

Advanced Calculus, week 2, Fall 2026

Recall e.g. $S = \mathbb{R}$, $\sim := \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \mid a \leq b\}$
 $\subseteq \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ NOT an equivalence relation
 $1 \leq 2$ but $2 \not\leq 1$

A relation $\sim$ on a set S is a subset of $S \times S$. Write $x \sim y$ if $(x, y) \in \sim$.

An equivalence relation is a relation satisfying:
e.g. " $=$ " is an equivalence relation

- $x \sim x \quad \forall x \in S$
- $x \sim y \Rightarrow y \sim x \quad \forall x, y \in S$
- $x \sim y, y \sim z \Rightarrow x \sim z \quad \forall x, y, z \in S$

Given an equivalence relation $\sim$ on S ,

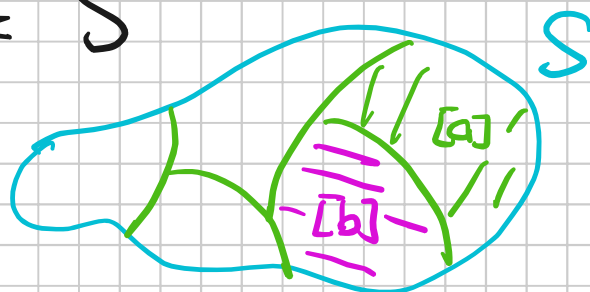
$$S/\sim := \{[a] \mid a \in S\}$$

where

$$[a] = \{x \in S \mid x \sim a\} \subseteq S$$

NOTE: $S/\sim$ is a partition of S , i.e.

- $[a] \cap [b] = \emptyset$ if $a \not\sim b$
- $\bigcup_{[a] \in S/\sim} [a] = S$



Prop

The equivalence of metrics on set M is an equivalence relation

$$S = \{ \text{all metrics on } M \}$$

Norm ver:

Let $\| \cdot \|$ and $\| \cdot \|'$ be two norms on a vector space V . They are equivalent if $\exists \alpha, \beta > 0$ s.t.

$$\alpha \|v\| \leq \|v\|' \leq \beta \|v\| \quad \forall v \in V$$

Notation: $\| \cdot \| \sim \| \cdot \|'$

Prop

- Equivalent norms induce equivalent metrics.
- Equivalence of norms is an equivalence relation.

Thm

← pf: postponed

Any two norms on $\mathbb{R}^n$ are equivalent

($\Rightarrow \exists$ standard notion of limit on $\mathbb{R}^n$)
which comes from Euclidean metric

Remark

The discrete metric d_0 on $\mathbb{R}^n$ is NOT equivalent to the Euclidean metric d_2 .

If they're equivalent, then $\exists \alpha, \beta > 0$ s.t.

$$\alpha d_0(x, y) \leq \underbrace{d_2(x, y)}_{\substack{0, \text{ or } 1}} \leq \beta \underbrace{d_0(x, y)}_{\substack{0, \text{ or } 1}} \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$d_2((n, 0, \dots, 0), (0, \dots, 0)) \leq \beta \quad (\leftrightarrow \leftarrow)$$

$= n$ is NOT bdd above bdd = bounded

So ~~∃~~ norm $\| \cdot \|$ on $\mathbb{R}^n$ s.t. $d_0(x, y) = \|x - y\|$

§ The real line

Def (§ Introduction)

Let S be a set.

is a finite set
and

(i) If $S = \emptyset$, then we say S has zero element.

countable one-to-one onto map

(ii) If $\exists$ bijection $f: \{1, 2, \dots, n\} \rightarrow S$,
then S is a finite set with n elements.

(iii) Suppose S is NOT finite. If $\exists$
bijection $f: \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\} \rightarrow S$, then

S is an infinitely countable set.
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Equivalently, S is infinitely countable
 $\Leftrightarrow$ its elements can be arranged
in a sequence
 $f(1), f(2), f(3), \dots$

(iv) If S is NOT cases (i)-(iii), then
 S is uncountable

Remark

the number of elements / cardinality
of A

- If $\exists$ 1-1 map $f: A \rightarrow B$, then $\#(A) \leq \#(B)$
- If $A \subseteq B$, then $\#(A) \leq \#(B)$
- If $A \subseteq B$ and B is countable, then
 A is countable.

