

# Introduction to Topology (math 3131)

## Chapter - 1 -

### Metric spaces

#### 1.1 Definition and Examples of a metric space

Def<sup>n</sup> Let  $X$  be a non-empty set and  $d: X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a function satisfying the following properties for all  $x, y, z \in X$

- a)  $d(x, y) \geq 0$  (Axiom of non-negativity)
- b)  $d(x, y) = 0 \iff x = y$  (Axiom of coincidence)
- c)  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$  (Axiom of symmetry)
- d)  $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$  (Axiom of triangle inequality)

Then  $d$  is called a metric on  $X$  and the ordered pair  $(X, d)$  is called a metric space.

Theorem (The Cauchy-Schwarz inequality)

for any points  $a = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$  and  $b = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $|a \cdot b| \leq \|a\| \|b\|$

Proof EX!

Theorem (The Minkowski Inequality)

for any points  $a = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$  and  $b = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\|a+b\| \leq \|a\| + \|b\|$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof } \|a+b\|^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i + b_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i^2 + 2a_i b_i + b_i^2) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 + 2 \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \|a\|^2 + 2a \cdot b + \|b\|^2 \\
 &\leq \|a\|^2 + 2|a \cdot b| + \|b\|^2 \\
 &\leq \|a\|^2 + 2\|a\|\|b\| + \|b\|^2 \\
 &= (\|a\| + \|b\|)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking square roots, then  $\|a+b\| \leq \|a\| + \|b\|$ .

### Examples

1) The function defined by  $d(x,y) = |x-y|$  is a metric on  $\mathbb{R}$ . We call this metric the absolute value metric or the usual metric.

To show this: let  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$

a)  $d(x,y) = |x-y| \geq 0, \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$

b)  $d(x,y) = |x-y| = 0 \iff x = y$

c)  $d(x,y) = |x-y| = |y-x| = d(y,x)$

d)  $d(x,y) = |x-y| = |x-z+z-y| \leq |x-z| + |z-y| = d(x,z) + d(z,y)$

$\therefore d$  is a metric on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

2) For any non empty set  $X$ , define  $d(p,q) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p \neq q \\ 0 & \text{if } p = q \end{cases}$

Then, i)  $d(p,q) \geq 0$  since  $d(p,q) = 1$  or  $0$

ii)  $d(p,q) = 0 \iff p = q$

iii)  $d(p,q) = 1 = d(q,p) \iff p \neq q$

$d(p,q) = 0 = d(q,p) \iff p = q$

$\therefore d(p,q) = d(q,p), \forall p, q \in X$

$$\text{iii) } d(p, q) \leq d(p, r) + d(r, q), \forall p, q \in X$$

if  $p = q = r$ , then  $d(p, q) = 0, d(p, r) = 0, d(r, q) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow d(p, q) = d(p, r) + d(r, q)$$

if  $p = q \neq r$ , then  $d(p, q) = 0, d(p, r) = d(q, r) = 1$

$$\Rightarrow d(p, q) < d(p, r) + d(r, q)$$

If  $p = r \neq q$ , then  $d(p, r) = 0, d(p, q) = d(r, q) = 1$

$$\Rightarrow d(p, q) = d(q, r) + d(r, q)$$

If  $p \neq q \neq r$ , then  $d(p, q) = d(q, r) = d(r, p) = 1$

$$\Rightarrow d(p, q) < d(p, r) + d(r, q)$$

In all cases,  $d(p, q) \leq d(p, r) + d(r, q)$

$\therefore (X, d)$  is a metric space and "d" is called the discrete metric on  $X$ .

③ Let  $\mathbb{R}^n$  be the set of all ordered  $n$ -tuples of real numbers

Then  $(\mathbb{R}^n, d)$  is a metric space, where  $d(x, y) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - y_i)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$   
 $\forall x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  and  $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$

→ To show triangle inequality

Let  $z = (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n)$ , let  $a_i = x_i - z_i$  and

$$b_i = z_i - y_i$$

for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

The  $d(x, z) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \right)^{1/2}$ ,  $d(z, y) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2 \right)^{1/2}$  and  
 $d(x, y) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i + b_i)^2 \right)^{1/2}$

we must thus show that

$$\left( \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i + b_i)^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \right)^{1/2} + \left( \sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

But this follows from the Minkowski inequality

4) In  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , define  $d(x, y) = |x_1 - y_1| + |x_2 - y_2|$ , where  $x = (x_1, x_2)$  and  $y = (y_1, y_2)$

i)  $d(x, y) \geq 0 \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^2$

ii) ~~but~~  $d(x, y) = 0 \iff |x_1 - y_1| + |x_2 - y_2| = 0$

$$\iff |x_1 - y_1| = |x_2 - y_2| = 0$$

$$\iff x_1 = y_1 \text{ and } x_2 = y_2$$

$$\iff (x_1, x_2) = (y_1, y_2)$$

$$\iff x = y$$

iii)  $d(x, y) = |x_1 - y_1| + |x_2 - y_2| = |y_1 - x_1| + |y_2 - x_2| = d(y, x)$

iv)  $d(x, y) = |x_1 - y_1| + |x_2 - y_2|$

$$= |x_1 - z_1 + z_1 - y_1| + |x_2 - z_2 + z_2 - y_2|, \text{ where } z = (z_1, z_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\leq |x_1 - z_1| + |z_1 - y_1| + |x_2 - z_2| + |z_2 - y_2|$$

$$= d(x, z) + d(z, y)$$

$$\therefore d \leq d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$$

$\therefore d$  is a metric on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

Note In general if  $d : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  defined by

$$d(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - y_i|, \text{ where } x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \text{ and } y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

is a metric on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  which is called the Taxicab metric.

4) Let  $d$  is defined on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  as  $d(x, y) = \max\{|x_i - y_i|\}_{i=1}^n$

Then  $(\mathbb{R}^n, d)$  is a metric space. The metric  $d$  is called the maximum metric on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

To show triangle inequality,

Let  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ ,  $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$  and  $z = (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\text{Then } d(x, z) = \max\{|x_i - z_i|\}_{i=1}^n$$

$$= \max\{|x_i - y_i + y_i - z_i|\}_{i=1}^n$$

$$\leq \max\{|x_i - y_i| + |y_i - z_i|\}_{i=1}^n$$

$$\leq \max\{|x_i - y_i|\}_{i=1}^n + \max\{|y_i - z_i|\}_{i=1}^n$$

$$= d(x, y) + d(y, z)$$

5) Let  $\ell^\infty$  denote the set of all bounded sequences of real numbers.

If  $x = \{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  and  $y = \{y_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  are in  $\ell^\infty$ , define

$$d(x, y) = \inf_{1 \leq n < \infty} |x_n - y_n|$$

Then  $d$  is a metric on  $\mathbb{R}^\infty$ .

