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# Part I Introduction

## Course structure

This course is splitted in two parts:

- 1. Real Analysis  $\rightarrow$  measure and integration theory, in particular:
  - Collections and sequences of sets
  - Measurable space, measure, outer measure
  - Generation of an outer measure
  - Carathéodory's condition, measure induced by an outer measure
  - Lebesgue's measure on  $\mathbb{R}^n$
  - Measurable functions
  - The Lebesgue integral
  - Abstract integration
  - Monotone convergence theorem, Fatou's Lemma, Lebesgue's dominated convergence theorem
  - Comparison between the Lebesgue and Riemann integrals
  - Different types of convergence
  - Derivative of a measure and the Radon-Nikodym theorem
  - Product measures and the Fubini-Tonelli theorem
  - Functions of bounded variation and absolutely continuous functions
- 2. Functional Analysis  $\sim$  infinte dimensional linear algebra, in particular:
  - Metric spaces, completeness, separability, compactness
  - Normed spaces and Banach spaces
  - Spaces of integrable functions
  - Linear operators
  - Uniform boundedness theorem, open mapping theorem, closed graph theorem
  - Dual spaces and the Hahn-Banach theorem
  - Reflexivity
  - Weak and weak\* convergences
  - Banach-Alaoglu theorem
  - Compact operators
  - $\bullet$  Hilbert spaces
  - Projection theorem, Riesz representation theorem
  - Orthonormal basis, abstract Fourier series
  - Spectral theorem for compact symmetric operators

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The foundation of this theory is the  $Set\ Theory$ , that is going to be explained in the next chapter. Enjoy!

 ${f NB}$ : this page will be updated with more details and maybe the list of proofs.

## Set Theory

# 1.1 Equipotent, finite/infinite, countable/uncountable sets, cardinality of continuoum

Let X, Y be sets.

#### Def — Equipotent sets.

X,Y are equipotent if there exists a bijection  $f:X\to Y$  (1-1 injective + onto surjective).

If X, Y are equipotent, then they have the same cardinality. On the other hand, X has cardinality  $\geq$  than Y if there exists  $f: X \to Y$  onto. For example, for

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \qquad Y = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

exists  $f: X \to Y$  s.t.  $\forall y \in Y \exists x \in X$  s.t. f(x) = y (f takes all the elements of the codomain), but doesn't exist  $g: Y \to X$  s.t.  $\forall x \in X \exists y \in Y$  s.t. g(y) = x (g doesn't take all the elements of the codomain).

#### Def — Finite/infinite sets.

X is finite if it is equipotent to  $Y = \{1, 2, ..., k\}$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . X is infinite otherwise.

**Prop.** X is infinite iff it is equipotent to a proper subset, i.e. if exists a bijection between X and one of his subsets.

For example, between the integers set  $\mathbb{Z} = \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...\}$  and the even integers set  $\{0, \pm 2, \pm 4, ...\}$  there exists f s.t. f(z) = 2z which is a bijection.

#### Def — Countable/uncountable (infinite) sets.

X inifinite is countable if it is equipotent to  $\mathbb{N}$ . It is uncountable otherwise, in which case is more than countable (countable sets are the "smallest" among infinite sets).

#### Def — Cardinality of continuoum.

X has the cardinality of continuoum if it is equipotent to  $\mathbb{R}$ . Any such set is uncountable.

#### For example:

- $\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}$  are countable
- $\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^N, (0,1), (0,1)^N$  have the cardinality of continuoum
- countable unions of countable sets are countable

#### 1.2 Families of subsets

Let X be a set.

#### Def — Power set.

The power set of X, i.e. the set of all subsets of X, is

$$\mathcal{P}(X) = \{Y : Y \subset X\}$$

It is sometimes denoted as  $2^X$ .

The power set has cardinality strictly bigger than X. For example,  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$  has the cardinality of continuoum.

#### Def — Family of subsets.

A family, or collection, of subsets of X is just  $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$ . Tipically, a family of subsets (induced by  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  set of indexes) is  $\mathcal{C} = \{E_i\}_{i \in I}$  where  $E_i \subset X \ \forall i \in I$ .

For example,  $\{E_1, E_2, E_3\}$  is a family of subsets.

