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Real Analysis

Video #18

The Cantor Set



$\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right)$
Remove the
middle third
open interval

The Cantor Set



(Remove)
 $\frac{1}{9}$ $\frac{2}{9}$



(Remove)
 $\frac{7}{9}$ $\frac{8}{9}$

.

The Cantor Set



Keep removing the middle third open interval from each surviving interval.

⋮

C_n will consist of 2^n closed intervals each of length $\frac{1}{3^n}$
for $n=0, 1, 2, \dots$

Defn Cantor set $C = \bigcap_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n$

In other words, $C = [0, 1] \setminus \underbrace{\left[\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right) \cup \left(\frac{1}{9}, \frac{2}{9}\right) \cup \left(\frac{7}{9}, \frac{8}{9}\right) \cup \dots \right]}_{\text{intervals that were removed}}$

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→ Cardinality

→ Length

→ Dimension

Cardinality C is uncountable!

We can find a bijection between C
and all binary sequences $\{(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} : a_n = 0 \text{ or } 1\}$

For $c \in C$, $a_1 = 0$ if c belongs to the left-hand interval of C_1
 $a_1 = 1$ if c belongs to the right-hand interval of C_1

Based on $a_1 \rightarrow a_2 = 0$ if c belongs to the left-hand interval of
the component of C_2 (as indicated by a_1)

$a_2 = 1$ if c belongs to the right-hand interval of
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Every point yields a sequence and every sequence defines a point.

Length C has length zero!

$$\begin{aligned} \text{length of } C &= \text{length of } [0, 1] \\ &\quad - \text{length of all the removed intervals} \\ &= 1 - \left(\frac{1}{3} + 2\left(\frac{1}{9}\right) + 4\left(\frac{1}{27}\right) + \dots + 2^{n-1}\left(\frac{1}{3^n}\right) + \dots \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= 1 - \left(\frac{\frac{1}{3}}{1 - \frac{2}{3}} \right)$$

$$= 1 - 1$$

$$= 0$$

Dimension

$$\dim(C) = 0.631\dots (!!)$$

We all agree dimension of  is zero

 is one

 is two

 is three

What happens when we magnify each such set by a factor of 3?

point



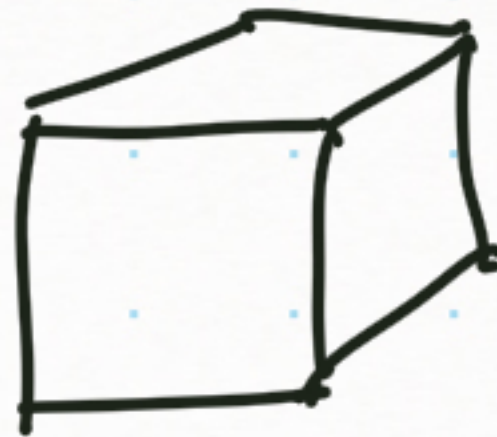
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Cube



