

Recall A metric space is a pair (E, d) where E is a set

$d: E \times E \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ a function called metric so that $\forall x, y, z \in E$

- 1) $d(x, y) = 0 \iff x = y$
- 2) $d(y, x) = d(x, y)$
- 3) $d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$.

An open ball in a metric space (E, d) of radius r centered at x is
 $B_r(x) := \{ y \in E \mid d(x, y) < r \}$.

A subset U of a metric space (E, d) is open if $\forall x \in U$
 $\exists r = r(x) > 0$ so that $B_r(x) \subset U$.

Theorem 4.1 Let (E, d) be a metric space. Then

- i) \forall collection $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ of open subsets of E , $\bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$ is open.
- ii) \forall finite collection $\{U_1, \dots, U_k\}$ of open subsets of E
 $U_1 \cap \dots \cap U_k$ is open.
- iii) $\forall x, \forall r > 0$ $B_r(x)$ is open.

Proof (i) Suppose $x \in \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$. Then $x \in U_j$ for some $j \in I$.
 Since U_j is open (and $x \in U_j$) $\exists r(x)$ s.t. $B_r(x) \subset U_j (\subset \bigcup U_i)$
 $\Rightarrow \bigcup U_i$ is open.

ii) [really an induction on k]. Suppose $x \in U_1 \cap \dots \cap U_k$.
 Since each U_i is open $\exists r_i > 0$ s.t. $B_{r_i}(x) \subset U_i$.
 Let $r = \min\{r_1, \dots, r_k\}$. Then $B_r(x) \subset B_{r_i}(x) \subset U_i \quad \forall i$
 $\Rightarrow B_r(x) \subset \bigcap_{i=1}^k U_i$.

iii) Suppose $y \in B_r(x)$. Then $d(x, y) < r$
 $\Rightarrow \delta = r - d(x, y) > 0$.

If $z \in B_\delta(y)$ Then $d(z, y) < \delta$.

$$\Rightarrow d(x, z) \leq d(z, y) + d(y, x) < \delta + d(y, x) = r - d(y, x) + d(y, x) = r$$

$$\Rightarrow z \in B_r(x)$$

Since z is arbitrary $B_\delta(y) \subseteq B_r(x)$

Since y is arbitrary $B_r(x)$ is open. \square

Note $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) = \{0\}$. So arbitrary intersections of open sets need not be open (since $\{0\}$ is not open)

Exercise (E, d) metric space

i) Arbitrary intersections of closed sets are closed

ii) Finite unions of closed sets are closed

iii) Closed balls are closed.

Remark An open rectangle in \mathbb{R}^n is a set U of the form

$$U = (a_1, b_1) \times (a_2, b_2) \times \dots \times (a_n, b_n)$$

U is open: $\forall x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in U$ let $r = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} (|a_i - x_i|, |b_i - x_i|)$

Then $B_r(x) \subseteq U$

check that

Similarly $F = [a_1, b_1] \times [a_2, b_2] \times \dots \times [a_n, b_n] \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$, a closed rectangle is closed.

Definition A subset $S \neq \emptyset$ of a metric space (E, d) is bounded

if $\exists x \in E, r > 0$ s.t. $B_r(x) \supseteq S$.

Ex in \mathbb{R} $[a, b)$ is bounded: let $x=0, r=|a|+|b|$.

$[0, \infty)$ is not bounded

Ex in $\mathbb{R} \neq \emptyset$ a set $d(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \neq y \\ 0 & x = y \end{cases}$. Any subset of E is bounded. !

Theorem 4.2 Suppose $\emptyset \neq S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is bounded and closed (w.r.t the standard metric: $d(x, y) = |x - y|$). Then

$$\inf S, \sup S \in S$$

(i.e. S has the largest and smallest elements).

Proof We argue $\exists \sup S \in S$ (the proof that $\inf S \in S$ is similar).

Since S is bounded, it's bounded above [why?]

Hence $L = \sup S$ exists.

