

Theorem (Squeeze). Lec 5 [~ 13/03/2014

Suppose $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$, $(b_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$, $(c_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ are seqs. in \mathbb{R} . Assume

(i) $a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n$.

(ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = L$.

Then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = L$.

Proof. For all n , we have

$$|b_n - L| = |b_n + a_n - a_n - L|$$

$$\leq |b_n - a_n| + |a_n - L|$$

$$= (b_n - a_n) + |a_n - L|$$

$$\leq (c_n - a_n) + |a_n - L|$$

$$= (c_n - L - a_n + L) + |a_n - L|$$

$$\leq |c_n - L| + |a_n - L| + |a_n - L|$$

Fix $\epsilon > 0$. There exists $N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$$n > N_1 \Rightarrow |a_n - L| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}$$

$$\text{There is } N_2 \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } |c_n - L| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}$$

when $n > N_2$.

Take $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$.

If $n > N$, then $|b_n - L| < \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} = \epsilon$. \square

Example. ~~Does~~ ^{What is} $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|\sin(1+n^2)|}{n^2}$?

Note that $0 \leq \frac{|\sin(1+n^2)|}{n^2} \leq \frac{1}{n^2}$.

Now, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = 0$. Sq. theorem implies $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|\sin(1+n^2)|}{n^2} = 0$. \square

Theorem. Convergent seqs. are bounded.

If $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges, there exists $M > 0$ s.t. $|a_n| \leq M$ for all n .

Proof. Use def. of convergence with $\epsilon = 1$. There is $N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$n \geq N \Rightarrow |a_n - L| < 1$, where $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$.

This means implies

$$|a_n| - |L| < 1, \quad |a_n| < 1 + |L|.$$

Take

$$M = \max \{ a_1, a_2, \dots, a_N, |L| + 1 \}.$$



Clearly, $|a_n| \leq M$ for all n . \square

Theorem. Assume $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = b$.

Take $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

(i) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n \pm b_n) = a \pm b$, (ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda a_n = \lambda a$.

(iii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n b_n = ab$, (iv) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \frac{a}{b}$.

(we assume $b_n \neq 0$ for all n , $b \neq 0$)

Proof. (i), (ii) - exercise.

Let's prove (iii). For each n , we have

$$|a_n b_n - ab| = |\underbrace{a_n b_n + a_n b}_{\text{add and subtract}} - \underbrace{a_n b + ab}_{\text{add and subtract}}|$$

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

$$\leq |a_n| |b_n - b| + |b| |a_n - a|$$

$$\leq M |b_n - b| + |b| |a_n - a|$$

for some $M > 0$.

Fix $\varepsilon > 0$. There exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$$n \geq N \Rightarrow |a_n - a| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2(|b| + 1)} \text{ and}$$

$$|b_n - b| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2M}. \text{ Then}$$

$$n \geq N \Rightarrow |a_n b_n - ab| \leq M \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{2M} + |b| \frac{\varepsilon}{2(|b| + 1)}$$

$$\left\langle \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon \right\rangle$$



(iv) Fix $\varepsilon > 0$. Consider

~~$\left| \frac{a_n}{b_n} - \frac{a}{b} \right| = \left| \frac{a_n - a}{b_n} + \frac{a}{b_n} - \frac{a}{b} \right|$~~

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

Note that $b \neq 0$.

There exists N_1 s.t. $n \geq N_1 \Rightarrow$

$$|b_n - b| < \frac{|b|}{2}. \text{ Then}$$

~~$|b| - |b_n| < \frac{|b|}{2}$ and $|b_n| > \frac{|b|}{2}$~~

$$|b| - |b_n| < \frac{|b|}{2} \text{ and } |b_n| > \frac{|b|}{2}.$$

This implies

$$\left| \frac{1}{b_n} - \frac{1}{b} \right| \leq \frac{|b - b_n|/2}{|b||b_n|} = \frac{2|b - b_n|}{|b|^2}$$

Because b_n converges to b , there is N s.t. $n \geq N \Rightarrow |b_n - b| < \frac{\varepsilon |b|^2}{2}$. Then

$$n \geq N \Rightarrow \left| \frac{1}{b_n} - \frac{1}{b} \right| < \varepsilon. \text{ Hence } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{b_n} = \frac{1}{b}.$$

(v) follows from this and (iii). \square

Example. Fix $\lambda \in (0, 1)$.

Set $a_n = \lambda^n$. Then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$.

Proof. Note $\lambda^n > 0$. Now,

$$0 < \lambda < 1 \Rightarrow 0 \cdot \lambda^n < \lambda^{n+1} < 1 \cdot \lambda^n,$$

$$0 < \lambda^{n+1} < \lambda^n. \text{ This means}$$

λ^n is monotone decreasing.

Such sequences always converge
(we prove this later).

Thus, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda^n = \alpha$ for some $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$.

Claim. $\alpha = 0$. [Lec. 6]

a) Assume $\alpha < 0$.

