

THE METRIC SPACES

Chapter Two

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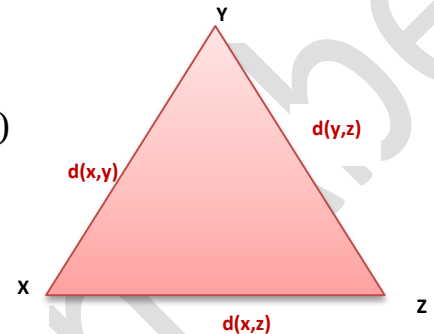
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The Metric Spaces

Definition: Let X be a non-empty set and $d: X \times X \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ be a mapping. We say that, the ordered pair (X, d) is **metric space** if it is satisfying for all x, y and z in X :

- (1) $d(x, y) \geq 0$
- (2) $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$
- (3) $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$ (triangular inequality)
- (4) $d(x, y) = 0 \iff x = y$



Remarks:-

- (1) d is called **metric mapping**.
- (2) $d(x, y)$ = distance between x and y .

Definition:-

A mapping $d: X \times X \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is called a **pseudo metric** on X iff d satisfies the conditions (1-3) in the above definition and (4') $d(x, y) = 0$, for different $x, y \in X$.

Remark:

Let $a = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ and $b = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$ be two n -triple of complex numbers then:

- (1) Cauchy-Shwarz inequality

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

- (2) Minkowskis inequality

$$(\sum_{i=1}^n |a_i + b_i|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq (\sum_{i=1}^n |a_i|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} + (\sum_{i=1}^n |b_i|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad p \geq 1.$$

Examples:

- (1) If $X = \mathbb{R}$ with $d(x, y) = |x - y|$, prove that (X, d) is metric space?

Proof: Let x, y and $z \in \mathbb{R}$

- (1) $d(x, y) = |x - y| \geq 0$ (by absolute value)

$$(2) d(x,y) = |x - y| = |-(y - x)| = |y - x| = d(y,x) \Rightarrow d(x,y) = d(y,x)$$

$$(3) d(x,y) = |x - y| = |x - z + z - y|$$

$$\leq |x - z| + |z - y|$$

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

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

$$(4) d(x,y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow |x - y| = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x - y = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = y$$

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

By (1), (2), (3) and (4) $\Rightarrow (X,d)$ is metric space.

(2) Describe metric space:

Let $X \neq \emptyset$ and $d: X \times X \longrightarrow \mathbb{R} \ni d(x,y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = y \\ 1 & \text{if } x \neq y \end{cases}$ for all x, y in X .

Show that (X,d) metric space?

Proof:

(1) $d(x,y) = |x - y| \geq 0$ for all $x, y \in X$ (by def. of d)

(2) $d(x,y) = d(y,x)$?

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{If } x = y \Rightarrow d(x,y) = 0 = d(y,x) \\ \text{If } x \neq y \Rightarrow d(x,y) = 1 = d(y,x) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow d(x,y) = d(y,x)$$

(3) Let x, y and $z \in X$. to prove $d(x,y) \leq d(x,z) + d(z,y)$

If $x = y \Rightarrow d(x,y) = 0$. Since $d(x,z) \geq 0$ and $d(z,y) \geq 0 \Rightarrow d(x,y) \leq d(x,z) + d(z,y)$

If $x \neq y \Rightarrow d(x,y) = 1$ and either $x \neq y \neq z$ or $x \neq y, y = z$

either $d(x,y) = d(x,z) = d(z,y) = 1$

$$\Rightarrow d(x,y) \leq d(x,z) + d(z,y) \Rightarrow 1 \leq 1 + 1$$

or $d(x,y) = d(x,z) = 1$ and $d(z,y) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow d(x,y) \leq d(x,z) + d(z,y) \Rightarrow 1 \leq 1 + 0$$

Then condition (3) holds $\forall x, y, z \in X$

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

then (X,d) is metric space

 (3) If $X = \mathbb{R}^2$, $d(x, y) = \sqrt{(x_1 - y_1)^2 + (x_2 - y_2)^2}$, where $x = (x_1, x_2)$, $y = (y_1, y_2)$ and $z = (z_1, z_2)$. Prove that (X, d) is metric space?

Proof: Let x, y and $z \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$$(1) \quad d(x, y) = \sqrt{(x_1 - y_1)^2 + (x_2 - y_2)^2} \geq 0 \quad (\text{by root function})$$

$$\begin{aligned} (2) \quad d(x, y) &= \sqrt{(x_1 - y_1)^2 + (x_2 - y_2)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{(-(y_1 - x_1))^2 + (-(y_2 - x_2))^2} \\ &= \sqrt{(y_1 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - x_2)^2} \\ &= d(y, x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow d(x, y) = d(y, x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (3) \quad d(x, z) &= \sqrt{(x_1 - z_1)^2 + (x_2 - z_2)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{(x_1 - y_1 + y_1 - z_1)^2 + (x_2 - y_2 + y_2 - z_2)^2} \\ &\leq \sqrt{(x_1 - y_1)^2 + (x_2 - y_2)^2} + \sqrt{(y_1 - z_1)^2 + (y_2 - z_2)^2} \quad (\text{by Minkowski's inequality}) \\ &= d(x, y) + d(y, z) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (4) \quad d(x, y) = 0 &\Leftrightarrow \sqrt{(x_1 - y_1)^2 + (x_2 - y_2)^2} = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow (x_1 - y_1)^2 + (x_2 - y_2)^2 = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow (x_1 - y_1)^2 = 0 \quad \& \quad (x_2 - y_2)^2 = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow x_1 - y_1 = 0 \quad \& \quad x_2 - y_2 = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow x_1 = y_1 \quad \& \quad x_2 = y_2 \\ &\Leftrightarrow x = (x_1, x_2) = (y_1, y_2) = y \end{aligned}$$

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

By (1), (2), (3) and (4) $\Rightarrow (X, d)$ is metric space.

 (4) Pseudo metric not metric space:

Let $d: X \times X \longrightarrow \mathbb{R} \ni d(x,y) = |x^2 - y^2| \forall x, y \text{ in } \mathbb{R}$. Show that $(\mathbb{R}, d)$ pseudo metric space but not metric?

