

# Chapter 1. The Real number system ( $\mathbb{R}$ ) 1812

## 1.2 Ordered Field Axioms

### Postulate 1: (Field Axioms)

There are functions  $+$  and  $\cdot$  defined on  $\mathbb{R}^2 := \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  with the following properties for every  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$

A)  $a+b$  and  $a \cdot b \in \mathbb{R}$  (closure property)

B)  $(a+b)+c = a+(b+c)$

$(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$  Associative (laws)

C)  $a+b = b+a$   
 $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$  Commutative

D)  $\exists!$  element  $0 \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $a+0 = a, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$  Additive identity

E)  $a \cdot (b+c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$  Distributive law

F)  $\exists!$  element  $1 \neq 0$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $1 \cdot a = a, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$  Multiplicative identity

G)  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}, \exists! -a \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $a+(-a) = 0$

H)  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, \exists! a^{-1} \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $a \cdot a^{-1} = 1$

From postulate 1, we can derive the following (H.W)

①  $(-1)^2 = 1$

$0 \cdot a = 0$

$-a = (-1) \cdot a$

$-(-a) = a, a \in \mathbb{R}$

②  $-(a-b) = b-a, \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

③  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $ab=0 \Rightarrow a=0$  or  $b=0$



## Postulate 2 (Order Axioms)

There is a relation  $<$  on  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  that has the following properties:

- (i)  $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , exactly one of the following is True  
 $a > b$ ,  $a < b$ ,  $a = b$

This is called Trichotomy property:

- (i)  $\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a < b$ ,  $b < c$ , then  $a < c$  (Transitive)  
 (ii)  $\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a < b$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow a + c < b + c$  (Additive)  
 (iii) For  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a < b$  and  $c > 0 \Rightarrow ac < bc$   
 $a < b$  and  $c < 0 \Rightarrow ac > bc$

- $a \leq b$  means  $a < b$  or  $a = b$
- $a < b < c$  means  $a < b$  and  $b < c$   
 ex.  $2 < x < 1$  makes no sense at all

$a \in \mathbb{R}$  is nonnegative if  $a \geq 0$  and positive if  $a > 0$

Remark: The real number system  $\mathbb{R}$  contains the following special subsets.

(1) The set of natural number  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

(2) The set of integers  $\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

(3) Rationals (Fractions or quotients)  $\mathbb{Q} := \left\{ \frac{m}{n} : m, n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \neq 0 \right\}$

• Equality in  $\mathbb{Q}$  is defined as  $\frac{m}{n} = \frac{p}{q} \Leftrightarrow mq = np$

Notice that  $\mathbb{N} \subset \mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{R}$

(4) Irrationals  $\mathbb{Q}^c = \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$

Remark: The sets  $\mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}$  satisfy

(i) if  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $m+n$  and  $m \cdot n$ ,  $mn \in \mathbb{Z}$

(ii) if  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $n \in \mathbb{N} \Leftrightarrow n \geq 1$

(iii) There is no  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  st  $0 < n < 1$



Ex. (HW) ① prove that ② satisfies postulate 1  
 $m \text{ in } \mathbb{Q} \text{ is } \frac{a}{b}$      $0 \text{ in } \mathbb{Q} \text{ is } \frac{a}{a} \text{ , } a \neq 0$

ex. if  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , prove that  $a \neq 0 \Rightarrow a^2 > 0$ . In particular  $-1 < 0 < 1$   
 proof: since  $a \neq 0$ , then either  $a > 0$  or  $a < 0$

Case 1:  $a > 0 \Rightarrow a \cdot a > 0 \cdot a$   
 $\Rightarrow a^2 > 0$

Case 2:  $a < 0 \Rightarrow a \cdot a > 0 \cdot a$   
 $a^2 > 0$

This proves  $a^2 > 0$ , when  $a \neq 0$

$1 \neq 0 \Rightarrow 1 = 1^2 > 0$

$\Rightarrow 1 > 0 \Rightarrow 0 < 1$

$\Rightarrow 0 - 1 < 1 - 1$

$\Rightarrow -1 < 0$

ex. (H.W)  $0 \leq a < b$  and  $0 \leq c < d \Rightarrow ac < bd$

②  $0 \leq a < b \Rightarrow 0 \leq a^2 < b^2$  and  $0 \leq \sqrt{a} < \sqrt{b}$



$$\textcircled{3} \quad 0 < a < b \Rightarrow 0 < \frac{1}{b} < \frac{1}{a}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad 0 < a < 1 \Rightarrow 0 < a^2 < a \quad \text{and} \quad a > 1 \Rightarrow a^2 > a, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$$

see textbook page 9.

Def: (The absolute value)

$$|a| := \begin{cases} a, & a \geq 0 \\ -a, & a < 0 \end{cases}$$

ex. (HW) prove that  $|ab| = |a||b|, \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$   
see textbook.



Thm ① Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $M \geq 0$ . Then  $|a| \leq M \Leftrightarrow -M \leq a \leq M$

PF: ( $\Rightarrow$ ) suppose that  $|a| \leq M$ . Then multiply both sides by  $-1$ , we have  $-|a| \geq -M$

Case 1:  $a \geq 0 \Rightarrow |a| = a$ . Thus  $-M \leq 0 \leq a = |a| \leq M$

This implies  $-M \leq a \leq M$

Case 2:  $a < 0$ , By definition,  $|a| = -a$ .  $-M \leq |a| = -(-a) = a < 0 \leq M$

This proves  $-M \leq a \leq M$  in each case.

Conversely, suppose that  $-M \leq a \leq M$   
we need to show  $|a| \leq M$

N.B.,  $a \leq |a| \leq M$

Since  $-M \leq a \leq M$ , then  $-M \leq a$  and  $a \leq M$ . Multiply both sides by  $-1$  (of 1<sup>st</sup> inequality).

we have  $M \leq -a$ . Consequently,

$|a| = a \leq M$  if  $a \geq 0$ ,

and  $|a| = -a \leq M$  if  $a < 0$

This proves  $|a| \leq M$ ,  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$

ex. (H.W) One can prove  $|a| < M \Leftrightarrow -M < a < M$ ,  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $M > 0$



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Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $M \geq 0$ . Then  $|a| \leq M \Leftrightarrow -M \leq a \leq M$

Thm 2: The absolute value satisfies

- i)  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}, |a| \geq 0$  with  $|a| = 0 \Leftrightarrow a = 0$  positive definite
- ii) (Symmetric),  $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}, |a-b| = |b-a|$
- iii) (Triangular) in equality  
 $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}, |a+b| \leq |a| + |b|$  &  $||a| - |b|| \leq |a-b|$

Proof. (i) & (ii) Exercise

(i) To prove the 1<sup>st</sup> inequality, notice that  $|x| \leq |x|, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

Thus, Thm 1:  $-|x| \leq x \leq |x|$

$$\Rightarrow \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}, -|a| \leq a \leq |a| \quad \& \quad -|b| \leq b \leq |b|$$

adding these inequalities:

$$-(|a| + |b|) \leq a+b \leq |a| + |b|$$

$$\text{Thm 1} \Rightarrow |a+b| \leq |a| + |b|$$

To prove 2<sup>nd</sup> inequality apply the 1<sup>st</sup> inequality to  $(a-b)+b$

$$|a-b| = |(a-b)+b| - |b|$$

$$\leq |(a-b)+b| \leq |a-b| + |b| \Rightarrow |a-b| \leq |a-b| + |b| \quad \dots (1)$$

By reversing the order (roles) of  $a$  and  $b$  we also obtain  $|a-b| \leq |b-a| = |a-b|$

① & ② lead to

$$-|a-b| \leq |a-b| \leq |a-b| \quad \dots (2)$$

$$-|a-b| \leq |a-b| \leq |a-b|$$

$$\text{Thm 1} \Rightarrow ||a-b| \leq |a-b|$$

\* warning: don't mix absolute values and the additive property to conclude  $b < c \Rightarrow |a+b| < |a+c|$

Counter example:  $-5 < -1 \not\Rightarrow |-5+2| < |-1+2|$   
since  $3 \nless 1$



Ex. prove that if  $-2 < x < 1$  then  $|x^2 - x| < 6$

Since  $-2 < x < 1 \implies |x| < 2$ , Thm 2  $\implies |x^2 - x| \leq |x| + |x|$   
 $= |x|^2 + |x|$   
 $\leq 2^2 + 2 = 6$   $\implies$   $\#$

Thm ③ let  $x, y, a \in \mathbb{R}$  Then:

- i)  $x < y + \epsilon, \forall \epsilon > 0$  iff  $x \leq y$
- ii)  $x > y - \epsilon, \forall \epsilon > 0 \iff x \geq y$
- iii)  $|a| < \epsilon, \forall \epsilon > 0 \iff a = 0$

Proof: suppose to contrary that  $x < y + \epsilon, \forall \epsilon > 0$  but  $x > y$ .  
 set  $\epsilon_0 = x - y$  and observe that  $\epsilon_0 + y = x$   
 Hence by Trichotomy property,  $x$  can't be smaller  $y + \epsilon_0$ .  
 & " " " greater "

This contradicts the hypothesis for  $\epsilon = \epsilon_0$ . Thus,  $x \leq y$   
 ← conversely, suppose that  $x \leq y$  & let  $\epsilon > 0$  be given. (for all given  $\epsilon > 0$ )  
 Either  $x < y$  or  $x = y$

Case 1: if  $x < y$ , then  $x + 0 < x + \epsilon < 0 + y + \epsilon \implies x < y + \epsilon$

Case 2: if  $x = y$ ,  $x \leq y + \epsilon$

Then  $x < y + \epsilon, \forall \epsilon > 0$  in either case.

ii) suppose that  $x > y - \epsilon, \forall \epsilon > 0$

conversely:  $-x < -y + \epsilon$  part (i)  $\implies (-x \leq -y) + \epsilon \implies x \geq y$

iii) suppose that  $|a| < \epsilon, \forall \epsilon > 0$  for  $|a| < \epsilon = 0 + \epsilon$

Applying part (i) (with  $x = |a|, y = 0$ )  
 $\implies |a| < \epsilon$  And we know  $|a| \geq 0$  is always the case.

By Trichotomy property,  $|a| = 0$ . Therefore,  $a = 0$   
 ← conversely,  $a = 0$  &  $\epsilon > 0 \implies |a| < \epsilon$



Now,  $|a| = |0| = 0 < \epsilon$   $\Rightarrow$   $\#$

- \* Thus,  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$  such that  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $|x - 0| < \delta \Rightarrow |x| < \epsilon$
- \* Therefore:  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$  such that  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $|x - 0| < \delta \Rightarrow |x| < \epsilon$
- \*  $\Rightarrow$   $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$  such that  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $|x - 0| < \delta \Rightarrow |x| < \epsilon$

Def. let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ . A closed interval is a set of the form

$$[a, b] := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a \leq x \leq b\}$$

$$[a, \infty) := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \geq a\}$$

$$(-\infty, b] := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \leq b\}$$

or  $(-\infty, \infty) = \mathbb{R}$

Open interval

$$(a, b) := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a < x < b\}$$

$$(a, \infty) := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > a\}$$

$$(-\infty, a) := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x < a\}$$

By an interval, we mean a closed interval, an open interval, or a set of the form  $[a, b)$ ,  $(a, b]$

- An interval  $I$  is bounded iff it has the form  $[a, b]$ ,  $(a, b)$ ,  $[a, b)$  or  $(a, b]$

for  $-\infty < a \leq b < \infty$ ,  $a, b$  end points of  $I$ . All other intervals will be unbounded

if  $a = b \Rightarrow I$  is degenerate  
non degenerate if  $a < b$



### 1.3 Completeness Axiom

Df ① let  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be a nonempty set  $\Rightarrow$

(i)  $E$  is said to be bounded above  $\Leftrightarrow \exists$  an  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $x \in M$ ,  $\forall x \in E$

in this case,  $M$  is called an upper bound of  $E$ .

(ii) A number  $\beta$  is called a supremum of  $E$  iff  $\beta$  is an upper bound of  $E$

&  $\beta \leq M$  for all upper bounds  $M$  of  $E$

Here, we say  $E$  has a finite supremum.

& write  $\beta = \sup E$

**Remark:** (1) by last Def ①  $\sup E$  (when it exists) is the smallest (least) upper bound of  $E$ .

(2) In order to prove  $\beta = \sup E$  for some  $E \subset \mathbb{R}$

We must show 2 things

①  $\beta$  is an upper bound of  $E$

②  $\beta$  is the smallest upper bound (i.e., if  $M$  is any upper bound, then  $\beta \leq M$ )

**Ex.** let  $E = [0, 1]$ , prove that  $\sup E = 1$ .

**PF:** ① By the df of interval 1 is an upper bound of  $E$ .

② let  $M$  be any upper bound of  $E$ . We have to show  $M \geq 1$

\* **sup may not equal max** (if  $\sup \in E$  then  $\sup E = \max$ )

Since  $M$  is an upper bound of  $E$ , then  $M \geq x$ ,  $\forall x \in E$ . In particular, take  $x = 1 \in E$ . Therefore,  $M \geq 1$ . Hence,  $\sup E = 1$ .

**ex.** let  $E_1 = \mathbb{R}^-$ ,  $E_2 = \mathbb{Z}^-$  then  $\sup E_1 = 0$ ,  $\sup E_2 = 1$

**Question:** How many upper bounds & suprema can a given set have?

**Ans.** See the remark below

**Rmk ③.** If a set has one upper bound, it has infinitely many upper bounds.

**PF.** If  $M_0$  is an upper bound for a set  $E$ , then so is  $M$  for all  $M > M_0$ . ■



**Rmk ④.** if a set  $E$  has a sup  $\beta$  (i.e.  $\sup E = \beta$ ), then it is unique.

**pf.** let  $\beta_1$  &  $\beta_2$  suprema of  $E$ . we have to show  $\beta_1 = \beta_2$ .

Then, both  $\beta_1$  &  $\beta_2$  are upper bounds

if  $E$ , whence by Def ①

$\beta_1 \leq \beta_2$  and  $\beta_2 \leq \beta_1$ , we conclude that  $\beta_1 = \beta_2$

**Thm 1 [Approximation property for suprema]**  $\rightarrow$  تقريب و دقة

if  $E$  has a finite sup  $\beta$  &  $\epsilon > 0$  an any positive number, then there is a point  $x \in E$  s.t.  $\beta - \epsilon < x \leq \beta$

**pf.** suppose that the theorem is false. Then there exists an  $\epsilon_0 > 0$  st. no element of  $E$  lies between  $\beta - \epsilon_0$  &  $\beta$ .

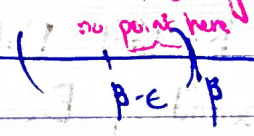
Since  $\beta = \sup E$  is an upper bound of  $E$ .

It follows  $x \leq \beta - \epsilon_0, \forall x \in E$ , i.e.  $\beta - \epsilon_0$

is an upper bound of  $E$ .

Thus by def ①  $\beta < \beta - \epsilon_0$ . It follows,  $\epsilon_0 < 0$  and a contradiction. □

\* every sup is an upper bound



**Thm ②.**

If  $E \subset \mathbb{Z}$  has a sup  $\beta$ ,  $\beta \in E$

(if the sup of a set, which contains only integers, exists, that sup must be an integer).

**pf.** suppose that  $\beta = \sup E$ . Apply the approximation property for  $\epsilon = 1$

$\exists x_0 \in E$  s.t.  $\beta - 1 < x_0 \leq \beta$

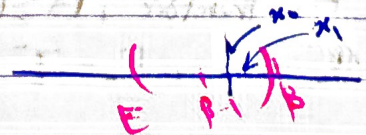
If  $\beta = x_0$  then  $\beta = x_0 \in E$

Otherwise  $\beta - 1 < x_0 < \beta$

$\exists x_1 \in E$  s.t.  $x_0 < x_1 \leq \beta$

E = {integer} ; E is not empty, closed, \*

Apply <sup>Thm</sup> theorem 1 again (Approximation property)



The last inequality gives  $0 < x_1 - x_0 < \beta - x_0$ .

Since  $-x_0 < -\beta$ , it follows that  $0 < x_1 - x_0 < \beta + 1 - \beta = 1$

$\Rightarrow x_1 - x_0 \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0, 1\}$ , a contradiction, we conclude that  $\beta \in E$ .







**Rmk:**  $\sup E$  is not always belong to  $E$ .

Ex. let  $A = \{1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \dots\}$   $B = \{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{3}{4}, \dots\}$   
prove that  $\sup A = 1 \in A$  &  $\sup B = 1$

**PF.** For  $A$ , it is clear that 1 is an upper bound of  $A$ . let  $M$  be any upper bound of  $A$ . This means  $M \geq a, \forall a \in A$ . In particular,  $a=1 \Rightarrow M \geq 1$ . Hence 1 is least upper bound ( $\sup$ )

for  $B$ , it is clear that 1 is an upper bound.

let  $N$  be any upper bound of  $B$ . Suppose that  $N < 1$ .  
This gives  $1 - N > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{1-N} \in \mathbb{R}$ . By Archimedean principle  
 $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $\frac{1}{n} > \frac{1}{1-N}$

It follows  $x_0 := 1 - \frac{1}{n} > N$   
 $\Rightarrow x_0 \in B$  by definition of  $B$   
 $x_0 > N$  for  $x_0 \in B$

This contradicts the assumption that  $N$  is an upper bound of  $B$   
( $b \leq N, \forall b \in B$ )

Hence,  $N \geq 1$ . This gives  $1 = \sup B$ . ■

### **Thm ③ (Density of Rationals)**

The rational numbers  $\mathbb{Q}$  are dense in the reals  $\mathbb{R}$ . i.e., if  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a < b$ , then there is a rational  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  s.t.  $a < q < b$

proof:

irrational is H.W



### 1.3. continue

#### Theorem 4 (Density Theorem)

if  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $a < b$  &  $\exists q \in \mathbb{Q}$  s.t.  $a < q < b$

before proof:-

(we know) set  $S$  is nonempty

nonempty, bounded above

$\sup \leq M$   $\rightarrow$   $\sup$  is the least upper bound

proof:-

suppose that  $a > 0$

Case ( $0 < a < b$ )

Use Archimedean principle to choose an  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$$\max \left\{ \frac{1}{a}, \frac{1}{b-a} \right\} < n.$$

This implies  $\frac{1}{n} < a$  &  $\frac{1}{n} < b-a$

Consider the set

$E = \{ k \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{k}{n} \leq a \}$ ,  $E \neq \emptyset$  since  $1 \in E$  ( $\frac{1}{n} < a$ )  
 since  $n > 0$ ,  $E$  is bounded above by  $an$ . Hence by Theorem 2,  
 $k_0 := \sup E$  exists, and  $k_0 \in E$  (set of integers).

In particular  $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$

Set  $m = k_0 + 1$  and  $q = \frac{m}{n}$  since  $k_0 = \sup E$ , then  $m \notin E$

Thus by def. of  $q$  we have  $q = \frac{m}{n} = \frac{k_0 + 1}{n} > a$

On the other hand, since  $k_0 \in E$ , it follows that  $b > a + b - a$

$$> \frac{k_0}{n} + \frac{1}{n} = \frac{k_0 + 1}{n} = \frac{m}{n} = q$$

$\Rightarrow b > q$

Thus  $\exists q \in \mathbb{Q}$  s.t.  $a < q < b$   $\forall a > 0$



suppose that  $a \leq 0$ .

Choose by Archimedean principle,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  st.

$$0 < k+a < k+b$$

and by the case already proved,  $\exists q \in \mathbb{Q}$  st.

$$k+a < r < k+b \\ a < r-k < b$$

Therefore,  $q := r-k \in \mathbb{Q}$  satisfy  $a < q < b$ .

Exercise: If  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a < b$ ,  $\exists$  an irrational  $\gamma \in \mathbb{Q}$  st.

$$a < \gamma < b$$

proof:- (use Thm 4).

**Infimum of a set:-**

Def ②. Let  $\emptyset \neq E \subset \mathbb{R}$

(i)  $E$  is said to be bounded below iff  $\exists m \in \mathbb{R}$  st.  $m \leq x, \forall x \in E$   
In this case,  $m$  is said to be a lower bound of  $E$ .

(ii) A number  $\alpha$  is called an infimum of  $E$  iff  $\alpha$  is a lower bound of  $E$   
and  $\alpha \geq \beta, \forall$  lower bound  $\beta$  of  $E$  ( $\alpha = \inf E$ )

\* When  $\inf E$  exists, it is the greatest lower bound.

(iii)  $E$  is said to be bounded iff bounded above & bounded below.  
(i.e.  $\exists \#i m, M$  st.  $m \leq x \leq M, \forall x \in E$ ).  
or  $(\exists M > 0$  st.  $|x| \leq M, \forall x \in E)$

**Remark:-**

A bounded nonempty set  $E$  has a unique sup & unique inf  
Moreover,  $\inf E \leq \sup E$



① prove this

② give necessary and sufficient conditions (for equality).

③ When a set  $E$  contains its sup, we write  $\max E = \sup E$

Similarly if  $\inf E \in E$ , we write  $\min E = \inf E$

Theorem 5: (Reflection principle)

Let  $E \subset \mathbb{R}$  be nonempty

①  $E$  has a sup iff  $-E$  has an inf

In which case,  $\inf(-E) = -\sup E$

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ii)  $E$  has an inf iff  $-E$  has a sup

In which case,  $\sup(-E) = -\inf E$

①  $\Rightarrow$  suppose that  $\beta = \sup E$  exists

since  $\beta$  is an upper bound for  $E$ ,  $x \leq \beta \quad \forall x \in E$

This gives,  $-\beta \leq -x \quad \forall x \in E$  ( $-\beta$  is a lower bound of  $E$ )

suppose that  $m$  is any lower bound of  $-E$ , then

$m \leq -x, \quad \forall x \in E$

$-m \geq x, \quad \forall x \in E$

$-m$  is an upper bound of  $E$ . since  $\sup E = \beta$ ,  $\beta \leq -m \Rightarrow m \leq -\beta$

Thus,  $-\beta = \inf(-E)$  and  $\sup E = \beta = -(-\beta)$

$\Rightarrow \sup E = -\inf(-E)$

$-\sup E = \inf(-E)$

$\Leftarrow$  conversely,



⊆ Conversely, suppose that  $-E$  has an inf  $\alpha$ . We need to show that  $E$  has sup

since  $\inf -E = \alpha$ , by definition,  $\alpha \leq -x \quad \forall x \in E$

Thus,  $-x > x \quad \forall x \in E$

Thus,  $-\alpha$  is an upper bound of  $E$  (i.e.  $E$  is bounded above).

since  $E \neq \emptyset$  (given) and bounded above, Then by Completeness Axiom  $\sup E$  exists.

Note:-

$$* \sup(kE) = k \sup E$$

$$* \sup(x+A) = \sup A + x$$

### Theorem 6 (Monotone Property)

suppose that  $A \subseteq B$  are nonempty sets of  $\mathbb{R}$

(i) if  $B$  has a sup then  $\sup A \leq \sup B$

(ii) if  $B$  has an inf then  $\inf A \geq \inf B$

Proof:-

(i) since  $A \subseteq B$ , any upper bound of  $B$  is an upper bound of  $A$ .

Therefore,  $\sup B$  is an upper bound of  $A$ .

It follows that by Completeness Axiom that  $\sup A$  exists.

Thus, by definition of  $\sup A$ ,  $\sup A \leq \sup B$



(ii) Since  $-A \subseteq -B$  then  $-A \subseteq -B$ , using part (i)

$$\sup(-A) \leq \sup(-B)$$

by Thm 5 :-

$$\Rightarrow -\inf A \leq -\inf B$$

$$\Rightarrow \inf A \geq \inf B$$

**Theorem 7** (Approximation property for infimum).

If a set  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , has a finite inf  $\alpha$  &  $\epsilon > 0$  is any positive number, then  $\exists$  a point  $x \in E$  st.  
 $\alpha \leq x < \alpha + \epsilon$

Proof: (Exercise)

Completeness Axiom for infima.

If  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  st.  $E \neq \emptyset$  that is bounded below, then  $\inf E$  exists

The Extended real number

Definition:-

①  $\emptyset \neq E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is unbounded above if it has no upper bound or unbounded below if it has no lower bound.

② The set of extended real numbers is  $\bar{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{R} \cup \{\pm \infty\}$   
i.e.  $x \in \bar{\mathbb{R}}$  iff  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , or  $x = \pm \infty$ .

③ Let  $\emptyset \neq E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . We define  $\sup E = \infty$  if  $E$  is unbounded above and  $\inf E = -\infty$  if  $E$  is unbounded below.