Example If  $x = \{1 + \frac{1}{n}\}_{n=1}^\infty$ ,  $y = \{2 - \frac{1}{n}\}_{n=1}^\infty$ , then

$$d(x, y) = \inf_{1 \leq n < \infty} |(1 + \frac{1}{n}) - (2 - \frac{1}{n})| = \inf_{1 \leq n < \infty} |-1 + \frac{2}{n}| = 1$$

To show triangle inequality

Let  $z = \{z_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is in  $\ell^\infty$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{for any } k \in \mathbb{N}, |x_k - y_k| &= |x_k - z_k + z_k - y_k| \leq |x_k - z_k| + |z_k - y_k| \\ &\leq \inf_{1 \leq n < \infty} |x_n - z_n| + \inf_{1 \leq n < \infty} |z_n - y_n| \end{aligned}$$

and so,  $|x_k - y_k| \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$ ,  $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$$\Rightarrow \inf_{1 \leq n < \infty} |x_n - y_n| \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$$

$$\therefore d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$$

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Exercise Suppose  $(X, d)$  be any metric space

for any  $x, y \in X$ , define  $\mu(x, y) = \frac{d(x, y)}{1 + d(x, y)}$

Then  $(X, \mu)$  is also a metric space.

$$\text{i}) d(x, y) \geq 0 \Rightarrow \mu(x, y) \geq 0$$

$$\text{ii}) \mu(x, y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{d(x, y)}{1 + d(x, y)} = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow d(x, y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = y$$

$$\text{iii}) \mu(x, y) = \frac{d(x, y)}{1 + d(x, y)} = \frac{d(y, x)}{1 + d(y, x)} = \mu(y, x)$$

$$\text{iv}) \text{ we have to show that } \mu(x, y) \leq \mu(x, z) + \mu(z, y)$$

$$\text{If possible, let } \mu(z, y) + \mu(x, z) < \mu(x, y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d(z, y)}{1 + d(z, y)} + \frac{d(x, z)}{1 + d(x, z)} < \frac{d(x, y)}{1 + d(x, y)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ d(x, z) + d(z, y) - d(x, y) \right\} + 2 \frac{d(z, y)d(x, z) + d(z, y)d(x, z)}{d(x, y)} < 0$$

by triangle inequality  
 of  $d$

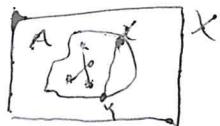
But this is not possible since  $d(x, y) \geq 0, \forall x, y \in X$

$$\Rightarrow \mu(x, y) \leq \mu(x, z) + \mu(z, y)$$

$\therefore (X, \mu)$  is a metric on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

### Def<sup>n</sup> (diameter of a set)

Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A$  be non-empty subset of  $X$ . If  $\{d(x, y) : x, y \in A\}$  has an upper bound, then  $A$  is called a bounded set and  $\sup\{d(x, y) : x, y \in A\}$  is called the diameter  $D(A)$  of  $A$ .



Remark we define the diameter of the empty set to be zero

Def<sup>n</sup> If  $X$  is bdd, then  $(X, d)$  is called a bounded metric space.

### Example

1) Let  $A = (0, 1)$ , then  $D(A) = 1 - 0 = 1$

Let  $B = \{3\}$ , then  $D(B) = 3 - 3 = 0$

2) Consider the unit square  $S = \{x = (x_1, x_2) : 0 \leq x_i \leq 1, i = 1, 2\}$

in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with the usual metric  $d$ , then  $S$  has diameter  $\sqrt{2}$ .

with the taxicab metric  $d$ ,  $S$  has diameter 2

with the max metric  $d$ ,  $S$  has diameter 1

with the discrete metric  $d$ ,  $S$  has diameter 1.

### 1.2 open sets and closed sets in metric spaces

Def<sup>n</sup> Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space,  $a \in X$  and  $r > 0$ .

1) The open ball  $B_d(a, r)$  with center  $a$  and radius  $r$  is the set  $B_d(a, r) = \{x \in X : d(a, x) < r\}$ . And the corresponding closed ball  $B_d[a, r]$  is defined by  $B_d[a, r] = \{x \in X : d(a, x) \leq r\}$

2) The sphere  $S_d(a, r)$  with center  $a$  and radius  $r$  is the set

Remark 1)  $B_d(a, r) \cup S_d(a, r) = B_d[a, r]$

2)  $a \in B_d(a, r)$  since  $a \in X$  and  $d(a, a) = 0 \leq r$ .

Hence  $B_d(a, r) \neq \emptyset$

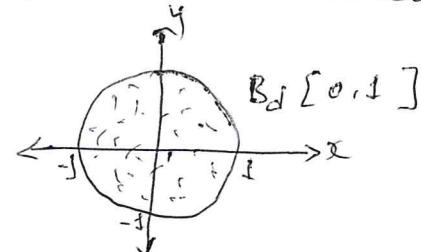
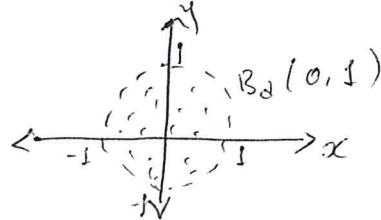
### Examples

(1) Let  $X = \mathbb{R}^2$  with the usual metric  $d$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then, } B_d(0, 1) &= \{x = (x_1, x_2) \in X : d(0, x) \leq 1\} \\ &= \{x : (x_1, x_2) \in X : \sqrt{(0-x_1)^2 + (0-x_2)^2} \leq 1\} \\ &= \{(x_1, x_2) : (0-x_1)^2 + (0-x_2)^2 \leq 1\} \\ &= \{(x_1, x_2) : x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 1\} \quad \text{which is the region} \end{aligned}$$

inside the circle with center at the origin and radius 1.

And  $B_d[0, 1]$  is the union of  $B_d(0, 1)$  with the boundary circle.



(2) In case of Real line with usual metric  $d$ , Every open interval is an open ball.

$$B \cap B_d(a, r) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : d(a, x) < r\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |a-x| < r\} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x-a| < r\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : -r < a-x < r\} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a-r < x < a+r\}$$

=  $(a-r, a+r)$  which is an open interval.

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③ For  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with the Taxicab metric  $d$ ,

$$B_d(y, 1) = \left\{ x = (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : |x_1 - y_1| + |x_2 - y_2| < 1 \right\}, y = (y_1, y_2)$$

we have 4 cases

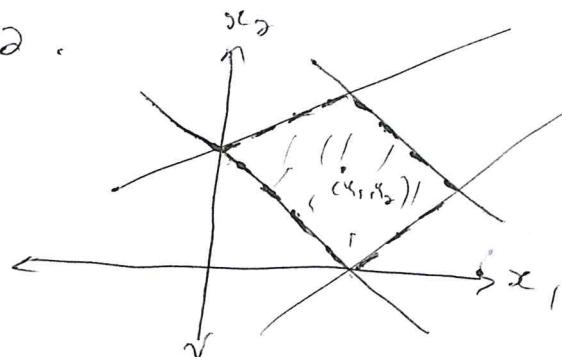
$$\left\{ x = (x_1, x_2) : x_1 - y_1 + x_2 - y_2 < 1 \right\}$$

$$\left\{ x = (x_1, x_2) : x_1 - y_1 - (x_2 - y_2) < 1 \right\}$$

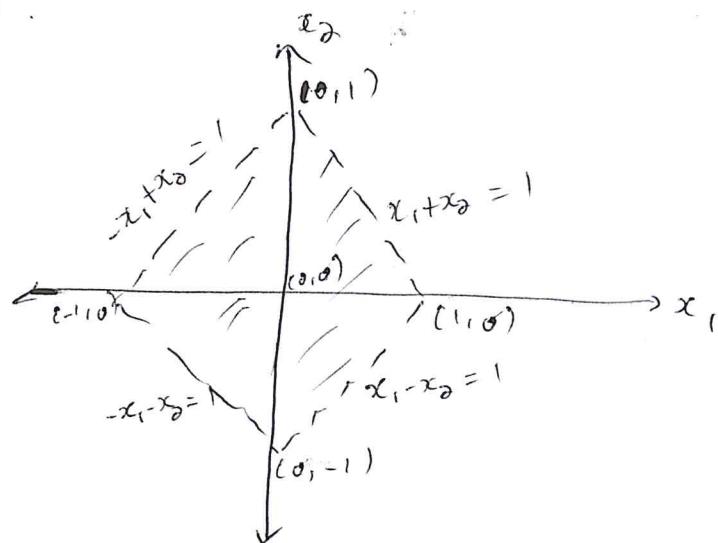
$$\left\{ x = (x_1, x_2) : -(x_1 - y_1) + (x_2 - y_2) < 1 \right\}$$

$$\left\{ x = (x_1, x_2) : -(x_1 - y_1) - (x_2 - y_2) < 1 \right\}$$

$\Rightarrow B_d(y, 1)$  is the interior of diamond with center  $y$  and height and width 2.