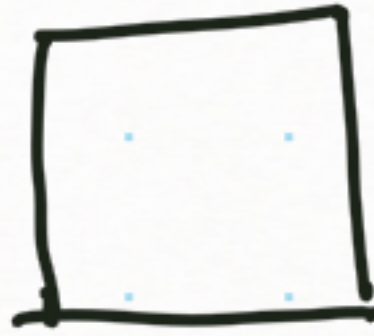
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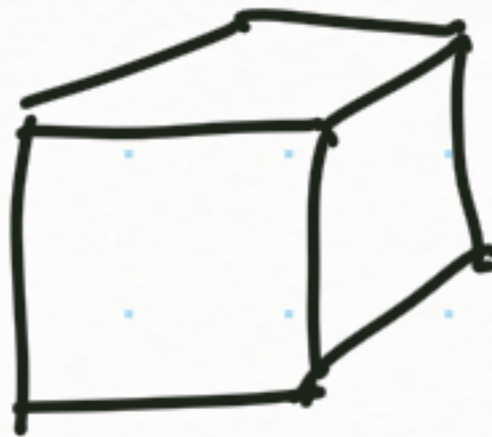
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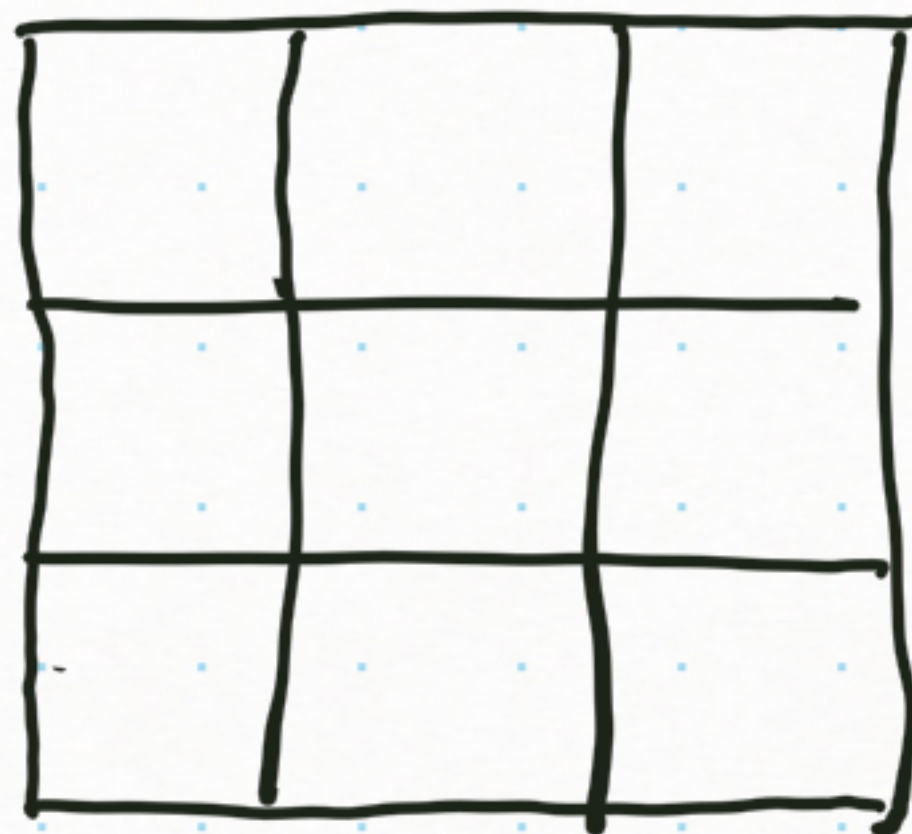
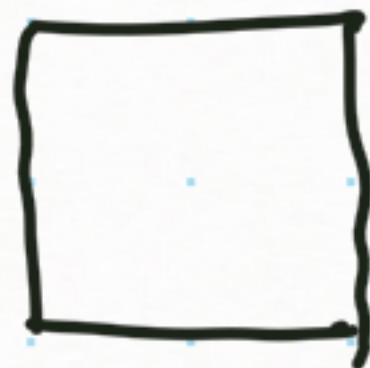
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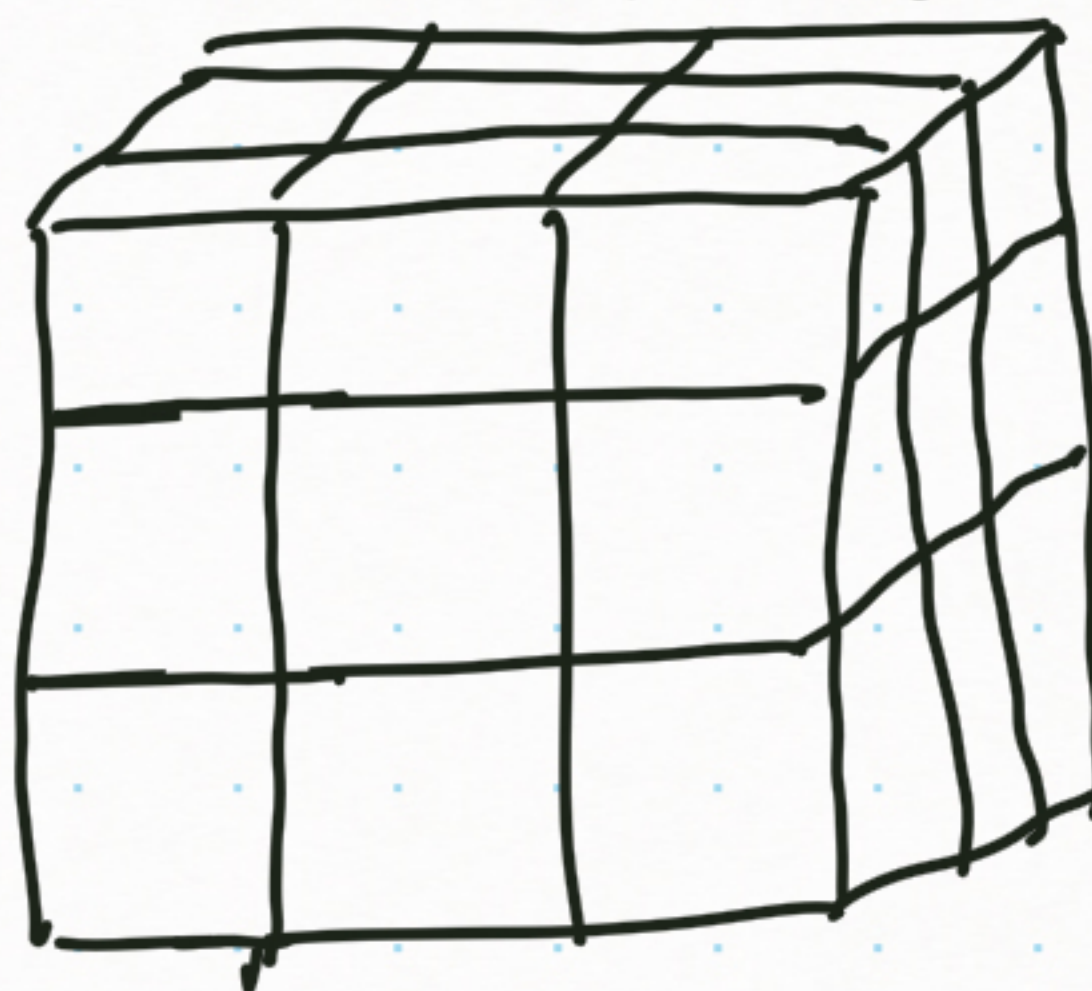
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point



$3x \rightarrow$



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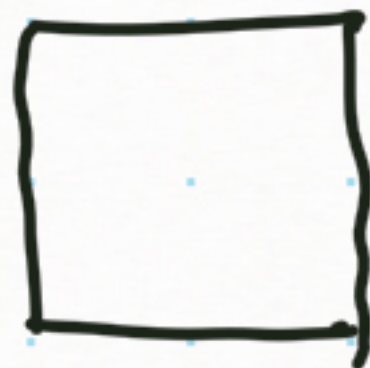


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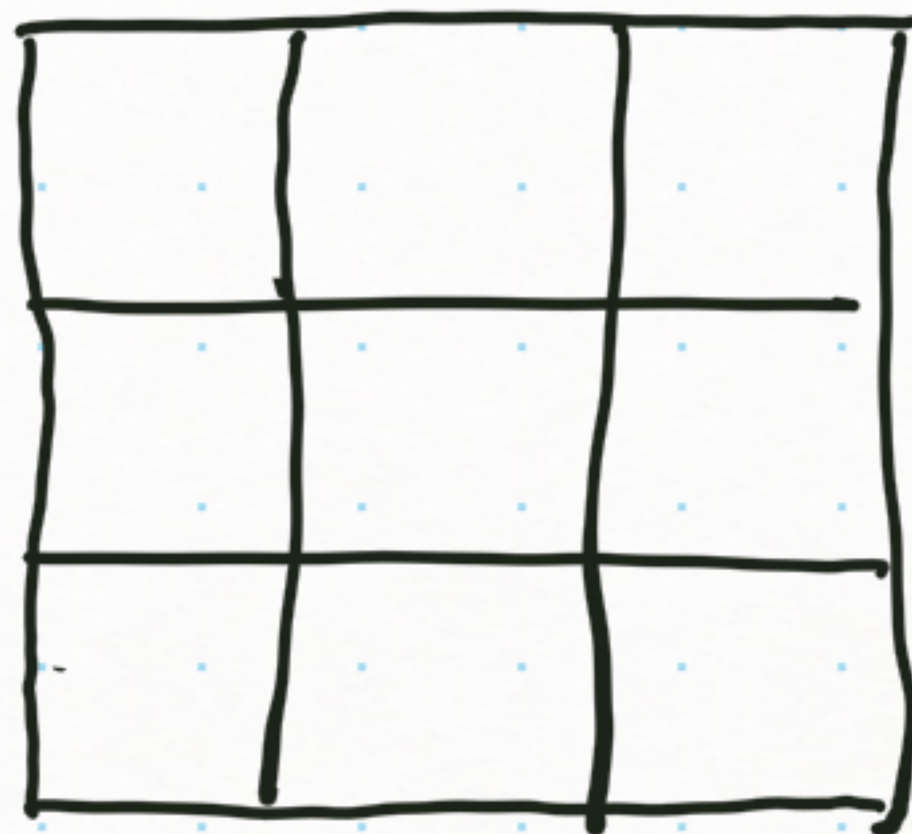


$$3 = 3^1 \text{ copies}$$

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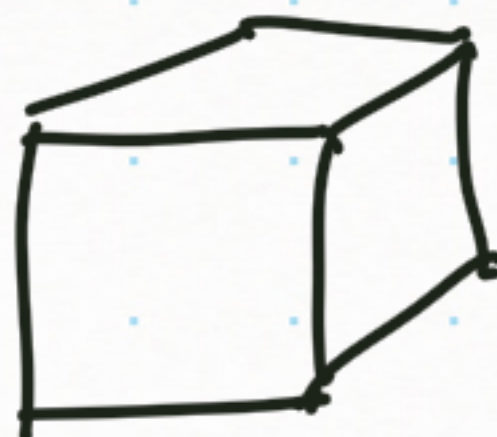