Proof: Let x, y and $z \in \mathbb{R}$

(1) $d(x,y) = |x^2 - y^2| \geq 0$ (by def. of absolute value القيمة المطلقة)

(2) $d(x,y) = |x^2 - y^2| = |y^2 - x^2| = d(y,x) \Rightarrow d(x,y) = d(y,x)$

(3) $d(x,y) = |x^2 - y^2| = |x^2 - z^2 + z^2 - y^2|$
 $\leq |x^2 - z^2| + |z^2 - y^2|$

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

(4) $d(x,y) = |x^2 - y^2| = 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

$\therefore (\mathbb{R}, d)$ pseudo metric space but not metric since:-

If $d(x,y) = 0 \Rightarrow |x^2 - y^2| = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 = y^2 \nRightarrow x = y \forall x, y$.

"إذا كانت $x^2 = y^2$ فهناك احتمالين الأول قد $x = y$ والآخر قد يكون $x \neq y$ "

i.e. when $d(x,y) = 0$ does not always implies $x = y$ for example:-

$d(1,-1) = |1^2 - (-1)^2| = 0$ but $1 \neq -1$.

$(\mathbb{R}, d)$ not metric

Exercises:- Show the following are metric space?

(1) $d: \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}, d(z,w) = \sqrt{(x-u)^2 + (y-v)^2}$ (usual distance), where
 $z = x + iy, w = u + iv$.

(2) $d: l_2 \longrightarrow l_2 \ni d(x,y) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (x_i - y_i)^2}$,
 $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots)$ and $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n, \dots)$, $x_i, y_i \in \mathbb{R}$,
 $i = 1, 2, \dots, n, \dots$.

(3) $d: \mathbb{R}^3 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3; d(x,y) = |x_1 - y_1| + |x_2 - y_2| + |x_3 - y_3|$ where $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$,
 $y = (y_1, y_2, y_3)$.

(4) $d: \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}; d(z,w) = \max\{|x-u|, |y-v|\}$.

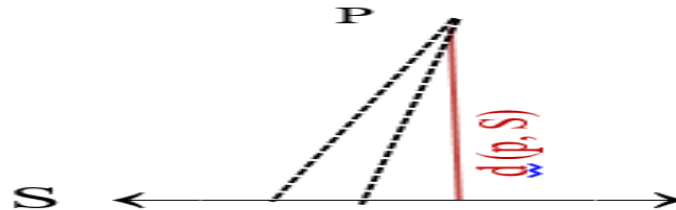
(5) If $X \neq \emptyset$ and $\forall x, y, z \text{ in } X, \exists d: X \times X \longrightarrow \mathbb{R} \ni d(x,y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = y$ and
 $d(x,y) \leq d(x,z) + d(z,y)$. Show that (X, d) metric space.

(6) If (X, d) metric space, $\forall x, y, z \in X$. Show that $|d(x,z) - d(y,z)| \leq d(x,y)$.

(Needed in chapter 5 to prove d is continuous function)

Definition:

Let (X,d) be a metric space, S,T be two subset of X and $p \in X$, then



- (1) The **distance between p and S** is

$$d(p,S) = \inf\{d(p,x), x \in S\}$$
- (2) The **distance between S and T** is $d(S,T) = \inf\{d(x,y), x \in S, y \in T\}$.
- (3) **Diameter of S** , $\delta(S) = \sup\{d(x,y): x,y \in S\}$. Note that, $\delta(\emptyset) = -\infty$.
- (4) S is called **bounded** if $\exists \mu > 0$ such that $d(x,y) \leq M, \forall x, y \in S$.
i.e. $\delta(s) \leq M$. If S is not bounded then it is called **unbounded**.
- (5) The **distance between two subsets S and T** of metric space X is

$$d(S,T) = \inf\{d(a,b), a \in S \text{ and } b \in T\}$$

But this d is pseudo metric not metric. If we take

$S = (0,1)$ and $T = (-1,0)$ then $d(S,T) = 0$ even though $S \cap T = \emptyset$.

Properties: Let (X,d) be a metric space, $S, T \subseteq X$, show that:

- (1) $\delta(S) = 0 \Leftrightarrow S$ contains at the most one point.
- (2) $S \subseteq T \Rightarrow \delta(S) \leq \delta(T)$.
- (3) If $S \cap T \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow \delta(S \cup T) \leq \delta(S) + \delta(T)$.

Without proof (1-3)

- (4) $|d(x,S) - d(y,S)| \leq d(x,y)$ (Homework)

- (5) **Which is bounded, find $\delta(S)$:-**

$$(1) S = \{-1, -2, 3, 5\} \quad (2) S = \left\{3 - \frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\right\} \quad (3) S = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \text{ is odd}\}$$

$$(4) S = \{(x,y): 1 \leq x \leq 2, 0 \leq y \leq 3\} \quad (5) S = \{3n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

$$(6) S = \{(x,y,z): (x+1)^2 + (y+2)^2 + z^2 = 10\} \quad (7) S = \{(x,y): x < 0\}.$$

Definition: Let (X,d) be a metric space, $S \subseteq X$, S is called a metric subspace of X if (S, d) satisfies the conditions (1 – 4) in the definition of metric space.

Examples:

(1) $\mathbb{Q}$ is a subspace of $\mathbb{R}$ with the usual distance.

(2) $S = \{(x, y): x \geq 0\}$ subspace of $\mathbb{R}^2$ with usual distance.

Definition:

Let (X,d) be a metric space and $x \in X$, $r > 0$, then

(1) The set $B(x,r) = \{y \in X: d(y,x) < r\}$ is called **ball** with center x and radius r .

(2) The set $D(x,r) = \{y \in X: d(y,x) \leq r\}$ is called **disk** with center x and radius r .

Examples: Describe the following set:

(1) In $\mathbb{R}$ with usual distance (i.e. $d(x,y) = |x - y|$), find $B(x,r)$ & $D(x,r)$.

Solution: $B(x,r) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}: d(y,x) < r\}$

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

$$= \{y \in \mathbb{R}: x - r < y < x + r\} = (x - r, x + r) \text{ open interval.}$$

$$D(x,r) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}: d(y,x) \leq r\} = [x - r, x + r] \text{ closed interval.}$$

(2) In $\mathbb{R}$ with usual distance (i.e. $d(x,y) = |x - y|$), find $B(-2,4)$ & $D(0,10)$.