Prop (Prop 1.1.9)

The set of rational numbers $\mathbb{Q}$ is
a countable set.

pf

Let $\mathbb{Q}_+ := \{ \frac{p}{q} \in \mathbb{Q} \mid \frac{p}{q} > 0 \}$

Step 1: Prove $\mathbb{Q}_+$ is countable

Step 1-1 • $\forall x \in \mathbb{Q}_+, \exists p, q \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $x = \frac{p}{q}$

• If we require p and q are ^{relatively prime} 互質, then p and q are uniquely determined.

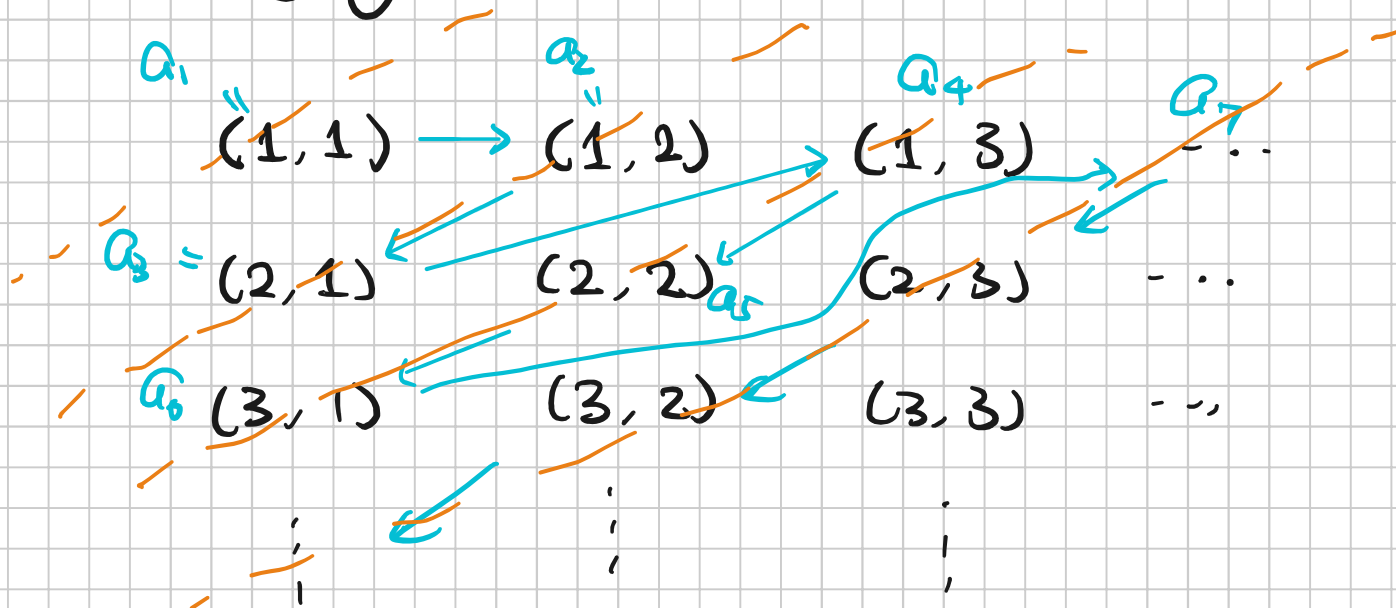
• So we have a 1-1 map

$$\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}, \quad x = \frac{p}{q} \mapsto (p, q)$$

$$\Rightarrow \#(\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}) \geq \#(\mathbb{Q})$$

It suffices to show: $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ is countable

Step 1-2: Prove $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ is countable by arranging elements in $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ into a seq:



$\Rightarrow \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ is countable $\Rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_+$ is countable

Step 2: Prove $\mathbb{Q}$ is countable

$$\mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{Q}_+ \cup \{0\} \cup \mathbb{Q}_-$$

$$\mathbb{Q}_- := \{-x^{\mathbb{Q}} \mid x \in \mathbb{Q}_+\}$$

By Step 1, we can express

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} Q_+ &= \{b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4, \dots\} \\ Q_- &= \{-b_1, -b_2, -b_3, \dots\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow Q = \{0, b_1, -b_1, b_2, -b_2, b_3, -b_3, \dots\}$$

$\Rightarrow Q$ is countable #

Lemma

eg. $(0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, \dots)$

Let

$$S = \{ (a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \mid a_n = 0 \text{ or } 1 \}$$

