]$$

$$R_{n+1} = [a_{1,n+1}, b_{1,n+1}] \times \dots \times [a_{N,n+1}, b_{N,n+1}]$$

We can apply lemma 1 N times (for each of the components of R_n) to find that $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $a_{i,n} \leq x_i \leq b_{i,n}$ for all $1 \leq i \leq N$. Then, if you take $x = (x_1, \dots, x_N)$, then $x \in R_n$ for all n . Thus, $x \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} R_n$. \odot

Lemma 1.13.3 3

Let (X, d) be a metric space with $E \subseteq X$. Then $x \in X$ is an accumulation point of E if and only if there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ in E such that $x_n \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof. Let $x \in X$ be an accumulation point of E . Take $r = \frac{1}{n}$. Find $x_n \in B\left(x, \frac{1}{n}\right) \cap E$ with $x_n \neq x$. We claim $x_n \rightarrow x$. Given $\epsilon > 0$, find $n_\epsilon \geq \frac{1}{\epsilon}$. Then $d(x, x_n) < \frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{n_\epsilon}$ for all $n \geq n_\epsilon$. Thus, $x_n \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Let $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a sequence in E such that $x_n \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. We claim that $x \in \text{acc}(E)$. Let $r > 0$ and take $\epsilon = r$. Then there exists $n_\epsilon \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $d(x, x_n) < \epsilon = r$ for all $n \geq n_\epsilon$. Thus, $x_n \in B(x, r) \cap E$ for all $n \geq n_\epsilon$. Thus, $x \in \text{acc}(E)$. \odot

Now we prove the actual theorem. Let $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^N$ be bounded. $E \subseteq B(0, r)$ for some r . Let Q_1 be the closed cube centered at 0 with sidelength $2r$. Pick some point $x_1 \in E \subseteq Q_1$. Subdivide Q_1 into 2^N closed cubes of sidelength $\frac{2r}{2}$. Let Q_2 be the closed cube containing x_1 . Pick some point $x_2 \in E \cap Q_2$ with $x_2 \neq x_1$. Inductively, assume $Q_1 \supseteq Q_2 \supseteq \dots \supseteq Q_n$ have been chosen. Then Q_n is a closed cube of sidelength $\frac{2r}{2^{n-1}}$ containing x_n . Each Q_n contains infinitely many elements of E . Assume also that $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in E$ have been chosen with $x_i \in Q_i$ and $x_i \neq x_j$ for $i \neq j$.

Now we can subdivide Q_n to get Q_{n+1} and continue this process infinitely.

By Lemma 2, we know that $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} Q_n \neq \emptyset$. Let $x \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} Q_n$. Now we need to show there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ in E such that $x_n \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ but $x_i \neq x$ for any i because then the rest of the points won't converge to x . If $x = x_i$ for some i , we can just pick another point.

So WLOG, assume $x_n \neq x$ for any n . So we claim $x_n \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. We know that in Q_n , the difference between any two points in this cube is given by:

$$\|x_n - x\| = \sqrt{(x_{n,1} - x_1)^2 + (x_{n,2} - x_2)^2 + \dots + (x_{n,N} - x_N)^2} \leq \sqrt{\frac{2r}{2^{n-1}} + \frac{2r}{2^{n-1}} + \dots + \frac{2r}{2^{n-1}}} = \sqrt{N} \frac{2r}{2^{n-1}}$$

This value is less than ϵ for all large n , so this concludes the proof. \odot

1.14 2/6 - Recitation - Spaces

Let $X = \{f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ bounded}\}$. Define $\|f\| = \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |f(x)|$. Prove that $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ does not suffice parallelogram identity. That is, show a counterexample to the parallelogram identity, which is

$$\|f + g\|^2 + \|f - g\|^2 = 2\|f\|^2 + 2\|g\|^2$$

Proof. Counterexample: Let $f(x) = x$ and $g(x) = 1$. ☹

Now given a normed space which satisfies the parallelogram identity, can we define an inner product?

Proof. Yes. We can define $(f, g) = \frac{1}{4}(\|f + g\|^2 - \|f - g\|^2)$. We can prove that this is an inner product.

Linearity of products because the other properties are easy to prove. We need to show that $(x + y, z) = (x, z) + (y, z)$. I'm so lazy so I won't tlbh.

