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### Abstract

These notes are intended as a resource for myself; past, present, or future students of this course, and anyone interested in the material. The goal is to provide an end-to-end resource that covers all material discussed in the course displayed in an organized manner. If you spot any errors or would like to contribute, please contact me directly.

## 1 January 3, 2018

### 1.1 Euclidean space $\mathbb{R}^n$

Most postulates and theorems apply to any  $n$ -dimensional real vector space with a positive-definite inner product.

$$\mathbb{R}^n = \{x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n); x_j \in \mathbb{R}, j = 1, \dots, n\}$$

Some properties of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  where  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ ,  $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$ , and  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ :

$$x + y = (x_1 + y_1, \dots, x_n + y_n)$$

$$tx = (tx_1, \dots, tx_n)$$

$$x + y = y + x$$

$$(x + y) + z = x + (y + z)$$

$$s(tx) = (st)x$$

$$t\vec{0} = \vec{0}$$

$$\vec{0}x = \vec{0}$$

$$(t + s)x = tx + sx$$

$$t(x + y) = tx + ty$$

### 1.2 Euclidean inner product

An important additional structure on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is the natural **Euclidean inner product** (aka the *dot product*).

$$\cdot : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

which can be written as  $x \cdot y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Dot products are **bilinear**, **symmetric**, and **positive-definite**. **Bilinear forms** satisfy

$$(x + y) \cdot z = x \cdot z + y \cdot z$$

$$x \cdot (y + z) = x \cdot y + x \cdot z$$

$$(tx) \cdot y = x \cdot (ty) = t(x \cdot y)$$

**symmetric** denotes

$$x \cdot y = y \cdot x$$

and **positive-definiteness** means  $x \cdot x \geq 0$  with equality  $\iff x = \vec{0}$ .

**Definition 1.1.** The dot product is defined for  $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$  and  $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$

$$x \cdot y := \sum_{k=1}^n x_k y_k$$

**Definition 1.2.** The norm  $\|x\|$  of  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  (induced by some inner product  $\langle x, x \rangle = x \cdot x$ ) is defined as

$$\begin{aligned}\|x\|^2 &= x \cdot x \\ \|x\| &= \sqrt{x \cdot x}\end{aligned}$$

### 1.3 Triangle inequality

**Proposition 1.1.** Triangle inequality states

$$\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\| \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

To prove the above, we need the **Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality**.

**Theorem 1.1.** The Cauchy-Schwarz inequality states that

$$|x \cdot y| \leq \|x\| \|y\|$$

with equality iff  $x = ty$  or  $y = tx$  for some  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

*Proof.* For the equality case, WLOG if  $x = ty$

$$\begin{aligned}x \cdot y &= ty \cdot y = t\|y\|^2 \\ &= |t|\|y\|^2 \\ &= \|x\|\|y\|\end{aligned}$$

Let  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . Note for all  $t$

$$\begin{aligned}0 &\leq \|x - ty\|^2 = (x - ty) \cdot (x - ty) \\ &= x \cdot x - ty \cdot x - tx \cdot y + t^2 y \cdot y \\ &= \|x\|^2 + t^2 \|y\|^2 - 2t(x \cdot y)\end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$at^2 + bt + c \geq 0 \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$$

where  $a = \|y\|^2$ ,  $b = -2x \cdot y$  and  $c = \|x\|^2$ . Note there can exist at most one root (positive parabola where all values are non-negative). For  $at^2 + bt + c = 0$  to have at most one real root (such that  $t$  exists), we need  $b^2 - 4ac \leq 0$  (from the quadratic formula).

$$\begin{aligned}4(x \cdot y)^2 &\leq 4\|x\|^2\|y\|^2 \\ |x \cdot y| &\leq \|x\|\|y\|\end{aligned}$$

If we have equality  $\exists t_0$  such that  $at_0^2 + bt_0 + c = 0$  or  $\|x - t_0 y\|^2 = 0$  so  $x = t_0 y$ . □

**Corollary 1.1.** The triangle inequality

$$\begin{aligned}\|x + y\|^2 &= (x + y) \cdot (x + y) \\ &= \|x\|^2 + 2x \cdot y + \|y\|^2 \\ &\leq \|x\|^2 + 2\|x\|\|y\| + \|y\|^2 = (\|x\| + \|y\|)^2\end{aligned}$$

where the last line follows from the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality.