In particular,  $B_d(0, 1)$  is the interior of the diamond shown in figure below.



③ for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with the max metric  $d$ ,

$$B_d(y, 1) = \{(x_1, x_2) : \max\{|x_1 - y_1|, |x_2 - y_2|\} \leq 1\}$$

where  $y = (y_1, y_2)$

Case I, let  $\max\{|x_1 - y_1|, |x_2 - y_2|\} = |x_1 - y_1|$

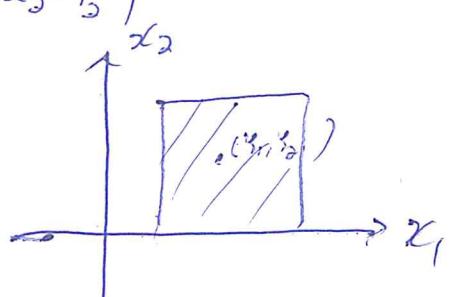
$$\Rightarrow |x_1 - y_1| \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 - y_1 \leq 1 \\ -(x_1 - y_1) \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

Case II: let  $\max\{|x_1 - y_1|, |x_2 - y_2|\} = |x_2 - y_2|$

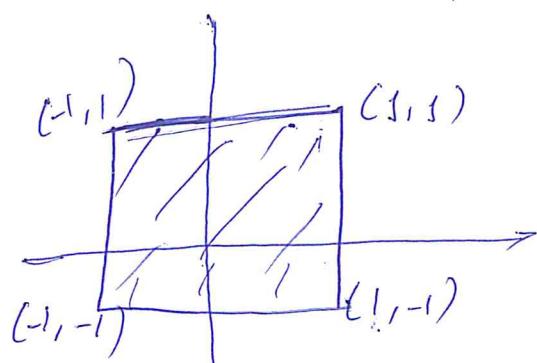
$$\Rightarrow |x_2 - y_2| \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_2 - y_2 \leq 1 \\ -(x_2 - y_2) \leq 1 \end{cases}$$



i.e.,  $B_d(y, 1)$  = the interior of the square with center  $y$  and sides of length 2.

In particular,  $B_d(0, 1)$  = the interior of the square of side 2 centered at 0 and  $B_d[0, 1]$  is the union of  $B_d(0, 1)$  with the four boundary line segments.



④ For any set  $X$  with the discrete metric

$$B(a, r) = \{a\} \text{ if } r \leq 1$$

$$B[a, r] = \{a\} \text{ if } r < 1$$

$$B[a, r] = X \text{ if } r = 1$$

$$B[a, r] - B[a, r] = X \text{ if } r > 1$$

Def'?

A subset  $O$  of a metric space  $(X, d)$  is an open set with respect to the metric  $d$  provided that  $O$  is a union of open balls. The family of open sets is called the topology for  $X$  generated by  $d$ . A subset  $G$  of  $X$  is a closed set with respect to  $d$  provided that its complement  $X \setminus G$  is an open set with  $d$ .

Theorem The following statements are equivalent for a subset  $O$  of a metric space  $(X, d)$ .

- (a)  $O$  is an open set
- (b) For each  $x \in O$ , there is an open ball  $B(x, \varepsilon_x)$  for some positive radius  $\varepsilon_x$ , which is contained in  $O$ . For  $O \neq X$ , (a) and (b) are equivalent to  
a distance  $\varepsilon$  in  $X$  and a point  $x$  of size  $X$
- (c) For each  $x \in O$ ,  $d(x, X \setminus O) > 0$ .

Theorem The open subsets of a metric space  $(X, d)$  have the following properties.

- (a)  $X$  and  $\emptyset$  are open sets
- (b) The union of any family of open sets is open
- (c) The intersection of any finite family of open sets is open

Proof

(a) The entire space  $X$  is open since it is the union of all open balls of all possible centers and radii. The empty set  $\emptyset$  is open since it is the union of the empty collection of open balls (or we can't find any point that contradicts the condition).

(b) If  $\{\Omega_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$  is a collection of open sets in  $X$ , then for each  $\alpha$  in the index set  $A$ ,  $\Omega_\alpha$  is a union of open balls. Then  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} \Omega_\alpha$  is the union of all the open balls of which the open sets  $\Omega_\alpha$  are composed and is therefore, an open set.

(c) Let  $\{\Omega_i\}_{i=1}^n$  be a finite collection of open sets in  $X$ . Let  $x \in \bigcap_{i=1}^n \Omega_i$ . Then by theorem above (b) there is for each  $i = 1, \dots, n$  a positive number  $\varepsilon_i$  such that  $B(x, \varepsilon_i) \subseteq \Omega_i$ . Then

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^n B(x, \varepsilon_i) \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^n \Omega_i$$

But the intersection of the balls  $B(x, \varepsilon_i)$  is simply the ball  $B(x, \varepsilon)$  where  $\varepsilon = \min\{\varepsilon_i\}_{i=1}^n$ . So,  $B(x, \varepsilon)$  is an open ball centered at  $x$  and contained in  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n \Omega_i$ . Thus  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n \Omega_i$  is open.

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Theorem : The closed subsets of a metric space  $(X, d)$  have the following properties.

a)  $X$  and  $\emptyset$  are closed sets

b) The intersection of any family of closed sets is closed

c) The union of any finite family of closed sets is closed

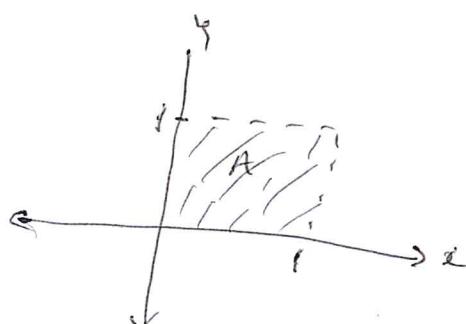
Remark whether a set is open or not depends up on the space in which it is considered .

Example 1)  $\mathbb{N}$  contains no open balls in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , and hence  $\mathbb{N}$  is not open when considered as a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  (since open balls in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  are circular discs whereas in  $\mathbb{N}$  is a line segments )

2) In the plane with the usual metric, the set

$$A = \{(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 0 \leq x_1 < 1, 0 = 1, 2\} \text{ is neither}$$

open nor closed .



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Def<sup>n</sup>: Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A$  a subset of  $X$ .

A point  $x \in X$  is a limit point or accumulation point of  $A$  provided that every open set containing  $x$  contains a point of  $A$  distinct from  $x$ . The set of limit points of  $A$  is called its derived set, denoted  $A'$ .

