

# Week 10 Assignment

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1. *Proof.* Given an open covering  $\mathcal{G}$  of  $E = \{x_0\} \cup \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n$ , we want to find a finite subcover.

First,  $x_0$  must belong to some open cover  $G \in \mathcal{G}$ . Then since  $G$  is open, there exists  $r > 0$  such that  $B[x_0, r] \subseteq G$ . I claim that  $G$  contains infinitely many  $K_n$ , that is, there is a  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for all  $n > N$ ,  $G \supseteq \bigcup_{n=N}^{\infty} K_n$ .

To prove the claim, we use the  $r$  as given above (such that  $B[x_0, r] \subseteq G$ ). We have  $N_1, N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\forall x \in K_n, n \geq N_1, \rho(x, x_0) < r/2$$

due to the convergence of  $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ . Also,

$$\forall x \in K_n, n \geq N_2, K_n < r/2$$

due to the convergence of the diameters. Set  $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x \in K_n, n \geq N, \rho(x, x_0) &\leq \rho(x, x_n) + \rho(x_n, x_0) \\ &< K_n + r/2 \\ &< r/2 + r/2 \\ &< r \\ \therefore x &\in B[x_0, r] \end{aligned}$$

which implies  $K_n, K_{n+1}, \dots \subseteq B[x_0, r] \subseteq G \implies \{x_0\} \cup \bigcup_{n=N}^{\infty} K_n \subseteq G$  as desired.

Now, we only have finitely many compact sets  $K_1, \dots, K_{N-1}$  left. Clearly  $\mathcal{G}$  must also be an open covering for each of them, which compactness gives us finite subcovers for each  $K_1, \dots, K_{N-1}$ . The union of

all these subcovers with  $G$  as found above is an open covering for  $E$ , and furthermore is a finite union of finite sets, which must be a finite set too. Then we have found our finite subcover given an arbitrary open covering  $\mathcal{G}$ , and thus  $E$  satisfies the Heine-Borel property and is compact.  $\square$

2. *Proof.*  $\bigcup_{x \in M} B[x, r_x]$  must be an open covering of  $M$  (trivially because it definitely contains all the points in  $M$ ) where  $r_x$  is such that  $f(B[x, r_x])$  is a finite set.

Since  $M$  is compact, we use the Heine-Borel property: given the open covering  $\bigcup_{x \in M} B[x, r_x]$ , there must be a finite subcover, i.e.  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} M &\subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n B[x_i, r_{x_i}] \\ \therefore f(M) &\subseteq f\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n B[x_i, r_{x_i}]\right) \\ &= \bigcup_{i=1}^n f(B[x_i, r_{x_i}]) \end{aligned}$$

which  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n f(B[x_i, r_{x_i}])$  is a finite union of finite sets, and therefore its subset,  $f(M)$  must also be finite.  $\square$

3. *Proof.* Since our domain is a closed set, which means for every  $x \in \overline{E}$ , there is a sequence that converges to  $x$ . I claim that  $\tilde{f} : \overline{E} \rightarrow \overline{F}$  such that  $\tilde{f}(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n)$ , where  $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a sequence in  $M$  converging to  $x$ , is the function we desired. But we need to check a few things, namely that 1.  $\tilde{f}$  is well-defined, 2.  $\tilde{f}(x) = f(x)$  given  $x \in E$ , and lastly, 3.  $\tilde{f}$  is continuous.

(a) Proof:  $\tilde{f}$  is well-defined.

Choose two sequences in  $M$  that converges to  $x$ ,  $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $(y_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ . We want to show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = \tilde{f}(x)$$

Consider the sequence  $(x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2, \dots)$ . We claim that since the two sequences forming it are convergent hence Cauchy, the new sequence is also Cauchy. If so, then the sequence  $(f(x_1), f(y_1), f(x_2), f(y_2), \dots)$  is also Cauchy since  $f$  preserves Cauchy sequences. Since  $N$  is complete, then  $(f(x_1), f(y_1), f(x_2), f(y_2), \dots)$  converges to some value in  $N$ . Then its subsequences,  $(f(x_n))_{n=1}^\infty$  and  $(f(y_n))_{n=1}^\infty$  must both converge to the same value, which is  $\tilde{f}(x)$  by definition, which gives us  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = \tilde{f}(x)$  as desired. This shows that  $\tilde{f}$  is well-defined.

Now we will fill in the proof for the claim that  $(x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2, \dots)$  is Cauchy. Since  $(x_n)_{n=1}^\infty$  and  $(y_n)_{n=1}^\infty$  are both convergent, then given any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N_1, N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\forall n > N_1, \rho(x_n, x) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

and

$$\forall n > N_2, \rho(y_n, x) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Therefore, letting  $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$ , given any  $\epsilon > 0$ , given  $p, q > N$ , we note that

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(x_p, y_q) &\leq \rho(x_p, x) + \rho(x, y_q) < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \\ \rho(x_p, x_q) &\leq \rho(x_p, x) + \rho(x, x_q) < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \\ \rho(y_p, y_q) &\leq \rho(y_p, x) + \rho(x, y_q) < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \end{aligned}$$

which shows that any two terms from  $x_N$  onwards is at most  $\epsilon$  apart with each other, hence  $x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2, \dots$  is Cauchy.

(b) Proof:  $\tilde{f}(x) = f(x)$  for all  $x \in E$

Using well-definedness we shown above, it is sufficient to examine any sequence in  $\overline{E}$  that converges to  $x$ . Namely, the sequence  $(x, x, \dots)$  is such a convergent sequence, and thus,

$$\forall x \in E, \tilde{f}(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = f(x)$$

(c) Proof:  $\tilde{f}$  is continuous.

We prove this by contradiction. Suppose  $\tilde{f}$  is not continuous at  $a \in \overline{E}$ . Then  $\exists \epsilon > 0$  such that  $\forall \delta > 0, \rho(x, a) < \delta \implies \tau(\tilde{f}(x), \tilde{f}(a)) \geq \epsilon$ .

For that given  $\epsilon$ , we choose the sequence  $(x_n)_{n=1}^\infty$  from  $E$  such that

$$\rho(x_k, a) < \frac{1}{k}$$

. We claim that  $(x_n)_{n=1}^\infty$  converges to  $a$ . To show that, let  $\epsilon' > 0$  be given. Then we can choose  $N$  such that  $\frac{1}{N} < \epsilon'$ , thus for any  $n \geq N$ ,

$$\rho(x_n, a) < \frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{N} < \epsilon'$$

, which shows that  $(x_n)_{n=1}^\infty$  converges to  $a$ .

Therefore  $(x_n)_{n=1}^\infty$  is also Cauchy. The image of this sequence under  $f$ ,  $(f(x_n))_{n=1}^\infty$  is Cauchy since  $f$  preserves Cauchy sequences. Then under completeness of  $\langle N, \tau \rangle$ ,  $(f(x_n))_{n=1}^\infty$  converges to  $\tilde{f}(a)$ . However, by definition of convergence of sequences, this implies that for any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\forall n > N$ ,

$$\tau(f(x_n), \tilde{f}(a)) = \tau(\tilde{f}(x_n), \tilde{f}(a)) < \epsilon$$

, a contradiction. Therefore  $\tilde{f}$  is continuous.

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