Ex.

$$E = (-\infty, 2) \Rightarrow \sup E = 2, \quad \inf E = -\infty$$

Ex.

$$E = (2, \infty) \Rightarrow \sup E = \infty, \quad \inf E = 2$$

$$\text{[4]} \quad \sup \varnothing = -\infty, \quad \inf \varnothing = \infty \quad \text{provided we use } -\infty < \infty$$

Remember :-

$$\varnothing \subseteq A \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \sup \varnothing &\leq \sup A \\ \inf \varnothing &\geq \inf A \end{aligned}$$

ex.

$$\sup \mathbb{Z} = \infty, \quad \inf \mathbb{Z} = -\infty$$

$$\sup \mathbb{N} = \infty, \quad \inf \mathbb{N} = 1$$

$$\sup \mathbb{R} = \infty, \quad \inf \mathbb{R} = -\infty$$



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## CH 2. Sequences in $\mathbb{R}$

### 2.1 limits of sequences

• An infinite sequence (briefly, a sequence) is a function whose domain is  $\mathbb{N}$ .

• A sequence  $x_n := f(n)$  will be denoted by

$$x_1, x_2, \dots \text{ OR } \{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, \text{ OR } \{x_n\}.$$

Ex. ①  $\{1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \dots\}$  represents the sequence  $\left\{\frac{1}{2^{n-1}}\right\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$

②  $\{-1, 1, -1, 1, \dots\}$  is the sequence  $\{(-1)^n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ .

③  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$  " " "  $\{n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ .

Important  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is not the set  $\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$

ex.  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  is different from

$\{2, 1, 3, \dots\}$  as sequences. But

as sets  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  is identical with  $\{2, 1, 3, \dots\}$ .



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ex.  $\{1, -1, 1, -1, \dots\}$  is infinite but the set  $\{(-1)^n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} = \{-1, 1\}$  only.

Df. (1) A sequence of real numbers  $\{x_n\}$  is said to converge to  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  iff

$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists$  an  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  (in general  $k(\varepsilon)$ )

such that

$$n \geq k \Rightarrow |x_n - a| < \varepsilon$$

Notations

(a)  $\{x_n\}$  converges to  $a$ .

(b)  $x_n$  converges to  $a$ .

(c)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = a$

(d)  $x_n \rightarrow a$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

(e) the limit of  $\{x_n\}$  exists and equals  $a$ .

Rmks. (1) when  $x_n \rightarrow a$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , you can

think of  $x_n$  as a sequence of approximations to  $a$  and  $\varepsilon$  as an upper bound for the error



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(2) The number  $K$  in Df① is chosen so that the error is less than  $\varepsilon$  when  $n \geq K$ .

In general, the smaller  $\varepsilon$  gets, the larger  $K$  must be.

(3)  $x_n \rightarrow a$  iff  $|x_n - a| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

In particular,  $x_n \rightarrow 0$  iff  $|x_n| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

(4)  $K$  depends on  $\varepsilon$  CANNOT depend on  $n$

(5) (Summary of Df①).  $x_n \rightarrow a \iff |x_n - a|$  is small for large  $n$ .

Ex 1. Prove that  $\frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Pf. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. We need to find  $K \in \mathbb{N}$

s.t.  $n \geq K \implies |\frac{1}{n} - 0| = \frac{1}{n} < \varepsilon$ . Use the

Archimedean principle  $\exists K \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $K > \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$ .

Now,  $n \geq K \implies \frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{K} < \varepsilon$ . It follows

that  $|\frac{1}{n} - 0| = \frac{1}{n} < \varepsilon, \forall n \geq K$ .  $\blacksquare$



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Ex2. If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 2$ , prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{2x_n + 1}{x_n} \right) = \frac{5}{2}.$$

Proof. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. Since  $x_n \rightarrow 2$ , Apply

Df① to this  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists k_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$n \geq k_1 \implies |x_n - 2| < \varepsilon. \text{ Next, apply Df①}$$

with  $\varepsilon = 1$ ,  $\exists k_2 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$n \geq k_2 \implies |x_n - 2| < 1. \text{ That is,}$$

$$n \geq k_2 \implies x_n > 1 \text{ (i.e., } 2x_n > 2).$$

Set  $k = \max\{k_1, k_2\}$  and suppose that

$n \geq k$ . Since  $n \geq k_1$ , we have

$$|2 - x_n| = |x_n - 2| < \varepsilon. \text{ Since } n \geq k_2,$$

we have  $0 < \frac{1}{2x_n} < \frac{1}{2} < 1$ . It follows that

$$\left| \frac{2x_n + 1}{x_n} - \frac{5}{2} \right| = \left| \frac{2 - x_n}{2x_n} \right| = \frac{|x_n - 2|}{2x_n} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2x_n} < \varepsilon,$$

for all  $n \geq k$ . ■



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Ex. show that the sequence  $\{(-1)^n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  has no limit.

Proof. Spse that  $(-1)^n \rightarrow \alpha$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for some  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ . Given  $\varepsilon = 1$ ,  $\exists$  a  $K \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$$n \geq K \implies |(-1)^n - \alpha| < \varepsilon.$$

For  $n$  odd this implies  $|1 + \alpha| = |-1 - \alpha| < 1$ ,

and for  $n$  even this implies  $|1 - \alpha| < 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence, } 2 = |1+1| &= |1-\alpha + \alpha + 1| \\ &\leq |1-\alpha| + |1+\alpha| \\ &< 1 + 1 = 2, \text{ i.e. } 2 < 2, \\ &\text{a contradiction.} \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

Rmk. A sequence can have at most one limit.

Proof. Spse that  $x_n \rightarrow \alpha$  and  $x_n \rightarrow \beta$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

By def'n;  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  a  $K \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$$n \geq K \implies |x_n - \alpha| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \text{ and } |x_n - \beta| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

Thus, it follows from triangle inequality that



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$$\begin{aligned}
|\alpha - \beta| &= |(\alpha - x_n) + (x_n - \beta)| \\
&\leq |\alpha - x_n| + |x_n - \beta| \\
&= |x_n - \alpha| + |x_n - \beta| \\
&< \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon
\end{aligned}$$

i.e.,  $|\alpha - \beta| < \epsilon, \forall \epsilon > 0$ . We conclude that  $\alpha = \beta$  (see Thm in section 1.2).  $\square$

Df 2. A subsequence of a sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a sequence of the form  $\{x_{n_k}\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ , where each  $n_k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $n_1 < n_2 < \dots$

thus, a subsequence  $x_{n_1}, x_{n_2}, \dots$  of  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  is obtained by deleting from  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  all  $x_n$ 's except those such that  $n = n_k$  for some  $k$ .

Ex.  $\{1, 1, 1, \dots\}$  is a subsequence of  $\{-1, 1, -1, 1, \dots\}$  by deleting every other terms (set  $n_k = 2k$ ).





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Prop. If  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges to  $\alpha$  and  $\{x_{n_k}\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  is any subsequence of  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ , then  $x_{n_k} \rightarrow \alpha$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

Pf. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. Since  $x_n \rightarrow \alpha$ , then

$$\exists K \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } n \geq K \implies |x_n - \alpha| < \varepsilon.$$

Since  $n_k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $n_1 < n_2 < \dots$ , then

by induction,  $n_k \geq k, \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$$\text{Hence, } k \geq K \implies |x_{n_k} - \alpha| < \varepsilon$$

i.e.,  $x_{n_k} \rightarrow \alpha$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . ■

Df (2). Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers. Then

(i)  $\{x_n\}$  is said to be bounded above

iff the set  $\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is bounded above

i.e., iff  $\exists$  an  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $x_n \leq M, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

(ii)  $\{x_n\}$  is said to be bounded below

iff the set  $\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is bounded below



i.e., iff  $\exists$  an  $m \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $x_n \geq m, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . (8)

(ii)  $\{x_n\}$  is said to be bounded iff it is bounded both above and below.

i.e.,  $\exists$  a  $C > 0$  such that  $|x_n| \leq C, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Question. Is there a relationship between convergent sequences and bounded sequences?

Ans. See thm below.

thm. Every convergent sequence is bounded

proof. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence s.t.  $x_n \rightarrow \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $\varepsilon = 1$  be given, then  $\exists$  a  $K \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$$n \geq K \implies |x_n - \alpha| < 1.$$

Hence, by triangle inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} |x_n| &= |(x_n - \alpha) + \alpha| \\ &\leq |x_n - \alpha| + |\alpha| \\ &< 1 + |\alpha|, \forall n \geq K. \end{aligned}$$



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On the otherhand, if  $1 \leq n < K$ , then

$$|x_n| \leq M := \max\{|x_1|, |x_2|, \dots, |x_K|\}$$

Therefore,  $|x_n| \leq \max\{M, 1+|\alpha|\}$ ,  $\forall n \geq K$

that is  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded and dominated

by  $\max\{M, 1+|\alpha|\}$ . ■

Rmk. the converse of last thm is False

Counterexample. Let  $x_n = (-1)^n$

notice that  $|x_n| = |(-1)^n| = 1$ , so it is

bounded but it diverges (see p.5).

HWs. 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8

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Exercises

prove that

① If  $x_n$  converges to  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $\frac{x_n}{n} \rightarrow 0$ .

Pf. Suppose that  $x_n \rightarrow a$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $x_n$  converges, then it is bdd, i.e.,  $\exists$  an  $M > 0$  s.t.  $|x_n| \leq M, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given, we need to find  $K \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$$n \geq K \implies \left| \frac{x_n}{n} - 0 \right| = \frac{|x_n|}{n} < \varepsilon.$$

Use the Archimedean principle  $\exists K \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$K > \frac{M}{\varepsilon}$ . Then  $n \geq K$  implies

$$\left| \frac{x_n}{n} - 0 \right| = \frac{|x_n|}{n} \leq \frac{|x_n|}{K} \leq \frac{M}{K} < \varepsilon. \quad \square$$

② (True) or (False)

a) If  $x_n$  conv. &  $y_n$  bdd, then  $x_n y_n$  conv.Ans. False. Take  $x_n = 1$  conv.,  $y_n = (-1)^n$  bddbut  $x_n y_n = (-1)^n$  does not conv.b) If  $x_n \rightarrow 0$  and  $y_n > 0, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then $x_n y_n$  converges.Ans. False. Take  $x_n = \frac{1}{n}$  conv.,  $y_n = n^2 > 0$  but  $x_n y_n = n$  div.



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(3) Prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n^2+1}{3n^2} = \frac{2}{3}$

Pf. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. We need to find a  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $n \geq k \implies \left| \frac{2n^2+1}{3n^2} - \frac{2}{3} \right| < \varepsilon$ . Use the Archimedean principle  $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$k > \frac{1}{\sqrt{3\varepsilon}}$ . Thus  $n \geq k$  implies

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{2n^2+1}{3n^2} - \frac{2}{3} \right| &= \left| \frac{6n^2+3-6n^2}{9n^2} \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{3n^2} \leq \frac{1}{3k^2} < \frac{(\sqrt{3\varepsilon})^2}{3} = \varepsilon \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

(4) Let  $c$  be fixed, positive constant. If  $\{b_n\}$  is a seq. s.t.  $b_n \geq 0$  and  $b_n \rightarrow 0$ , and  $\{x_n\}$  is a real seq. that satisfies  $|x_n - a| \leq c b_n$  for large  $n$ .

Prove that  $x_n \rightarrow a$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Proof. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. Since  $b_n \rightarrow 0$ , then  $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $n \geq k \implies |b_n - 0| = b_n < \frac{\varepsilon}{c}$ .



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Hence by hypothesis,  $n \geq k$  implies

$$|x_n - a| \leq C b_n < C \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{C} = \varepsilon. \text{ therefore, by def'n, } x_n \rightarrow a \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \square$$

(5) prove that if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = \beta$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n - y_n) = 0$$

Pf. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. Since  $x_n \rightarrow \beta$  and  $y_n \rightarrow \beta$ ,  
by def'n,  $\exists$  a  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$$n \geq k \implies |x_n - \beta| < \varepsilon/2 \text{ and } |y_n - \beta| < \varepsilon/2.$$

By the triangle inequality,  $n \geq k$  implies

$$\begin{aligned} |(x_n - y_n) - 0| &= |x_n - y_n| = |x_n - \beta + \beta - y_n| \\ &\leq |x_n - \beta| + |\beta - y_n| \\ &< \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

By def'n,  $x_n - y_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty \quad \square$



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## 2.2 limit Thms

Thm ① (Squeeze thm).

Suppose that  $\{x_n\}$ ,  $\{y_n\}$ , and  $\{w_n\}$  are real sequences. then

(i) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = \alpha$ , and if

$\exists$  an  $N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$$x_n \leq w_n \leq y_n, \quad \forall n \geq N_0,$$

then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} w_n = \alpha$ .

(ii) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$  and  $\{y_n\}$  is bdd,

then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n y_n) = 0$ .

Proof. (i) Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. Since  $x_n$  and  $y_n$  converge to  $\alpha$ , by def'n,  $\exists N_1, N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\text{s.t. } n \geq N_1 \implies -\varepsilon < x_n - \alpha < \varepsilon$$

$$n \geq N_2 \implies -\varepsilon < y_n - \alpha < \varepsilon.$$

Set  $N = \max\{N_0, N_1, N_2\}$ . If  $n \geq N$ , we have by the hypothesis & the choice of



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$N_1$  and  $N_2$  that

$$\alpha - \varepsilon < x_n \leq w_n \leq y_n < \alpha + \varepsilon$$

i.e.,  $\alpha - \varepsilon < w_n < \alpha + \varepsilon$ , for  $n \geq N$ .

or  $|w_n - \alpha| < \varepsilon$ , for  $n \geq N$ .

We conclude that  $w_n \rightarrow \alpha$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

(ii) Spse that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$  and  $\{y_n\}$  is bdd.

Since  $\{y_n\}$  is bdd, this means that  $\exists$  an  $M > 0$  s.t.

$|y_n| \leq M$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$

s.t.  $n \geq N \Rightarrow |x_n| < \frac{\varepsilon}{M}$  (since  $x_n \rightarrow 0$ ).

then  $n \geq N$  implies

$$|x_n y_n - 0| = |x_n y_n| = |x_n| |y_n| < \frac{\varepsilon}{M} M = \varepsilon.$$

We conclude that  $x_n y_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .  $\blacksquare$

Ex. Find  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cos(n^3 - n^2 + n - 13)}{2^n}$

Sol. Since  $|\cos x| \leq 1$ ,  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ , then

$$\left| \frac{\cos(n^3 - n^2 + n - 13)}{2^n} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2^n}$$



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Since  $2^n > n$  (why?), it is clear  $2^{-n} < \frac{1}{n}$ .

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-1}{n} < \frac{\cos(n^3 - n^2 + n - 13)}{2^n} < \frac{1}{n} \xrightarrow{\text{as } n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cos(n^3 - n^2 + n - 13)}{2^n} = 0 \text{ by Squeeze thm}$$

Prmk. the Squeeze thm can be used to construct convergent sequences with certain properties. We now establish a result that connects suprema & infima with convergent sequences.

Thm 2. Let  $E \subset \mathbb{R}$ . If  $E$  has a finite sup (resp., a finite inf), then  $\exists$  a seq.  $x_n \in E$  s.t.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \sup E$  (resp., a seq.  $y_n \in E$  s.t.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = \inf E$ )

Proof. spse that  $E$  has a finite sup  $\beta$ .

For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\exists$  (by the Approximation Property for suprema), an  $x_n \in E$  s.t.

$$\beta - \frac{1}{n} < x_n \leq \beta.$$

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Then by the squeeze thm (thm ①),

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \beta = \sup E.$$

Similarly,  $\exists$  a seq.  $y_n \in E$  s.t.

$$\inf E \leq y_n < \inf E + \frac{1}{n}.$$

Then by the squeeze thm  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = \inf E$ .  $\square$

Thm ③. Spse that  $\{x_n\}$  &  $\{y_n\}$  are real sequences and that  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ . If  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  are convergent, then

$$(i) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n + y_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n$$

$$(ii) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\alpha x_n) = \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$$

and

$$(iii) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n y_n) = \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \right) \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n \right).$$

If, in addition,  $y_n \neq 0$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n \neq 0$ , then

$$(iv) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_n}{y_n} = \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n}.$$



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proof. Spse that  $x_n \rightarrow x$  and  $y_n \rightarrow y$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

(i) let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. then  $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t

$$n \geq k \Rightarrow |x_n - x| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \text{ and } |y_n - y| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

thus  $n \geq k$  implies

$$\begin{aligned} |(x_n + y_n) - (x + y)| &= |x_n - x + y_n - y| \\ &\leq |x_n - x| + |y_n - y| \quad (\text{triangle inequality}) \\ &< \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that  $x_n + y_n \rightarrow x + y$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

(ii) & (iv) (Exercises)

(iii) since  $\{x_n\}$  conv., then it is bdd.

Hence by the sequence thm (ii), these sequences

$$\overset{\text{bdd}}{x_n} \overset{\rightarrow 0}{(y_n - y)} \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\text{and } \underset{\rightarrow 0}{(x_n - x)} \underset{\text{bdd}}{y} \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \text{ thus,}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n y_n - x y)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [x_n (y_n - y) + (x_n - x) y]$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n (y_n - y) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n - x) y. \quad (\text{part (i)})$$

$= 0$ . We conclude that  $x_n y_n \rightarrow x y$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

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Df (i) Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers.

(i)  $\{x_n\}$  is said to be diverge to  $+\infty$

(notation:  $x_n \rightarrow +\infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  or  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = +\infty$ )

iff  $\forall M \in \mathbb{R}, \exists$  an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$$n \geq N \implies x_n > M.$$

(ii)  $\{x_n\}$  is said to be diverge to  $-\infty$

(notation:  $x_n \rightarrow -\infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  or  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = -\infty$ )

iff  $\forall M \in \mathbb{R}, \exists$  an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$$n \geq N \implies x_n < M.$$

Rmk. (Def) (i)  $x_n \rightarrow +\infty$  iff given  $M \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$x_n$  is greater than  $M$  for sufficiently large

$n$ , i.e.; eventually  $x_n$  exceeds every number

$M$  (no matter how large and positive  $M$  is).



(7)

(2)  $x_n \rightarrow -\infty$  iff  $x_n$  eventually is less than every number  $M$  (no matter how large and negative  $M$ ).

Examples [page 12]

Thm (4) (An extension of Th (3))

Spse that  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  are real sequences s.t.  $x_n \rightarrow +\infty$  (resp.  $x_n \rightarrow -\infty$ ) as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

(1) If  $y_n$  is bdd below (resp.  $y_n$  is bdd above), then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n + y_n) = +\infty$  (resp.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n + y_n) = -\infty$ ).

(2) If  $\alpha > 0$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\alpha x_n) = +\infty \quad (\text{resp. } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\alpha x_n) = -\infty).$$

(3) If  $y_n > M_0$ , for some  $M_0 > 0$  and all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n y_n) = +\infty \quad (\text{resp. } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n y_n) = -\infty).$$

(4) If  $\{y_n\}$  is bdd and  $x_n \neq 0$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{y_n}{x_n} = 0$ .

(8)

Proof. Spse for simplicity that  $x_n \rightarrow +\infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

(1) By hypothesis,  $y_n \geq M_0$  for some  $M_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  and set  $M_1 = M - M_0$ .

Since  $x_n \rightarrow +\infty$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n > M_1$ .

Then  $n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n + y_n > M_1 + M_0 = M$ .

(2) Let  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  and set  $M_1 = \frac{M}{\alpha}$ .

Since  $x_n \rightarrow +\infty$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n > M_1$ . Since  $\alpha > 0$ ,

we conclude that  $\alpha x_n > \alpha M_1 = M, \forall n \geq N$ .

(3) Let  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  and set  $M_1 = \frac{M}{M_0}$ . Since

$x_n \rightarrow +\infty$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n > M_1$ ,

then  $n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n y_n > M_1 y_n > M_1 M_0 = M$ .

(4) Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Since  $\{y_n\}$  is bdd, then  $\exists M_0 > 0$

s.t.  $|y_n| \leq M_0$ . Since  ~~$x_n \rightarrow \infty$~~   $x_n \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

then  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n > M_1$ .



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Choose  $M_1$  so large that  $\frac{M_0}{M_1} < \varepsilon$ .

then  $n \geq N \Rightarrow \left| \frac{y_n}{x_n} \right| = \frac{|y_n|}{x_n} < \frac{M_0}{M} < \varepsilon$ . ▣

Rmk. We use the conventions

1)  $x + \infty = \infty$ ,  $x - \infty = -\infty$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

2)  $x \cdot \infty = \infty$ ,  $x \cdot (-\infty) = -\infty$ ,  $x > 0$ .

3)  $x \cdot \infty = -\infty$ ,  $x \cdot (-\infty) = \infty$ ,  $x < 0$ .

4)  $\infty + \infty = \infty$ ,  $-\infty - \infty = -\infty$ .

5)  $\infty \cdot \infty = (-\infty) \cdot (-\infty) = \infty$ , and

$\infty \cdot (-\infty) = (-\infty) \cdot \infty = -\infty$ .

If we use the above conventions, then

Thm (4) contains the following corollary.

Corollary let  $\{x_n\}, \{y_n\}$  be real sequences

and  $\alpha, x, y$  be extended real numbers.

If  $x_n \rightarrow x$  and  $y_n \rightarrow y$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n + y_n) = x + y$ , provided  $x + y$  is not  
of the form  $\infty - \infty$  and

(10)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\alpha x_n) = \alpha x, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n y_n) = xy$$

provided that none of these products is of the form  $0 \cdot \pm\infty$ .

Thus [ Comparison Thm ]

Spse that  $\{x_n\}$  &  $\{y_n\}$  are convergent sequences. If there is an  $N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

(\*)  $x_n \leq y_n$  for  $n \geq N_0$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n.$$

In particular, if  $x_n \in [a, b]$ , converges to some point  $c$ , then  $c$  must belong to  $[a, b]$ .

proof. Spse that the first statement is false, i.e., that (\*) holds but  $x := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n > y := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n$ .

Set  $\varepsilon = \frac{x-y}{2}$ . Choose  $N > N_0$  s.t.

$|x_n - x| < \varepsilon$  and  $|y_n - y| < \varepsilon$  for all  $n \geq N_1$ .



then for such an  $n \geq N$ ,

$$x_n > x - \varepsilon = x - \left(\frac{x-y}{2}\right) = y + \left(\frac{x-y}{2}\right) = y + \varepsilon > y_n,$$

$\Rightarrow x_n > y_n$ , which contradicts (\*). This proves the first statement.

To prove the second statement, we conclude,

$$a \leq x_n \leq b, \text{ then by the first}$$

statement  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b$ . This

implies  $a \leq c \leq b$ .  $\square$

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Remark.

$x_n < y_n, n \geq N_0$  Does Not imply that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n.$$

Counter example,  $\frac{1}{n^2} < \frac{1}{n}$ , but  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \neq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n}$

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(12)

2-2-2 (a) prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n^2 - n) = \infty$ .

pf. let  $M \in \mathbb{R}$ . Use Archimedean principle  
 $\exists$  an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $N > \max\{M, 2\}$ , then

$$n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n = n^2 - n = n(n-1) > N(N-1) > M(2-1) = M. \quad \square$$

(b)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n - 3n^2) = -\infty$

pf. let  $M \in \mathbb{R}$ , by Archimedean principle,  
 $\exists$  an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $N > -\frac{M}{2}$ . Notice that

$$n \geq 1 \Rightarrow -3n \leq -3 \quad \text{so } 1 - 3n < -2. \quad \text{Thus,}$$

$$n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n = n - 3n^2 = n(1 - 3n) \leq -2n \leq -2N < M. \quad \square$$

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Ex. show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{2} + \frac{1}{n}\right) = \infty$ .

pf. let  $M \in \mathbb{R}$ , by Archimedean principle,  
 $\exists$  an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $N > 2M$ . Then

$$n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n = \frac{n}{2} + \frac{1}{n} \geq \frac{N}{2} + \frac{1}{n} > \frac{N}{2} > \frac{2M}{2} = M. \quad \square$$

H.w.'s 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8



(1)

## 2.3 Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem

Notice that the seq  $\{(-1)^n\}$  does not converge but it has convergent subsequence. In this section, we will prove that this is a general principle. That is, every bounded seq. has a convergent subsequence.

Df (1). Let  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a seq. of real numbers

(i)  $\{x_n\}$  is said to be increasing (resp., strictly increasing) iff  $x_1 \leq x_2 \leq \dots$  (resp.  $x_1 < x_2 < \dots$ )

(ii)  $\{x_n\}$  is said to be decreasing (resp., strictly decreasing) iff  $x_1 \geq x_2 \geq \dots$  (resp.  $x_1 > x_2 > \dots$ )

(iii)  $\{x_n\}$  is said to be monotone iff it is either increasing or decreasing.

Rmk. (1) Some times, we call decreasing seq. nonincreasing and increasing seq. nondecreasing.



(2)

(2) If  $\{x_n\}$  is increasing (resp. decreasing) and  $x_n \rightarrow a$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we shall write  $x_n \uparrow a$  (resp.  $x_n \downarrow a$ ), as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

(3) Every strictly increasing seq. is increasing and every strictly decreasing seq. is decreasing.

(4)  $\{x_n\}$  is increasing iff the sequence  $\{-x_n\}$  is decreasing.

We know that any convergent seq. is bounded. We now establish the converse for ~~the~~ monotone sequences.

