

Preliminary:

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$\mathbb{Q}$  = set of rationals:

$$= \left\{ \frac{p}{q} : p, q \in \mathbb{Z}, (p, q) = 1 \right\}$$

$\mathbb{Z}$  - the set of integers.

There are numbers other than rationals.

Consider  $(p/q)^2 = 2$ ,  $(p, q) = 1$ .

$p^2 = 2q^2 \Rightarrow p = 2m$ , for some

$m \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $2m^2 = q^2 \Rightarrow q = 2n$

$\Rightarrow (p, q) \geq 2$ , which is a

contradiction. Thus,  $\sqrt{2}$  is not a rational number.

Such as we say, Irrationals &

we denote  $\mathbb{Q}^c = \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$  as the

set of Irrationals.

\* The set of rationals is not complete in the following sense.

Def<sup>n</sup>: Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . A number  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  is called an upper bound for  $A$  if  $a \leq x_0, \forall a \in A$ . Similarly,  $y_0$  is called a lower bound for  $A$  if  $a \geq y_0, \forall a \in A$ .

Def<sup>n</sup>: An upper bound  $x_0$  of  $A$  is called least upper bound (l.u.b.) or supremum for  $A$  if  $z$  is any upper bound for  $A$ , implies  $x_0 \leq z$ . Similarly, greatest lower bound (g.l.b.) (or infimum) is defined.

Ex:  $A = \left\{ 1 - \frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$ . Show that  $\inf A = 0$  &  $\sup A = 1$ .

\* Every non-empty subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  having an upper bound has l.u.b (sup), and every non-empty subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  having a lower bound has g.l.b (inf).

This is known as completeness property of real line  $\mathbb{R}$ . (For a proof, see Chap I. Rudin PMA) (3)

ex. if  $A (\neq \emptyset) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is not bounded above, we write  $\sup A = \infty$ . Similarly, if  $B (\neq \emptyset) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is not bounded below, we write  $\inf B = -\infty$ .

If  $A = \emptyset$  (empty), then we write  $\inf A = \infty$ , and  $\sup A = -\infty$ .

Hint:  $\{a\} \subseteq \{a, b\} \Rightarrow \inf \{a\} = a \geq \inf \{a, b\}$   
 $\therefore \emptyset \subseteq \{a\} \Rightarrow \inf \emptyset \geq a, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$

ex.  $A \subseteq B \subseteq \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \inf A \geq \inf B$  &  
 $\sup A \leq \sup B$ .

Archimedean property:

let  $x \geq 0$  &  $y$  be any real no. Then  $\exists$  a positive integer  $n$  s.t.  $nx > y$ .

(implies any two real nos can be compared). (4)

Proof: If  $\nexists$  any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $n\alpha > \gamma$ , then  $n\alpha \leq \gamma$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus,  $\gamma$  is an upper bound of the set  $\{n\alpha : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .

By completeness property of  $\mathbb{R}$ ,

$\exists \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $\alpha = \sup \{n\alpha : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .

Note that  $\alpha \leq \gamma$ .

Since  $\alpha$  is the least upper bound,

$$\frac{\alpha - \alpha}{2} < \alpha$$

$\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $\alpha - \alpha < n\alpha < \alpha$

$\Rightarrow \alpha < (n+1)\alpha$ , which contradicts

the fact that  $\alpha$  is a supremum.

Ex. Let  $A = \{x \in \mathbb{Q} : x > 0, x^2 < 2\}$ . Show that  $\sup A = \sqrt{2} \notin \mathbb{Q}$ .

\* If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $x < y$  or  $x > y$ . (5)  
 If  $y - x > 0$ , by comparing  $y - x$  with 1  
 using Archimedean property or AP,  
 we get  $n(y - x) > 1$ .

$\Rightarrow \exists$  integer  $n$  s.t.  $ny > nx + 1$

$$\Rightarrow x < \frac{ny}{n} < y.$$

That is, between any two reals, there is  
 a rational. Similarly,  $\frac{x}{\sqrt{2}} < \frac{m}{n} < \frac{y}{\sqrt{2}}$ .

$$\Rightarrow x < \frac{m}{n} \sqrt{2} < y.$$

i.e. between any two reals, there  
 is an irrational.

Ex. Find inf & sup of  $\left\{ \frac{m}{m+n} : m, n \in \mathbb{N} \right\}$ .

Let  $A = \left\{ \frac{m}{m+n} : m, n \in \mathbb{N} \right\}$ . Clearly,

$\left\{ \frac{1}{1+n} : n \in \mathbb{N} \right\} \subset A$  &  $\frac{1}{1+n}$  approaches

to 0 for large  $n$ . If  $\alpha = \inf A > 0$ ,

then by AP,  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $(n+1)\alpha > 1$ .

$$\Rightarrow \alpha > \frac{1}{n+1},$$

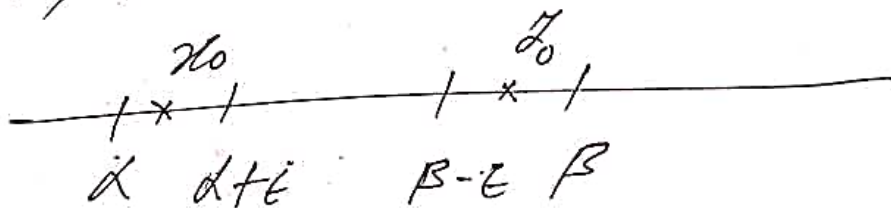
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which contradicts that  $\alpha$  is  $\inf A$ .

If  $\beta = \sup A < 1$ . Then  $(n+1)(1-\beta) > 1$  (by AP)

$$\Rightarrow \beta < \frac{1}{n+1} \quad \times.$$

Ex. If  $\alpha = \inf A$  &  $\sup A = \beta$ . Then  
for  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists x_0, y_0 \in A$  s.t.  $x_0 < \alpha + \epsilon$   
and  $y_0 > \beta - \epsilon$ .



Proof: Suppose for a given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists a \in A$   
s.t.  $a < \alpha + \epsilon$ . Then  $a > \alpha + \epsilon$ ,  $\forall a \in A$ .  
 $\Rightarrow a > \alpha + \epsilon > \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha + \epsilon$  is a lower  
bound, which contradicts the fact that  
 $\alpha$  is the greatest lower bound.

Similar argument for  $\beta$  works.