Theorem Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A$  a subset of  $X$ . A point  $x \in X$  is a limit point of  $A$  iff  $d(x, A \setminus \{x\}) = 0$

e.g. for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with the usual metric

a) The origin is the only limit point of the sequence

$$\{(v_n, w_n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$$

b) The derived set of the closed unit square

$S = \{(x_1, x_2) : 0 \leq x_i \leq 1; i=1,2\}$  is the set of its sides.

c) A finite set has no limit point

Theorem A subset  $A$  of a metric space  $(X, d)$  is closed iff  $A$  contains all its limit points.

Def<sup>n</sup>: Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  a sequence of points of  $X$ . Then  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges to the point  $x \in X$ , or  $x$  is the limit of the sequence, provided that given  $\epsilon > 0$  there is a positive integer  $N$  such that if  $n \geq N$ , then  $d(x_n, x) < \epsilon$ . A sequence that converges is called a convergent sequence.

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Remark since  $d(x_n, x) < \varepsilon$  is equivalent to  $x_n \in B(x, \varepsilon)$ , the definition of convergence can be restated as follows: A sequence in a metric space  $X$  converges to  $x \in X$  iff for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  the open ball  $B(x, \varepsilon)$  contains  $x_n$  for all but a finite number of positive integers  $n$ .

$$\text{So, } d(a_1 b) < d(a_1 b) \rightarrow \leftarrow$$

Thus, the assumption that  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges must be false.

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Theorem Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and let  $s$  be a point in  $X$ .

of  $x$ .

- A point  $x$  in  $X$  is a limit point of  $A$  iff there is a sequence of distinct points of  $A$  which converges to  $x$ .
- The set  $A$  is closed iff each convergent sequence of points of  $A$  converges to a point of  $A$ .

### 3.3 Interior, closure and boundary

Def<sup>n</sup>: Let  $A$  be a subset of a metric space  $X$ . A point  $x$  in  $A$  is an interior point of  $A$ , or  $A$  is an nbhd of  $x$ , provided that there is an open set  $O$  which contains  $x$  and is contained in  $A$ .

The interior of  $A$ , denoted  $\text{int } A$ , is the set of all interior points of  $A$ .

Note that if  $O$  is an open set contained in  $A$ , then every point of  $O$  is an interior point of  $A$ .

Hence the interior of  $A$  contains every open set contained in  $A$  and is the union of this family of open sets.

Remark K

- (1) The interior of a set  $A$  is an open set
- (2)  $\text{int } A$  is the largest open set contained in  $A$ ,

consider  $\mathbb{R}$  with the usual metric, then

(1)  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a < b$

$$\text{int } [a, b] = \text{int } (a, b) = \text{int } (a, b] = \text{int } [a, b] = (a, b)$$

(2) The interior of finite set is empty since such a set contains no open interval.

(3)  $\text{int } \emptyset = \emptyset$ ,  $\text{int } \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}$

(4)  $\text{int } \text{irrational no.} = \emptyset$ , since every interval contains some rational no.

$\text{int } \text{rational no.} = \emptyset$

eg consider  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with the usual metric

every open ball is  
open set

(1) If  $a \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $r > 0$ , then  
 $\text{int } B(a, r) = \text{int } B[a, r] = B(a, r)$

(2) The interior of a finite set is empty since  
finite set has no open ball (open set)

(3)  $\text{int } \emptyset = \emptyset$ ;  $\text{int } \mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{R}^2$

Def'1 The closure  $\bar{A}$  of a subset  $A$  of a metric space  $X$   
is the union of  $A$  with its set of limit points.

$$\bar{A} = A \cup A'$$
, where  $A'$  is the derived set

Remark (1)  $x \in \bar{A}$  provided that either  $x \in A$  or every  
open set containing  $x$  contains a point of  $A$  distinct  
from  $x$ . (2)  $x \in \bar{A}$  iff if every open set containing  
 $x$  contains a point of  $A$ .

eg Consider  $\mathbb{R}$  with the usual metric

(a) for  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , with  $a < b$

$$(\overline{a, b}) = [\overline{a, b}] = (\overline{a, b}] = [\overline{a, b}) = [a, b]$$

(b) If  $A$  is a finite set, then  $\bar{A} = A$  b/c the derived set  
 $A'$  is empty.

(c) Closure of  $\mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{R}$

Closure of  $\mathbb{I}\mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{R}$

b/c every open interval contains both rational  
and irrational nos.

- Ex Consider  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with the usual metric
- If  $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $r > 0$  then  $\overline{B(a, r)} = \overline{B[a, r]} = B[a, r]$
  - If  $A$  is finite set, then  $\bar{A} = A$
  - $\emptyset = \phi$  and  $\overline{\mathbb{R}^n} = \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Theorem: Let  $A$  is a subset of a metric space  $X$ , then  $\bar{A}$  is a closed set and is a subset of every closed set containing  $A$ .

Proof nts  $\bar{A}$  contains all its limit points

Suppose  $x \notin \bar{A}$

$\Rightarrow x \notin A$  and  $x \notin A'$

$\Rightarrow$  There is an open set  $O$  containing  $x$  which contains no point of  $A$ .

But if  $O$  contains no point of  $A$ , then it cannot contain a limit point of  $A$ . (b/c if an open set contains limit point of  $A$ , then it must contain a point of  $A$ , by def' of limit point)

Thus,  $O$  contains no point of  $\bar{A}$

$\Rightarrow x$  is not a limit point of  $\bar{A}$

This means that all limit points of  $\bar{A}$  must necessarily be in  $\bar{A}$   
 $\therefore \bar{A}$  is closed.

Suppose  $F$  is closed subset of  $X$  such that  $A \subseteq F$

nts  $\bar{A} \subseteq F$

$A \subseteq F \Rightarrow \bar{A} \subseteq \bar{F}$  (Ex)

Since  $F$  <sup>b/c closed set</sup> contains all its limit points  $\Rightarrow F \subseteq \bar{F}$   
 $\therefore \bar{F} = F \cup F' = F$

Thus,  $\bar{A} \subseteq F$

i.e.,  $\bar{A}$  is the smallest closed set which contains  $A$ .

Theorem Let  $A$  be a subset of a metric space  $X$ .

(a)  $A$  is open iff  $A = \text{int } A$

(b)  $A$  is closed iff  $A = \bar{A}$

Def'n Let  $A$  be a subset of a metric space  $X$ . A point  $x \in X$  is a boundary point of  $A$  provided that  $x$  belongs to  $\bar{A}$  and to  $(X \setminus A)$ . The set of boundary points of  $A$  is called the boundary of  $A$  and is denoted by  $\text{bdy } A$ .



The Point  $b$  is boundary point of  $A$ .

Remark From the definition a set and its complement have the same boundary.

Q ① The boundary of any interval in  $\mathbb{R}$  with end points  $a$  and  $b$  is  $\{a, b\}$ .

②  $\text{bdy } B(a, r) = \text{bdy } B[a, r] = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : d(a, x) = r\}$

③ The boundary of the set of all points of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  having only rational coordinates is  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

④ In any metric space  $X$ ,  $\text{bdy } \emptyset = \text{bdy } X = \emptyset$

Theorem Let  $X$  be a metric space,  $A \subseteq X$  and  $x \in X$ .

Then the following statements are equivalent.

(1)  $x \in \text{bdy } A$

(2)  $x \in (\bar{A} \setminus \text{int } A)$

(3) Every open set containing  $x$  contains a point of  $A$  and a point of  $X \setminus A$ .

