

5 Sequences

▮5.1. Show that the following sets are Borel in the extended real numbers $[-\infty, \infty]$:

- The set of converging sequences (including sequences whose limit $\pm\infty$):

$$\text{Converge}[-\infty, \infty] := \left\{ \vec{r} \in [-\infty, \infty]^{\mathbb{N}} \mid \exists \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n \right\}$$

- For every $a \in [-\infty, \infty]$, the set of sequences that converge to a :

$$\text{ConvergeTo } a := \left\{ \vec{r} \in [-\infty, \infty]^{\mathbb{N}} \mid \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n = a \right\}$$

- The set of convergence rates:

$$\text{ConvergenceRate} := \left\{ \vec{r} \in (0, \infty) \mid \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n = 0 \right\} \quad \triangleleft$$

▮5.2. Show that the following higher-order operations are measurable:

- $\lim : \text{Converge}[\infty, \infty] \rightarrow [-\infty, \infty]$
- $\lim \inf, \lim \sup : [-\infty, \infty]^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow [-\infty, \infty]$
- $\arg \min, \arg \max : [-\infty, \infty]^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_{\perp}$
- $\min : \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{N}} \setminus \{\emptyset\} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$, where $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{N}}$ is the measurable space structure induced by identifying the measurable subsets of \mathbb{N} with their indicator functions in the countable-product measurable space $2^{\mathbb{N}}$. △

▮5.3. For every measurable space X , we may adjoin a new element \perp called ‘bottom’ representing the undefined value, and making the singleton $\{\perp\}$ measurable. Explicitly:

- The points are the disjoint union of the points in X and \perp : ${}_{\perp}X_{\perp} := \{\perp\} \sqcup {}_{\perp}X_{\perp}$.
- The measurable sets are generated by those of X and $\{\perp\}$:

$$\mathcal{B}_{X_{\perp}} := \sigma(\{\{\perp\}\} \cup \iota_2[[\mathcal{B}_X]])$$

We can use the undefined value to define partial measurable functions. Show that the following higher-order operations are measurable:

- $\lim : [-\infty, \infty]^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow [-\infty, \infty]_{\perp}$
- $\inf, \sup : ([-\infty, \infty]_{\perp})^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow [-\infty, \infty]$
- $\text{compress} : (X_{\perp})^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow (X^{\mathbb{N}})_{\perp}$ for any measurable space X which compresses the sequence by removing any intermediate undefined values. △

▮5.4. Define a measurable function $\text{approx}_{\cdot} : \text{ConvergenceRate} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}^{\mathbb{N}}$, such that each $\text{approx}_{\vec{b}} r$ is a sequence \vec{q} of rational numbers that converges to r at rate \vec{b} , so for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$: $|q_n - r| < b_n$. △

References