**Definition 1.3.** The **distance** between two points  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is defined to be

$$d(x, y) = \|x - y\|$$

which satisfies the properties

$$\begin{aligned}d(x, y) &= d(y, x) \\ d(x, x) &= 0 \\ d(x, y) &\geq 0 \quad \text{with equality iff } x = y\end{aligned}$$

so we can restate the triangle inequality as  $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, x) \quad \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

## 1.4 Norms

There exists different "natural" norms on  $\mathbb{R}^n$

**Definition 1.4.** A norm  $\|\cdot\|$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a map

$$\|\cdot\| : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0}$$

such that

1.  $\|x\| = 0 \iff x = \vec{0}$
2.  $\|tx\| = |t|\|x\|$
3.  $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$

All inner products determine a norm but not all norms are from inner products. We saw that the dot product determines a norm called the Euclidean norm.

$$l^1 \text{ norm } \|x\|_1 = \sum_{k=1}^n |x_k|$$

$$l^p \text{ norm } \|x\|_p = \left(\sum_{k=1}^n |x_k|^p\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

$$\text{sup norm (aka } l^\infty \text{ norm) } \|x\|_\infty = \max\{|x_1|, \dots, |x_n|\}$$

One can see that  $l^\infty$  norm is a "limit" of  $l^p$  norms as  $p \rightarrow \infty$ .

Note the  $l^2$  norm is the Euclidean norm.

Why are norms important? **A norm determines a distance.** For example

$$d(x, y) = \|x - y\|$$

(all norms determine a distance but not all distances are from norms).

Distance is important to define a **limit** which is crucial for differentiability/integrability.

## 1.5 Angle between two vectors

A corollary to C-S for  $x, y \neq \vec{0}$

$$-1 \leq \frac{x \cdot y}{\|x\| \|y\|} \leq 1$$

Define the angle  $\theta \in [0, \pi]$  between  $x$  and  $y$  to be

$$\cos \theta = \frac{x \cdot y}{\|x\| \|y\|}$$

so we have another definition of the dot product

$$x \cdot y = \|x\| \|y\| \cos \theta$$

We say  $x, y$  are **orthogonal** if  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \iff x \cdot y = 0$ .

Why is this the correct definition?

$$\begin{aligned} \|y - x\|^2 &= (y - x) \cdot (y - x) \\ &= \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 - 2x \cdot y \\ &= \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 - 2\|x\| \|y\| \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

This aligns with the Law of Cosines  $c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos \theta$ .

## 2 January 5, 2018

### 2.1 Linear maps

**Definition 2.1.** A map  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is linear if  $T$  takes linear combinations to linear combinations i.e.

$$T\left(\sum_{k=1}^N t_k v_k\right) = \sum_{k=1}^N T(v_k) \quad t_i \in \mathbb{R} \quad v_j \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

We will see linear maps are closely related to **differentiability**.

Some facts about linear maps: let  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  be the standard basis.

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^n = (x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k e_k$$

Let  $f_1, \dots, f_m$  be the standard basis of  $\mathbb{R}^m$  where  $f_j = (0, \dots, 1, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ .

$$y \in \mathbb{R}^m = (y_1, \dots, y_m) = \sum_{k=1}^m y_k f_k$$

Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be linear and let

$$\begin{aligned}
 y = \sum_{l=1}^m y_l f_l &= T(x) = T\left(\sum_{k=1}^n x_k e_k\right) \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n x_k T(e_k) \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \left(\sum_{l=1}^m A_{lk} f_l\right) \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\sum_{l=1}^m A_{lk} x_k\right) f_l
 \end{aligned}$$

By uniqueness of the expansion of a vector in terms of a basis ( $f_j$ s) we conclude that

$$y_l = \sum_{k=1}^n A_{lk} x_k \quad l = 1, \dots, m$$

or in matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & \dots & A_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ A_{m1} & \dots & A_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

We've shown that any linear map  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is necessarily **matrix multiplication**

$$y = T(x) = A \cdot x$$

for some unique  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  (with respect to some bases in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ).

The rule of matrix multiplication is automatic from the composition of linear maps. Let

$$\begin{aligned}
 T : \mathbb{R}^n &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \\
 S : \mathbb{R}^m &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p \\
 y = T(x) &= A \cdot x \quad m \times n \\
 z = S(y) &= B \cdot y \quad p \times m
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $S \circ T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$  is linear.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (S \circ T)\left(\sum_k t_k v_k\right) &= S\left(T\left(\sum_k t_k v_k\right)\right) \\
 &= S\left(\sum_k x_k T(v_k)\right) \\
 &= \sum_k x_k S(T(v_k)) \\
 &= \sum_k t_k (S \circ T)(v_k)
 \end{aligned}$$

So we have

$$\begin{aligned} z_l &= \sum_{j=1}^m B_{lj} y_j = \sum_{j=1}^m B_{lj} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n A_{ji} x_i \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \sum_{j=1}^m B_{lj} A_{ji} \right) x_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n C_{li} x_i \end{aligned}$$

where

$$z = (S \circ T)(x) = C \cdot x \quad p \times n$$

Recall the space  $L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$  of linear maps from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$  is itself a finite dimensional real vector space of dimension  $nm$  (isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^{nm}$ ).

$$T \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m) \iff A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$$

where  $M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  is the space of real  $m \times n$  matrices. There is a unique 1-1 correspondence between  $T$  and  $A$  (as shown before).