#### Def — Union and intersection.

Given a family of sets  $\{E_i\}_{i\in I}\subset \mathcal{P}(X)$ , will often be considered

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} E_i = \{x \in X : \exists i \in I \text{ s.t. } x \in E_i\}$$
$$\bigcap_{i \in I} E_i = \{x \in X : x \in E_i \ \forall i \in I\}$$

 ${E_i}$  is said to be (pairwise) disjoint if  $E_i \cap E_j = \emptyset \ \forall i \neq j$ .

#### Ex — Standard topology of $\mathbb{R}$ .

Given  $X = \mathbb{R}$  (or  $\mathbb{R}^N$ ), the standard/euclidian topology of  $\mathbb{R}$  (or  $\mathbb{R}^N$ ) is  $\mathcal{T} = \{E \subset X : E \text{ is open}\}$ , i.e. it is the family of all open subsets of X.

More generally, this can be defined in metric spaces (X, d) where X is a set and d a distance between  $x, y \in X$ . Some properties of  $\mathcal{T}$ :

- $\varnothing, X \in \mathcal{T}$
- finite intersection of open sets is open [\*]
- any (finite/infinite, countable/uncountable, ...) union of open sets is open [⊚]

#### Def — Covering and subcovering.

 $\{E_i\}_{i\in I}$  is a covering of X if  $X=\bigcup_{i\in I}E_i$ . Any subfamily  $\{E_i\}_{i\in J,J\subset I}$  is a subcovering if it is a covering.

#### 1.3 Sequences of sets

A sequence is just a family of subsets where  $I \equiv \mathbb{N}$ , e.g.  $\{E_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ .

#### Def — Monotone sequences.

 $\{E_n\}$  is increasing (not decreasing),  $\{E_n\} \nearrow$ , if  $E_n \subset E_{n+1} \ \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . On the other hand,  $\{E_n\}$  is decreasing (not increasing),  $\{E_n\} \searrow$ , if  $E_{n+1} \subset E_n \ \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $\{E_n\}$  is increasing/decreasing then it is monotone.

For example, given  $X = \mathbb{R}$  and  $E_n = \left(-\frac{1}{n}, 1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)$  for  $n \ge 1$ , we can say that  $E_n$  is a monotone decreasing sequence:

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1 +  $\frac{1}{n}$ 

But what is  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$ ? We know that

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n = [0,1]$$

and this is an infinite intersection of open sets (this does not disagree with the prop  $\circledast$ ). This type of intersection is called "G $\delta$ -set": a countable intersection of open sets.

Similarly,  $E_n = \left[ a + \frac{1}{n}, b - \frac{1}{n} \right]$ , a<b, is increasing and

$$\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n = (a, b)$$

is called "F $\sigma$ -set": a countable union of closed sets (doesn't disagree with  $\odot$ ).

#### Def — lim sup and lim infa

Let  $\{E_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}\subset\mathcal{P}$ . We define

$$\limsup_n E_n := \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \bigcup_{k=n}^{\infty} E_k \right) \qquad \liminf_n E_n := \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \bigcap_{k=n}^{\infty} E_k \right)$$

If these two sets are equal

$$\limsup_{n} E_n = \liminf_{n} E_n = \lim_{n} E_n = F$$

then F is the limit of the succession.

Take note that  $\{E_n\} \nearrow (\text{resp. } \searrow) \Longrightarrow \exists \lim_n E_n = \bigcup_n E_n (\text{resp. } \bigcap_n E_n).$ 

EXER. Looking at the previous definition of lim sup, we can easily proof that

$$x \in \limsup_{n} E_n \iff x \in \bigcup_{n=k}^{\infty} E_n \ \forall k \iff x \in E_n \text{ for } \infty\text{-ly many } n$$

A property that is true for infinitely many n is said to be true *frequently*. Similarly:

$$x \in \liminf_{n} E_n \iff x \in \bigcap_{n=k}^{\infty} E_n \text{ for at least one } \overline{k} \iff x \in E_n \ \forall n \geq \overline{k}$$

A property that is only true after n large enough is said to be true eventually.

#### 1.4 Charateristic functions

Let X be a set.