We now show that $(tx, y) = t(x, y) \forall t \in \mathbb{Z}$. We proceed with induction for $t \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

Our two base cases are $t = 0, 1$. For $t = 0$, we have that $(0x, y) = (0, y) = 0 = 0(0, y)$. For $t = 1$, we have that $(x, y) = (x, y) = 1(x, y)$.

Now we assume that $(tx, y) = t(x, y)$ for some $t \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. Then we have that $(t + 1)x = tx + x$. Then we have that $(t + 1)x, y = (tx + x, y) = (tx, y) + (x, y) = t(x, y) + (x, y) = (t + 1)(x, y)$. Thus, we have that $(tx, y) = t(x, y)$ for all $t \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

Now we have to deal with $t \in \mathbb{Z}^-$. We have that $(tx, y) = -t(-x, y) = -t(x, y) = t(x, y)$. Thus, we have that $(tx, y) = t(x, y)$ for all $t \in \mathbb{Z}$.

To proceed, we deal with $t \in \mathbb{Q}$. We have that $t = \frac{m}{n}$ for some $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then we have that $n(tx, y) = (ntx, y) = (mx, y) = m(x, y) = t(mx, y) = t(n(x, y))$. Thus, we have that $n(tx, y) = t(n(x, y))$. Thus, we have that $(tx, y) = t(x, y)$ for all $t \in \mathbb{Q}$. ☹

1.15 Compactness

Definition 1.15.1: Subsequence

Let X be a set and $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow X$ a sequence. Let $g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be strictly increasing. Then $f \circ g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow X$ is a *subsequence* of f . We denote m_k as $g(k)$, so $f(g(k)) = f(m_k) = x_{m_k}$. So we denote the whole sequence as $\{x_{m_k}\}_k$.

Definition 1.15.2: Sequentially Compact

Let (X, d) be a metric space. $K \subseteq X$ is *sequentially compact* if every sequence $\{x_n\}_n$ in K and there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n_k}\}_k$ such that $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$ for some $x \in K$.

Example 1.15.1 (\mathbb{R})

1. $(0, 1]$ is not sequentially compact. Consider the sequence $x_n = \frac{1}{n}$. This sequence has no convergent subsequence that tends to 0 since 0 is not in the set. The issue is that it's not closed.
2. $[0, \infty)$ is not sequentially compact. Consider the sequence $x_n = n$. This sequence has no convergent subsequence that tends to ∞ since ∞ is not in the set. So, $[0, \infty)$ is not sequentially compact. The issue is that it's not bounded.

Theorem 1.15.1

Let (X, d) be a metric space. If $K \subseteq X$ is sequentially compact, then K is closed and bounded.

Proof. Claim: K is closed. We want $X \setminus K$ to be open. Let $x \in X \setminus K$. We want $B(x, r) \subseteq X \setminus K$ for some $r > 0$. By contradiction, for all $r > 0$, assume $\exists y \in B(x, r) \cap K$. Take $r = \frac{1}{m} \Rightarrow y_m \in B(x, \frac{1}{m}) \cap K$. $d(y_m, x) < \frac{1}{m} \rightarrow 0$, so $y_m \rightarrow x$. But $x \notin K$ even though $y_m \in K$. This is a contradiction, so K is closed.

Claim: K is bounded. By contradiction, assume K is not bounded. Let $x_0 \in X$. Then $K \not\subseteq B(x_0, r)$ for any $r > 0$. Take $r = n$. Then $\exists x_n \in K$ such that $d(x_n, x_0) \geq n$. So $\{x_n\}_n \in K$. K is sequentially compact, so there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n_k}\}_k$ such that $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$ for some $x \in K$. But $n_k \leq d(x_{n_k}, x_0) \leq d(x_{n_k}, x) + d(x, x_0)$. But $d(x_{n_k}, x) \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$, so $n_k \rightarrow \infty < d(x_{n_k}, x_0) \leq d(x, x_0)$ which is a fixed number, so we have a contradiction. As such, K is bounded. ☺

Theorem 1.15.2

Let $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^N$. Then K is sequentially compact if and only if K is closed and bounded.

Proof. We just showed the first direction. So, we need to show that if K is closed and bounded, then K is sequentially compact.

So now, assume K is closed and bounded. Let $\{x_n\}_n$ be a sequence in K . We want to show that there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n_k}\}_k$ such that $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$ for some $x \in K$.

Consider the set $E = \{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}_N$. We now case on whether E has infinitely many distinct points or not.