Use def. of limit.

$$\text{Take } \varepsilon = \frac{|\alpha|}{2} = -\frac{\alpha}{2}.$$

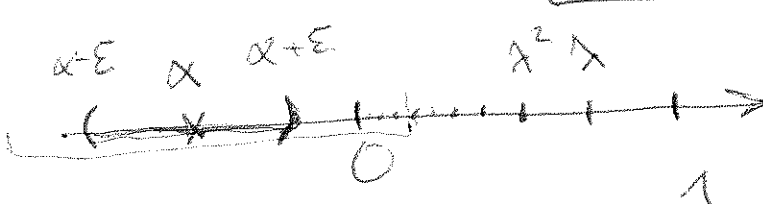
There exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $n > N$

$$\Rightarrow |\lambda^n - \alpha| < -\frac{\alpha}{2}$$

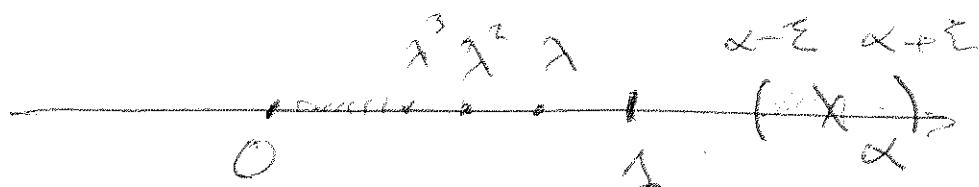
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\alpha}{2} < \lambda^n - \alpha < -\frac{\alpha}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^n < \frac{\alpha}{2} < \underline{0}. \text{ Contradiction.}$$

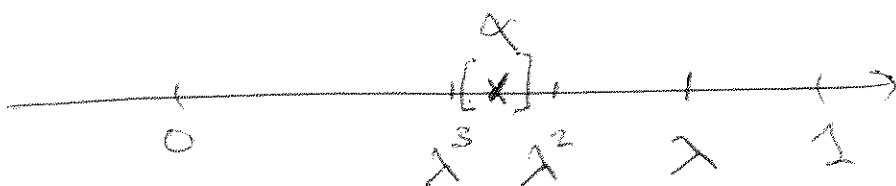
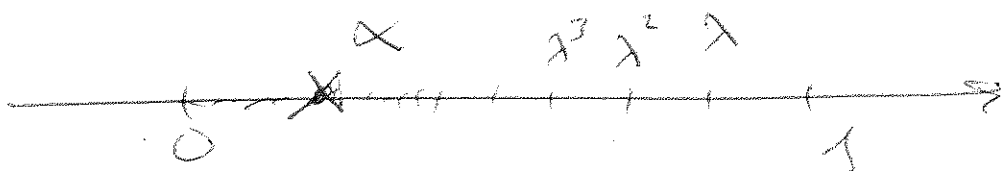
Hence $\alpha \geq 0$.



b) $\alpha \geq 1$. Same argument works.



c) What if $\alpha \in (0, 1)$.



Choose $\epsilon = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda} - \alpha$. Then there is $N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $n > N \Rightarrow |\lambda^n - \alpha| < \epsilon$.

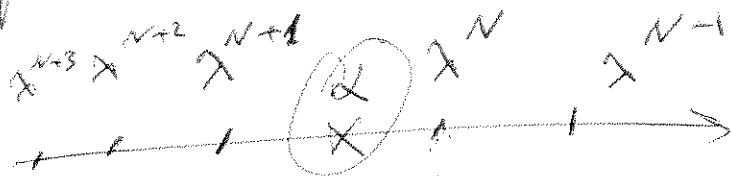
This means

$$\alpha - \epsilon < \lambda^n < \alpha + \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(2\alpha - \frac{\alpha}{\lambda} \right) < \lambda^n < \frac{\alpha}{\lambda}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^{n+1} < \alpha$$

But this is impossible! Why?



Because λ^n is monotone decreasing.

Contradiction. Thus, $\alpha = 0$.

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Upper and lower bounds of sets.

Def. Suppose $\Omega \subset \mathbb{F}$, where \mathbb{F} is an ordered field. $b \in \mathbb{F}$ is an upper (lower) bound of Ω if $b \geq x$ ($b \leq x$) for all $x \in \Omega$.

b is the least upper bound (or supremum) if

- (i) b is an upper bound of Ω
- (ii) $b \leq c$ for every upper bound c of Ω

The greatest lower bound (or infimum) is defined analogously.

Def. We say \mathbb{F} has the least upper bound property if every set which has an upper bound in \mathbb{F} has a least upper bound in \mathbb{F} .

Examples. $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$, $\Omega = [0, 1]$,
 $\sup \Omega = 1$.
 $\inf \Omega = 0$.

Note. \sup and \inf are unique.