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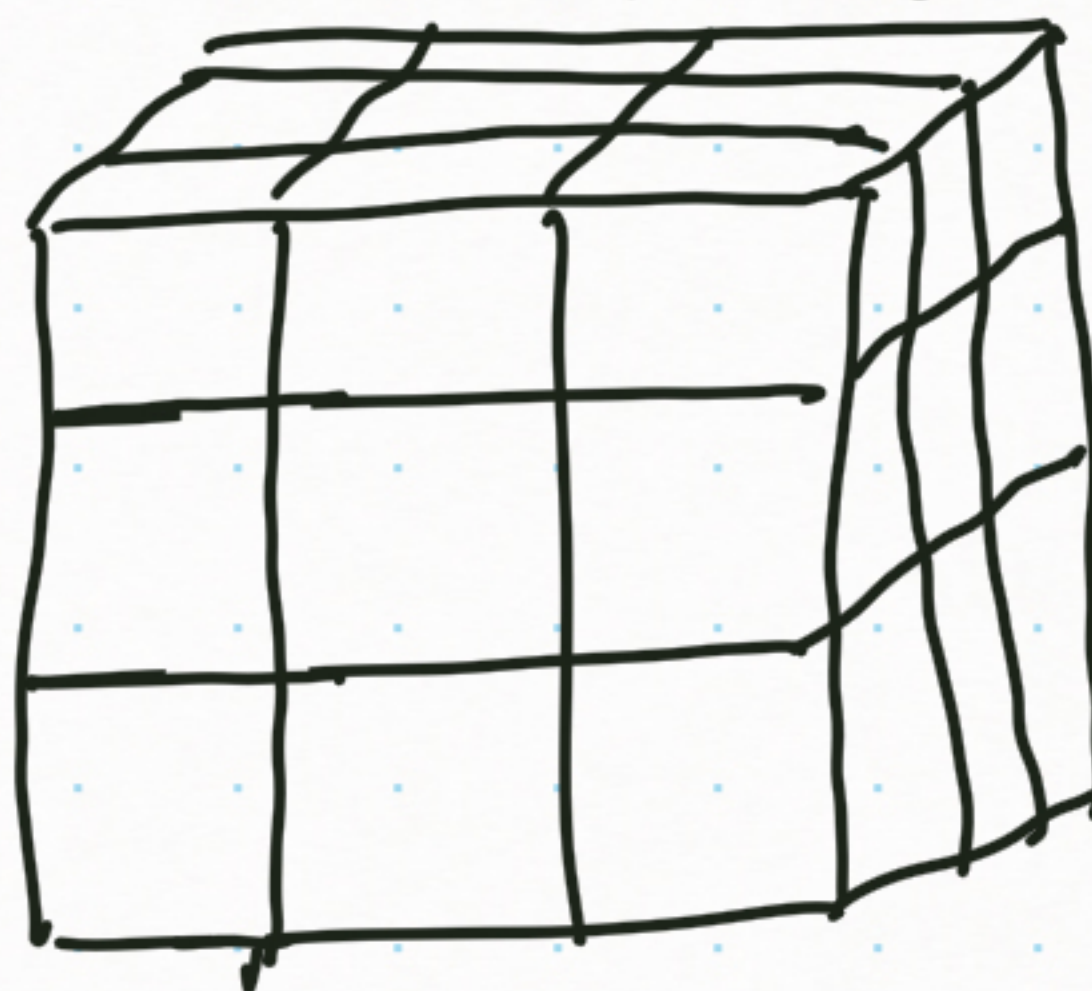


$$9 = 3^2 \text{ copies}$$

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$3x \rightarrow$



$$27 = 3^3 \text{ copies}$$

3 dimension

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Recall

For $a \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\epsilon > 0$

ϵ -neighborhood of a is

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• \mathbb{R} is open

let $a \in \mathbb{R}$ then pick $\epsilon = 1$
& $V_1(a) = (a - 1, a + 1) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$

