

#1: For $a \in F$, $|a| = \begin{cases} a, & \text{if } a \geq 0. \\ -a, & \text{if } a \leq 0. \end{cases}$

Hence $a \leq |a|$ and $-a \leq |a| \quad \forall a \in F$.

Claim: $|a+b| \leq |a| + |b| \quad \forall a, b \in F$.

pf: $|a+b|$ is either $a+b$ or $-(a+b)$.

- $a+b \leq |a| + |b|$.

- $-(a+b) = (-a) + (-b) \leq |a| + |b|$. \square

Now we prove the desired statement by induction.

The statement is true for $n=2$.

Assume it's true for $n-1$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned} |a_1 + \dots + a_n| &\leq |a_1 + \dots + a_{n-1}| + |a_n| \\ &\leq |a_1| + \dots + |a_{n-1}| + |a_n|. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

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inductive hypothesis.

#2: (a) $a \in F$ is a lower bound of S if $a \leq z \quad \forall z \in S$.

(b) $S \subseteq F$ is bounded below if there exists a lower bound of S .

(c) $a \in F$ is the greatest lower bound of S . if $a \geq a'$ for any lower bound a' of S .

(d) F satisfies the greatest lower bound property if

for any $S \subseteq F$ bounded below, (and nonempty) the greatest lower bound of S exists in F .

#3: We show that F satisfies the least upper bound property implies F satisfies the greatest lower bound property (the converse direction can be proved similarly).

Let $S \subseteq F$ be a nonempty set & bounded below.

So $\exists a \in F$ st. $a \leq z \quad \forall z \in S$.

$\Rightarrow -a \geq -z \quad \forall z \in S$.

\Rightarrow the set $T := \{-z \mid z \in S\} \subseteq F$ is bounded above

Since F satisfies the least upper bound property, the least upper bound of T exists in F , say it's $w \in F$.

Claim: $-w \in F$ is the greatest lower bound of S .

Pf: • $-w$ is a lower bound of S :

we know $w \geq -z \quad \forall z \in S$, hence $z \leq -w \quad \forall z \in S$.

• $-w$ is the greatest lower bound of S :

Let $-w'$ be a lower bound of S ,

Then $-w' \leq z \quad \forall z \in S$.

$\Rightarrow w' \geq -z \quad \forall z \in S$.

$\Rightarrow w'$ is an upper bound of T .

$\Rightarrow w' \geq w$ since w is the least upper bound of T .

$\Rightarrow -w' \leq -w, \quad \square$

#4: $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, $z - \varepsilon < z = \sup S$, hence $z - \varepsilon$ is not an upper bound of S . $\Rightarrow \exists a \in S$ s.t. $z - \varepsilon < a$.

Since z is an upper bound of S , $\Rightarrow z - \varepsilon < a \leq z$. \square

$a \in S$ may not be found so that $z - \varepsilon < a < z$.

For instance, let $S = \{0\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$. Then $z = \sup S = 0$,

But $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, there is no $a \in S$ s.t. $-\varepsilon < a < 0$. \square

#5: Assume the contrary that $x > y$.

Take $\varepsilon = \frac{x-y}{2} > 0$.

Then $y + \varepsilon = \frac{x+y}{2} < x$. Contradiction. \square

#6: Let $S = \{1 - \frac{1}{n} \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$.

It's clear that 1 is an upper bound of S .

Assume the contrary that 1 is not the least upper bound of S .

Then $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ s.t. $1 - \varepsilon$ is an upper bound of S .

Since $\mathbb{N} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is not bounded above, $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $N > \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$.

$\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{N} > 1 - \varepsilon$. Contradiction. \square

#7: By assumption, $\exists N_1 > 0$ s.t. $a_n = b_n \quad \forall n > N_1$.

$\forall \varepsilon > 0$, $\exists N_2 > 0$ s.t. $n > N_2 \Rightarrow |a_n - a| < \varepsilon$.

Let $N = \max \{N_1, N_2\} > 0$,

then $n > N \Rightarrow |b_n - a| = |a_n - a| < \varepsilon$.

Hence $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = a$. \square

#8: Assume the contrary that $a > b$. Let $\varepsilon = \frac{a-b}{2} > 0$.

$\exists N_1 > 0$ s.t. $n > N_1 \Rightarrow |a_n - a| < \varepsilon$.

$\exists N_2 > 0$ s.t. $n > N_2 \Rightarrow |b_n - b| < \varepsilon$.

$\exists N_3 > 0$ s.t. $n > N_3 \Rightarrow a_n \leq b_n$

Let $N = \max \{N_1, N_2, N_3\} > 0$. Then

$$n > N \Rightarrow \frac{a+b}{2} = a - \varepsilon < a_n \leq b_n < b + \varepsilon = \frac{a+b}{2}.$$

Contradiction. \square

#9: By #4, $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\exists a_n \in S$ s.t. $z - \frac{1}{n} < a_n \leq z$.

Claim: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = z$.

pf: $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, Choose $N > \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$. Then

$$n > N \Rightarrow z - \varepsilon < z - \frac{1}{n} < a_n \leq z \Rightarrow |a_n - z| < \varepsilon. \quad \square$$