

Math 302/600 Spring 2015 Homework #5

Due March 24, Tue. in class

Note: For any Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^n , consider the usual metric induced by the Euclidean norm $\|\cdot\|_2$ on \mathbb{R}^n , unless otherwise stated.

1. Determine which of the following sets are sequentially compact:

(1) On \mathbb{R} : $A = \{2/n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$, $A = \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1]$ (where \mathbb{Q} is the set of rational numbers);

(2) On \mathbb{R}^2 : $A = \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$, $A = \{(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : |x_1| + x_2^2 \leq 4\}$.

If a set is *not* sequentially compact, briefly explain why; otherwise, give a proof.

2. Show that any (nonempty) closed subset of a sequentially compact set in a metric space is also sequentially compact.
3. Show that the intersection and union of two sequentially compact sets in a metric space (M, d) remain sequentially compact.
4. Let (M, d) be a metric space. Show that $A \subseteq M$ is sequentially compact if and only if every infinite subset of A (i.e., a subset that contains infinitely many elements) has an accumulation point in A .

The following extra problems are for Math 600 students only:

5. Let (x_n) be a sequence in a metric space that converges to x_* , and the set $A := \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots\} \cup \{x_*\}$. Show that A is sequentially compact.
6. Let (M, d) be a metric space such that M is sequentially compact. Show that (M, d) is complete.