Def<sup>n</sup>: A function  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  (&  $\mathbb{C}$ ) is called a sequence, and we write  $\{f(1), f(2), \dots, f(n), \dots\}$  or  $\{f_n\}$ . ⑦

Def<sup>n</sup>: A seq<sup>n</sup>  $(a_n) \in \mathbb{R}$  is said to be conv. to  $l$  if  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$$n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow |a_n - l| < \epsilon$$

$$\& a_n \in (l - \epsilon, l + \epsilon), \forall n \geq n_0.$$

Ex.  $a_n = \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0$ . For this, let  $\epsilon > 0$ ,

$$\frac{1}{n} < \epsilon \Rightarrow n > \frac{1}{\epsilon} \Rightarrow [ \frac{1}{\epsilon} ] + 1 = n_0,$$

$$|a_n - 0| < \epsilon.$$

Result: Every conv. seq<sup>n</sup> is bounded.

pf. let  $a_n \rightarrow a$ . Then for  $\epsilon = 1 > 0, \exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$$|a_n - a| < 1 \Rightarrow a_n \in (a-1, a+1),$$

$n \geq n_0$ .

$$\text{let } m = \inf \left[ (a-1, a+1) \cup \{a_1, \dots, a_{n_0-1}\} \right]$$

$$\& M = \sup \left[ (a-1, a+1) \cup \{a_1, \dots, a_{n_0-1}\} \right].$$

Then  $m \leq a_n \leq M, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Result: If  $x_n$  is  $\uparrow$  & bounded above, ⑧  
 then  $x_n$  is conv &  $\lim x_n = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} x_n$ .

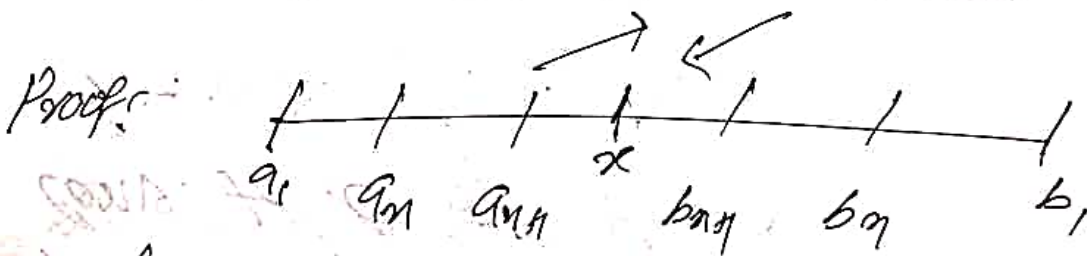
proof: Let  $d = \sup x_n$ . Then for  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$   
 $n_0$  s.t.  $x_{n_0} > d - \epsilon$ .

$\Rightarrow d + \epsilon > x_n > x_{n_0} > d - \epsilon, \forall n \geq n_0$ .  
 Thus,  $x_n \rightarrow d = \sup x_n$ .

Similarly, if  $x_n \downarrow$  & bounded below, then  
 $x_n$  is conv &  $\lim x_n = \inf x_n$ .

Nested interval theorem:

If  $I_1 \supset I_2 \supset I_3 \supset \dots$  &  $\lim (l_n) = b_1 - a_1 = 0$ ,  
 where  $I_n = [a_n, b_n]$ . Then  $\cap I_n = \{x\}$ .



It is clear that  $a_n \uparrow$  &  $b_n \downarrow$ , and  
 $b_n - a_n \rightarrow 0$ . Hence,  $\{a_n\}$  &  $\{b_n\}$  are  
 convergent. Let  $a_n \rightarrow a$  &  $b_n \rightarrow b$ .



Then  $b - a = \lim (b_n - a_n) = 0 \Rightarrow a = b.$  (9)

Notice that  $a_n \leq a & b_n \geq a$

$\Rightarrow a_n \leq a \leq b_n \Rightarrow a \in \cap I_n.$

If  $x \in \cap I_n$ , then  $a_n \leq x \leq b_n \Rightarrow x = a.$

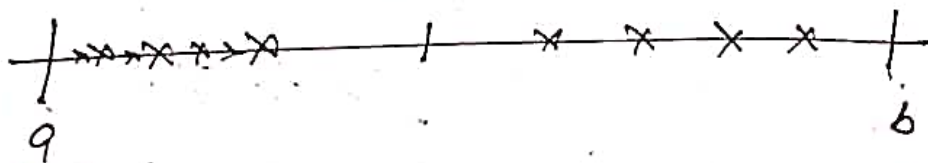
If  $\{x_n\}$  is a seq<sup>n</sup> &  $n_1 < n_2 < \dots < n_k < \dots$   
where  $n_k \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  is called  
a subsequence of seq<sup>n</sup>  $\{x_n\}$ .

Ex.  $\{\frac{1}{k^2}\}$ ,  $\{\frac{1}{2^k}\}$  are subsequences of  
 $\{\frac{1}{n}\}$  with  $n_k = k^2$  &  $n_k = 2^k$  respectively.

Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem:

Every bounded sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$  has a  
conv. subsequence

proof: Let  $(x_n)$  be a bounded seq<sup>n</sup> in  $\mathbb{R}$ .  
Then  $\exists a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  st  $x_n \in [a, b], \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .



Divide  $[a, b]$  into two parts, say  $[a, b_1]$  &  $[b_1, b]$ , and write

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Suppose  $I_1 = [a, b_1]$  contains only many terms of  $(x_n)$ . Further choose  $x_{n_1} \in I_1$ .

Further, divide  $I_1 = I_2 \cup I_2'$  & suppose that  $I_2$  contains only terms of  $(x_n)$ .

Choose  $x_{n_2} \in I_2$  s.t.  $n_1 < n_2$ .

Then  $x_{n_k} \in I_k$  &  $I_k \supset I_{k+1}$  ...

Then  $\bigcap (I_k) \rightarrow 0$ . By NIT,

$$\bigcap I_k = \{x\}.$$

Thus for each  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$$\forall k > k_0 \Rightarrow I_k \subset (x - \epsilon, x + \epsilon) \quad (??)$$

$$\text{i.e. } x_{n_k} \in (x - \epsilon, x + \epsilon), \forall k > k_0.$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{n_k} \rightarrow x.$$

Remark: Suppose  $(x_n) \subset [a, b]$ ,  $\neq$

$$\text{let } x_{n_k} = \inf_{n \geq k} x_n = \inf \{x_k, x_{k+1}, \dots\}$$

Then  $x_{nk} \uparrow$  &  $< b \Rightarrow x_{nk} \rightarrow \sup_{n \in \mathbb{I}} (\inf_{n \in \mathbb{I}} x_n)$  (11)

$$\text{i.e. } \lim x_{nk} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (\inf_{n \in \mathbb{I}} x_n) = \underline{\lim} x_n \quad (53)$$

Similarly,  $y_{nk} = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{I}} x_n = \sup \{ x_n, x_{k+1}, \dots \}$ .

