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Chapter 1. TOPOLOGY IN \mathbb{R}^n

1. The Euclidean Space \mathbb{R}^n

1.1. Definition (the vector space \mathbb{R}^n) Let $n \in \mathbb{N} := \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ and let

$$\mathbb{R}^n := \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mid x_j \in \mathbb{R} \quad \forall j = \overline{1, n}\}.$$

On \mathbb{R}^n we consider

- an internal composition law

$$+ : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \quad \forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto x + y \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

- an external composition law with operators in \mathbb{R}

$$\cdot : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \quad \forall (\alpha, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \alpha \cdot x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

defined as follows: given $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

we set $x + y := (x_1 + y_1, \dots, x_n + y_n)$ $\alpha \cdot x := (\alpha x_1, \dots, \alpha x_n)$.

$(\mathbb{R}^n, +, \cdot)$ is a vector space over \mathbb{R}

- the origin $0_n = (0, \dots, 0)$
- the symmetric (inverse) element of $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ is $-\mathbf{x} = (-x_1, \dots, -x_n)$
- we write $\alpha \mathbf{x}$ instead of $\alpha \cdot \mathbf{x}$.

Elements of \mathbb{R}^n 

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3) \leftrightarrow \mathbf{x} = x_1 e_1 + x_2 e_2 + x_3 e_3 = x_1 \vec{i} + x_2 \vec{j} + x_3 \vec{k}$$

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 $P(x_1, x_2, x_3)$

1.2. Definition (the canonical basis). In \mathbb{R}^n we consider the vectors

$$\begin{aligned} e_1 &:= (1, 0, 0, \dots, 0) & \Rightarrow \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\} \text{ is an algebraic basis in} \\ e_2 &:= (0, 1, 0, \dots, 0) & \text{the vector space } \mathbb{R}^n, \text{ called the canonical} \\ \vdots & & \text{(standard) basis in } \mathbb{R}^n. \\ e_n &:= (0, 0, 0, \dots, 1) \end{aligned}$$

If $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = x_1 e_1 + \dots + x_n e_n.$

In \mathbb{R}^2 $e_1 = (1, 0) = \vec{i}$ $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2) = x_1 \vec{i} + x_2 \vec{j}$
 $e_2 = (0, 1) = \vec{j}$

In \mathbb{R}^3 $e_1 = (1, 0, 0) = \vec{i}$ $e_2 = (0, 1, 0) = \vec{j}$ $e_3 = (0, 0, 1) = \vec{k}$

1.3. Definition (the inner / dot product) Let $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

We define

$$\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} := x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_n y_n$$

↳ the inner or dot product of the vectors \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} .

Properties. 1° $\langle \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \rangle \quad \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$2° \quad \langle \alpha \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \alpha \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$3° \quad \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle \quad \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$4° \quad \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle > 0 \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \mathbf{x} \neq 0_n$$

Let X be a real vector space. A function $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be an inner product on X if it satisfies the following axioms:

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| (IP_1) $\langle x+y, z \rangle = \langle x, z \rangle + \langle y, z \rangle$
(IP_2) $\langle \alpha x, y \rangle = \alpha \langle x, y \rangle$
(IP_3) $\langle x, y \rangle = \langle y, x \rangle$
(IP_4) $\langle x, x \rangle > 0 \quad \forall x \in X, x \neq 0_X$ | $\forall x, y, z \in X \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ |
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The ordered pair $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is called inner product space

By 1° ÷ 4° $\Rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is an inner product space = the Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^n

Other examples a) $C[a, b] = \{ f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is continuous on } [a, b] \}$

↳ real vector space

$$\langle f, g \rangle := \int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx \quad \forall f, g \in C[a, b]$$

↳ an inner product on $C[a, b]$

b) $R[a,b] = \{ f: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is Riemann integrable over } [a,b] \}$

↳ real vector space

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx \quad \forall f, g \in R[a,b]$$

