

Introduction to Analysis I HW3

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Problem 0.0.1. Let $(x^{(n)})_{n=m}^{\infty}$ be a sequence of points in a metric space (X, d) , and let $L \in X$. Show that if L is a limit point of the sequence $(x^{(n)})_{n=m}^{\infty}$, then L is an adherent point of the set

$$S = \{x^{(n)} : n \geq m\}.$$

Is the converse true?

Problem 0.0.2. The following construction generalizes the construction of the reals from the rationals in Chapter 5, allowing one to view any metric space as a subspace of a complete metric space. In what follows we let (X, d) be a metric space.

- (a) Given any Cauchy sequence $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ in X , we introduce the *formal limit*

$$\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n.$$

We say that two formal limits $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$ and $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n$ are equal if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n) = 0.$$

Show that this equality relation obeys the reflexive, symmetry, and transitive axioms, i.e. that it is an equivalence relation.

- (b) Let \bar{X} be the space of all formal limits of Cauchy sequences in X , modulo the above equivalence relation. Define a metric $d_{\bar{X}} : \bar{X} \times \bar{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ by

$$d_{\bar{X}}(\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n, \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n).$$

Show that this function is well-defined (the limit exists and does not depend on the choice of representatives) and that it satisfies the axioms of a metric. Thus $(\bar{X}, d_{\bar{X}})$ is a metric space.

- (c) Show that the metric space $(\bar{X}, d_{\bar{X}})$ is complete.
 (d) We identify an element $x \in X$ with the corresponding constant Cauchy sequence (x, x, x, \dots) , i.e. with the formal limit $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x$. Show that this is legitimate: for $x, y \in X$,

$$x = y \iff \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x = \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} y.$$

With this identification, show that

$$d(x, y) = d_{\bar{X}}(x, y),$$

and thus (X, d) can be thought of as a subspace of $(\bar{X}, d_{\bar{X}})$.

- (e) Show that the closure of X in \bar{X} is \bar{X} itself. (This explains the choice of notation.)
 (f) Finally, show that the formal limit agrees with the actual limit: if $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X that converges in X , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \quad \text{in } \bar{X}.$$

a. We verify the following properties:

- Reflexive: $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$ and $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$ are equal since d is metric, so $\forall n, d(x_n, x_n) = 0$.
- Symmetry: If $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$ and $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n$ are equal, this mean $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n) = 0$. And since d is metric, so $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(y_n, x_n) = 0$, hence $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n$ and $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$ are equal.
- Transitive: If $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$ and $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n$ are equal and $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n$ and $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n$ are equal, then we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(y_n, z_n) = 0$. By definition, there exists $N_1, N_2 > 0$ s.t. for all $n \geq N_1$, we have $d(x_n, y_n) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ and for all $n \geq N_2$ we have $d(y_n, z_n) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$.

Thus, for all $n \geq \max\{N_1, N_2\}$, we have

$$d(x_n, z_n) \leq d(x_n, y_n) + d(y_n, z_n) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon,$$

which means $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, z_n) = 0$, and thus $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n$. ■

b. We first show that the limit exists. Note that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ for all Cauchy sequence $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}, \{y_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ in X . We already know $(\mathbb{R}, |\cdot|)$ is complete, so we know $(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}, |\cdot|)$ is also complete as it is a closed subspace of $(\mathbb{R}, |\cdot|)$. Now we define $u_n := d(x_n, y_n)$ for all $n \geq 1$, then we want to show that $\{u_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is Cauchy in $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$, and then we can conclude that $\{u_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges in $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$, and thus $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n)$ exists.