Then  $y_{nk} \downarrow$  &  $> a \Rightarrow y_{nk} \rightarrow \inf_{n \in \mathbb{I}} (\sup_{n \in \mathbb{I}} x_n)$ .

$$\text{i.e. } \lim y_{nk} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (\sup_{n \in \mathbb{I}} x_n) = \overline{\lim} x_n \quad (54)$$

Notice that  $x_{nk}$  subsequences  $(x_{nk})$  &  $(y_{nk})$  need not be subsequences of  $(x_n)$ .

$$\text{Also, } \inf_{n \in \mathbb{I}} x_n \leq x_{nk} \leq y_{nk} \leq \sup_{n \in \mathbb{I}} x_n$$

Thus, limit of seq<sup>n</sup>  $(x_{nk})$  can be thought of limit lower limit of  $(x_n)$  and similarly limit of  $(y_{nk})$  can be thought of upper limit of  $(x_n)$ .

Since both  $(x_{nk})$  &  $(y_{nk})$  are convs, it follows that  $\lim x_{nk} \leq \lim y_{nk}$ .

That is,  $\underline{\lim} x_n \leq \overline{\lim} x_n$ . (12)

Example,  $x_n = (-1)^n$ , then  $\underline{\lim} x_n = -1 < 1 = \overline{\lim} x_n$ .

ex. of  $x_n \rightarrow x$ , then show that  $\underline{\lim} x_n = \overline{\lim} x_n$ .

Thus, deduce that a bounded seq<sup>n</sup> is conv. iff  $\underline{\lim} x_n = \overline{\lim} x_n$ .

ex. of  $x_n = (x_n, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  is a bounded seq<sup>n</sup>, then  $\sqrt{x_n^2 + y_n^2} \leq M, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$\Rightarrow |x_n| \leq M$  &  $|y_n| \leq M, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

By B-W-T,  $\exists x_{n_k}$  st  $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

now,  $y_{n_k}$  is also a bounded seq<sup>n</sup>, hence by B-W-T,  $\exists y_{n_{k_l}} \rightarrow y$ .

thus,  $(x_{n_{k_l}}, y_{n_{k_l}}) \rightarrow (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

Remark: similar argument can be produced for seq<sup>n</sup> in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Def<sup>n</sup>: A set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is said to be open if every pt  $x \in A$  possesses an open interval  $I_x \subset O$ . (13)  
 i.e. for each  $x \in O$ ,  $\exists \epsilon > 0$  s.t.  
 $(x - \epsilon, x + \epsilon) \subset O$ .

Thus, a countable union of open intervals is an open set.

on the other hand, any open set in  $\mathbb{R}$  can be written as countable union of disjoint open intervals.

Theorem: Let  $O$  be an open set in  $\mathbb{R}$ , then  $\exists$  disjoint family of countably many open intervals  $I_n$  s.t.  

$$O = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$$

Proof: Since  $O$  is open, for  $x \in O$ ,  $\exists$  an open interval  ~~$(a, b) \in O$~~   $(a, b)$  s.t.  $x \in (a, b) \subset O$ .

Now, we extract the largest open interval containing  $x$  and contained in  $O$ .

Let  $a_x = \inf \{ a : (a, x] \subset O \}$ , (14)

and  $b_x = \sup \{ b : [x, b) \subset O \}$ .

Then  $I_x = (a_x, b_x)$  will be the largest open interval containing  $x$  & contained in  $O$ .

Note that  $I_x = (a_x, b_x) \subset O$ . For this, let  $a_x < y < b_x$ , then  $a_x < y + \epsilon$  for small  $\epsilon > 0$ .

$\Rightarrow a_x + \epsilon < y$ . But by def<sup>n</sup> of infimum,  $\exists a < a_x + \epsilon$  &  $(a, x] \subset O$

$\Rightarrow (a_x + \epsilon, x] \subset O$ .

Similarly,  $[x, b_x - \epsilon) \subset O$

$\Rightarrow (x, b_x - \epsilon) \subset O$ ,  $\forall$  small  $\epsilon > 0$ .

$\Rightarrow (a_x, b_x) \subset O$ .

Now, if  $x, y \in O$ , &  $x \neq y$ , then either

$I_x \cap I_y = \emptyset$  or  $I_x = I_y$ .

If  $I_x \cap I_y \neq \emptyset$ , then  $I_x \cup I_y$  is an

open interval containing  $x$  &  $y$ . (15)

Therefore, by maximality of  $I_x$  for  $x$  &  $I_y$  for  $y$ , it follows that

$$I_x \cup I_y \subseteq I_x \Rightarrow I_y \subseteq I_x \quad (\text{by } y \in I_y)$$

Since  $y \in I_x \Rightarrow I_y = I_x$  ( $\because I_y$  is maximal)

Now,  $O = \bigcup_{x \in O} I_x$ . Since  $I_x$  &  $I_y$  are

disjoint ( $\forall x \neq y$ ), we can assign distinct rationals to each of them. That

is, choose  $r_x \in I_x$  &  $r_y \in I_y$ . Then

$$r_x \neq r_y.$$

Thus,  $\{I_x : x \in O\} \xrightarrow{1-1} \mathbb{Q}$  - set of rationals  
via  $\mathcal{I}_x \rightarrow r_x$ .

$$\text{Hence } O = \bigcup_{i \in I} I_i \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

The rep<sup>n</sup> (1) is unique.

$$\text{Let } O = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n = \bigcup_{m \in \mathbb{N}} J_m.$$

$$\text{Then } I_n = I_n \cap O = \bigcup_{m \in \mathbb{N}} (I_n \cap J_m).$$

Since  $\{I_n \cap J_m : m \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a disjoint family &  $I_n$  is an open interval, (16)

$I_n \subseteq I_n \cap J_{m_0}$  for some  $m_0$ .

But then  $I_n \subseteq J_{m_0}$  & given  $I_n$  is maximal  $\Rightarrow I_n = J_{m_0}$ .

Thus, the rep<sup>n</sup> (1) is unique upto change in order of union.

closed set:

A set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is said to be closed if for each sequence  $x_n \in A$  with  $x_n \rightarrow x$ , implies  $x \in A$ .

Ex: A set  $F \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is closed if  $F^c$  is open.

Proof: Let  $F$  be a closed set. Suppose  $F^c$  is not open. Then for some  $x \in F^c$ ,  $x \notin F$ ,  $\exists \epsilon > 0$  s.t.  $(x - \epsilon, x + \epsilon) \subseteq F^c$ .



Take  $\epsilon = \frac{1}{n}$ , then  $x_n \in (x - \frac{1}{n}, x + \frac{1}{n}) \cap F$ .  
 $x_n \in F$ . Thus,  $x_n \rightarrow x \in F$  is closed, implies  $x \in F$ , which is a contradiction. (17)  
 Hence  $F^c$  is open.

Conversely, suppose  $F^c$  is open. Let  $x_0 \in F$ , &  $x_n \rightarrow x$ . Claim  $x \in F$ .  
 If  $x \notin F$ , then  $x \in F^c$ , which is open.  
 Then  $\exists \delta > 0$  st.  $(x - \delta, x + \delta) \subset F^c$ .  
 Since,  $x_n \rightarrow x$ ,  $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  st.  
 $n > n_0 \Rightarrow x_n \in (x - \delta, x + \delta) \subset F^c$ ,  
 which is absurd. Thus  $x \in F$ .

