

Recall If (E, d) is a metric space, $S \subseteq E$ a subset Then

$x \in E$ is a cluster point of S if \exists a sequence $\{s_n\} \subseteq S \setminus \{x\}$ s.t. $s_n \rightarrow x$.

In general: x is a cluster point of S if \forall open set U with $x \in U$, $(U \setminus \{x\}) \cap S \neq \emptyset$

Definition $(E, d), (E', d')$ two metric spaces, $A \subseteq E$, $f: A \rightarrow E'$

p a cluster point of A . Then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) = q \quad \text{[the limit of } f(x) \text{ as } x \rightarrow p \text{ is } q]$$

if $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0$ so that

$$(x \in A \cap B_\delta(p), x \neq p) \Rightarrow d'(f(x), q) < \epsilon.$$

Remarks (1) We are not assuming $p \in A$ (so $f(p)$ may not be defined)

(2) Even if $p \in A$ we are not requiring that $f(p) = \lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x)$.

Ex $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x=0 \\ 0 & x \neq 0 \end{cases} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = 0 + 1 = f(x).$

Lemma Suppose E, E' metric spaces, p cluster point of E . Then

$$f: E \rightarrow E' \text{ is continuous at } p \Leftrightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) = f(p).$$

Proof Exercise.

Note If p is not a cluster point of $E \exists r > 0$ s.t. $(B_r(p) \setminus \{p\}) \cap E = \emptyset$

i.e. $B_r(p) = \{p\}$. And then any $f: E \rightarrow E'$ is continuous at p .

Theorem 13.1 E, E' two metric spaces. $f: E \rightarrow E'$ is continuous at $p \in E$

$\Leftrightarrow \forall$ sequence $\{s_n\}$ in E

$$s_n \rightarrow p \text{ in } E \Rightarrow f(s_n) \rightarrow f(p) \text{ in } E'.$$

Proof (\Rightarrow) Suppose $s_n \rightarrow p$ and f is continuous. Given $\epsilon > 0$

$$\exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } d(x, p) < \delta \Rightarrow d'(f(x), f(p)) < \epsilon.$$

$$\text{Since } s_n \rightarrow p \exists N \text{ s.t. } n \geq N \Rightarrow d(s_n, p) < \delta. \Rightarrow d'(f(s_n), f(p)) < \epsilon$$

$$\therefore f(s_n) \rightarrow f(p).$$

(\Leftarrow) Suppose f is not continuous at p . We construct $\{s_n\}$

with $s_n \rightarrow p$ and $f(s_n) \not\rightarrow f(p)$.

Since f is not continuous at p $\exists \varepsilon_0 > 0$ so that $\forall \delta > 0$

$\exists x_\delta \in B_\delta(p)$ with $f(x_\delta) \notin B_{\varepsilon_0}(f(p))$.

Let $s_n = x_{1/n}$. Then $s_n \in B_{1/n}(p)$ (hence $s_n \rightarrow p$)

and $f(s_n) \notin B_{\varepsilon_0}(f(p))$ (hence $f(s_n) \not\rightarrow f(p)$). \square

Note that since $f(s_n) \neq f(p)$, $s_n \neq p$.

Remark By definition of the limit of f at p

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) = q \iff \forall \text{ sequence } \{s_n\} \in E \setminus \{p\}$$

$$s_n \rightarrow p \implies f(s_n) \rightarrow q.$$

Theorem 13.2 Suppose $f, g: (E, d) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are continuous at $p \in E$.

Then $f+g$, $f \cdot g$ are continuous at p . If $g(p) \neq 0$ then

f/g is continuous at p .

Proof Suppose $s_n \rightarrow p$. Then $f(s_n) \rightarrow f(p)$, $g(s_n) \rightarrow g(p)$ by

$$\text{continuity of } f, g \text{ at } p. \implies (f+g)(s_n) = f(s_n) + g(s_n) \rightarrow f(p) + g(p)$$

$$= (f+g)(p)$$

by theorems about limits of sequences. $\implies f+g$ is continuous at p .

The rest of the proof is similar. \square

Theorem 13.3 Suppose $f = (f_1, \dots, f_n): E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a function, $p \in E$.

Then f is continuous at $p \iff f_1, \dots, f_n$ are all continuous at p .

