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Recall: metric space

(X, d)

set

distance function

- $d(x, y) \geq 0$ and $d(x, y) = 0$ iff $x = y$.
- $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$
- $d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$.

Examples \mathbb{R} , \mathbb{R}^k with $d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^k (y_i - x_i)^2}$

ordered k -tuples

- See HW 3 for an example of another metric on \mathbb{R}^k . (#6)

- Discrete metric space.

X any set

$$d(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \neq y \\ 0 & x = y \end{cases}$$

discrete metric

- Property 1 ✓
- Property 2 ✓
- $d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$?

Two cases:

- $x = z$. LHS = 0 ✓
- $x \neq z$. LHS = 1.

On RHS, $y \neq x$ or $y \neq z$, so $d(x, y) = 1$ or $d(y, z) = 1$ (or both).

Note: Discrete metric spaces give lots of nice examples/counterexamples to various assertions.

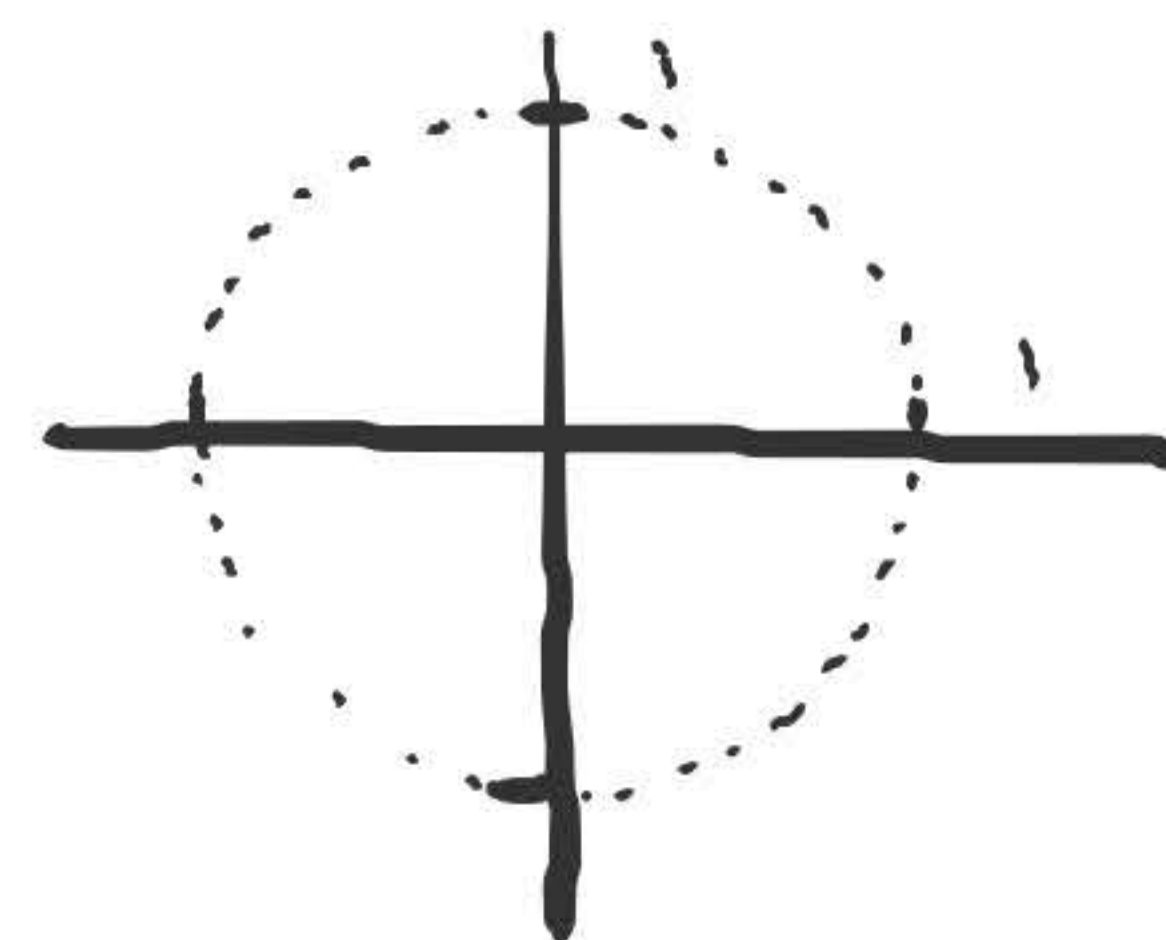
Let (X, d) be a metric space.