↳ is NOT an inner product on $R[a,b]$



$$\langle f, f \rangle \neq 0 \quad \forall f \in R[a,b], f \neq 0$$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x=b \\ 0 & x \in [a,b) \end{cases} \quad f \neq 0, \text{ but } \langle f, f \rangle = 0$$

1.4 Definition (the Euclidean norm) Let $\|\cdot\|: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow [0, \infty)$, defined by

$$\|\mathbf{x}\| := \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle} = \sqrt{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2} \quad \forall \mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

↳ the Euclidean norm (or length) of the vector \mathbf{x}

Properties of the Euclidean norm

$$1^{\circ} \quad \|\mathbf{x}\| = 0 \iff \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}_n$$

$$2^{\circ} \quad \|\alpha \mathbf{x}\| = |\alpha| \cdot \|\mathbf{x}\| \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$3^{\circ} \quad \|\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}\| \leq \|\mathbf{x}\| + \|\mathbf{y}\| \quad \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad (\text{the triangle inequality})$$

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Cauchy-Schwarz inequality : $\forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n : |\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle| \leq \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle} \cdot \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{y} \rangle} = \|\mathbf{x}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\|$

$$\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$(*) \iff |x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_n y_n| \leq \sqrt{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2} \sqrt{y_1^2 + \dots + y_n^2}$$

$$\iff (x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_n y_n)^2 \leq (x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2)(y_1^2 + \dots + y_n^2)$$

Let X be a real vector space. A function $\|\cdot\| : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is called a norm on X if it satisfies the following axioms :

$$(N_1) \quad \|\mathbf{x}\| = 0 \iff \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}_X$$

$$(N_2) \quad \|\alpha \mathbf{x}\| = |\alpha| \cdot \|\mathbf{x}\|$$

$$(N_3) \quad \|\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}\| \leq \|\mathbf{x}\| + \|\mathbf{y}\| \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in X \\ \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \end{array} \right.$$

The ordered pair $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ = a normed space

$(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|)$ is a normed space
 ↳ Euclidean norm

Other examples a) $\|f\| := \sqrt{\langle f, f \rangle} = \sqrt{\int_a^b f^2(x) dx}$ $\forall f \in C[a, b]$

\hookrightarrow is a norm on $C[a, b]$

b) $\|\cdot\|_1 : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ $\|\mathbf{x}\|_1 := |x_1| + \dots + |x_n|$ $\forall \mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

\hookrightarrow is a norm on \mathbb{R}^n , called the Minkowski norm
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c) $\|\cdot\|_\infty : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ $\|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty := \max \{|x_1|, \dots, |x_n|\}$ $\forall \mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

\hookrightarrow is a norm on \mathbb{R}^n , called the Tchebyshew norm
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If $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are non-zero vectors $\Rightarrow |\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle| \leq \|\mathbf{x}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\| \Leftrightarrow \left| \frac{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle}{\|\mathbf{x}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\|} \right| \leq 1$

$$\Leftrightarrow -1 \leq \frac{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle}{\|\mathbf{x}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\|} \leq 1$$

The angle between \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} is defined by $\cos(\hat{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle}) = \frac{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle}{\|\mathbf{x}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\|}$

1.5. Definition (the Euclidean distance) Let $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

We define $d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| = \sqrt{(x_1 - y_1)^2 + \dots + (x_n - y_n)^2}$

↳ the Euclidean distance between \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y}

$$d_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|_1 = |x_1 - y_1| + \dots + |x_n - y_n|$$

↳ the Minkowski (taxi cab) distance between \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y}

$$d_\infty(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|_\infty = \max \{ |x_1 - y_1|, \dots, |x_n - y_n| \}$$

↳ the Chebyshev distance between \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y}

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_p := \left(|x_1|^p + \dots + |x_n|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

$p \geq 1$

↳ the p -norm on \mathbb{R}^n

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2. The Topological Structure of \mathbb{R}^n

2.1. Definition (balls) Let $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and let $r > 0$. We define

$$B(a, r) := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid d(x, a) < r\} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|x - a\| < r\}$$

↳ the open ball about a with radius r

$$\bar{B}(a, r) := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid d(x, a) \leq r\} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|x - a\| \leq r\}$$