Thm (1). [Monotone convergence thm]

If  $\{x_n\}$  is increasing and bounded above, or  $\{x_n\}$  is decreasing and bounded below, then  $\{x_n\}$  converges to a finite limit.

proof. Spse first that  $\{x_n\}$  is increasing and bounded above. By the completeness



(3)

Axiom, the supremum  $\beta := \sup \{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  exists and is finite. let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . By

the Approximation property for Suprema, choose  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t

$$\beta - \varepsilon < x_N \leq \beta.$$

Since  $x_N \leq x_n$  for  $n \geq N$  and  $x_n \leq \beta$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , it follows that

$$\beta - \varepsilon < x_n \leq \beta, \text{ for all } n \geq N.$$

In particular,  $x_n \uparrow a$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

If  $\{x_n\}$  is decreasing with  $\alpha := \inf \{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , then  $\{-x_n\}$  is increasing with supremum  $-\alpha$ .

Hence, by the first case,

$$\alpha = -(-\alpha) = -\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} -x_n\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$$

Ex. If  $|x| < 1$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^n = 0$ .

Pf. It suffices to prove that

$$|x|^n \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$



(4)

First, we notice that  $|x|^n$  is monotone decreasing

since,  $|x| < 1$  implies  $|x|^{n+1} < |x|^n, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Next, notice that  $|x|^n$  is bounded below (by 0). Hence by the Monotone Convergence

Thm,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x|^n := L$  exists. To find,

$$\text{this limit, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x|^{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x|^n \cdot |x|.$$

this implies  $L = |x| \cdot L$ , thus, either

$L = 0$  or  $|x| = 1$ . since  $|x| < 1$ , we

conclude that  $L = 0$ .  $\square$

ex. If  $x > 0$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1$ .

proof. We consider three cases.

Case 1.  $x = 1$ . then  $x^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

and it follows that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 = 1$ .

Case 2.  $x > 1$ , we shall apply the

MCT. we shall show that  $\{x^{\frac{1}{n}}\}$  is decreasing and bdd below. Indeed,



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Since  $x > 1$ , then  $x^{n+1} > x^n$ . Taking the  $n(n+1)$ st root of this inequality, we obtain  $x^{\frac{1}{n}} > x^{\frac{1}{n+1}}$ , i.e.,  $\{x^{\frac{1}{n}}\}$  is decreasing. Since  $x > 1$  implies  $x^{\frac{1}{n}} > 1$ , it follows that  $\{x^{\frac{1}{n}}\}$  is bounded below.

Hence, by the MCT,  $L := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{n}}$  exists.

To find its value  $L$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x^{\frac{1}{2n}})^2 = \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{2n}} \right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow L = L^2, \text{ i.e., } L = 0 \text{ or } L = 1.$$

Since  $x^{\frac{1}{n}} > 1$ , the comparison then shows

$$\text{that } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{n}} \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1, \text{ i.e., } L \geq 1.$$

Hence  $L = 1$ .

Case 3.  $0 < x < 1$ . Then  $\frac{1}{x} > 1$ . It follows

from case 2 that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{n}} = \frac{1}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}}} = 1$$



(6)

Df. (2) A sequence of sets  $\{I_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is said to be nested iff  $I_1 \supseteq I_2 \supseteq \dots$

Remark. This is a monotone property for sequence of sets.

Thm (2). [Nested Interval property]

If  $\{I_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a nested sequence of nonempty closed bdd intervals, then

$$E := \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n \neq \emptyset. \text{ Moreover, if}$$

the lengths of these intervals satisfy

$$|I_n| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty, \text{ then } E \text{ is}$$

a single point.

proof: let  $I_n = [a_n, b_n]$ . Since  $\{I_n\}$  is

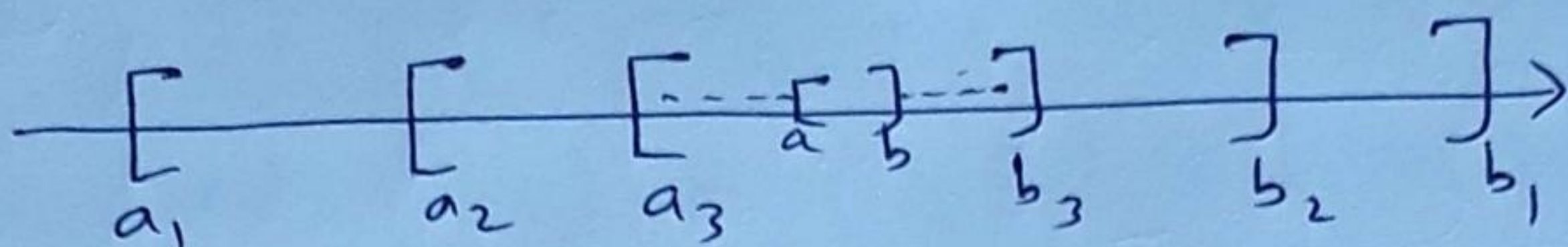
nested, then the real seq.  $\{a_n\}$  is increasing

and bdd above by  $b_1$ , and  $\{b_n\}$  is

decreasing and bdd below by  $a_1$



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Thus, by MCT,  $\exists a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $a_n \uparrow a$  and  $b_n \downarrow b$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $a_n \leq b_n, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , it follows from the comparison thm that  $a_n \leq a \leq b \leq b_n$ .

Hence,  $x \in I_n, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  iff  $x \in [a, b]$ .

In particular, any  $x \in [a, b]$  belongs to all the  $I_n$ 's  
i.e., any  $x \in [a, b], x \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$  (i.e.,  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n \neq \emptyset$ ).

Next, If  $|I_n| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (b_n - a_n) = 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$
$$b = a.$$

But we have proved that  $x \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$  iff  $x \in [a, b]$ .

Hence,  $\{$  is a single point if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |I_n| = 0$   $\square$

Rmk ①. The nested Interval property (thm 2) might not hold if "closed" is omitted.



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Proof.  $I_n = (0, \frac{1}{n})$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  are bdd and nested ( $I_1 = (0, 1) \supset I_2 = (0, \frac{1}{2}) \supset \dots$ ) but not closed. If there were an  $x \in I_n$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $0 < x < \frac{1}{n}$ , i.e.,  $n < \frac{1}{x}$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since this contradicts the Archimedean principle, it follows that

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

(2) the Nested Interval Property (thm 2) might not hold if "bounded" is omitted.

proof. The intervals  $I_n = [n, \infty)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  are closed and nested but not bdd.

$$\text{Again, } \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n = \emptyset. \quad \blacksquare$$

We are now prepared to establish the main result of this section.



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Thm ③. [Bolzano-Weierstrass Thm]

Every bounded sequence of real numbers has a convergent subsequence

Proof: Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a bdd sequence. Choose

$a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $x_n \in [a, b]$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

and set  $I_0 = [a, b]$ . Divide  $I_0$  into two

halves, say  $I' = [a, \frac{a+b}{2}]$  and

$I'' = [\frac{a+b}{2}, b]$ . Since  $I_0 = I' \cup I''$ , then

$x_n \in I'$  or  $x_n \in I''$ , for infinitely many  $n$ .

Say  $x_n \in I_1$  and choose  $n_1 > 1$  such that

$x_{n_1} \in I_1$ . Notice that  $|I_1| = \frac{|I_0|}{2} = \frac{b-a}{2}$ .

Spec that closed intervals  $I_0 \supset I_1 \supset \dots \supset I_m$

and natural numbers  $n_1 < n_2 < \dots < n_m$

have been chosen s.t,  $\forall$  for each  $0 \leq k \leq m$ ,

$|I_k| = \frac{b-a}{2^k}$ ,  $n_k \in I_k$  and  $x_{n_k} \in I_k$  for

infinitely many  $n$ . (2)



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To choose  $I_{m+1}$ , divide  $I_m = [a_m, b_m]$  into two halves, say  $I' = [a_m, \frac{a_m + b_m}{2}]$  and  $I'' = [\frac{a_m + b_m}{2}, b_m]$ . Since  $I_m = I' \cup I''$ , at least one of these halves contains  $x_n$  for infinitely many  $n$ . Call it  $I_{m+1}$ , and choose  $n_{m+1} > n_m$  s.t.  $x_{n_{m+1}} \in I_{m+1}$ .

$$\text{Since } |I_{m+1}| = \frac{|I_m|}{2} = \frac{b-a}{2^{m+1}},$$

it follows by induction that there is

a nested seq.  $\{I_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  of nonempty

closed bdd intervals that satisfy (2) for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . By the Nested Interval

property, there is an  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  that belongs to  $I_k$ ,  $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $x \in I_k$ ,

we have by (2) that

$$0 \leq |x_{n_k} - x| \leq |I_k| \leq \frac{b-a}{2^k}, \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$$

Hence by the Squeeze,  $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

H.W's 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 (i.e., All).



## 2.4 Cauchy sequences ①

Df ① A sequence of points  $x_n \in \mathbb{R}$  is said to be Cauchy (in  $\mathbb{R}$ ) iff  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists$  an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $n, m \geq N \implies |x_n - x_m| < \varepsilon$ .

Rmk ① If  $\{x_n\}$  is convergent, then  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy.

Proof. Suppose that  $x_n \rightarrow a$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . then, given  $\varepsilon > 0, \exists$  an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $|x_n - a| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$  for all  $n \geq N$ . Hence, if  $n, m \geq N$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} |x_n - x_m| &= |x_n - a + a - x_m| \\ &\leq |x_n - a| + |x_m - a| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

The following result shows that the converse of the above remark is also true (for real sequences).

Thm ① [Cauchy]. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers. Then  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy iff  $\{x_n\}$  converges (to some point  $a$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ ).



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Proof: - By Rmk ①, we need only show that every Cauchy sequence converges.

Suppose that  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy. Given  $\varepsilon = 1$ ,  
 $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $|x_n - x_m| < 1$ , for all  $m \geq N$ .

By the triangle inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} |x_m| &= |x_m - x_N + x_N| \\ &\leq |x_N - x_m| + |x_N| \\ &< 1 + |x_N|, \text{ for } m \geq N. \end{aligned}$$

Also,  $|x_m| \leq \max\{|x_1|, |x_2|, \dots, |x_{N-1}|\} =: M$ ,  
for  $m = 1, 2, \dots, N-1$

Therefore,  $|x_m| \leq \max\{M, 1 + |x_N|\}$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

this means  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded. By the

Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem,  $\{x_n\}$  has

a convergent subsequence, say  $x_{n_k} \rightarrow a$  as

$k \rightarrow \infty$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Since  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy,

$\exists N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $n, m \geq N_1 \implies |x_n - x_m| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$



(3)

Since  $x_{n_k} \rightarrow a$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\exists N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  
 $k \geq N_2 \implies |x_{n_k} - a| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ .

Fix  $k \geq N_2$  s.t.  $n_k \geq N_1$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} |x_n - a| &= |x_n - x_{n_k} + x_{n_k} - a| \\ &\leq |x_n - x_{n_k}| + |x_{n_k} - a| \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon, \text{ for all } n \geq N_1. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $x_n \rightarrow a$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  ■

Remark (2) this result is extremely useful because it is often easier to show that a sequence is Cauchy than to show that it converges. Let us see the following example.

Example Prove that any real sequence

$$\{x_n\} \text{ satisfies } |x_n - x_{n+1}| \leq \frac{1}{2^n}, n \in \mathbb{N},$$

is convergent.



(4)

Proof. If  $m > n$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} |x_n - x_m| &= |x_n - x_{n+1} + x_{n+1} - x_{n+2} + \dots + x_{m-1} - x_m| \\ &\leq |x_n - x_{n+1}| + |x_{n+1} - x_{n+2}| + \dots + |x_{m-1} - x_m| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2^n} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{m-1}} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \left[ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{m-n}} \right]$$

Geometric series  
 $a_1 \Rightarrow$  first term =  $\frac{1}{2}$   
Ratio =  $r = \frac{1}{2}$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \left[ \frac{a_1(1-r^{m-n})}{1-r} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \left[ \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{m-n} \right)}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} \right]$$

$$|x_n - x_m| \leq \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2^{m-n}} \right), \text{ if } m > n.$$

It follows that  $|x_n - x_m| < \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$ , for all

integers  $m > n \geq 1$ . But given  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

We can choose  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  so large that

$$n \geq N \implies \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} < \varepsilon$$



(5)

We have proved that  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy.

By Thm (1), therefore, it converges to some real number.  $\square$

Rmk (3). A sequence that satisfies  $x_{n+1} - x_n \rightarrow 0$  is not necessarily Cauchy.

Proof: Consider the sequence  $x_n := \log n$ .

$$x_{n+1} - x_n = \log(n+1) - \log n = \log \frac{n+1}{n} \rightarrow \log 1 = 0$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .  $\{x_n\}$  cannot be Cauchy because it does not conv. ( $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log n = \infty$ ).  $\square$

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# CH3 Functions on $\mathbb{R}$ . (1)

## 3.1 Two-sided limits

Df (1) Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , let  $I$  be an open interval which contains  $a$ , and let  $f$  be a real function defined on  $I$  except possibly at  $a$ . Then we say that  $f(x)$  converges (approaches) to  $L$  as  $x$  approaches  $a$ , and write

$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$  iff  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  (which in general depends on  $\epsilon, f, I,$  and  $a$ ) such that

$$\boxed{0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies |f(x) - L| < \epsilon.} \quad (*)$$

Rmk. 1)  $\epsilon$  represents the maximal error allowed in the approximation  $f(x)$  to  $L$ .

2) According to Df(1), to show that a function has a limit, we must begin with a general  $\epsilon > 0$  and describe how to choose a  $\delta$  which satisfies (\*)

Ex. (1) Let  $f(x) = mx + b$ , where  $m, b \in \mathbb{R}$ .

prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a), \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$ .



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Proof. If  $m=0$ , then  $|f(x) - f(a)| = |b - b| = 0 < \epsilon$   
for all  $x$ . If  $m \neq 0$ , given  $\epsilon > 0$ , set  $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{|m|}$ .

If  $|x - a| < \delta$ , then

$$|f(x) - f(a)| = |mx + b - (ma + b)| = |m||x - a| < |m|\delta = |m|\frac{\epsilon}{|m|} = \epsilon.$$

Thus, by Df①,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$ .  $\square$

Ex②. If  $f(x) = x \sin \frac{1}{x}$ ,  $x \neq 0$ , then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = 0$$

Pf. Let  $\epsilon > 0$ , set  $\delta = \epsilon$ . If  $|x| < \delta = \epsilon$ ,

$$\text{then } |f(x) - 0| = |x \sin \frac{1}{x} - 0| \leq |x| < \epsilon.$$

Ex③. If  $f(x) = x^2 + x - 3$ , prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x) = -1$

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Notice that

$$f(x) - L = x^2 + x - 3 + 1 = x^2 + x - 2 = (x+2)(x-1)$$

If  $0 < \delta \leq 1$ , then  $|x - 1| < \delta \Rightarrow 0 < x < 2$ , so

$$|x + 2| \leq |x| + 2 < 4, \text{ set } \delta = \min\left\{1, \frac{\epsilon}{4}\right\}.$$

It follows that if  $|x - 1| < \delta$ , then



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$$|f(x) - L| = |x-1| |x+2| < 4|x-1| < 4\delta \leq 4 \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{4} = \varepsilon.$$

thus, by Df①,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = -1$ .

Thm ①. If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  exists, then it is unique, i.e.,

if  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L_1$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L_2$ , then

$$L_1 = L_2.$$

Proof. Suppose that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L_1$  &  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L_2$

and let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . From Df①,  $\exists \delta_1, \delta_2 > 0$

such that  $|f(x) - L_1| < \varepsilon$  if  $0 < |x-a| < \delta_1$

and  $|f(x) - L_2| < \varepsilon$  if  $0 < |x-a| < \delta_2$ .

If  $\delta = \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2\}$ , then

$$|L_1 - L_2| = |L_1 - f(x) + f(x) - L_2|$$

$$\leq |f(x) - L_1| + |f(x) - L_2|$$

$$< \varepsilon + \varepsilon = 2\varepsilon \quad \text{if } |x-a| < \delta,$$

i.e.,  $|L_1 - L_2| < 2\varepsilon, \forall \varepsilon > 0$

$$\Rightarrow L_1 = L_2 \quad \square$$



(4)

The next result shows that even when a function  $f$  is defined at  $a$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ , in general, is independent of the value of  $f(a)$ .

Lemma. Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , let  $I$  be an open interval which contains  $a$ , and let  $f, g$  be real functions defined  $\forall x \in I$  except possibly at  $a$ .  
If  $f(x) = g(x)$ ,  $\forall x \in I \setminus \{a\}$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$ ,  
then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$  exists and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ .

PF. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and choose  $\delta > 0$  small enough so that (\*) holds and  $|x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow x \in I$ .

Suppose that  $0 < |x - a| < \delta$ . We have  $f(x) = g(x)$  by hypothesis and  $|f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$  by (\*). It follows that  $|g(x) - L| < \varepsilon$ . That is,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = L$ .  $\square$

Ex(4) Prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} g(x)$  exists, if

$$g(x) = \frac{x^3 + x^2 - x - 1}{x^2 - 1}$$



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Pf. set  $f(x) = x+1$  and observe that

$$g(x) = \frac{x^3 + x^2 - x - 1}{x^2 - 1} = \frac{x^2(x+1) - (x+1)}{x^2 - 1}$$
$$= \frac{(x^2 - 1)(x+1)}{x^2 - 1} = x+1, \quad x \neq \pm 1$$
$$= f(x).$$

and observe that, by Ex 1,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = 2$ .

It follows from previous lemma that  $g(x)$  has a limit at  $x=1$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} g(x) = 2$ .  $\square$

Theorem 2. [Sequential characterization of limits].

Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , let  $I$  be an open interval contains  $a$ , and let  $f$  be a real function defined  $\forall x \in I$  except possibly at  $a$ . Then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L \quad \text{iff} \quad f(x_n) \rightarrow L \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

for every sequence  $x_n \in I \setminus \{a\}$  which converges to  $a$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .



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Proof. ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$ . Then

given  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  a  $\delta > 0$  s.t.

$$0 < |x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \varepsilon. \dots (I)$$

Let  $x_n \in I \setminus \{a\}$  s.t.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = a$ , then

$$\exists \text{ an } N \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } n \geq N \Rightarrow |x_n - a| < \delta.$$

Since  $x_n \neq a$ , it follows from (I) that

$$|f(x_n) - L| < \varepsilon \text{ for all } n \geq N. \text{ Therefore,}$$

$$f(x_n) \rightarrow L \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Conversely, suppose that  $f(x_n) \rightarrow L$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for every sequence  $x_n \in I \setminus \{a\}$  which converges to  $a$  (i.e.,  $x_n \rightarrow a$ ). Suppose that

$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \neq L$ , then there is an  $\varepsilon > 0$  (say  $\varepsilon_0$ )

such that the implication

" $0 < |x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$ " does not

hold for any  $\delta > 0$ . Thus, for each

$\delta = \frac{1}{n}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\exists$  a point  $x_n \in I$

which satisfies two conditions:



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$$0 < |x_n - a| < \frac{1}{n} \quad \text{and} \quad |f(x_n) - L| \geq \epsilon_0.$$

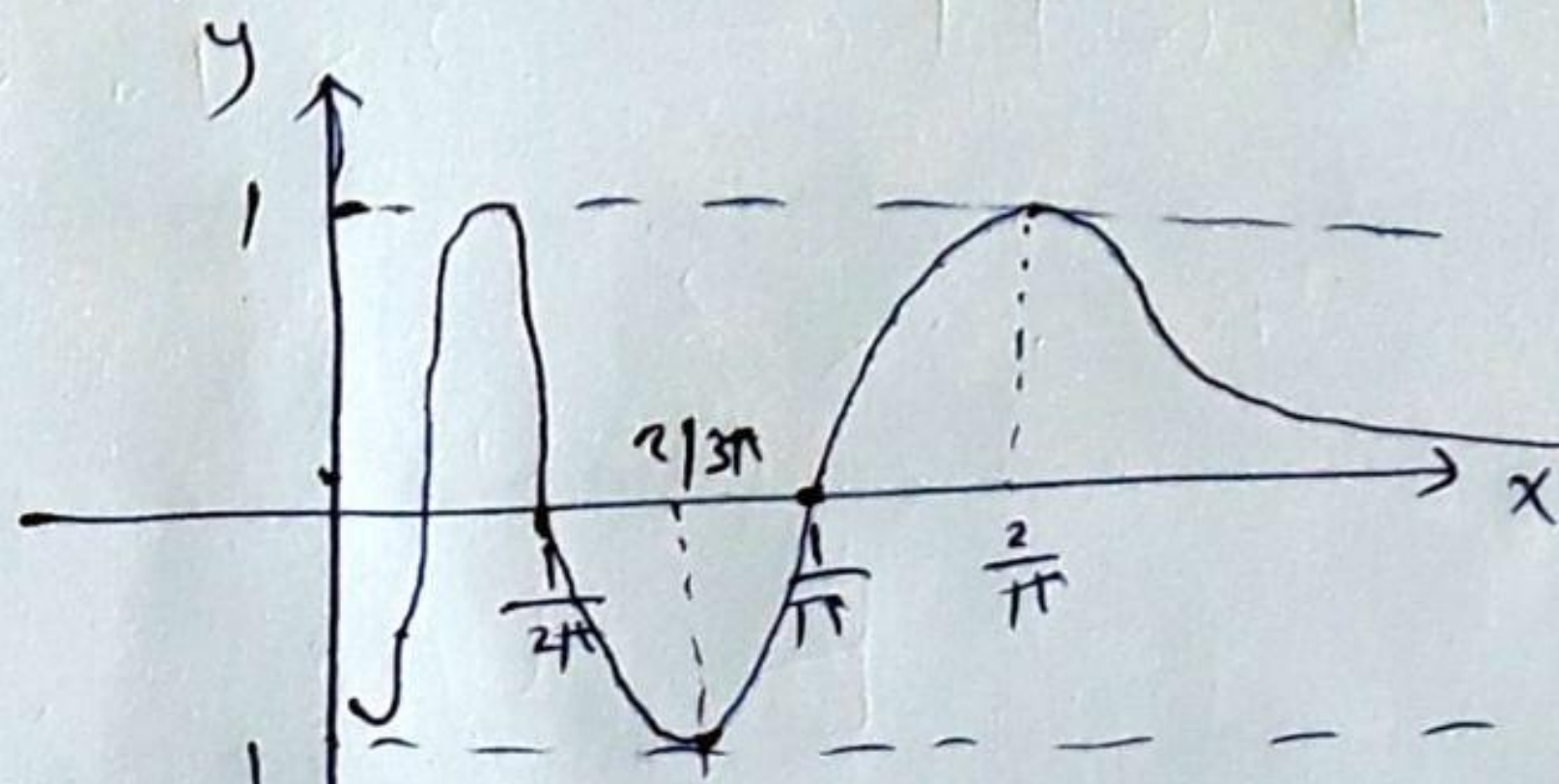
Now the first condition and the squeeze theorem imply that  $x_n \neq a$ ,  $x_n \rightarrow a$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , so by hypothesis,  $f(x_n) \rightarrow L$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . In particular,  $|f(x_n) - L| < \epsilon_0$  for  $n$  large, which contradicts the second condition.  $\square$

Def. To show that the limit of a function  $f$  does not exist as  $x \rightarrow a$ , using this theorem, we need to find two sequences converging to  $a$  (say  $x_n \rightarrow a$  and  $y_n \rightarrow a$ ) whose images under  $f$  have different limits. (i.e.,  $f(x_n) \rightarrow L_1$  and  $f(y_n) \rightarrow L_2$ , where  $L_1 \neq L_2$ ).

Ex. 5. Prove that  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin \frac{1}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$

has no limit as  $x \rightarrow 0$ .

Pf.





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By examining the graph of  $y = f(x)$  (see the above Fig.), we consider

$$x_n := \frac{2}{(4n+1)\pi} \quad \text{and} \quad y_n := \frac{2}{(4n+3)\pi}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Clearly  $x_n$  and  $y_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

But, since  $f(x_n) = 1$  and  $f(y_n) = -1$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $f(x_n) \rightarrow 1$

and  $f(y_n) \rightarrow -1$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Thus by Thm(2),  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$  DNE □

Remark. Thm(2) allows us to translate results about limits of sequences to results about limits of functions. Let us see the following theorems.

Thm(3). Suppose that  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , that  $I$  is an open interval which contains  $a$  and that  $f, g$  are real functions defined  $\forall x \in I$  except possibly at  $a$ . If  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  converges as  $x \rightarrow a$  (i.e.,



$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$  exist).<sup>(9)</sup> Then so

do  $(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$ ,  $(fg)(x) = f(x)g(x)$ ,

$(\alpha f)(x) = \alpha f(x)$ , and  $(\frac{f}{g})(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$  (when

$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) \neq 0$ ). In fact,

$$(i) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f(x) + g(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) + \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$$

$$(ii) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (\alpha f)(x) = \alpha \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$$

$$(iii) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (fg)(x) = \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \right) \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) \right).$$

and when  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) \neq 0$ ,

$$(iv) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left( \frac{f}{g} \right)(x) = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)}{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)}$$

proof. Let  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) := L$ , and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) := M$ .