#### Def — Charateristic function.

Given  $E \subset X$ , we define the characteristic (or indicator) function

$$\chi_E: X \to \mathbb{R} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \chi_E(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \in E \\ 0 & x \notin E \end{cases} \text{ (or } x \in E^c = X \setminus E)$$

(another notation:  $\mathbb{1}_E(x)$ )

#### Prop.

- $\bullet \ \chi_{E_1 \cap E_2} = \chi_{E_1} \cdot \chi_{E_2}$
- $\bullet \ \chi_{E_1 \bigcup E_2} = \chi_{E_1} + \chi_{E_2} \chi_{E_1} \cdot \chi_{E_2}$
- $\chi_{\limsup_n E_n} = \limsup_n \chi_{E_n}$  and likewise  $\chi_{\liminf_n E_n} = \liminf_n \chi_{E_n}$

Take note that the first lim sup/inf refers to sets, the second one to (real) numbers.

#### 1.5 Relations, Equivalence relations

#### Def — Cartesian product and Relations.

If X and Y are sets, their Cartesian product  $X \times Y$  is the set of all ordered pairs (x, y) such that  $x \in X$  and  $y \in Y$ . A relation from X to Y is a subset of  $X \times Y$ . If R is a relation from X to Y, we shall sometimes write xRy to mean that  $(x, y) \in R$ .

If Y = X, we speak of a relation on X. For example,  $xRy \iff y = x^2$ .

The most important types of relations are the following:

#### **Def** — Equivalence relations.

An equivalence relation is a relation R s.t.

- i)  $xRx \ \forall x \in X$  (reflexive)
- ii)  $xRy \iff yRx \ \forall x,y$  (symmetric)
- iii) xRy,  $yRz \Longrightarrow xRz \ \forall x, y, z$  (transitive)

Equivalence relations allow us to introduce the following constructs which will be useful later on:

- Equivalence class of an element x:  $E_x = \{y \in X : yRx\}$
- Quotient set:  $X/R = \{E_x : x \in X\}$

For example, to define  $\mathbb Q$  in a precise way we take the following relation R

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{3}{6} = \dots$$

i.e. the pairs  $(1,2),(2,4),(3,6),... \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}_0$  (without zero), therefore  $\mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}_0/R$ .

# Part II Real Analysis

## Measure Theory

#### 2.1 Measure spaces

Let X be a set.

Def —  $\sigma$ -algebras.

A family  $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathcal{P}(x)$  is called a  $\sigma$ -algebra if

- i)  $\varnothing \in \mathcal{M}$
- ii)  $E \subset \mathcal{M} \implies E^c = X \setminus E \in \mathcal{M}$
- iii)  $\{E_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}\subset\mathcal{M}\Longrightarrow\bigcup_{n=1}^\infty E_n\in\mathcal{M}$  (infinite countable union)

If (iii) is replaced by " $E_1, E_2 \in \mathcal{M} \Longrightarrow E_1 \bigcup E_2 \in \mathcal{M}$ " then  $\mathcal{M}$  is just an algebra (finite union).

Trivial examples:  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{P}(X)$  is the biggest  $\sigma$ -algebra,  $\mathcal{M} = \{\emptyset, X\}$  is the smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra.

We say that

- $\mathcal{M}$   $\sigma$ -algebra  $\rightsquigarrow (X, \mathcal{M})$  is a measurable space
- $E \in \mathcal{M}$  are measurable sets

Basic properties of  $\mathcal{M}$ :

- 1.  $X = \varnothing^c \in \mathcal{M} \text{ (by (i)+(ii))}$
- 2.  $\mathcal{M}$  is an algebra ( $\sigma$ -alg.  $\Longrightarrow$  alg. but not the viceversa)

To prove this you can take a finite union (e.g.  $E_1 \cup E_2$ ) and then make infinite unions with  $\emptyset$  to have an infinite union that still belongs to  $\mathcal{M}$ :

$$E_1 \cup E_2 = E_1 \cup E_2 \underbrace{\cup \varnothing \cup \ldots \cup \varnothing \cup \ldots}_{\in \mathcal{M} \text{ by (ii)}}$$

- 3.  ${E_n}_n \subset \mathcal{M} \Longrightarrow \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} E_n \in \mathcal{M}$
- 4.  $E, F \in \mathcal{M} \Longrightarrow E \setminus F \in \mathcal{M}$

Now, we want to understand how to generate a  $\sigma$ -algebra.