Def: For $x \in X$ and $r > 0$,
the open ball of radius r centered at x
is the set

$$B_r(x) = \{ y \in X : d(y, x) < r \}.$$

Examples

- In \mathbb{R} , $B_1(2) = (1, 3)$. ↙ open interval from 1 to 3.
- In \mathbb{R}^2 , $B_1((0,0))$ is the open unit disk.
- In $X \neq \emptyset$ with discrete metric,
 - $B_{1/2}(x) = \{x\}$
 - $B_2(x) = X$.



Def: For $E \subseteq X$, $x \in E$ is an interior point of E if
there exists $r > 0$ such that $B_r(x) \subseteq E$.

Lesson: dependence on X .

Examples: In \mathbb{R} , $E = (0, 1)$. $1/2$ is an interior point of E since $B_{1/4}(1/2) = (1/4, 3/4) \subseteq E$.

In \mathbb{R} , 0 is not an interior point of $[0, 1]$. For any $r > 0$, $B_r(0) = (-r, r) \not\subseteq E$. $1/100$ works too since $B_{1/100}(1/100) = (0, 2/100) \subseteq E$.

In the metric space $[0, 1]$ with usual distance function, 0 is an interior point of $[0, 1]$.

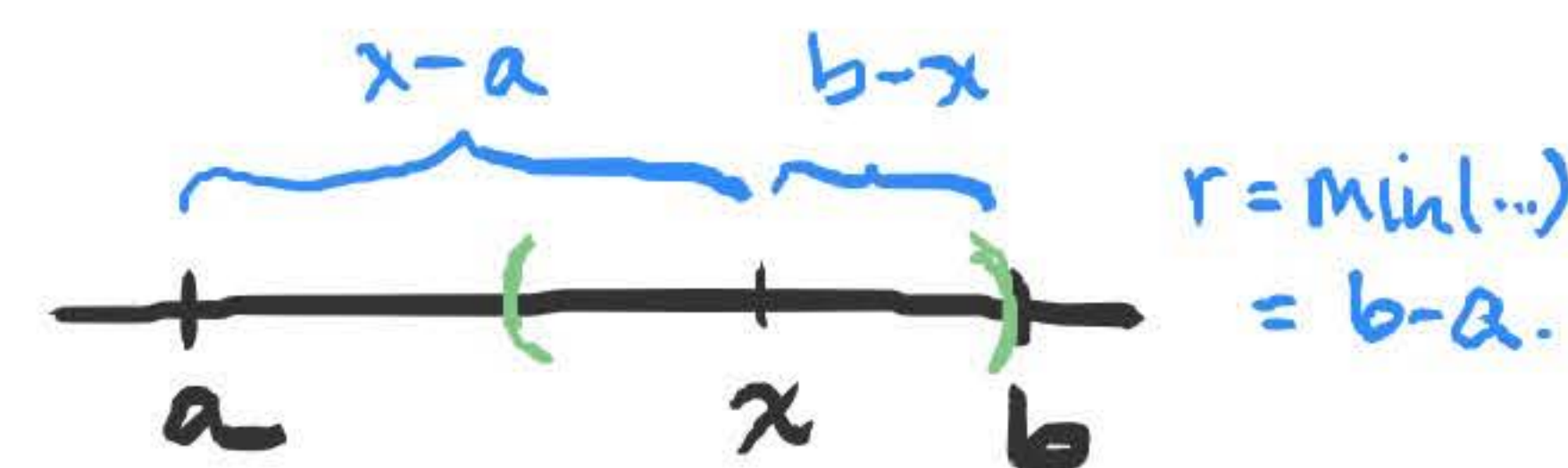
Def: A set $E \subseteq X$ is open if every point $x \in E$ is an interior point of E . ← if $x \in E$, then x is an interior point of E .

Examples

- In \mathbb{R} , (a, b) , (a, ∞) , $(-\infty, a)$ are open sets.

| A | B | $A \Rightarrow B$ |
|---|---|-------------------|
| T | T | T |
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| F | F | T |

Proof: Let $x \in (a, b)$. Let $r = \min(x - a, b - x) > 0$.
 $B_r(x) \subseteq (a, b)$.



- In \mathbb{R} , $[a, b]$, $[a, b)$, $(a, b]$ are not open.

a is not an interior point
b is not an interior point

- In \mathbb{R} , \mathbb{Q} is not open. $q \in \mathbb{Q}$: For any $r > 0$, $B_r(q) \not\subseteq \mathbb{Q}$.

- In any metric space, X and \emptyset are open.

by definition,

$$B_r(x) = \{y \in X : d(y, x) < r\} \subseteq X.$$

"vacuously true" that \emptyset is open.

contains lots of irrational numbers.

