

## Midterm 2 Review

Def (maximum, minimum): Suppose  $S \subseteq F$ , where  $F$  is an ordered field.

- If there exists  $s_0 \in S$  satisfying  $s_0 \geq s$  for all  $s \in S$ , then  $s_0$  is the maximum of  $S$  and write  $s_0 = \max(S)$ .  
"s<sub>0</sub> is the largest element in the set"
- If there exists  $s_0 \in S$  satisfying  $s_0 \leq s$  for all  $s \in S$ , then  $s_0$  is the minimum of  $S$  and write  $s_0 = \min(S)$ .  
"s<sub>0</sub> is the smallest element in the set"

Def: (bounded above/below): Suppose  $S \subseteq F$  for an ordered field  $F$ .

- If there exists  $M \in F$  satisfying  $s \leq M \quad \forall s \in S$ , then  $S$  is bounded above and  $M$  is an upper bound of  $S$ .
- If there exists  $m \in F$  satisfying  $s \geq m \quad \forall s \in S$ , then  $S$  is bounded below and  $m$  is a lower bound of  $S$ .
- If  $S$  is bounded above and bounded below, then  $S$  is bounded.

Def (supremum / infimum): Consider an ordered field  $F$ .

- If  $S \subseteq F$  is bounded above and there exists  $m_0 \in F$  satisfying...

- (a)  $m_0$  is an upper bound of  $S$
- (b) if  $m$  is an upper bound of  $S$ , then  $m_0 \leq m$

we say  $m_0$  is the supremum of  $S$  and write  $m_0 = \sup(S)$ .

↑ " $m_0$  is the least upper bound"

- If  $S \subseteq F$  is bounded below and there exists  $m_0 \in F$  satisfying...

- (a)  $m_0$  is a lower bound of  $S$
- (b) if  $m$  is a lower bound of  $S$ , then  $m_0 \geq m$

we say  $m_0$  is the infimum of  $S$  and write  $m_0 = \inf(S)$ .

↑ " $m_0$  is the greatest lower bound"

Thm: Consider an ordered field  $F$  and  $S \subseteq F$ .

(i) If  $\max(S)$  exists, then  $\sup(S) = \max(S)$ .

(ii) If  $\min(S)$  exists, then  $\inf(S) = \min(S)$ .

Def: (real numbers): The set of real numbers is the ordered field containing  $\mathbb{Q}$  with the property that every nonempty subset  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that is bounded above has a supremum.

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Thm (Archimedean Property): If  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfy  $a > 0$  and  $b > 0$ , then there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  so that  $na > b$ .

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Thm ( $\mathbb{Q}$  is dense in  $\mathbb{R}$ ): If  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a < b$ , there exists  $r \in \mathbb{Q}$  satisfying  $a < r < b$ .

Def (Unbounded above/below): Suppose  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is nonempty.

- If  $S$  is not bounded above, write  $\sup(S) = +\infty$ .
- If  $S$  is not bounded below, write  $\inf(S) = -\infty$ .

Def (convergence):

- A sequence  $s_n$  of real numbers converges to some  $s \in \mathbb{R}$  provided that  
[for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N \in \mathbb{R}$  so that  
 $n > N$  ensures  $|s_n - s| < \varepsilon$ .]

- The number  $s$  is the limit of  $s_n$ , and we write  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = s$  or  $s_n \rightarrow s$ .
- A sequence that does not converge to any  $s \in \mathbb{R}$  it is said to diverge.

Thm (limit of sum is sum of limits): If  $s_n$  and  $t_n$  are convergent sequences,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (s_n + t_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n$ .

