

1. (10 points) (Continuity of the scalar product in the first variable) §10.2, p. 281: #1.

Let $\{\vec{u}_k\}$ be a sequence in \mathbb{R}^n that converges to the point \vec{u} . Prove that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \langle \vec{u}_k, \vec{v} \rangle = \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle.$$

Solution. Since $\vec{u}_k \rightarrow \vec{u}$, by the componentwise convergence criterion, $u_k^i \rightarrow u^i$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \lim \langle \vec{u}_k, \vec{v} \rangle &= \lim \sum u_k^i v^i \\ &= \sum u^i v^i \quad (\text{sum and product rules}) \\ &= \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

Alternative Solution.

$$\begin{aligned} &|\langle \vec{u}_k, \vec{v} \rangle - \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle| \\ &= |\langle \vec{u}_k - \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle| \quad (\text{linearity in the first argument}) \\ &\leq \|\vec{u}_k - \vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\| \quad (\text{by Cauchy-Schwarz inequality}) \end{aligned}$$

As $k \rightarrow \infty$, $\|\vec{u}_k - \vec{u}\| \rightarrow 0$.

By the sandwich lemma, $\lim |\langle \vec{u}_k, \vec{v} \rangle - \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle| = 0$.

By HW 5, #5, we may remove the absolute value in a limit

converging to 0, so

$$\lim \langle \vec{u}_k, \vec{v} \rangle - \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle = 0$$

or

$$\lim \langle \vec{u}_k, \vec{v} \rangle = \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle. \quad \square$$

2. (10 points) (Cauchy sequences in \mathbb{R}^n) §10.2, p. 282: # 8.

A sequence of points $\{\vec{u}_k\}$ in \mathbb{R}^n is said to be *Cauchy* provided that $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists K \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\forall k, \ell \geq K$,

$$\text{dist}(\vec{u}_k, \vec{u}_\ell) < \varepsilon.$$

- (a) Prove that $\{\vec{u}_k\}$ is Cauchy if and only if each component sequence is Cauchy.
 (b) Prove that a sequence in \mathbb{R}^n converges if and only if it is Cauchy. (Hint: For sequences of real numbers, this was proved in Section 9.1.)

a) For any $u = (u^1, \dots, u^n)$ in \mathbb{R}^n ,

$$|u^i| \leq \|u\| = \sqrt{(u^1)^2 + \dots + (u^n)^2}.$$

Thus,

$$|u_k^i - u_\ell^i| \leq \|u_k - u_\ell\| = \sqrt{(u_k^1 - u_\ell^1)^2 + \dots + (u_k^n - u_\ell^n)^2}$$

Suppose $\{u_k\}$ is Cauchy in \mathbb{R}^n . Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then $\exists K$ such that $\forall k, \ell \geq K$ and $\forall i = 1, \dots, n$,

$$|u_k^i - u_\ell^i| \leq \|u_k - u_\ell\| < \varepsilon$$

Hence, $\{u_k^i\}$ is Cauchy.

Conversely, suppose $\{u_k^i\}$ is Cauchy. Let $\varepsilon > 0$.

$\exists K_i \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\forall k, \ell \geq K_i$,

$$|u_k^i - u_\ell^i| < \frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{n}} \quad (*)$$

Choose $K = \max(K_1, \dots, K_n)$. Then for all $k, \ell \geq K$,

(*) is true for all $i = 1, \dots, n$. Hence, $\forall k, \ell \geq K$,

$$\|u_k - u_\ell\| \leq \sqrt{\sum (u_k^i - u_\ell^i)^2} < \sqrt{\sum \frac{\varepsilon^2}{n}} = \varepsilon.$$

This implies that $\{u_k\}$ is Cauchy. \square

(b) $\{\vec{u}_k\}$ in \mathbb{R}^n converges to \vec{u}

iff $\forall i = 1, \dots, n$, the i th component u_k^i converges to u^i

iff $\forall i = 1, \dots, n$, $\{u_k^i\}$ is Cauchy in \mathbb{R}

iff $\{\vec{u}_k\}$ is Cauchy (by part (a)). \square

3. (10 points) (**Open and closed sets**) §10.3, p. 288: # 2. For each of the following subsets A of \mathbb{R}^2 , state whether it is open in \mathbb{R}^2 , closed in \mathbb{R}^2 , or neither open nor closed in \mathbb{R}^2 . Justify your conclusions with the aid of pictures. (You will learn later a rigorous way to justify your conclusions using continuity.)