Solution: $B(-2,4) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}: d(y,-2) < 4\}$

$$= \{y \in \mathbb{R}: d(y,-2) < 4\}$$

$$= \{y \in \mathbb{R}: |y + 2| < 4\} = \{y \in \mathbb{R}: -4 < y + 2 < 4\}$$

$$= \{y \in \mathbb{R}: -4 - 2 < y < 4 - 2\} = \{y \in \mathbb{R}: -6 < y < 2\}$$

$$= (-6, 2)$$

$$D(0,10) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}: |y - 0| < 10\} = \{y \in \mathbb{R}: -10 \leq y \leq 10\} = [-10, 10].$$

(3) In $\mathbb{R}^2$ with usual distance, find $B(x, r)$, $D(x, r)$.

Solution: $B(x, r) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^2: d(y, x) < r\}$

$$= \{(y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2: \sqrt{(y_1 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - x_2)^2} < r\}$$

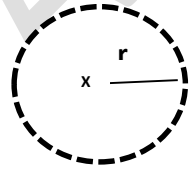
$$= \{(y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2: (y_1 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - x_2)^2 < r^2\}$$

= inside the circle with center $x = (x_1, x_2)$ and radius r

$$D(x, r) = \{(y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2: \sqrt{(y_1 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - x_2)^2} \leq r\}$$

$$= \{(y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2: (y_1 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - x_2)^2 \leq r^2\}$$

= on and inside the circle with center x and radius r



Exercise:- (Home Work) In $\mathbb{R}^2$ with usual distance, find

$B(x, 3)$; $x = (-2, -1)$ and $D(0, 4)$, $O = (0, 0)$.

Examples:

(1) In $\mathbb{R}^2$, $d(x, y) = |x_1 - y_1| + |x_2 - y_2|$, find $B(0, 1)$, $O = (0, 0)$.

Solution: $B(0, 1) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^2: d(y, 0) < 1\}$

$$= \{(y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2: |y_1 - 0| + |y_2 - 0| < 1\}$$

$$= \{(y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2: |y_1| + |y_2| < 1\}$$

But $|y_1| + |y_2| = 1$ this implies to the following four equations:

$$\Rightarrow y_1 + y_2 = 1$$

$$y_1 - y_2 = 1$$

$$-y_1 + y_2 = 1$$

$$-y_1 - y_2 = 1$$

$$(a) y_1 + y_2 = 1$$

$$\text{If } y_1 = 0 \Rightarrow y_2 = 1 \Rightarrow (0,1)$$

$$\text{If } y_2 = 0 \Rightarrow y_1 = 1 \Rightarrow (1,0)$$

$$(b) y_1 - y_2 = 1$$

$$\text{If } y_1 = 0 \Rightarrow y_2 = -1 \Rightarrow (0,-1)$$

$$\text{If } y_2 = 0 \Rightarrow y_1 = 1 \Rightarrow (1,0)$$

$$(c) -y_1 + y_2 = 1$$

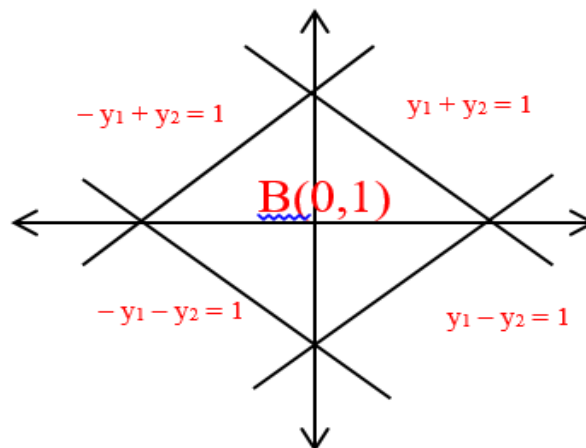
$$\text{If } y_1 = 0 \Rightarrow y_2 = 1 \Rightarrow (0,1)$$

$$\text{If } y_2 = 0 \Rightarrow y_1 = -1 \Rightarrow (-1,0)$$

$$(d) -y_1 - y_2 = 1$$

$$\text{If } y_1 = 0 \Rightarrow y_2 = -1 \Rightarrow (0,-1)$$

$$\text{If } y_2 = 0 \Rightarrow y_1 = -1 \Rightarrow (-1,0)$$



$$(2) \text{ In } \mathbb{R}^2, d(x,y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \neq y \\ 0 & \text{if } x = y \end{cases}, \text{ find } B(0,1), B(0,2) \text{ and } D(0,1).$$

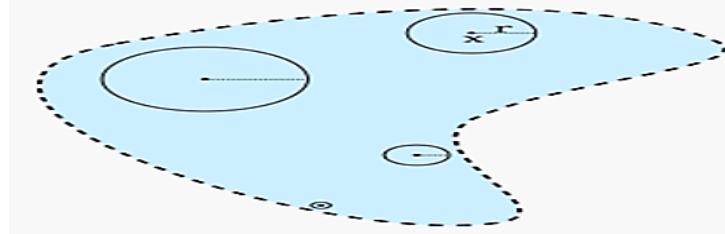
$$\text{Solution: } B(0,1) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^2: d(y,x) < 1\} = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^2: d(y,x) = 0\} = \{(0,0)\}.$$

$$B(0,2) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^2: d(y,x) < 2\} = \mathbb{R}^2.$$

$$D(0,1) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^2: d(y,x) \leq 1\} = \mathbb{R}^2.$$

Open Sets and Closed Sets

Definition: Let (X,d) be a metric space and $S \subseteq X$, S is called **open set** if $\forall x \in S, \exists r > 0 \ni B(x,r) \subset S$.



Examples:

(1) $S = \emptyset$ open set.

Solution: Since if $x \in S \Rightarrow \exists r > 0 \ni B(x,r) \subset S$

$$F \Rightarrow F \text{ or } T$$

$$T$$

(2) $S = X$ open set.

Solution: Since all balls contains in X .

(3) Any open interval is open set.