• \emptyset is open

• Open interval (a, b) is open

Let $x \in (a, b)$ Pick $\epsilon = ?$

so that $V_\epsilon(x) = (x - \epsilon, x + \epsilon)$
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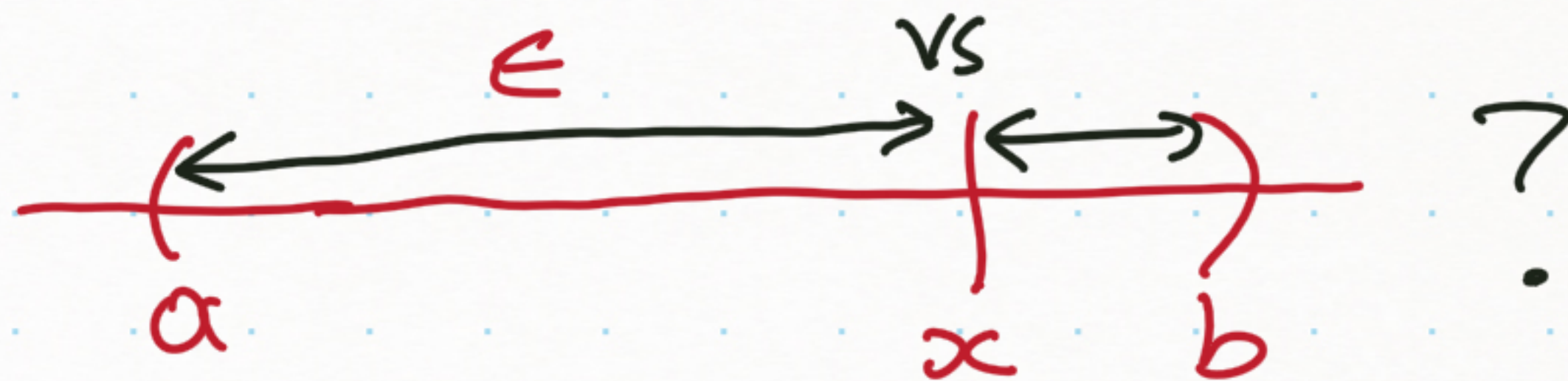
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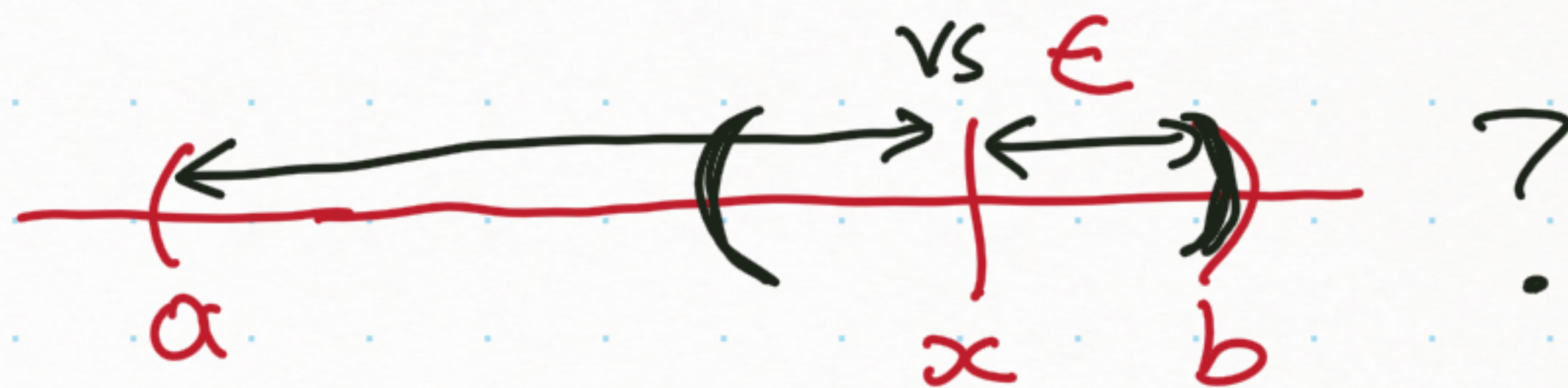
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Check!

Pick $\epsilon = \min \{x - a, b - x\}$

then $V_\epsilon(x) = (x - \epsilon, x + \epsilon) \subseteq (a, b)$

- Intervals (a, ∞) and $(-\infty, b)$ are open

What ϵ should we use in each case?

- $[2, 5]$ is not an open set

We have to argue: $\exists x \in [2, 5]$ st. $\forall \epsilon (x) = (x - \epsilon, x + \epsilon) \not\subseteq [2, 5]$
 $\forall \epsilon > 0$

negation of defn. of open set

What $x \in [2, 5]$ should we use? $x = 4$ X

Pick $x = 2$ Verify $(2 - \epsilon, 2 + \epsilon) \not\subseteq [2, 5]$

Yes, $2 - \epsilon < 2$

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Let $\underline{\epsilon = \min\{\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \dots, \epsilon_k\}}$ then $\underline{V_\epsilon(a) \subseteq V_{\epsilon_i}(a) \forall i}$, so, $\underline{V_\epsilon(a) \subseteq O_i \forall i}$.

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You will always get a union of open intervals.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{e.g. } & \underline{(-\infty, a) \cup (b, \infty) \cap (-\infty, c) \cup (d, \infty)} \\ & = \underline{(-\infty, \min\{a, c\}) \cup (\max\{b, d\}, \infty)} \end{aligned}$$

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Proof (Outline)

Let \mathcal{O} be an open set

Each $x \in \mathcal{O}$ is contained in $(x-\epsilon, x+\epsilon) \subseteq \mathcal{O}$ for some $\epsilon > 0$

Let I_x be the largest open interval in \mathcal{O} that contains x

$$\underline{I_x = (\alpha, \beta)}$$

$$\text{s.t. } x \in I_x$$

$$\text{and } I_x \subseteq \mathcal{O}$$

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What is α ? β ?



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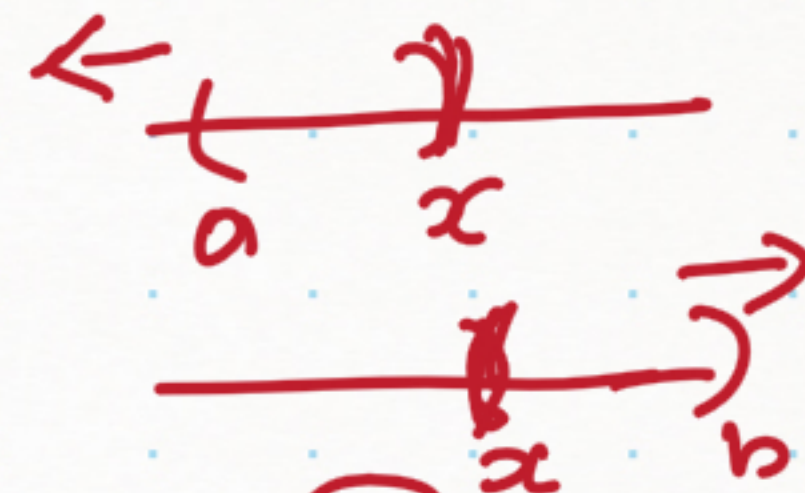
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$\beta = \sup\{b : (x, b) \subseteq \mathcal{O}\}$



So, $\mathcal{O} = \bigcup_{x \in \mathcal{O}} I_x$

But why is this a countable union?

★ Observation: $\forall x, y \in \mathcal{O}$, $I_x = I_y$ or $I_x \cap I_y = \emptyset$

Since each I_x contains a rational #, Observation tells us there can not be more intervals than $|\mathbb{Q}|$ ★

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Defn A point x is a limit point of a set A

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Proof (Outline) \Rightarrow Let x be a limit point of A . \therefore take $\epsilon = 1/n$


Every $1/n$ -neighborhood of x intersects $A - \{x\}$, so

$$\text{pick } a_n \in \underline{V_{1/n}(x) \cap (A - \{x\})}.$$

Verify $a_n \rightarrow x$.

$\neq \emptyset$

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$x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ for some sequence $(a_n) \subseteq A \setminus \{x\}$

Proof (Outline) $\boxed{\Leftarrow}$ The definition of convergence tells us

$\forall \epsilon > 0, \quad \underline{a_n \in V_\epsilon(x) \quad \forall n \geq N},$ so $a_N \in V_\epsilon(x)$ and $a_N \neq x.$

Also, \bar{A} is the smallest closed set containing A .