(4) Every neighborhood of  $x$  contains a point of  $A$  and a point of  $X \setminus A$

(5)  $d(x, A) = d(x, X \setminus A) = 0$

(6)  $\exists r > 0 \text{ such that } B(x, r) \cap A \neq \emptyset \text{ and } B(x, r) \cap (X \setminus A) \neq \emptyset$

## 1.4 Continuous functions

Def<sup>n</sup>: Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  and  $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . The function  $f$  is said to be continuous at the point  $a \in A$ , if given  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a  $\delta > 0$ , such that  $|f(x) - f(a)| < \epsilon$ , whenever  $|x - a| < \delta$ . The function  $f$  is <sup>called</sup> continuous if it is continuous at each point of  $A$ .

Remark: The definition of continuity is applicable for any metric spaces.

Def<sup>n</sup>: Let  $(X, d)$  and  $(Y, d')$  be metric spaces and let  $a \in X$ . A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be continuous at the point  $a \in X$  if given  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a  $\delta > 0$ , such that  $d'(f(x), f(a)) < \epsilon$ , whenever  $x \in X$  and  $d(x, a) < \delta$ . A function  $f$  is called continuous if it is continuous at every point of  $X$ .

Note: If  $p$  is limit point of  $X$ , then  $f$  is continuous at  $p$  iff  $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) = f(p)$ .

Ex (1) Define  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $f(x) = \begin{cases} x+2 & \text{if } x \neq 2 \\ 0 & \text{if } x=2 \end{cases}$

Then 2 is limit point of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

$f$  is cont. at 2 iff  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = f(2)$

but  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = 4 \neq 0 = f(2)$

$\therefore f$  is not continuous at  $x=2$

(2) Define  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $f(x) = x+2$

Then  $x=2$  is limit pt of  $\mathbb{R}$  and

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x) = 4 = f(2)$

$\Rightarrow f$  is cont. at 2.

Example If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  &  $d_Y(f(x), f(y)) \leq d_X(x, y)$ ,  $\forall x, y \in X$   
then show that  $f$  is continuous on  $X$ .

Sol: Let  $\epsilon > 0$  is given

Then we need to find  $\delta > 0$  s.t.  $\forall x \in X$   $d_X(x, y) < \delta \Rightarrow d_Y(f(x), f(y)) < \epsilon$   
but  $d_Y(f(x), f(y)) \leq d_X(x, y) < \delta = \epsilon$ , choose  $\delta = \epsilon$   
 $\Rightarrow f$  is continuous.

Example For any  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) \in \mathbb{R}^k$ , let us define

$\|x\| = \left( \sum_{i=1}^k x_i^2 \right)^{1/2}$  then the map  $f: \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

defined by  $f(x) = \|x\|$  is continuous.

Sol:  $\forall \epsilon > 0$  we need to find  $\delta > 0$   $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^k$  and  $d_X(x, y) < \delta$   
 $\Rightarrow d_Y(f(x), f(y)) < \epsilon$ .

$$d_X(x, y) = \|x - y\| < \delta$$

$$\text{Take } d_Y(f(x), f(y)) = |f(x) - f(y)| = |\|x\| - \|y\||$$

$\therefore f$  is continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^k$ , take  $\delta = \epsilon$ .

Remark The definition of continuity can be restated in terms of open bases as follows:

Def'n  $f$  is continuous at  $a \in A$  if for each open ball  $B_d(f(a), \epsilon)$  centered at  $f(a)$ , there is an open ball  $B_d(a, \delta)$  such that the image  $f(B_d(a, \delta))$  is a subset of  $B_d(f(a), \epsilon)$

Q1) Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. Prove that the identity function  $i: X \rightarrow X$  is continuous.

Sol: Let  $a \in X$  and  $\epsilon > 0$  be given.

Choose  $\delta = \epsilon$ , then whenever  $d(x, a) < \delta$  we have  $d(i(x), i(a)) = d(x, a) < \delta = \epsilon$

Q2) Let  $f: (X, d) \rightarrow (Y, d')$  be a constant function. Show that  $f$  is cont.

Sol: Let  $a \in X$  and  $\epsilon > 0$  be given

Choose any  $\delta > 0$ , say 1

Then whenever  $d(x, a) < \delta$ , we have  $d'(f(x), f(a)) = 0 < \epsilon$ .

Ex Let  $i: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be the identity function. Then show that  $i: (\mathbb{R}^n, d) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n, d')$  is continuous, where  $d$  is the max. metric and  $d'$  is usual metric.

Sol: Let  $a = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\epsilon > 0$  be given  
Choose  $\delta = \epsilon / \sqrt{n}$

Suppose  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is such that  $d(x, a) < \delta$ . i.e.,  $\max \{ |a_i - x_i| \} < \delta$ . then

$$d'(i(x), i(a)) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (a_i - x_i)^2} \leq \sqrt{n\delta^2} = \sqrt{n\epsilon^2} = \sqrt{\epsilon^2} = \epsilon$$

i.e.,  $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } d'(i(x), i(a)) < \epsilon \text{ whenever } d(x, a) < \delta$ .

Theorem Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a function from metric space  $(X, d)$  to metric space  $(Y, d')$  and let  $a \in X$ . Then  $f$  is continuous at  $a$  if and only if for each sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  in  $X$  converging to  $a$  the sequence  $\{f(x_n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges to  $f(a)$ .

Proof ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Let  $f$  is cont. at  $a$  and  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence in  $X$  converging to  $a$ .

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given.

Since  $f$  is cont. there is  $\delta > 0$  such that  $x \in X$  and  $d(x, a) < \delta$  then  $d'(f(x), f(a)) < \varepsilon$ . --- (\*)

Since  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges to  $a$ , there is  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that if  $n \geq n_0$ , then  $d(x_n, a) < \delta$ .

$\Rightarrow d'(f(x_n), f(a)) < \varepsilon$  for  $n \geq n_0$

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Suppose that  $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(a)$ .

Let us assume that  $f$  is not continuous at  $a$ .

No  $\varepsilon > 0$  satisfies (\*) above.

i.e., there is  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $\delta > 0$  then there is an  $x \in X$

such that  $d(x, a) < \delta$  but  $d'(f(x), f(a)) \geq \varepsilon$ . --- (1)

In particular choose  $x_n \in X$  for  $s_n = y_n, n \in \mathbb{N}$

i.e.,  $d(x_n, a) < 1/n$  but  $d'(f(x_n), f(a)) \geq \varepsilon$  from (1).

$\Rightarrow x_n \rightarrow a$  in  $X$  but  $f(x_n)$  does not tends to  $f(a)$  which is a contradiction of the supposition  $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(a)$ .

Hence  $f$  is cont. at  $a$ .

Theorem Let  $f$  be a function from metric space  $(X, d)$  to metric space  $(Y, d')$ . Then the following statements are equivalent

(1)  $f$  is continuous.

(2) For each sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ , converging to a point  $a$  in  $X$ , the sequence  $\{f(x_n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges to  $f(a)$ .

(3) For each open set  $O$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(O)$  is open in  $X$ .

(4) For each closed set  $C$  in  $Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(C)$  is closed in  $X$ .

### 1.5 Equivalence of metric spaces

Def: Two metric spaces  $(X, d)$  and  $(Y, d')$  are metrically equivalent or isometric if there exist a function

$f: X \rightarrow Y$  such that

(1)  $f$  is 1-1

(2)  $f$  is onto

(3) For each  $a, b \in X$ ,  $d(a, b) = d'(f(a), f(b))$

The function  $f$  is called an isometry.