Then S is uncountable.

pf

Assume S is countable. Then

$$S = \{s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4, \dots\}$$

where

$$s_n = (s_{n,k})_{k=1}^{\infty} = s_{n,1}, s_{n,2}, s_{n,3}, \dots$$

and

$$s_{n,k} \in \{0, 1\}$$

Define $t = (t_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$

by

$$t_n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } s_{n,n} = 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } s_{n,n} = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} s_1 &= s_{1,1}, s_{1,2}, s_{1,3}, \dots \\ s_2 &= s_{2,1}, s_{2,2}, s_{2,3}, \dots \\ s_3 &= s_{3,1}, s_{3,2}, s_{3,3}, \dots \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

Then $\underline{t \neq S_n} \quad \forall n$

($\underline{t = S_n}$ means $t_k = S_{n,k} \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$)
 $\Rightarrow \xrightarrow{k=n} t_n = S_{n,n} \rightarrow \leftarrow$

$t \notin \{S_1, S_2, S_3, \dots\}$

But $t_r \in S \quad (\rightarrow \leftarrow)$

So S is uncountable $\#$

Thm (Thm 1.2.18)

The set $\mathbb{R}$ of real numbers is uncountable.

pf

Assume $\mathbb{R}$ is Countable

$\Rightarrow [0, 1) \stackrel{U}{\text{is also Countable}}$

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But we have a 1-1 map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S & \longrightarrow & [0, 1) \subseteq \mathbb{R} \\ (S_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} & \longrightarrow & 0.S_1 S_2 S_3 \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{S_n}{10^n} \end{array}$$

By Lemma, S is uncountable

$\Rightarrow [0, 1)$ is also uncountable ($\rightarrow \times$)

So $\mathbb{R}$ is uncountable $\#$

Limit sup/inf and cluster points

Def

Let $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a seq. in a metric sp (M, d)

A point $\alpha \in M$ is called a cluster point (or accumulation point) of (x_n) if

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$\forall \varepsilon > 0$, the open disk

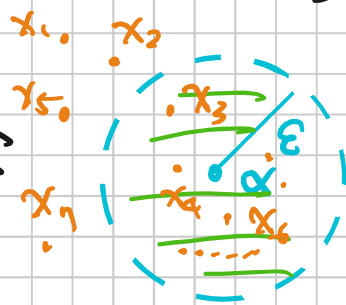
$$D(\alpha, \varepsilon) := \{x \in M \mid d(x, \alpha) < \varepsilon\}$$

contains infinitely many terms of (x_n) .

That is, α is a cluster pt.

$\Leftrightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists$ subseq. (x_{n_j}) of

(x_n) s.t. $d(x_{n_j}, \alpha) < \varepsilon$



Remark

$\alpha \in M$ is a cluster pt of (x_n)

$\Leftrightarrow \exists (x_{n_j})_j$, a subseq. of $(x_n)_n$, s.t.

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_j} = \alpha$$

pf

" $\Rightarrow$ " Assume α is a cluster pt of (x_n)

① For $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2} > 0$, $\exists x_{n_1} \in D(\alpha, \frac{1}{2})$

② For $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2} > 0$, since there are ∞ terms in $D(\alpha, \frac{1}{2})$, we can choose n_2 s.t.

- $n_2 > n_1$
- $x_{n_2} \in D(\alpha, \frac{1}{2})$

③ Inductively, for $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{j} > 0$, $\exists n_j$ s.t.

- $n_j > n_{j-1}$
- $x_{n_j} \in D(\alpha, \frac{1}{j})$ $\Leftrightarrow d(x_{n_j}, \alpha) < \frac{1}{j}$

So we have a subseq

$$(x_{n_j})_{j=1}^{\infty} = x_{n_1}, x_{n_2}, x_{n_3}, \dots$$

or

$$(x_n) \text{ s.t. } \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_j} = \alpha$$

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N_{\varepsilon} \text{ s.t. } \frac{1}{j} < \varepsilon \quad \forall j \geq N_{\varepsilon}$$

$$\Rightarrow d(x_{n_j}, \alpha) < \frac{1}{j} < \varepsilon \quad \forall j \geq N_{\varepsilon}$$

" $\Leftarrow$ " Assume $\exists$ subseq (x_{n_j}) of (x_n) s.t.

