

1. Open, Closed, and Compact Sets

Defⁿ: a set $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is open, when

$$\forall a \in U, \exists r > 0 \text{ s.t. } (a-r, a+r) \subseteq U$$

Prop.: (i) \mathbb{R} and \emptyset are open.

(ii) for any $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ family of open sets, $\bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$ is open.

(iii) if U_1, \dots, U_k are open, then $U_1 \cap \dots \cap U_k$ is open.

proof: (i) \emptyset is open b/c it's not true that \emptyset is not open.

(ii) given $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ a family of open sets, and $a \in \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$

then, let $i_a \in I$ be s.t. $a \in U_{i_a}$

↳ by the openness of U_{i_a} , can choose $r > 0$ s.t.

$$(a-r, a+r) \subseteq U_{i_a} \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i \quad \checkmark$$

(iii) given U_1, \dots, U_k open sets and $a \in U_1 \cap \dots \cap U_k$

there are $r_1, \dots, r_k > 0$ s.t. $(a-r_j, a+r_j) \subseteq U_j$ for $j=1 \dots k$

↳ set $r := \min\{r_1, \dots, r_k\}$

then, $(a-r, a+r) \subset (a-r_j, a+r_j) \subset U_j$, $\forall j$

can't do

$$\text{so } (a-r, a+r) \subseteq U_1 \cap \dots \cap U_k$$

infinite intersections

of open sets

Ex) consider $U_n = \left(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n} \right)$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$

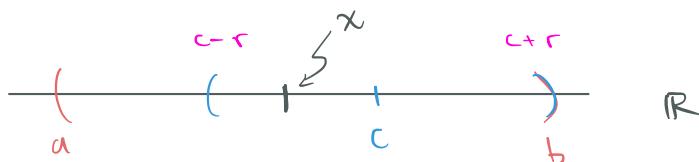
then, U_n is open $\forall n \geq 1$.

but $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n = \{0\}$ which is not open.

Prop.: any open interval in \mathbb{R} is an open set.

Pf: $I = (-\infty, b)$ or $= (-\infty, \infty)$ or $= (a, \infty)$ or $= (a, b)$

- Suppose $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, $a < b$. Consider $I = (a, b)$



in this drawing

- let $c \in (a, b)$ be arbitrary , then $a < c < b$

$$\text{set } r = \min \{ c-a, b-c \}$$

- $$\text{• claim: } (c-r, c+r) \subseteq (a, b)$$

↪ let $x \in (c-r, c+r)$ be arbitrary

$$\text{then } a \leq c-r < x$$

$$b \geq c+r > x$$

by the choice
of r

for (a, ∞) choose $r = c-a$

for $(-\infty, b)$ choose $r = b-c$



Defⁿ: a set $F \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is closed, when $\mathbb{R} - F$ is open.

Prop.: (i) \mathbb{R} and \emptyset are closed

(ii) if $\{F_i\}_{i \in I}$ are closed sets, then $\bigcap_{i \in I} F_i$ is closed.

(iii) if F_1, \dots, F_k are closed, then $F_1 \cup \dots \cup F_k$ is closed.

proof:

↪ \star exercise (use the open set properties & deMorgan's laws)

Prop.: every closed interval is a closed set.

pf: if $I = [a, b]$ for some $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, $a \leq b$

then $\mathbb{R} - I = (-\infty, a) \cup (b, \infty)$ which is open

$\Rightarrow I$ is closed. ✓

Ex) $F_n = [0, 1 - \frac{1}{n}]$, for $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$

can't do inf.
unions of
closed sets.

$\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n = [0, 1)$ is not a closed set

b/c $\mathbb{R} - [0, 1) = (-\infty, 0) \cup [1, \infty)$ is not open!

$\because 1 \in \mathbb{R} - [0, 1)$ but $\forall r > 0$, $(1-r, 1+r) \notin \mathbb{R} - [0, 1)$

Thm #1, a set $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is closed iff.



