

#1. Let  $X_n$  and  $Y_n$  be bounded sequences of real numbers. Prove or disprove the claim that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (X_n + Y_n) \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n + \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} Y_n$$

Proof: Let  $L_n = \sup \{X_k : k \geq n\}$  and  $M_n = \sup \{Y_k : k \geq n\}$ .

Since

$$X_n \leq \sup \{X_k : k \geq n\} = L_n$$

and

$$Y_n \leq \sup \{Y_k : k \geq n\} = M_n$$

then

$$X_n + Y_n \leq L_n + M_n. \quad \text{It follows that}$$

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (X_n + Y_n) \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (L_n + M_n)$$

Since  $L_n$  and  $M_n$  are bounded monotone decreasing sequences, then  $L_n + M_n$  is a bounded monotone decreasing sequence. It follows that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L_n, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (L_n + M_n)$$

exist and therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (L_n + M_n) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n \\ &= \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n + \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} Y_n \end{aligned}$$

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#2. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be bounded subsets of real numbers and define

$$A+B = \{a+b : a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}.$$

Prove or find a counterexample to find the claim  $\overline{A+B} = \overline{A+B}$ .

Proof: We prove inclusion both directions.

" $\subseteq$ " Let  $x \in \overline{A+B}$ . Thus  $x = a+b$  where  $a \in \overline{A}$  and  $b \in \overline{B}$ . It follows that there are sequences  $a_n \in A$  and  $b_n \in B$  such that  $a_n \rightarrow a$  and  $b_n \rightarrow b$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Define  $x_n = a_n + b_n$ .

Then  $x_n \in A+B$  for each  $n$  and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = a + b = x$$

shows that  $x \in \overline{A+B}$ .

" $\supseteq$ " Let  $x \in \overline{A+B}$ . Thus there is a sequence  $x_n \in A+B$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $x_n \in A+B$  there is  $a_n \in A$  and  $b_n \in B$  such that  $x_n = a_n + b_n$ . Since  $A$  is bounded then  $a_n$  is a bounded sequence. Therefore there is a convergent subsequence  $a_{n_j}$  and some element  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $a_{n_j} \rightarrow a$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ .

Since  $B$  is bounded then  $b_{n_j}$  is a bounded subsequence of  $b_n$ . Therefore there is a convergent sub-subsequence  $b_{n_{j_k}}$  and some element  $b \in \mathbb{R}$  so  $b_{n_{j_k}} \rightarrow b$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

Since a subsequence of a convergent sequence also converges, we have  $a_{n_{j_k}} \rightarrow a$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

Thus  $a_{n_{j_k}} \in A$  and  $b_{n_{j_k}} \in B$  and

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_{j_k}} = a \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} b_{n_{j_k}} = b$$

implies  $a \in \bar{A}$  and  $b \in \bar{B}$ .

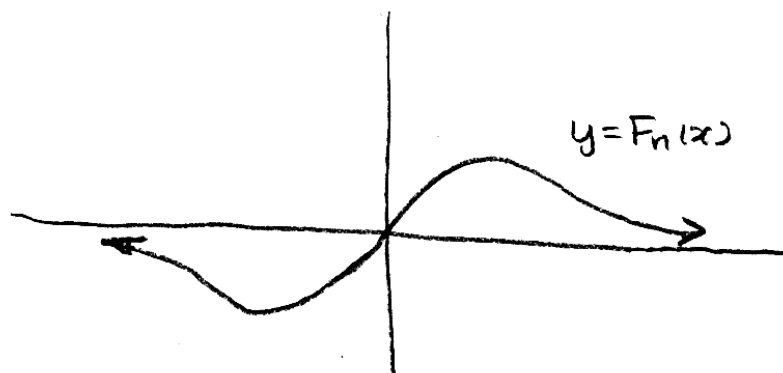
Since

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_{j_k}} \\ &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (a_{n_{j_k}} + b_{n_{j_k}}) \\ &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_{j_k}} + \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} b_{n_{j_k}} = a + b \end{aligned}$$

It follows that  $x \in \bar{A} + \bar{B}$ .

#3 let  $F_n(x) = \frac{x}{1+nx^2}$ . Prove or disprove the claim that the sequence  $F_n$  converges uniformly on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Proof: For each  $n$  the graph of  $F_n$  looks like



Since  $F_n(-x) = -F_n(x)$  symmetry implies

$$|F_n(x)| \leq \max\{F_n(x) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

Use Calculus to compute this maximum.

$$F_n'(x) = \frac{1+nx^2 - x(2nx)}{(1+nx^2)^2} = \frac{1-nx^2}{(1+nx^2)^2} = 0$$

implies  $x = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$ . The maximum is at  $x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$

and thus

$$|F_n(x)| \leq F_n\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = \frac{1/\sqrt{n}}{1+n(1/\sqrt{n})^2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}}$$

for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

To see  $F_n \rightarrow 0$  uniformly, let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be arbitrary and choose  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  so large that  $\frac{1}{2\sqrt{N}} < \varepsilon$ .