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_j} = \alpha$$

$$x_{n_j} \in D(\alpha, \varepsilon)$$

Then $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, $\exists N_{\varepsilon}$ s.t. $d(x_{n_j}, \alpha) < \varepsilon$

$$\Rightarrow x_{n_j} \in D(\alpha, \varepsilon) \quad \forall \underline{j \geq N_{\varepsilon}} \quad \infty \text{ terms}$$

$$x_{n_{N_{\varepsilon}}}, x_{n_{N_{\varepsilon}+1}}, \dots$$

$\Rightarrow \alpha$ is a cluster pt $\neq$

Example

Define

$$x_n = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n} \in \mathbb{R} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ n \in \mathbb{R} & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

Show that 0 is its unique cluster pt.
pf

Step 1 0 is a cluster pt of (x_n)

Since the subseq $(x_{2j+1})_{j=1}^{\infty} = \left(\frac{1}{2^{j+1}}\right)_{j=1}^{\infty}$

converges to 0, we conclude that

0 is a cluster pt of (x_n) (by Remark)

Step 2 $\nexists$ other cluster pts

Assume α is a cluster pt of (x_n) .

Then $\exists$ subseq $(x_{n_j})_{j=1}^{\infty}$ s.t. $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_j} = \alpha$.

Claim

n_j is odd for all but finite j .

($\Leftrightarrow \exists N$ s.t. n_j is odd $\forall j \geq N$)

If not, $\exists n_{j_1}, n_{j_2}, n_{j_3}, \dots$ which are all even

$\Rightarrow x_{n_{j_k}} = n_{j_k}$ which is unbounded

$\Rightarrow x_{n_j}$ is unbounded

$\Rightarrow \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_j}$ does NOT exist,

contradiction to $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_j} = \alpha$

So $\exists N$ s.t. n_j is odd $\forall j \geq N$

↓ This proves the claim.

So $x_{n_j} = \frac{1}{n_j} \rightarrow 0$ as $j \rightarrow \infty$

← NOTE: $n_j \in \mathbb{N}$. $n_{j+1} > n_j$
exercise $n_j \geq j$ $\forall j \geq N$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_j} = 0$$

So 0 is the only cluster pt. #

Recall the following thm from Calculus:

Thm (Bolzano-Weierstrass, Thm 1.4.3)

Every bounded seq. $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ in $\mathbb{R}$

has a convergent subseq.

Equivalently, every bdd seq. has at least one cluster point.

Def (§1.3)

Let $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$. We define the least upper bound (supremum) $\sup S = \text{lub } S$ of S as follows:

(i) If $S = \emptyset$, then $\sup S = -\infty$

(ii) If $S \neq \emptyset$ and not bounded above

(i.e. $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \exists s_n \in S$ s.t. $s_n \geq n$)

then $\sup S = +\infty$

(ii) If $S \neq \emptyset$ and bounded above

(i.e. $\exists M$ s.t. $s \leq M \forall s \in S$)

then $\sup S$ is the real number α satisfying:

(a) α is an upper bound of S
i.e. $s \leq \alpha \quad \forall s \in S$

(b) $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, $\alpha - \varepsilon$ is NOT an upper bound of S , i.e. $\exists s_\varepsilon \in S$
s.t. $\alpha - \varepsilon < s_\varepsilon (\leq \alpha)$

Similarly, one can define the greatest lower bound (infimum), $\inf S = \text{glb } S$ of S

Remark

$$-S := \{-s \mid s \in S\}$$

For $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$(i) \quad \inf(S) = -\sup(-S)$$

$$(ii) \quad \sup(S) = -\inf(-S)$$

Def (Def 1.5.3)

Let $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a real seq. Define

$$(i) \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$$

if the limit exists

$$\begin{aligned} &= \inf_{n \geq 1} \sup \{x_k \mid k \geq n\} \\ & (= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \{x_k \mid k \geq n\}) \end{aligned}$$

$$(ii) \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sup_{n \geq 1} \inf \{x_k \mid k \geq n\} \\ &= \sup \{ \inf \{x_k \mid k \geq n\} \mid n \geq 1 \} \end{aligned}$$

Example

Let $x_n = (-1)^n$. Then

$$(1) \sup \{ \underbrace{x_k}_{=1} \mid k \geq n \} = 1 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \inf_{n \geq 1} \sup \{x_k \mid k \geq n\} = \inf_{n \geq 1} \{1\} = 1$$

$$(2) \inf \{ \underbrace{x_k}_{=-1} \mid k \geq n \} = -1 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n &= \sup_{n \geq 1} \inf \{x_k \mid k \geq n\} = \sup_{n \geq 1} \{-1\} \\ &= -1 \quad \# \end{aligned}$$

Example

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad a_n = -n &\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \inf_{n \geq 1} \sup \{ \underbrace{a_k}_{=-k} \mid k \geq n \} \\ &= -\infty \end{aligned}$$

-k, -n, -n+1, -n+2, ...