**TH 2.1.** Take  $S \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$  any family. Then it is well defined  $\sigma_0(S)$ , the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by S (the smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra containing S):

- i)  $\sigma_0(\mathcal{S})$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra
- ii)  $\mathcal{S} \subset \sigma_0(\mathcal{S})$
- iii) if  $\mathcal{M}$  is a  $\sigma$ -alg. and  $\mathcal{S} \subset \mathcal{M}$  then  $\sigma_0(\mathcal{S}) \subset \mathcal{M}$

#### PROOF (Sketch).

We introduce a collection of collection of sets (we should be more strict)

$$\mathcal{V} = \{ \mathcal{M} \subset \mathcal{P}(X) : \mathcal{M} \text{ is a } \sigma\text{-alg. and } \mathcal{S} \subset \mathcal{M} \}$$

(notice that  $\mathcal V$  is not empty since  $\mathcal P(X) \in \mathcal V$ )

Then  $\sigma_0(\mathcal{S}) = \bigcap \{ \mathcal{M} : \mathcal{M} \in \mathcal{V} \}$  (to generate the smallest take the intersection of all).

#### 2.2 Borel sets

#### 2.3 Measures

# Part III Functional Analysis

# Part IV Esercitazioni

## Exercise session 18/09

Today's aim: we want to get the essence of the notion of "being closed" in order to deal with continuity (so this lesson will be a little more theoretical than the following ones).

#### 19.1 Recall on $\mathbb{R}^n$

Given  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  a possible distance between x and y is

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

(we will analyze its properties in a moment)

Given  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^2$  a possible distance between  $x = (x_1, x_2)$  and  $y = (y_1, y_2)$  is

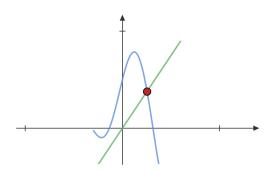
$$d_E(x,y) := \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{2} |x_i - y_i|^2}$$

the Euclidian/canonical distance. For  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is just the same.

Given  $f,g\in\mathcal{C}^0\left([a,b]\right),$  i.e.  $f,g:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$  continuous, the distance

$$d(f,g) := \min_{x \in [a,b]} |f(x) - g(x)|$$

cannot be a proper distance because  $d=0 \implies f=g$  (see the definition of distance below).



#### 19.2 Recall on metric spaces

Let X be a nonempty set (no need of any algebraic structure such as vector spaces).

**Def.** A function  $d: X \times X \to [0, +\infty)$  is said to be a **metric/distance** on X if all the followings are satisfied:

- (a)  $d(x,y) \ge 0$  and d(x,y) = 0 iff x = y
- (b) d(x,y) = d(y,x) (symmetry)
- (c)  $d(x,y) \le d(x,z) + d(z,y)$  (triangular inequality)

 $\forall x, y, z \in X$ . If d is a distance on X, then (X, d) is called **metric space**.

#### Examples:

1.  $(\mathbb{R}^n, d_E)$  is a metric space

Homework. Prove it.

<u>Hint</u>: in order to prove the tr. inequality use the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i b_i \right| \le \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_i|^2} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} |b_i|^2}$$

2. in  $\mathbb{R}^n$   $(n \geq 2)$  we can also define

$$d_1(x,y) = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - y_i|$$
 Manhattan distance  $d_{\infty}(x,y) = \max_{i=1,\dots,n} |x_i - y_i|$  uniform/maximum distance

**Homework.** Prove that both  $d_1$  and  $d_{\infty}$  are distances on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

<u>Hint</u>: use that for  $a,b \in \mathbb{R}$ , d(a,b) := |a-b| is a distance on  $\mathbb{R}$  and so  $|a-b| \le |a-c| + |c-b|$   $\forall a,b,c \in \mathbb{R}$ 

3. for p > 1 (but also for 0 )

$$d_p(x,y) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - y_i|^p\right)^{1/p}$$

is a metric on  $\mathbb{R}^n$   $(p=2 \rightsquigarrow d_E)$ 

4. let X be a nonempty set. Can we also define a distance on X? Yes, with the **discrete distance** 

$$d(x,y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = y\\ 1 & \text{if } x \neq y \end{cases}$$

**Homework.** Prove that is a metric on X.

**Def.** Given (X, d) metric space,  $x_0 \in X$ , r > 0,

$$B_r(x_0) = B_d(x_0, r) := \{x \in X : d(x, x_0) < r\}$$

is a **open ball** of center  $x_0$  and radius r, or a open spherical neighborhood of  $x_0$ .

