

Boundedness theorem: Continuous function on closed & bdd interval is bdd therein

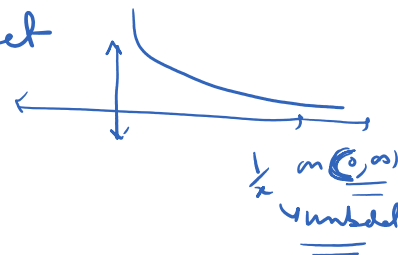
f is bdd on A if $\exists M > 0 : |f(x)| \leq M \forall x \in A$

i.e. $f(A) = \{f(x) | x \in A\}$ is a bdd set

Range set

→ Cts f^n
→ closed interval
→ bdd interval

Note: Each hypothesis of boundedness theorem is mandatory.

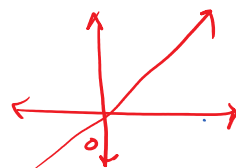


Example 5.3.3

① Interval must be bounded

Let $f: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
be def as $f(x) = x$

$I = [0, \infty)$



① I is closed

② f is cts on I

③ I is NOT bounded

We see that f is not bounded (which implies that bddness thm is not longer true)

Let $M \in \mathbb{R}^+$ let $x = M + \frac{1}{2}$ then $x \in (0, \infty) = I$

and $f(x) = x > M$

i.e. for any $M > 0$, $\exists x \in I : f(x) > M \Rightarrow f$ is unbdd on I

Q// State boundedness theorem. Show that the cond^y that I is bdd can not be relaxed. hypothesis

② Interval must be closed

Let $f: (0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be def as $f(x) = \frac{1}{x} \forall x \in (0, 1]$
 $I = (0, 1]$

① I is bdd

② f is cts on I

③ I is not closed interval

We see that f is unbdd (i.e. bdd thm fails)

Let $M > 0$. let $x = \frac{1}{M+1}$ then $x \in I$ ($M > 0 \Rightarrow M+1 > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{M+1} > 0$)

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 $\& f(x) = \frac{1}{x} = M+1 > M$
 $\therefore \forall M > 0 \exists x \in I : f(x) > M$

$\Rightarrow f$ is unbounded

(3) function must be continuous

Let $I = [0, 1]$ & $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be def as

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 1, & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

Then (1) I is closed

(2) I is bdd

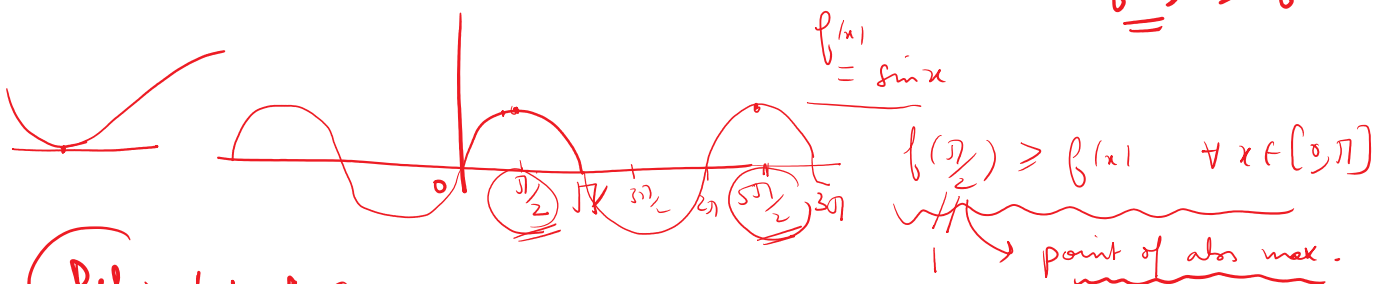
(3) f is discont at $0 \in I$ ($\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x}$ does not exist)

we see that f is unbounded.

f is unbounded

Absolute Maximum of a function

$$\underline{f(u)} \geq f(x) \quad \forall x \in A$$



Def. Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ & $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we say that f has an absolute maximum on A if $\exists u \in A : f(u) \geq f(x) \quad \forall x \in A$

' u ' is called point of abs max of f on A

eg. (1) $f(x) = \sin x$ on $[0, \pi]$

(minimum)
etc

$\pi/2$ is a pt of abs max as $f(\pi/2) = 1 \geq f(x)$

$\forall x \in [0, \pi]$

② $f(x) = \sin x$ on $[0, 3\pi] = I$

$\pi/2, 5\pi/2$ are points of abs maxima on I

$\therefore f(\pi/2) = f(5\pi/2) \geq f(x) \quad \forall x \in I$

Notes: ① We note from eg ② that point of abs max may not be unique

another eg $f(x) = x^2$ on $[-1, 1]$

$f(\pm 1) = 1 \geq f(x) \quad \forall x \in [-1, 1]$

$1, -1$ are points of abs. max.

② $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}, x \in (0, \infty)$

As f is indec above

$\therefore \nexists u \in (0, \infty) : f(u) \geq f(x)$

$\Rightarrow f$ DOES NOT HAVE abs Max on $(0, \infty)$

$f(x) > 0$

$\inf f(x) = \left\{ \frac{1}{x} \mid x \in (0, \infty) \right\} = 0$

$\nexists u \in (0, \infty) : f(u) = 0$

$\Rightarrow f$ does not have abs min on $(0, \infty)$

$\frac{1}{u} \neq 0$
for any $u > 0$

$f(x) \leq M$
 $M=1$