## 2.2 Operator norm

Note one can define norm on matrices. The natural Euclidean norm for matrix  $A$  can be defined as

$$\|A\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1, \dots, m; j=1, \dots, n} (A_{ij})^2}$$

**Definition 2.2.** The **operator norm** is defined for a  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  linear map as

$$\|T\|_{op} = \inf\{C > 0, \|T(x)\| \leq C\|x\| \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$$

We need to show this norm is

1. Well-defined
2.  $\|\cdot\|_{op}$  is a norm
1. Show well-defined

$$\begin{aligned} T(x) &= A \cdot x \quad A \quad m \times n \\ \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & \dots & A_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ A_{m1} & \dots & A_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} A_1 \cdot x \\ \vdots \\ A_m \cdot x \end{bmatrix} = T(x) \end{aligned}$$

So the norm is

$$\begin{aligned} \|T(x)\|^2 &= (A_1 \cdot x)^2 + \dots + (A_m \cdot x)^2 \\ &\leq \|A_1\|^2 \|x\|^2 + \dots + \|A_m\|^2 \|x\|^2 \\ &= (\|A_1\|^2 + \dots + \|A_m\|^2) \|x\|^2 \end{aligned} \quad \text{C-S}$$



**Case 1** Assume  $\|A_1\|^2 + \dots + \|A_m\|^2 = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\|A_1\|^2 + \dots + \|A_m\|^2 = 0 &\iff A = 0_{m \times n} \\ &\iff T = 0 \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)\end{aligned}$$

Then  $T(x) = 0 \quad \forall x$  so  $\|T(x)\| \leq C\|x\|$  holds  $\forall C > 0$ , thus the infimum of positive real numbers (0) implies  $\|T\|_{op} = 0$ .

**Case 2** Assume  $\|A_1\|^2 + \dots + \|A_m\|^2 > 0$ .

$\{C > 0, \|T(x)\| \leq C\|x\| \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$  is non-empty because  $\sqrt{\|A_1\|^2 + \dots + \|A_m\|^2}$  is in there. By the completeness of  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\|T\|_{op}$  exists and is  $\geq 0$ .

2. We've shown  $\|T\|_{op}$  exists and is  $\geq 0$  for all  $T \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$ . It remains to shown  $\|T\|_{op}$  is a norm:

- (a)  $\|T\|_{op} = 0$  only for the zero map
- (b)  $\|\lambda T\|_{op} = |\lambda| \|T\|_{op} \quad \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$
- (c)  $\|T + S\|_{op} \leq \|T\|_{op} + \|S\|_{op}$

To see this, we note that since

$$\|T\|_{op} = \inf\{C > 0, \|T(x)\| \leq C\|x\| \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$$

$\exists$  a **decreasing sequence**  $c_k \geq 0$  such that  $\|T(x)\| \leq c_k\|x\| \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} c_k = \|T\|_{op}$ .

Take limit as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  of the predicate in  $\|T\|_{op}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\|T(x)\| &\leq (\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} c_k) \|x\| \\ \|T(x)\| &\leq \|T\|_{op} \|x\|\end{aligned}$$

So we have

$$\begin{aligned}\|T\|_{op} = 0 &\Rightarrow \|T(x)\| \leq 0 \quad \forall x \\ &\Rightarrow T(x) = 0 \quad \forall x \\ &\Rightarrow T = 0 \in L(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)\end{aligned}$$

which proves (a).

$$\|\lambda T\|_{op} = |\lambda| \|T\|_{op}$$

follows from

$$\begin{aligned}\|(\lambda T)(x)\| &= \|\lambda(T(x))\| \\ &= |\lambda| \|T(x)\| \quad \forall x\end{aligned}$$

If  $\lambda = 0$ ,  $\lambda T = 0 \Rightarrow \|\lambda T\|_{op} = 0 = |\lambda| \|T\|_{op}$ .