Remark (a) The identity function on any metric space is an isometry.

Proof Let  $i: (X, d) \rightarrow (X, d)$  be an identity function

Let  $x_1 \neq x_2 \Rightarrow i(x_1) \neq i(x_2) \Rightarrow i$  is 1-1

$\forall y \in X \exists x_1 \in X \ni i(x_1) = i(y) = y$   
 $\Rightarrow i$  is onto.

Let  $a, b \in X$ , then  $d(a, b) = d(i(a), i(b))$ .

$\Rightarrow (X, d)$  is metrically equivalent to itself.  
 Thus, metric equivalence is reflexive relation.

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$$x_1 + x_2 \in f(x_1) \cup f(x_2)$$

$$f'(x_1) + f'(x_2) = f(x_1 + x_2)$$

b) If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is an isometry from  $X$  onto  $Y$ , then  $f^{-1}: Y \rightarrow X$  is an isometry from  $Y$  onto  $X$ . Thus

Pf Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is an isometry

$$x_1 \neq x_2 \\ \Rightarrow d(x_1, x_2) \neq 0$$

$\Rightarrow f$  is 1-1 and on to

$\Leftarrow f^{-1}$  is 1-1 and on to

And, let  $c, e \in Y$ . Then  $d(f^{-1}(c), f^{-1}(e)) =$

$$d'(f(f^{-1}(c)), f(f^{-1}(e)))$$

$$= d'(c, e).$$

$\Rightarrow (Y, d') \cong (X, d)$  are isometric.

Thus, isometric relation is symmetric.

c) The composition of two isometries is an isometry.

Pf Let  $f: (X, d) \rightarrow (Y, d')$  and  $g: (Y, d') \rightarrow (Z, d'')$  be isometric.

Then,  $g \circ f$  is 1-1 and on to

and let  $a, b \in X$ ,  $d(a, b) = d'(f(a), f(b))$

$$= d''(g(f(a)), g(f(b)))$$

$$\text{i.e., } d(a, b) = d''(g(f(a)), g(f(b)))$$

$\Rightarrow$  Isometric relation  $\Leftrightarrow$  Isometric function

Hence metric equivalence is an equivalence relation.

$x \in X \wedge y \in Y$

$x \sim y$

$x \in X$

$y_1 \neq y_2$

$$f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$$

$$f'(x_1) \neq f'(x_2)$$

$$y_1 \neq y_2$$

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$\circ$  Open in  $Y \Rightarrow f^{-1}(O)$  open in  $X$

$\circ$  Open in  $X \Rightarrow f(O)$  open in  $Y$

$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(O)$  open in  $X \Rightarrow f(f^{-1}(O)) = O$  open in  $Y$

Def:

metric spaces  $(X, d)$  and  $(Y, d')$  are topologically equivalent or homeomorphic if there is a one-

to-one function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  from  $X$  onto  $Y$

for which  $f$  and  $f^{-1}$  both continuous.

The function  $f$  is called a homeomorphism.

Remark From the above theorem.

①  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous provided that  $f^{-1}(O)$  is open in  $X$  for each open subset  $O$  of  $Y$ .

②  $f^{-1}: Y \rightarrow X$  is continuous provided that

$(f^{-1})^{-1}(U) = f(U)$  is open in  $Y$  for each open subset  $U$  of  $X$ .

thus, a one to one function  $f$  from  $X$  onto  $Y$  is a homeomorphism provided that a subset  $O$  of  $Y$  is open iff  $f^{-1}(O)$  is open in  $X$ .

Ex Show that topological equivalence is an equivalence relation.

Remark since each isometry is continuous (by def<sup>n</sup> of isometry 3rd condition)

map, it follows that, if  $(X, d)$  and  $(Y, d')$

are metrically equivalent, then they must be topologically equivalent.

$f: (X, d) \rightarrow (Y, d')$

$d_{(X, d)} = d'(f(X), f(d))$

$f: (Y, d') \rightarrow (X, d)$

$f: (Y, d') \rightarrow (X, d)$

$d_{(X, d)} = d'(f(Y), f(d))$

$d_{(X, d)} < \epsilon$

$d(f(y), f(d)) < \epsilon$

Q Consider the metric spaces  $X = (0, 1)$  and  $Y = (0, 2)$  with metrics determined by the usual metric on the real line.

Then,  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  defined by  $f(x) = 2x$ ,  $\forall x \in (0, 1)$  is a homeomorphism but not an isometry.

SOL: i) one to one ness

$$\text{Let } f(x) = f(y) \Rightarrow 2x = 2y \Rightarrow x = y$$

$\therefore f$  is 1-1

ii) on to ness

For any  $y \in (0, 2)$ , let  $x = \frac{1}{2}y$

Then  $x \in (0, 1)$  and  $f(x) = f(\frac{1}{2}y) = 2(\frac{1}{2}y) = y$   
 $\Rightarrow f$  is onto

iii) find  $f^{-1}(x)$

$$\text{Let } y = f(x) \Rightarrow y = 2x \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}y \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{2}x$$

$$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2}x$$

and  $f^{-1}$  is continuous  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$  since it is a p.l.n

$\Rightarrow f^{-1}$  is continuous on  $(0, 2)$

and  $f$  is cont.  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$  since it is a p.l.n

$\Rightarrow f$  is cont. on  $(0, 1)$

$\therefore f$  is homeomorphism.

but for any  $a, b \in (0, 1)$ ,  $d(a, b) = |a - b| \neq$

$$d(f(a), f(b)) = |f(a) - f(b)|$$

$$= |2a - 2b| = 2|a - b|$$

$\therefore f$  is not isometry.

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Ex Intervals  $(a, b)$ ,  $a < b$ , and  $(0, 1)$  are topologically equivalent with the metrics given by usual method of measuring distance in  $\mathbb{R}$ . This follows the function  $f: (0, 1) \rightarrow (a, b)$

defined by  $f(x) = (b-a)x + a$ ,  $x \in (0, 1)$  is a homeomorphism.

Ex The function  $f: (-\pi/2, \pi/2) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $f(x) = \tan x$ ,  $x \in (-\pi/2, \pi/2)$  is one-to-one correspondence, continuous and has inverse function arctangent function, which is also continuous. Thus,  $(-\pi/2, \pi/2)$  is topologically equivalent to  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Ex Show that unbounded open intervals  $(-\infty, a)$  and  $(a, \infty)$  are topologically equivalent to  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Remark All open intervals on  $\mathbb{R}$  are topologically equivalent to each other and the entire real line since topological equivalence is an equivalence relation and by the above ex.

Ex Lemma Let  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  be two metrics for the set  $X$  and suppose that there is a positive number  $c$  such that  $d_1(x, y) \leq c d_2(x, y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Then the identity function  $i: (X, d_2) \rightarrow (X, d_1)$  is continuous.

Proof Let  $a \in X$  and  $\epsilon$  be a positive number.

Then if  $\delta = \epsilon/c$  and  $x \in X$  for which  $d_2(x, a) < \delta$ , then  $d_1(i(x), i(a)) = d_1(x, a) \leq c d_2(x, a) < c \delta = \epsilon$

Thus  $d_1(i(x), i(a)) < \epsilon$  whenever  $d_2(x, a) < \delta$   
 $\therefore i: (X, d_2) \rightarrow (X, d_1)$  is continuous.

