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Last time: A set  $E$  is open iff its complement is closed.

Corollary: A set  $F$  is closed iff its complement is open.

Theorem:

- a) Union of open sets is open
- b) Intersection of closed sets is closed
- c) Intersection of finitely many open sets is open
- d) Union of finitely many closed sets is closed.

Proof:

a)  $G = \bigcup G_\alpha$  If  $x \in G$ ,  $x \in G_\alpha$  for some  $\alpha$ ,  
so a nbhd of  $x$  is contained in  $G_\alpha$ ,  
hence in  $\bigcup G_\alpha$

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b)  $\{F_\alpha\}$  closed

$$(\bigcap F_\alpha)^c = \bigcup_\alpha (F_\alpha^c) \text{ open by a)}$$

open

$\bigcap_\alpha F_\alpha$  is closed!

c) Let  $H = \bigcap_{i=1}^n G_i$  finiteness is essential!

Let  $x \in H \hookrightarrow x \in G_i \forall i$

$\exists$  nhood  $N_p(x)$  contained in  $G_i$

(if  $r = \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} r_i$ . Then  $N_p(x)$  is contained

in every  $G_i$ , hence

contained in  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n G_i$

d) Follows from c) once again by taking

$$(\bigcup_{i=1}^n F_i)^c = \bigcap_{i=1}^n F_i^c$$

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Definition:  $X$  metric space,  $E \subseteq X$ ,  $\bar{E}$  = set of limit points of  $E$  in  $X$

$$\bar{E} = E \cup E'$$

closure  
of  $E$  in  $X$

Theorem:  $X$  metric space,  $E \subseteq X$ , then

a)  $\bar{E}$  is closed

b)  $E = \bar{E}$  iff  $E$  is closed.

c)  $\bar{E} \subseteq F$  for every closed set  $F \subseteq X \ni E \subseteq F$ .

Proof: a) If  $p \in X$  and  $p \notin \bar{E}$ , then  $p$  is neither a point of  $E$  nor a limit point of  $E$ . Hence  $p$  has a neighborhood that does not intersect  $E$ .  $\hookrightarrow \bar{E}^c$  is open  $\hookleftarrow$  So  $\bar{E}$  is closed.

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b) If  $E = \bar{E}$ ,  $E$  is closed by a)

If  $E$  is closed,  $E' \subseteq E$ , so  $E = \bar{E}$  ✓

c) If  $F$  is closed and  $F \supseteq E$ , then

$F \supseteq F'$ , hence  $F \supseteq E' \supset F \supseteq \bar{E}$ .

Theorem Let  $E \neq \emptyset$ ,  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  bounded above.

Let  $y = \sup(E)$ . Then  $y \in \bar{E}$ . Hence  $y \in E$ , if  $E$  is closed.

Proof: If  $y \in E$ ,  $y \in \bar{E}$ . Assume that

$y \notin E$ . For every  $\epsilon > 0$  there is a point  $x \in E$  s.t.  $y - \epsilon < x < y$ , else  $y - \epsilon$  would be an upper bound of  $E$ .

Thus  $y$  is a limit point of  $E$  and we are done!

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Compact sets: We say that  $\{G_\alpha\}$  is an open cover of  $E$  if each  $G_\alpha$  is open and

$$E \subset \bigcup G_\alpha$$

We say that  $E$  is compact if every cover of  $E$  contains a finite subcover.

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{n} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{ example}$$

Finite subcover is any collection

$$G_{\alpha_1} \cup G_{\alpha_2} \cup \dots \cup G_{\alpha_n}, \quad G_\alpha \subset \{G_\alpha\}$$

Theorem:  $K \subset Y \subset X$ . Then  $K$  is compact in  $X$  iff  $K$  is compact in  $Y$ .

Proof: If  $K$  is compact in  $X$ , and cover  $\{G_\alpha\}$  of  $K$  has a finite subcover.

Now consider a collection  $\{V_\alpha\}$  of open sets in  $Y$  that cover  $K$ .

Suppose for a moment that we can find  $G_\alpha$  open in  $X$  +  $V_\alpha = Y \cap G_\alpha$ .