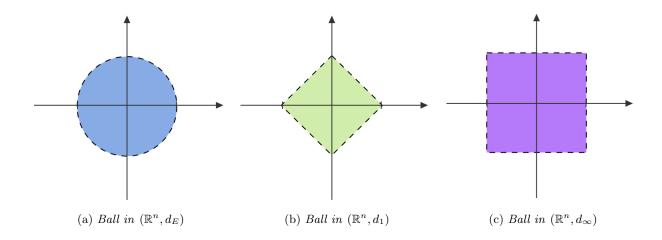
Balls can have different shapes. For examples, let be  $X = \mathbb{R}^n$  (n = 2 for drawing purposes):

- (a) with  $d_E$  we have that  $B_{d_E}(x_0,r)$  is the open disk of center  $x_0$  and radius r
- (b) with  $d_1$  we have

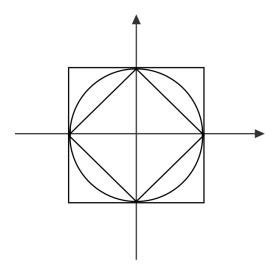
$$B_{d_1}(0,r) = \{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : d_1((x,y),(0,0)) < r\}$$
$$= \{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : |x| + |y| < r\}$$

(c) with  $d_{\infty}$  we have

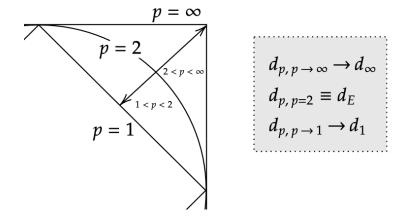
$$B_{d_{\infty}}(0,r) = \{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : d_{\infty}((x,y),(0,0)) < r\}$$
$$= \{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \max\{|x| + |y|\} < r\}$$



It is remarkable that these balls are equivalent (we will explain it better in due time).



If you generalize to every p, you could say that



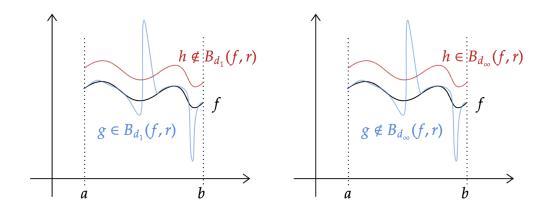
Furthermore, with (X, d) where d is the discrete metric, we have

$$B_d(x_0, r) = \begin{cases} \{x_0\}, & \text{if } r \le 1\\ X, & \text{if } r > 1 \end{cases}$$

Therefore, many possible distances can be introduced on a set. In some cases they lead to the same *structure* but not in general. For example, on  $X = \mathcal{C}^0([a,b]), f,g \in X$ , we have:

- discrete distance (we've got it folks)
- $d_1(f,g) := \int_a^b |f(x) g(x)| dx$
- $d_{\infty}(f,g) := \max_{x \in [a,b]} |f(x) g(x)|$

They are both distances on  $C^0([a,b])$  but they lead to different structures:



#### 19.3 Topology in metric spaces

**Def.** Let (X,d) be a metric space and let  $A \subset X$ . For  $x_0 \in X$ , we say that  $x_0$  is:

(i) an **interior point** of A if

$$\exists r > 0$$
 s.t.  $B(x_0, r) \subset A$ 

(ii) an **exterior point** of A if

$$\exists r > 0$$
 s.t.  $B(x_0, r) \subset A^c := X \setminus A$ 

(iii) a **boundary point** of A if it is neither interior nor exterior, i.e.

$$B(x_0,r) \cap A \neq \emptyset$$
 and  $B(x_0,r) \cap A^c \neq \emptyset$   $\forall r > 0$ 

(iv) an **adherence point** of A if it is either interior or boundary, i.e.

$$B(x_0, r) \cap A \neq \emptyset \quad \forall r > 0$$

(v) an **accumulation point** of A if

$$(B(x_0,r)\cap A)\setminus \{x_0\}\neq 0$$

(vi) an **isolated point** of A if

$$x_0 \in A$$
 and  $\exists r > 0$  s.t.  $B(x_0, r) \cap A = \{x_0\}$ 

By definition, an isolated point cannot be an accumulation point.