(a) $A = \{\vec{u} = (x, y) \mid x^2 > y\}.$

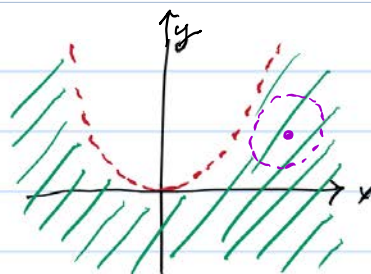
(b) $A = \{\vec{u} = (x, y) \mid x^2 + y^2 = 1\}.$

(c) $A = \{\vec{u} = (x, y) \mid x \text{ is rational}\}.$

(d) $A = \{\vec{u} = (x, y) \mid x \geq 0, y \geq 0\}.$

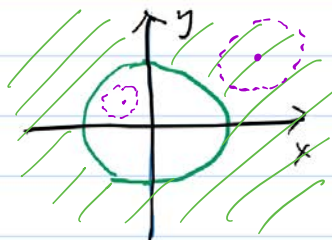
a. $A = \{u = (x, y) \mid x^2 > y\}$

Open, because every point in A is an interior point.



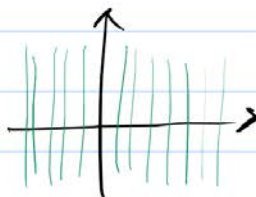
b. $A = \{u = (x, y) \mid x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$

Closed, because the complement is open.



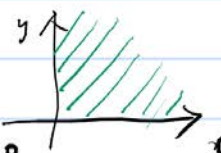
c. $A = \{u = (x, y) \mid x \text{ is rational}\}$

Neither open nor closed, because no open ball is contained in A or $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus A$.



d. $A = \{u = (x, y) \mid x \geq 0, y \geq 0\}$

Closed: if $(x_n, y_n) \in A$ and $(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow (x, y)$, then $x_n \geq 0, y_n \geq 0$, so by lemma 2.21, $x \geq 0, y \geq 0$.



4. (10 points) (A closed ball is closed)

(a) (9 pts) §10.3, p. 288: # 3.

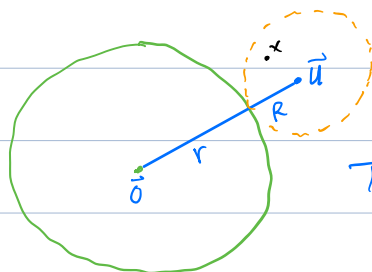
Let r be a positive number and define

$$\mathcal{O} = \{u \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|u\| > r\}.$$

Prove that \mathcal{O} is open in \mathbb{R}^n by showing that every point in \mathcal{O} is an interior point of \mathcal{O} . (Hint: Draw a picture. For each $u \in \mathcal{O}$, let $R = \|u\| - r$ and prove that $B_R(u) \subset \mathcal{O}$.)

(b) (1 pt) Let r be a positive number and define $F = \{u \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|u\| \leq r\}$. Prove that F is closed.

(a)



Let $u \in \mathcal{O}$ and $R = \|u\| - r$.

To prove $B_R(u) \subset \mathcal{O}$, let $x \in B_R(u)$.

Then $\|u - x\| < R$.

By the triangle inequality,

$$\|u\| \leq \|u - x\| + \|x\|$$

$$< R + \|x\| = \|u\| - r + \|x\|,$$

$$r < \|x\|.$$

Hence, $x \in \mathcal{O}$. This proves that $B_R(u) \subset \mathcal{O}$, so

u is an

(b) Since $F^c = \mathcal{O} = \{u \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|u\| > r\}$ is open,

F is closed. \square

5. (10 points) (**Closure**) §10.3, p. 289, # 12. For a subset A of \mathbb{R}^n , the *closure* of A , denoted by $\text{cl}A$, is defined by

$$\text{cl}A = \text{int}A \cup \text{bd}A.$$

Prove that

- (a) $A \subset \text{cl}A$;
(b) $A = \text{cl}A$ if and only if A is closed in \mathbb{R}^n .

(a) $A \subset \text{cl}A$

The set A can be decomposed as

$$A = \text{int}A \cup (A \cap \text{bd}A)$$

because a point of A is either an interior point or a boundary point. Hence,

$$A = \text{int}A \cup (A \cap \text{bd}A) \subset \text{int}A \cup \text{bd}A = \text{cl}A.$$

(a) Alternative proof. Since A is disjoint from $\text{ext}A$, from

$\mathbb{R}^n = \text{int}A \cup \text{bd}A \cup \text{ext}A$, we can conclude that

$$A \subset \text{int}A \cup \text{bd}A = \text{cl}A.$$

(b) $A = \text{cl}A$ if and only if A is closed in \mathbb{R}^n .