If E doesn't have infinitely many distinct points, there exists $x \in K$ such that $x_n = x$ for infinitely many n . Then $x_{n_k} = x$ for all k , so $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$.

Now we consider the case where Bolzano-Weierstrass applies. By B-W, E has an accumulation point $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$. So we can find a subsequence $\{x_{n_k}\}_k$ such that $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$. But $x \in K$ because K is closed. Thus, K is sequentially compact. ☺

Note:

Let $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ be a normed space. If every closed and bounded set is sequentially compact, then X has finite dimension.

Exercise 1.15.1

Recall $l^\infty([0, 1]) = \{f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ bounded}\}$. Define $\|f\|_\infty = \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |f(x)|$. $B(0, 1) = \{g \in l^\infty([0, 1]) : \|g\|_\infty < 1\}$. Prove that $B(0, 1) = \{g \in l^\infty([0, 1]) : |g(x)| < 1 \ \forall x \in [0, 1]\}$. Also prove that this not sequentially compact.

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Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$.

1. Prove that $x^n - y^n = (x - y)(x^{n-1} + x^{n-2}y + \cdots + xy^{n-2} + y^{n-1})$.

Proof. Base case: $n = 1$ is trivial.

Now assume that for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $x^n - y^n = (x - y)(x^{n-1} + x^{n-2}y + \cdots + xy^{n-2} + y^{n-1})$. We want to show that this is true for $n+1$. We have that $x^{n+1} - y^{n+1} = x(x^n - y^n) + y^n(x - y) = x(x - y)(x^{n-1} + x^{n-2}y + \cdots + xy^{n-2} + y^{n-1}) + y^n(x - y)$. Then we get $(x - y)(x^n + x^{n-1}y + \cdots + xy^{n-1} + y^n) = (x - y)(x^n + x^{n-1}y + \cdots + xy^{n-1} + y^n)$. ☺

2. Prove that when $|x - y| \leq 1$, then $|x^n - y^n| \leq n(1 + |x|)^{n-1}|x - y|$.

Proof. Let $|x - y| \leq 1$. Then we have that $|x^n - y^n| = |(x - y)(x^{n-1} + x^{n-2}y + \cdots + xy^{n-2} + y^{n-1})| \leq |x - y|(|x^{n-1}| + |x^{n-2}y| + \cdots + |xy^{n-2}| + |y^{n-1}|) \leq |x - y|(|x|^{n-1} + |x|^{n-2}|y| + \cdots + |x||y|^{n-2} + |y|^{n-1}) \leq |x - y|(|x|^{n-1} + |x|^{n-2}|y| + \cdots + |x||y|^{n-2} + |y|^{n-1}) \leq |x - y|(|x|^{n-1} + |x|^{n-2}|y| + \cdots + |x| + 1) \leq n(1 + |x|)^{n-1}|x - y|$. ☺

3. Let $E = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x^n > 3\}$ for a fixed n . Prove that E is open.

Proof. Let $x \in E$. We want to show that there is an $r > 0$ such that $B(x, r) \subseteq E$. Take $r = \frac{x^n - 3}{n(1 + |x|)^{n-1}}$ and take $y \in B(x, r)$. Then $|x - y| < r \Rightarrow |x^n| - |y^n| \leq |x^n - y^n| \leq n(1 + |x|)^{n-1}|x - y| < n(1 + |x|)^{n-1}r < x^n - 3$. Then $y^n \geq x^n - n(1 + |x|)^{n-1}r > 3$. Thus, $y \in E$. Thus, $B(x, r) \subseteq E$. Thus, E is open. ☺

4. Consider the space $l^\infty([0, 1]) = \{f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ bounded}\}$. Define $\|f\|_\infty = \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |f(x)|$.

Let $E = \{f \in l^\infty([0, 1]) : f(x) > 0 \forall x \in [0, 1]\}$. Prove that E is not open.

Proof. Consider

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

Then let $r > 0$ and consider $g(x) = f(x) \cdot \frac{r}{2}$. Then $g(x) \in B(f, r)$. But $g(x) \notin E$ because $g(1) = \frac{r}{2}$. Thus, $B(f, r) \not\subseteq E$. Thus, E is not open. ☺

1.17 Limits

Definition 1.17.1: Limits

Let (X, d_X) and (Y, d_Y) be metric spaces, $E \subseteq X$, $f : E \rightarrow Y$. Let $x_0 \in \text{acc } E$.