Then for  $n \geq N$  and every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  we have

$$|F_n(x) - 0| = |F_n(x)| \leq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}} \leq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{N}} < \varepsilon.$$

#5. Prove that every monotone function is Borel measurable.

If  $f$  is monotone decreasing then  $-f$  is monotone increasing. Since  $\hat{C}$  is an algebra of functions then showing  $-f \in \hat{C}$  implies that  $f \in \hat{C}$ . Therefore we may assume, without loss of generality, that  $f$  is a monotone increasing function.

By lemma 3.5(b) it is enough to show that

$$f^{-1}((a, \infty)) \in \mathcal{B} \text{ for every } a \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and define  $\alpha = \inf \{x : f(x) > a\}$ .

Claim  $(\alpha, \infty) \subseteq f^{-1}((a, \infty))$ .

Let  $x \in (\alpha, \infty)$ . Since  $x > \alpha$  then  $x$  is not a lower bound for  $f^{-1}((a, \infty))$ . Therefore there is  $x_0 \in f^{-1}((a, \infty))$  such that  $x_0 < x$ .

Since  $f$  is increasing then  $f(x) \geq f(x_0) > a$ . Therefore it follows that  $x \in f^{-1}((a, \infty))$ .

If  $\alpha = -\infty$  then  $(-\infty, \infty) \subseteq f^{-1}((a, \infty))$  implies  $f^{-1}((a, \infty)) = \mathbb{R} \in \mathcal{B}$ .

If  $\alpha < \infty$  then  $x \in f^{-1}((a, \infty))$  implies  $x \geq \alpha$  or  $x \in [\alpha, \infty)$ .

Therefore  $(\alpha, \infty) \subseteq f^{-1}((a, \infty)) \subseteq [\alpha, \infty)$  and it follows that either  $f^{-1}((a, \infty)) = (\alpha, \infty)$  or  $f^{-1}((a, \infty)) = [\alpha, \infty)$ . Since  $\mathcal{B}$  contains all the open and closed sets, then in both cases we obtain that  $f^{-1}((a, \infty)) \in \mathcal{B}$ .

\*6 Suppose  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable at each point of  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $|f'(x)| \leq 1$  for each  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Prove that for each  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  that  $\lambda^*(f(A)) \leq \lambda^*(A)$ .

Lemma If  $I = (a, b)$  then  $\lambda^*(f(I)) \leq \lambda^*(I)$ .

Proof: Let  $\alpha = \inf f(I)$  and  $\beta = \sup f(I)$ , then  $f(I) \subseteq [\alpha, \beta]$ .  
By Proposition 3.7(c)  $\lambda^*(f(I)) \leq \lambda^*([\alpha, \beta])$ . By Proposition 3.2  $\lambda^*([\alpha, \beta]) = \beta - \alpha$ .

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be arbitrary. Since  $\alpha + \varepsilon/2$  is not a lower bound of  $f(I)$  there is  $x_1 \in I$  such that  $f(x_1) < \alpha + \varepsilon/2$ . Since  $\beta - \varepsilon/2$  is not an upper bound of  $f(I)$  there is  $x_2 \in I$  such that  $f(x_2) > \beta - \varepsilon/2$ .

Therefore

$$\lambda^*(f(I)) \leq \beta - \alpha < f(x_2) - f(x_1) + \varepsilon.$$

By the mean value theorem there is  $\xi$  between  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  such that  $f(x_2) - f(x_1) = f'(\xi)(x_2 - x_1)$ . Hence

$$|f(x_2) - f(x_1)| = |f'(\xi)| |x_2 - x_1| \leq |x_2 - x_1| < b - a$$

Since  $x_1, x_2 \in I = (a, b)$ , it follows that

$$\lambda^*(f(I)) \leq b - a + \varepsilon = \lambda(I) + \varepsilon = \lambda^*(I) + \varepsilon$$

Since  $\varepsilon$  is arbitrary, then

$$\lambda^*(f(I)) \leq \lambda^*(I).$$

This proves the lemma.

Now we use the lemma to prove that  $\lambda^*(f(A)) \leq \lambda^*(A)$  for every  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ .

Given  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be arbitrary. Let  $I_n$  be a sequence of open intervals such that  $A \subseteq \bigcup_n I_n$  and

$$\sum_n l(I_n) < \lambda^*(A) + \varepsilon.$$

Then  $f(A) \subseteq f(\bigcup_n I_n)$  and proposition 3.1 (c) and (e) implies

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda^*(f(A)) &\leq \lambda^*(f(\bigcup_n I_n)) = \lambda^*(\bigcup_n f(I_n)) \\ &\leq \sum_n \lambda^*(f(I_n)) \end{aligned}$$

Now the lemma implies  $\lambda^*(f(I_n)) \leq \lambda^*(I_n)$ . Thus

$$\lambda^*(f(A)) \leq \sum_n \lambda^*(I_n) = \sum_n l(I_n) < \lambda^*(A) + \varepsilon.$$

Since  $\varepsilon$  is arbitrary we obtain

$$\lambda^*(f(A)) \leq \lambda^*(A).$$