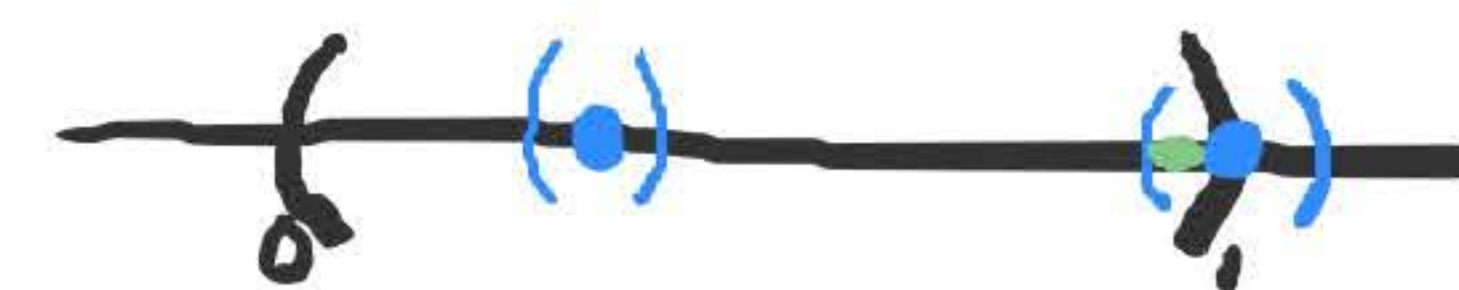
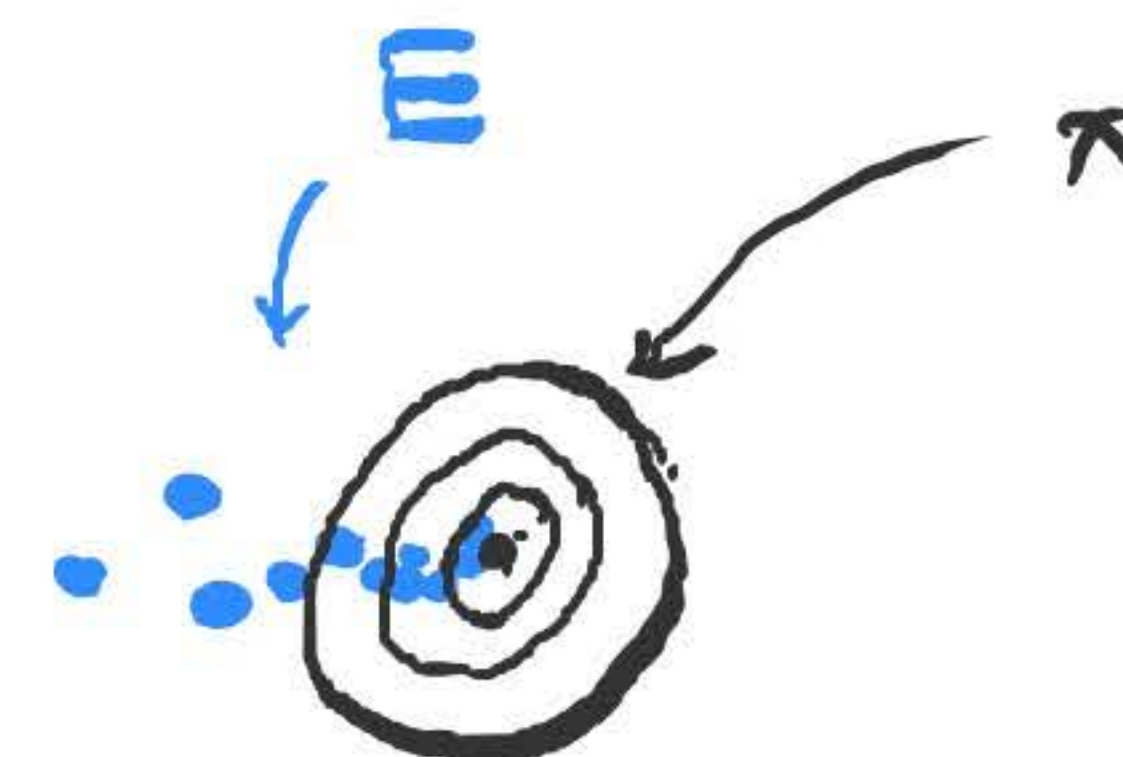
Def: For a set $E \subseteq X$, the complement of E is the set $E^c = X \setminus E = \{x \in X : x \notin E\}$.

