

Let A, B, A_α denote subsets of a space X . Prove the following:

a) if $A \subset B$ then $\overline{A} \subset \overline{B}$

Since $A \subset B$ $A \subset \overline{B}$.

Let $a \in \overline{A}$ then a is in all closed sets containing A , in particular $a \in \overline{B}$.

b) $\overline{A \cup B} = \overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$

" \subset " $A \subset A \cup B \rightarrow \overline{A} \subset \overline{A \cup B}$ similarly $\overline{B} \subset \overline{A \cup B}$

thus $\overline{A \cup B} \subset \overline{A \cup B}$ as unions preserve inclusions

" \supset " $A \cup B \subset \overline{A} \cup \overline{B} \rightarrow \overline{A \cup B} \subset \overline{\overline{A} \cup \overline{B}}$

c) $\overline{\bigcup A_\alpha} \supset \bigcup \overline{A_\alpha}$

again $A_{\alpha_i} \subset \overline{\bigcup A_\alpha} \rightarrow \overline{A_{\alpha_i}} \subset \overline{\bigcup A_\alpha} \quad \forall i \in I$

$\rightarrow \bigcup \overline{A_{\alpha_i}} \subset \overline{\bigcup A_\alpha}$

let $A_n = (\frac{1}{n}, 1)$ then $\bigcup \overline{A_n} = \bigcup [\frac{1}{n}, 1] = (0, 1]$

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