If  $\lambda \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|\lambda T\|_{op} &= \inf\{C > 0, \|(\lambda T)(x)\| \leq C\|x\|\} \\
 &= \inf\{C > 0, |\lambda|\|T(x)\| \leq C\|x\|\} \\
 &= \inf\{C > 0, \|T(x)\| \leq \frac{C}{|\lambda|}\|x\|\} \\
 &= |\lambda| \inf\{\tilde{C} > 0, \|T(x)\| \leq \tilde{C}\|x\|\} \\
 &= |\lambda|\|T\|_{op}
 \end{aligned}
 \qquad \tilde{C} = \frac{C}{\lambda}$$

which proves (b). (c) is similar.

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#### 3.1 Topology of $\mathbb{R}^n$

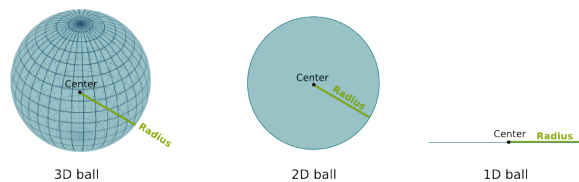
Topology is the study of **closeness** in a space.

#### 3.2 Open and closed balls

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $r > 0$ . The **open ball** at radius  $r$  centred at  $x$  is denoted

$$B_r(x) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|x - y\| < r\}$$

It consists of all points in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  whose distance from  $x$  is *strictly less than*  $r$ .



**Figure 3.1:** Open balls in  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , and  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

In  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $B_r(x) = (x - r, x + r)$ . In  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $B_r(x)$  is the *interior* of a sphere of radius  $r$  centred at  $x$ .

**Definition 3.2.** Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $r > 0$ . The **closed ball** of radius  $r > 0$  centred at  $x$  is denoted

$$\overline{B_r(x)} = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|x - y\| \leq r\}$$

**Remark 3.1.** The notation will be explained in the following class/section. Note that

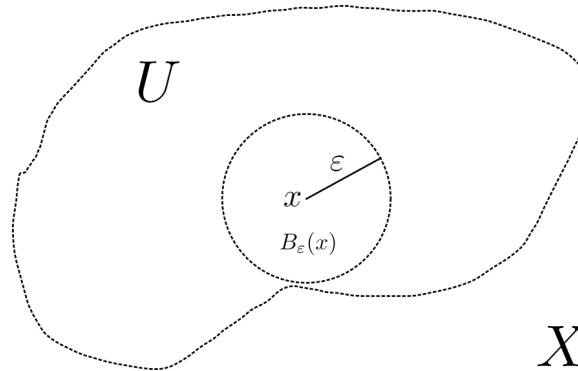
$$\overline{B_r(x)} = B_r(x) \cup \{\text{points exactly at distance } r\}$$

For  $n = 1$ ,  $\overline{B_r(x)} = [x - r, x + r]$ .

#### 3.3 Open sets

**Definition 3.3.** A subset  $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is called an **open set** (or open) iff  $\forall x \in U$ ,  $\exists r > 0$  ( $r$  depends on  $x$ ) such that  $B_r(x) \subseteq U$ .

(Informally: a subset  $U$  is open if for every  $x \in U$ , all points sufficiently close to  $x$  are *also* in  $U$ ).



**Figure 3.2:** One can form an open ball for every point  $x$  in an open set  $U$ .

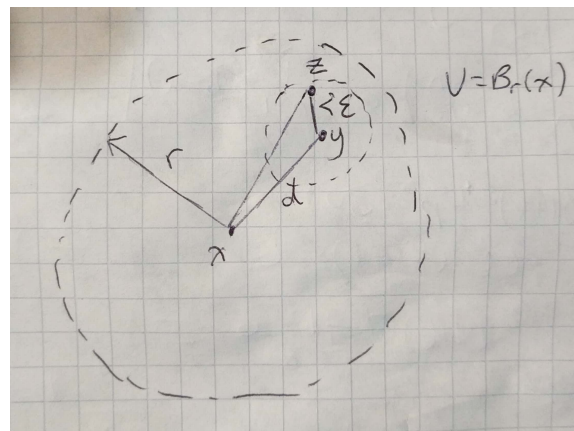
**Example 3.1.** Set that is not open

- $[0, 1] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . Note:  $\nexists r > 0$  for  $x = 1$  such that  $B_r(x) \subseteq [0, 1]$ .

Sets that are open

- $\mathbb{R}^n$  since  $x + \epsilon \in \mathbb{R}^n$  by definition.
- $\emptyset$  (vacuous: satisfied trivially  $\emptyset$  has no points).

**Proposition 3.1.** An open ball is an open set.



**Figure 3.3:** An open ball is an open set (see proof below).

*Proof.* Let  $U = B_r(x)$  and  $y \in U = B_r(x)$ . We need to find some  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $B_\epsilon(y) \subseteq U$ .

Let  $d = \|x - y\| < r$  since  $y \in U = B_r(x)$ .