Proof: Let $x \in S \Rightarrow x \in (a,b) \subseteq (a,b) = S$ $r = \min\{|x-b|, |x-a|\}$
 $\Rightarrow S$ is open set $(x-r, x+r) \subset (a,b)$

Note that an open set in $\mathbb{R}$ is not necessarily an open interval.

Example: Let $S = (-2, -1) \cup (1, 2)$

Let $x \in S \Rightarrow x \in (-2, -1)$ or $x \in (1, 2) \Rightarrow x \in (-2, -1) \subset S$ or $x \in (1, 2) \subset S$

$\Rightarrow S$ is open set. But S is not open interval.

(4) In general, any ball is open set.

Proof: Let $B(x,r)$ be any ball to prove $B(x,r)$ open set.

i.e. To prove $\forall y \in B(x,r), \exists \varepsilon > 0 \ni B(y,\varepsilon) \subset B(x,r)$

Let $t = r - d(x,y) > 0$ and $z \in B(y,t) \Rightarrow d(z,y) < t$.

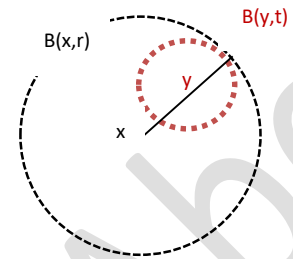
By triangular inequality

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

$$< d(x,y) + t \quad (\text{since } z \in B(y,t) \rightarrow d(y,z) < t)$$

$$\Rightarrow z \in B(x,r) \Rightarrow B(y,t) \subset B(x,r)$$

This is true for all y in $B(x,r)$ by def. $B(x,r)$ is open set.



(5) $S = \{x\}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$ not open set.

Proof: Since there is not open interval in S containing x and contained in S .

i.e., $\forall r > 0$, $\nexists B(x,r) = (x-r, x+r) \subset S$.

(6) $[a,b]$, $[a,b)$, $[a,\infty)$ and $(-\infty, b]$ are not open sets.

Proof: If $S = [a,b]$, then S is not open set, since

if $x = a \Rightarrow \forall r > 0$, $B(a,r) = (a-r, a+r) \not\subset [a,b]$.

(7) The intersection of any two open sets is open set.

"In general, the intersection of any finite family of open set is open set"

Proof: Let $A = \{S_k: S_k \text{ open set, } k=1,2,\dots,k\}$ to prove $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} S_k$ is open set.

Let $x \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} S_k \Rightarrow x \in S_k, \forall k$ but S_k is open set $\forall k \Rightarrow \exists r_k > 0 \ni B(x, r_k) \subset S_k$.

Let $r = \min\{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n\} \Rightarrow B(x, r) \subset S_k \forall k$

$\Rightarrow B(x, r) \subset \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} S_k$, so by def. $\Rightarrow \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} S_k$ is open set.

If this r is not suitable to make $B(x, r) \subset \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} S_k$, The fact that all sets S_k are open is always allowed to have an appropriate radius to make $B(x, r)$ within the intersection.

(8) Is the intersection of two balls also ball? (Homework)

(9)

(10) The infinity intersection of open sets is not necessary open set.

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Example: Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $S_n = (x - \frac{1}{n}, x + \frac{1}{n})$ open interval, $\forall n$

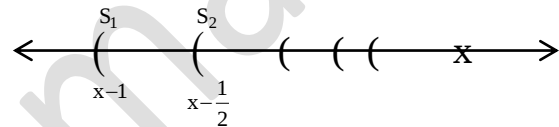
$$n = 1 \Rightarrow S_1 = (x - 1, x + 1)$$

$$n = 2 \Rightarrow S_2 = (x - \frac{1}{2}, x + \frac{1}{2})$$

$$n = 3 \Rightarrow S_3 = (x - \frac{1}{3}, x + \frac{1}{3})$$

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When $n \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} S_n = \{x\}$ is not open set.



(11) The union of any family (finite or infinite) (countable or uncountable) of open set is open set

Proof: Let (X, d) be a metric space

$\mathbf{A} = \{S_\lambda: S_\lambda \text{ is open subset of } X, \lambda \in \Lambda\}$, to prove $\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} S_\lambda$ is open set.

Let $x \in \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} S_\lambda \Rightarrow \exists \lambda \in \Lambda \ni x \in S_\lambda$.

Since S_λ is open set $\Rightarrow \exists r_\lambda > 0 \ni B(x, r_\lambda) \subset S_\lambda$

$\Rightarrow x \in B(x, r_\lambda) \subset S_\lambda \subset \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} S_\lambda$ this is true for all $x \in \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} S_\lambda$

$\Rightarrow \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} S_\lambda$ is open set.

(12) Prove that: S is open $\Leftrightarrow S = \text{union of all balls.}$ (Homework)

(13) The set of rationals is not open. (Homework)

Definition: Let X be a non-empty set and τ = family of subset of X . If T satisfy the following

- (1) $X, \phi \in \tau$.
- (2) If $A, B \in \tau \Rightarrow A \cap B \in \tau$.
- (3) If $\{A_\lambda: A_\lambda \in \tau\} \Rightarrow \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A_\lambda \in \tau$.

Then the ordered pair (X, τ) is called **topological space**.

Theorem (1): Every metric space is topological space.

Proof: Let (X, d) be a metric space and τ = the family of all open subsets of X , then:

- (1) X, ϕ open sets $\Rightarrow X, \phi \in \tau$.
- (2) $S_1, S_2 \in \tau \Rightarrow S_1, S_2$ are open sets $\Rightarrow S_1 \cap S_2$ open set $\Rightarrow S_1 \cap S_2 \in \tau$.
- (3) If $x \in S_\lambda, \lambda \in \Lambda \Rightarrow \forall \lambda, S_\lambda$ open subset of $X \Rightarrow \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} S_\lambda$ open subset of X
 $\Rightarrow \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} S_\lambda \in \tau$.

$\therefore (X, \tau)$ is topological space.

Remark: The converse of Theorem (1) is not true. [Go To Stage-4]

Definition:

Let d_1 and d_2 be two metric mappings on the set X . Then d_1, d_2 are called **equivalent** if every open set in (X, d_1) is open in (X, d_2) and vice versa.

Example:

If $X = \mathbb{R}^2$, d_1 = usual distance, $d_2 = \max\{|x_1 - y_1|, |x_2 - y_2|\}$ then d_1, d_2 are equivalent.