(i) If  $x_n \in I \setminus \{a\}$  s.t.  $x_n \rightarrow a$ ,

then by thm (2),  $f(x_n) \rightarrow L$  and

$g(x_n) \rightarrow M$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . By Thm (ch 2),


$(f+g)(x_n) = f(x_n) + g(x_n) \rightarrow M + L$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$



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Since this holds for any sequence  $x_n \in I \setminus \{a\}$  which converges to  $a$ , we conclude by theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f+g)(x) &= L + M \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) + \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) \end{aligned}$$

(ii), (iii), & (iv) Exercises. 

Thm 4: [Squeeze thm for functions]

Suppose that  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , that  $I$  is an open interval which contains  $a$ , and that  $f, g, h$  are real functions defined  $\forall x \in I$  except possibly at  $a$ .

(i) If  $g(x) \leq h(x) \leq f(x)$  for all  $x \in I \setminus \{a\}$ ,

$$\text{and } \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = L,$$

then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} h(x)$  exists, and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} h(x) = L$ .

(ii) If  $|g(x)| \leq M$  for all  $x \in I \setminus \{a\}$

(i.e.,  $g$  is bdd) and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = 0$ ,

then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)g(x) = 0$ .



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Thm(5): [Comparison thm for functions]

Suppose that  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , that  $I$  is an open interval which contains  $a$ , and that  $f, g$  are real functions defined  $\forall x \in I$  except possibly at  $a$ . If  $f$  and  $g$  have limit as  $x \rightarrow a$  and  $f(x) \leq g(x)$

$\forall x \in I \setminus \{a\}$ , then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \leq \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$ .

Prmk. we shall refer to thm 5 as "taking the limit of an inequality".

Prmk. the limit thms (Thm 3, 4, and 5) allow us to prove that limits exist without using  $(\epsilon-\delta)$  definition (Df ①).

Ex. 6 prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-1}{3x+1} = 0$

Pf. By example (1),  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x-1) = 0$  and

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (3x+1) = 4$ . Hence, by Thm (3)(iv),

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-1}{3x+1} = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x-1)}{\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (3x+1)} = \frac{0}{4} = 0.$$

HW's 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 (All).



### 3.2 One-sided limits and limits at infinity <sup>(1)</sup>

Defn. Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $f$  be a real function.

(i)  $f(x)$  is said to converge to  $L$  as  $x$  approaches  $a$  from the right iff  $f$  is defined on some open interval  $I$  with left endpoint  $a$  and for every  $\epsilon > 0$   $\exists$  a  $\delta > 0$  (which in general depends on  $\epsilon, I, f$  and  $a$ ) such that

$$a + \delta \in I \text{ and } a < x < a + \delta \implies |f(x) - L| < \epsilon.$$

Here,  $L$  is called the right-hand limit of  $f$  at  $a$ , and denote it by

$$f(a^+) := L =: \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x).$$

(ii)  $f(x)$  is said to converge to  $L$  as  $x$  approaches  $a$  from the left iff  $f$  is defined on some open interval  $I$  with right endpoint  $a$  and for every  $\epsilon > 0$ ,

$\exists$  a  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$a - \delta \in I \text{ and } a - \delta < x < a \implies |f(x) - L| < \epsilon.$$

Here,  $L$  is called the left-hand limit of  $f$  at  $a$



and denote by

$$f(a^-) := L := \lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x)$$

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Example 1 (i) prove that  $f(x) = \begin{cases} x+1, & x \geq 0 \\ x-1, & x < 0 \end{cases}$

has one-sided limits at  $x=0$  but

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$  DNE.

(ii) prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \sqrt{x} = 0$

proof: (i) let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and set  $\delta = \varepsilon$ .

If  $0 < x < \delta$ , then  $|f(x) - L| = |x+1 - 1| = |x| < \delta = \varepsilon$ .

Hence  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x)$  exists and equals 1.

Similarly,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x)$  exists and equals -1.

Indeed, set  $\delta = \varepsilon$ . If  $-\delta < x < 0$ , then

$|f(x) - L| = |x-1+1| = |x| < \delta = \varepsilon$ .

However,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$  DNE since,

$$x_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \rightarrow 0 \quad (\text{by squeeze theorem})$$

but  $f(x_n) = f\left(\frac{(-1)^n}{n}\right) = (-1)^n \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)$  does not converge as  $n \rightarrow \infty$



Hence, by the sequential characterization of limits,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$  DNE.

(ii) let  $\epsilon > 0$  and set  $\delta = \epsilon^2$ . If  $0 < x < \delta$ , then  $|f(x) - L| = |\sqrt{x} - 0| = \sqrt{x} < \sqrt{\delta} = \epsilon$ .  $\blacksquare$

Remk. Not every function has one-sided limits (ex.  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin \frac{1}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 0, & x = 0 \end{cases}$ ). The last example shows that even a function has one-sided limits, it may not have a two-sided limit. The following then show that if both one-sided limits at  $a$  exist and are EQUAL, then the two-sided limit at  $a$  exists.

Thm 1 Let  $f$  be a real function. Then the limit  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  exists and equals  $L$  iff

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

Proof. ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$  exists. Then

given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  a  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies |f(x) - L| < \epsilon.$$



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If  $a < x < a + \delta$ , then  $|x - a| < \delta$  and this implies  $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$ . Hence  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = L$  exists

Similarly, if  $a - \delta < x < a$ , then  $|x - a| < \delta$  and this implies  $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$ , which means  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = L$  exists.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Conversely, suppose that  $L = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x)$ .

Then given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  a  $\delta_1 > 0$  s.t.

$$a < x < a + \delta_1 \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon. \quad (1)$$

and  $\exists$  a  $\delta_2 > 0$  s.t.

$$a - \delta_2 < x < a \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon. \quad (2)$$

Set  $\delta = \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2\}$ . Then

$|x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow a - \delta < x < a + \delta$  which implies

$a < x < a + \delta_1$  or  $a - \delta_2 < x < a$  (depending

on whether  $x$  is to the right or to the

left of  $a$ ). Hence, (1) & (2) give  $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$

that is  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$   $\square$



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Df(2). (limits at infinity).

Let  $a, L \in \mathbb{R}$  & let  $f$  be a real function.

(i)  $f(x)$  is said to converge to  $L$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$   
iff  $\exists$  a  $c > 0$  such that  $(c, \infty) \subset \text{Dom}(f)$   
and given  $\epsilon > 0$  there is an  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.,

$x > M \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$ , in which case

we shall write  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = L$  or  $f(x) \rightarrow L$   
as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ .

Similarly,  $f(x) \rightarrow L$  as  $x \rightarrow -\infty$  iff

$\exists$  a  $c > 0$  s.t.,  $(-\infty, -c) \subset \text{Dom}(f)$  and  
given  $\epsilon > 0$  there is an  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$x < M \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$ , in which case

we shall write  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) = L$  or  $f(x) \rightarrow L$   
as  $x \rightarrow -\infty$ .

(ii)  $f(x)$  is said to converge to  $\infty$  as

$x \rightarrow a$  (i.e.,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty$ ) iff there is

an open interval  $I$  containing  $a$  such that

$I \setminus \{a\} \subset \text{Dom}(f)$  and given  $M \in \mathbb{R}$



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there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$0 < |x-a| < \delta \Rightarrow f(x) > M, \text{ in which}$$

Case we write  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty$  or  $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $x \rightarrow a$ .

Similarly,  $f(x)$  is said to converge to  $-\infty$  as

$$x \rightarrow a \text{ (i.e., } \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = -\infty) \text{ iff } \exists \text{ an open}$$

interval  $I$  containing  $a$  such that

$$I \setminus \{a\} \subset \text{Dom}(f) \text{ and given } M \in \mathbb{R}$$

there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$0 < |x-a| < \delta \Rightarrow f(x) < M.$$

Def. Obvious modifications of this Def, we define  $f(x) \rightarrow \pm\infty$  as  $x \rightarrow a^+$  &  $x \rightarrow a^-$ , and  $f(x) \rightarrow \pm\infty$  as  $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$ .

Ex. (i) Prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x} = 0$ .

(ii) prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{x+2}{2x^2-3x+1} = -\infty$

Proof. (i) Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , set  $M = \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$ . If

$$x > M, \text{ then } |f(x) - L| = \left| \frac{1}{x} - 0 \right| = \frac{1}{x} < \frac{1}{M} = \varepsilon.$$

thus,  $\frac{1}{x} \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ .



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(ii) Let  $M \in \mathbb{R}$ . We need to find  $\delta > 0$

s.t.  $1 - \delta < x < 1 \Rightarrow f(x) < M,$

where  $f(x) = \frac{x+2}{2x^2-3x+1}$ . Without loss

of generality, assume that  $M < 0$ .

As  $x \rightarrow 1^-$ ,  $2x^2 - 3x + 1$  is negative and

$2x^2 - 3x + 1 \rightarrow 0$  (observe that  $2x^2 - 3x + 1$

is a parabola opening upward with roots  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $1$ ).

Therefore, choose  $\delta \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$1 - \delta < x < 1 \Rightarrow \frac{2}{M} < 2x^2 - 3x + 1 < 0, \text{ i.e.,}$$

$$\frac{-1}{2x^2 - 3x + 1} > -\frac{M}{2} > 0. \text{ Since } 0 < x < 1 \text{ also}$$

implies  $2 < x + 2 < 3$ , it follows that

$$-\frac{x+2}{2x^2-3x+1} > -M, \text{ i.e.,}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x+2}{2x^2-3x+1} < M, \text{ for all } 1 - \delta < x < 1.$$

□



Notation  $\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow a \\ x \in I}} f(x)$  (\*) [a is an extended real number].

• (\*) will denote  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  (when it exists)

• If a is a finite left endpoint of I, then

(\*) will denote  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x)$  (when it exists).

• If a is a finite right endpoint of I,

then (\*) will denote  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x)$  (when it exists)

• If  $a = \pm\infty$  is an endpoint of I, then

(\*) will denote  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} f(x)$  (when each exists).

Using this notation, we can state a Sequential

Characterization of Limits valid for

two-sided, one-sided, and infinite limits.

Thm 2 Let a be an extended real number, and let I be a nondegenerate open

interval  $\mathcal{I}$  which either contains a or

has a as one of its endpoints. Suppose

further that f is a real function defined



on  $I$  except possibly at  $a$ . Then

$\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow a \\ x \in I}} f(x)$  exists and equals  $L$

if and only if  $f(x_n) \rightarrow L$  for all sequences  $x_n \in I$  which satisfy  $x_n \neq a$  and  $x_n \rightarrow a$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Proof. Since we have proved this for two-sided limits, we must show it for the remaining 8 cases which notation (\*) represents. Since the proofs are similar, we shall give the details for only one case, namely,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty$ . Thus, we must prove that

$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty$  iff  $f(x_n) \rightarrow \infty$  for any sequence  $x_n \in I$  which converges to  $a$  and satisfies  $x_n \neq a$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

( $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty$ . If  $x_n \in I$ ,  $x_n \rightarrow a$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , and  $x_n \neq a$ , then given  $M \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\exists$  a  $\delta > 0$  such that



$$0 < |x-a| < \delta \Rightarrow f(x) > M. \quad (10)$$

and  $\exists$  an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$n \geq N \Rightarrow |x_n - a| < \delta.$$

consequently,  $n \geq N \Rightarrow f(x_n) > M$ , i.e.,

$f(x_n) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  as required.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Conversely, Suppose to the contrary that  $f(x_n) \rightarrow \infty$  for any sequence  $x_n \in I$  which converges to  $a$  and satisfies  $x_n \neq a$  but  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \neq \infty$ . By the definition of

"convergence" to  $\infty$  there are numbers

$$M_0 \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } x_n \in I \text{ s.t. } |x_n - a| < \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\text{and } f(x_n) \leq M_0, \forall n \geq N.$$

$$\text{Now, } |x_n - a| < \frac{1}{n} \Rightarrow a - \frac{1}{n} < x_n < a + \frac{1}{n}$$

this implies, using squeeze thm,  $x_n \rightarrow a$

but the condition  $f(x_n) \leq M_0, \forall n \geq N$

implies that  $f(x_n) \not\rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

which is a contradiction & this proves thm (2)

in the case  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty, a \in I$ .  $\square$



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Rule. Using Thm 2, we can prove limit theorems represented in sec. 3.1. These limits thus can be used to evaluate infinite limits and limits at  $\pm\infty$ .

Ex. ③ prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2 - 1}{1 - x^2} = -2$ .

Proof. Since the limit of a product is the product of the limits, we have by Ex ② (i) that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x^m} = 0$ , for any  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Multiplying numerator and denominator of the expression above by  $\frac{1}{x^2}$ , we obtain

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2 - 1}{1 - x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2 - \frac{1}{x^2}}{-1 + \frac{1}{x^2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (2 - \frac{1}{x^2})}{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (-1 + \frac{1}{x^2})} = \frac{2}{-1} = -2 \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

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0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (i.e., All)

Also, Give such an example on Q8.



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The ninth part is devoted to the study of the stability of the solution.

In the tenth part we shall consider the case of an inhomogeneous medium.

The eleventh part is devoted to the study of the asymptotic behavior of the solution.



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### 3.3 Continuity

Df Let  $\emptyset \neq E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  and  $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

(i)  $f$  is said to be continuous at a point  $a \in E$  iff  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  (depends on  $\varepsilon, f$ , and  $a$ ) s.t.  
 $|x - a| < \delta$  and  $x \in E \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(a)| < \varepsilon$  (\*)

(ii)  $f$  is said to be continuous on  $E$  iff  $f$  is continuous at every  $x \in E$ .

Rmk. Let  $I$  be an open interval which contains a point  $a$  and  $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $f$  is continuous at  $a \in I$  iff  $f(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ .

proof. see the book.

thm(1) [sequential characterization of continuity]

Spse that  $E$  is a nonempty subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ , that  $a \in E$ , and that  $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Then the following statements are equivalent:

(i)  $f$  is cont. at  $a \in E$ .

(ii) If  $x_n \rightarrow a$  and  $x_n \in E$ , then  $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(a)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$



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Thm 2. Let  $E$  be a nonempty subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $f, g: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . If  $f, g$  are continuous at a point  $a \in E$  (resp. continuous on the set  $E$ ), then so are  $f+g$ ,  $fg$ , and  $\alpha f$  (for any  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ).  
Moreover,  $f/g$  is cont. at  $a \in E$  when  $g(a) \neq 0$  (resp. on  $E$  when  $g(x) \neq 0$  for all  $x \in E$ ).

Df 2. Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ , that  $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g: B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . If  $f(A) \subseteq B$  for every  $x \in A$ , then the composition of  $g$  with  $f$  is the function  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $(g \circ f)(x) := g(f(x))$ ,  $x \in A$ .

Thm 3. Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ , that  $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g: B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , and that  $f(x) \in B$ ,  $\forall x \in A$ .

(i) If  $A := I \setminus \{a\}$ , where  $I$  is a nondegenerate interval which either contains  $a$  or has  $a$  as one of its endpoints, if

$$L := \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow a \\ x \in I}} f(x)$$



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exists and belongs to  $B$ , and if  $g$  is cont. at  $L \in B$ , then

$$\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow a \\ x \in I}} (g \circ f)(x) = g\left(\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow a \\ x \in I}} f(x)\right).$$

(ii) If  $f$  is cont. at  $a \in A$  and  $g$  is cont. at  $f(a) \in B$ , then  $g \circ f$  is cont. at  $a \in A$ .

Proof: (i) Spec that  $x_n \in I \setminus \{a\}$  and that  $x_n \rightarrow a$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $f(A) \subseteq B$ ,  $f(x_n) \in B$ . Also, by the sequential characterization of limits,  $f(x_n) \rightarrow L$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $g$  is cont. at  $L \in B$ , it follows from thm (i) that  $(g \circ f)(x_n) := g(f(x_n)) \rightarrow g(L)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Hence, by the sequential characterization of limits, again,  $(g \circ f)(x) \rightarrow g(L)$  as  $x \rightarrow a$  in  $I$ .

(ii) Exercise  $\square$



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Df (3). Let  $\emptyset \neq E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . A function  $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to be bounded on  $E$  iff  $\exists$  an  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.,  $|f(x)| \leq M, \forall x \in E$ . ( $f$  is dominated by  $M$  on  $E$ )

Rule: Notice that whether a function  $f$  is bounded or not on a set  $E$  depends on  $E$  as well as on  $f$ . For ex,  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  is bounded on  $(1, \infty)$  but unbounded on  $(0, 2)$ . Again,  $f(x) = x^2$  is bounded on  $(-2, 2)$  (dominated by 4) but unbounded on  $[0, \infty)$ .

Thm (4). [Extreme value thm]

If  $I$  is a closed, bounded interval and  $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous on  $I$ , then  $f$  is bounded on  $I$ .

Moreover, if  $M = \sup_{x \in I} f(x)$  and  $m = \inf_{x \in I} f(x)$ ,

then  $\exists$  points  $x_m, x_M \in I$  s.t.

$$f(x_M) = M \quad \text{and} \quad f(x_m) = m.$$



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Proof. Suppose first that  $f$  is not bounded on  $I$ . Then  $\exists x_n \in I$  s.t.

$$|f(x_n)| > n, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (**)$$

Since  $I$  is bounded, by <sup>the</sup> Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem,  $\{x_n\}$  has a convergent subsequence, say  $x_{n_k} \rightarrow a$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $I$  is closed, by the Comparison theorem,  $a \in I$ . In particular,  $f(a) \in \mathbb{R}$ . On the other hand, substituting  $n_k$  for  $n$  in (\*\*), and taking the limit as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ , we have  $|f(a)| = \infty$ , a contradiction. Hence,  $f$  is bounded on  $I$ .

We have proved that both  $M$  and  $m$  are finite real numbers. To show that  $\exists$  an  $x_M \in I$  s.t.  $f(x_M) = M$ , suppose to the contrary, that  $f(x) < M$  for all  $x \in I$ .

Then  $g(x) = \frac{1}{M-f(x)}$  is cont.; hence

bounded on  $I$ . In particular,  $\exists$  a  $C > 0$  such that  $|g(x)| = g(x) \leq C$ .



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It follows that  $f(x) \leq M - \frac{1}{c}$ ,  $\forall x \in I$ .

It follows that  $\sup_{x \in I} f(x) \leq \sup_{x \in I} (M - \frac{1}{c})$ .

This implies  $M \leq M - \frac{1}{c} < M$ ,

a contradiction. Hence,  $\exists$  an  $x_M \in I$  such that  $f(x_M) = M$ . Similarly, you can prove that  $\exists$  an  $x_m \in I$  s.t.,  $f(x_m) = m$  (please do it).  $\square$

Prob. ① We also call the value  $M$  (resp,  $m$ ) the maximum (resp, the minimum) of  $f$  on  $I$ .

② The extreme value theorem (thm ④) is false if either "closed" or "bounded" is dropped from the hypothesis.

Counterexamples (2)  $(0, 1)$  is bounded interval but not closed and  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  is continuous and unbounded on  $(0, 1)$ .

$[0, \infty)$  is closed but not bounded, and the function  $f(x) = x$  is cont. and unbounded on  $[0, \infty)$ .



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Lemma. Spse that  $a < b$  and that  $f: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .  
If  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0 \in (a, b)$  and  $f(x_0) > 0$ ,  
then  $\exists$  an  $\varepsilon > 0$  and a point  $x_1 \in (a, b)$  such  
that  $x_1 > x_0$  and  $f(x) > \varepsilon, \forall x \in [x_0, x_1]$ .

Proof. Strategy: If  $f(x_0) > 0$ , then  $f(x) > \frac{f(x_0)}{2}$

for  $x$  near  $x_0$ . The following are the details.

Let  $\varepsilon = \frac{f(x_0)}{2}$ . Since  $x_0 < b$ , then

$\delta_0 := \frac{b - x_0}{2} > 0$  and  $x \in [a, x_0 + \delta) \Rightarrow x \in (a, b)$ .

Since  $f$  is cont. at  $x_0$ , then we can choose

$0 < \delta < \delta_0$  s.t.  $x \in (a, b)$  and

$$|x - x_0| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(x_0)| < \varepsilon.$$

Fix  $x_1 \in (x_0, x_0 + \delta)$  and spse that

$x \in [x_0, x_1]$ . By the choice of  $\varepsilon$  &  $\delta$ ,

it is clear that

$$-\frac{f(x_0)}{2} < f(x) - f(x_0) < \frac{f(x_0)}{2}.$$

Solving the left-hand ineq. we conclude that

$$f(x) > \frac{f(x_0)}{2} = \varepsilon, \text{ as required. } \blacksquare$$



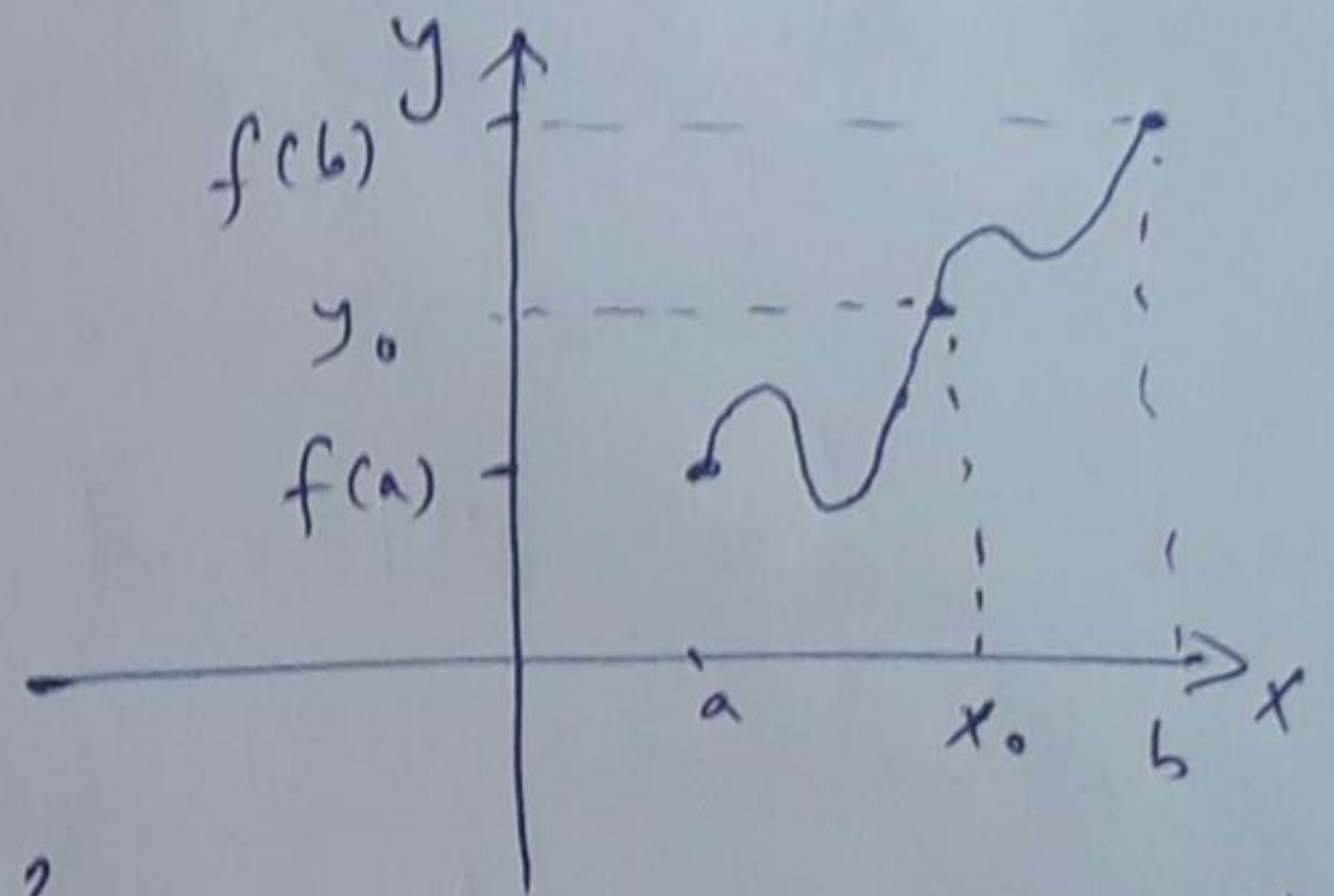
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- A real number  $y_0$  is said to lie between two numbers  $c$  and  $d$  iff  $c < y_0 < d$  or  $d < y_0 < c$ .

Thm (5) [Intermediate Value Theorem]

Spce that  $a < b$  and that  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous. If  $y_0$  lies between  $f(a)$  and  $f(b)$ , then  $\exists$  an  $x_0 \in (a, b)$ , such that  $f(x_0) = y_0$ .

proof. We may suppose that  $f(a) < y_0 < f(b)$ .



Consider the set

$E = \{ x \in [a, b] : f(x) < y_0 \}$ . Since  $a \in E$  and

$E \subseteq [a, b]$ , then  $E$  is a nonempty, bounded

subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ . Hence by the Completeness

Axiom,  $x_0 := \sup E$  is a finite real

number. It remains to prove that  $x_0 \in (a, b)$

and  $f(x_0) = y_0$ . Since  $E$  has a finite sup  $x_0$ ,

by Thm,  $\exists$  a sequence  $x_n \in E$  such that

$x_n \rightarrow x_0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .



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Since  $E \subseteq [a, b]$ , it follows from the Comparison theorem,  $x_0 \in [a, b]$ . Moreover, by the continuity of  $f$  and the def'n of  $E$ , we have  $f(x_0) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) \leq y_0$ .

To show that  $f(x_0) = y_0$ , suppose to the contrary that  $f(x_0) < y_0$ . Then  $y_0 - f(x)$  is a cont. function on  $[a, b]$  whose value at  $x = x_0$  is positive. Hence, by previous lemma, we can choose an  $\varepsilon$  and an  $x_1 > x_0$  such that

$y_0 - f(x_1) > \varepsilon > 0$ . In particular,  $x_1 \in E$  and  $x_1 > \sup E$ , a contradiction. We have

proved that  $x_0 \in [a, b]$  and  $y_0 = f(x_0)$ .

Since we assumed that  $f(a) < y_0 < f(b)$ ,

it follows that  $x_0$  cannot equal  $a$  or

$b$ . We conclude that  $x_0 \in (a, b)$ .  $\square$

Ex 10. prove that  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{|x|}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 1 & x = 0 \end{cases}$  is

continuous on  $(-\infty, 0)$  and  $[0, \infty)$ , discont. at

$x = 0$ , and both  $f(0^+)$  and  $f(0^-)$  exist.



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Pf. Since  $f(x) = 1$  for  $x \geq 0$ , it is clear

$$\text{that } f(0^+) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} 1 = 1 \text{ exists}$$

and  $f(x) \rightarrow f(a)$  as  $x \rightarrow a$  for any  $a > 0$ .

In particular,  $f$  is cont. on  $[0, \infty)$ . Similarly,

$$f(0^-) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} (-1) = -1 \text{ exists}$$

and  $f$  is continuous on  $(-\infty, 0)$ . Finally,

since  $f(0^+) \neq f(0^-)$ , then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$  DNE.

therefore,  $f$  is not cont. at  $x=0$ .  $\square$

Ex. (2) Assume that  $\sin x$  is cont. on  $(-\infty, \infty)$ ,

prove that  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin(\frac{1}{x}), & x \neq 0 \\ 1, & x = 0 \end{cases}$  is cont.

on  $(-\infty, 0)$  and  $(0, \infty)$ , discont. at 0, and

neither  $f(0^+)$  nor  $f(0^-)$  exists.

proof. The function  $g(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  is cont. for  $x \neq 0$ .

Hence by thm (3),  $f(x) = (\sin \circ g)(x) = \sin(\frac{1}{x})$

is cont. on  $(-\infty, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$ . To prove that



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 $f(0^+) \text{ DNE}$ , let  $x_n = \frac{2}{(2n+1)\pi}$ , and observe

$$\text{that } \sin\left(\frac{1}{x_n}\right) = (-1)^n, n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Since  $x_n \downarrow 0$  but  $(-1)^n$  does not converge, it follows from (the sequential characterization of continuity theorem) that  $f(0^+) \text{ DNE}$ .

A similar way proves that  $f(0^-) \text{ DNE}$  (please do it as exercise).  $\square$

Ex(3). The Dirichlet function is defined by

$$f(x) := \begin{cases} 1, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0, & x \notin \mathbb{Q}. \end{cases}$$

prove that every point  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  is a point of discontinuity of  $f$  (i.e.  $f$  is nowhere continuous)

proof. By Density of Rationals and Irrationals, given any  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\delta > 0$  we can choose  $x_1 \in \mathbb{Q}$  and  $x_2 \in \mathbb{Q}^c$  such that  $|x_1 - a| < \delta$  and  $|x_2 - a| < \delta$ .



Since  $f(x_1) = 1$  and  $f(x_2) = 0$ , then  $f$  cannot be continuous at  $a$ . (12)

Ex(4). Prove that  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{q} & , x = \frac{p}{q} \in \mathbb{Q} \\ & \text{(in reduced form)} \\ 0 & , x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$

is continuous at every irrational in  $(0,1)$  but discontinuous at every rational in  $(0,1)$ .

proof. First, we shall prove that  $f$  is discont. at every rational in  $(0,1)$ . Let  $a$  be a rational in  $(0,1)$  and suppose that  $f$  is cont. at  $a$ . If  $x_n$  is a sequence of irrationals s.t.  $x_n \rightarrow a$ , then  $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(a)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , i.e.,  $f(a) = 0$ . But  $f(a) \neq 0$  by defn.

Hence,  $f$  is discontinuous at every rational in  $(0,1)$ .

Next, we want to prove that  $f$  is cont. at every irrational in  $(0,1)$ . Indeed,



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Let  $a$  be an irrational in  $(0,1)$ . We must show that  $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(a)$  for every sequence

$x_n \in (0,1)$  which satisfies  $x_n \rightarrow a$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

We may suppose that  $x_n \in \mathbb{Q}$ .  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

write  $x_n = \frac{p_n}{q_n}$  in reduced form. Since

$f(a) = 0$ , it suffices to show that  $q_n \rightarrow \infty$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  (We need to prove that  $f(x_n) = \frac{1}{q_n} \rightarrow f(a) = 0$ ).

Suppose to the contrary that there exist

integers  $n_1 < n_2 < \dots$  such that  $|q_{n_k}| \leq M < \infty$

for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $x_{n_k} \in (0,1)$ , it follows that

the set  $E := \left\{ x_{n_k} = \frac{p_{n_k}}{q_{n_k}} : k \in \mathbb{N} \right\}$

contains only a finite number of pts.

Hence, the limit of any sequence in  $E$

must belong to  $E$ , a contradiction since

$a$  is such a limit and  $a$  is irrational.  $\square$



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Remark. The composition of two functions  $g \circ f$  can be nowhere continuous, even though  $f$  is discontinuous only on  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $g$  is discontinuous at only one point.

proof. Let  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x}, & x = \frac{p}{q} \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ (in reduced form)} \\ 0, & x \notin \mathbb{Q}. \end{cases}$

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

clearly,  $(g \circ f)(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0, & x \notin \mathbb{Q}. \end{cases}$

Hence,  $g \circ f$  is the Dirichlet function, nowhere continuous by Ex (3).

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Good Luck.



### 3.4 Uniform Continuity

Df ①. Let  $E$  be a nonempty subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $f$  is said to be uniformly continuous on  $E$  iff  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  s.t.

$$|x - a| < \delta \text{ and } x, a \in E \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(a)| < \varepsilon.$$

Notice that  $\delta$  here depends on  $\varepsilon$  and  $f$ , but not on  $a$  and  $x$ .

Ex ① Prove that  $f(x) = x^2$  is uniformly continuous on  $(0, 1)$ .

Proof. Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , set  $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ . If  $x, a \in (0, 1)$ ,

$$\text{then } |x + a| \leq |x| + |a| \leq 2$$

therefore, if  $x, a \in (0, 1)$  and  $|x - a| < \delta$ , then

$$|f(x) - f(a)| = |x^2 - a^2| = |x + a||x - a| \leq 2|x - a| < 2\delta = \varepsilon \quad \square$$

Rmk. ① The difference between the def's of continuity and uniform continuity is that for a continuous function,  $\delta$  may depend on  $a$ , whereas for a uniformly continuous function,



$\delta$  must be chosen independently of  $a$ . (2)

(2) Every uniformly continuous function on  $E$  is also continuous on  $E$ . But the converse is not true. For ex.  $f(x) = x^2$  is cont. on  $(-\infty, \infty)$  but it is not uniformly cont.

Ex. (2) show that  $f(x) = x^2$  is not uniformly continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Proof. Suppose to the contrary that  $f$  is uniformly cont. on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Then  $\exists$  a  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$|x-a| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(a)| < 1, \forall x, a \in \mathbb{R}.$$

By the Archimedean Principle, choose  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  so large that  $n\delta > 1$ . Set  $a = n$  and

$$x = n + \frac{\delta}{2}. \text{ Then } |x-a| = |n + \frac{\delta}{2} - n| = \frac{\delta}{2} < \delta$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{but } 1 > |f(x) - f(a)| &= |x^2 - a^2| = |x-a||x+a| \\ &= \frac{\delta}{2} \cdot \left(2n + \frac{\delta}{2}\right) \\ &= n\delta + \frac{\delta^2}{4} > n\delta > 1 \end{aligned}$$

this implies  $1 > 1$  which is a contradiction.

Hence  $f$  is not uniformly cont. on  $\mathbb{R}$   $\square$



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lemma Suppose that  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  and that  $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is uniformly continuous. If  $x_n \in E$  is Cauchy, then  $\{f(x_n)\}$  is Cauchy.

proof. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and choose  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|x - a| < \delta, x, a \in E \implies |f(x) - f(a)| < \varepsilon$ .

Since  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy, choose  $N \in \mathbb{N}$

such that  $n, m \geq N \implies |x_n - x_m| < \delta$ .

Then  $n, m \geq N \implies |f(x_n) - f(x_m)| < \varepsilon$ .

This means  $\{f(x_n)\}$  is Cauchy  $\square$ .

Thm ① Suppose that  $I$  is a closed, bounded interval. If  $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous on  $I$ , then  $f$  is uniformly continuous on  $I$ .

proof. Spse to the contrary that  $f$  is continuous but not uniformly continuous on  $I$ .



Then  $\exists$  a  $\varepsilon_0 > 0$  and  $x_n, y_n \in I$  such that  
 $|x_n - y_n| < \frac{1}{n}$  and  $|f(x_n) - f(y_n)| \geq \varepsilon_0, n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

By the Bolzano-Weierstrass thm and the  
Comparison Thm,  $\{x_n\}$  has a convergent  
subseq. say  $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x \in I$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

Similarly, the sequence  $\{y_{n_k}\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  has  
a convergent subsequence say  $y_{n_{k_j}} \rightarrow y \in I$   
as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $x_{n_{k_j}} \rightarrow x$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$

and  $f$  is continuous, it follows that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \geq \varepsilon_0, \text{ i.e. } f(x) \neq f(y).$$

But  $|x_n - y_n| < \frac{1}{n}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  so by the

Squeeze Thm implies  $x = y$  therefore,  $f(x) = f(y)$ ,  
a contradiction.  $\square$

Remark. thm(1) might not hold if "closed" replaced  
by "open".

Ex.  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  is continuous on  $(0, 1)$  but not  
uniformly cont. on  $(0, 1)$ . (see the book p. 93).



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Thm(2). Suppose that  $a < b$  and that  $f: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $f$  is uniformly continuous on  $(a, b)$  iff  $f$  can be continuously extended to  $[a, b]$ , i.e., iff there is a continuous function  $g: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  which satisfies  $f(x) = g(x)$ ,  $x \in (a, b)$ .

Proof. See the book p. 94.

Ex. Prove that  $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{\ln x}$  is uniformly continuous on  $(0, 1)$ .

Proof.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x-1}{\ln x} = 0$ .

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{x-1}{\ln x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{1}{1/x} = 1$

Let  $g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x-1}{\ln x}, & x \in (0, 1) \\ 0, & x = 0 \\ 1, & x = 1 \end{cases}$



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Notice that  $g: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous function on  $[0, 1]$  and  $g(x) = f(x), \forall x \in (0, 1)$

Hence  $f$  is continuously extendable to  $[0, 1]$ ,  
So by thm (2),  $f$  is uniformly continuous on  $(0, 1)$ .

Prop. Let  $f$  be cont. on a bounded, open, nondegenerate interval  $(a, b)$ . Notice that  $f$  is continuously extendable to  $[a, b]$  iff  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x)$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow b^-} f(x)$  exist.

Indeed, when they exist, we define  $g$  at  $x=a$  and  $x=b$  as

$$g(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x), \quad g(b) = \lim_{x \rightarrow b^-} f(x)$$

H.w's Exercises p. 95 [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]  
(i.e. All)



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**Exercise#1 [10 marks].** Let  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . A function  $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called **Lipschitz** if there exists a constant  $\alpha > 0$  such that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq \alpha|x - y|,$$

for all  $x, y \in E$ .

- a. Give two examples of Lipschitz functions.
- b. Prove that every Lipschitz function is uniformly continuous.
- c. Let  $g : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$ . Prove that  $g$  is uniformly continuous but not Lipschitz.

**Exercise#2 [5 marks].** Let  $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $a \in E$  such that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  exists. Show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} |f(x)|$  exists and the following identity holds:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} |f(x)| = \left| \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \right|.$$

**Exercise#3 [5 marks].** Let  $I := [a, b]$  and let  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function on  $I$  such that for each  $x \in I$  there exists  $y \in I$  such that  $|f(x)| > 2|f(y)|$ . Prove there exists a point  $c \in I$  such that  $f(c) = 0$ .

**Exercise#4 [5 marks].** Using  $(\varepsilon - \delta)$  definition of limit show that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{x + 5}{2x + 3} = 4.$$

**Exercise#5 [10 marks].**

- a. Let  $a$  be a real number such that  $a > 0$ . Show that the function  $f : [a, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  is uniformly continuous.
- b. Show that if  $f$  and  $g : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are uniformly continuous and bounded, then  $fg$  is uniformly continuous.



**Exercise#6 [10 marks].** Let  $a$  and  $b$  two real numbers such that  $a < b$  and  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow [a, b]$ .

- a. Suppose that for every  $x, y \in [a, b] : |f(x) - f(y)| \leq |x - y|$ . Show that  $f$  is continuous. Deduce that there exists  $c \in [a, b]$  such that  $f(c) = c$ .
- b. Suppose that for every  $x, y$  such that  $x \neq y$  we have  $|f(x) - f(y)| < |x - y|$ . Show that there exists one and only one  $c \in [a, b]$  such that  $f(c) = c$ .

**Exercise#7 [15 marks].** Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function such that  $f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y)$ ,  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

- a. Compute  $f(0)$  and show that  $f(-x) = -f(x)$ .
- b. Prove that for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{Z} : f(nx) = nf(x)$ .
- c. Prove that for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $q$  rational:  $f(qx) = qf(x)$ .
- d. Prove that for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\lambda$  real:  $f(\lambda x) = \lambda f(x)$ .
- e. Find  $f(x)$ .

**Good Luck**



# CH4 Differentiability on $\mathbb{R}$

## 4.1 the Derivative

Def ①. A real function  $f$  is said to be differentiable at a point  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  iff  $f$  is defined on some open interval  $I$  containing  $a$  and

$$f'(a) := \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} \text{ exists.} \quad (*)$$

In this case  $f'(a)$  is called the derivative of  $f$  at  $a$ .

Remk. ① the assumption that  $f$  be defined on an open interval containing  $a$  is made so that the quotients in  $(*)$  are defined for all  $h \neq 0$  sufficiently small.

② the graph of  $y = f(x)$  has a non-vertical tangent line at  $(a, f(a))$  iff  $f'(a)$  exists, in this case the slope of the tangent line is  $f'(a)$ .  
Let us consider a geometric interpretation of  $(*)$



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Spec that  $f$  is diffble at  $a$ . A secant line

of the graph  $y = f(x)$

is a line passing through

at least two points

on the graph, and

a chord is a line segment which runs from one point on the graph to another.

Let  $x = a + h$ , the slope of the chord

passing through  $(x, f(x))$ ,  $(a, f(a))$  is

$$\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$$

Since  $x = a + h$ ,  $(x)$  becomes

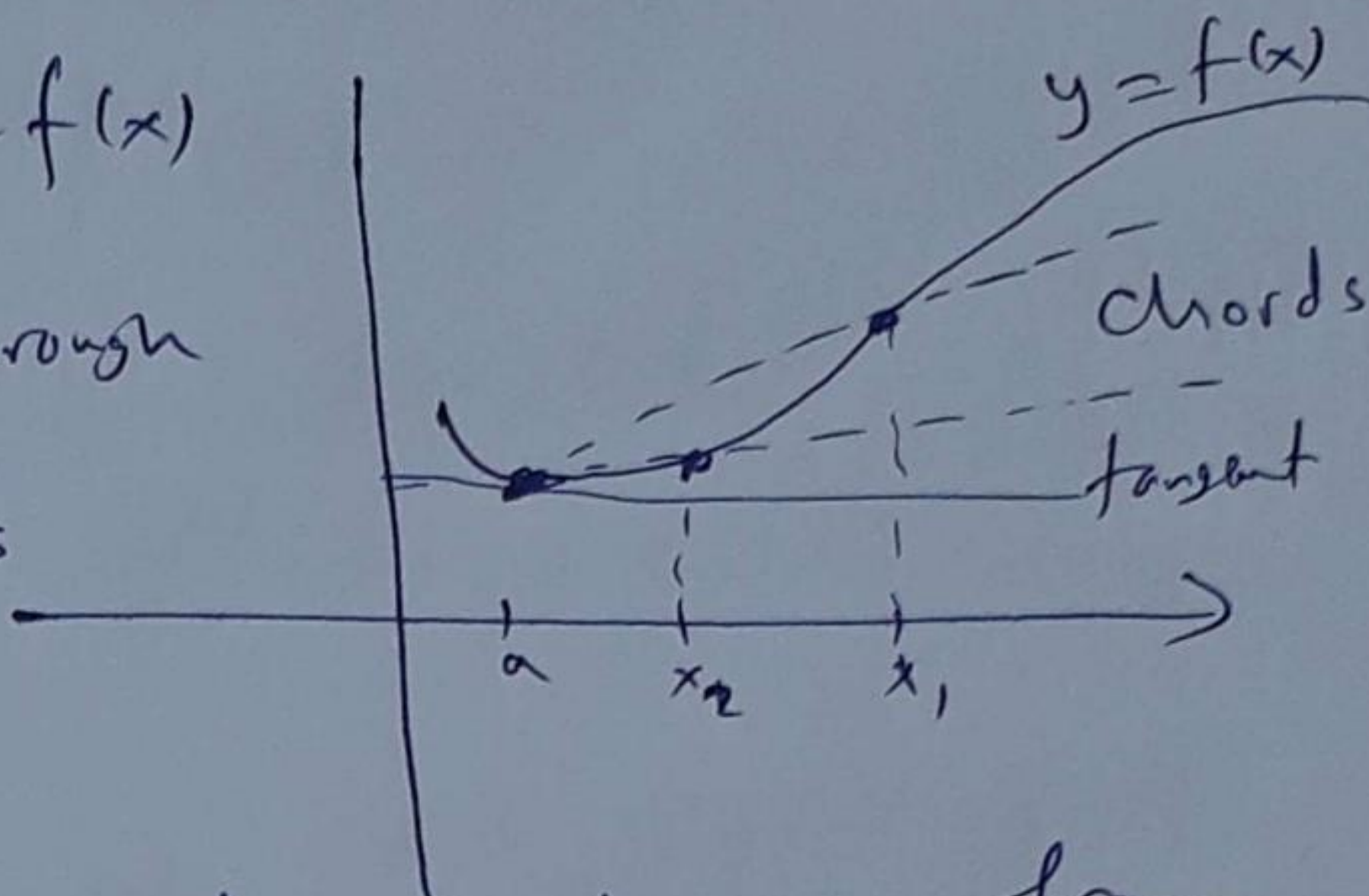
$$f'(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}$$

Hence, as  $x \rightarrow a$ , the slopes of the

chords through  $(x, f(x))$  and  $(a, f(a))$

approximate the slope of the tangent

line of  $y = f(x)$  at  $x = a$





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Thus, the slope of the tangent line to  $y=f(x)$  at  $x=a$  is  $f'(a)$ .

•  $y=f(x)$  has a unique tangent line at  $(a, f(a))$  iff  $f'(a)$  exists.

• If  $f$  is diffble at each point in  $E$ , then  $f'$  is a function on  $E$ .

Notations..  $D_x f = \frac{df}{dx} = f^{(1)}(x) = f'(x) = y' = \frac{dy}{dx}$ .  
when  $y = f(x)$ .

• Higher order derivatives are defined as  $f^{(n+1)}(a) := (f^{(n)})'(a)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  provided these derivatives exist.

Notation  $D_x^n f$ ,  $\frac{d^n f}{dx^n}$ ,  $f^{(n)}$ , and  $\frac{d^n y}{dx^n}$ ,  $y^{(n)}$

when  $y = f(x)$



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Thm ①. A real function  $f$  is diffble at  $x=a \in \mathbb{R}$  iff  $\exists$  an open interval  $I$  and a function  $F: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $a \in I$ ,  $f$  is defined on  $I$ ,  $F$  is continuous at  $a$ , and

$$f(x) = F(x)(x-a) + f(a).$$

holds  $\forall x \in I$ , in which case  $F(a) = f'(a)$ .

Proof. ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose that  $f$  is diffble at  $a$ . then  $f$  is defined on some open interval  $I$  containing  $a$ , and the limit

$$f'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} \text{ exists.}$$

Define  $F$  on  $I$  by

$$F(x) := \begin{cases} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x-a}, & x \neq a \\ f'(a), & x = a \end{cases}$$

Then  $f(x) = F(x)(x-a) + f(a)$ ,  $\forall x \in I$ ,

and  $F$  is continuous at  $a$ . since  $f'(a)$  exists.



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( $\Leftarrow$ ) Conversely, suppose that  $\exists$  an open interval  $I$  and  $F: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $f$  is defined on  $\bar{I}$ ,  $F$  is continuous at  $a$  and  $f(x) = F(x)(x-a) + f(a)$ ,

$\forall x \in I$ . then

$$F(x) = \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a}, \quad x \neq a.$$

The continuity of  $F$  implies that

$$F(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} F(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} \text{ exists.}$$

therefore,  $f$  is diffble at  $a$  and

$$f'(a) = F(a). \quad \square$$

Thm 2. A real function  $f$  is diffble at  $x=a$  iff  $\exists$  a function  $T$  of the form  $T(x) := mx$  such that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a) - T(h)}{h} = 0.$$



proof.  $(\Rightarrow)$  Suppose that  $f$  is diffble at  $a$ ,  
 and define  $T$  as  $T(x) = mx$ , where  
 $m = f'(a)$ . Then by (\*),

$$\frac{f(a+h) - f(a) - T(h)}{h} = \frac{f(a+h) - f(a) - f'(a)h}{h} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } h \rightarrow 0.$$

Conversely, Suppose that  $\exists$  a function  
 $T$  of the form  $T(x) = mx$  s.t

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a) - T(h)}{h} = 0,$$

then for  $h \neq 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} &= m + \frac{f(a+h) - f(a) - mh}{h} \\ &= m + \frac{f(a+h) - f(a) - T(h)}{h} \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = m + 0 \quad (\text{assumption}) \\ = m$$

that is,  $f'(a)$  exists and equals  $m$   
 therefore,  $f$  is diffble at  $x = a$   $\square$



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Thm (3). If  $f$  is diffble at  $a$ , then  $f$  is continuous at  $a$ .

Proof. Suppose that  $f$  is diffble at  $a$ .  
By Thm (1),  $\exists$  an open interval  $I$  and a function  $F$ , continuous at  $a$ , such that

$$f(x) = F(x)(x-a) + f(a), \quad \forall x \in I.$$

Taking the limit as  $x \rightarrow a$ , we see that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = F(a) \cdot 0 + f(a) = f(a).$$

In particular,  $f(x) \rightarrow f(a)$  as  $x \rightarrow a$ ; i.e.,  
 $f$  is continuous at  $a$  □

Remark. The converse of Thm (3) is false

example. Show that  $f(x) = |x|$  is continuous at 0 but not diffble there.

proof. Since  $x \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow |x| \rightarrow 0$ ,  $f$  is continuous at 0. On the other hand,

$$f'_+(0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(0+h) - f(0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{|h| - 0}{h}$$



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$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{h}{h} = 1$$

$$f'_-(0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(h) - f(0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{-h}{h} = -1$$

Since  $f'_+(0) \neq f'_-(0)$ , it follows that  $f'(0)$  does not exist. Therefore,  $f$  is not differentiable at 0.  $\square$

Df(2). Let  $I$  be a nondegenerate interval.

(i) A function  $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to be differentiable on  $I$  if and only if

$$f'_I(a) := \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow a \\ x \in I}} \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x - a} \text{ exists}$$

and is finite  $\forall a \in I$ .

(ii)  $f$  is said to be continuously differentiable on  $I$  if and only if  $f'_I$  exists and is continuous on  $I$ .

Rmk. when  $a$  is not an endpoint of  $I$ ,  $f'_I(a)$  is the same as  $f'(a)$ .



It is diffble on  $[a, b]$ . Then

$$f'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} \quad \text{and}$$

$$f'(b) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(b+h) - f(b)}{h}.$$

Ex. show that  $f(x) = x^{3/2}$  is diffble on  $[0, \infty)$  and  $f'(x) = \frac{3\sqrt{x}}{2}, \forall x \in [0, \infty)$ .

Pf. By the power Rule,  $f'(x) = \frac{3}{2} x^{1/2} = \frac{3\sqrt{x}}{2}$   
 $\forall x \in (0, \infty)$ . And by def'n,

$$f'(0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{h^{3/2} - 0}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \sqrt{h} = 0.$$

$$\therefore f'(x) = \frac{3\sqrt{x}}{2}, \forall x \in [0, \infty). \quad \square$$

Notation  $C^n(I)$ .