Claim 0.0.1. Suppose (X, d) is a metric space, then for all $a, b, c, d \in X$ we have

$$|d(a, b) - d(c, d)| \leq d(a, c) + d(b, d)$$

Proof. Since

$$\begin{cases} d(a, b) \leq d(a, c) + d(c, b) \leq d(a, c) + d(c, d) + d(d, b) \\ d(c, d) \leq d(c, a) + d(a, d) \leq d(c, a) + d(a, b) + d(b, d), \end{cases}$$

so we have

$$\begin{cases} d(a, b) - d(c, d) \leq d(a, c) + d(d, b) \\ -d(c, a) - d(b, d) \leq d(a, b) - d(c, d), \end{cases}$$

so we can combine these two equations and get the result. ⊗

By Claim 0.0.1, we know for all $p, q \geq 1$, we have

$$|u_p - u_q| = |d(x_p, y_p) - d(x_q, y_q)| \leq d(x_p, x_q) + d(y_p, y_q).$$

Now since $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ and $\{y_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ are Cauchy, so for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $N_1, N_2 > 0$ s.t.

$$\begin{cases} d(x_p, x_q) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} & \forall p, q \geq N_1 \\ d(y_p, y_q) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} & \forall p, q \geq N_2. \end{cases}$$

Thus, for all $p, q \geq \max\{N_1, N_2\}$, we know

$$|u_p - u_q| \leq d(x_p, x_q) + d(y_p, y_q) \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon.$$

Hence, we know $\{u_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is Cauchy in $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}, |\cdot|$.

Now we show that $d_{\overline{X}}$ is well-defined. In other words, if $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n$, then we want to show

$$d_{\overline{X}}(\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n, \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n) = d_{\overline{X}}(\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n, \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n) \quad \forall \text{ Cauchy } \{y_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{ in } (X, d).$$

Equivalently, we want to show $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(z_n, y_n)$. Note that we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, z_n) = 0 \text{ and } d(x_n, y_n) \leq d(x_n, z_n) + d(z_n, y_n),$$

so we know

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, z_n) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(z_n, y_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(z_n, y_n).$$

Also, we have $d(z_n, y_n) \leq d(z_n, x_n) + d(x_n, y_n)$, so we know

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(z_n, y_n) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(z_n, x_n) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n),$$

and thus we can conclude that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(z_n, y_n)$.

Finally, we want to show that $(\overline{X}, d_{\overline{X}})$ is a metric space.

- \forall Cauchy $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \in X$, $d_{\overline{X}}(\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n, \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, x_n) = 0$.
- \forall Cauchy $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}, \{y_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \in X$,

$$\begin{aligned} d_{\overline{X}}(\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n, \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(y_n, x_n) \\ &= d_{\overline{X}}(\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n, \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n) \end{aligned}$$

- \forall Cauchy $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}, \{y_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}, \{z_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \in X$,

$$\begin{aligned} d_{\overline{X}}(\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n, \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, z_n) \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (d(x_n, y_n) + d(y_n, z_n)) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(y_n, z_n) \\ &= d_{\overline{X}}(\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n, \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n) + d_{\overline{X}}(\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n, \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we know $(\overline{X}, d_{\overline{X}})$ is a metric space. ■

c. We want to show that for all $\{u_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq \overline{X}$, there exists $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq X$ s.t. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n$. Since $\{u_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of formal limit of Cauchy sequences in X , so we can define $u_k = \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n^{(k)}$ for all $k \geq 1$. Now we construct $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$. Since we know for all $k \geq 1$, $\{x_n^{(k)}\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X , so for all $k \geq 1$, there exists $N_k > 0$ s.t. $n \geq N_k$ implies $d(x_n^{(k)}, x_{N_k}^{(k)}) < \frac{1}{k}$. Now we let $z_k = x_{N_k}^{(k)}$ for all $k \geq 1$.

Claim 0.0.2. $\{z_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X .