② Similarly, $b_n = n \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = +\infty$.

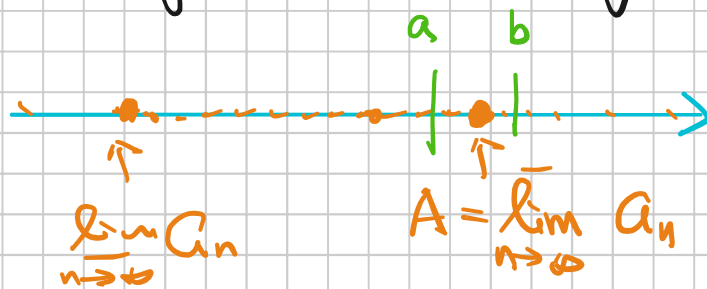
Thm

Let $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a real seq. $A \in \mathbb{R}$.

Then $A = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \iff A$ satisfies

(i) $\forall b > A \exists N_b \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $a_n < b \forall n \geq N_b$

(ii) $\forall a < A \exists$ subseq $(a_{n_j})_{j=1}^{\infty}$ s.t.
 $a_{n_j} > a \quad \forall j \in \mathbb{N}$



pf

Let $M_n = \sup \{a_k \mid k \geq n\} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \inf_{n \geq 1} M_n$

NOTE: $(M_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a decreasing seq s.t.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n = \inf_{n \geq 1} M_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

" $\Rightarrow$ " Suppose $A = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \inf_{n \geq 1} M_n$

Want to show (i) and (ii):

(i) $\forall b > A$. Since

最大下界 $\rightarrow \inf_{n \geq 1} M_n < b \leftarrow$ 不再是下界

$\exists N_b \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $M_{N_b} < b$

$$\Rightarrow a_k \leq \underbrace{M_{N_b}}_{\text{sup}} < b \quad \forall k \geq N_b$$

$$\sup \{a_k \mid k \geq N_b\}$$

$$(ii') \quad \forall \underline{a} < A = \inf_{n \geq 1} M_n \leq \underbrace{M_n}_{\text{sup}} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$\nearrow \underline{a} < \sup \{a_k \mid k \geq n\}$
 NOT upper bound least upper bound

$$\text{For } n=1, \exists n_1 \geq 1 \text{ s.t. } a_{n_1} > a$$

$$\text{For } n=n_1+1, \exists n_2 \geq n_1+1 \text{ s.t. } a_{n_2} > a$$

⋮

$$\text{For } n=(n_j)+1, \exists n_{j+1} \geq (n_j)+1 \text{ s.t. } a_{n_{j+1}} > a$$

⋮

$$\text{Inductively, we get } (a_{n_j})_{j=1}^{\infty}$$

$$\text{s.t. } a_{n_j} > a \quad \forall j \quad \Rightarrow (ii')$$

" $\Leftarrow$ " Suppose $A \in \mathbb{R}$ satisfies (i) and (ii').

We want to show $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A$ by showing $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq A$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \geq A$

" $\leq$ " By (i), $\forall \underline{b} > A \exists N_b \text{ s.t. } a_n < \underline{b} \quad \forall n \geq N_b$

$\downarrow$
 an upper bound

$$\Rightarrow M_{N_b} = \sup \{a_k \mid k \geq N_b\} \leq b$$

$$\left(\forall M_n \leq b \quad \forall n \geq N_b \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n} = \inf_{n \geq 1} M_n \leq \underline{M_{N_b}} \leq b$$

$\forall b > A$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq A$$

If not, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n > A$, take

$$b = \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + A}{2} > A$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$



to

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq b$$

$\forall b > A$

" $\geq$ " follows from (i)
 $\uparrow$
 exercise.

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