Thm (limit of product is product of limits): If  $s_n$  and  $t_n$  are convergent sequences,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n t_n = \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n \right) \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n \right)$

Thm (limit of quotient is quotient of limits): If  $s_n$  and  $t_n$  are convergent sequences,  $s_n \neq 0$  for all  $n$ , and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n \neq 0$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{t_n}{s_n} \right) = \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n} \cdot$$

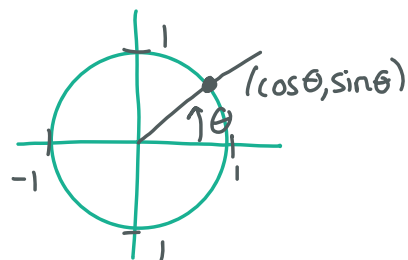
Thm (basic examples):

(a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^p = 0$  if  $p > 0$

(b)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^n = 0$  if  $|a| < 1$

(c)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{1/n} = 1$

(d)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^{1/n} = 1$  if  $a > 0$



Def (diverges to  $+\infty$  or  $-\infty$ ): A sequence  $s_n$  **diverges to  $+\infty$**  if for all  $M > 0$  there exists  $N \in \mathbb{R}$  so that  $n > N$  ensures  $s_n > M$ . We write  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = +\infty$ .

Likewise, a sequence  $s_n$  **diverges to  $-\infty$**  if for all  $M < 0$  there exists  $N$  so that  $n > N$  ensures  $s_n < M$ . We write  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = -\infty$ .

Def: (increasing/decreasing/monotone)  
A sequence  $s_n$  is **increasing** if  $s_n \leq s_{n+1} \forall n$ .  
A sequence  $s_n$  is **decreasing** if  $s_n \geq s_{n+1} \forall n$ .  
A sequence  $s_n$  is **monotone** if it is either increasing or decreasing.

Thm: All bounded monotone sequences converge

Thm: If  $s_n$  is an unbounded, increasing sequence, then  $\lim s_n = +\infty$ . If  $s_n$  is an unbounded, decreasing sequence, then  $\lim s_n = -\infty$ .

Def (limsup/liminf): For any sequence  $s_n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sup \{s_n : n > N\} \\ &\quad a_n \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{\pm\infty\} \\ \bullet \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \inf \{s_n : n > N\} \\ &\quad b_n \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty\} \end{aligned}$$

Thm: Given a sequence  $s_n$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n \text{ exists } \iff \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n.$$

Furthermore, if either of these equivalent conditions holds,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n$ .

Def (Cauchy sequence): A sequence  $s_n$  is a

Cauchy sequence if

for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $m, n > N$  ensures  $|s_n - s_m| < \epsilon$

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Thm: A sequence is convergent iff it is Cauchy.

Def: (subsequential limit) A **subsequential limit** of a sequence  $s_n$  is any real number or symbol  $+\infty$  or  $-\infty$  that is the limit of some subsequence of  $s_n$ .

Thm: If a sequence  $s_n$  converges to a limit  $s$ , then every subsequence also converges to  $s$ .

Thm (main subsequences theorem)

Let  $s_n$  be a sequence of real numbers.

(a) Let  $t \in \mathbb{R}$

[The set  $\{n: |s_n - t| < \varepsilon\}$  is infinite for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ ]

if and only if

[ $t$  is a subsequential limit of  $s_n$ .]

(b)  $s_n$  is unbounded above  $\Leftrightarrow +\infty$  is a subseq. limit.

(c)  $s_n$  is unbounded below  $\Leftrightarrow -\infty$  is a subseq. limit.

Thm: Every sequence  $s_n$  has a monotonic subsequence.

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Thm (Bolzano-Weierstrass): Every bounded sequence has a convergent subsequence.

Thm: Let  $S$  denote the set of subsequential limits of  $s_n$ . Then  $\limsup s_n = \max(S)$  and  $\liminf s_n = \min(S)$

Leslie's Thm: Suppose  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n$  exists.

For any subsequence  $s_{n_k}$ ,  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} s_{n_k} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n$ .

Pf: If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = s$  for  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ . This is a consequence of (\*). On the other hand suppose  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = +\infty$ . Fix a subsequence  $s_{n_k}$ . We will show  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} s_{n_k} = +\infty$ .

Fix  $M > 0$  arbitrary. There exists  $N$  s.t.  $n > N$  ensures  $s_n > M$ . Recall that  $n_k \geq k$ . Thus, if  $k > N$ ,  $n_k > N$  and  $s_{n_k} > M$ . This shows  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} s_{n_k} = +\infty$ . (Similar for divergence to  $-\infty$ .)