Proof. For all $\varepsilon > 0$, we know there exists $K \geq 0$ s.t. $\frac{1}{K} < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$. Also, since $\{u_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is Cauchy, so there exists $N > 0$ s.t. $i, j \geq N$ implies $d_{\overline{X}}(u_i, u_j) < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$, which can be written as $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n^{(i)}, x_n^{(j)}) < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$. To be more precise, there exists $N > 0$ and $N' > 0$ s.t. if $i, j \geq N$ and $n \geq N'$, then $d(x_n^{(i)}, x_n^{(j)}) < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$. Now for all $p, q \geq \max\{N, K\}$ and $n \geq \max\{N_p, N_q, N'\}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(z_p, z_q) &= d(x_{N_p}^{(p)}, x_{N_q}^{(q)}) \leq d(x_{N_p}^{(p)}, x_n^{(p)}) + d(x_n^{(p)}, x_n^{(q)}) + d(x_n^{(q)}, x_{N_q}^{(q)}) \\ &\leq d(x_{N_p}^{(p)}, x_n^{(p)}) + d(x_n^{(p)}, x_n^{(q)}) + d(x_n^{(q)}, x_{N_q}^{(q)}) \\ &< \frac{1}{p} + \varepsilon + \frac{1}{q} < \frac{1}{K} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{1}{K} < \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} = \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we know $\{z_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is Cauchy. ⊗

Claim 0.0.3. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n$.

Proof. Suppose $L = \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n$. For all $\varepsilon > 0$, we want to show there exists $N > 0$ s.t. $m \geq N$ implies $d_{\overline{X}}(u_m, L) < \varepsilon$, which is equivalent to $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n^{(m)}, z_n) < \varepsilon$. To be more precise, we want to show there exists $N \geq 0$ and $N' > 0$ s.t. if $m \geq N$ and $n \geq N'$, then $d(x_n^{(m)}, z_n) < \varepsilon$. Note that $d(x_n^{(m)}, z_n) \leq d(x_n^{(m)}, z_m) + d(z_m, z_n)$. Suppose $K > 0$ has $\frac{1}{K} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$, we know such K exists. Also, since $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ is Cauchy, so we know there exists $N'_1 > 0$ s.t. for all $p, q \geq N'_1$, we have $d(z_p, z_q) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$. Hence, if we pick $m \geq \max\{K, N'_1\}$ and $n \geq \max\{N_m, N'_1\}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n^{(m)}, z_n) &\leq d(x_n^{(m)}, z_m) + d(z_m, z_n) < \frac{1}{m} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{K} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

and we're done. \circledast

By [Claim 0.0.2](#) and [Claim 0.0.3](#), we know every Cauchy sequence in \overline{X} converges to a formal limit of a Cauchy sequence of X , which means it converges in \overline{X} , and thus $(\overline{X}, d_{\overline{X}})$ is complete. \blacksquare

d. We first show that $x = y \Leftrightarrow \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x = \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} y$. If $x = y$, then we know

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x, y) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x, x) = 0,$$

which means $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x = \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} y$. Now we prove the converse, if $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x = \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} y$, then we know $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x, y) = d(x, y) = 0$, so $x = y$.

Now we show that $d(x, y) = d_{\overline{X}}(x, y)$. Note that

$$d_{\overline{X}}(x, y) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x, y) = d(x, y),$$

so this is true. \blacksquare

e. Since we know $\text{cl}_{\overline{X}}(X) \subseteq \overline{X}$, we only need to show $\overline{X} \subseteq \text{cl}_{\overline{X}}(X)$. Suppose $x \in \overline{X}$, then $x = \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$ where $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ is a Cauchy sequence in X . Now we want to show that $x \in \text{cl}_{\overline{X}}(X)$, which is equivalent to show for all $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $y \in X$ s.t. $y \in B_{\overline{X}}(x, \varepsilon)$. If such y exists, then $d_{\overline{X}}(x, y) < \varepsilon$, which means $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y) < \varepsilon$. However, $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ is a Cauchy sequence, so there exists $N > 0$ s.t. $i, j \geq N$ implies $d(x_i, x_j) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$. Thus, we can pick $y = x_N$, and then we have for all $n \geq N$, $d(x_n, y) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} < \varepsilon$. Hence, we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y) < \varepsilon$, and we're done. \blacksquare

f. Since $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ can be seen as a sequence of elements in \overline{X} , and notice that $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ is still Cauchy in \overline{X} since for all $\varepsilon > 0$, we know there exists $N > 0$ s.t. $p, q \geq N$ implies $d(x_p, x_q) < \varepsilon$, so under same circumstances, we know

$$d_{\overline{X}}(x_p, x_q) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_p, x_q) < \varepsilon,$$

and we're done. Now since we have proved \overline{X} is complete in (c), so we know there exists $L \in \overline{X}$ s.t. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = L$. Also, since $L \in \overline{X}$, so $L = \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ for some Cauchy sequence $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ in X . Now we want to show $\text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \text{LIM}_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$. Hence, we want to show $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(a_n, x_n) = 0$, which is equivalent to prove $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N > 0$ s.t. $n \geq N$ implies $d(a_n, x_n) < \varepsilon$.