↳ closed ball about a with radius r

Example Let $\bar{B}_2^n := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid d(x, 0_n) \leq 1\} = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 \leq 1\}$

↳ closed unit ball in \mathbb{R}^n wrt the Euclidean distance

$$\bar{B}_1^n := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid d_1(x, 0_n) \leq 1\} = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid |x_1| + \dots + |x_n| \leq 1\}$$

↳ closed unit ball in \mathbb{R}^n wrt the Minkowski distance

$$\bar{B}_\infty^n := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid d_\infty(x, 0_n) \leq 1\} = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \max\{|x_1|, \dots, |x_n|\} \leq 1\}$$

↳ closed unit ball in \mathbb{R}^n wrt the Taxicab distance

n=1

$$\overline{B}_2^1 = \{x_1 \in \mathbb{R} \mid x_1^2 \leq 1\} = [-1, 1]$$

$$\overline{B}_1^1 = \{x_1 \in \mathbb{R} \mid |x_1| \leq 1\} = [-1, 1]$$

$$\overline{B}_{\infty}^1 = \{x_1 \in \mathbb{R} \mid \max|x_1| \leq 1\} = [-1, 1]$$

I $x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0$

n=2

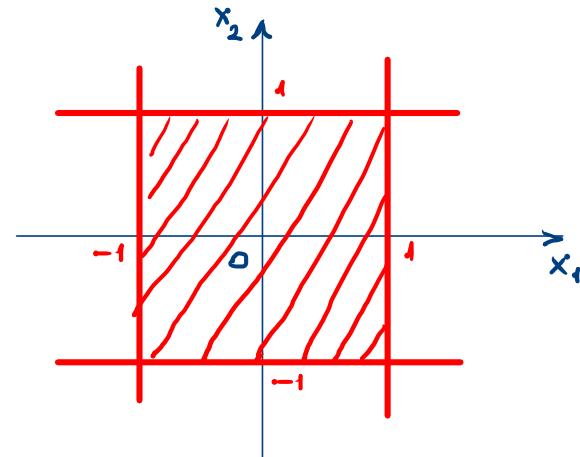
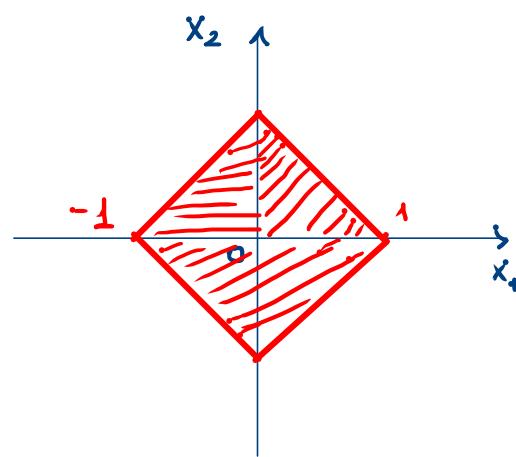
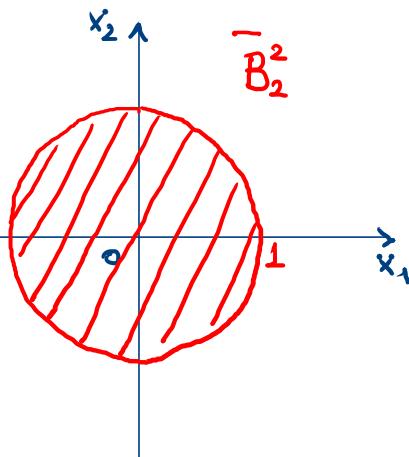
$$\overline{B}_2^2 = \{(x_1, x_2) \mid x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 1\}$$

$$\overline{B}_1^2 = \{(x_1, x_2) \mid |x_1| + |x_2| \leq 1\}$$

$$\overline{B}_{\infty}^2 = \{(x_1, x_2) \mid \max\{|x_1|, |x_2|\} \leq 1\} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} |x_1| \leq 1 \\ |x_2| \leq 1 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} -1 \leq x_1 \leq 1 \\ -1 \leq x_2 \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$x_1 + x_2 \leq 1$$

$$\frac{x_1}{1} + \frac{x_2}{1} = 1$$



2.2. Definition (neighbourhoods) Let $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$. A set $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is called a neighbourhood of a if $\exists r > 0$ s.t. $B(a, r) \subseteq V$.

