

Properties of Continuous Functions

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Theorem 1 *Suppose $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a continuous function and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ is also a continuous function. Then $g \circ f$ is a continuous function.*

Proof

Suppose there is an open set $\omega \in Z$. Then $g^{-1}\omega$ is an open set. Then $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(\omega))$ is an open set. Thus open sets in Z under the action of $f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}$ are open in X , so $g \circ f$ is continuous.

Lets consider interiors and how they interact with continuous functions.

Theorem 2 *Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be continuous and $L \subseteq Y$. Then $f^{-1}(\text{Int}(L)) \subseteq \text{Int}(f^{-1}(L))$.*