

Course Notes for Math 320: Fundamentals of Mathematics Analysis.

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1 Completeness Property

Definition 1.1. *Boundedness:* Let $A \subset \mathbf{R}$.

1. A is **bounded above** if there is a real number $b \in \mathbf{R}$ such that $a \leq b$ for all $a \in A$.
2. A is **bounded below** if there is a real number $l \in \mathbf{R}$ such that $a \geq l$ for all $a \in A$.
3. $s \in \mathbf{R}$ is called the **least upper bound** of A if it is an upper bound and for any other upper bound b we have $b \geq s$. Notation: $s = \text{lub}(A)$.
4. $t \in \mathbf{R}$ is called the **greatest lower bound** of A if it is a lower bound and for any other lower bound l we have $l \leq t$.
Notation: $t = \text{glb}(A)$.

Lemma 1.2. *The $\text{lub}(A)$ and the $\text{glb}(A)$ are unique.*

Example 1.3. 1. $A = \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \mid n \in \mathbf{N} \right\}$.

2. $B = (0, 1)$.

3. $C = (-2, \infty)$.

4. $D = \{r \in \mathbf{Q} \mid r^2 < 2\}$

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n	n^2	<i>upper bound?</i>
<i>1.42</i>	2.0164	<i>yes</i>
<i>1.415</i>	2.002225	
<i>1.4145</i>	<i>2.00081025</i>	
<i>1.4144</i>	<i>2.00052736</i>	
<i>1.41422</i>	<i>2.000018208</i>	

Completeness Axiom *Every non-empty subset of the real numbers which is bounded above has a least upper bound*

Theorem 1.4. *(Archimedean Property)*

1. *Given any $x \in \mathbf{R}_{>0}$, there exists an $n \in \mathbf{N}$ such that $n > x$.*
2. *Given any $y \in \mathbf{R}_{>0}$, there exists an $n \in \mathbf{N}$ such that $\frac{1}{n} < y$.*

2 Sequences

Definition 2.1. A sequence is a function $f : \mathbf{N} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$.

Remark 2.2. Since \mathbf{N} is ordered then we can order the elements of a sequence:

$$f(1) = a_1, f(2) = a_2, \dots, f(n) = a_n, \dots$$

In fact, giving this “list” is enough to determine the sequence and we usually write

$$(a_n) = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, \dots\}$$

Example 2.3. Sequences.

1. $\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) =$
2. $\left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right) =$
3. $(2^n) =$
4. $\left(1 + \frac{(-1)^n}{n}\right) =$
5. (a_n) where $a_1 = 2$ and $a_{n+1} = \frac{a_n+1}{2}$ (this is called a recursively defined sequence).

6. $\left(\sin\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)\right) =$

Remark 2.4. Basic question: What is the “long term” behavior? What happens to a_n as $n \rightarrow \infty$?

Example 2.5. What is the long term behavior of these sequences?

1. $\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$
2. $\left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)$
3. (2^n)
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6. $(\sin(\frac{1}{n}))$. Recall that $\sin x \leq x$.

Remark 2.6. *Building the definition of a convergence:*

1. *Intuitive Definition of limit:* $\lim a_n = A$ means ...

2. *Translate the following statement into "mathy language":* The distance between a_n and A is less than $\frac{1}{2}$.

3. *Translate the following statement into "mathy language":* The terms of the sequence (a_n) from some point on, are within $\frac{1}{2}$ of A .

4. If $a_n \rightarrow A$ then we want the above to hold for any value $\epsilon > 0$. Translate the following statement into "mathy language": For any $\epsilon > 0$, the terms of the sequence (a_n) from some point on, are within ϵ of A .

Definition 2.7. Given a sequence (a_n) and $A \in \mathbf{R}$ we say that (a_n) **converges to** A if $\forall \epsilon > 0$ there is an $M \in \mathbf{N}$ such that $\forall n \geq M$ we have $|a_n - A| < \epsilon$. If no such A exists, then we say that (a_n) **diverges**.

Example 2.8. What is the long term behavior of these sequences?