Definition: Let (X, d) be a metric space and $S \subseteq X$, S is called closed set if S^c is open set where $S^c = X \setminus S$ (**complement of S**).

Examples:

- (1) $S = X$ is closed set.

Proof: Since $S^c = X^c = \phi$ open set.

(2) $S = \emptyset$ is closed set.

Proof: Since $S^c = \emptyset^c = X$ open set.

(3) $S = [a, b]$ or $S = [a, \infty)$ or $S = (-\infty, b]$ are closed sets in $\mathbb{R}$.

Proof: If $S = [a, b] \Rightarrow S^c = (-\infty, a) \cup (b, \infty)$ open set $\Rightarrow S$ is closed set.

(4) In $\mathbb{R}$, $S = \{x\}$ is closed set.

Proof: Since $S^c = (-\infty, x) \cup (x, \infty)$
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$\Rightarrow S^c$ is open $\Rightarrow S$ is closed set.

(5) In general, any finite set in $\mathbb{R}$ is closed set.

Proof: Let $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\} \subset \mathbb{R}$, to prove S is closed, i.e. to prove S^c open set.

$$S^c = (-\infty, x_1) \cup (x_1, x_2) \cup \dots \cup (x_{n-1}, x_n) \cup (x_n, \infty)$$

open open open

$\Rightarrow S^c$ is open $\Rightarrow S$ is closed set.

(6) $S = \mathbb{N}$ or $S = \mathbb{Z}$ closed set.

Proof: $S = \mathbb{N}$

$$S^c = (-\infty, 1) \cup (1, 2) \cup \bigcup_{n=2}^{\infty} (n, n+1)$$

S^c open $\Rightarrow S$ closed set.

$S = \mathbb{Z}$ (Home Work)

(7) $S = \mathbb{Q}$ or $S = \mathbb{Q}'$ not closed sets.

Proof: $S = \mathbb{Q} \Rightarrow S^c = \mathbb{Q}'$ not open. Similarly, when $S = \mathbb{Q}'$.

(8) In any metric space X , if S is finite set, then S is closed set.

Proof: Let $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\} \subset X$ T.p. S is closed set.

i.e. T.p. S^c is open set

Let $y \in S^c \Rightarrow y \neq x_i \forall i \Rightarrow \exists r_i = d(y, x_i) > 0, \forall i$.

Let $r = \min\{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n\} \Rightarrow B(y, r) \cap S = \emptyset$

$\Rightarrow B(y, r) \subset S^c$ this is true for all $y \in S^c$

$\Rightarrow S^c$ is open $\Rightarrow S$ closed set.

(9) Every disk is closed set.

(Homework)

(10) The union of finite number of closed sets is closed.

Proof: Let $A = \{S_i, S_i \text{ closed set in } X, i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$

T.p. $\bigcup_{i=1}^n S_i$ is closed i.e. T.p. $(\bigcup_{i=1}^n S_i)^c$ is open set.

Since S_i is closed, $\forall i \Rightarrow (S_i)^c$ is open $\forall i$

$\Rightarrow \bigcap_{i=1}^n (S_i)^c$ open (تقاطع عدد منته من المجموعات المفتوحة يكون مجموعة مفتوحة)

$\Rightarrow (\bigcup_{i=1}^n S_i)^c$ open $[(\bigcup_{i=1}^n S_i)^c = \bigcap_{i=1}^n S_i^c]$

$\Rightarrow \bigcup_{i=1}^n S_i$ is closed

(11) The infinite union of closed sets is not necessary closed.

For Example: $S_n = \left[-\frac{n}{n+1}, \frac{n}{n+1}\right], n \in \mathbb{N}$. S_n closed intervals. Is $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} S_n$ closed?

If $n = 1 \Rightarrow S_1 = \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right],$

if $n = 2 \Rightarrow S_2 = \left[-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right],$

if $n = 3 \Rightarrow S_3 = \left[-\frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right], \dots$

When $n \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pm n}{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pm \frac{n}{n} + \frac{1}{n}}{1 + \frac{1}{n}} = \mp 1 \Rightarrow \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} S_n = (-1, 1)$ open set.

(12) The infinite intersection of closed sets is closed.

(Homework)

Accumulation Points

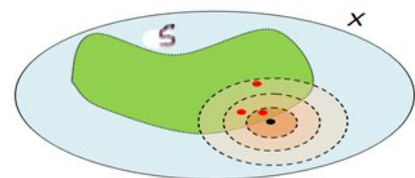
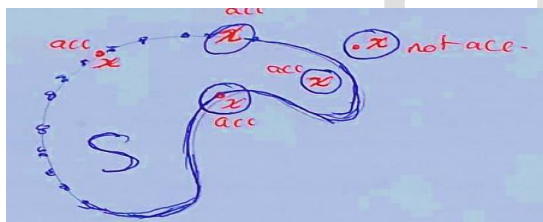
Definition: Let X be a metric space and $S \subseteq X$, $p \in X$, p is called an **accumulation point of S** if every open set contain p , contains another point $q \ni p \neq q, q \in S$.

i.e. p is acc. Point of S if $\forall U, U$ open set, $p \in U$ then $U \setminus \{p\} \cap S \neq \emptyset$.

Remark:

(1) Since every open set = union balls, then we can define acc. Point as following:

p is acc. Point of S if $\forall r > 0, B(p, r) \setminus \{p\} \cap S \neq \emptyset$



(2) $S' =$ the set of all acc. Point of $S =$ derived set.

(3) $\bar{S} =$ the closure of S , $\bar{S} = S \cup S'$.

(4) p is not acc. point, if $\exists U, U$ open set and $p \in U \ni U \setminus \{p\} \cap S = \emptyset$.
or $\exists r > 0 \ni B(p, r) \setminus \{p\} \cap S = \emptyset$.

Examples:

(1) If $S = \{1, 3\}$, find S' and $\bar{S}$.

