
Math 104 Lecture Notes on Metric Space

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1 METRIC SPACE

Metric Space: 1) Metric, 2) Open, closed set, 3) Convergence of Sequence

Def Condition of Metric: Assume that there exists a set X . A metric d on X is a function $d(x, y) : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that for any $x, y, z \in X$

1. **Positivity:** $d(x, y) \geq 0$ and $d(x, y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = y$.
2. **Symmetry:** $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$
3. **Triangle Inequality:** $d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$

Def (X, d) is a **metric space**.

1.0.1 EXAMPLES OF METRIC SPACE

1. $(\mathbb{R}, d(x, y) = |x - y|)$
2. $(X, d_{trivial})$ where $d_{trivial} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = y \\ 1 & \text{if } x \neq y \end{cases}$
3. $X = C([0, 1]) \forall f, g \in X$ (elements in X are functions),
 $d_{\infty}(f, g) = \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |f(x) - g(x)|$ (L_{∞} - distance between functions)

Using the example 3, we will show that d_{∞} is a metric system on X .

- Condition 1: Since $|f(x) - g(x)| \geq 0 \Rightarrow \sup |f - g| \geq 0 \Rightarrow d(f, g) \geq 0$. $d(f, g) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |f - g| = 0 \Leftrightarrow |f - g| = 0 \Leftrightarrow f = g$
- Condition 2: $|f - g| = |g - f|$

- Condition 3: $\forall f, g, h, d(f, g) \leq d(f, h) + d(g, h). \forall |f(x) - g(x)| \leq |f(x) - h(x)| + |h(x) - g(x)| \leq d(f, h) + d(h, g)$

Since sup is the smallest upper bound, $d(f, g) \leq d(f, h) + d(h, g)$.

L_p **distance:** $d_p(f, g) = (\int_0^1 |f - g|^p dx)^{\frac{1}{p}}$

2 OPEN BALL

Def (Open Ball) Let (X, d) be a metric space. The open ball $B_r(x)$ with radius r and centered at x is defined as $B_r(x) = \{z | d(z, x) < r\}$.

Def Let (X, d) be a metric space. Then, a subset $U \subseteq X$ is open if $\forall x \in U, \exists r > 0$ such that $B_r(x) \subset U$.

V is a closed set if V^c is open.

Theorem

1. Empty set and X are both open and closed sets.
2. An arbitrary union of open set is open.
3. A finite intersection of open set is open.
(infinite intersection is not ex: $(-1 - \frac{1}{n}, 1)$)

Proofs

1. Check definition
2. $G = \cup_i U_i. \forall x \in G, \exists U_i \text{ s.t. } x \in U_i \Rightarrow$ Since U_i is open, $\exists r > 0$ such that $B_r(x) \subseteq U_i$
 $G, B_r(x) \subseteq U_i$
3. $G = \cap_{i=1}^n U_i \forall x \in G \Rightarrow \forall 1 \leq i \leq n, x \in U_i \Rightarrow \exists r_i > 0 \text{ s.t. } B_{r_i}(x) \subseteq U_i \Rightarrow r = \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} r_i > 0 \Rightarrow B_r(x) \subseteq B_{r_i}(x) \subseteq U_i, \forall i \Rightarrow \cap_{i=1}^n U_i = G$

It should be finite intersections because r can become 0 if the min gets really small. IF there are infinitely many minimums, then we need to replace $r = \min r_i$ by $r = \inf r_i$. This is why the intersections should be finite.

Def Let (X, d) be a metric space, $A \subseteq X$.

1. A point $x \in A$ is an **interior point** if $\exists r > 0$ s.t. $B_r(x) \subseteq A$
2. A point $x \in A$ is an **isolated point** if $\exists r > 0$ s.t. $B_r(x) \cap A = \{x\}$
3. A point $x \in X$ is called a **boundary point** of A if $\forall r > 0, B_r(x) \cap A \neq \emptyset, B_r(x) \cap A^c \neq \emptyset$
4. A point x is an accumulation point of A if for $r > 0, \exists y \in A \cap B_r(x)$ and $y \neq x$

Def Let (X, d) be a metric space, $A \subseteq X$.

1. A° : set of **interior points** of A
2. ∂A : set of boundary points of A
3. $\bar{A} = \partial A \cup A$: **closure of A**

Proposition

1. A° is the largest open set contained in A. Also, $A^\circ = \bigcup U \subseteq A$
2. \bar{A} is the smallest closed set that contains A. $\bar{A} = \{A \subseteq F, F \text{ is closed} \}$
3. $\partial A = \bar{A} \setminus A = \{x \in \bar{A}, x \notin A\}$

Theorem V_i is a closed set.

1. Arbitrary intersection of V_i is closed.
2. Finite union of V_i is closed.

Proof using $(\bigcup A_i)^c = \bigcap (A_i)^c$