Let  $I$  be a nondegenerate interval.

For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we define the collection

of functions  $C^n(I)$  by



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$$C^n(I) := \left\{ f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ and } f^{(n)} \text{ exists and is continuous on } I \right\}$$

• When  $f \in C^n(I)$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we shall denote it by  $f \in C^\infty(I)$ .

• Notice that  $C^1(I)$  is precisely the collection of real functions which are continuously diffble on  $I$ .

$$C^n([a, b]) = C^n[a, b].$$

$$C^\infty(I) \subset C^m(I) \subset C^n(I),$$

for all integers  $m > n > 0$

• Not every function which is diffble on  $\mathbb{R}$  belongs to  $C^1(\mathbb{R})$ .

Ex.  $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin(\frac{1}{x}) & , x \neq 0 \\ 0 & , x = 0 \end{cases}$

is diffble on  $\mathbb{R}$  but not continuously diffble on any interval contains the origin.



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Proof. By def'n.

$$f'(0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h) - f(0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h \sin\left(\frac{1}{h}\right) = 0$$

and  $f'(x) = 2x \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) - \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$ ,  $x \neq 0$ .

Thus,  $f$  is diffble on  $\mathbb{R}$  but

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x)$  does not exist. In particular,

$f'$  is not continuous on any interval which contains the origin.  $\square$

Remark. A function which is diffble on two sets is not necessarily diffble on their union.

example  $f(x) = |x|$  is diffble on  $[0, 1]$  and on  $[-1, 0]$  but not on  $[-1, 1]$ .

Proof. Since  $f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{when } x > 0 \\ -x & \text{when } x < 0 \end{cases}$ , it is

clear that  $f$  is diffble on  $[-1, 0) \cup (0, 1]$

(with  $f'(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x > 0 \\ -1, & x < 0 \end{cases}$ )



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we proved that  $f$  is not diffble at  $x=0$ .

$$\text{However, } f'_{[0,1]}(0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{|h|}{h} = 1$$

$$f'_{[-1,0]}(0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{|h|}{h} = -1.$$

Therefore,  $f$  is diffble on  $[0,1]$  and on  $[-1,0]$  but not on  $[-1,1]$  ■

Exercises (H.W's) 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 (All).



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## 4.2 Differentiability Theorems

Thm 4. Let  $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be an interval, let  $a \in I$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and let  $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $g: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be functions that diffble at  $a$ ,

then  $f+g$ ,  $\alpha f$ ,  $f \cdot g$  and [when  $g(a) \neq 0$ ]  $\frac{f}{g}$  are all diffble at  $a$ . In fact,

$$(i) \quad (f+g)'(a) = f'(a) + g'(a)$$

$$(ii) \quad (\alpha f)'(a) = \alpha f'(a).$$

$$(iii) \quad (f \cdot g)'(a) = g(a)f'(a) + f(a)g'(a)$$

$$(iv) \quad \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)'(a) = \frac{g(a)f'(a) - f(a)g'(a)}{g^2(a)}$$

Proof. We shall prove (iii) and (iv), leaving

(i), (ii) as exercises.

(iii) Let  $p := fg$ , then <sup>for</sup>  $x \in I$ ,  $x \neq a$ , we

$$\text{have } \frac{p(x) - p(a)}{x-a} = \frac{f(x)g(x) - f(a)g(a)}{x-a}$$

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



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$$= \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x-a} \cdot g(x) + f(a) \cdot \frac{g(x) - g(a)}{x-a},$$

Since  $g$  is continuous at  $a$ , by thm (3), then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = g(a)$ . Since  $f$  and  $g$  are diffble at  $x=a$ , we deduce that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{p(x) - p(a)}{x-a} = f'(a) \cdot g(x) + f(a) g'(a)$$

Hence  $p := fg$  is diffble at  $a$  and (iii) holds.

(iv) Let  $q := \frac{f}{g}$ . Since  $g$  is diffble at  $a$ , it is continuous at that point (Thm). Therefore, since  $g(a) \neq 0$ , then (by thm),  $\exists$  an interval  $J \subseteq I$  with  $a \in J$  s.t.  $g(x) \neq 0, \forall x \in J$ .

For  $x \in J, x \neq a$ , we have

$$\frac{q(x) - q(a)}{x-a} = \frac{\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} - \frac{f(a)}{g(a)}}{x-a}$$

$$= \frac{f(x)g(a) - f(a)g(x)}{(x-a)g(x)g(a)}$$



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

$$= \frac{1}{g(x)g(a)} \left[ \frac{f(x) - f(a)}{x-a} \cdot g(a) - f(a) \cdot \frac{g(x) - g(a)}{x-a} \right]$$

Using the continuity of  $g$  at  $a$  and the differentiability of  $f$  and  $g$  at  $a$ , then

we get

$$q'(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{q(x) - q(a)}{x-a} = \frac{f'(a)g(a) - g'(a)f(a)}{g^2(a)}$$

Thus,  $q = \frac{f}{g}$  is diffble at  $a$  and (iv) holds.  $\square$

Remark. Formula in (i) is called the Sum Rule, in (ii) is called the Product Rule, in (iii) the homogeneous Rule and in (iv) is called the Quotient Rule.



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Corollary. If  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n$  are functions on an interval  $I$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  that are diffble at  $a \in I$ , then:

(i) the function  $f_1 + f_2 + \dots + f_n$  is diffble at  $a$  and  $(f_1 + f_2 + \dots + f_n)'(a) = f_1'(a) + f_2'(a) + \dots + f_n'(a)$

(ii) the function  $f_1 f_2 \dots f_n$  is diffble at  $a$ , and  $(f_1 f_2 \dots f_n)'(a) = f_1'(a) f_2(a) \dots f_n(a)$

$$+ f_1(a) f_2'(a) \dots f_n(a) + \dots + f_1(a) f_2(a) \dots f_n'(a).$$

Proof: Use Mathematical Induction.

Thm 5 [Chain Rule]

Let  $f$  and  $g$  be real functions. If  $f$  is diffble at  $a$  and  $g$  is diffble at  $f(a)$ , then  $g \circ f$  is diffble at  $a$  with

$$(g \circ f)'(a) = g'(f(a)) f'(a).$$

Proof: By thm 1,  $\exists$  open intervals  $I$  and  $J$ , and functions  $F: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , continuous at  $a$ ,



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and  $G: J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , continuous at  $f(a)$ ,  
such that  $F(a) = f'(a)$ ,  $G(f(a)) = g'(f(a))$ ,

$$\boxed{f(x) = F(x)(x-a) + f(a), \quad x \in I} \quad (A)$$

and  $\boxed{g(y) = G(y)(y-f(a)) + g(f(a)), \quad y \in J} \quad (B)$

Since  $f$  is continuous at  $a$ , we may assume  
that  $f(x) \in J, \forall x \in I$ .

Fix  $x \in I$ . Apply (B) to  $y = f(x)$  and (A) to  $x$   
to write

$$\begin{aligned} (g \circ f)(x) &= g(f(x)) \\ &= G(f(x)) \underbrace{(f(x) - f(a))}_{F(x)(x-a)} + g(f(a)) \quad [\text{using (B)}] \\ &= G(f(x)) F(x)(x-a) + (g \circ f)(a) \quad [\text{using (A)}] \end{aligned}$$

Set  $H(x) \equiv G(f(x)) F(x)$  for  $x \in I$ .

Since  $F$  is continuous at  $a$  and  $G$  is  
continuous at  $f(a)$ , it is clear that  
 $H$  is continuous at  $a$ . Moreover,



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$$H(a) = G(f(a)) \quad F(a) = g'(f(a)) f'(a)$$

It follows from Thm ①,  $(g \circ f)'(a) = H(a)$ , i.e.,

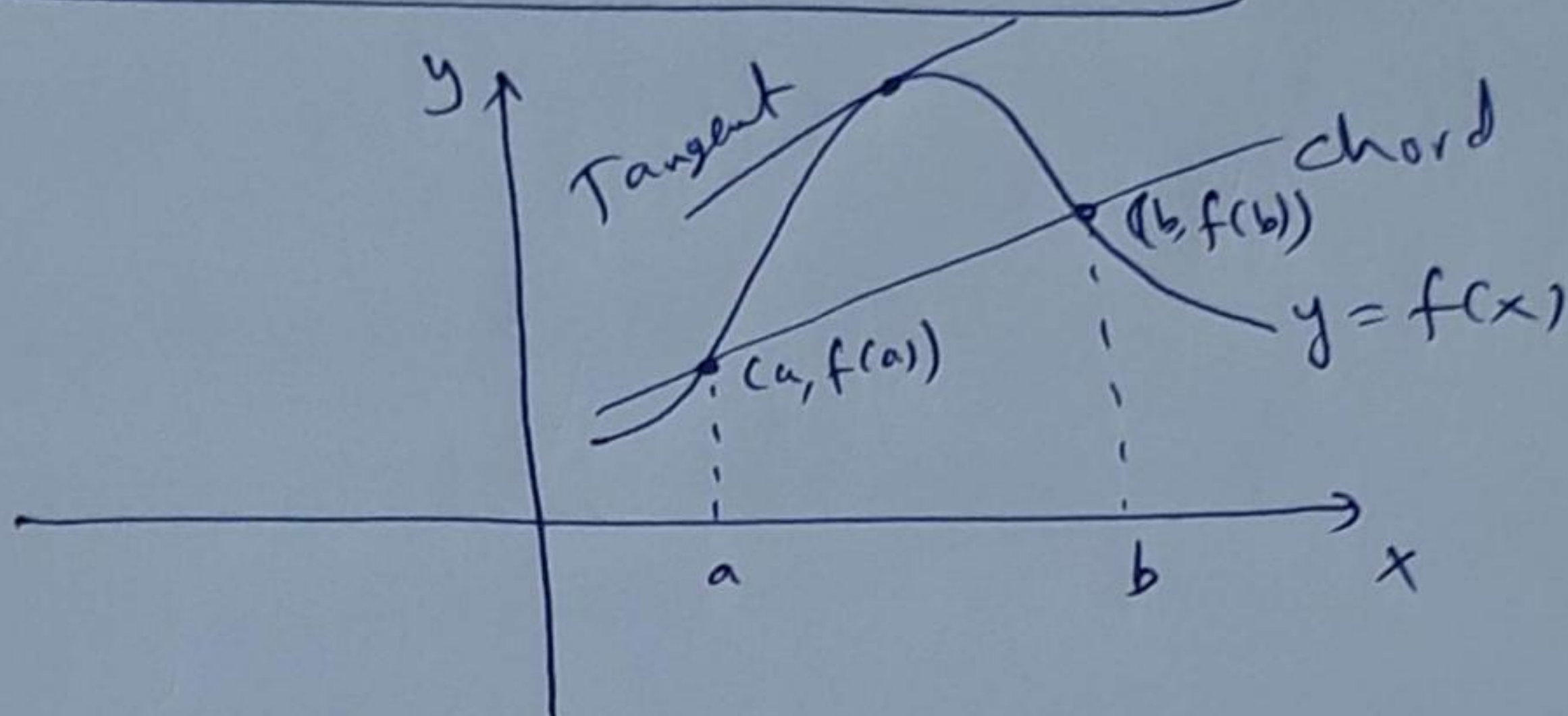
$$(g \circ f)'(a) = g'(f(a)) f'(a). \quad \square$$

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## 4.3 The Mean Value Theorem



Lemma. [Rolle's thm].

Suppose that  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a < b$ . If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , diffble on  $(a, b)$ , and if  $f(a) = f(b)$ , then  $f'(c) = 0$  for some  $c \in (a, b)$ .

Proof. By the Extreme value thm,  $f$  has a finite maximum  $M$  and a finite minimum  $m$  on  $[a, b]$ .

If  $M = m$ , then  $f$  is constant on  $(a, b)$  and  $f'(x) = 0, \forall x \in (a, b)$ .

Suppose that  $M \neq m$ . Since  $f(a) = f(b)$ ,  $f$  must assume one of the values  $M$  or  $m$  at some  $c \in (a, b)$ . We may suppose that  $f(c) = M$  (similar proof when  $f(c) = m$ )

Since  $M$  is the max. of  $f$  on  $[a, b]$ ,



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We have  $f(c+h) - f(c) \leq 0$

for all  $h$  satisfy  $c+h \in (a,b)$ . In the

case  $h > 0$  this implies

$$f'(c) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(c+h) - f(c)}{h} \leq 0$$

and the case  $h < 0$ ,

$$f'(c) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{f(c+h) - f(c)}{h} \geq 0.$$

It follows that  $f'(c) = 0$   $\square$

Remark. (1) the continuity hypothesis in Rolle's theorem cannot be relaxed at even one point in  $[a,b]$ .

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

on  $[0,1)$ , diffble on  $(0,1)$ , and  $f(0) = f(1) = 0$

but  $f'(x)$  is never zero.

(2) the differentiability hypothesis in Rolle's theorem cannot be relaxed at even



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one point in  $(a, b)$ .

Proof:  $f(x) = |x|$  is cont. on  $[-1, 1]$ , diffble on  $(-1, 1) \setminus \{0\}$ , and  $f(-1) = f(1) = 1$  but  $f'(x)$  is never zero.

Thm 6 Suppose that  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a < b$ .

(i) [Generalized Mean Value Thm]. If  $f, g$  are continuous on  $[a, b]$  and diffble on  $(a, b)$ , then there is a  $c \in (a, b)$  such that

$$g'(c)(f(b) - f(a)) = f'(c)(g(b) - g(a)).$$

(ii) [Mean value thm] If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , and diffble on  $(a, b)$ , then there is a  $c \in (a, b)$  such that

$$f(b) - f(a) = f'(c)(b - a).$$

proof. (i) Set

$$g(x) = f(x)(g(b) - g(a)) - g(x)(f(b) - f(a)).$$



Since  $h'(x) = f'(x)(g(b) - g(a)) - g'(x)(f(b) - f(a))$

it is clear that  $h$  is cont. on  $[a, b]$ ,

diffble on  $(a, b)$ , and  $h(a) = h(b) = 0$ .

Thus, by Rolle's thm,  $h'(c) = 0$  for some

$c \in (a, b)$ . That is, there is a  $c \in (a, b)$  s.t.

$$g'(c)(f(b) - f(a)) = f'(c)(g(b) - g(a)).$$

(ii) Set  $g(x) = x$  and apply part (i). Then,

$\exists$  a  $c \in (a, b)$  s.t

$$f(b) - f(a) = f'(c)(b - a). \quad \square$$

Rmk. (1) the Generalized Mean Value Thm is also called Cauchy's Mean Value Thm

(2) For a geometric interpretation of (ii), see the opening graph p. 19 (Note!).

(3) The Mean Value Thm is most often used to extract information about  $f$  from  $f'$  as follows.



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Df. let  $E$  be a nonempty subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  and  
 $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

(i)  $f$  is said to be increasing (resp, strictly increasing) on  $E$  iff

$$x_1, x_2 \in E \text{ and } x_1 < x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) \leq f(x_2) \text{ [resp. } f(x_1) < f(x_2)\text{]}$$

(ii)  $f$  is said to be decreasing (resp, strictly decreasing) on  $E$  iff

$$x_1, x_2 \in E \text{ and } x_1 < x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) \geq f(x_2) \text{ [resp. } f(x_1) > f(x_2)\text{].}$$

(iii)  $f$  is said to be monotone (resp, strictly monotone) on  $E$  iff  $f$  is either decreasing or increasing (resp, either strictly decreasing or strictly increasing) on  $E$ .

ex.  $f(x) = x^2$  is strictly monotone on  $[0, 1]$ , and on  $[-1, 0]$ , it is not monotone on  $[-1, 1]$ .

Thm (7). Suppose that  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , with  $a < b$ , that  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , and that  $f$  is diffble on  $(a, b)$ .



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i) If  $f'(x) > 0$  [resp.  $f'(x) < 0$ ],  $\forall x \in (a, b)$ , then  $f$  is strictly increasing [resp. strictly decreasing] on  $[a, b]$ .

ii) If  $f'(x) = 0$ ,  $\forall x \in (a, b)$ , then  $f$  is constant on  $[a, b]$ .

iii) If  $g$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and diffble on  $(a, b)$ , and if  $f'(x) = g'(x)$ ,  $\forall x \in (a, b)$ , then  $f - g$  is constant on  $[a, b]$ .

Proof: (i) let  $a \leq x_1 < x_2 \leq b$ . By the Mean Value theorem,  $\exists$  a  $c \in (a, b)$  such that

$$f(x_2) - f(x_1) = f'(c)(x_2 - x_1). \text{ Thus,}$$

$$f(x_2) > f(x_1) \text{ when } f'(c) > 0 \text{ and}$$

$$f(x_2) < f(x_1), \text{ when } f'(c) < 0.$$

(ii) If  $f'(x) = 0$ , then by the proof of part (i),  $f$  is both increasing and decreasing, and hence constant on  $[a, b]$ .

(iii) Follows from part (ii) applied to  $h = f - g$ . ( $h'(x) = f'(x) - g'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow h(x) = f(x) - g(x)$  is constant on  $[a, b]$ )  $\square$



Thm 8. Suppose that  $f$  is increasing on  $[a, b]$ .

(i) If  $c \in [a, b)$ , then  $f(c^+)$  exists and

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

(ii) If  $c \in (a, b]$ , then  $f(c^-)$  exists and

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

Proof. See <sup>text</sup> textbook p. 112.

Thm 9. If  $f$  is monotone on an interval  $I$ , then  $f$  has at most countably many points of discontinuity on  $I$ .

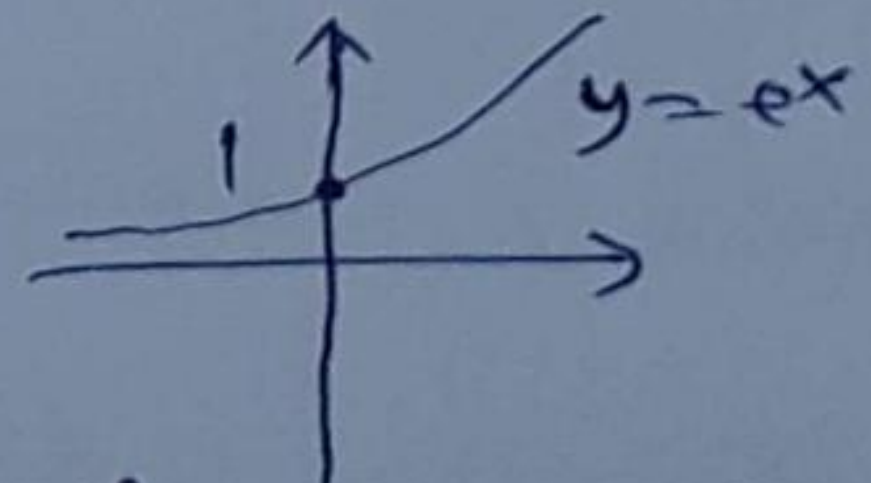
Proof. See the textbook p. 113.

Application (Thm 7 (i)).

ex. prove that  $1+x < e^x$ ,  $\forall x > 0$ .

Proof. Let  $f(x) = e^x - x$ , and observe that

$$f'(x) = e^x - 1 > 0, \forall x > 0$$



It follows from Thm 7 (i), that  $f(x)$  is strictly

increasing on  $(0, \infty)$ . Thus, As  $x > 0$ , then

$e^x - x = f(x) > f(0) = 1$ . In particular,  $e^x > x + 1$ ,  $\forall x > 0$



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thm (10). [Bernoulli's Inequality].

Let  $\alpha$  be a positive real number.

If  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , then  $(1+x)^\alpha \leq 1+\alpha x, \forall x \geq -1$ ,

and if  $\alpha \geq 1$ , then  $(1+x)^\alpha \geq 1+\alpha x, \forall x \geq -1$ .

Proof. Case 1  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ .

Fix  $x \geq -1$  and let  $f(t) = t^\alpha, t \in [0, \infty)$ .

Since  $f'(t) = \alpha t^{\alpha-1}$ , it follows from the Mean value thm (applied to  $a=1$ , and  $b=1+x$ )

that  $f(1+x) - f(1) = f'(c)(1+x-1)$

$$(*) \quad \boxed{f(1+x) - f(1) = \alpha x c^{\alpha-1}}, \text{ for some } c$$

between 1 and  $1+x$ .

SubCase 1.1  $x > 0$ . Then  $c > 1$ . Since  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$

implies  $\alpha-1 \leq 0$ , it follows that  $c^{\alpha-1} \leq 1$ ,

hence  $x c^{\alpha-1} \leq x$ . Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{by } (*) \text{ that } (1+x)^\alpha &= f(1+x) = f(1) + \alpha x c^{\alpha-1} \\ &\leq f(1) + \alpha x = 1 + \alpha x \end{aligned}$$

as required.



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Sub Case 1.2.  $-1 \leq x \leq 0$ . Then  $c \leq 1$  so

$c^{\alpha-1} \geq 1$ . But since  $x \leq 0$ , it follows that  $x c^{\alpha-1} \leq x$  as before, we have by (\*) that

$$(1+x)^\alpha = f(1+x) = f(1) + \alpha x c^{\alpha-1} \\ \leq f(1) + \alpha x = 1 + \alpha x$$

Case 2.  $\alpha \geq 1$ . (Exercise) □

Ex. prove that the sequence  $x_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$  is increasing and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = L$  satisfies  $2 < L \leq 3$  [  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = e$  as you know  $= 2.718281828459\dots$  ]

proof.  $x_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$  is increasing, since

by Bernoulli's Inequality,

$$x_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = \left[ \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{n}{n+1}} \right]^{n+1} \\ \leq \left[ 1 + \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right) \right]^{n+1} \\ = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1}\right)^{n+1} = x_{n+1}$$



- To prove that this sequence is bounded above, observe that by the Binomial Formula

$$\begin{aligned} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n &= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^k \cdot (1)^{n-k} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^k \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, } \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^k = \frac{n!}{k! (n-k)! \cdot n^k}$$

$$= \frac{n(n-1)(n-2) \cdots (n-(k-1)) \cancel{(n-k)!}}{k! \cancel{(n-k)!} n^k}$$

$$= \frac{n(n-1)(n-2) \cdots (n-k+1)}{n^k} \cdot \frac{1}{k!}$$

$$\leq 1 \cdot \frac{1}{k!} \leq \frac{1}{2^{k-1}},$$

for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Next,

$$2 = \left(1 + \frac{1}{1}\right) < \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^k$$

$$= 1 + \sum_{k=1}^n \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^k$$

$$\leq 1 + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2^{k-1}} = 1 + \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = 3 - \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} < 3$$



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for  $n > 1$ . Hence, by the Monotone Convergence theorem, the limit  $L$  exists and satisfies

$$2 < L \leq 3.$$

Thm (11) [Intermediate value theorem for derivatives]. [or Darboux's Thm].

Suppose that  $f$  is diffble on  $[a, b]$  with  $f'(a) \neq f'(b)$ . If  $y_0$  is a real number which lies between  $f'(a)$  and  $f'(b)$ , then there is an  $x_0 \in (a, b)$  such that  $f'(x_0) = y_0$ .

Proof. Suppose that  $y_0$  lies between  $f'(a)$  and  $f'(b)$ . By symmetry, we may assume that  $f'(a) < y_0 < f'(b)$ . Set  $F(x) = f(x) - y_0 x$ , for  $x \in [a, b]$ , and observe that  $F$  is diffble on  $[a, b]$ . Hence, by the Extreme Value Thm,  $F$  has an absolute minimum, say  $F(x_0)$ , on  $[a, b]$ . Now,  $F'(a) = f'(a) - y_0 < 0$ , so  $F(a+h) - F(a) < 0$  for  $h > 0$  sufficiently small. Hence,  $F(a)$  is NOT the absolute minimum of  $F$  on  $[a, b]$ . Similarly,  $F(b)$  is not the absolute minimum of  $F$  on  $[a, b]$ . Hence, the absolute minimum  $F(x_0)$



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must occur on  $(a, b)$ , i.e.,  $x_0 \in (a, b)$  and

$$0 = F'(x_0) = y_0 - f'(x_0). \text{ Hence, } f'(x_0) = y_0.$$

Ex. The function  $g: [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

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

clearly fails to satisfy the intermediate value property on  $[-1, 1]$ . Therefore, by Darboux's Theorem, there does not exist a function  $f$  s.t.

$f'(x) = g(x), \forall x \in [-1, 1]$ . In other words,  $g$  is NOT the derivative on  $[-1, 1]$  of any function.

H.w's Exercises

0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12  
(i.e., All).



# Chapters Integrability on $\mathbb{R}$ <sup>①</sup>

## 5-1 the Riemann Integral.

Df ①. let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , with  $a < b$ .