$\forall x_0 \in \mathbb{R}, [\exists (x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq X \text{ st. } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x_0] \Rightarrow x_0 \in X$

i.e., it contains all of its limit points!

Defn: a pt. $a \in \mathbb{R}$ is a limit point of a set $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$

when $\exists (x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq A \setminus \{a\}$ st. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = a$

proof: (\Rightarrow)

- assume $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is closed, and let $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$

and $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq X$ be s.t. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x_0$

contrad:

- Suppose $x_0 \notin X$, then $x_0 \in \mathbb{R} - X$

choose $\varepsilon > 0$ s.t. $(x_0 - \varepsilon, x_0 + \varepsilon) \subseteq \mathbb{R} - X$

then, $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, $|x_n - x_0| \geq \varepsilon$

contradicting $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x_0$

(\Leftarrow)

- assume, for every $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $\exists (x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq X$ w/ $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x_0$

$x_0 \in X$

contrad:

- suppose X is not closed.

then $\mathbb{R} - X$ is not open

- choose $x_0 \in \mathbb{R} - X$ s.t.

$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, $\exists x_n \in X$ s.t. $x_n \in (x_0 - \frac{1}{n}, x_0 + \frac{1}{n})$

X not closed $\Leftrightarrow \neg (\mathbb{R} - X \text{ is open})$
 $\Leftrightarrow \neg (\forall x \in \mathbb{R} - X \exists r > 0 \text{ s.t. } (x - r, x + r) \cap (\mathbb{R} - X) \neq \emptyset)$
 $\Leftrightarrow \exists x \in \mathbb{R} - X \text{ s.t. } \forall r > 0, (x - r, x + r) \cap (\mathbb{R} - X) = \emptyset$
 $\Leftrightarrow \exists x \in \mathbb{R} - X \text{ s.t. } \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}_+, (x - \frac{1}{n}, x + \frac{1}{n}) \cap X = \emptyset$

- then, $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, $|x_n - x_0| < \frac{1}{n}$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$

so $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x_0$

but, by assumption, $x_0 \in X$

contradicting the choice of $x_0 \in \mathbb{R} - X$

Defⁿ: a set $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is compact, when

$\forall (x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq K$, $\exists (x_{n_k})_{k=1}^{\infty} \subseteq (x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ convergent to an element of K .

Prop.: every closed interval is compact.

proof: • given $I = [a, b]$, w/ $a < b$ and $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq [a, b]$

• by Bolzano-Weierstrass, we can choose a subsequence

$$(x_{n_k})_{k=1}^{\infty} \subseteq (x_n)_n \text{ s.t. } \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k} = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$$

• by Theorem 1, since $I = \overline{I}$ ie, I is a closed set.

$$\Rightarrow x_0 \in I$$

■

Th^m: (Heine - Borel) 

A set $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is compact iff. K is closed and bounded

↳ e.g., the ternary Cantor set C is a compact set. (a very weird example)

Proof: (\Leftarrow)

- assume K is closed and bounded
- let $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq K$ be an arbitrary sequence

By Bolz. - Weir., we can choose a conv. subseq. $(x_{n_k})_{k=1}^{\infty} \subseteq (x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$

let $x_0 = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k}$

By Thm 1 $\Rightarrow x_0 \in K$ ✓

(\Rightarrow)

- suppose K is not bounded above

then $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, $\exists x_n \in K$ s.t. $x_n \geq n$

↪ claim: (x_n) contains no convergent subseq.

pf: • suppose otherwise that there is

$$(x_{n_k})_{k=1}^{\infty} \subseteq (x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{ convergent to } x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$$

?

• choose $N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $N_0 \geq x_0 + 1$

$$\because n \geq N_0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_n \geq n \geq N_0 \geq x_0 + 1$$

• then $\forall n \geq N_0$, $|x_n - x_0| \geq 1$

in particular, if K_0 is s.t. $n_{K_0} \geq N_0$

then $\forall k \geq K_0$, $|x_{n_k} - x_0| \geq 1$ ↴

Exercise: how does this contradict the convergence of $(x_{n_k})_{k=1}^{\infty}$?

