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MATH2050A Tutorial

Reminders:

- HW3 due 23/10 on Gradescope.
- Midterm 2 on 15/11
- Return graded midterms by (aim for) next week.

Q2: a) let $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be non-empty bounded and $A \subseteq B$. Show that $\sup A \leq \sup B$.

Pf: Since A, B are non-empty and bounded by the completeness axiom, $\sup A, \sup B$ exist.

Common Mistakes: 1) assumed $\sup A \in A$. Consider $A = (0, 1)$. Then $\sup A = 1 \notin A$.

2) $\sup A \in B$. ($A \subseteq B$). let $A = (0, 1)$. $B = (-1, 1)$. Then $A \subseteq B$, but $\sup A = 1 \notin B$.

We first show that $\sup B$ is an u.b. of A . let $a \in A$. Then since $A \subseteq B$, $a \in B$. And since $\sup B$ is an u.b. of B , we have $a \leq \sup B$.

So $\sup B$ is an u.b. of A .

Since $\sup A$ is the least upper bound of A , for any other u.b. v of A , we have $\sup A \leq v$.

So take v to be $\sup B$ above, then $\sup A \leq \sup B$.

Sps $\sup A > \sup B$ Then $\epsilon = \sup A - \sup B > 0, \dots$

↳ this approach will eventually work, but is also more complicated

b) Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be bounded, nonempty, and $a \geq 0$ for all $a \in A$.

Let $S = \{a^2 : a \in A\}$. Then show $\sup S = (\sup A)^2$. Does the conclusion still hold if the non-negativity assumption on A is dropped?

Basically, wts $\sup(A^2) = (\sup A)^2$.

Pf: Since A is non-empty bounded, $\sup A$ exists.

\Downarrow
 S is also non-empty bounded. $\Rightarrow \sup S$ also exists.

Common mistake: 1) $A \in S$, then use part (a).

Consider $A = \{2, 5\}$. Then $S = \{4, 25\}$, and $A \notin S$.

To show $\sup S = (\sup A)^2$, we'll show $\sup S \leq (\sup A)^2$ and $(\sup A)^2 \in \sup S$.

Let's first show $\sup S \leq (\sup A)^2$. We'll show $(\sup A)^2$ is an u.b. of S .

Let $s \in S$. Then $s = a^2$ for some $a \in A$. Since $a \leq \sup A$ for all $a \in A$,

$$s = a \cdot a \leq a \sup A \leq (\sup A)^2.$$

So $(\sup A)^2$ is an u.b. of S . So we have $\sup S \leq (\sup A)^2$.

Now we have to show $(\sup A)^2 \in \sup S$. Suppose for the sake of contradiction that $(\sup A)^2 > \sup S$. Then $\varepsilon = \frac{(\sup A)^2 - \sup S}{2 \sup A} > 0$.

Then $\exists a_\varepsilon \in A$ s.t. $\sup A - \varepsilon < a_\varepsilon$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow a_\varepsilon^2 &> (\sup A - \varepsilon)^2 = (\sup A)^2 - 2 \sup A \varepsilon + \varepsilon^2 > (\sup A)^2 - 2 \sup A \varepsilon \\ &= (\sup A)^2 - 2 \sup A \left(\frac{(\sup A)^2 - \sup S}{2 \sup A} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= (\sup A)^2 - (\sup A)^2 + \sup S$$

$\Rightarrow a_\varepsilon^2 > \sup S$, which means $\exists s = a_\varepsilon^2 \in S$ s.t. $s > \sup S$, a contradiction.

So $(\sup A)^2 > \sup S$ is not possible $\Rightarrow (\sup A)^2 \leq \sup S$.

$$\Rightarrow \sup S = (\sup A)^2.$$

If the non-negativity assumption is dropped, the conclusion fails. For example, let

$A = \{-2, -1\}$ then $\sup A = -1$, $(\sup A)^2 = (-1)^2 = 1$.

but $S = \{1, 4\}$ and $\sup S = 4 \neq 1$.

Q4 b) Suppose $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$. Then show $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n}{n} = x$.

Pf: let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Then we need to show $\exists N_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$$\forall n > N_\varepsilon, \left| \frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n} - x \right| < \varepsilon.$$

Common mistake!

1) Assumed $\{x_n\}$ was monotone and try to use MCT.

Let's look at

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n} - x \right| &= \left| \frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n - nx}{n} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{x_1 - x + x_2 - x + \dots + x_n - x}{n} \right| \end{aligned}$$

Consider $(x_n) = \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$.

Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$, $\exists m \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $\forall k \geq m, |x_k - x| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$. (1)

$$\text{So } \left| \frac{x_1 - x + x_2 - x + \dots + x_n - x}{n} \right| = \left| \frac{x_1 - x + \dots + x_{m-1} - x + x_m - x + \dots + x_n - x}{n} \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} |x_k - x| + \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=m}^n |x_k - x|}_{\text{by (1)}}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=m}^n \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \frac{(n-m)}{n} \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

$$\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

Since $\{x_n\}$ converges, $\{x_n\}$ is bounded.

$\Rightarrow \{x_n - x\}$ is bounded. So $\exists M \in \mathbb{R}$, s.t. $|x_n - x| \leq M$ for all n .

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} |x_k - x| \leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} M = \frac{(m-1)M}{n}$$

So we take $N_\varepsilon = \text{map} \left\{ \frac{(m-1)M}{\varepsilon/2}, m \right\}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } \left| \frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n} - x \right| &\leq \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} |x_k - x|}_{\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=m}^n |x_k - x|}_{\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}} \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$