(\Rightarrow) Suppose $A = \text{cl}A = \text{int}A \cup \text{bd}A$. Since $A \supset \text{bd}A$,

by Proposition 10.19(ii), A is closed.

(\Leftarrow) Suppose A is closed. Then $A \supset \text{bd}A$.

$$\text{Then } A \supset \text{int}A \cup \text{bd}A = \text{cl}A.$$

By (a), $A \subset \text{cl}A$. This proves that $A = \text{cl}A$. \square

(b)(\Rightarrow) Alternative proof. $A = \text{cl}A$ iff $A^c = \text{ext}A$, which is open by #6 (b). Hence, A is closed. \square

6. (10 points) (Interior, exterior, and boundary) §10.3, p. 289, # 13.

- (a) Prove that $\text{int} A$ is an open subset of \mathbb{R}^n .
- (b) Use (a) to show that $\text{ext} A$ is also an open subset of \mathbb{R}^n .
- (c) Use (a) and (b) together with the decomposition (10.11) on p. 287 to show that $\text{bd} A$ is a closed subset of \mathbb{R}^n .

(a) Let $u \in \text{int} A$. Then $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ such that $B(u, \varepsilon) \subseteq A$.

We need to show that $B(u, \varepsilon) \subseteq \text{int} A$.

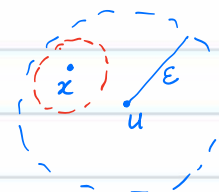
Let $x \in B(u, \varepsilon)$. Since $B(u, \varepsilon)$ is open,

$\exists \delta > 0$ such that $B(x, \delta) \subseteq B(u, \varepsilon) \subseteq A$.

Therefore, x is also an interior point of A .

This proves that $B(u, \varepsilon) \subseteq \text{int} A$,

so $\text{int} A$ is open.



(b) By definition, $\text{ext} A = \text{int}(\mathbb{R}^n \setminus A)$.

By (a), $\text{ext} A$ is open in \mathbb{R}^n .

(c) By (10.11), $\mathbb{R}^n = \text{int} A \cup \text{ext} A \cup \text{bd} A$.

So $(\text{bd} A)^c = \text{int} A \cup \text{ext} A$.

By (a) and (b), $\text{int} A$ and $\text{ext} A$ are both open.

Since the union of open sets is open, $(\text{bd} A)^c$ is open.

Therefore, $\text{bd} A$ is closed. \square

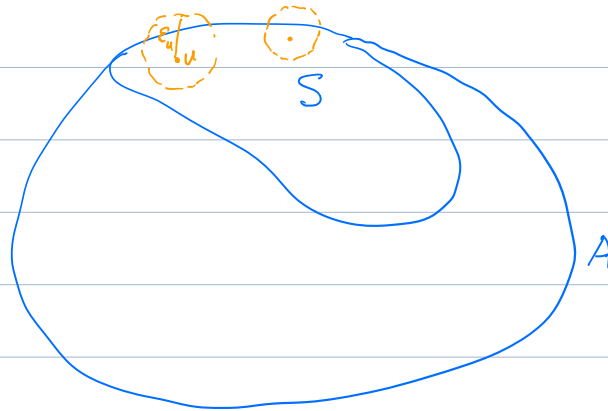
7. (10 points) (**Relatively open sets**) Prove that a set $S \subset A$ is relatively open in A if and only if for every u in S , there is an $\varepsilon > 0$ such that the relatively open ball $B_A(u, \varepsilon)$ is contained in S .

Proof. (\Rightarrow) Suppose S is relatively open.

Then $S = U \cap A$ for some open set U in \mathbb{R}^n .

Let $u \in S$. Then $u \in U$. Since U is open, $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ such that $B(u, \varepsilon) \subseteq U$. Then

$$B_A(u, \varepsilon) = B(u, \varepsilon) \cap A \subseteq U \cap A = S.$$



(\Leftarrow) Suppose $\forall u \in S, \exists \varepsilon_u > 0$ such that $B_A(u, \varepsilon_u) \subseteq S$.

Then $B_A(u, \varepsilon_u) = B(u, \varepsilon_u) \cap A$.

Let $U = \bigcup_{u \in S} B(u, \varepsilon_u)$.

Then U is open because it is a union of open balls.

$S \subseteq U$ because every $u \in S$ is in $B(u, \varepsilon_u) \subseteq U$.

Since $S \subseteq A$, $S \subseteq U \cap A$.

On the other hand, $U \cap A = \left(\bigcup_{u \in S} B(u, \varepsilon_u) \right) \cap A$

$$= \bigcup_{u \in S} (B(u, \varepsilon_u) \cap A)$$

$$\subseteq S.$$

Therefore, $S = U \cap A$, which shows that S is relatively open in A . \square