- the claim contradicts the compactness of K .

$\star \Rightarrow K$ is bounded.

- let $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ and $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq K$ be s.t. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x_0$. Th^m 1
- by compactness of K , can choose a subseq. $(x_{n_k})_{k=1}^{\infty}$ convergent to $z_0 \in K$
- since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$ exists, then all convergent subseq.s must have the same limit $\Rightarrow x_0 = z_0 \in K$

$\star \Rightarrow K$ is closed

■

Defⁿ: a set $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is called an (open) neighbourhood of a point $a \in \mathbb{R}$

when ... U is open and $a \in U$

ε - δ LIMITS



Defⁿ: given a f: $A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and a limit point of A $a \in \mathbb{R}$

we say that the limit of f at a exists and equals L

and write $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$, when:

$$\left[\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } \forall x \in A, 0 < |x-a| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x)-L| < \varepsilon \right]$$

(Ex) show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{x} = 1$

here $a = 1$, $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$, $A = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$

want to show that...

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, 0 < |x-1| < \delta \Rightarrow \left| \frac{1}{x} - 1 \right| < \varepsilon$$

before we start...

$$\left| \frac{1}{x} - 1 \right| = \left| \frac{1-x}{x} \right| = \frac{1}{|x|} \cdot |x-1|$$

this is what we have control over

want to show $\frac{1}{|x|} \leq m$ for all $0 < |x-1| < \delta$

for some m

assuming that $\delta \leq \frac{1}{2}$, we'll get $\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} < x < 1 + \frac{1}{2}\right)$

$$\text{then, } \frac{1}{2} < x \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} < 2 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{|x|} < 2 \text{ b/c } x > 0$$

Proof: let $\varepsilon > 0$ be arbitrary

- choose $\delta = \min \left\{ \frac{1}{2}, \frac{\epsilon}{2} \right\}$ \rightarrow like this $\delta \leq \frac{1}{2}$ and $\delta \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2}$

then, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $0 < |x-1| < \delta$

we have $\frac{1}{|x|} < 2$ and so ...

$$\left| \frac{1}{x} - 1 \right| = \dots = \frac{1}{|x|} \cdot |x-1| < 2 \cdot \delta \leq 2 \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$$

If we had assumed $\delta \leq \frac{1}{4}$ we get $(1 - \frac{1}{4} < x < 1 + \frac{1}{4})$

$$\hookrightarrow x > \frac{3}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} < \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{|x|} < \frac{4}{3} \text{ b/c } x > 0$$

then the proof would be ...

- choose $\delta = \min \left\{ \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3\epsilon}{4} \right\}$

then, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $0 < |x-1| < \delta$

we have $\frac{1}{|x|} < \frac{4}{3}$ and so ...

$$\left| \frac{1}{x} - 1 \right| = \dots = \frac{1}{|x|} \cdot |x-1| < \frac{4}{3} \cdot \delta \leq \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{3\epsilon}{4} = \epsilon$$

We want to find the ϵ expression in terms of the δ one

the only thing we can control ↴ play w/

shrink δ lets us bound the values of x we are working w/.

Thm: given $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $a \in \mathbb{R}$ a limit pt. of A
 the following conditions are equivalent:

$$(i) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$$

very useful for proofs!

$$(ii) \quad \forall (x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq A - \{a\},$$

$$\text{if } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = a, \text{ then } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = L$$

proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii)

• let $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq A - \{a\}$ be any seq. s.t. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = a$

contrad

• suppose $\neg (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = L)$

$$\text{then } \neg (\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } \forall n \geq N, |f(x_n) - L| < \varepsilon)$$

\Rightarrow we can choose $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ where $\forall N \in \mathbb{N}, \exists n \geq N$ s.t. $|f(x_n) - L| \geq \varepsilon_0$

• by assumption, $\exists \delta > 0$ s.t. $0 < |x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \varepsilon_0$

choose $N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $\forall n \geq N_0, |x_n - a| < \delta_0$

\hookrightarrow now, $\forall n \geq N_0, 0 < |x_n - a| < \delta_0$

and hence $|f(x_n) - L| < \varepsilon_0$

↯.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i)

contrad

• assume (ii) and suppose $\neg (\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L)$

↓ implied by this negation ...