Let  $\epsilon = r - d > 0$ .

Suppose  $z \in B_\epsilon(y)$  thus  $\|y - z\| < \epsilon$ .

We thus have

$$\|z - x\| \stackrel{\Delta}{\leq} \|z - y\| + \|y - x\| < \epsilon + d = r$$

So  $B_\epsilon(y) \subseteq U$  hence  $U$  is open. □

We can construct more from open sets.

### 3.4 Properties of open sets

**Lemma 3.1.** 1. Let  $U_\alpha \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be open  $\forall \alpha \in A$  (countably or uncountably many), then

$$\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha$$

is open.

2. Let  $U_1, \dots, U_k$  be open (**must be finite** number of sets). Then

$$\bigcap_{j=1}^k U_j$$

is open.

Informally, *arbitrary unions* of open sets are open. *Finite intersections* of open sets are open.

*Proof.*

1. We want to show  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha$  is open.

Let  $x \in \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha$  so  $\exists$  some  $\alpha_0 \in A$  such that  $x \in U_{\alpha_0}$  (holds since union of sets).

But  $U_{\alpha_0}$  is open so  $\exists r > 0$  such that  $B_r(x) \subseteq U_{\alpha_0} \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha$ .

2. Show  $x \in \bigcap_{j=1}^k U_j$  so  $x \in U_j$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, k$ . Each  $U_j$  is open so  $\forall j, \exists \epsilon_j > 0$  such that  $B_{\epsilon_j}(x) \subseteq U_j$ .

Let  $\epsilon = \min\{\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_k\} > 0$ .  $\forall j$  we have  $B_\epsilon(x) \subseteq B_{\epsilon_j}(x) \subseteq U_j$  hence  $B_\epsilon(x) \subseteq \bigcap_{j=1}^k U_j$ .

**Remark 3.2.** Arbitrary (e.g. nonfinite) intersections of open sets need not be open (the min. of infinite numbers is not well defined. An infimum of positive numbers need not be  $> 0$  i.e. it could be 0).

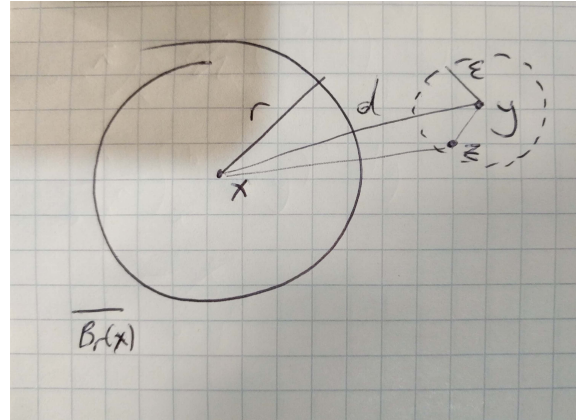
Even intersection of countably infinite sets may not be open. Suppose  $U_k = (0, 1 + \frac{1}{k}) \subseteq \mathbb{R} \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Note that  $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} U_k = (0, 1]$  is not open.

□

### 3.5 Closed sets

**Definition 3.4.** A subset  $F \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is called **closed** if  $F^c = \mathbb{R} \setminus F$  is open (note: this definition is based on open's definition).

**Proposition 3.2.** A closed ball  $\overline{B_r(x)} = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|y - x\| \leq r\}$  is a closed set.



**Figure 3.4:** A closed ball is a closed set (see proof below).

*Proof.* Let  $F = B_r(x)$  and

$$F^c = (\overline{B_r(x)})^c = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|y - x\| > r\}$$

Let  $y \in \overline{B_r(x)}^c$ : need to find  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $B_\epsilon(y) \subseteq F^c$ .

Let  $d = \|x - y\| > r$  and let  $\epsilon = d - r > 0$ .

If  $z \in B_\epsilon(y)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \|x - y\| &\stackrel{\Delta}{\leq} \|x - z\| + \|z - y\| \\ d &\leq \|x - z\| + \|z - y\| \\ \|x - z\| &\geq d - \|z - y\| \\ &> d - \epsilon = r \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $z \in F^c$  so  $B_\epsilon(y) \subseteq F^c$ , thus  $F^c$  is open and by definition  $F$  is closed. □

### 3.6 Properties of closed sets

**Lemma 3.2.** Note: this lemma is the inverse of the equivalent for open sets.

1. If  $F_1, \dots, F_k$  is closed, then  $\bigcup_{j=1}^k F_j$  is closed.
2. If  $F_\alpha$  is closed  $\forall \alpha \in A$ , then  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} F_\alpha$  is closed.

Finite unions of closed sets are closed. Arbitrary intersections of closed sets are closed.