Solution: To find S' , there are some cases: $x = 1, x = 3, x < 1, x > 3, 1 < x < 3$

If $x = 1 \Rightarrow x$ is not acc. point since $\exists r > 0 \ni B(x, r) \setminus \{x\} \cap S = \emptyset$, then $r = 1$

$$\Rightarrow B(1,1) \setminus \{1\} \cap \{1,3\} = (0,2) \setminus \{1\} \cap \{1,3\} = \emptyset.$$

If $x = 3 \Rightarrow x$ is not acc. point since $\exists r > 0 \ni B(x,r) \setminus \{x\} \cap S = \emptyset$, then $r = 1$

$$\Rightarrow B(3,1) \setminus \{3\} \cap \{1,3\} = (2,4) \setminus \{3\} \cap \{1,3\} = \emptyset.$$

If $x < 1 \Rightarrow x$ are not acc. point since $x \in (x-1,1)$ and $(x-1,1) \cap S = \emptyset$.

If $x > 3 \Rightarrow x$ are not acc. points since $x \in (3,x+1)$ and $(3,x+1) \cap S = \emptyset$.

If $1 < x < 3$ are not acc. point since $x \in (1,3)$ and $(1,3) \cap S = \emptyset$.

$\therefore S$ has no acc. point $\Rightarrow S' = \emptyset$.

$$\bar{S} = S \cup S' = S \cup \emptyset = S.$$

(2) If $S = \{\frac{1}{n}, n = 1, 2, \dots\}$, prove that $S' = \{0\}$.

Proof: $S = \left\{1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \dots\right\}$ T.p. $x = 0$ is acc. point.

$$\forall r > 0, 0 \in B(0,r) = (-r,r) \Rightarrow 0 \in (-r,r) \text{ T.p. } (-r,r) \setminus \{0\} \cap S \neq \emptyset$$

$$\because r > 0 \Rightarrow \text{by Arch. Prop. } \exists n \in \mathbb{N} \ni nr > 1$$

$$\frac{1}{n} < r \Rightarrow 0 < \frac{1}{n} < r \Rightarrow -r < 0 < \frac{1}{n} < r \Rightarrow \frac{1}{n} \in (-r,r)$$

$$\Rightarrow (-r,r) \setminus \{0\} \cap S \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ is acc. point.}$$

Now, T.p. if $x \neq 0 \Rightarrow x$ is not acc. point.

$$\text{Let } x \in S \Rightarrow \exists n \in \mathbb{N} \ni x = \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\because n-1 < n < n+1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{n+1} < \frac{1}{n} < \frac{1}{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{n} \in \left(\frac{1}{n+1}, \frac{1}{n-1}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{n+1}, \frac{1}{n-1} \right) \setminus \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \right\} \cap S = \emptyset$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall n, \frac{1}{n} \text{ is not acc. point}$$

$$\text{Let } x \notin S \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x, \frac{1}{n+1} < x < \frac{1}{n} \\ x > 1 \\ x < 0 \end{array} \right\} \text{ are not acc. point.}$$

$$\therefore S' = \{0\}.$$

(3) If $S = (a, b)$, find S' .

Solution: If $x = a \Rightarrow x$ is acc. point, since $\forall r > 0, a \in B(a, r) = (a - r, a + r)$ and $B(a, r) \setminus \{a\} \cap S \neq \emptyset$.

If $x = b \Rightarrow x$ is acc. point since $\forall r > 0, b \in B(b, r) = (b - r, b + r)$ and $B(b, r) \setminus \{b\} \cap (a, b) \neq \emptyset$.

If $a < x < b \Rightarrow x$ are acc. points since $\forall r > 0, x \in B(x, r) = (x - r, x + r)$ and $B(x, r) \setminus \{x\} \cap S \neq \emptyset$ i.e. $(x - r, x + r) \setminus \{x\} \cap (a, b) \neq \emptyset$.

If $x < a \Rightarrow x$ are not acc. points since $x \in (x - 1, a)$ and $(x - 1, a) \cap S = \emptyset$.

If $x > b \Rightarrow x$ are not acc. points since $x \in (b, x + 1)$ and $(b, x + 1) \cap (a, b) = \emptyset$.

$$\therefore S' = [a, b] \Rightarrow \bar{S} = S \cup S' = [a, b]$$

(4) Prove that $S = [a, b] = \bar{S}$.

(Homework)

Theorem (2): Let X be a metric space, $S \subset X$, then:

(1) S is closed set $\Leftrightarrow S' \subset S$.

(2) $\bar{S}$ is closed set.

(3) $\bar{S} = S \Leftrightarrow S$ closed set.

(4) If F is closed set, $S \subset F$, then $\bar{S} \subset F$.

(5) $\bar{S}$ is smallest closed set contains S .

Proof: (1) $\Rightarrow$ let S is closed set and let x is accumulation of $S \Rightarrow x \in S'$. To prove that $x \in S$.

Suppose that $x \notin S \Rightarrow x \in X \setminus S = S^c$. Since S is closed $\Rightarrow S^c$ is open and $x \in S^c \Rightarrow \exists r > 0 \ni B(x, r) \subset S^c \Rightarrow S \cap B(x, r) = \emptyset \Rightarrow C!$ (since x is accumulation point of S). So, $x \in S$.

Conversely, $\Leftarrow$. Suppose that $S' \subset S$ to prove S is closed. We must prove that S^c is open set.

For $x \in S^c \Rightarrow \exists r > 0 \ni B(x, r) \subset S^c$ since $S' \subset S \Rightarrow x \notin S' \Rightarrow \exists \varepsilon > 0$ such that $B(x, \varepsilon) \setminus \{x\} \cap S = \emptyset$ or since $x \notin S \Rightarrow B(x, \varepsilon) \cap S = \emptyset \Rightarrow B(x, \varepsilon) \subset S^c$. Then S^c is open set. So, S is closed.

Parts 2-5 exercise.

Separable spaces

Definition: A subset S of a metric space X is called **dense** if $\bar{S} = X$.

Example: Prove that $\bar{Q} = \mathbb{R}$ (i.e. Q dense set in $\mathbb{R}$).

Proof: for any $p \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0$, the ball $B(p, \varepsilon) = (p - \varepsilon, p + \varepsilon)$ contains infinitely rationals $\Rightarrow B(p, \varepsilon) \setminus \{p\} \cap Q \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow p$ is accumulation. $\Rightarrow p \in \bar{Q} \Rightarrow \mathbb{R} = \bar{Q}$.

Examples

1- Let $K = \{(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x_2 < 0\}$. Find $\bar{K}$.