Notice that we can define open & closed sets in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  in a similar way.

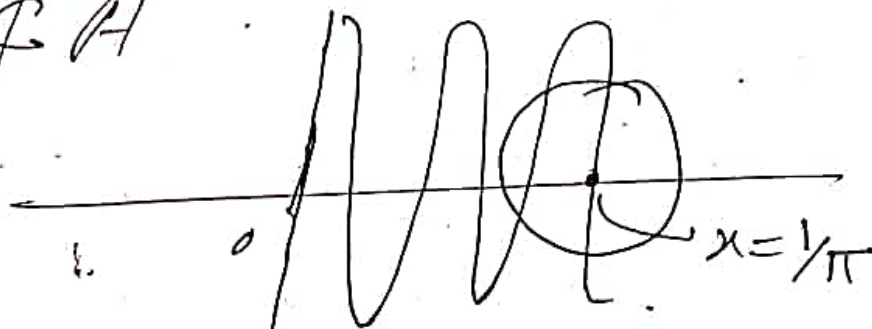
Ex. The set  $A = \{(x, y) : y = \sin \frac{1}{x}, x \neq 0\}$   
 is neither open nor closed in  $\mathbb{R}^2$   
 (in the usual metric).

Let  $x_n = \frac{1}{n\pi}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $(x_n, y_n) = (\frac{1}{n\pi}, 0) \in A$

But  $\lim (x_n, y_n) = (0, 0) \notin A$ .

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By  $(\frac{1}{n}, 0) \notin A$



$\therefore A$  is the graph of the function  
 $f(x) = \sin \frac{1}{x}, x \neq 0$

Interior of a Set:

Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , then  $\exists$  open set  $O \subseteq \mathbb{R}$   
s.t.  $A \subset O = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n, I_n = (a_n, b_n)$ .

Let us collect all open intervals which are contained in  $A$ .

Interior of  $A$  ( $\text{int } A$ ) = union of all open intervals contained in  $A$ .

i.e. interior of  $A$  is the largest

open set  $A^{\circ}$  contained in  $A$ .  
(That is,  $\emptyset$  is open &  $\emptyset \subset A \Rightarrow \emptyset \subseteq A^{\circ}$ .) (19)

ex.  $\mathbb{N}^{\circ} = \emptyset = \mathbb{Q}^{\circ} = (\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q})^{\circ}$  and  
 $\{ (x, y) : y = \sin \frac{1}{x}, x \neq 0 \}^{\circ} = \emptyset$ .

### Closure of a set:

Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , and  $x_n \in A$  st  $x_n \rightarrow x$ .

Closure of  $A$  ( $\bar{A}$ ) is the collection of  $x$  which is limit of a seq<sup>n</sup> in  $A$ .

That is, closure of a set  $A$  is the smallest set  $\bar{A}$  that contains  $A$ . That is,  
if  $B$  is closed &  $A \subseteq B \Rightarrow \bar{A} \subseteq B$ .

ex. Show that closure of  $A = \{ (x \sin \frac{1}{x}) : x \neq 0 \}$   
is the set  $A \cup \{0\} \times [-1, 1]$ .

Notice that  $A \cup \{0\} \times [-1, 1]$  is a closed set containing  $A$ , hence  $\bar{A} \subseteq A \cup \{0\} \times [-1, 1]$ .

Here  $(\frac{1}{n\pi}, 0) \rightarrow (0, 0)$  &  $(\frac{1}{\pm(2n+1)\pi/2}, \pm 1) \rightarrow (0, \pm 1)$ .

Hence  $(0, 0), (0, \pm 1) \in \bar{A}$ .

Next, is to for  $y \in (-1, 1) \setminus \{0\}$ , find

seq.  $x_n \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  s.t.  $(x_n, \sin \frac{1}{x_n}) \rightarrow (0, y)$ .

$\forall x_n \rightarrow 0$  &  $\sin \frac{1}{x_n} \rightarrow y$  etc.

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def<sup>n</sup>: A closed & bounded subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is called Compact of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . (2)

Ex. The set  $\{(x, y) : y = \sin \frac{1}{x}, x \neq 0\}$  is closed but not bounded.

Note that if  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\exists$  open set  $O \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $K \subseteq O = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n$  (open cover) using B-W thm, it can be deduced that the set  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is compact iff every open cover of  $K$  reduce to finite subcover. i.e.  $K \subseteq \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n$ .

Similar arguments hold for  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ .<sup>cpt.</sup>

Ex. A subset  $F \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is closed iff  $\forall \epsilon > 0, (x - \epsilon, x + \epsilon) \cap F \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow x \in F$ .

Suppose  $F$  is closed and  $\forall \epsilon > 0$

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$(x-\epsilon, x+\epsilon) \cap F \neq \emptyset$ . Then for

$\epsilon = \frac{1}{n}$ ,  $\exists x_n \in (x - \frac{1}{n}, x + \frac{1}{n}) \cap F$

$\Rightarrow |x_n - x| < \frac{1}{n}$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$\Rightarrow x_n \rightarrow x$  &  $F$  is closed

$\Rightarrow x \in F$

Conversely, let  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $(x-\epsilon, x+\epsilon) \cap F \neq \emptyset$

$\Rightarrow x \in F$

Claim  $F$  is closed. Let  $x_n \in F$  &

$x_n \rightarrow x$ . Then for  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$

$n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow x_n \in (x-\epsilon, x+\epsilon) \cap F \neq \emptyset$

$\Rightarrow x \in F$

Def: let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ .

Dense set:

Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , and  $x_n \in A$   
s.t.  $x_n \rightarrow x$ .



then  $\bar{A} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : \exists x_n \in A \text{ with } x_n \rightarrow x\}$

If  $\bar{A} = \mathbb{R}$ , then  $A$  is called dense  
in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

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Ex: let  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , then

$$x = x_0 + \frac{x_1}{10} + \dots + \frac{x_n}{10^n} + \dots \quad (*)$$

where  $x_i \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 9\}$

Let  $S_n = x_0 + \dots + \frac{x_n}{10^n} \in \mathbb{Q}$ . Then

$S_n \rightarrow x$ . Thus  $\overline{\mathbb{Q}} = \mathbb{R}$ .

Also,  $x_n = x + \frac{1}{(1+n^2)^{1/3}} \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$  (??)

&  $x_n \rightarrow x$ . Thus  $\overline{\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}} = \mathbb{R}$ .

Note that rep<sup>n</sup> (\*) is not unique, e.g.

$$0.5 = 0.4999\dots$$

Theorem: let  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $p \geq 2$  and  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ .

Then  $\exists$  a seq<sup>n</sup> of integers  $(a_n)$

with  $0 \leq a_n \leq p-1$  s.t.

$$x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{p^n}$$

Proof: Choose  $a_1$  be the largest integer:

s.t.  $a_1/p < x$  ( $\exists$  Archimedean property)

( $\because \frac{1}{p}, x, AP$ ). (24)

Since  $0 < x < 1 \Rightarrow a_1 < p$ . Given  $a_1$  is an integer,  $a_1 \leq p-1$ . Also,  $a_1$  is the largest, we must have

$$\frac{a_1}{p} < x \leq \frac{(a_1+1)}{p}$$

Next, choose  $a_2$  s.t.

$$\frac{a_1}{p} + \frac{a_2}{p^2} < x \quad \left( \because \left( \frac{1}{p}, p x - \frac{a_1}{p} \right) \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq a_2 \leq p-1 \text{ and } \left[ \frac{a_2}{p} < p x - \frac{a_1}{p} < 1, \right. \\ \left. \because a_2 \text{ is largest} \right]$$

$$\frac{a_1}{p} + \frac{a_2}{p^2} < x \leq \frac{a_1}{p} + \frac{a_2+1}{p^2}$$

By induction,  $\frac{a_1}{p} + \dots + \frac{a_n}{p^n} < x \leq \frac{a_1}{p} + \dots + \frac{a_n+1}{p^n}$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{p^n} \quad (p\text{-adic}) \text{ decimal exp.}$$



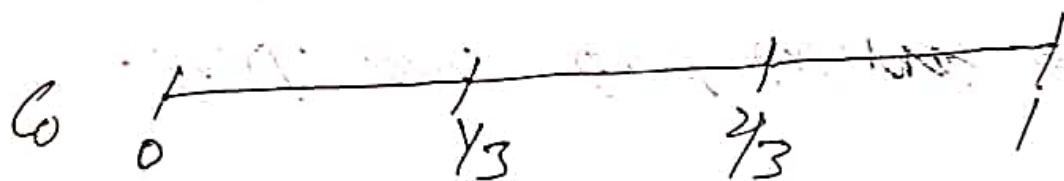
Ex. Show that  $\left\{ \frac{k}{2^n} : k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 2^n; n = 1, 2, \dots \right\}$   
is dense in  $[0, 1]$ . (25)

(Hint: Use binary expansion)

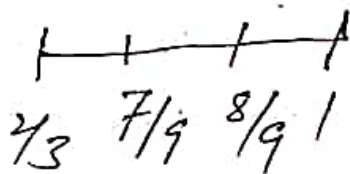
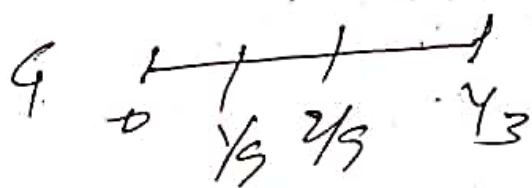
### Cantor Set:

Cantor set is an uncountable set in  $[0, 1]$  having zero length with many peculiar properties answering some of the difficult questions related to topology of real line.

Let  $C_0 = [0, 1]$ .

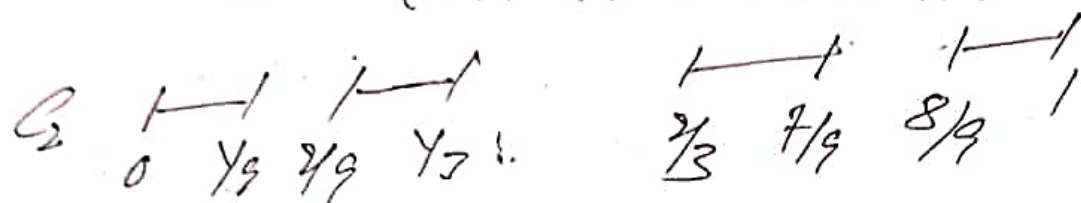


Delete middle one third open interval  $J_1 = \left( \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right)$  from  $C_0$ . Then



delete one-sided open interval from each section of  $C_1$ , and let (26)

$$J_2 = (1/9, 2/9) \cup (7/9, 8/9).$$



Thus,  $C_0 = [0, 1]$ , one closed interval of length = 1,

$C_1 = [0, 1/3] \cup [2/3, 1]$ , two disjoint closed intervals, each of length  $1/3$ .

$C_2 = [0, 1/9] \cup [2/9, 1/3] \cup [2/3, 7/9] \cup [8/9, 1]$  has four disjoint closed intervals, each of length  $1/9$ .

By induction, we can construct  $C_n$  with having  $2^n$  disjoint closed intervals each of length  $3^{-n}$ .

(i)  $C_n$  is a sequence of closed & half  
intervals, hence by nested intervals  
theorem,  $\bigcap C_n \neq \emptyset$

(Hint: use NIT for each chain in the  
construction of  $C_n$ ).

(ii) let  $C = \bigcap_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n$ , then  $C$  contains all the  
end pts of the deleted open intervals.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} \quad C &= [0, 1] \setminus J_1 \cup J_2 \dots J_n \dots \\ &= [0, 1] \setminus \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} J_n. \end{aligned}$$

(iv) Since  $C \subset C_n$ ,  $\forall n > 0$ ,

$$l(C) \leq l(C_n) = \frac{2^n}{3^n} \rightarrow 0.$$

Thus, the total length of  $C = 0$ .

This shows that the set  $C$  is small.  
On the other hand, we shall see  
that  $C$  is uncountable.

(v) The Cantor ternary set  $C$  (later we  
just say Cantor set) is nowhere dense.

or  $(C)^\circ = C^\circ = \emptyset$ . If not, then (28)

for  $x \in C^\circ \Rightarrow \exists \epsilon > 0$  st  $(x-\epsilon, x+\epsilon) \in C^\circ \subset C$

$$\Rightarrow l(x-\epsilon, x+\epsilon) \leq l(C) = 0$$

$$\text{we } 2\epsilon \leq 0 \text{ X.}$$

Hence  $C$  is nowhere dense.

(vi)  $C$  is totally disconnected (i.e. connected sets in  $C$  are singletons only)  
(we shall prove it later!)

(vii) Every pt of  $C$  is a limit pt of  $C$  of itself (i.e.  $C$  is a perfect set).

let  $x \in C = \bigcap C_n \Rightarrow x \in C_n, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then  $x$  must belong to one of the closed intervals that constitute  $C_n$ .

