

Extra homework 1 - Timis Diana

1. • Any union of open sets is open.

Let $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_n, n \in \mathbb{N}$, be open sets.

We know that $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \neq \emptyset$, so let $x \in \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \Rightarrow$

$\Rightarrow \exists k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ such that $x \in A_k$ } \Rightarrow

A_k is an open set $\Leftrightarrow A_k = \text{int}(A_k)$

$\Rightarrow \exists \epsilon > 0$ such that $(x - \epsilon, x + \epsilon) \subseteq A_k$ } \Rightarrow

$A_k \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$

$\Rightarrow (x - \epsilon, x + \epsilon) \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \Rightarrow \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$ is an open set

- Any intersection of closed sets is closed.

Let $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_n, n \in \mathbb{N}$, be open sets.

We previously proved that $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$ is an open set \Rightarrow

$\Rightarrow (\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i)^c$ is closed

But $(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i)^c = \bigcap_{i=1}^n (A_i)^c$ and $(A_i)^c$ is closed (because it is the complement of an open set) } \Rightarrow

\Rightarrow any intersection of closed sets is closed

- Any finite intersection of open sets is open.

Let $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_n, n \in \mathbb{N}$, be open sets.

Let $x \in \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i \Rightarrow x \in A_k, \forall k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ } \Rightarrow

A_k is an open set $\Leftrightarrow A_k = \text{int}(A_k)$

$\Rightarrow x \in \text{int}(A_k), \forall k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\} \Rightarrow$

$\Rightarrow x \in \text{int}(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i)$

But x is an arbitrary element of $\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i$ } \Rightarrow

$\Rightarrow \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i \subseteq \text{int}(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i)$

But $\text{int}(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i) \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i$ (by definition) } \Rightarrow

$\Rightarrow \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i = \text{int}(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i) \Rightarrow \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i$ is an open set

• Any finite union of closed sets is closed.

Let $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_n, n \in \mathbb{N}$, be open sets.

We previously proved that $\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i$ is an open set. \Rightarrow

$\Rightarrow (\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i)^c$ is closed

But $(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i)^c = \bigcup_{i=1}^n (A_i)^c$ and $(A_i)^c$ is closed (because it is the complement of an open set) \Rightarrow

\Rightarrow any finite union of closed sets is closed.

• Example of an intersection of open sets that is not open: $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} (-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) = \{0\}$

• Example of an union of closed sets that is not closed: $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} [\frac{1}{n}, 1 - \frac{1}{n}] = (0, 1)$

2. $\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$, $S_\alpha := \{\{n\alpha\} \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$

a) S_α is dense in $[0, 1]$

b) $\{\{n\alpha\} + m \mid n, m \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is dense in \mathbb{R}

a) We can divide $[0, 1]$ into k intervals of length $\frac{1}{k}$:

$$[0, 1] = [0, \frac{1}{k}] \cup [\frac{1}{k}, \frac{2}{k}] \cup [\frac{2}{k}, \frac{3}{k}] \cup \dots \cup [1 - \frac{1}{k}, 1].$$

Using Dirichlet's principle, we know that there are two natural numbers a, b , $a < b$, such that $\{a\alpha\}, \{b\alpha\}$ are in the same interval.

$a < b$ and $a, b \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow b - a > 0$ and (in this case) $(b - a) \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\text{I. } \{a\alpha\} < \{b\alpha\} \Rightarrow \{(b-a)\alpha\} < \frac{1}{k} \Rightarrow \{(b-a)\alpha\} \in [0, \frac{1}{k}]$$

$$\text{II. } \{a\alpha\} > \{b\alpha\} \Rightarrow 1 > \{(b-a)\alpha\} > 1 - \frac{1}{k} \Rightarrow \{(b-a)\alpha\} \in [1 - \frac{1}{k}, 1]$$

$\Rightarrow \{(b-a)\alpha\} \in [0, \frac{1}{k}]$ or $\{(b-a)\alpha\} \in [1 - \frac{1}{k}, 1]$ (and $\{(b-a)\alpha\} \neq 0$, because $(b-a)\alpha \notin \mathbb{Z}$, $b-a \neq 0$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$)

If we take all multiples of $(b-a)\alpha$, $p(b-a)\alpha$ with $p \in \mathbb{N}$, then we obtain that in each of the k intervals must be at least one of the values $\{p(b-a)\alpha\}$ (because we either go "upwards" from $[0, \frac{1}{k}]$, or "downwards", from $[1 - \frac{1}{k}, 1]$, but we can never skip an interval) \Rightarrow

$\Rightarrow S_\alpha$ is dense in $[0, 1]$

$$b) \{ \{nL\} + m \mid n, m \in \mathbb{Z} \} = \{ n \cdot L - [nL] + m \mid n, m \in \mathbb{Z} \} =$$

$$= \{ n \cdot L + (m - [nL]) \mid n, m \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$

$$n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$m \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } [nL] \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ (using the definition of the integer part)} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow (m - [nL]) \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$L \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{Kronecker's Theorem}} \{ n \cdot L + (m - [nL]) \mid n, m \in \mathbb{Z} \} = \{ \{nL\} + m \mid n, m \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$

is dense in \mathbb{R}