Proof Recall that a sequence $t_k = (t_k^{(1)}, \dots, t_k^{(n)})$ in \mathbb{R}^n converges

$$\text{to } (q_1, \dots, q_n) \iff t_k^{(i)} \rightarrow q_i \quad \forall i$$

\square

Uniform continuity

Recall: $f: (E, d) \rightarrow (E', d')$ is continuous if $\forall p \in E, \forall \epsilon > 0$
 $\exists \delta = \delta_{\epsilon, p} > 0$ s.t. $d(x, p) < \delta \Rightarrow d'(f(x), f(p)) < \epsilon$.

Definition $f: (E, d) \rightarrow (E', d')$ is uniformly continuous

if $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta = \delta_{\epsilon} > 0$

$$d(x, p) < \delta \Rightarrow d'(f(x), f(p)) < \epsilon$$

(This is the same δ for all x and p).

Ex $f(x) = x^2, f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is uniformly continuous:

$$|f(x) - f(y)| = |x^2 - y^2| = |x - y||x + y| \leq |x - y|(x + y) \leq 2|x - y|.$$

Thus given $\epsilon > 0, |x - y| < \epsilon/2 \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$.

$f(x) = x^2, f: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is not uniformly continuous:

$$|f(x) - f(y)| = |x - y||x + y| \geq 2 \min\{x, y\} |x - y|.$$

Therefore $\forall \delta$ if $x, y > 1/\delta$ and $|x - y| = \delta/2 < \delta$ we have $|f(x) - f(y)| > 1$.

Lemma 13.4 Suppose $f: E \rightarrow E'$ is uniformly continuous. Then

for any Cauchy sequence $\{x_n\}$ in E , $\{f(x_n)\}$ is Cauchy in E' .

Proof Since f is uniformly continuous $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta_{\epsilon} > 0$ s.t.

$$d(x, y) < \delta_{\epsilon} \Rightarrow d'(f(x), f(y)) < \epsilon \quad \forall x, y \in E$$

Since $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy $\exists N$ s.t. $n, m \geq N \Rightarrow d(x_n, x_m) < \delta_{\epsilon}$

Hence for $n, m \geq N, d'(f(x_n), f(x_m)) < \epsilon$

$\therefore \{f(x_n)\}$ is Cauchy. □

Ex $f(x) = \sin 1/x$ is not uniformly continuous on $(0, 1)$

[It is continuous, but we haven't really discussed $\sin(u)$]

Consider $s_n = \frac{1}{\pi/2 + \pi n} \in (0,1)$. $s_n \rightarrow 0$ hence is Cauchy in $(0,1)$.
 But $\sin\left(\frac{1}{s_n}\right) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n\right) = (-1)^n$ is not Cauchy.

Theorem 13.5 Suppose $f: E \rightarrow E'$ is continuous and E is compact.
 Then f is uniformly continuous.

Proof Given $\varepsilon > 0$ we want to show: $\exists \delta$ st $d(x,y) < \delta \Rightarrow d(f(x), f(y)) < \varepsilon$.

Since f is continuous $\forall x \in E \exists \delta_x > 0$ st.

$$(*) \quad d(x,y) < \delta_x \Rightarrow d(f(x), f(y)) < \varepsilon/2.$$

$\{B_{\delta_x/2}(x) \mid x \in E\}$ is an open cover of E . Since E is compact,
 $\exists x_1, \dots, x_n$ st $E = B_{\delta_{x_1}/2}(x_1) \cup \dots \cup B_{\delta_{x_n}/2}(x_n)$.

$$\text{Let } \delta = \min\{\delta_{x_1}/2, \dots, \delta_{x_n}/2\}.$$

Suppose $d(p,q) < \delta$. Then $q \in B_{\delta_{x_i}/2}(x_i)$ for some i .

$$\Rightarrow d(p, x_i) \leq d(p, q) + d(q, x_i) < \delta + \delta_{x_i}/2 \leq \delta_{x_i}/2 + \delta_{x_i}/2$$

$$\Rightarrow p \in B_{\delta_{x_i}}(x_i)$$

Since $p, q \in B_{\delta_{x_i}}(x_i)$, $d'(f(p), f(x_i)), d'(f(q), f(x_i)) < \varepsilon/2$.

by (*).

$$\Rightarrow d'(f(p), f(q)) \leq d'(f(p), f(x_i)) + d'(f(x_i), f(q)) < \varepsilon/2 + \varepsilon/2 = \varepsilon.$$

□