Proof. Let S_1 and S_2 be least upper bounds of Ω . Then, by (i), they are both upper bounds. By (ii), $S_1 \leq S_2$ and $S_2 \leq S_1$. Thus, $S_1 = S_2$.

$$\Omega = (0, 1), \quad \sup \Omega = 1,$$

$$\Omega = (0, 1) \cup \{16\}, \quad \sup \Omega = 16, \\ \inf \Omega = 0.$$

$$\Omega = \mathbb{N},$$

$\sup \Omega$ does not exist,

$$\inf \Omega = 1.$$

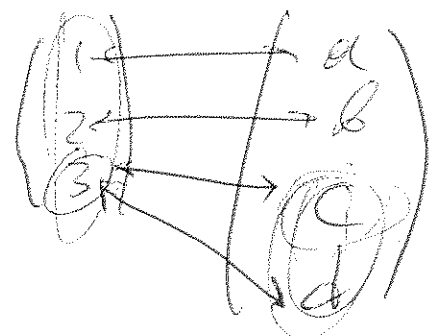
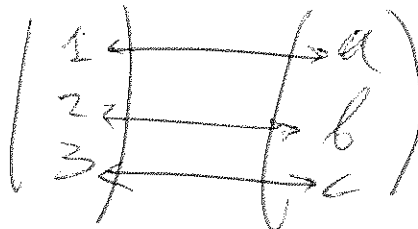
$\Omega = \mathbb{Q}$, $\sup \Omega$, & $\inf \Omega$ do not exist.

If $\sup \Omega = \inf \Omega$, then Ω has only one point.

Cardinality.

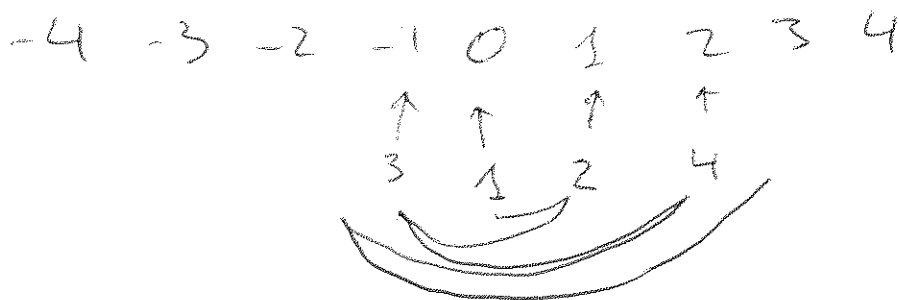
We say two sets Ω_1 and Ω_2 have the same cardinality if there is a one-to-one correspondence between them.

Example.



Def. \mathbb{Z} is countable if it has the same cardinality as \mathbb{N} .

Why is \mathbb{Z} countable?

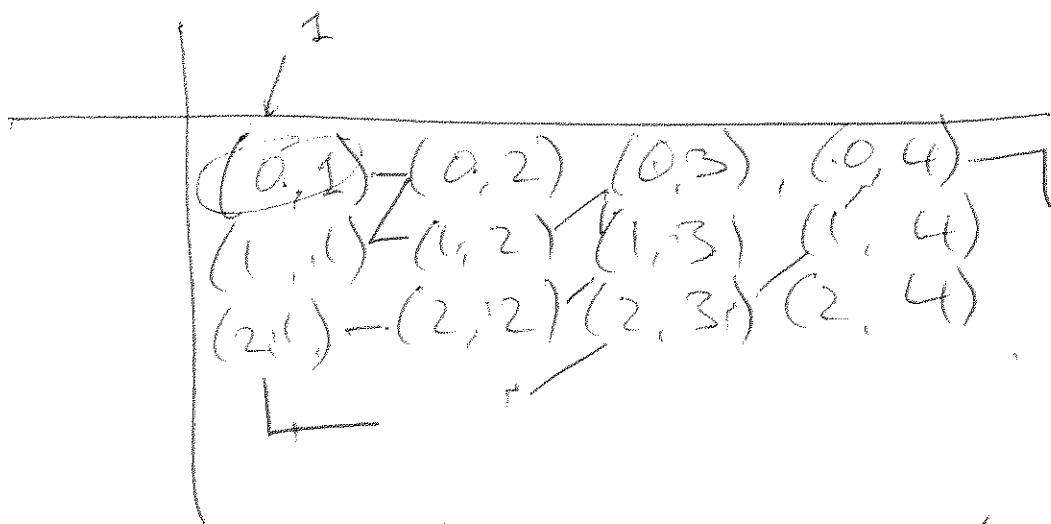


Is \mathbb{Q} countable?

Note: an ^{infinite} subset of a countable set is countable.

\mathbb{Q} is a subset of $\{(p, q) \mid p \in \mathbb{Z}, q \in \mathbb{N}\}$.

Why is the set of all such pairs countable?



Exercise: do this right.

Why is \mathbb{R} not countable?

~~Take~~ Assume \mathbb{R} is countable.

~~#~~ Write the real ~~with~~ numbers of the form $0.0011010\dots$ (infinite fractions of 0 and 1) in a sequence.

$0.\overset{1}{0}0000\dots$
 $0.0\overset{0}{1}000\dots$
 $0.11\overset{1}{0}01\dots$
 $0.001\overset{0}{1}0\dots$

Then take

$0.1010\dots$

This is different from all

But we assumed we listed all.

contradiction. \square

Ordered field with l.u.b. property.

~~Def 1.1~~