"set-minus"

Def: For a set $E \subseteq X$, a point $x \in X$ is a limit point of E if for any $r > 0$, we have that $(B_r(x) \setminus \{x\}) \cap E \neq \emptyset$,

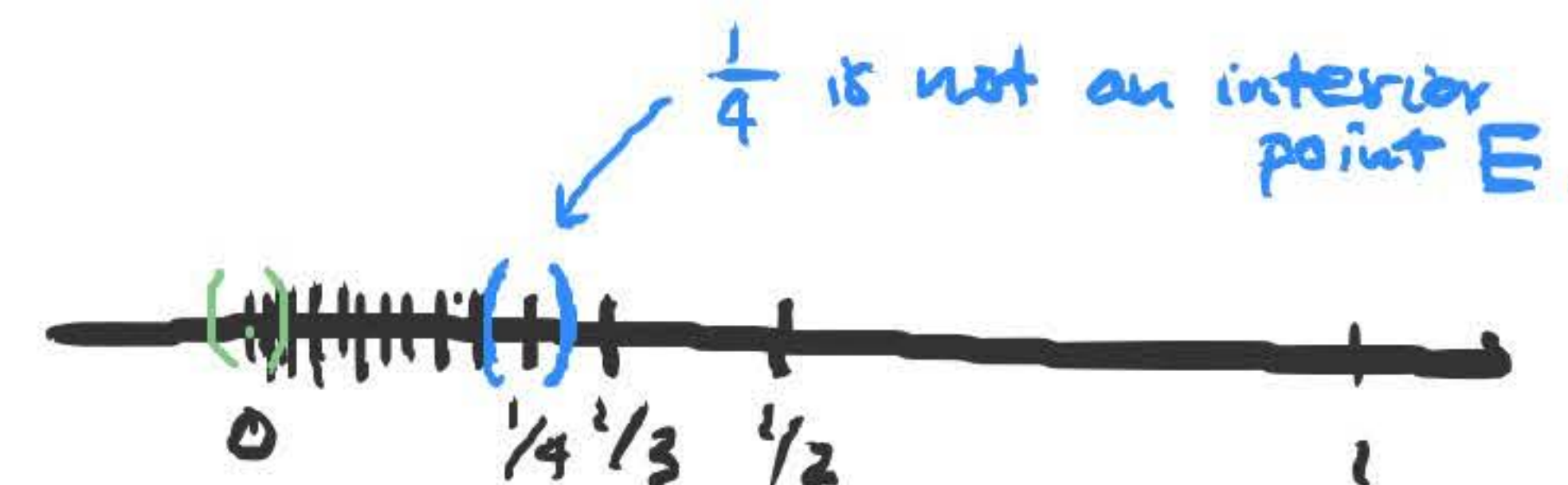
elements in $B_r(x)$
excluding x .

i.e. for any radius r , no matter how small, there is some element of E which sits in $B_r(x)$, other than x itself.



Examples:

- In \mathbb{R} , the set of limit points of $(0,1)$ is $[0,1]$.
- In \mathbb{R} , the only limit point of $\{\frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is 0.
- In \mathbb{R} , the set of limit points of \mathbb{Q} is \mathbb{R} . (by denseness of \mathbb{Q} in \mathbb{R}).



$$\underbrace{B_r(0)}_{(-r,r)} \cap E \neq \emptyset.$$

By A.P., there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$\frac{1}{N} < r \Rightarrow \frac{1}{N} \in B_r(0)$$

Def: For a set $E \subseteq X$, $x \in E$ is called an isolated point if x is not a limit point of E .

Examples: In \mathbb{R} , every integer is an isolated point of \mathbb{Z} .

In \mathbb{R} , the set \mathbb{Q} has no isolated points.

In \mathbb{R} , every element of $\{\frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is an isolated point.

Notation: $E' :=$ set of all limit points of E . Also: $E^\circ :=$ set of all interior points of E .

Def: A set $E \subseteq X$ is closed if $E' \subseteq E$, i.e.

E contains all of its limit points.

Examples: $[a, \infty)$, $(-\infty, a]$ are closed.

• In \mathbb{R} , $[0, 1]$ is closed.

• In \mathbb{R} , the set $\{\frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is not closed. But $\{\frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \cup \{0\}$ is closed.

• In any metric space, X and \emptyset are closed.

Definition: A set $E \subseteq X$ is bounded if for some $x \in X$ are $M > 0$ such that $d(x, y) \leq M$ for all $y \in E$.

• In \mathbb{R} , E is bounded if there exists M s.t. $\overbrace{|x|}^{d(x, 0)} \leq M$ for all $x \in E$.

Def: The closure of E in X is $\bar{E} = E \cup E'$.

Def: A set $E \subseteq X$ is dense in X if $\bar{E} = X$.

• \mathbb{Q} is dense in \mathbb{R} (as is $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$).

• In any metric space (X, d) , X is dense in X .