Defn For $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, let L be the set of all limit points of A . The closure of A is defined to be $\bar{A} = A \cup L$.

Defn Set A is closed if $A = \bar{A}$,
i.e., A contains all its limit points.

Theorem $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is closed iff every Cauchy sequence
in A has a limit also in A .

Proof Exercise!

Comment "Closed" under the operation of taking limits of sequences.

Examples

① $A = \{\frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$

Given $\frac{1}{n} \in A$, we

need to find $\epsilon > 0$

st. $\forall \epsilon (\frac{1}{n}) \cap A = \{\frac{1}{n}\}$

$$\begin{array}{c} | \text{---} (\epsilon, \epsilon) \text{---} | \\ \frac{1}{n+1} \quad \frac{1}{n} \quad \frac{1}{n-1} \end{array}$$

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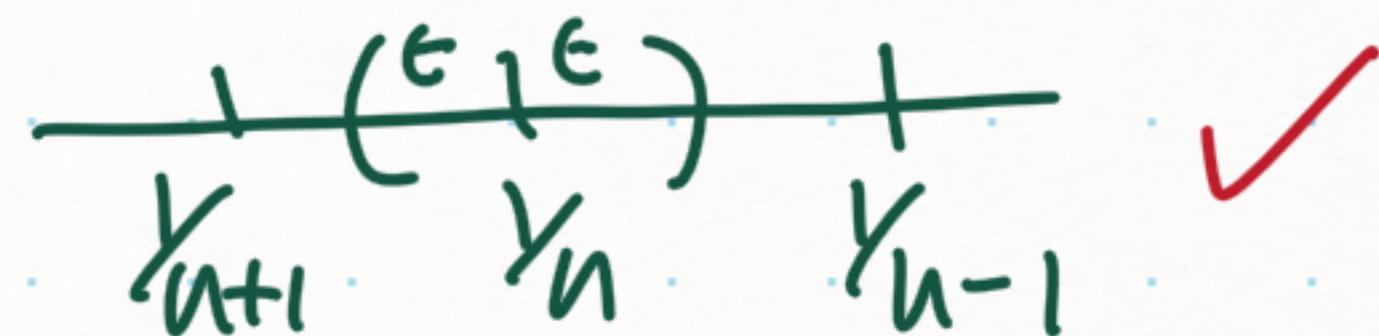
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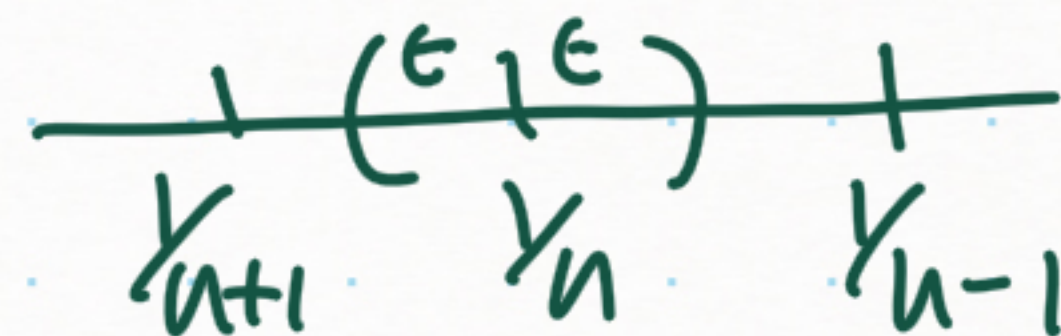
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Any limit points of A ?

0 is the only limit point

Every $V_\epsilon(0)$ will intersect A (Why?)
 $= (-\epsilon, \epsilon) \cap \{\frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \neq \emptyset \quad \exists n \text{ s.t. } \frac{1}{n} < \epsilon$

$\therefore \bar{A} = A \cup \{0\}$

② $[c, d]$ is a closed set

We want to prove every limit pt. of $[c, d]$ belongs to it.

If x is limit pt. of $[c, d]$ then

by Thm (limit pt. of $A \Leftrightarrow x = \lim a_n$ for $(a_n) \subseteq A - \{x\}$),

we know $x = \lim x_n$ where $x_n \in [c, d] - \{x\}$

Does $x \in [c, d]$?

Since $c \leq x_n \leq d$, by Order limit Thm,

$$c \leq \lim x_n \leq d$$

$$\text{i.e., } c \leq x \leq d$$

$$\text{i.e., } x \in [c, d] \quad \checkmark$$

So, closure of $[c, d] = [c, d]$

③ Is the set $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ closed?

Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$ & $V_\epsilon(x) = (x-\epsilon, x+\epsilon)$ be any neighborhood of x

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That is, x is a limit point of \mathbb{Q} .

$$\therefore \overline{\mathbb{Q}} = \mathbb{R}$$

Theorem [Alternate form of Density of \mathbb{Q} in \mathbb{R}]

For every $x \in \mathbb{R}$, \exists seq. of rational numbers that converges to x .

④ Is \mathbb{R} closed?

⑤ Is (a, b) closed? What is $\overline{(a, b)}$?

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→ Are there any sets that are both open and closed?

→ Are there any sets that are neither open nor closed?

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complement of F

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To show F^c is closed, we need to show it contains all its limit points.

Let x be a limit point of F^c

then $V_\epsilon(x) \cap (F^c - \{x\}) \neq \emptyset \quad \forall \epsilon > 0$

i.e., every ϵ -neighborhood of x contains a pt. of F^c \otimes

Claim $x \in F^c$

\downarrow If $x \notin F^c$, i.e., $x \in F$ then $\exists \epsilon > 0$ s.t. $V_\epsilon(x) \subseteq F$ ($\because F$ open)

which is not possible by \otimes

contradiction

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s.t. $V_\epsilon(x) \subseteq F$

Note that $x \in F$ cannot be a limit point of F^c (since F^c is closed & contains all its limit points)

By negation of defn of limit pt., we have

$$\exists \epsilon > 0 \text{ s.t. } \underline{V_\epsilon(x) \cap F^c = \emptyset}$$

i.e., $V_\epsilon(x) \subseteq F$, as needed.

Using this characterization & properties of open sets, we have

Theorem ① Union of a finite collection of closed sets is closed

② Intersection of an arbitrary collection of closed sets is closed.

(De Morgan's Laws:
$$\left(\bigcup_{\lambda} A_{\lambda} \right)^c = \bigcap_{\lambda} A_{\lambda}^c$$
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Heine-Borel Theorem

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Defn $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is bounded if $\exists M > 0$ s.t. $|a| < M \forall a \in A$

Theorem $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is sequentially compact
 $\Leftrightarrow K$ is closed and bounded

Proof Let K be sequentially compact

Suppose K is not a bounded set.