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{then } \exists \varepsilon_0 > 0 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \exists x_n \in A \setminus \{a\} \text{ s.t.} \\ |x_n - a| < \frac{1}{n} \quad \wedge \quad \underbrace{|f(x_n) - L|}_{\text{choice for } \delta} \geq \varepsilon_0 \end{array} \right]$$

• the seq. $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq A \setminus \{a\}$ converges to a (by squeeze thm w/ $\frac{1}{n}$)

and so, by (ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = L$

↳ in particular ...

$$\exists N_0 \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } \forall n \geq N_0, \underbrace{|f(x_n) - L|}_{\text{choice for } \delta} < \varepsilon_0.$$



Thm: (Algebraic Limit Theorem)

given $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $g: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $a \in \mathbb{R}$ is a limit pt. of A
 $c \in \mathbb{R}$ constant.

suppose $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L_1$, and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = L_2$ for some $L_1, L_2 \in \mathbb{R}$.

Then:

$$(i) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f \pm g)(x) = L_1 \pm L_2$$

also applies
for fns
continuous at
a point 'a'

$$(ii) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (c \cdot f)(x) = c \cdot L_1$$

$$(iii) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f \cdot g)(x) = L_1 \cdot L_2$$

$$(iv) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f/g)(x) = L_1/L_2 \quad \text{provided } L_2 \neq 0$$

proof: it suffices to show that for any sequence $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq A \setminus \{a\}$ the seq.s $(f \pm g(x_n))_{n=1}^{\infty}$, $(c \cdot f(x_n))_{n=1}^{\infty}$, $(f(x_n) \cdot g(x_n))_{n=1}^{\infty}$, $\left(\frac{f(x_n)}{g(x_n)}\right)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converge to the expected limits.

↳ known by the proof of A.L.T. for seq.s ■

Defⁿ: a point $a \in A$ is an **isolated point** of A

when $\exists \delta > 0$ s.t. $(a - \delta, a + \delta) \cap A = \{a\}$

↳ i.e., no other points near it for some open interval

★ Remark:

↳ for any $a \in A$, it is either an isolated pt. or a limit pt. of A .

we say that a function $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous at $a \in A$

when a is an isolated point of A (side case)

$$\text{or} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$$

↳ trivial ex) any $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $g: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are all cts.

i.e., every pt. is isolated . . .

Th^m: given $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $a \in A$ the following cond's are equiv.:

(i) f is continuous at a

(ii) $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 \quad \forall x \in A, |x-a| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(a)| < \varepsilon$

(iii) $\forall (x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq A, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = a \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = f(a)$

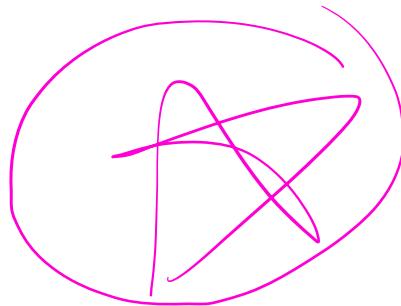
(iv) $\forall V$ neighborhood of $f(a)$, $\exists U$ neighborhood of a s.t. $f(U) \subseteq V$