That is,  $x \in [x_n, y_n]$  with  $y_n - x_n = \frac{1}{3^n}$ .

$$\Rightarrow |x_n - x| \leq |y_n - x_n| \leq \frac{1}{3^n} \rightarrow 0.$$

Note that  $x_n$  &  $y_n$  are end pts of the deleted open intervals  $J_n$ 's. Hence,  $x_n, y_n \in C$ . Thus, if  $E$  denotes the set of all end pts, then  $\bar{E} = C$ . Since  $E$  is countable (being subset of rationals),  $C$  is separable (we define later). (29)

### (viii) Representation of Cantor's set:

Consider the end pt  $\frac{1}{3} \in C$ . We can write  $\frac{1}{3} = \frac{0}{3} + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{2}{3^2} + \dots = (0.022\dots)_3$

Similarly,  $\frac{2}{3} = (0.2)_3$ . Inductively,

it can be shown that any end pt  $x \in E$  can be expressed as

$$x = \frac{a_1}{3} + \frac{a_2}{3^2} + \dots, \quad a_i \in \{0, 2\}.$$

Store each  $x \in [0, 1]$  by <sup>ternary</sup> ~~binary~~ rep.

Consider the set

$$F = \left\{ x \in [0, 1] : x = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_i}{3^i}, a_i \in \{0, 1, 2\} \right\} \cap E.$$

If  $x \in F$ , then  $x$  is not an end pt, (30)

$$\text{and } x = \frac{a_1}{3} + \frac{a_2}{3^2} + \dots, \quad a_i \in \{0, 1, 2\}.$$

Notice that  $a_1 = 1$  iff  $x \in (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$  iff  $x \notin C_1$   
next,

$$a_1 \neq 1, a_2 = 1 \text{ iff } x \in (\frac{1}{9}, \frac{2}{9}) \cup (\frac{7}{9}, \frac{8}{9})$$
$$\text{iff } x \notin C_2.$$

Thus,  $a_{i_0} = 1$  for some  $i_0$  iff  $x \notin C_{i_0}$

now, let  $x \in C = \mathbb{R} \cap \mathbb{Q}_3^\infty$  &  $x = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_i}{3^i}$ . Suppose  
some of  $a_i = 1$ , then  $x \notin C_{i_0} \Rightarrow x \notin C$ .  
 $\Rightarrow$  all the  $a_i \in \{0, 2\}$ .

That is,  $C \subseteq \{x \in [0, 1] : x = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_i}{3^i}, a_i \in \{0, 2\}\}$ .

on the other hand, let  $x \notin C$ , then  
 $x \notin C_{i_0}$  for some  $i_0$ . This implies  $a_{i_0} = 1$ .

That is,  $x \notin \mathbb{R} \cap \mathbb{Q}_3^\infty$ .

Thus,  $C = \{x \in [0, 1] : x = \sum \frac{a_i}{3^i}; a_i = 0, 2\}$ .

This implies Cantor set loses only one decimal index from  $\{0, 1, 2\}$ . Can it though  
some light about uncountability of  
Cantor set? (3)

(ix) Representation as Union:

For every  $x \in C$ ,  $\exists!$  seq<sup>n</sup>.  $(a_n)$  from  
 $\{0, 1, 2\}$  such that

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_i}{3^i} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Suppose  $x = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_i}{3^i}$ ;  $b_i \in \{0, 1, 2\}$ . (2)

Then claim  $a_i = b_i, \forall i$ .

If not, let  $i_0$  be the smallest integer  
st  $a_{i_0} \neq b_{i_0}$ . Then

$$a_i = b_i ; i = 1, 2, \dots, i_0 - 1.$$

Now, w.l.g, we can take  $i_0 = 1$ .

That is,  $a_1 \neq b_1 \Rightarrow a_1 = 0 \& b_1 = 2$  (or otherwise)

From (1),  $x \in [0, \frac{1}{3}]$  and from (2),  $x \in [\frac{2}{3}, 1]$ , which is absurd. (32)

Exercise. Conclude without assuming  $b_0 = 1$ .

Cantor set is uncountable:

Define  $f: C \rightarrow [0, 1] = \{x = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_i}{2^i} : b_i \in \{0, 1\}\}$

by  $f(x) = f(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_i}{3^i}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a_i/2)}{2^i}$ , then

$b_i = a_i/2 \in \{0, 1\}$  &  $f(x) \in [0, 1]$ .

Since each  $x \in C$  has a unique rep<sup>n</sup>, the map  $f$  is well defined.

$f$  is not one-one:

binary rep<sup>n</sup> of  
not unique

$$f(\frac{1}{3}) = f((0.022\ldots)_3) = (0.011\ldots)_2 = (0.1)_2 = \frac{1}{2}$$



$$\& f\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = f\left(\frac{(0.2)_3}{3}\right) = \frac{(0.1)_2}{2} = \frac{1}{2}. \quad (33)$$

$$\Rightarrow f\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = f\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)$$

Ex. Show that  $f(x) = f(y)$  iff  $x, y$  are end pts of one of the deleted open intervals.

$f$  is an onto map:

Given  $f: C \rightarrow [0, 1] \ni y$ .

st.  $f(x) = y = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i 2^{-i}$ , let

$x = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{2a_i}{3^i}$ , then  $f(x) = y$  holds.

Hence  $C$  is an uncountable set.

$f$  is monotone increasing:

Let  $x, y \in C$  &  $x < y$ . Some ternary rep<sup>n</sup> of  $C$  is unique,  $\exists$  the least positive integer  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$a_i < b_i$ . Hence  $a_i = b_i$ ;  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ .

Thus, while comparing  $f(x)$  &  $f(y)$ , we can ignore the 1st  $n-1$  terms. (34)

Therefore, wlog, we can assume  $n=1$ .

That is,  $a_1 < b_1 \Rightarrow a_1 = 0, b_1 = 1$ .

$$\therefore f(x) \leq \frac{0}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\& f(y) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1/2}{2} + \frac{1/4}{2^3} + \dots \geq \frac{1}{2} \quad \Bigg\} \Rightarrow f(x) \leq f(y).$$

Notice that  $f(1/3) = f(2/3) = 1/2$ . Hence, by ~~keeping  $f$  constant on each deleted~~ we can extend  $f$  to  $[0, 1]$  by keeping it constant on the deleted intervals.

Thus,  $\tilde{f}: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined

by  $\tilde{f}|_C = f$  &  $\tilde{f}([0, 1] \setminus C) = \{d_i\}$ ,

where  $d_i$  is the common value of  $f$  at

the end pt of deleted intervals.

Thus,  $f: [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$  is a monotone increasing onto function, Hence  $f$  is continuous (why?). (we <sup>see</sup> it later).

(35)

Now, define  $g: [0,1] \rightarrow [0,2]$  by

$$g(x) = f(x) + x.$$

Then  $g$  is strictly monotone increasing and onto function.

If  $x < y$ ,  $\Rightarrow g(x) = f(x) + x < f(y) + x < f(y) + y$   
i.e.  $g(x) < g(y)$ .