Take $l \in Y$. l is the *limit* of f as $x \rightarrow x_0$. We write $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = l$ if for every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $0 < d_X(x, x_0) < \delta \Rightarrow d_Y(f(x), l) < \epsilon$. We can also write it as $f(x) \rightarrow l$ as $x \rightarrow x_0$.

Note:

Even if $x_0 \in E$, you don't take in the definition for the limit.

Theorem 1.17.1

Let (X, d_X) and (Y, d_Y) be metric spaces, $E \subseteq X$, $f : E \rightarrow Y$, and $x_0 \in \text{acc } E$. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x)$ exists, then it is unique.

Proof. Assume that $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = l$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = m$. Take $\epsilon = \frac{d_Y(l, m)}{2} > 0$. Then there exists $\delta_1 > 0$ such that $0 < d_X(x, x_0) < \delta_1 \Rightarrow d_Y(f(x), l) < \epsilon$. There also exists $\delta_2 > 0$ such that $0 < d_X(x, x_0) < \delta_2 \Rightarrow d_Y(f(x), m) < \epsilon$. Take $\delta = \min(\delta_1, \delta_2)$. Then $0 < d_X(x, x_0) < \delta \Rightarrow d_Y(f(x), l) < \epsilon$ and $d_Y(f(x), m) < \epsilon$. Then $d_Y(l, m) \leq d_Y(l, f(x)) + d_Y(f(x), m) < 2\epsilon = d_Y(l, m)$. This is a contradiction, so $l = m$. ☺

Example 1.17.1 (\mathbb{R}^2)

Take $(x_0, y_0) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and $y_0 \neq 0$. Compute

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0,y_0)} \frac{x}{y}$$

We want to show that this is $\frac{x_0}{y_0}$. We have the set $E = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : y \neq 0\}$. We also know that $(x_0, y_0) \in \text{acc } E$. What we know is that $(x, y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)$: $|x - x_0|$ and $|y - y_0|$ are going to be small. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| f(x, y) - \frac{x_0}{y_0} \right| &= \left| \frac{x}{y} - \frac{x_0}{y_0} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{xy_0 - x_0y}{yy_0} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{xy_0 - x_0y_0 + x_0y_0 - x_0y}{yy_0} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{y_0(x - x_0) + x_0(y_0 - y)}{yy_0} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{|y_0||x - x_0| + |x_0||y_0 - y|}{|y||y_0|} \\ &= \frac{|x - x_0|}{|y|} + \frac{|x_0||y_0 - y|}{|y||y_0|} \end{aligned}$$

Then we have $\delta < \frac{|y_0|}{2}$. If $|y - y_0| < \delta < \frac{y_0}{2}$, then we get $|y| \geq \frac{|y_0|}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{|y|} \leq \frac{2}{|y_0|}$.

$$\frac{|x - x_0|}{|y|} + \frac{|x_0||y_0 - y|}{|y||y_0|} \leq \frac{2|x - x_0|}{|y_0|} + \frac{2|x_0||y_0 - y|}{|y_0|^2}$$

Take $\delta = \min \left\{ \epsilon, \frac{|y_0|}{2} \right\} > 0$. Then $0 < \|(x, y) - (x_0, y_0)\| < \delta$.

$$\begin{aligned} |x - x_0| &= \sqrt{(x - x_0)^2} \leq \sqrt{(x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2} \\ |y - y_0| &\leq \delta \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\left| f(x, y) - \frac{x_0}{y_0} \right| < \epsilon \left(\frac{2}{|y_0|} + \frac{2}{|y_0|^2} \right)$$

Say you can prove that for every $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$ such that

$$d(f(x), l) < \epsilon |\log(\epsilon)| \text{ for all } x \in E \text{ such that } 0 < d(x, x_0) < \delta$$

For every $\eta > 0$ ("my epsilon"), since $\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \epsilon |\log(\epsilon)| = 0$, $\exists \delta_1 > 0$ such that $\epsilon |\log(\epsilon)| < \eta$ for all $0 < \epsilon < \delta_1$.

So given $\eta > 0$, take $0 < \epsilon < \delta_1$. Find η from $d(f(x), l) < \epsilon |\log(\epsilon)| < \eta$ for all $x \in E$ such that $0 < d(x, x_0) < \delta$. This means that

$$d_Y(f(x), l) < \epsilon |\log(\epsilon)| < \eta$$

for all $x \in E$, $0 < d(x, x_0) < \delta$. Thus, $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = l$.