*Proof.* By De Morgan's laws

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\bigcup_{j=1}^k F_j\right)^c &= \bigcap_{j=1}^k (F_j)^c \\ \left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} F_\alpha\right)^c &= \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} (F_\alpha)^c \end{aligned}$$

□

### 3.7 Neither open nor closed

A subset  $V$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  need not be either open or closed. It can be open, closed, neither or both!

**Example 3.2.** Examples of non-exclusive open or closed sets are

- $(0, 1] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  - neither
- $\mathbb{R}^n, \emptyset$  are *open and closed*

### 3.8 Interior

Sometimes a set is neither open or closed, but there are always **natural open (interior) and closed (closure) sets** which can be associated to any subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Definition 3.5.** Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  (could be  $\emptyset$ ).

$$\begin{aligned} A^o &= \bigcup_{\substack{V \subseteq A \\ V \text{ open in } \mathbb{R}^n}} V && \text{interior of } A \\ &= \bigcup_{\substack{V \subseteq A \\ V \text{ open in } \mathbb{R}^n}} V && \text{union of **all** open subsets of } \mathbb{R}^n \text{ that are contained in } A \end{aligned}$$

**Remark 3.3.** 1.  $A^o$  is open (arbitrary union of open sets) and  $A^o \subseteq A$

2. if  $V$  is any open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that is contained in  $A$ , then  $V \subseteq A^o$  ( $A^o$  is the largest open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that is contained in  $A$ )
3.  $A$  is open iff  $A^o = A$

*Proof. Forwards:*

$A$  is open and  $A \subseteq A$  thus  $A$  must be a  $V$  in the union, but since all  $V \subseteq A$  then  $A^o = A$ .

**Backwards:**

$A^o = A$ . Since  $A^o$  is open,  $A$  is open. □

### 3.9 Closure

**Definition 3.6.**

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{A} &= cl(A) && \text{closure of } A \\ &= \bigcap_{\substack{F \supseteq A \\ F \text{ closed in } \mathbb{R}^n}} F && \text{intersection of **all** closed subsets of } \mathbb{R}^n \text{ that contains } A \end{aligned}$$

**Remark 3.4.** 1.  $\overline{A}$  is closed (arbitrary intersection of closed sets) and  $\overline{A} \supseteq A$

2. if  $F$  is any closed subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that contains  $A$ , then  $F \supseteq \overline{A}$  ( $\overline{A}$  is the smallest closed set of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  containing  $A$ )
3.  $A$  is closed iff  $\overline{A} = A$

## 4 January 10, 2018

### 4.1 Closure of open ball is closed ball

**Proposition 4.1.** The closure of the open ball  $B_\epsilon(x)$  is the closed ball  $\overline{B_\epsilon(x)}$  (hence the notation).

*Proof.* Remember

$$\overline{B_\epsilon(x)} = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|y - x\| \leq \epsilon\}$$

Let  $A =$  is closure of  $B_\epsilon(x)$ .

Let  $F = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|x - y\| \leq \epsilon\}$ .

We want to show  $A = F$ .

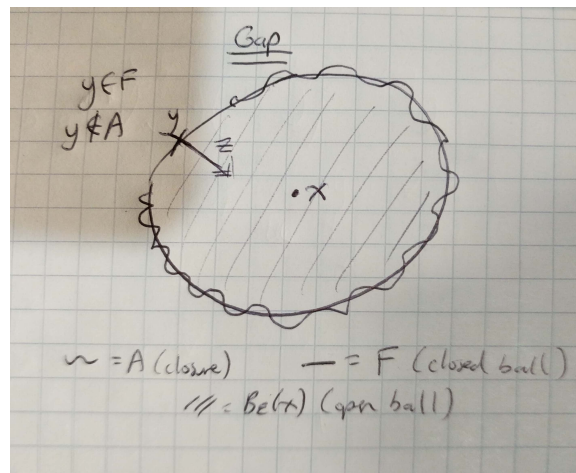
We know  $F$  is closed and  $F \supset B_\epsilon(x)$ , so  $F$  contains  $A =$  the closure of  $B_\epsilon(x)$  (any closed set containing another set is in the intersection of the closure) or

$$F \supset A \supset B_\epsilon(x)$$

Suppose  $F \neq A$ , then  $\exists y \in F$  with  $y \notin A \Rightarrow y \notin B_\epsilon(x)$  so

$$\|x - y\| = \epsilon$$

(it's sandwiched between the closed ball ( $\leq \epsilon$ ) and the open ball ( $< \epsilon$ ), so it must hold with equality with  $\epsilon$ ).



