

Math 251 - Exercise Set 2 Zehra's Solutions

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1 Theorems and Definitions that are used in the solutions

- $p \in \partial S$. \iff for every $r > 0$, $B(p, r) \cap S \neq \emptyset$ and $B(p, r) \cap (\mathbb{R}^m \setminus S) \neq \emptyset$.

2 Solutions

1. Let
2. Let $A(1,4)$ and $B(5,7)$ be two points in the plane. Find two open sets U and V s.t. $A \in U$, $B \in V$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$

Solution:

Let $U = B(A, 1)$ and $V = B(B, 1)$.
Then $A \in U$, $B \in V$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$.

3. Let $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$.

- (a) Show that $p \in \partial S$ iff there exists sequences $\{p_n\}$ in S with $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n = p$ and $\{q_n\}$ in $\mathbb{R}^m \setminus S$ with $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n = p$.

Proof:

\Rightarrow Suppose $p \in \partial S$.

Then for every $r > 0$, $B(p, r) \cap S \neq \emptyset$ and $B(p, r) \cap (\mathbb{R}^m \setminus S) \neq \emptyset$.

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Then there exists $p_n \in B(p, \frac{1}{n}) \cap S$ and $q_n \in B(p, \frac{1}{n}) \cap (\mathbb{R}^m \setminus S)$.

Then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n = p$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n = p$.

\Leftarrow Suppose there exists sequences $\{p_n\}$ in S with $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n = p$ and $\{q_n\}$ in $\mathbb{R}^m \setminus S$ with $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n = p$.
Then for every $r > 0$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $p_n \in B(p, r)$ for all $n \geq N$ and $q_n \in B(p, r)$ for all $n \geq N$.
Then $B(p, r) \cap S \neq \emptyset$ and $B(p, r) \cap (\mathbb{R}^m \setminus S) \neq \emptyset$.
Thus $p \in \partial S$.

- (b) Show that S is closed iff the limit of every convergent sequence $\{p_n\}$ in S belongs to S .

Proof:

\Rightarrow Suppose S is closed.
Let $\{p_n\}$ be a convergent sequence in S with $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n = p$.
Then for every $r > 0$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $p_n \in B(p, r)$ for all $n \geq N$.
Then $B(p, r) \cap S \neq \emptyset$.
Thus $p \in \bar{S} = S$.

\Leftarrow Suppose the limit of every convergent sequence $\{p_n\}$ in S belongs to S .
Let $p \in \bar{S}$.
Then there exists a sequence $\{p_n\}$ in S with $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n = p$.
Then $p \in S$ because the limit of every convergent sequence $\{p_n\}$ in S belongs to S .
Thus $\bar{S} = S$.

4. Find $\limsup x_n$ and $\liminf x_n$ if $\{x_n\}$ is

- (a) $\{2, 4, 2, 4, 6, 2, 4, 8, 2, 4, 10, \dots\}$,

Solution:

$\limsup x_n = 6$ and $\liminf x_n = 2$.

- (b) $\{1, 0, -1, 1, 0, -1, 1, 0, -1, \dots\}$,

Solution:

$\limsup x_n = 1$ and $\liminf x_n = -1$.

- (c) $\{-2, 1, 1, -2, 1, 1/2, -2, 1, 1/3, -2, 1, 1/4, -2, 1, 1/5, \dots\}$,

Solution:

$\limsup x_n = 1$ and $\liminf x_n = -2$.

(d) $\{\frac{3n-1}{2n}\}_{n=1},$

Solution:

$\limsup x_n = \frac{3}{2}$ and $\liminf x_n = \frac{1}{2}.$

(e) $\{0, 1, 0, 3, 0, 5, 0, 7, 0, \dots\},$

Solution:

$\limsup x_n = 7$ and $\liminf x_n = 0.$

(f) $x_n = -3n + 2$ for $n \geq 1,$

Solution:

$\limsup x_n = 2$ and $\liminf x_n = -\infty.$

5. Find a sequence $\{a_n\}$ with $\limsup a_n = 3$ and $\liminf a_n = -2.$

Solution:

Let $a_n = (-1)^n n$ for $n \geq 1.$

Then $\limsup a_n = 3$ and $\liminf a_n = -2.$

6. Let $S = \{x \in \mathbb{R} | x^3 + 3x^2 + x + 3 < 0\}.$ Find $\sup(S).$ Is S bounded below?

Solution:

$\sup(S) = 0.$ Since $x^3 + 3x^2 + x + 3 = (x+1)(x^2 + 2x + 3) = (x+1)(x+1+i\sqrt{2})(x+1-i\sqrt{2}),$ $x^3 + 3x^2 + x + 3 < 0$ if and only if $x \in (-1, 0).$

S is bounded below. Because -1 is a lower bound of $S.$

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7. Is the sequence $x_n = \{\frac{\sin(n)}{n^3}\}$ a Cauchy sequence?

Solution:

Yes, the sequence $x_n = \{\frac{\sin(n)}{n^3}\}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

8. Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ and $p \in \mathbb{R}^n.$ Show that $p \in \bar{A} \Leftrightarrow B(p, \varepsilon) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for all $\varepsilon > 0.$

Proof:

\Rightarrow Suppose $p \in \bar{A}.$

Then for every $\varepsilon > 0, B(p, \varepsilon) \cap A \neq \emptyset.$