Theorem: Let  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  be two metrics for the set  $X$  and suppose there are positive numbers  $c$  and  $c'$  such that  $d_1(x, y) \leq c d_2(x, y)$ ,  $d_2(x, y) \leq c' d_1(x, y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Then the identity function on  $X$  is a homeomorphism b/w  $(X, d_1)$  and  $(X, d_2)$ .

Proof: The identity map is one-to-one correspondence from  $X$  onto itself. Continuity in both directions is guaranteed by the preceding lemma.

? Defn: Metrics  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  for a set  $X$  which determine the same topology are called equivalent metrics.

Remark: Two metrics  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  on the same set  $X$  of points are called equivalent if the identity mapping of  $(X, d_1)$  onto  $(X, d_2)$  is a homeomorphism.

Ex: Show that the following set of metrics for the set of  $n$ -tuples of real numbers are equivalent.

$$P(x, y) = [(x_1 - y_1)^2 + \dots + (x_n - y_n)^2]^{1/2}$$

$$P^*(x, y) = |x_1 - y_1| + \dots + |x_n - y_n|$$

$$P^+(x, y) = \max\{|x_1 - y_1|, \dots, |x_n - y_n|\}$$

Soln:

i) Show that  $i: (\mathbb{R}^n, P) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n, P^+)$  is homeomorphism  
(i.e.,  $i$  &  $i^{-1}$  are continuous,  $i$  is 1-1 and onto)

$\rightarrow$  To show  $i$  is continuous

$\forall \epsilon > 0$  we need to find  $\delta > 0$  s.t.  $P(x, y) < \delta \Rightarrow$

$$P^*(i(x), i(y)) < \epsilon$$

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$$\Rightarrow P^*(\vec{oc}), i(\vec{y}) = p^*(x, y)$$

$$= |x_1 - y_1| + \dots + |x_n - y_n|$$

$$\leq \sqrt{n[(x_1 - y_1)^2 + \dots + (x_n - y_n)^2]}$$

$$= \sqrt{n} \sqrt{(x_1 - y_1)^2 + \dots + (x_n - y_n)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{n} p(x, y) < \sqrt{n} \delta = \delta, \text{ take } \delta = \varepsilon / \sqrt{n}$$

Thus  $i$  is continuous.

$\hookrightarrow$  To show  $i^{-1}$  is continuous

$$i^{-1}: (\mathbb{R}^n, p^*) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n, p)$$

since  $i$  is 1-1 and onto  $i^{-1}$  is also 1-1 and onto

$\forall \varepsilon > 0$  we need to find  $\delta > 0$   $\ni p^*(x, y) < \delta \Rightarrow p(i^{-1}(x), i^{-1}(y)) < \varepsilon$

$$\text{then } p(i^{-1}(x), i^{-1}(y)) = p(x, y) \leq p^*(x, y) < \delta = \varepsilon$$

Thus,  $i^{-1}$  is continuous.

$\therefore p$  and  $p^*$  are equivalent.

$\exists$  show that  $i: (\mathbb{R}^n, p) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n, p^t)$  is homeomorphism

$\hookrightarrow$  To show  $i: (\mathbb{R}^n, p) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n, p^t)$  is continuous

$\forall \varepsilon > 0$  we need to find  $\delta > 0$   $\ni p(x, y) < \delta \Rightarrow p^t(i(x), i(y)) < \varepsilon$

$$p^t(i(x), i(y)) = p^t(x, y) = \max\{|x_1 - y_1|, \dots, |x_n - y_n|\}$$

$$\leq p(x, y) < \delta = \varepsilon$$

Thus  $i$  is continuous

$\exists$  show  $i^{-1}: (\mathbb{R}^n, p^t) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n, p)$  is continuous

$\forall \varepsilon > 0$  we need to find  $\delta > 0$   $\ni p^t(x, y) < \delta \Rightarrow p(i^{-1}(x), i^{-1}(y)) < \varepsilon$

$$\text{Then, } p(i^{-1}(x), i^{-1}(y)) = p(x, y) \leq \sqrt{n} p^t(x, y) < \sqrt{n} \delta = \varepsilon$$

$$\text{take } \delta = \varepsilon / \sqrt{n}$$

Thus,  $i^{-1}$  is continuous.

$\therefore p$  and  $p^t$  are equivalent.

Hence,  $p, p^*$  and  $p^t$  are equivalent.

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## 5.6 Complete metric spaces

Def<sup>n</sup> A sequence  $\{p_n\}$  in a metric space  $X$  is said to converge if there is a point  $p \in X$  with the following property  
For every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a positive integer  $N$  such that  
 $n \geq N \Rightarrow d(p_n, p) < \varepsilon$  (where  $d$  is the metric in  $X$ ).

In this case we say that  $\{p_n\}$  converges to  $p$  or  $p$  is the limit of  $\{p_n\}$  and write  $p_n \rightarrow p$  or  $\lim_n p_n = p$ .

Remark If  $\{p_n\}$  does not converge then we say that  $\{p_n\}$  diverges.

Def<sup>n</sup> (2) In geometric terms,  $\{p_n\}$  converges to  $\{p\}$  if every ball about  $p$  contains all but a finite number of terms of the sequence.

Def<sup>n</sup> A sequence  $\{p_n\}$  in a metric space  $(X, d)$  is called Cauchy sequence if the following condition (Cauchy condition) is satisfied.  
for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a positive integer  $N$   
such that  $n \geq N, m \geq N \Rightarrow d(p_n, p_m) < \varepsilon$ .

Theorem In a metric space, every convergent sequence is a Cauchy sequence.

Proof Let  $\{p_n\}$  is convergent sequence in a metric space  $X$ .  
so, there exists  $p \in X$  such that  $p_n \rightarrow p$ .  
Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ , so there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  
 $n \geq N \Rightarrow d(p_n, p) < \varepsilon_1$

Now,  $n \geq N, m \geq N \Rightarrow d(p_n, p_m) \leq d(p_n, p) + d(p, p_m)$   
 $\leq \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2 = \varepsilon$

Hence  $\{p_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence.

Note The converse of the above theorem is not true.  
i.e., every Cauchy sequence need not be cxt.

For instance, the sequence  $\{p_n\}$  where  $p_n = \frac{1}{n} \in \mathbb{R}$ , converges to 0 ( $b \in \mathbb{C} \subset \mathbb{R}$ ).

But every cxt sequence is Cauchy sequence, so  $\{p_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(0, 1] \subset \mathbb{C} (0, 1] \subset \mathbb{R}$  but not cxt in  $(0, 1] \subset \mathbb{C}$ .

Remark In  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , Every Cauchy sequence is convergent.

Def'n A metric space  $(X, d)$  is called complete if every Cauchy sequence in  $X$  converges to a point in  $X$ .

Eg ①  $\mathbb{R}^k$  is complete metric space (Show!)

In particular if  $k=1$ , then  $\mathbb{R}$  is complete.

② Closed interval  $[a, b]$  is complete.  
To show this, consider a Cauchy sequence  $\{x_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty} \subset [a, b]$ .  
Since  $\mathbb{R}$  is complete, this sequence converges to a real number  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ .  
Since  $[a, b]$  is closed,  $x$  belongs to  $[a, b]$ .

③ Open intervals, half open intervals and half close intervals are not complete.  
Eg  $\{\frac{1}{n}\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(0, 1)$  which does not converge to a point of  $(0, 1)$ .

Theorem Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space. A subspace  $A^*$  of  $X$  is complete iff it is closed.