- Notice that since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = L \in \overline{X}$, so $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N_1 > 0$ s.t. $p \geq N_1$ implies $d_{\overline{X}}(x_p, L) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$, and thus $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_p, a_n) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$. Hence, there exists $M > 0$ s.t. if $p \geq N_1$ and $n \geq M$, then $d(x_p, a_n) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$.
- Also, since $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ is Cauchy in X , so there exists $N_2 > 0$ s.t. $p, q \geq N_2$ implies $d(x_p, x_q) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$.

Use the above two properties, we know for all $n \geq \max\{M, N_2\}$ we can choose $s \geq \max\{N_1, N_2\}$ so that

$$d(a_n, x_n) \leq d(a_n, x_s) + d(x_s, x_n) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon,$$

and we're done. \blacksquare

Problem 0.0.3. In the following, all the sets are subsets of a metric space (X, d) .

(a) If $\overline{A} \cap \overline{B} = \emptyset$, then

$$\partial(A \cup B) = \partial A \cup \partial B.$$

(b) For a finite family $\{A_i\}_{i=1}^n \subseteq X$, show that

$$\text{int}\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i\right) = \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{int}(A_i).$$

(c) For an arbitrary (possibly infinite) family $\{A_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in F} \subseteq X$, prove that

$$\text{int}\left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in F} A_\alpha\right) \subseteq \bigcap_{\alpha \in F} \text{int}(A_\alpha).$$

(d) Give an example where the inclusion in part (c) is strict (i.e., equality fails).

(e) For any family $\{A_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in F} \subseteq M$, prove that

$$\bigcup_{\alpha \in F} \text{int}(A_\alpha) \subseteq \text{int}\left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in F} A_\alpha\right).$$

(f) Give an example of a finite collection F in which equality does not hold in part (e).

a. If $x \in \partial(A \cup B)$, then for all $r > 0$, we have

$$\begin{cases} B_X(x, r) \cap (A \cup B) = (B_X(x, r) \cap A) \cup (B_X(x, r) \cap B) \neq \emptyset. \\ B_X(x, r) \cap (X \setminus (A \cup B)) = B_X(x, r) \cap (X \setminus A) \cap (X \setminus B) \neq \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

Hence, either $B_X(x, r) \cap A$ or $B_X(x, r) \cap B$ is not empty. Also, we have $B_X(x, r) \cap (X \setminus A) \neq \emptyset$ and $B_X(x, r) \cap (X \setminus B) \neq \emptyset$. Thus, $x \in \partial A \cup \partial B$, which means $\partial(A \cup B) \subseteq \partial A \cup \partial B$.

Now we show that $\partial A \cup \partial B \subseteq \partial(A \cup B)$. If $x \in \partial A \cup \partial B$, then we first give a claim:

Claim 0.0.4. If $x \in \partial A$, then $x \notin \partial B$, and vice versa.

Proof. If $x \in \partial A \cap \partial B$, then since $x \in \partial A \subseteq \overline{A}$ and $x \in \partial B \subseteq \overline{B}$, so $x \in \overline{A} \cap \overline{B} = \emptyset$, which is a contradiction. ⊗

Without loss of generality, we can suppose $x \in \partial A$ and $x \notin \partial B$, then we know

$$\begin{aligned} \forall r > 0 \text{ we have } & \begin{cases} B_X(x, r) \cap A \neq \emptyset \\ B_X(x, r) \cap (X \setminus A) \neq \emptyset \end{cases}, \\ \exists r' > 0 \text{ s.t. exactly one of } & \begin{cases} B_X(x, r') \subseteq B \\ B_X(x, r') \subseteq (X \setminus B) \end{cases} \text{ occurs.} \end{aligned}$$