We also define:

$$\stackrel{o}{A} := \{x_o \in X : x_0 \text{ is an interior point of } A\}$$
 interior of  $A$   $ext(A) := \{x_o \in X : x_0 \text{ is an exterior point of } A\}$  exterior of  $A$   $\partial A := \{x_o \in X : x_0 \text{ is a boundary point of } A\}$  boundary of  $A$   $\overline{A} := \{x_o \in X : x_0 \text{ is an adherence point of } A\}$  closure of  $A$ 

The definitions (i)-(ii)-(iii) are mutual disjoint, thus  $\overset{o}{A}$ , ext(A),  $\partial A$  are pairwise disjoint sets (see the property below).

**Def.** A set  $A \subset X$  is **open** if  $A = \overset{o}{A}$ . Similarly, A is **closed** if  $A^c$  is open.

Let's take a look at some basic properties:

- $\overset{o}{A}, ext(A), \partial A$  form a partition of X
- A open iff  $A \cap \partial A = \emptyset$
- $\overline{A} = \overset{o}{A} \cup \partial A = A \cup \partial A$
- A closed iff  $A \equiv \overline{A}$
- A is the largest (w.r.t. the inclusion order) open subset of A
- $\overline{A}$  is the smallest closed subset of X containing A
- Let I be a family of indexes (may be uncountable) and  $A_i$  be an open set  $\forall i \in I$ . Then  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is open.
- Let  $A_1,...,A_m$  for  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  be a finite number of open sets. Then  $\bigcap_{i=1}^m A_i$  is open.

Homework. Prove these last two properties.

- Let I be a family of indexes (may be uncountable) and  $C_i$  be closed  $\forall i \in I$ . Then  $\bigcap_{i \in I} C_i$  is closed.
- Let  $C_1, ..., C_m$  for  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  be closed. Then  $\bigcup_{i=1}^m A_i$  is closed.

Subtleties. These last two properties are deduced from the Morgan's laws.

#### 19.4 Limits for sequences

Let (X,d) metric space,  $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}\subset X$  sequence,  $x^*\in X$  point.

**Def.** We say that  $x_n \stackrel{d}{\longrightarrow} x^*$  as  $n \to +\infty$  if

$$\underbrace{d(x_n, x^*) \to 0}_{\text{limit in real numbers}} \text{ as } n \to +\infty$$

i.e.

$$\forall \mathcal{E} > 0 \quad \exists \ \overline{n} = \overline{n}(\mathcal{E}) \in \mathbb{N} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \underbrace{d(x_n, x^*) < \mathcal{E}}_{\text{or } x_n \in B_d(x^*, \mathcal{E})} \quad \forall n > \overline{n}$$

**Prop.** The limit (it it exists) is unique in metric space.

Homework. Prove it.

<u>Hint</u>: assuming by contraddiction that exist  $x^*, y^*, x^{**}$  and then verify the triangular inequality.

**Prop.** If  $\{x_n\}_n$  converges to  $x^*$ , then any subsequence of  $\{x_n\}_n$  converges and it converges to  $x^*$ .

**Def.** A set  $A \subset X$  is **sequentially closed** if for any converging sequence  $\{x_n\}_n \subset A$  its limit  $x^*$  belongs to A.

**Prop.**  $A \subset X$  closed iff A is sequentially closed.

Homework. Prove it.

<u>Hint</u>: for  $(\Rightarrow)$  use the def. of closed, for  $(\Leftarrow)$  prove that  $A = \overline{A}$  (i.e.  $A \subset \overline{A}$  and  $\overline{A} \subset A$ ).

- $19.5\quad Closure,\,Boundedness,\,Compactness$
- 19.6 Continuous functions in metric spaces