$\mathcal{V}(a)$ = the family consisting of all neighbourhoods of a

2.3. Definition. Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ and let $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$. One says that a is:

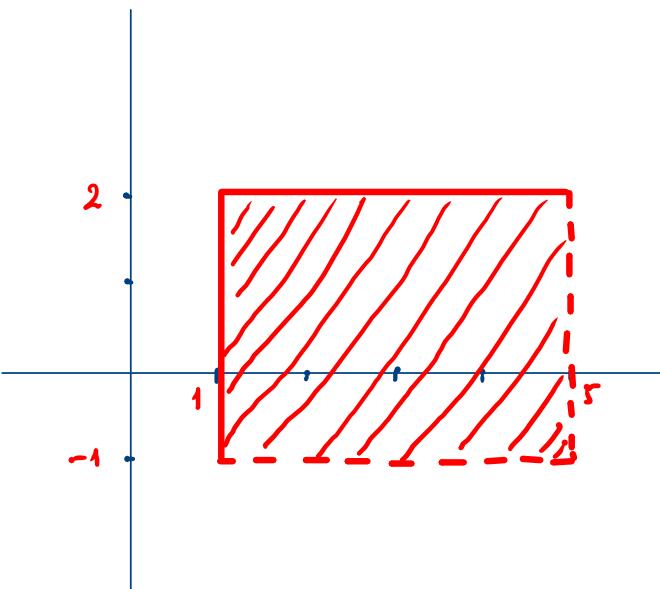
- an interior point of A if $A \in \mathcal{V}(a)$, i.e., $\exists r > 0$ s.t. $B(a, r) \subseteq A$,
- an adherent/closure point of A if $\forall V \in \mathcal{V}(a)$: $V \cap A \neq \emptyset$,
- a boundary point of A if $\forall V \in \mathcal{V}(a)$: $V \cap A \neq \emptyset$ and $V \cap (\mathbb{R}^n \setminus A) \neq \emptyset$,
- a limit/accumulation point of A if $\forall V \in \mathcal{V}(a)$: $V \cap A \setminus \{a\} \neq \emptyset$
- an isolated point of A if $\exists V \in \mathcal{V}(a)$ s.t. $V \cap A = \{a\}$.

The set consisting of all interior points of A will be denoted by $\text{int } A$ (the interior of A).

— —	adherent	— —	cl. A (the closure of A)
— —	boundary	— —	bd. A (the boundary of A)
— —	limit	— —	A'

Examples. In \mathbb{R}^2 we consider the following sets:

a) $A = [1, 5) \times (-1, 2] = \{(x, y) \mid x \in [1, 5) \text{ and } y \in (-1, 2]\}$



$$\text{int } A = (1, 5) \times (-1, 2)$$

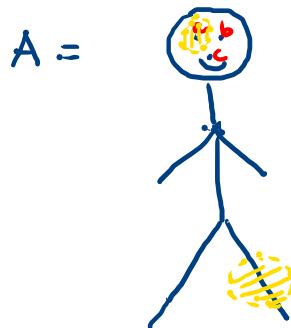
$$\text{cl } A = [1, 5] \times [-1, 2]$$

$$\text{bd } A = \{1, 5\} \times [-1, 2] \cup [1, 5] \times \{-1, 2\}$$

$$A' = [1, 5] \times [-1, 2]$$

b) $A = \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$ $\text{int } A = \emptyset$ $\text{cl } A = A' = \text{bd } A = \mathbb{R}^2$

c)



$$\text{int } A = \emptyset$$

$$\text{cl } A = A$$

$$\text{bd } A = A$$

$$A' = A \setminus \{a, b, c\}$$