However, if $B_X(x, r') \subseteq B$, then $x \in B_X(x, r') \subseteq B \subseteq \overline{B}$. However, $x \in \partial A \subseteq \overline{A}$, so $x \in \overline{A} \cap \overline{B} = \emptyset$, which is a contradiction. Thus, we know $B_X(x, r') \subseteq B$. Now since $x \in \partial A$, so $\forall r > 0$, we have $\emptyset \neq B_X(x, r) \cap A \subseteq B_X(x, r) \cap (A \cup B)$. Now we want to show $B_X(x, r) \cap (X \setminus A) \cap (X \setminus B) \neq \emptyset$.

• Case 1: $r \geq r'$, then we have $B_X(x, r) \subseteq B_X(x, r') \subseteq X \setminus B$ and thus

$$B_X(x, r) \cap (X \setminus A) \subseteq X \setminus B \Rightarrow B_X(x, r) \cap (X \setminus A) \cap (X \setminus B) \neq \emptyset$$

since $B_X(x, r) \cap (X \setminus A) \neq \emptyset$.

- Case 2: $r' < r$, then we know $B_X(x, r') \subseteq (X \setminus B)$ and $B_X(x, r') \subseteq B_X(x, r)$. Now if we can show $B_X(x, r') \cap (X \setminus A) \cap (X \setminus B) \neq \emptyset$, then since $B_X(x, r') \subseteq B_X(x, r)$, so we know

$$\emptyset \neq B_X(x, r') \cap (X \setminus A) \cap (X \setminus B) \subseteq B_X(x, r) \cap (X \setminus A) \cap (X \setminus B).$$

Now we show that $B_X(x, r') \cap (X \setminus A) \cap (X \setminus B) \neq \emptyset$. Note that since $B_X(x, r') \subseteq (X \setminus B)$, so in fact

$$B_X(x, r') \cap (X \setminus A) \cap (X \setminus B) = B_X(x, r') \cap (X \setminus A) \neq \emptyset$$

since $x \in \partial A$, and thus we're done. ■

b. If $x \in \text{Int}(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i)$, then $\exists r_1 > 0$ s.t. $B_X(x, r_1) \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i$. Hence, $B_X(x, r_1) \subseteq A_i$ for all $1 \leq i \leq n$, which means $x \in \text{Int}(A_i)$ for all $1 \leq i \leq n$, and thus $x \in \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{Int}(A_i)$. This shows $\text{Int}(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i) \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{Int}(A_i)$. This shows $\text{Int}(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i) \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{Int}(A_i)$. Now we show that $\bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{Int}(A_i) \subseteq \text{Int}(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i)$. Suppose $x \in \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{Int}(A_i)$, for each i s.t. $1 \leq i \leq n$, we know there exists $r_i > 0$ s.t. $B_X(x, r_i) \subseteq A_i$, so if we pick $r' = \min\{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n\}$, then $B_X(x, r') \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i$, and thus $x \in \text{Int}(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i)$. ■

c. If $x \in \text{Int}(\bigcap_{\alpha \in F} A_\alpha)$, then $\exists r_1 > 0$ s.t. $B_X(x, r_1) \subseteq \bigcap_{\alpha \in F} A_\alpha$. Hence, $B_X(x, r_1) \subseteq A_\alpha$ for all $\alpha \in F$, which means $x \in \text{Int}(A_\alpha)$ for all $\alpha \in F$, and thus $x \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in F} \text{Int}(A_\alpha)$. This shows $\text{Int}(\bigcap_{\alpha \in F} A_\alpha) \subseteq \bigcap_{\alpha \in F} \text{Int}(A_\alpha)$. ■

d. Suppose $\{A_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in F} = \{(1 - \frac{1}{n}, 2 + \frac{1}{n})\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, then $\bigcap_{\alpha \in F} A_\alpha = [1, 2]$, and $\text{Int}([1, 2]) = (1, 2)$. Besides, $\text{Int}(1 - \frac{1}{n}, 2 + \frac{1}{n}) = (1 - \frac{1}{n}, 2 + \frac{1}{n})$, and $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (1 - \frac{1}{n}, 2 + \frac{1}{n}) = [1, 2]$. Hence, in this case, the equality fails. ■