Hence,  $g(0) = 0$  &  $g(1) = 2$ .

$$(\because g(1) = f(1) + 1 = f\left(\sum \frac{2}{3^i}\right) + 1 = 2)$$

Since  $g$  is cont on  $[0,1]$ , by IVT,

$$g([0,1]) = [0,2].$$

Ex. show that  $g^{-1}$  is ~~monotone~~ <sup>monotone</sup> continuous and ~~monotone~~ continuous.

## Limit and Continuity:

(36)

Let  $f$  be a real valued function, which is defined in an open nhd of a pt  $a$ , and may not be necessarily at  $a$ .

A number  $L$  is called left limit of  $f$  at  $a$  if for each  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$  st

$$\text{for } x \in (a - \delta, a) \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$$

or simply, we write  $L = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = f(a^-)$

Similarly, right limit of  $f$  at  $a$  if for  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$

$$\text{st. } x \in (a, a + \delta) \Rightarrow |f(x) - M| < \epsilon$$

$$\text{or } M = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = f(a^+)$$

Moreover, if  $f$  is defined in nhd of  $a$  and  $a \in D_f$ , then  $f$  is said to

be continuous at  $a$  if  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$

such that-

(37)

$$x \in (a-\delta, a+\delta) \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(a)| < \epsilon$$

$$\text{or } f(x^-) = f(x) = f(x^+).$$

In case, when  $f(x^-)$  &  $f(x^+)$  exists and unequal, we say  $f$  has jump discontinuity at  $a$ .

### Monotone function:

We shall see that a monotone function is continuous except on a countable set and, and it is also known that such functions are very close to differentiable function. We skip here the latter one property.

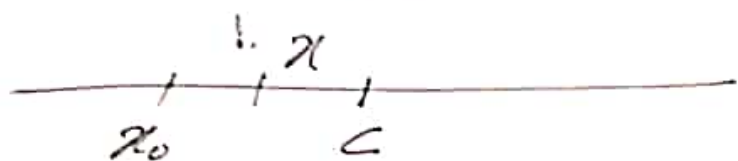
Theorem: Let  $f: (a,b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a monotone function, then for  $c \in (a,b)$ ,  $f(c^+)$  &  $f(c^-)$  both exist.

Proof: Let  $f$  be an increasing function.

Theorem

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f(c^-) &= \sup_{a < x < c} f(x) = L \leq f(c) \\ \& \ f(c^+) &= \inf_{c < x < b} f(x) = M \geq f(c) \end{aligned} \right\} (*)$$

(38)



For  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists x_0 \in (a, c)$  st.  $f(x_0) > L - \epsilon$ .

Let  $\delta = c - x_0$ , then for  $x \in (c - \delta, c)$ ,

$$L + \epsilon > f(x) \geq f(x_0) > L - \epsilon \quad (\because f \uparrow)$$

$$\therefore \text{for } x \in (c - \delta, c) \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon.$$

$$\text{Hence } f(c^-) = \sup_{a < x < c} f(x) = L.$$

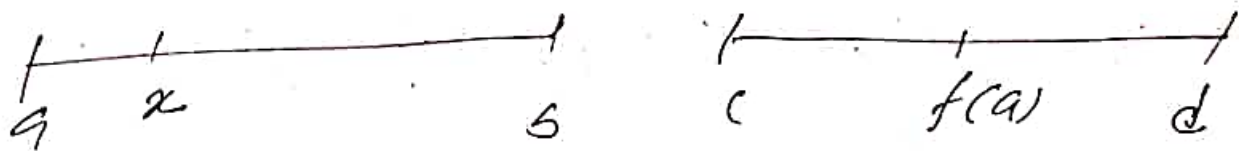
$$\text{Proof similarly, } f(c^+) = \inf_{c < x < b} f(x) = M.$$

Notice from (\*) that if  $c, d \in (a, b)$  &  $e < d$ , then  $f(c^+) \leq f(d^-)$ .

Hence either  $(f(c^-), f(c))$  and  $(f(d^-), f(d))$  both coincide or disjoint. (39)  
 choose rational  $x_c$  &  $x_d$  from the above intervals. Then these intervals have one-one correspondence with the set of rationals. Hence, the set of discontinuity of a monotone function is almost countable.

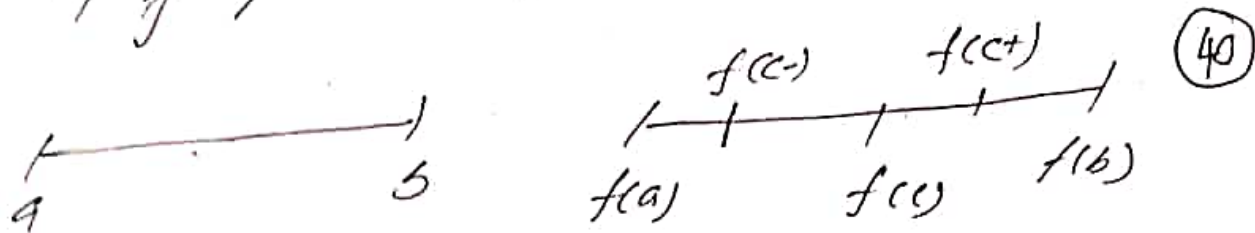
ex. If  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow [c, d]$  is monotone and onto, then  $f$  is continuous.

Let  $f$  be an  $\uparrow$  function. Then  $f(a) = c$  and  $f(b) = d$ .



If  $f(a) > c$ , then for  $y \in [c, f(a)]$ ,  $\nexists$  any  $x \in [a, b]$  s.t.  $f(x) = y$ . If so, then  $f(x) = y < f(a) \Rightarrow x < a$  ( $\because f$  is  $\uparrow$ ).

Further, if possible, let  $f(c^-) < f(c)$ .



Then  $y \in (f(c^-), f(c))$  has no pre-image.

On contrary, if  $\exists x_0 \in (a, c)$  s.t.  $f(x_0) = y$ .

Then  $L = \sup_{a < x < c} f(x) = f(c^-) < y = f(x_0) < f(c)$ ,  
 ~~$L = \sup_{a < x < c} f(x) < f(x_0) < f(c)$~~

which contradicts the fact that  $L$  is sup on  $(a, c)$ . Thus,  $f(c^-) = f(c) = f(c^+)$ .

Hence,  $f$  is continuous.

Ex. If  $f: (a, b) \rightarrow (c, d)$  is monotone and onto, then  $f$  is continuous.

(Proof is similar to the above case).

~~Let~~ Observe that if  $f$  is monotone onto then  $f$  need not be one-one.

For example, Cantor function



$f: [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$  is monotone & onto but not one-one. (4)

However, if  $f: (a,b) \rightarrow (c,d)$  is strictly monotone and onto, then  $f^{-1}: (c,d) \rightarrow (a,b)$  is continuous, because, in this case,  $f^{-1}$  is also strictly monotone. For this, if  $f \uparrow$ , then for  $y_1 < y_2 \Rightarrow f^{-1}(y_1) < f^{-1}(y_2)$ .