2- Let X be a metric space and G be a finite subset of X , prove that $G' = \emptyset$.

3- Let S be a subset of a metric space X and $x \in X$. Show that

$$d(x, S) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x \in \bar{S}.$$

Definition: a metric space X is called **separable** if there is a dense countable sub set S of X .

Examples

1- $\mathbb{R}$ is separable metric space. Since Q is countable dense subset of $\mathbb{R}$.

- 2- Let $S = [a, b]$ with usual metric of on $\mathbb{R}$, then S is separable metric space.
- 3- Is $\mathbb{R}^2$ separable??
- 4- Show that $\mathbb{C}$ is separable space. . . Hint: take $S = \{w = p + iq : p, q \in \mathbb{Q}\}$.

Note that: Postpone the example of the non-separable space. [Go to MSc].

Compact Spaces

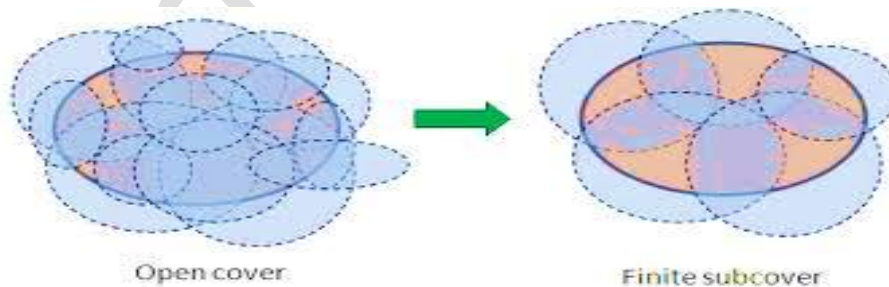
Definition: Let (X, d) be a metric space, $\emptyset \neq S \subseteq X$, if the set $\{U_\lambda, U_\lambda \text{ open set}, \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ is a family of open subsets of X such that $S \subseteq \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} U_\lambda$ then the family $\{U_\lambda\}$ is called **open cover** for S in X .

* If the family $\{U_\lambda\}$ is finite and $S \subseteq \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} U_\lambda$, then $\{U_\lambda\}$ is called **finite cover**.

* Let $\{U_\lambda\}, \{U_\beta\}$ be two open covers for S and $U_\lambda \in \{U_\beta\} \forall \lambda$ then $\{U_\lambda\}$ is called **subcover** for $\{U_\beta\}$.

Definition:

Let S be a subset of a metric space (X, d) , S is called **compact set** if every open cover for S in X has a finite subcover.



Examples:

(1) Every finite subset S of a metric space (X, d) is compact set.

Proof: Let $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ to prove that S is compact set

Let $A = \{V_\lambda : V_\lambda \subset X, V_\lambda \text{ is open}\}$ be an open cover for $S \Rightarrow S \subseteq \bigcup V_\lambda$

$\Rightarrow \forall x_i \in S$ we get $x_i \in \bigcup V_i \Rightarrow \exists V_{\lambda_i} \in A$ such that $x_i \in V_{\lambda_i}$. Then $S \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n V_{\lambda_i}$

$\Rightarrow \{V_{\lambda_i} : i=1, 2, \dots, n\}$ is finite open subcover for S from $A \Rightarrow S$ is compact.

(2) $\mathbb{R}$ is not compact since there is an open cover for $\mathbb{R}$ which has no finite subcover for $\mathbb{R}$, for example:

$$A = \{(n, n+1): n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \cup \{(n - \frac{1}{2}, n + \frac{1}{2}): n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{R} \subseteq [\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} (n, n+1)] \cup [\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} (n - \frac{1}{2}, n + \frac{1}{2})]$$

$\Rightarrow A$ is open cover for $\mathbb{R}$ and A has no finite subcover since if we cancel any open interval from A , then some reals will be out.

i.e. if we cancel $(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ then 0 will be out A .

i.e. $\mathbb{R} \not\subseteq [\bigcup (n, n+1)] \cup [\bigcup (n - \frac{1}{2}, n + \frac{1}{2})] \setminus (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$.

(3) Any open interval $S = (a, b)$ is not compact.

Proof: We prove for a special case when $S = (0, 1)$.

$$\text{Let } A = \{A_n = (\frac{1}{n}, 2); n \in \mathbb{N}\} = \{(1, 2), (\frac{1}{2}, 2), (\frac{1}{3}, 2), \dots\}$$

$$A_1 = (1, 2), A_2 = (\frac{1}{2}, 2) \dots \text{ and } A_1 \subset A_2 \subset A_3 \subset \dots$$

To prove that A is open cover for S . i.e. $S \subseteq \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (\frac{1}{n}, 2)$

Let $r \in S = (0, 1) \Rightarrow 0 < r < 1, r > 0 \rightarrow$ by Arch.prop.

$$\exists k \in \mathbb{N} \ni \frac{1}{k} < r \Rightarrow r \in (\frac{1}{k}, 2) = A_k \subset \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (\frac{1}{n}, 2) \Rightarrow A \text{ is open cover for } S.$$

To prove that A has no finite subcover for S

Suppose that A has a finite subcover for S , $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_m\}$

$$\Rightarrow S \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^m A_i = A_m = (\frac{1}{m}, 2) \text{ but } \frac{1}{m+1} \in S \text{ and } \frac{1}{m+1} \notin A_m$$

$\Rightarrow A$ has no finite subcover for $S \Rightarrow S$ is not compact.

(4) Any closed interval $S = [a,b]$ is compact. (Exercise)

Theorem (3): (Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem)

In compact space X , every infinite subset S of X has at least one accumulation point.

Proof: Suppose that S has no acc. point.

$\Rightarrow S' = \emptyset \Rightarrow S' \subset S \Rightarrow S$ is closed (by Th.(3))

$\Rightarrow X \setminus S = S^c$ is open set.

Since $S' = \emptyset \Rightarrow \forall x \in S, x$ is not acc. point (by def. of acc. point)

$\Rightarrow \forall x \in S, \exists U_x$ open set $\ni x \in U_x$ and $U_x \cap S = \{x\}$

$\Rightarrow X = S^c \cup \left(\bigcup_{x \in S} U_x \right) \Rightarrow S^c \cup \{U_x; x \in S\}$ is open cover for X .

