

MATH 521 Lecture 7

We are proving \mathbb{R} has the LUBP

$S \subset \mathbb{R}$ nonempty, bounded above $< M$

$$\forall s \quad s \leq M$$

$$(l_0, u_0) = (s, M)$$

• $m = \text{average of } l_i, u_i$

• If m is an UB for S , $(l_{i+1}, u_{i+1}) = (l_i, m)$

• Otherwise, $(l_{i+1}, u_{i+1}) = (m, u_i)$

u_i ✓

l_i ✓

u_i ✓

l_i ✓

Properties $u_i > l_i \quad \forall i$

\underline{u} is non-increasing

\underline{l} is non-decreasing

\underline{u} bounded above by M

\underline{l} bounded below by S

$\forall i \quad u_i$ is an upper bound for S

$\forall i \quad l_i$ is not an upper bound for S

(unless S is an UB for S , but then $S = \sup S$ done)

We will prove:

• \underline{u} and \underline{l} both have limits, the limits are same, and they are $\sup S$

Prop (\mathbb{R} is complete) Every Cauchy sequence $\underline{x} = x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots$

has a limit

← indeed, a sequence in \mathbb{R} has a limit iff it is Cauchy

Main idea: $\forall i$ choose $a_i \in \mathbb{Q}$ s.t. $|a_i - x_i| \leq \frac{1}{2^i}$

$$\underline{a} = a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$$

Then prove \underline{x} is Cauchy

Take y to be the real number represented by \underline{a}

Then prove $\lim \underline{x} = y$

for this last step: $\underline{a} - \underline{x}$ is a sequence with $|a_i - x_i| < \frac{1}{2} \epsilon$

$$\text{So } \lim (a - x) = 0$$

$$\lim a - \lim x$$

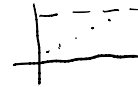
To show \underline{x} has a limit, we will show

Prop (Monotone Convergence Thm)

A non-decreasing sequence of real #'s which is bounded above

is Cauchy (and thus converges to a limit)

EVERYTHING THAT RISES MUST CONVERGE



Pf \underline{x} an non-decreasing sequence, bounded by some M

Suppose \underline{x} is not Cauchy

\underline{x} Cauchy would mean

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N; \forall i, j > N, |x_i - x_j| < \epsilon$$

N is ϵ -green

" $\epsilon > 0$, there exists an ϵ -green N "

Suppose $\exists \epsilon > 0$ for which there is no ϵ -green N

$\Leftrightarrow \exists \epsilon > 0$ such that $\forall N$ that s.t. N is not ϵ -green

$$\exists \epsilon > 0, \forall N, \exists i, j > N, |x_i - x_j| \geq \epsilon$$

WLOG $i < j$
without loss of generality

$$\begin{aligned} & \geq \epsilon [\dots] \\ & \geq \epsilon [\dots] \\ & \geq \epsilon [\dots] \\ N=0 & \quad x_i \geq x_j + \epsilon \geq x_0 + \epsilon \\ N=x_0 & \quad x_{i'} \geq x_{j'} + \epsilon \geq x_0 + \epsilon \\ N=x_{i'} & \quad \dots \end{aligned}$$

Then by this process (induction) for every $m \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$

$$\exists I \text{ s.t. } x_i \geq x_0 + m\varepsilon$$

But $x_i < M$ for all i

Choose m s.t. $m\varepsilon > M - x_0$

$$x_0 + m\varepsilon > M \quad X$$

← Archimedean property

Back to Proof of LUBP:

By Monotonic Convergence,

\underline{l} has a limit matches mtadis

\underline{u} has a limit

$$l_i - u_i = \frac{1}{2^i} (M - S)$$

$$\text{So } \lim (l_i - u_i) = 0, \text{ so } \lim \underline{l} = \lim \underline{u}$$

$$\text{Let } u = \lim \underline{u} = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} u_i$$

To show: $u = \sup S$

First: show u is an UB for S

Recall: each u_i is an UB for S

Suppose u is not an UB for S , i.e., there is $s \in S$ s.t. $u < s$

$$\text{s.t. } \text{Let } \varepsilon = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(s - u)$$

u_i] Choose i s.t. $|u_i - u| < \varepsilon$

then $u_i < s$ X

To show u is the least upper bound,

Suppose $v < u$ is also an UB for S

Recall $u = \lim \underline{l}$

$$\text{choose } l_i \text{ s.t. } |l_i - u| \leq \frac{1}{2}(u - v)$$

u] So $l_i > v$

l_i] So l_i is an UB for S X

v]

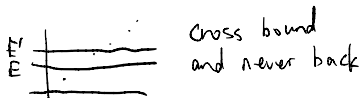
Extension of \mathbb{R}

$\bar{\mathbb{R}}$, the "extended reals", an ordered set $\mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty, -\infty\}$



Def If x_1, x_2, \dots is a sequence in $\bar{\mathbb{R}}$, we say $\lim x = \infty$ if

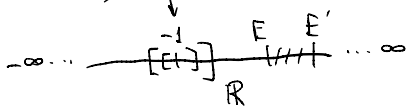
$$\forall \epsilon, \exists N, \forall i > N, x_i > \epsilon$$



choosing ϵ is choosing smaller and smaller neighborhoods of $-\infty$

$[E, \infty]$ is a neighborhood of ∞

$[E', \infty)$ is a smaller neighborhood of ∞



Problem with $\bar{\mathbb{R}}$ - not a field

$$\infty = \lim 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots$$

$$1 = \lim 1, 1, 1, 1, \dots$$

$$\infty + 1 = \lim 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots = \infty$$

$$\infty + 1 = \infty$$

$$1 = 0$$



INFINITESIMALS

$$\epsilon = \sqrt{0}$$

Including this in the reals, we get numbers of the form

$$a + b\epsilon \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(a + b\epsilon)(c + d\epsilon) = ac + (b + d)\epsilon$$

$$\epsilon < x \text{ for any } x > 0$$

$$\epsilon > 0$$

$$a + b\epsilon > c + d\epsilon \text{ if either } a > c \text{ or } (a = c \text{ and } b > d)$$

Not a field because ϵ has no reciprocal

Pf $\epsilon (a + b\epsilon) = 1$

$$0 + a\epsilon = 1 + 0\epsilon$$