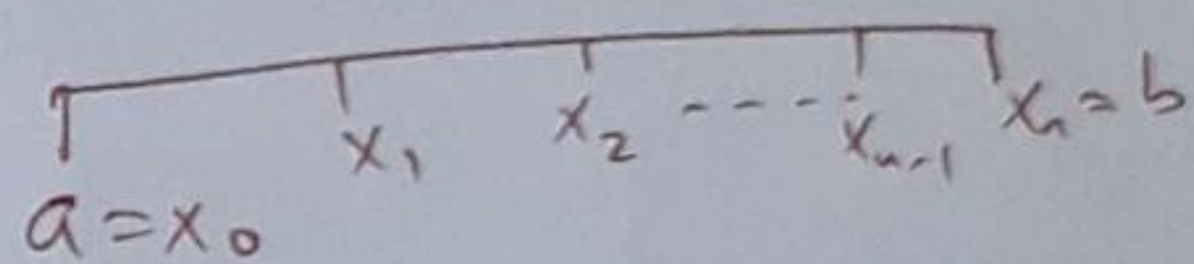
(i) A partition of  $[a, b]$  is a set of subintervals

$$[x_0, x_1], [x_1, x_2], \dots, [x_{n-1}, x_n],$$

where  $a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b$ . (\*)

Thus any set of  $(n+1)$  points satisfying (\*) defines a partition  $P$  of  $[a, b]$ , which we denote by

$$P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}.$$



(ii) the norm of a partition  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

is the number  $\|P\| := \max \{x_1 - x_0, x_2 - x_1, \dots, x_n - x_{n-1}\}$

$$= \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} |x_j - x_{j-1}|$$

(iii) A refinement of a partition  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

is a partition  $Q$  of  $[a, b]$  which satisfies

$Q \supseteq P$ . And we say that  $Q$  is finer than

$P$ .



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Ex. Prove that for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$P_n = \left\{ \frac{j}{2^n} : j=0, 1, \dots, 2^n \right\} \text{ is a partition}$$

of  $[0, 1]$  and  $P_m$  is finer than  $P_n$  when  $m > n$ .

Proof. Fix  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $x_j = \frac{j}{2^n}$ , then

$$0 = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_{2^n} = 1. \text{ Thus,}$$

$P_n$  is a partition of  $[0, 1]$ .

Next, we need to show that  $P_m \supseteq P_n$  when  $m > n$ .

Let  $m > n$  and set  $p = m - n$ . If  $0 \leq j \leq 2^n$ ,

$$\text{then } \frac{j}{2^n} = \frac{j \cdot 2^p}{2^m} \text{ and } 0 \leq j \cdot 2^p \leq 2^m.$$

Thus  $P_m$  is finer than  $P_n$ . □

Remark 1. If  $P$  and  $Q$  are partitions of  $[a, b]$ , then  $P \cup Q$  is finer than both  $P$  and  $Q$ .

(2) If  $Q$  is a refinement of  $P$  (i.e.,  $Q \supseteq P$ )  
then  $\|Q\| \leq \|P\|$



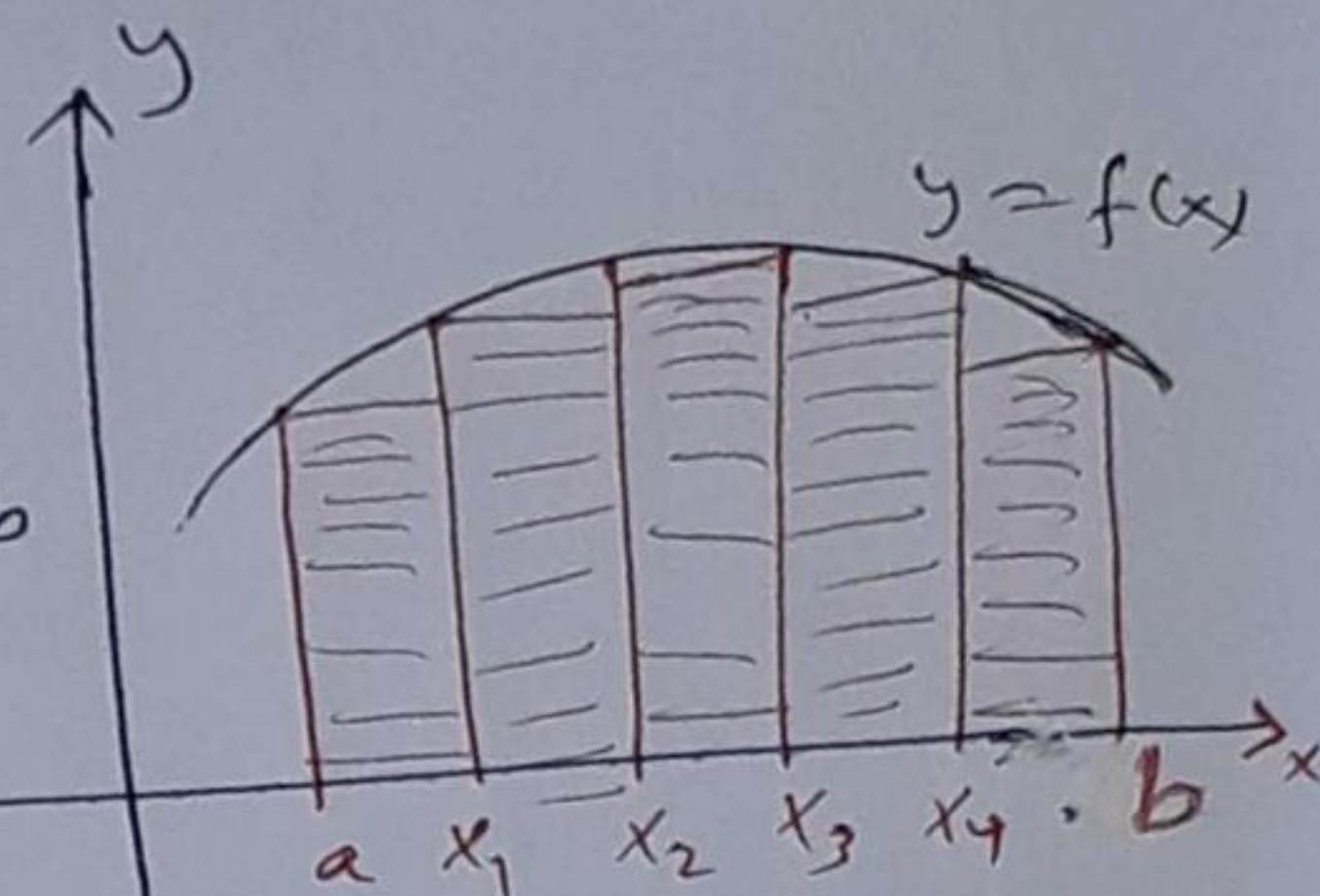
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Recall, let  $f$  be nonnegative on  $[a, b]$ ,

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \text{Area of the region}$$

bounded by  $y=f(x)$ ,  $y=0$ ,  $x=a$ ,  $x=b$

when this integral exists.



this Area can be approximated by rectangles whose base lie in  $[a, b]$  and whose heights approximate  $f$ . If the tops of these rectangles lie above  $y=f(x)$ , then  $A_{\text{approximate}} > A_{\text{exact}}$ . If the tops of these rectangles lie below  $y=f(x)$ , then  $A_{\text{approximate}} < A_{\text{exact}}$ .

Df(2). let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a < b$ . let  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  be a partition of  $[a, b]$ ,

set  $\Delta x_j := x_j - x_{j-1}$ , for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$

and suppose that  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is bounded.

(i) the upper Riemann sum of  $f$  over  $P$  is

$$U(f, P) := \sum_{j=1}^n M_j(f) \Delta x_j, \text{ where}$$

$$M_j(f) = \sup_{x_{j-1} \leq t \leq x_j} f(t)$$



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(ii) the lower Riemann sum of  $f$  over

$$P \text{ is } L(f, P) = \sum_{j=1}^n m_j(f) \Delta x_j$$

where

$$m_j(f) = \inf_{x_{j-1} \leq t \leq x_j} f(t)$$

Note: Since  $f$  is bounded, then  $M_j(f)$  and  $m_j(f)$  exist and are finite.

Rmk. If  $g: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , then

$$\sum_{k=m}^n (g(k+1) - g(k)) = g(n+1) - g(m).$$

proof. Use induction on  $n$ . (see the textbook)  $\square$

by this Rmk., If  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  is a partition of  $[a, b]$ , then

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \Delta x_j = \sum_{j=1}^n x_j - x_{j-1}$$

$$= x_n - x_0 = b - a.$$



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Remark. If  $f(x) = \alpha$  is constant on  $[a, b]$ , then

$$U(f, P) = L(f, P) = \alpha(b-a), \text{ for all partitions } P \text{ of } [a, b].$$

Proof.

$$\text{Since } M_j(f) = \sup_{t \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]} f(t) = \sup_{t \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]} (\alpha) = \alpha,$$

$$\text{then } U(f, P) = \sum_{j=1}^n M_j(f) \Delta x_j$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha \Delta x_j$$

$$= \alpha \sum_{j=1}^n \Delta x_j = \alpha(b-a).$$

Similarly,

$$L(f, P) = \sum_{j=1}^n m_j(f) \Delta x_j = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha \Delta x_j$$

$$= \alpha \sum_{j=1}^n \Delta x_j = \alpha(b-a) \quad \square$$

Remark.  $L(f, P) \leq U(f, P)$  for all partitions  $P$  and all bounded functions  $f$ .

Proof. By definition,  $m_j(f) \leq M_j(f)$

for all  $j$ , then  $L(f, P) \leq U(f, P) \quad \square$



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Rmk. If  $P$  is any partition of  $[a, b]$ .

and  $Q$  is a refinement of  $P$ , then

$$L(f, P) \leq L(f, Q) \leq U(f, Q) \leq U(f, P).$$

Pf (see textbook).

Rmk. If  $P$  and  $Q$  are any partitions of

$[a, b]$ , then  $L(f, P) \leq U(f, Q)$ .

proof. Since  $P \cup Q$  is a refinement of  $P$  and  $Q$ , it follows from last remark that

$$L(f, P) \leq L(f, P \cup Q) \leq U(f, P \cup Q) \leq U(f, Q)$$

for any pair of partitions  $P, Q$  whether

$Q$  is a refinement of  $P$  or not  $\square$

Df (6) Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a < b$ . A function

$f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to be (Riemann)

integrable on  $[a, b]$  iff  $f$  is bounded

on  $[a, b]$  and  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  a partition  $P$  of  $[a, b]$

such that  $U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \varepsilon$ .



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Thm ①. Suppose that  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a < b$ .

If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , then  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ .

Proof. Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Since  $f$  is uniformly continuous on  $[a, b]$ ,  $\exists$  a  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$|x - y| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(y)| < \frac{\epsilon}{b - a} \quad (1)$$

Let  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  be any partition of  $[a, b]$  which satisfies  $\|P\| < \delta$ . Fix an index  $j$ . Then, by Extreme value thm,

there are points  $x_m$  and  $x_M$  in  $[x_{j-1}, x_j]$  such that  $f(x_m) = m_j(f)$  and  $f(x_M) = M_j(f)$ .

Since  $\|P\| < \delta$ , we also have  $|x_M - x_m| < \delta$ .

Hence by (1),

$$\begin{aligned} M_j(f) - m_j(f) &= |M_j(f) - m_j(f)| \\ &= |f(x_M) - f(x_m)| < \frac{\epsilon}{b - a}. \end{aligned}$$

In particular,

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) = \sum_{j=1}^n [M_j(f) - m_j(f)] \Delta x_j < \frac{\epsilon}{b - a} \sum_{j=1}^n \Delta x_j = \epsilon$$



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Ex. the Dirichlet function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0, & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases} \quad \text{is not Riemann}$$

integrable on  $[0, 1]$ .

Proof. clearly  $f$  is bounded on  $[0, 1]$ .

the supremum of  $f$  over any nondegenerate interval is 1 and inf = 0 (دنيا في الف)

therefore  $U(f, P) - L(f, P) = 1 - 0 = 1$  for

any partition  $P$  of  $[0, 1]$  (i.e.,  $\exists \epsilon_0 = 1 > 0$

s.t for any partition  $P$  of  $[0, 1]$ ,

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) = \epsilon_0 = 1), \text{ that is,}$$

$f$  is not integrable on  $[0, 1]$  □

Ex. show that the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 1, & \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{is integrable on } [0, 1].$$

Proof. let  $\epsilon > 0$ , choose  $0 < x_1 < \frac{1}{2} < x_2 < 1$

such that  $x_2 - x_1 < \epsilon$ .



⑨  
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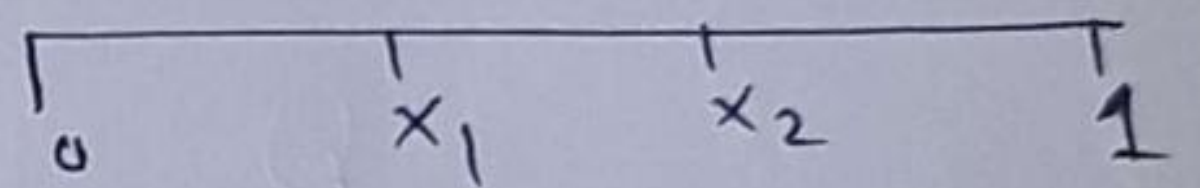
then  $U(f, P) - L(f, P)$

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$$= (\cancel{M_1(f) \Delta x_1} + \cancel{M_2(f) \Delta x_2} + M_3(f) \Delta x_3)$$

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$$= \Delta x_2 + \Delta x_3 - \Delta x_3 = \Delta x_2 = x_2 - x_1 < \varepsilon$$



$$\Rightarrow U(f, P) - L(f, P) = x_2 - x_1 < \varepsilon.$$

therefore,  $f$  is integrable on  $[0, 1]$   $\square$



(10)

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(i) the upper integral of  $f$  on  $[a, b]$  is

$$(U) \int_a^b f(x) dx := \inf \left\{ U(f, P) : P \text{ is a partition of } [a, b] \right\}$$

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$$(L) \int_a^b f(x) dx := \sup \left\{ L(f, P) : P \text{ is a partition of } [a, b] \right\}$$

(iii) If  $(U) \int_a^b f(x) dx = (L) \int_a^b f(x) dx$ , then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx := (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx = (L) \int_a^b f(x) dx.$$

Rmk. ① we define the integral of any bounded function  $f$  on  $[a, a]$  to be zero, i.e;

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(2) A bounded function might not be integrable (11)

$$\text{Ex. } f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0, & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases} \quad (\text{Dirichlet function}).$$

Rmk. If  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is bounded, then

(U)  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$  and (L)  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$  exist and are finite, and satisfy

$$(L) \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx.$$

Proof. We know  $L(f, P) \leq U(f, Q)$  for all partitions  $P$  and  $Q$  of  $[a, b]$ . Taking the sup over all partitions  $P$  of  $[a, b]$ , we have

$$(L) \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq U(f, Q), \text{ i.e.,}$$

$(L) \int_a^b f(x) dx$  exists and is finite.

Taking the inf over all partitions  $P$  of  $[a, b]$ ,



we conclude that <sup>(12)</sup>  $(U) \int_a^b f(x) dx$  is also finite and  $(U) \int_a^b f(x) dx \geq (L) \int_a^b f(x) dx$ .  $\square$

Thm(2) Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a < b$ , and  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be bounded. Then  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$

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Proof. Suppose that  $f$  is integrable. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and choose a partition  $P$  of  $[a, b]$  such that

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \varepsilon.$$

By def'n,  $(U) \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq U(f, P)$  and

$$(L) \int_a^b f(x) dx \geq L(f, P). \text{ therefore,}$$

$$\left| (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx - (L) \int_a^b f(x) dx \right|$$

$$= (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx - (L) \int_a^b f(x) dx \quad \text{since } (L) \int_a^b f \leq (U) \int_a^b f$$

$$\leq U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \varepsilon.$$



(13)

Since  $\left| (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx - (L) \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| < \varepsilon, \forall \varepsilon > 0,$

this implies  $(L) \int_a^b f(x) dx = (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx$

Conversely, suppose that  $(L) \int_a^b f(x) dx = (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx.$

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and choose, by the Approximation Property, partitions  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  of  $[a, b]$  s.t.

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(14)

Thm (3). If  $f(x) = \alpha$  is constant on  $[a, b]$ , then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \alpha (b-a).$$

proof. By thm 1,  $f$  is integrable <sup>on  $[a, b]$</sup>  since it is continuous on  $[a, b]$ . Hence, it follows

from thm (2) and  $Rmk (U(f, P) = L(f, P) = \alpha(b-a))$

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$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

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$$= \inf \left\{ \alpha(b-a) : \dots \right\}$$

$$= \alpha(b-a)$$

□

H.w's (Exercise P.138)

0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 (All).

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# Chapters Integrability on $\mathbb{R}$ <sup>①</sup>

## 5-1 the Riemann Integral.

Df ①. let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , with  $a < b$ .

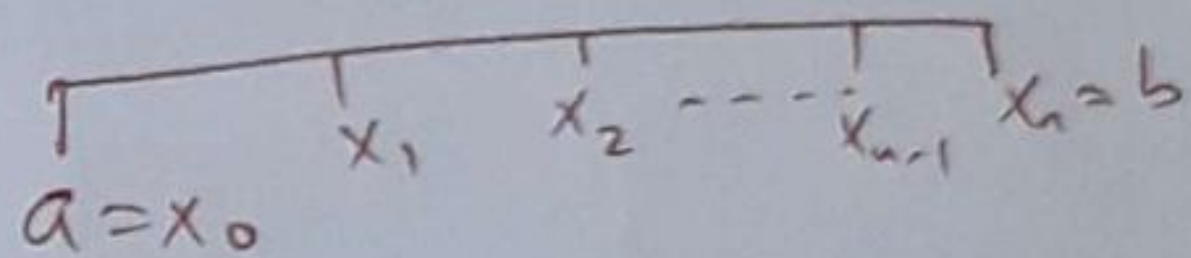
(i) A partition of  $[a, b]$  is a set of subintervals

$$[x_0, x_1], [x_1, x_2], \dots, [x_{n-1}, x_n],$$

where  $a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b$ . (\*)

Thus any set of  $(n+1)$  points satisfying (\*) defines a partition  $P$  of  $[a, b]$ , which we denote by

$$P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}.$$



(ii) the norm of a partition  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

is the number  $\|P\| := \max \{x_1 - x_0, x_2 - x_1, \dots, x_n - x_{n-1}\}$

$$= \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} |x_j - x_{j-1}|$$

(iii) A refinement of a partition  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

is a partition  $Q$  of  $[a, b]$  which satisfies

$Q \supseteq P$ . And we say that  $Q$  is finer than

$P$ .



(2)

Ex. Prove that for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$P_n = \left\{ \frac{j}{2^n} : j=0, 1, \dots, 2^n \right\}$$

is a partition of  $[0, 1]$  and  $P_m$  is finer than  $P_n$  when  $m > n$ .

Proof. Fix  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $x_j = \frac{j}{2^n}$ , then

$$0 = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_{2^n} = 1. \text{ Thus,}$$

$P_n$  is a partition of  $[0, 1]$ .

Next, we need to show that  $P_m \supseteq P_n$  when  $m > n$ .

Let  $m > n$  and set  $p = m - n$ . If  $0 \leq j \leq 2^n$ ,

$$\text{then } \frac{j}{2^n} = \frac{j \cdot 2^p}{2^m} \text{ and } 0 \leq j \cdot 2^p \leq 2^m.$$

Thus  $P_m$  is finer than  $P_n$ . □

Remark 1. If  $P$  and  $Q$  are partitions of  $[a, b]$ , then  $P \cup Q$  is finer than both  $P$  and  $Q$ .

(2) If  $Q$  is a refinement of  $P$  (i.e.,  $Q \supseteq P$ ) then  $\|Q\| \leq \|P\|$



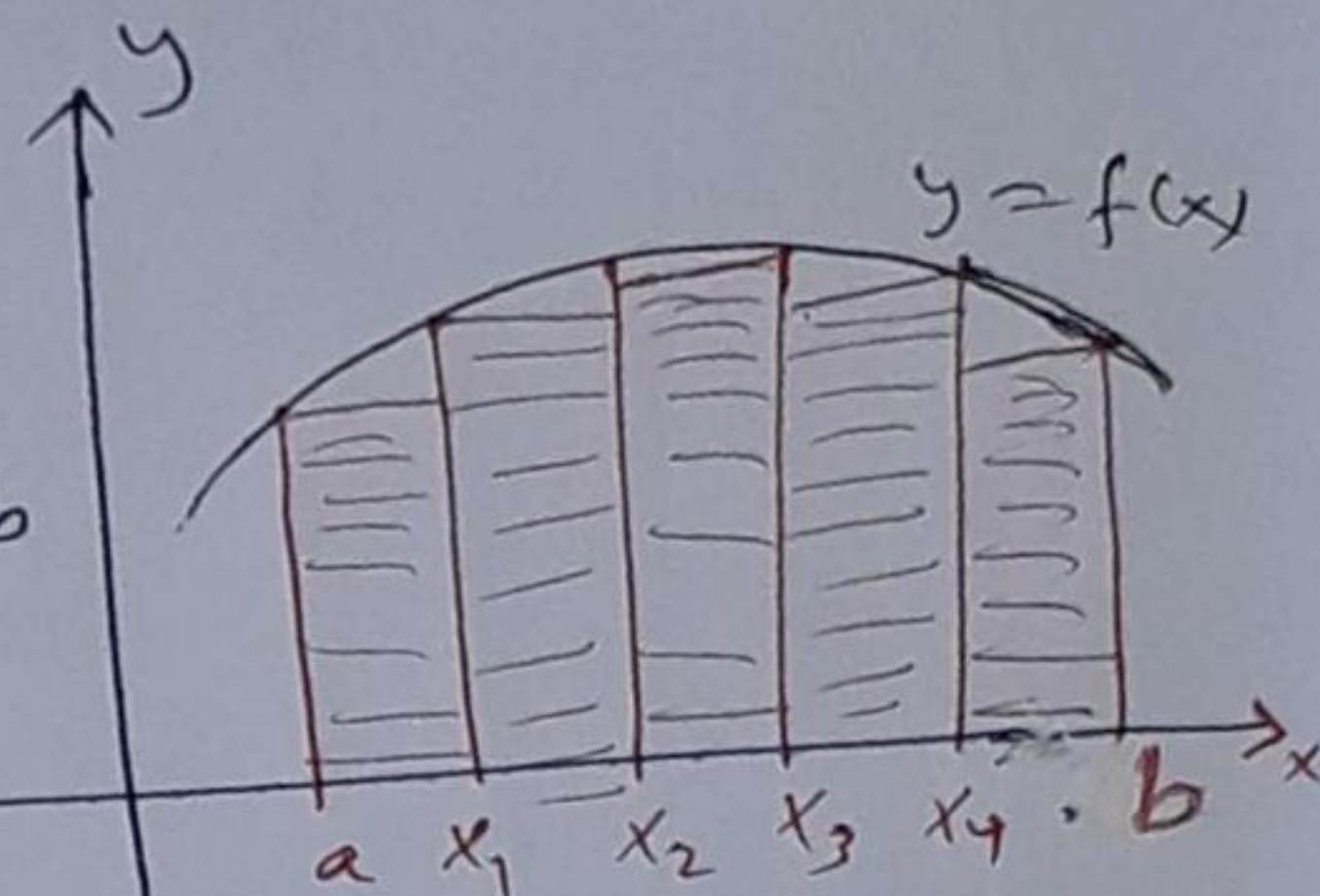
(3)

Recall, let  $f$  be nonnegative on  $[a, b]$ ,

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \text{Area of the region}$$

bounded by  $y=f(x)$ ,  $y=0$ ,  $x=a$ ,  $x=b$

when this integral exists.



this Area can be approximated by rectangles whose base lie in  $[a, b]$  and whose heights approximate  $f$ . If the tops of these rectangles lie above  $y=f(x)$ , then  $A_{\text{approximate}} > A_{\text{exact}}$ . If the tops of these rectangles lie below  $y=f(x)$ , then  $A_{\text{approximate}} < A_{\text{exact}}$ .

Df(2). let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a < b$ . let  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  be a partition of  $[a, b]$ ,

set  $\Delta x_j := x_j - x_{j-1}$ , for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$

and suppose that  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is bounded.

(i) the upper Riemann sum of  $f$  over  $P$  is

$$U(f, P) := \sum_{j=1}^n M_j(f) \Delta x_j, \text{ where}$$

$$M_j(f) = \sup_{x_{j-1} \leq t \leq x_j} f(t)$$



(4)

(ii) the lower Riemann sum of  $f$  over

$$P \text{ is } L(f, P) = \sum_{j=1}^n m_j(f) \Delta x_j$$

where

$$m_j(f) = \inf_{x_{j-1} \leq t \leq x_j} f(t)$$

Note: Since  $f$  is bounded, then  $M_j(f)$  and  $m_j(f)$  exist and are finite.