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Then, using compactness of  $K$  in  $X$ ,

$K \subset G_{\alpha_1} \cup G_{\alpha_2} \cup \dots \cup G_{\alpha_n}$  for some

finite collection of  
 $G_{\alpha_i}$ 's

Since  $K \subset Y$ , it is still true that

$K \subset G_{\alpha_1} \cap Y \cup \dots \cup G_{\alpha_n} \cap Y$

$\vdots$   
 $V_1 \dots V_{\alpha_1}$

and we have compactness on  $Y$ .

Conversely, suppose that  $K$  is compact in

$Y$ . Let  $\{G_{\alpha}\}$  cover  $K$   
(open in  $X$ )

Let  $V_x = Y \cap G_x$ . Then

$K \subset V_{\alpha_1} \cup V_{\alpha_2} \cup \dots \cup V_{\alpha_n} \sim$  finite subcollection

& since  $V_x \subset G_x$ , we see that

$K \subset G_{\alpha_1} \cup \dots \cup G_{\alpha_n}$  & we are done!

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We still need to prove that if  $y \in X$ ,

metric  
space

then  $E \cap Y$  is open in  $Y$ , iff

$E = Y \cap G$  for some open  $G$  in  $X$

Proof:

Suppose that  $E$  is open relative to  $Y$ . Then for each  $p \in E$   $\exists r_p > 0$ .  $\ni$

$$d(p, g) < r_p, g \in Y \implies g \in E.$$

$$\text{Let } V_p = \{g \in X : d(p, g) < r_p\}$$

$$\text{Let } G = \bigcup_{p \in E} V_p \sim \text{open by above!}$$

By construction,  $E \subset G \cap Y$ .

By our choice of  $V_p$ ,  $V_p \cap Y \subset E \forall p \in E$ ,

so  $G \cap Y \subset E$ , i.e.  $E = G \cap Y$  & one direction is done.

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Conversely, if  $G$  is open in  $X$  and  $E = G \cap Y$ ,

every  $p \in E$  has a neighborhood  $V_p \subset G$ .

Then  $V_p \cap Y \subseteq E$ , so  $E$  is open in  $Y$ .

Theorem: Compact subsets of metric spaces are closed.

Proof: Let  $K$  be compact in  $X$ . We shall prove that  $K^c$  is open.

Let  $p \in X, p \notin K$ . If  $g \in K$ , let  $V_g$  &  $W_g$  be neighborhoods of  $p \in g$  of radius  $< \frac{1}{2}d(p, g)$

Since  $K$  is compact,

$$K \subset W_{g_1} \cup W_{g_2} \cup \dots \cup W_{g_n} = W.$$

If  $V = V_{g_1} \cap \dots \cap V_{g_s}$ , then  $V$  is a neighborhood of  $p$  which does not intersect  $W$ .

Hence  $V \subset K^c$ , so  $p$  is an interior point of  $K^c$

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Theorem: Closed subsets of compact sets are compact.

Proof: Suppose  $F \subset K \subset X$ ,  $F$  closed in  $X$  and  $K$  is compact.

Let  $\{V_\alpha\}$  be an open cover of  $F$

We need a finite subcover

Note that  $\{V_\alpha\} \cup F^c$  covers  $K$ ,

so a finite subcollection covers  $F$  and we are done.

Corollary: If  $F$  is closed and  $K$  is compact,

then  $F \cap K$  is compact.

Proof: By above,  $F \cap K$  is closed, and

since  $F \cap K \subset K$ , previous theorem

compact  $\hookrightarrow F \cap K$  is, compact.

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Theorem: If  $\{K_\alpha\}$  is a collection of compact subsets of a metric space  $X$  & the intersection of every finite subcollection of  $\{K_\alpha\}$  is non-empty, then  $\bigcap K_\alpha$  is non-empty.

Proof: Fix  $K_1$  in  $\{K_\alpha\}$  & define  $G_1 = K_1^c$ .

Assume that no point of  $K_1$  belongs to every  $K_\alpha$ . Then  $\{G_\alpha\}$  form an open cover of  $K_1$ , and since  $K_1$  is compact,

$$K_1 \subset G_{\alpha_1} \cup G_{\alpha_2} \cup \dots \cup G_{\alpha_n} \quad n \text{ finite}$$

$\rightarrow K_1 \cap K_{\alpha_1} \cap \dots \cap K_{\alpha_n}$  is empty  
 $\rightarrow$  contradiction!