**Figure 4.1:** The closure of an open ball is the corresponding closed ball.

$A$  is closed and  $y \notin A$  so  $A^c$  is open and  $y \in A^c$ . So  $\exists \delta > 0$  such that  $B_\delta(y) \subseteq A^c$ .

Let  $t > 0$  with  $t < \min\{\delta, \epsilon\}$ .

Let

$$z = y + t \frac{(x - y)}{\|x - y\|}$$

(add  $t$  unit vectors from  $y$  to  $x$ ). Note that

$$\|z - y\| = t < \delta$$

so  $z \in B_\delta(y) \subseteq A^c$ .

Also

$$\begin{aligned} x - z &= x - y - t \frac{(x - y)}{\|x - y\|} \\ &= (\|x - y\| - t) \frac{(x - y)}{\|x - y\|} \end{aligned}$$

where the left term is the norm of the vector and the right term is the unit vector.

Thus

$$\|x - z\| = |\|x - y\| - t| = |\epsilon - t| = \epsilon - t < \epsilon$$

So  $z \in B_\epsilon(x) \subseteq A$ , but we assumed  $z \in A^c$  which is a contradiction.

So we must have  $F = A$ .

**Remark 4.1.** There is a much simpler proof of this using sequences and limit points.

□

## 4.2 Boundary

**Definition 4.1.** Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ . We define the **boundary** of  $A$  denoted  $\partial A = bd(A)$  to be

$$\partial A = bd(A) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid B_\epsilon(x) \cap A \neq \emptyset, B_\epsilon(x) \cap A^c \neq \emptyset \quad \forall \epsilon > 0\}$$

That is,  $x \in \partial A$  iff every open ball centred at  $x$  contains a point in  $A$  **and** a point in  $A^c$ .

Clearly

$$\begin{aligned} \partial B_\epsilon(x) &= \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|y - x\| = \epsilon\} \\ &= \partial(\overline{B_\epsilon(x)}) \end{aligned}$$

## 4.3 Characterization of boundary

**Proposition 4.2.** Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ : then

$$\begin{aligned} \partial A &= \overline{A} \setminus A^\circ \\ &= cl(A) \setminus int(A) \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* The following two claims and proofs revolve around complements of sets and how if set  $A$  intersect a set  $B$  is the empty set, then  $A$  is a subset of  $B^c$ .

**Claim 1**

$$x \in \overline{A} \iff B_\epsilon(x) \cap A \neq \emptyset \quad \forall \epsilon > 0$$

*Proof. Forwards:*

Suppose  $x \in \overline{A}$  but  $\exists \epsilon_0 > 0$   $B_{\epsilon_0}(x) \cap A = \emptyset$ .

So  $B_{\epsilon_0}(x) \subseteq A^c \Rightarrow (B_{\epsilon_0}(x))^c \supset A$ .

Since  $(B_{\epsilon_0}(x))^c$  is closed, then  $(B_{\epsilon_0}(x))^c \supset \overline{A}$  (by remark (2) after closure definition).

So  $\overline{A} \cap B_{\epsilon_0}(x) = \emptyset$ , but  $x \in B_{\epsilon_0}(x) \Rightarrow x \notin \overline{A}$ , which is a contradiction.

**Backwards:**



We prove the contrapositive

$$x \notin \bar{A} \Rightarrow B_\epsilon(x) \cap A = \emptyset \quad \forall \epsilon > 0$$

Assume  $x \notin \bar{A} \Rightarrow x \in (\bar{A})^c$  which is open, so  $\exists \epsilon_0 > 0$  such that  $B_{\epsilon_0}(x) \subseteq (\bar{A})^c$ . Therefore  $B_{\epsilon_0}(x) \cap \bar{A} = \emptyset$  (where  $\bar{A} \supset A$ ), which proves our claim.  $\square$

## Claim 2

$$x \notin A^\circ \iff B_\epsilon(x) \cap A^c \neq \emptyset \quad \forall \epsilon > 0$$

*Proof. Forwards:*

Suppose  $x \notin A^\circ$ . Assume (for contradiction)  $\exists \epsilon_0 > 0$  such that

$$B_{\epsilon_0}(x) \cap A^c = \emptyset \Rightarrow B_{\epsilon_0}(x) \subseteq A$$

(nothing in  $A^c$ , thus all in  $A$ ).

Ergo  $x \in (A^\circ)^c$  and  $B_{\epsilon_0}(x) \subseteq A^\circ$  (since  $B_{\epsilon_0}(x)$  is a closed set contained in  $A$  - remark (2) after interior definition).

So  $B_{\epsilon_0}(x) \cap (A^\circ)^c = \emptyset$  but  $x \in B_{\epsilon_0}(x) \cap (A^\circ)^c$  which is a contradiction.