Since K is not bounded, $\exists x_1 \in K$ with $|x_1| > 1$,
 $\exists x_2 \in K$ with $|x_2| > 2$, \dots , $\exists x_n \in K$ with $|x_n| > n$

Theorem $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is sequentially compact
 $\Leftrightarrow K$ is closed and bounded

Proof Let K be sequentially compact

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Since K is sequentially compact, \exists convergent subseq. (x_{n_k})

By defn. of (x_n) , we have $|x_{n_k}| > n_k$, i.e. (x_{n_k}) is unbdd.

so, (x_{n_k}) can not be convergent, contradiction.

$\therefore K$ must be bounded.

K is closed, i.e. K contains all its limit points.

Let $x = \lim x_n$ where $(x_n) \subseteq K$

Claim $x \in K$

Since K is seq. compact, (x_n) has a cgt. subseq. (x_{n_k}) ^{with limit also in K .}

Since $x_n \rightarrow x$, x_{n_k} must also have the same limit x .

By defn. of seq. compactness, $x \in K$.



HW exercise.

Nested Compact Set Property

$$94 \quad K_1 \supseteq K_2 \supseteq K_3 \supseteq \dots$$

is a nested sequence of nonempty compact sets

then $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n$ is not empty

"compact sets" capture the essence of

"Closed intervals"

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But there is no finite subcover here.

Consider any finite collection $\{U_{x_1}, U_{x_2}, \dots, U_{x_k}\}$

Then for $x' = \min\{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$

any y s.t. $0 < y < \frac{x'}{2}$ is not in $\bigcup_{i=1}^k U_{x_i}$.

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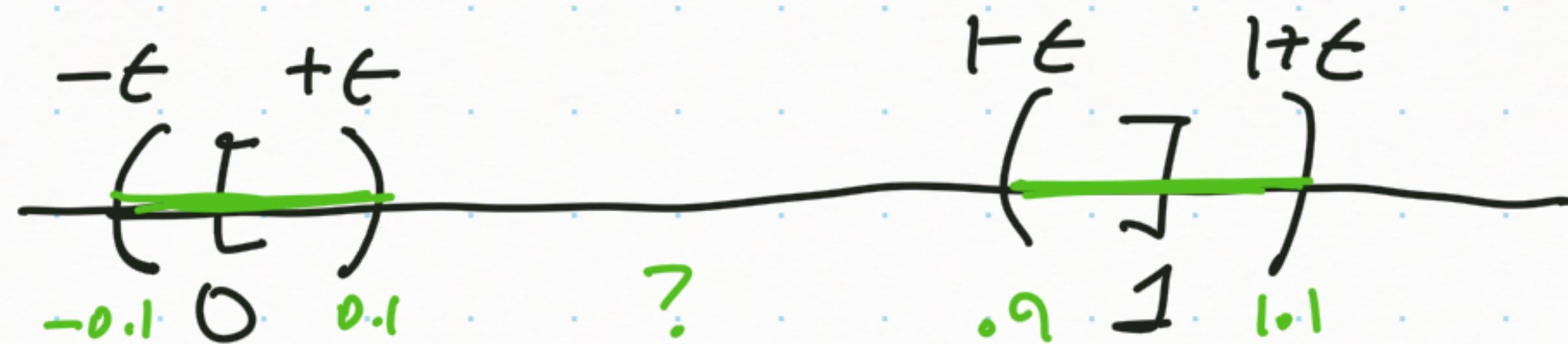
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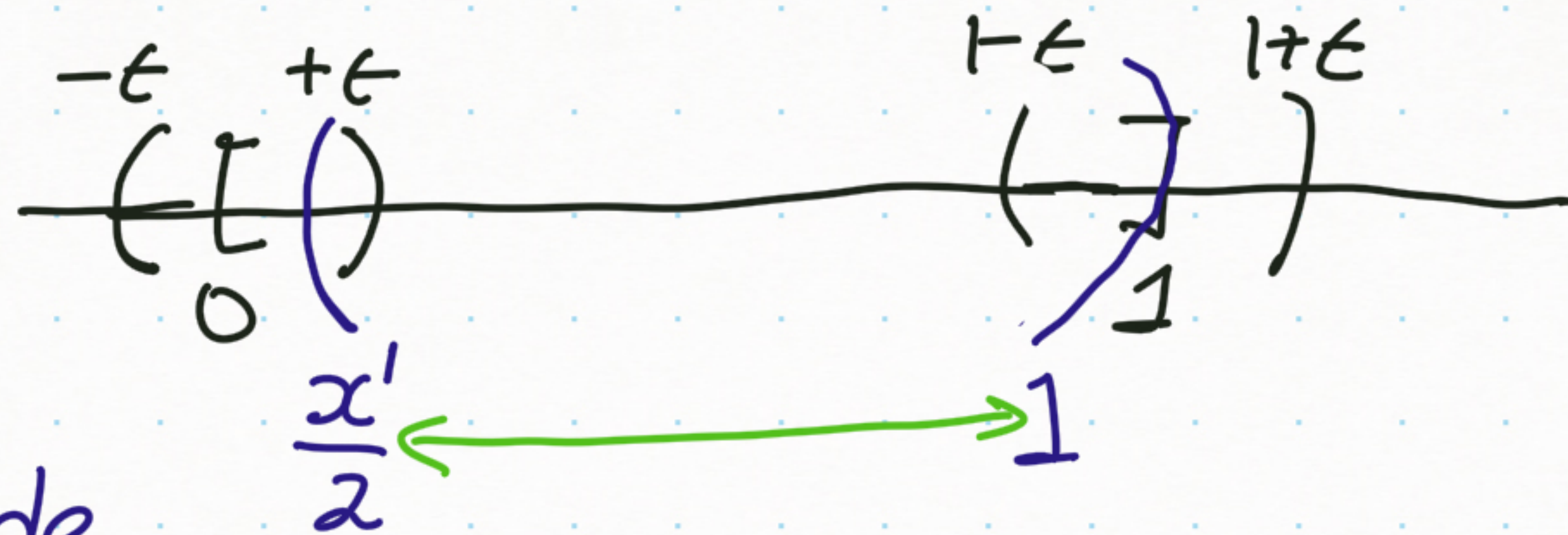
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Also include

$(\frac{x'}{2}, 1)$ where $\frac{x'}{2} < \epsilon$ (which is possible to find).