1. $(\frac{1}{n})$
2. $(\frac{n-1}{n})$
3. (2^n)

3 Homework I on Analysis

1. Consider $A = [2, 4)$. Show that 5 is an upper bound but not a least upper bound for A . Prove that 2.1 is not a lower bound for A and that 4 is the least upper bound for A .
2. Show that 5 is an upper bound but not a least upper bound for the set $S = \{x \in \mathbf{R} \mid \exists n \in \mathbf{N} \text{ such that } x = 1 - \frac{1}{n}\}$. Find its least upper bound.
3. Follow the steps below to prove the following theorem: (Density of \mathbf{Q} in \mathbf{R}) For any $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$ with $a < b$ there is a rational number $r \in \mathbf{Q}$ such that $a < r < b$.
 - (a) First we will prove the case that $a \geq 0$. So, assume that $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$ with $a < b$ and $a \geq 0$. Write that down.
 - (b) Explain why there is an $n \in \mathbf{N}$ such that $\frac{1}{n} < b - a$.
 - (c) Show that then $a < b - \frac{1}{n}$.
 - (d) Let m be the smallest natural number such that $m > na$ (why does it exist?).
 - (e) Prove that $m - 1 \leq na < m$ and $a < \frac{m}{n}$.
 - (f) Prove that $m \leq na + 1$.
 - (g) Use this and part (c) to show that $m < n(b - \frac{1}{n}) + 1$.
 - (h) Show that this implies that $m < nb$ and thus $\frac{m}{n} < b$.
 - (i) Thus $a < \frac{m}{n} < b$.
 - (j) Now if $a < b < 0$, then observe that $-a > -b > 0$. Use the above to finish the argument.
4. Follow the steps below to prove the following theorem: (Existence of square roots) There exists $x \in \mathbf{R}$ such that $x^2 = 2$.
 - (a) Let $T = \{t \in \mathbf{R} \mid t^2 < 2\}$. Explain why T has a least upper bound and call it x .
 - (b) You will prove that $x^2 = 2$ by showing that $x^2 \not< 2$ and $x^2 \not> 2$.
 - (c) To get a contradiction first assume that $x^2 < 2$.
 - (d) As an aside for later use show that for any $n \in \mathbf{N}$ $(x + \frac{1}{n})^2 = x^2 + \frac{2x}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2} \leq x^2 + \frac{2x+1}{n}$.
 - (e) Now, back to the main idea explain how $x^2 < 2$ implies $\frac{2-x^2}{2x+1} > 0$.
 - (f) Choose $n_0 \in \mathbf{N}$ such that $\frac{1}{n_0} < \frac{2-x^2}{2x+1}$ (why can you find such an n_0).
 - (g) Explain how this shows that $\frac{2x+1}{n_0} < 2 - x^2$.
 - (h) Rewrite the previous inequality as $x^2 + \frac{2x+1}{n_0} < 2$.
 - (i) Explain how this shows that $(x + \frac{1}{n_0})^2 < 2$.
 - (j) Thus $x + \frac{1}{n_0} \in T$ (why?). Why is this a contradiction.

- (k) Now assume that $x^2 > 2$ and choose m_0 such that $\frac{1}{m_0} < \frac{x^2-2}{2x}$. Why can you do this?
- (l) Show then that $\frac{2x}{m_0} < x^2 - 2$.
- (m) Now, $(x - \frac{1}{m_0})^2 = x^2 - \frac{2x}{m_0} + \frac{1}{m_0} > x^2 - \frac{2x}{m_0} > 2$ (why is the last strict inequality true?).
- (n) Thus $x - \frac{1}{m_0} < x = \text{lub}(T)$. Explain why this gives a contradiction.

4 Homework II on Analysis

Definition 4.1. Given a sequence $\langle a_n \rangle$ we say that it converges if $\exists A \in \mathbf{R}$ such that $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbf{N}$ such that $\forall n > N$ we have $|A - a_n| < \epsilon$

1. Show that the sequence $\langle \frac{1}{n^p} \rangle$ converges if $p > 1$. Find its limit.
2. Show that the sequence $\langle \frac{2n}{3n+7} \rangle$ converges. Find its limit.
3. F& P # 10.
4. F& P # 6.
5. F& P # 7.
6. Using no negative words say what it would mean for a sequence $\langle a_n \rangle$ not to converge. Then, show that $\langle 3^{2n-1} \rangle$ does not converge.

[Hint:

- (a) Take an arbitrary $M \in \mathbf{R}$.
- (b) Explain why $3^{2N-1} \geq M$ if and only if $(2N - 1)\log_{10}(3) > \log_{10}(M)$.
- (c) Use this to get an express of the form $3^{2N-1} \geq M$ if and only if $N \geq$ (an epression involving M and logs).
- (d) Now choose N accordingly.]

5 Homework III on Analysis

1. Let $\langle a_n \rangle$ be defined recursively as follows: $a_1 = 1$ and $a_{n+1} = \sqrt{3a_n}$. Use induction to prove that $a_n = 3^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}}$.
2. Let $\langle a_n \rangle$ be defined as above. Prove that $\langle a_n \rangle$ is increasing and thus bounded below.
3. Let $\langle a_n \rangle$ be defined as above. Prove that $\langle a_n \rangle$ is bounded above by 3.
4. Concluded that $\langle a_n \rangle$ converges.
5. Find $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n^2 + n + 4}{3 + n + 5n^2}$.