If not, then for  $y_1 = f(x_1)$  &  $y_2 = f(x_2)$ , it follows that  $x_1 > x_2$  ( $\because f \uparrow$ ), but then  $f(x_1) = y_1 < y_2 = f(x_2)$  is ~~absurd~~ a contradiction to the fact that  $f$  is strictly increasing.

Notice that  $f: [c,d] \xrightarrow{\text{onto}} (a,b)$  need not be continuous if  $f$  is monotone, else  $f([a,b])$  is compact.

Finally, if  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is one-one & onto,  
 then  $f$  &  $f^{-1}$  both are continuous. (42)

Ex. If  $I$  be an interval in  $\mathbb{R}$ , and  
 $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a monotone function,

then  $E_d = \{x \in I : f(x) > d\} = I' \cup \emptyset$   
 $= f^{-1}(d, \infty) = \text{interval}$

when  $I'$  is an interval.

if  $f$  is bounded  
 then  $f^{-1}(d, \infty) = \emptyset$ .

Let  $f$  be an  $\mathbb{R}$ -function.

If  $x' \in E_d$ , then for  $x' < x \leq b \Rightarrow$

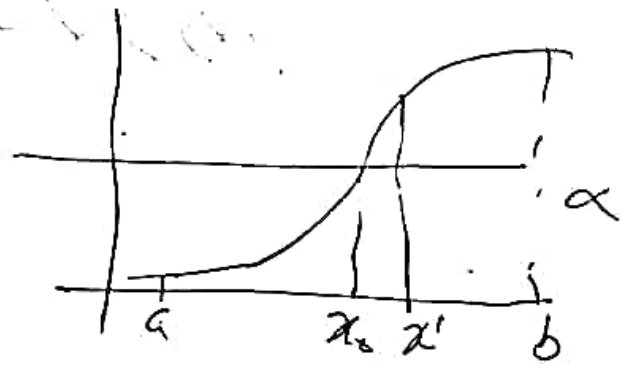
$f(x) > f(x') > d \Rightarrow [x', b] \subset E_d$ .

Let  $x_0 = \inf \{x \in I : f(x) > d\} = \inf E_d$ .

(i) If  $x_0 = a$ , then for  $x \in I$ ,  $\exists x_1 \in E_d$

s.t.  $x_1 \leq x$  &  $f(x) > f(x_1) > d \Rightarrow x \in E_d$

$\Rightarrow I = E_d$



(ii) If  $a < x_0 \leq b$ , then for  $x > x_0$ ,  $\exists x_1 \in E_d$  such that  $x_0 < x_1 < x$  &  $f(x) > f(x_1) > d$ .

$$\Rightarrow (x_0, b] \subset E_d. \quad (43)$$

(iii) If  $x < x_0$ , then  $f(x) \leq d \Rightarrow x \notin E_d$ .

$$\Rightarrow (x_0, b] \subseteq E_d \subseteq [x_0, b].$$

This proves the claim that  $E_d$  is an interval.

### Construction of monotone function!

Let  $D$  be a countable set in  $\mathbb{R}$ , then we can construct a monotone  $f$  function, which is discontinuous only ~~at~~ on  $D$ .

Let  $D = \{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$  &  $0 < \epsilon_n < 1$  be seq<sup>n</sup> s.t.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \epsilon_n < \infty$ . Let us define

$$f(x) = \sum_{x_n \leq x} \epsilon_n, \text{ where the sum is}$$

on the set  $\{n: x_n \leq x\} = A_x$  (by) (44)  
 and  $f(x) = 0$  if the set  $A_x = \emptyset$ .

If  $x < y$ , then

$$f(y) = \sum_{x_n \leq y} \epsilon_n = \sum_{x_n \leq x} \epsilon_n + \sum_{x < x_n \leq y} \epsilon_n \geq f(x).$$

Note that for  $x = x_k < y$ , we get

$$f(y) = f(x_k) + \sum_{x_k < x_n \leq y} \epsilon_n.$$

Then  $f(x_k^+) = f(x_k) + \lim_{y \rightarrow x_k^+} \sum_{x_k < x_n \leq y} \epsilon_n = f(x_k)$ ,

since  $\sum_{n=N}^{\infty} \epsilon_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ .

And when  $x < x_k = y \Rightarrow$

$$f(x_k) = f(x) + \sum_{x < x_n \leq x_k} \epsilon_n \geq f(x) + \frac{1}{\delta_k} \epsilon_k.$$

Then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_k^-} f(x) = f(x_k) - \lim_{x \rightarrow x_k^-} \sum_{x < x_n \leq x_k} \epsilon_n$

so  $f(x_k^-) = f(x_k) - \epsilon_k$ .

Thus,  $f(x_k^+) - f(x_k^-) = \epsilon_k$ .

(45)

The prove. of  $f$  is continuous at each pt of  $\mathbb{R} \setminus D$  is similar to the above.

Let  $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus D$ . Then  $x \neq x_n$  for any  $n$ .

For  $x < y$ ,  $f(y) = f(x) + \sum_{x < x_n \leq y} \epsilon_n$ .

When  $y \rightarrow x^+$ , then  $\sum_{x < x_n \leq y} \epsilon_n \rightarrow 0$  ( $\because \{n: x < x_n \leq y\} \rightarrow \emptyset$ )

If  $y < x$ , then

$$f(x) = f(y) + \sum_{y < x_n \leq x} \epsilon_n$$

Here  $f(x) = \lim_{y \rightarrow x^-} f(y) + \lim_{y \rightarrow x^-} \sum_{y < x_n \leq x} \epsilon_n$

$$= f(x^-) + 0 \quad (\because \{n: y < x_n \leq x\} \rightarrow \emptyset)$$

Ex. Let  $D = \mathbb{Z}$ , then

$$f(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} \epsilon_n$$

$\Rightarrow$  constant on each open interval  $(n, n+1)$ .

For  $x \in (0, 1)$ ,  $f(x) = \sum_{n \leq 0} \epsilon_n = c$ .

Ex. Let  $D =$  be the end pts of deleted open intervals in the construction of Cantor set. Find appropriate seq<sup>n</sup>  $0 < b_n < 1$  to define Cantor function via (46)

$$f(x) = \sum_{x_n \leq x} b_n, \quad x_n \in D.$$

Ex. Let  $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by

$$f(x) = x + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^{-n}, \quad x \in [1 - 2^{-n}, 1 - 2^{-(n+1)}] \text{ if } x < 1.$$

and  $f(1) = 3.$

Show that  $f$  is strictly increasing and discontinuous on  $[1 - \frac{1}{k}, 1 - \frac{1}{k+1}] : k \in \mathbb{N}$ .