e. If $x \in \bigcup_{\alpha \in F} \text{Int}(A_\alpha)$, then $x \in \text{Int}(A_i)$ for some $i \in F$, and thus there exists $r_i > 0$ s.t. $B(x, r_i) \subseteq A_i$. Hence, $B(x, r_i) \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in F} A_i$, and thus $x \in \text{Int}(\bigcup_{\alpha \in F} A_i)$. ■

f. Suppose the family is $\{[1, 2], [2, 3]\}$, then

$$\text{Int}[1, 2] \cup \text{Int}[2, 3] = (1, 2) \cup (2, 3).$$

Also, $[1, 2] \cup [2, 3] = [1, 3]$, so $\text{Int}([1, 2] \cup [2, 3]) = \text{Int}[1, 3] = (1, 3)$. This is the case the equality fails. ■

Problem 0.0.4. Let (X, d) be a metric space and $Y \subset X$ be an open subset. For any subset $A \subset Y$, show that A is open in Y if and only if it is open in X .

Proof.

(\Rightarrow) Since A is open in Y , so there exists open $O \subseteq X$ s.t. $A = O \cap Y$. Since O and Y are both open sets in X , so there exists $r_1, r_2 > 0$ s.t.

$$B_X(x, r_1) \subseteq O \quad \text{and} \quad B_X(x, r_2) \subseteq Y.$$

Now let $r_3 = \min\{r_1, r_2\}$, then $B_X(x, r_3) \subseteq O \cap Y = A$, which shows A is open in X .

(\Leftarrow) Now if A is open in X , then for all $x \in X$, there exists $B_X(x, r) \subseteq A$, but $B_Y(x, r) \subseteq B_X(x, r)$, so we have $B_Y(x, r) \subseteq A$, and thus A is open in Y . ■

Problem 0.0.5. On the space $(0, 1]$, we may consider the topology induced by the metric space (\mathbb{R}, d) defined by $d(x, y) = |x - y|$. Alternatively, we may also define a distance d' on $(0, 1]$, given

by

$$d'(x, y) = \left| \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} \right|, \quad \forall x, y \in (0, 1].$$

- (a) Show that d' is a metric on $(0, 1]$
- (b) Let $x \in (0, 1]$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Let $B = B_d(x, \varepsilon) = \{y \mid |y - x| < \varepsilon\} \cap (0, 1]$ be the open ball centered at x of radius ε for the metric d in $(0, 1]$. Show that for any $y \in B$, we may find $\varepsilon' > 0$ such that

$$B_{d'}(y, \varepsilon') \subseteq B = B_d(x, \varepsilon).$$
- (c) Show that an open ball in $((0, 1], d')$ is also an open ball in $((0, 1], d)$.
- (d) Conclude that the metric spaces $((0, 1], d)$ and $((0, 1], d')$ are topologically equivalent, that is, a set A is open in one space if and only if it is also open in the other one.
- (e) Is $((0, 1], d')$ a complete metric space? How about $((0, 1], d)$?

Problem 0.0.6. (a) We say that a family of closed balls

$$(\overline{B}(x_n, r_n))_{n \geq 1}$$

is a *decreasing sequence of closed balls* if the nesting condition

$$\overline{B}(x_{n+1}, r_{n+1}) \subseteq \overline{B}(x_n, r_n) \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

is satisfied. Give an example of a decreasing sequence of closed balls in a complete metric space with empty intersection.

- (b) We say that a family of closed balls

$$(\overline{B}(x_n, r_n))_{n \geq 1}$$

is a *decreasing sequence of closed balls with radii tending to zero* if

$$r_n \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

and the nesting condition

$$\overline{B}(x_{n+1}, r_{n+1}) \subseteq \overline{B}(x_n, r_n) \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

is satisfied. Show that a metric space (M, d) is complete if and only if every decreasing sequence of closed balls with radii going to zero has a nonempty intersection.