Rmk. If  $g: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , then

$$\sum_{k=m}^n (g(k+1) - g(k)) = g(n+1) - g(m).$$

proof. Use induction on  $n$ . (see the textbook)  $\square$

by this Rmk., If  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  is a partition of  $[a, b]$ , then

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \Delta x_j = \sum_{j=1}^n x_j - x_{j-1}$$

$$= x_n - x_0 = b - a.$$



(5)

Remark. If  $f(x) = \alpha$  is constant on  $[a, b]$ , then

$$U(f, P) = L(f, P) = \alpha(b-a), \text{ for all partitions } P \text{ of } [a, b].$$

Proof.

$$\text{Since } M_j(f) = \sup_{t \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]} f(t) = \sup_{t \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]} (\alpha) = \alpha,$$

$$\text{then } U(f, P) = \sum_{j=1}^n M_j(f) \Delta x_j$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha \Delta x_j$$

$$= \alpha \sum_{j=1}^n \Delta x_j = \alpha(b-a).$$

Similarly,

$$L(f, P) = \sum_{j=1}^n m_j(f) \Delta x_j = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha \Delta x_j$$

$$= \alpha \sum_{j=1}^n \Delta x_j = \alpha(b-a) \quad \square$$

Remark.  $L(f, P) \leq U(f, P)$  for all partitions  $P$  and all bounded functions  $f$ .

Proof. By definition,  $m_j(f) \leq M_j(f)$

for all  $j$ , then  $L(f, P) \leq U(f, P) \quad \square$



(6)

Rmk. If  $P$  is any partition of  $[a, b]$ .

and  $Q$  is a refinement of  $P$ , then

$$L(f, P) \leq L(f, Q) \leq U(f, Q) \leq U(f, P).$$

Pf (see textbook).

Rmk. If  $P$  and  $Q$  are any partitions of

$[a, b]$ , then  $L(f, P) \leq U(f, Q)$ .

proof. Since  $P \cup Q$  is a refinement of  $P$  and  $Q$ , it follows from last remark that

$$L(f, P) \leq L(f, P \cup Q) \leq U(f, P \cup Q) \leq U(f, Q)$$

for any pair of partitions  $P, Q$  whether

$Q$  is a refinement of  $P$  or not  $\square$

Df (6) Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a < b$ . A function

$f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to be (Riemann)

integrable on  $[a, b]$  iff  $f$  is bounded

on  $[a, b]$  and  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists$  a partition  $P$  of  $[a, b]$

such that  $U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \varepsilon$ .



(7)

Thm ①. Suppose that  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a < b$ .

If  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , then  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ .

Proof. Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Since  $f$  is uniformly continuous on  $[a, b]$ ,  $\exists$  a  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$\boxed{|x-y| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(y)| < \frac{\epsilon}{b-a} \quad (1)}$$

Let  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  be any partition of  $[a, b]$  which satisfies  $\|P\| < \delta$ . Fix an index  $j$ . Then, by Extreme value thm,

there are points  $x_m$  and  $x_M$  in  $[x_{j-1}, x_j]$  such that  $f(x_m) = m_j(f)$  and  $f(x_M) = M_j(f)$ .

Since  $\|P\| < \delta$ , we also have  $|x_M - x_m| < \delta$ .

Hence by (1),

$$\begin{aligned} M_j(f) - m_j(f) &= |M_j(f) - m_j(f)| \\ &= |f(x_M) - f(x_m)| < \frac{\epsilon}{b-a}. \end{aligned}$$

In particular,

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) = \sum_{j=1}^n [M_j(f) - m_j(f)] \Delta x_j < \frac{\epsilon}{b-a} \sum_{j=1}^n \Delta x_j = \epsilon \quad \square$$



(8)

Ex. the Dirichlet function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0, & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases} \quad \text{is not Riemann}$$

integrable on  $[0, 1]$ .

Proof. clearly  $f$  is bounded on  $[0, 1]$ .  
the supremum of  $f$  over any nondegenerate interval is 1 and inf = 0 (دنيا في الف)

therefore  $U(f, P) - L(f, P) = 1 - 0 = 1$  for  
any partition  $P$  of  $[0, 1]$  (i.e.,  $\exists \epsilon_0 = 1 > 0$

s.t for any partition  $P$  of  $[0, 1]$ ,

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) = \epsilon_0 = 1), \text{ that is,}$$

$f$  is not integrable on  $[0, 1]$  □

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Taking the inf over all partitions  $P$  of  $[a, b]$ ,



we conclude that <sup>(12)</sup>  $(U) \int_a^b f(x) dx$  is also finite and  $(U) \int_a^b f(x) dx \geq (L) \int_a^b f(x) dx$ .  $\square$

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□

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# S.2 Riemann Sums

Df ①. Let  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

(i) A Riemann sum of  $f$  with respect to a partition  $P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$  of  $[a, b]$  generated by samples  $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$  is

$$S(f, P, t_j) := \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j$$

(ii) The Riemann sums of  $f$  are said to ~~be~~ converge to  $I(f)$  as  $\|P\| \rightarrow 0$  iff

$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists$  a partition  $P_\epsilon$  of  $[a, b]$  such that  $P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\} \supseteq P_\epsilon \implies |S(f, P, t_j) - I(f)| < \epsilon$  for all choices of  $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j], j=1, \dots, n$ .

In this case we use the notation

$$I(f) = \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} S(f, P, t_j) \\ := \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j$$



(16)  
Thm(1) Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a < b$  and suppose that  
 $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Then

$f$  is Riemann integrable on  $[a, b]$  iff

$$I(f) = \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j \text{ exists.}$$

in which case  $I(f) = \int_a^b f(x) dx$ .

Proof. Suppose that  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ . By the Approximation Property, there is a partition  $P_\varepsilon$  of  $[a, b]$  such that

$$L(f, P_\varepsilon) > \int_a^b f(x) dx - \varepsilon \quad \text{and} \quad U(f, P_\varepsilon) < \int_a^b f(x) dx + \varepsilon \quad (1)$$

Let  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\} \supseteq P_\varepsilon$ . Then (1) holds with  $P$  in place of  $P_\varepsilon$ . But  $m_j(f) \leq f(t_j) \leq M_j(f)$  for any choice of  $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$ . Hence,

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx - \varepsilon < L(f, P) \leq \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j \leq U(f, P) < \int_a^b f(x) dx + \varepsilon$$

$$\text{i.e., } -\varepsilon < \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j - \int_a^b f(x) dx < \varepsilon.$$



(17)

We conclude that

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| < \varepsilon.$$

for all partitions  $P \supseteq P_\varepsilon$  and all choices of  $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$ ,  $j=1, 2, \dots, n$ .

Conversely, suppose that the Riemann sums of  $f$  converge to  $I(f)$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and choose a partition  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  of  $[a, b]$  such that

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j - I(f) \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \quad (2)$$

for all choices of  $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$ . Since  $f$  is bounded on  $[a, b]$  (Exercise 11), use the Approximation Property to choose  $t_j, u_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$  such that

$$f(t_j) - f(u_j) > M_j(f) - m_j(f) - \frac{\varepsilon}{3(b-a)}.$$

By (2) and telescoping, we have



(18)

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) = \sum_{j=1}^n (M_j(f) - m_j(f)) \Delta x_j$$

$$< \sum_{j=1}^n (f(t_j) - f(u_j)) \Delta x_j + \frac{\varepsilon}{3(b-a)} \sum_{j=1}^n \Delta x_j$$

$$\leq \left| \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j - I(f) \right|$$

$$+ \left| I(f) - \sum_{j=1}^n f(u_j) \Delta x_j \right|$$

$$+ \frac{\varepsilon}{3(b-a)} \sum_{j=1}^n \Delta x_j$$

$$< \frac{2\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3(b-a)} (b-a) = \varepsilon.$$

Therefore,  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ . □

Thm(2). If  $f, g$  are integrable on  $[a, b]$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $f+g$  and  $\alpha f$  are integrable

on  $[a, b]$ . In fact,

$$\int_a^b (f(x) + g(x)) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx + \int_a^b g(x) dx \quad (3)$$

$$\text{and } \int_a^b (\alpha f(x)) dx = \alpha \int_a^b f(x) dx \quad (4)$$



Proof. Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and choose  $P_\epsilon$  such that for any partition  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\} \geq P_\epsilon$  of  $[a, b]$  and any choice of  $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$ , we have

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

and  $\left| \sum_{j=1}^n g(t_j) \Delta x_j - \int_a^b g(x) dx \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$

By the Triangle inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j + \sum_{j=1}^n g(t_j) \Delta x_j - \int_a^b f(x) dx - \int_a^b g(x) dx \right| \\ & < \left| \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| + \left| \sum_{j=1}^n g(t_j) \Delta x_j - \int_a^b g(x) dx \right| \\ & < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

for any choice of  $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$ .  
Hence (3) follows directly from thm (1).



(20)

To prove (4), we may assume that  $\alpha \neq 0$ .  
Choose  $P_\varepsilon$  such that if  $P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$   
is finer than  $P_\varepsilon$ , then

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_j) \Delta x_j - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{|\alpha|},$$

for any choice of  $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$ .

Multiply this inequality by  $|\alpha|$ , we obtain

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha f(t_j) \Delta x_j - \alpha \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| < |\alpha| \frac{\varepsilon}{|\alpha|} = \varepsilon,$$

for any choice of  $t_j \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$ . We conclude  
by thm(1) that (4) holds.  $\square$

Thm(3). If  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ , then  $f$   
is integrable on each subintervals  $[c, d]$  of  
 $[a, b]$ . Moreover,

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^c f(x) dx + \int_c^b f(x) dx \quad (5)$$

proof. see the textbook p. 144.



(21)

Thm (4). If  $f, g$  are integrable on  $[a, b]$  and  $f(x) \leq g(x), \forall x \in [a, b]$ , then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \int_a^b g(x) dx.$$

In particular, if  $m \leq f(x) \leq M, \forall x \in [a, b]$ , then

$$m(b-a) \leq \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq M(b-a).$$

proof. Let  $P$  be a partition of  $[a, b]$ . By hypothesis,

$$M_j(f) \leq M_j(g) \text{ whence } U(f, P) \leq U(g, P).$$

It follows that

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = (U) \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq U(f, P) \leq U(g, P).$$

for all partitions  $P$  of  $[a, b]$ . Taking the infimum of this inequality over all partition  $P$  of  $[a, b]$ , we obtain

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \int_a^b g(x) dx.$$

If  $m \leq f(x) \leq M$  then (by what we proved)

$$m(b-a) = \int_a^b m dx \leq \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \int_a^b M dx = M(b-a) \quad \square$$



Thm 5. If  $f$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ , then  $|f|$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$  and

$$\left| \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \int_a^b |f(x)| dx.$$

Proof. Let  $P = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$  be a partition of  $[a, b]$ .

claim  $M_j(|f|) - m_j(|f|) \leq M_j(f) - m_j(f)$  (6)

holds for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

Pf(claim). Let  $x, y \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$ . If  $f(x), f(y)$  have the same sign, say both are nonnegative,

then  $|f(x)| - |f(y)| = f(x) - f(y) \leq M_j(f) - m_j(f)$ .

If  $f(x), f(y)$  have opposite signs, say,  $f(x) \geq 0 \geq f(y)$ , then  $m_j(f) \leq 0$  and

hence  $|f(x)| - |f(y)| = f(x) + f(y) \leq M_j(f) + 0 \leq M_j(f) - m_j(f)$ .

Thus, in either case,

$|f(x)| \leq M_j(f) - m_j(f) + |f(y)|$



(23)  
Taking the sup of this inequality for  $x \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$

$$\sup_{x \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]} |f(x)| \leq M_j(f) - m_j(f) + |f(y)|$$

$$\Rightarrow M_j(|f|) \leq M_j(f) - m_j(f) + |f(y)|$$

Next, taking the inf as  $y \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]$ ,

$$M_j(|f|) \leq M_j(f) - m_j(f) + m_j(|f|)$$

$$\Rightarrow M_j(|f|) - m_j(|f|) \leq M_j(f) - m_j(f).$$

We see that (6) holds, as promised.

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and choose a partition  $P$  of  $[a, b]$  such that  $U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \varepsilon$ . Since

$$(6) \text{ implies } U(|f|, P) - L(|f|, P) \leq U(f, P) - L(f, P)$$

it follows that

$$U(|f|, P) - L(|f|, P) < \varepsilon.$$

Thus,  $|f|$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ .

Since  $-|f(x)| \leq f(x) \leq |f(x)|$  holds,  $\forall x \in [a, b]$

we conclude by Thm (4) that

$$-\int_a^b |f(x)| dx \leq \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \int_a^b |f(x)| dx. \quad \square$$



Corollary. If  $f$  and  $g$  are (Riemann) integrable on  $[a, b]$ , then so is  $fg$ .

Proof. claim the square of any integrable function is integrable.

pf(claim). We need to prove that  $f^2$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ . Let  $P$  be a partition of  $[a, b]$ .

Since  $M_j(f^2) = (M_j(|f|))^2$  and  $m_j(f^2) = (m_j(|f|))^2$ ,

it is clear that

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_j(f^2) - m_j(f^2) &= (M_j(|f|))^2 - (m_j(|f|))^2 \\
 &= (M_j(|f|) + m_j(|f|))(M_j(|f|) - m_j(|f|)) \\
 &\leq 2M(M_j(|f|) - m_j(|f|))
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $M = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} |f(x)|$ , i.e.,  $|f(x)| \leq M, \forall x \in [a, b]$ .

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^n (M_j(f^2) - m_j(f^2)) \Delta x_j \leq 2M \sum_{j=1}^n (M_j(|f|) - m_j(|f|)) \Delta x_j$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow U(f^2, P) - L(f^2, P) &\leq 2M (U(|f|, P) - L(|f|, P)) \\
 &< 2M \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{2M} \quad \text{since } f \text{ is integrable} \\
 &= \epsilon \Rightarrow f^2 \text{ is integrable on } [a, b]
 \end{aligned}$$



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Then, by claim,  $f^2$ ,  $g^2$ , and  $(f+g)^2$  are integrable on  $[a, b]$ . Since

$$fg = \frac{1}{2}(f+g)^2 - \frac{1}{2}f^2 - \frac{1}{2}g^2$$

it follows from (Thm 2 p.4) that  $fg$  is integrable on  $[a, b]$ .  $\square$

Thm 6. [First Mean Value Thm for integrals]

Suppose that  $f$  and  $g$  are integrable on  $[a, b]$  with  $g(x) \geq 0$ ,  $\forall x \in [a, b]$ . If

$$m = \inf_{x \in [a, b]} f(x), \quad M = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} f(x), \quad \text{then}$$

there is an number  $c \in [m, M]$  such that

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx = c \int_a^b g(x) dx.$$

In particular, if  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , then there is an  $x_0 \in [a, b]$  which satisfies

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx = f(x_0) \int_a^b g(x) dx.$$



Proof. Since  $g \geq 0$  on  $[a, b]$ , then

$$m g(x) \leq f(x) g(x) \leq M g(x).$$

Then (4) implies

$$m \int_a^b g(x) dx \leq \int_a^b f(x) g(x) dx \leq M \int_a^b g(x) dx.$$

If  $\int_a^b g(x) dx = 0$ , then  $\int_a^b f(x) g(x) dx = 0$  and there is nothing to prove.

If  $\int_a^b g(x) dx \neq 0$ , then we have

$$m \leq \frac{\int_a^b f(x) g(x) dx}{\int_a^b g(x) dx} \leq M$$

Set  $c = \frac{\int_a^b f(x) g(x) dx}{\int_a^b g(x) dx}$  and note that  $c \in [m, M]$ .

If  $f$  is continuous then by the intermediate value theorem,  $\exists x_0 \in [a, b]$  such that

$$f(x_0) = c$$





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Thm 7. If  $f$  is (Riemann) integrable on  $[a, b]$ , then  $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$  exists and is continuous on  $[a, b]$ .

Proof. (Exercise).

Thm 8 [Second mean value theorem for integrals]

Suppose that  $f, g$  are integrable on  $[a, b]$ , that  $g \geq 0$  on  $[a, b]$ , and that  $m, M \in \mathbb{R}$  which satisfy  $m \leq \inf_{x \in [a, b]} f(x)$  and  $M \geq \sup_{x \in [a, b]} f(x)$ .

then  $\exists$  an  $c \in [a, b]$  such that

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx = m \int_a^c g(x)dx + M \int_c^b g(x)dx.$$

In particular, if  $f$  is also nonnegative on  $[a, b]$ , then  $\exists$  an  $c \in [a, b]$  which satisfies

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx = M \int_a^b g(x)dx.$$

Proof. To prove the first statement, set

$$F(x) = m \int_a^x g(t)dt + M \int_x^b g(t)dt, \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$$



Observe that by Thm 7 that  $F$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ . Since  $g \geq 0$ , we also have

$$mg(t) \leq f(t)g(t) \leq Mg(t), \quad \forall t \in [a, b].$$

Hence it follows from thm (4) that

$$F(b) - m \int_a^b g(t) dt \leq \int_a^b f(t)g(t) dt \leq M \int_a^b g(t) dt = F(a).$$

Since  $F$  is continuous and  $\int_a^b f(t)g(t) dt$  lies

between  $F(b)$  and  $F(a)$ , we conclude

by the intermediate value thm that

$\exists$  an  $c \in [a, b]$  such that

$$F(c) = \int_a^b f(t)g(t) dt.$$

$$\left( \text{i.e., } m \int_a^c g(x) dx + M \int_c^b g(x) dx = \int_a^b f(t)g(t) dt \right).$$

The second statement follows from the first statement since we may use  $m=0$  when

$f \geq 0$ . That is  $\exists$  an  $c \in [a, b]$  s.t.

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx = M \int_a^b g(x) dx$$

H-w's (Exercises p. 150 (0, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11)).



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**Exercise#1 [5 points].**

- a) Find all real numbers  $x$  that satisfy the inequality  $x^2 > \frac{1}{x}$ .  
b) Show that

$$\max\{\alpha, \beta\} = \frac{\alpha + \beta + |\alpha - \beta|}{2}, \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}.$$

**Exercise#2 [5 points].** Let

$$E = \left\{ r \mid r \text{ is a rational and } r^2 < 2 \right\}.$$

Show that  $E$  has no rational supremum.



**Exercise#3 [5+5 points].** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be bounded nonempty subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

a) Show that  $A \cup B$  is bounded.

b) Prove that  $\sup(A \cup B) = \max\{\sup A, \sup B\}$ .

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**Exercise#1 [10 points].**

a. Use the definition of a limit to prove:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n + 1}{2n + 5} = \frac{3}{2}.$$

b. Show that the sequence defined by

$$x_n = \frac{1}{3} \sin \left( n^3 - \frac{1}{n} \right) - 3 \cos \left( \frac{1}{n} - n^3 \right)$$

has a convergent subsequence.

**Exercise#2 [10 points].** We say that a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  of real numbers is **contractive** if  $\exists$  a constant  $C > 0$ ,  $0 < C < 1$ , such that

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

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Answer the following:

a. Show that every contractive sequence is convergent.

b. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence defined by

$$x_1 > 0, \quad x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2 + x_n} \quad \text{for } n \geq 1.$$

Show that  $\{x_n\}$  is a contractive sequence. Find the limit.

**Exercise#3 [10 points].**

a. Show that the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  defined by

$$x_n = \int_1^n \frac{\cos t}{t^2} dt$$

is Cauchy.

b. Let  $0 < \beta < 1$  and  $x_1, x_2$  be two real numbers such that  $x_1 < x_2$  and

$$x_n = (1 - \beta)x_{n-1} + \beta x_{n-2} \quad \text{for } n > 2.$$

Show that the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is convergent. What its limit?



**Exercise#4 [10 points].** Let  $\{I_n = [a_n, b_n] : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a sequence of closed bounded intervals in  $\mathbb{R}$ , that is nested. If  $\alpha = \sup\{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  and  $\beta = \inf\{b_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , show that

$$\bigcap_{n \geq 1} [a_n, b_n] = [\alpha, \beta].$$

**Exercise#5 [15 points].** Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers defined by

$$x_0 = \frac{3}{2}, \quad x_{n+1} = (x_n - 1)^2 + 1.$$

- Prove that for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $1 < x_n < 2$ .
- Prove that the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is strictly monotone.
- Deduce that  $\{x_n\}$  is convergent and compute its limit.

**Exercise#6 [15 points].** Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a bounded sequence of real numbers. Let us define

$$y_n = \sup\{x_k : k \geq n\} \quad \text{and} \quad z_n = \inf\{x_k : k \geq n\}.$$

- Show that the sequence  $\{y_n\}$  is decreasing and  $\{z_n\}$  is increasing.
- Deduce that  $\{y_n\}$  and  $\{z_n\}$  are convergent sequences.
- Prove that the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is convergent if and only if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n$ .

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**Exercise#1 [10 marks].** Let  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . A function  $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called **Lipschitz** if there exists a constant  $\alpha > 0$  such that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq \alpha|x - y|,$$

for all  $x, y \in E$ .

- a. Give two examples of Lipschitz functions.
- b. Prove that every Lipschitz function is uniformly continuous.
- c. Let  $g : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$ . Prove that  $g$  is uniformly continuous but not Lipschitz.

**Exercise#2 [5 marks].** Let  $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $a \in E$  such that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$  exists. Show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} |f(x)|$  exists and the following identity holds:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} |f(x)| = \left| \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \right|.$$

**Exercise#3 [5 marks].** Let  $I := [a, b]$  and let  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function on  $I$  such that for each  $x \in I$  there exists  $y \in I$  such that  $|f(x)| > 2|f(y)|$ . Prove there exists a point  $c \in I$  such that  $f(c) = 0$ .

**Exercise#4 [5 marks].** Using  $(\varepsilon - \delta)$  definition of limit show that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{x + 5}{2x + 3} = 4.$$

**Exercise#5 [10 marks].**

- a. Let  $a$  be a real number such that  $a > 0$ . Show that the function  $f : [a, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  is uniformly continuous.
- b. Show that if  $f$  and  $g : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are uniformly continuous and bounded, then  $fg$  is uniformly continuous.



**Exercise#6 [10 marks].** Let  $a$  and  $b$  two real numbers such that  $a < b$  and  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow [a, b]$ .

- a. Suppose that for every  $x, y \in [a, b] : |f(x) - f(y)| \leq |x - y|$ . Show that  $f$  is continuous. Deduce that there exists  $c \in [a, b]$  such that  $f(c) = c$ .
- b. Suppose that for every  $x, y$  such that  $x \neq y$  we have  $|f(x) - f(y)| < |x - y|$ . Show that there exists one and only one  $c \in [a, b]$  such that  $f(c) = c$ .

**Exercise#7 [15 marks].** Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function such that  $f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y)$ ,  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

- a. Compute  $f(0)$  and show that  $f(-x) = -f(x)$ .
- b. Prove that for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{Z} : f(nx) = nf(x)$ .
- c. Prove that for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $q$  rational:  $f(qx) = qf(x)$ .
- d. Prove that for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\lambda$  real:  $f(\lambda x) = \lambda f(x)$ .
- e. Find  $f(x)$ .

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**Exercise#1 [10 marks].** Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be such that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq |\sin x - \sin y|,$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

- a. Show that  $f$  is  $2\pi$ -periodic ( A function  $f$  is  $2\pi$ -periodic if  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, f(x + 2\pi) = f(x)$ ).
- b. Show that  $f$  is continuous.
- c. Show that  $f$  is differentiable at  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  and compute  $f'(\frac{\pi}{2})$ .

**Exercise#2 [5 marks].** Prove that for  $x > 1$ ,

$$\frac{x-1}{x} < \ln x < x-1.$$

**Exercise#3 [5 marks].** Let  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a positive function such that  $g(0) = 1$  and  $g(x+y) = g(x)g(y)$ ,  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Show that if  $g$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ , then  $g$  is continuous at every point of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Exercise#4 [5 marks].** Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function such that  $f$  is differentiable on  $(a, b)$ . Assume that  $f(x) > 0$ , for every  $x \in [a, b]$ . Show that there exists  $c \in (a, b)$  such that

$$\frac{f(b)}{f(a)} = \exp\left((b-a)\frac{f'(c)}{f(c)}\right).$$

**Exercise#5 [5 marks].** Prove that if the function  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  has a bounded derivative on  $I$ , then  $f$  is uniformly continuous on  $I$ . Is the converse true? Justify.

**Exercise#6 [5 marks].** Show that the equation  $e^x = 1 - x$  has exactly one solution in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Find this solution.

**Exercise#7 [5 marks].** Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Assume that for any  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq |x - y|^{1+\alpha},$$

where  $\alpha > 0$ . Show that  $f$  is constant.

**Exercise#8 [10 marks].** Let  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable everywhere. Assume that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (f(x) + f'(x)) = 0.$$

Show that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0$ .

**Good Luck**



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**Exercise#1 [10 marks].** Is the function

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

integrable over the interval  $[0, 2]$ ? Justify.

**Exercise#2 [5 marks].** Show that if  $f$  is Riemann integrable on  $[a, b]$ , then it is bounded. What about the converse? Justify.

**Exercise#3 [10 marks].**

(a) Suppose that  $a > 0$  and that  $f$  is Riemann integrable on  $[-a, a]$ . If  $f$  is even show that

$$\int_{-a}^a f(x)dx = 2 \int_0^a f(x)dx.$$

(b) Let  $f$  be a continuous function on  $[a, b]$ . Show that there exists  $c \in (a, b)$  such that

$$f(c) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx.$$

**Good Luck**