But X is compact space $\Rightarrow$ there is a finite subcover for X .

$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in S \ni X = S^c \cup \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n U_{x_i} \right)$

$\Rightarrow S \cup S^c = S^c \cup \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n U_{x_i} \right) \quad [X = S \cup S^c]$

$\Rightarrow S \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n U_{x_i} \quad [\text{since } S \cap S^c = \emptyset]$

$\Rightarrow S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\} \quad [\text{since } U_{x_i} \cap S = \{x_i\} \forall i]$

$\Rightarrow S$ is finite set $C! \quad [\text{since } S \text{ is infinite set}]$

$\therefore S$ has at least one acc. point.

Theorem (4): In compact metric space, every closed subset is compact.

Proof: Let X be a compact metric space, and S be subset of $X \Rightarrow S^c$ is open.

T.p. S is compact.

Let $A = \{V_\lambda: V_\lambda \text{ is open set in } X, \forall \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ be open cover for $S \Rightarrow S \subseteq \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} V_\lambda$
 since $X = S \cup S^c \subseteq (\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} V_\lambda) \cup S^c$, but S^c is open set

$\Rightarrow \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} V_\lambda \cup S^c$ is open cover for X .

Since X is compact set $\Rightarrow$ there exists a finite number $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ such that
 $X = S^c \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^n V_{\lambda_i})$ since $S \cap S^c = \phi \Rightarrow S \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n V_{\lambda_i} \Rightarrow A$ has a finite subcover
 $\{V_{\lambda_1}, V_{\lambda_2}, \dots, V_{\lambda_n}\}$ for $S \Rightarrow S$ is compact.

Theorem (5): Let (X, d) be a metric space, $S \subseteq X$. If S is compact, then S is closed.

Proof: Suppose that S is not closed set

$\Rightarrow S' \not\subseteq S$ [S is closed $\Leftrightarrow S' \subseteq S$]

$\Rightarrow \exists x \in S'$ and $x \notin S$.

$\Rightarrow \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, B(x, \frac{1}{n}) \setminus \{x\} \cap S \neq \phi \Rightarrow D(x, \frac{1}{n}) \setminus \{x\} \cap S \neq \phi$.

Let $V_n = [D(x, \frac{1}{n})]^c = X \setminus D(x, \frac{1}{n}), n \in \mathbb{N}$

$\Rightarrow V_n$ is open set $\forall n$ [since $D(x, \frac{1}{n})$ is closed set]

Let $D = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} D(x, \frac{1}{n}) = \{x\}$

Since [if $\exists y \in D$ and $y \neq x \Rightarrow d(x, y) > 0$

by Arch. Prop. $\Rightarrow \exists k \in \mathbb{N} \ni k d(x, y) > 1 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{k} < d(x, y)$

$\longrightarrow y \notin B(x, \frac{1}{k}) \longrightarrow y \notin D(x, \frac{1}{n}) \longrightarrow D = \{x\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\therefore S \subseteq X \setminus \{x\} &= X \setminus D = X \setminus \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} D(x, \frac{1}{n}) \\
&= X \setminus \{D(x, 1) \cap D(x, \frac{1}{2}) \cap \dots\} \\
&= X \setminus D(x, 1) \cup X \setminus D(x, \frac{1}{2}) \cup \dots \\
&= \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} X \setminus D(x, \frac{1}{n}) = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} V_n.
\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore S \subseteq \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} V_n \Rightarrow \{V_n: n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is open cover for S .

But S is compact set $\Rightarrow \exists$ finite number $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n \ni S \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n V_i$

$$\Rightarrow S \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n (X \setminus D(x, \frac{1}{n})) \Rightarrow S \cap D(x, \frac{1}{n}) = \emptyset \quad \text{C!}$$

$\Rightarrow x \in S \Rightarrow S$ is closed set.

Theorem (6): Let (X, d) be a metric space, $S \subseteq X$. If S is compact, then S is bounded.

Proof: Let $a \in X$, defined $B(a, n)$ open balls, $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\Rightarrow B(a, 1) \subseteq B(a, 2) \subseteq \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall x \in S, \exists n \in \mathbb{N} \ni x \in B(a, n) \Rightarrow S \subseteq \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} B(a, n)$$

$\Rightarrow \{B(a, n)\}$ open cover for S

But S is compact $\Rightarrow \{B(a, n), n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ has finite subcover for S

$$\{B(a, 1), B(a, 2), \dots, B(a, n)\} \Rightarrow S \subseteq \bigcup_{k=1}^n B(a, k)$$

$\therefore B(a, 1) \subseteq B(a, 2) \subseteq \dots \subseteq B(a, n) \Rightarrow S \subseteq B(a, n) \Rightarrow S$ is bounded set.

Theorem (7): If $\{I_n: n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a family of closed bounded nested intervals such that $I_n = [a_n, b_n] \supset [a_{n+1}, b_{n+1}] = I_{n+1}$ then $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n \neq \emptyset$.

Proof: let $A = \{a_n: n=1, 2, \dots\}$ and $B = \{b_n: n=1, 2, \dots\}$.

Since for any $m > n$, $[a_n, b_n] \supset [a_m, b_m] \Rightarrow a_m < b_m < a_n < b_n, \forall n, m$.

$\Rightarrow$ for any n, m , we get $a_m < b_n \Rightarrow A$ is bounded above by any element belongs to $B \Rightarrow A$ has sup, say x , (by completeness axiom). $a_n < x, \forall n$.

Also, $x < b_n, \forall n. \Rightarrow x \in [a_n, b_n] = I_n, \forall n \Rightarrow x \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$.

Theorem (8): Hien-Borel Theorem

Any closed bounded subset of $\mathbb{R}^n, n \geq 1$, is compact set.

Proof: (prove in $\mathbb{R}$)

Let S closed bounded subset of $\mathbb{R}$, to prove S is compact?

Since S is bounded then there is a closed interval $[a, b]$ such that $S \subseteq [a, b]$.

Then (by Theorem 4) S is compact. [any closed subset of compact is compact.

Theorem (9) Hien-Borel Theorem in $\mathbb{R}^2$.

Proof: we need prove that the product of two closed intervals $[a, b] \times [c, d]$ is compact set. Complete similar to proof of Theorem (8).