Consider $(0, 4)$ and its open cover

$$\left\{ \left(\frac{1}{k}, 4 - \frac{1}{k} \right) \right\}_{k=1}^{\infty} = \left\{ (1, 3), \left(\frac{1}{2}, 4 - \frac{1}{2} \right), \left(\frac{1}{3}, 4 - \frac{1}{3} \right), \dots \right\}$$

→ Check every $x \in (0, 4)$ belongs to this cover

→ Check there is no finite subcover in this cover.

∴ $(0, 4)$ is not compact.

Theorem Let $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$.

K is compact (every open cover has a finite subcover)

$\Leftrightarrow K$ is closed and bounded.

Proof \Rightarrow We assume K is compact, that is every open cover of K has a finite subcover.

K is bounded

Let $I_n = (-n, n)$, then $\mathbb{R} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$

& since $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, $K \subseteq \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$, an open cover of K .

$$K \subseteq \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n, \text{ an open cover}$$

so, there is a finite subcover $\{I_{n_1}, I_{n_2}, \dots, I_{n_k}\}$

$$\text{Assume } n_1 < n_2 < \dots < n_k$$

$$\text{then } I_{n_1} = (-n_1, n_1) \subseteq I_{n_2} = (-n_2, n_2) \subseteq \dots \subseteq I_{n_k}$$

$$\text{hence } K \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^k I_{n_i} = I_{n_k} = (-n_k, n_k)$$

i.e, every element of $K \in (-n_k, n_k)$

i.p, K is bounded.

K is closed Suppose K is not closed.

Then $\exists x \notin K$ and $(a_n) \subseteq K$ s.t. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = x$ — \otimes

Let $U_n = (-\infty, x - \frac{1}{n}) \cup (x + \frac{1}{n}, \infty)$, open set
and $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n = \mathbb{R} - \{x\}$. $\mathbb{R} - [x - \frac{1}{n}, x + \frac{1}{n}]$

Since $\underline{K \subseteq \mathbb{R} - \{x\}}$, $K \subseteq \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n$, an open cover of K.

By compactness of K, $\{U_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ contains a finite subcover

of K: $\{U_{n_1}, U_{n_2}, \dots, U_{n_R}\}$

Assume $n_1 < n_2 < \dots < n_R$, & thus $K \subseteq \bigcup_{l=1}^R U_{n_l} = U_{n_R}$

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Why is this a problem?

there are no elements of K
within distance $\frac{1}{n_k}$ of x

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From ~~*)~~ we know $(a_n) \subseteq K$ and $\lim a_n = x$

If we let $\epsilon = \frac{1}{n_k} > 0$, then ~~**))~~ says

there is no a_n s.t. $|a_n - x| < \epsilon$

contradicting the definition of convergence for $\lim a_n = x$.

Math 400

Real Analysis

Video # 22

What does it mean for a function to be continuous?

- Middle school → It looks like $f(x) = x^2$
- High school → You can draw it without picking up your pencil
- Pre-calculus → It does not have any holes or jumps.
- Calculus → \forall for each c , $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = f(c)$