Proof ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose that  $A$  is complete subspace.  
 If  $x$  is a limit point of  $A$ , then by previous theorem,  
 there is a sequence of distinct points of  $A$   
 which converges to  $x$ . Since each cut sequence  
 is Cauchy and  $A$  is complete, the limit of this  
 sequence, namely  $x$ , must be in  $A$ . Thus  $A$  is closed.  
 ( $\Leftarrow$ ) Suppose that  $A$  is a closed subspace of a complete  
 metric space  $X$ .

Consider a Cauchy sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  of points of  $A$ .  
 Since  $X$  is complete, this sequence converges to  
 a point  $x$  belonging to  $X$ . By the previous theorem,  
 $A$  is closed insures that the limit  $x$  belongs to  $A$ .  
 Thus every Cauchy sequence of points of  $A$  converges  
 to a point of  $A$ , and we conclude that  $A$  is a  
 complete subspace.

Def'N : A subset  $A$  of a metric space  $X$  is nowhere dense in  $X$   
 if  $A$  has empty interior.

Ex a) As subsets of the real line  $\mathbb{R}$ , each of the following is  
 nowhere dense.

i) any finite set

ii) The range of the sequence  $\{\frac{1}{n}\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$

iii) The set of integers

b) As subsets of the plane, each of the following is  
 nowhere dense.

i) any finite set

ii) The points whose coordinates are integers

iii) a circle

Def<sup>n</sup> A set  $A$  which fails to be nowhere dense, but  $\bar{A} \neq \emptyset$ , is called somewhere dense.

(equivalent to  $\exists^+$ )  
+  $(A - \bar{A})$  is 1-1 onto

Def<sup>n</sup> A metric space or subspace that is the union of a countable family of nowhere dense sets is said to be of the first category. A metric space which is not the first category is said to be the second category.

Ex ① As a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}$ , the set  $\mathbb{Q}$  of rational numbers is of the first category. Since it is the union of a countable collection of nowhere dense singleton sets, each containing one rational number.

② The set of points in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  having all coordinates rational is also of the first category.

③ The next Baire Category Theorem, shows that every complete metric space is of the second category.

Lemma A subset  $A$  of a metric space  $X$  is nowhere dense in  $X$  iff each nonempty open set in  $X$  contains an open ball whose closure is disjoint from  $A$ .

Theorem (The Baire Category Theorem)

Every complete metric space, considered as a subset of itself, is of the second category.

Def<sup>n</sup> Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $f: X \rightarrow X$  a function. Then  $f$  is contractive w.r.t the metric  $d$  provided that there is a positive number  $\alpha < 1$  such that for all  $x, y \in X$ ,  $d(f(x), f(y)) \leq \alpha d(x, y)$ .

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Remark A contractive function is continuous.

Theorem (The Contraction Lemma)

Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and fix  
a contractive function. Then there is exactly one  
point  $x \in X$  for which  $f(x) = x$ .

Def'n Let  $(X, d)$  and  $(Y, d')$  be metric spaces. A  
distance preserving function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$   
from  $X$  into  $Y$  is called an isometric embedding.

Def'n A subset  $A$  of a metric space  $X$  is dense  
everywhere in  $X$  provided that  $\bar{A} = X$ . That is  $A$  is  
dense if every point of  $X$  is either a point of  $A$   
or a limit point of  $A$ .

Eg. The set of rational numbers  $\mathbb{Q}$  is dense in  
 $\mathbb{R}$  with the usual metric.

Since between any two real numbers, there are  
infinitely many rational numbers and  
every number in  $\mathbb{R}$  is either a rational  
number or a limit point of  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Def'n Let  $(X, d)$  and  $(Y, d')$  be metric spaces and  $\{f_n: X \rightarrow Y\}$   
a sequence of functions from  $X$  to  $Y$ . This sequence  
converges uniformly to a function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$   
provided that for each positive number  $\epsilon$   
there is a positive integer  $N$  such that if  
 $n \geq N$  and  $x$  is a point of  $X$ , then  $d'(f_n(x), f(x)) <$

Theorem Let  $(X, d)$  and  $(Y, d')$  be metric spaces and  $\{f_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  a sequence of continuous functions from  $X$  to  $Y$  which converges uniformly to a function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$ . Then  $f$  is continuous.

Proof Let  $f_n: X \rightarrow Y$

$$f: X \rightarrow Y$$

Let  $f_n \rightarrow f$  uniformly on  $X$

Now  $f$  is cont.

Let  $x_0 \in X$ , to show that  $f$  is cont at  $x_0$ ,

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we need to find  $\delta > 0 \ni x \in X \wedge d(x, x_0) < \delta$

$$\Rightarrow d'(f(x), f(x_0)) < \varepsilon.$$

Since  $f_n \rightarrow f$  uniformly on  $X$   $\exists$  a true integer  $n \ni$

$$d'(f_n(x), f(x)) < \varepsilon/3 \quad (n \geq n, x \in X)$$

In particular,  $d'(f_n(x), f(x)) < \varepsilon/3, x \in X$

Since  $f_n$  is cont at  $x_0 \ni \delta > 0 \ni x \in X$  and

$$d(x, x_0) < \delta \Rightarrow d'(f_n(x), f_n(x_0)) < \varepsilon/3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } d'(f(x), f(x_0)) &\leq d'(f(x), f_n(x)) + d'(f_n(x), f_n(x_0)) \\ &\leq d'(f(x), f_n(x)) + d'(f_n(x), f_n(x_0)) + d'(f_n(x_0), f(x_0)) \\ &< \varepsilon/3 + d'(f_n(x), f_n(x_0)) + \varepsilon/3 \quad (\text{by uniform cont}) \\ &< \varepsilon/3 + \varepsilon/3 + \varepsilon/3, \text{ provided } d(x, x_0) < \delta \\ &= \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore f$  is cont at  $x_0$

Q) Let  $f_n(x) = \frac{x}{n} e^{-\frac{x}{n}}$  ( $0 \leq x < \infty$ ), with the usual metrics

a) Does  $\{f_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges uniformly to 0 on  $[0, \infty)$ ?

b) Does  $\{f_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges uniformly to 0 on  $[0, 500]$ ?

Sol:

If  $x=0$ ,  $f_n(0)=0 \Rightarrow f_n(0) \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

Let  $x > 0$

a) Suppose  $f_n \rightarrow f = 0$  on  $[0, \infty)$

Let  $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2} e^{-1}$

then  $\exists n = n(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon$   
 $\forall n \geq n, x \in [0, \infty)$

$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{n} e^{-\frac{x}{n}} < \varepsilon, n \geq n, x \in [0, \infty)$

In particular,  $\frac{x}{n} e^{-\frac{x}{n}} < \frac{1}{2} e^{-1}, x \in [0, \infty)$

Set  $x=n$ , we get  $\frac{n}{n} e^{-n/n} < \frac{1}{2} e^{-1}$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-1} < \frac{1}{2} e^{-1} \rightarrow L$$

$\therefore f_n$  do not converge uniformly to 0 on  $[0, \infty)$

b) Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  we need to find a the integer  $n$

such that  $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon, \forall n \geq n, x \in [0, 500]$

$$|f_n(x) - f(x)| = \left| \frac{x}{n} e^{-\frac{x}{n}} - \frac{x}{n} \right| \leq \frac{x}{n} \leq \frac{500}{n} < \varepsilon$$

If  $\frac{500}{n} < \varepsilon$ , then  $n > \frac{500}{\varepsilon}$

Choose  $n \geq n > \frac{500}{\varepsilon}$