Suppose $L \notin S$. Then $L \in \mathbb{R} \setminus S$, which is open since

S is closed. $\Rightarrow \exists r > 0$ st $\mathbb{R} \setminus S \supseteq B_r(L) = (L-r, L+r)$

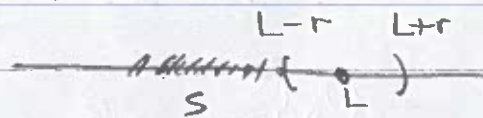
Since $(L, \infty) \cap S = \emptyset$, $(L, \infty) \subseteq \mathbb{R} \setminus S \rightarrow L-r$

$\mathbb{R} \setminus S \supseteq (L-r, L+r) \cup (L, \infty) = (L-r, \infty)$.

$\Rightarrow L-r$ is an upper bound of S

Contradiction.

$\therefore L \in S$.



Definition A sequence in a set E is a function

$$s: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow E$$

Notation $s = \{s_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty} = (s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n, \dots)$ or just s_n .

Definition Let (E, d) be a metric space and $s = \{s_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$

a sequence. s converges to $L \in E$ if $\forall \varepsilon > 0$

$\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ so that $\forall n > N$

$$d(s_n, L) < \varepsilon.$$

If s converges to L we write $s_n \rightarrow L$ and say

that s is convergent and that L is a limit of s .

Note $s_n \rightarrow L \Leftrightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists N$ st $\{s_n\}_{n > N} \subseteq B_\varepsilon(L)$

$\Leftrightarrow \forall \varepsilon$ all but finitely many s_n 's are in $B_\varepsilon(L)$

Note also Since $d(s_n, L) < \varepsilon \Leftrightarrow |d(L, s_n) - 0| < \varepsilon$

$s_n \rightarrow L \Leftrightarrow d(s_n, L) \rightarrow 0.$

Lemma 4.3 (E, d) metric space, $L \in E$, $\{s_n\}$ a sequence

Then $s_n \rightarrow L \Leftrightarrow \forall$ open set U with $L \in U \exists N$ st $s_n \in U$ for $n > N$.

Proof (\Rightarrow) Suppose $s_n \rightarrow L$, U open, $L \in U$. Then $\exists r > 0$ st

$B_r(L) \subseteq U$. Since $s_n \rightarrow L \exists N$ st for $n > N$ $s_n \in B_r(L) \subseteq U$.

(\Leftarrow) Suppose $\forall U$ open w. $L \in U \exists N$ st $n > N \Rightarrow s_n \in U$.

and $\varepsilon > 0$. Then $B_\varepsilon(L)$ is open and contains L .

$\Rightarrow \exists N$ st for $n > N$ $s_n \in B_\varepsilon(L) \Rightarrow$ for $n > N$

$d(L, s_n) < \varepsilon.$

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Ex $\{\frac{1}{n}\}_{n \geq 1} \in \mathbb{R}$ converges to 0.

Proof $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ st $\frac{1}{\varepsilon} < N$. Then for $n > N$

$\frac{1}{\varepsilon} < n. \Rightarrow 0 < \frac{1}{n} < \varepsilon \Rightarrow |0 - \frac{1}{n}| < \varepsilon.$

Ex $\{\frac{1}{10^n}\}_{n \geq 1}$ converges to 0.

Reason/proof $\forall n$ $n < 10^n$. Given $\varepsilon > 0 \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$

st $\varepsilon > \frac{1}{n} > \frac{1}{10^n}$ for $n > N. \Rightarrow |0 - \frac{1}{10^n}| < \varepsilon$ for $n > N$

Lemma 4.4 Convergent sequences are bounded

Proof Suppose we have (E, d) and $s_n \rightarrow L$. Then $\exists N$ st

for $n > N$ $d(L, s_n) < 1$

Let $r = \max\{1, d(L, s_1), \dots, d(L, s_N)\}$.

Then $\forall k$ $d(s_k, L) < r \Rightarrow s_k \in B_r(L) \forall k.$

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