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

(a_n) converges to a if

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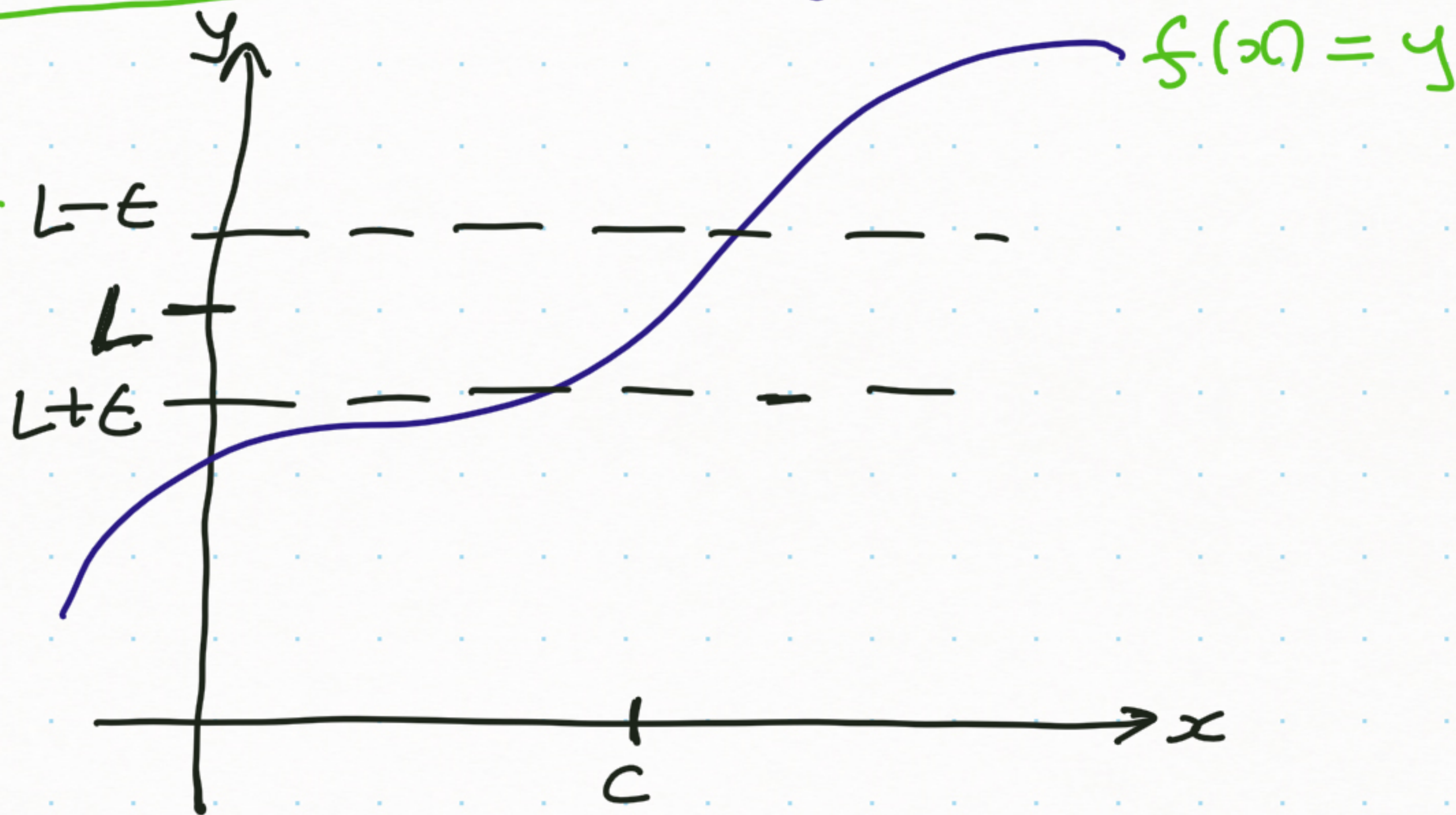
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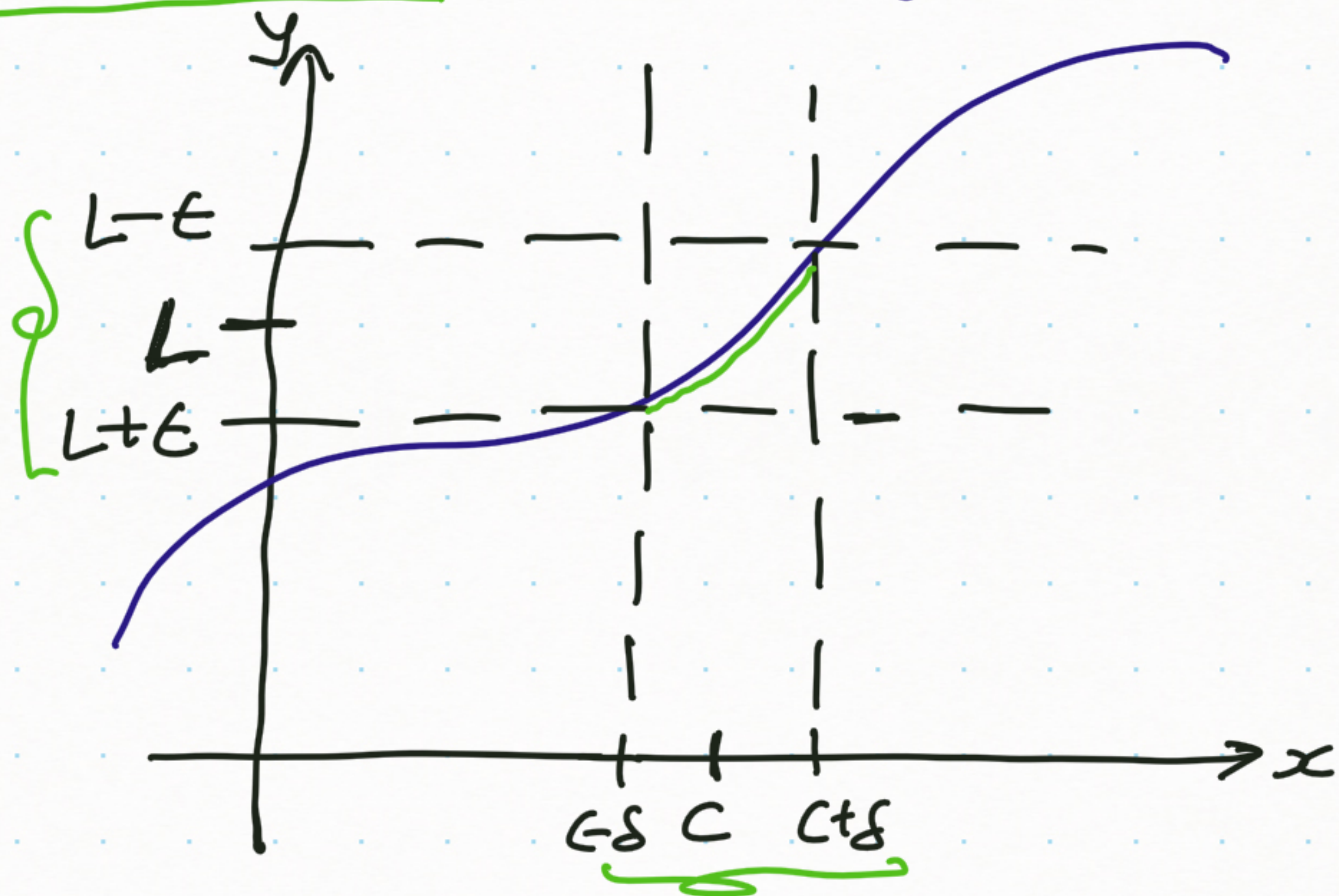
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Given these horizontal lines
Find vertical lines
s.t. $f(x)$ is trapped
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$\exists \delta > 0$: $f(x) \in \epsilon$ -neighborhood of L
for $x \in \delta$ -neighborhood of c

⑤ To show $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x)$ is not L

apply negation of definition.

$\exists \epsilon > 0$ s.t. for all $\delta > 0$, $\exists x \in A$
with $0 < |x - c| < \delta$
and $|f(x) - L| \geq \epsilon$.

There is an $\epsilon > 0$ s.t. we can not "trap"
 $f(x)$ in the "box" no matter which $\delta > 0$
we choose.

defined by ϵ -neighborhood of L
and δ -neighborhood of c

Examples

① $f(x) = 5x + 2$. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} f(x) = 17$

scratch work convert $|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$ into $|x - c| < \delta$
i.e., $|5x + 2 - 17| < \epsilon$ i.e., $|5x - 15| < \epsilon$, i.e., $5|x - 3| < \epsilon$
i.e., $|x - 3| < \epsilon/5$ so choose $\delta = \epsilon/5$

Soln Let $\epsilon > 0$, set $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{5} > 0$ then for any x : $0 < |x - 3| < \delta$

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - L| &= |5x + 2 - 17| = |5x - 15| = 5|x - 3| \\ &< 5\delta \\ &= 5 \frac{\epsilon}{5} \quad (\text{by choice of } \delta) \\ &= \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

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$$|f(x) - L| < \epsilon \text{ i.e., } \left| \frac{3x^2 - 12}{x - 2} - 12 \right| < \epsilon, \text{ i.e.,}$$

$$\left| \frac{3(x-2)(x+2)}{x-2} - 12 \right| < \epsilon, \text{ i.e., } |3(x+2) - 12| < \epsilon, \text{ i.e.,}$$

$$3|(x+2) - 4| < \epsilon, \text{ i.e., } \underline{3|x-2| < \epsilon}, \text{ i.e., } \underline{|x-2| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}}$$

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$|x^2 - 4| = |(x+2)(x-2)| = |x+2| |x-2| < \epsilon$ ← compare $\frac{\epsilon}{|x+2|}$

\rightarrow i.e., $|x-2| < \frac{\epsilon}{|x+2|}$ ← ~~let $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{|x+2|}$~~ not allowed need a number

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If we ensure $\delta \leq 1$ then $|x+2| \leq |(2+1) + 2| = 5$

\therefore choose $\delta = \min\{1, \epsilon/5\}$

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 $\leq 2+1$

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Cor Let $f, g: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = L$ & $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) = M$

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② $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (f(x) + g(x)) = L + M$

③ $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} (f(x) g(x)) = L M$

④ $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{L}{M}$
provided $M \neq 0$