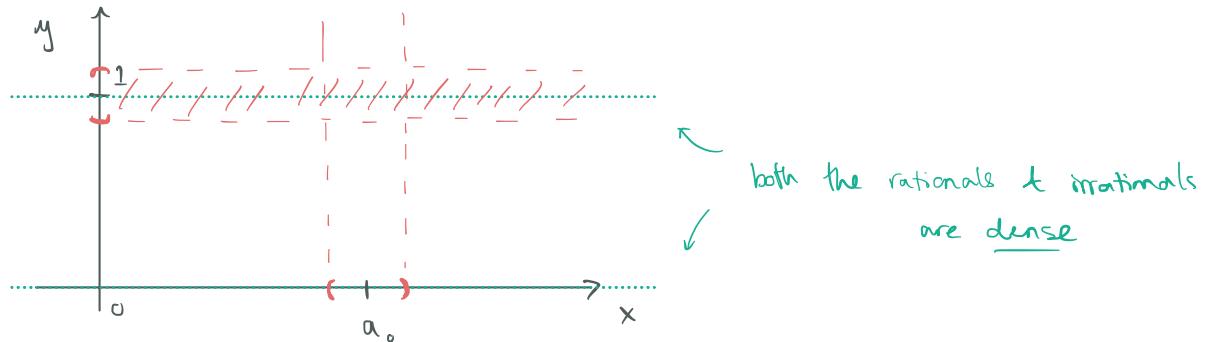
MP' TM #2 type

(proof)!

Exercise



Ex) consider $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ define $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0, & x \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$



claim: $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ D.N.E. $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$

contrad!

pf: • if $\lim_{x \rightarrow a_0} f(x)$ existed, then

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{a_0\}, \quad |x - a_0| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$$

• suppose $\lim_{x \rightarrow a_0} f(x) = 1$, choose $\epsilon = 1$

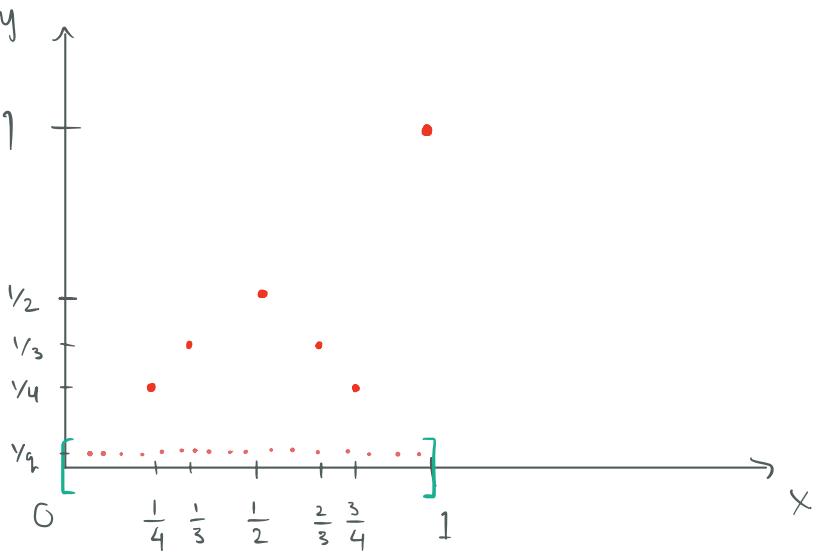
↳ observe that for any $\delta > 0$ there is $x_0 \in \mathbb{Q} \cap (a_0 - \delta, a_0 + \delta) \setminus \{a_0\}$

and hence $\neg \left(\exists \delta > 0, \text{ s.t. } \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 0 < |x - a_0| < \delta \text{ s.t. } |f(x) - 1| < 1 \right)$

because $|f(x_0) - 1| = 1$

■

Ex) $g: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined $g(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \in [0,1] \setminus \mathbb{Q} \\ \frac{p}{q}, & x = \frac{p}{q} \text{ in lowest terms } p, q \in \mathbb{N} \end{cases}$



claim 1: for any $a \in [0,1] \cap \mathbb{Q}$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$ D.N.E.

claim 2: g is continuous at ' a ', for any $a \in [0,1] \cap \mathbb{Q}$