

1. Let

$$x_n = \frac{1}{n}, \quad n \geq 1$$

By the definition of sequence convergence, prove the sequence x_n converges to 0.

Calculate the limit

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$$

$\forall \epsilon > 0$, there is a corresponding positive integer $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\frac{1}{N} < \epsilon \quad (\text{by the Archimedean Property})$$

Whenever $n \geq N$, we have that

$$|x_n - 0| = \left| \frac{1}{n} - 0 \right| = \frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{N} < \epsilon$$

Q.E.D

2. Let X and Y be sequences in \mathbb{R}^p that converge to x and y respectively. Prove that $X+Y$ converges to $x+y$.

Since the sequences X and Y are convergent. $\forall \epsilon > 0$, there are corresponding positive integers $N_1, N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ so that

$$\text{If } n > N_1 \text{ then } |X - x| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \text{ and if } n > N_2 \text{ then } |Y - y| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Thus whenever we take $n > \max\{N_1, N_2\} = N$, then

$$|(X + Y) - (x + y)| \leq |X - x| + |Y - y| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$$

Q.E.D

3. Closed set

- (a) True or False? $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : 0 \leq x \leq 1\}$ is closed in \mathbb{R} .
- (b) True or False? $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \geq 0\}$ is closed in \mathbb{R} .
- (c) True or False? $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$ is closed in \mathbb{R}^2 .
- (d) True or False? $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : 0 \leq x < 1\}$ is closed in \mathbb{R} .

Definition

A subset S of a metric space (X, d) is **closed** if it is the complement of an open set.

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A subset S of a metric space (X, d) is **open** if it contains an open ball about each of its points – i.e., if

$$\forall x \in S : \exists \epsilon > 0 : B(x, \epsilon) \subseteq S$$

By the definition above.

- (a) True.
- (b) True.
- (c) True.
- (d) False.

4. Please give an example of the sequence and closed set to demonstrate that a set S is closed if and only if for any convergent sequence of points $\{x_k\}$ contained in S with limit point \bar{x} , we also have that $\bar{x} \in S$.

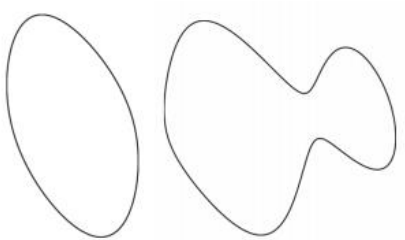
We can choose the sequence $\{x_k\} = \frac{1}{k^2}$ and the closed set $[0, \infty)$. So that the sequence converges to $0 \in [0, \infty)$. In fact, $[0, \infty)$ is closed, since every sequence of positive numbers converging to a limit would have a non-negative limit which is in $[0, \infty)$.

5. Disprove that $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = 1\}$ is convex.

Definition

A set C is **convex** if the line segment between any two points in C lies in C , i.e. $\forall x_1, x_2 \in C, \forall \theta \in [0, 1]$:

$$\theta x_1 + (1 - \theta)x_2 \in C$$



Example of a convex set (left) and a non-convex set (right).

By the definition above. Let arbitrary two point $x_1, x_2 \in \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = 1\}$, $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$.

$$|\theta x_1 + (1 - \theta)x_2| \leq \theta|x_1| + (1 - \theta)|x_2|$$

Since that $|\theta x_1 + (1 - \theta)x_2| \leq \theta|x_1| + (1 - \theta)|x_2| \leq \theta + (1 - \theta) = 1$ only hold when

$x_1, x_2 \in \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \leq 1\}$. The set $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = 1\}$ is not convex.