

Analysis In Several Variables Homework 10

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1 Question 1

Show $\text{int}(\partial A) = \emptyset$ if A is open or A is closed

If A is open:

Every point in A is an interior point

For some $y \in \partial A$, $\exists x \in B(y)$ such that $\exists B(x) \subseteq A$ (If y is a boundary point, then every open ball contains a point x which is an interior point of A)

If $y \in \text{int}(\partial A)$, $\exists B(y)$ such that $B(y) \subseteq \partial A$

There is some open ball which contains only boundary points of A . But we have every open ball contains an interior point (which by definition is not boundary point), therefore there are no points in $\text{int}(\partial A)$ and $\text{int}(\partial A) = \emptyset$

If A is closed it is the complement of an open set $M - A$ and the $\partial A = \partial\{M - A\}$ (I think this proof is trivial! It falls out of the definition of a boundary point)

Therefore $\text{int}(\partial A) = \text{int}(\partial\{M - A\})$ and since this holds for open sets: $\text{int}(\partial\{M - A\}) = \emptyset$ so $\text{int}(\partial A) = \emptyset$

Give an example where $\text{int}(\partial A) = M$

If we consider the metric space \mathbb{R} with euclidean distance function, let our subset be \mathbb{Q}

Every point in \mathbb{R} is a boundary point of \mathbb{Q} , as every open ball in \mathbb{R} contains rational and irrational points

Therefore $\partial\mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{R}$

And since \mathbb{R} is an open set, it is equal to its interior

So $\text{int}(\partial\mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{R}$

Done!

2 Question 2

Let x_n be a sequence where $x_0 \in (0, 1)$ and $x_{n+1} = 1 - \sqrt{1 - x_n}$

Show that $\{x_n\}$ is decreasing

Proof:

Fact: $x_0 \in (0, 1)$

Show that if $x_n \in (0, 1)$, $x_{n+1} \in (0, 1)$ and $x_{n+1} \leq x_n$
 If $a \in (0, 1) : 0 < a < \sqrt{a} < 1$
 Also $1 - a \in (0, 1)$ (was told in class we could use these facts)
 Therefore $0 < 1 - a < \sqrt{1 - a} < 1$
 $-1 < -a < -1 - \sqrt{1 - a} < 0$
 $1 > a > 1 + \sqrt{1 - a} > 0$
 Also $\sqrt{1 - a}$ is between 0 and 1 therefore: $1 > a > 1 - \sqrt{1 - a} > 0$
 Apply: $x_n > x_{n+1}$
 Done!

3 Question 3

If $x_n \rightarrow x$ and $y_n \rightarrow y$
 For some ϵ let $d(x_n, x) < \epsilon/2$ and $d(y_n, y) < \epsilon/2$
 $d(x_n, x) + d(y_n, y) < \epsilon$

By the triangle inequality we have:
 $d(x, y) < d(x_n, x) + d(y_n, y) + d(x_n, y_n)$
 $d(x, y) < d(x_n, y_n) + \epsilon$
 $d(x, y) - d(x_n, y_n) < \epsilon$
 Therefore $d(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow d(x, y)$

4 Question 4

Prove that in a compact metric space: every sequence has a subsequence which converges in S
 Since S is compact, it is closed and bounded (in any metric space)
 If the range of S_n is finite, it is convergent. This was proved in class
 Assume S_n is not finite
 Therefore the range of S_n contains infinite points in S
 By the bolzano-weirstrauss theorem, $\text{Range}(S_n)$ has an accumulation point.
 Call this point p

Therefore every open ball centered at p contains a point in S_n
 We now have $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ such that $d(S_n, p) < \epsilon$
 Let a subsequence consist of these S_n 's, and we now have a subsequence which converges to p !
 Finally we know p is in S because S is closed, and if p were not an element of S it would clearly be a boundary point, and S contains all of its boundary points
 Done!

5 Question 5

If a sequence S_n is increasing and bounded above, then it converges to its supremum

Since S_n is a bounded sequence, it has a supremum a

By the approximation property, $\forall r < \sup(A), \exists x \in S_n$ such that $r < x \leq a$

Since S_n is non decreasing, we know that $\forall n > m \in \mathbb{Z}^+, s_n > s_m$

Therefore if x (in the approximation property) is S_m , all previous terms in the sequence are strictly less and all consequent terms are either equal or greater

Fix $\epsilon > 0$

By the approximation property, there is some S_m between ϵ and a and all S_{m+i} where $i \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ are between the supremum and S_m (their distance is less than epsilon)

Therefore $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $\forall n > N, d(S_n, a) < \epsilon$ and $S_n \rightarrow a$

Exact same proof for the infimum of a bounded decreasing sequence

If a_n and b_n both converge to 0, then $a_n + b_n$ converges to 0

We showed earlier that $d(a_n, b_n) \rightarrow d(a, b)$

$d(a_n, b_n) \leq d(a_n, 0) + d(b_n, 0)$

$a_n + b_n < d(a_n, b_n)$ (I think this is obviously true?)

Therefore $a_n + b_n < d(a_n, 0) + d(b_n, 0)$

And since $\forall \epsilon, \exists N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ s.t. $\forall n > N, d(a_n, 0) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ and same for b_n

, we have $d(a_n) + d(b_n) < \epsilon$

Therefore $a_n + b_n < \epsilon$

Which is the same as saying they that $d(a_n + b_n, 0) < \epsilon$

Therefore $a_n + b_n \rightarrow 0$

6 Question 6

This is a sequence in \mathbb{R}

We know that all Cauchy sequences in \mathbb{R} converge, therefore if S_n is not Cauchy, it does not converge

To be Cauchy:

$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ s.t. $\forall m, n > N, d(S_m, S_n) < \epsilon$

Let $\epsilon = \frac{1}{2}$

If N is even, let $n = N$ and $m = N + 1$

$d(S_n, S_m) = 1$

$1 > \epsilon$ Therefore S_n is not Cauchy and not convergent

Note: Exact same idea holds if N is odd, because (S_n, S_m) is still 1