**Backwards:**

(Contrapositive): suppose  $x \in A^\circ$ .  $A^\circ$  is open so  $\exists \epsilon > 0$  such that

$$B_\epsilon(x) \subseteq A^\circ \subseteq A$$

so  $B_\epsilon(x) \cap A^c = \emptyset$ .  $\square$

Putting the claims together:

$$x \in \bar{A} \iff B_\epsilon(x) \cap A \neq \emptyset \quad \forall \epsilon > 0 \tag{1}$$

$$x \in (A^\circ)^c \iff B_\epsilon(x) \cap A \neq \emptyset \quad \forall \epsilon > 0 \tag{2}$$

$$x \in \partial A \iff (1) + (2)$$

$$\iff x \in \bar{A} \cap (A^\circ)^c = \bar{A} \setminus A^\circ$$

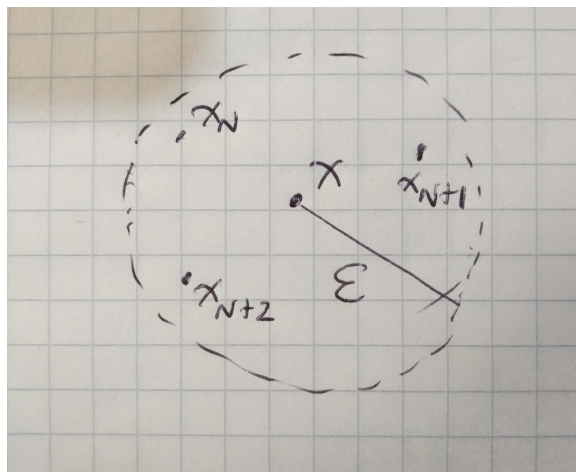
$\square$

## 4.4 Sequences and limits

**Definition 4.2.** Let  $(x_k)$  be a sequence of points in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . We say  $(x_k)$  **converges** to a point  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  **iff** for any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  ( $N$  depends on  $\epsilon$  in general)

$$k \geq N \Rightarrow \|x_k - x\| < \epsilon$$

(i.e. for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , **all** the elements of sequence  $x_k$  after some  $k = N$  are within  $\epsilon$  of  $x$ ).



**Figure 4.2:** All points after  $k = N$  for a converging sequence is within  $\epsilon$ .

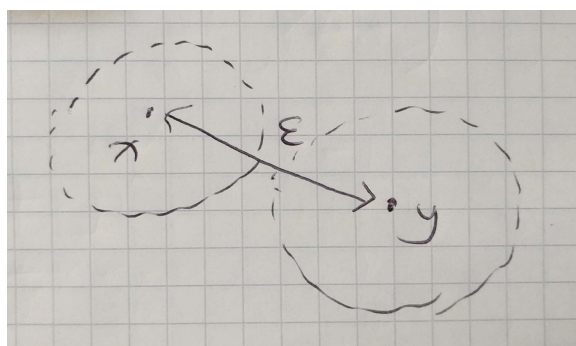
If  $(x_k)$  converges to  $x$ , we denote

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = x$$

where  $x$  is **the limit** of  $x_k$ .

#### 4.5 Uniqueness of limits

**Lemma 4.1.** Suppose  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = x$  and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = y$ . Then  $x = y$  (i.e. a sequence may not converge, but if it does the limit is unique).



**Figure 4.3:** Sketch of proof with  $x \neq y$  (see below).

*Proof.* Suppose  $x \neq y$ , so  $\|x - y\| = \epsilon > 0$ .

Since  $(x_k)$  converges to  $x$ ,  $\exists N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $k \geq N_1$  and

$$\|x_k - x\| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Similarly for  $y \exists k \geq N_2$ .

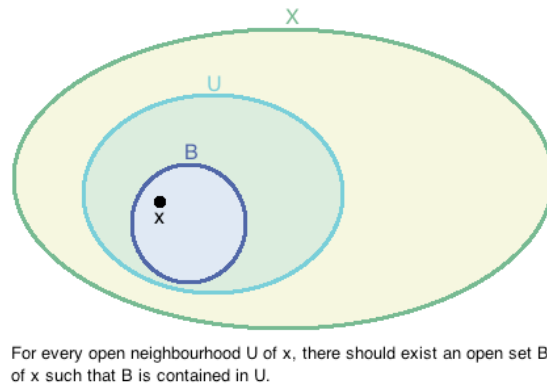
Suppose  $k \geq \max\{N_1, N_2\}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|x - y\| &\stackrel{\Delta}{\leq} \|x - x_k\| + \|x_k - y\| \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

So  $x = y$  by contradiction. □

## 4.6 Neighbourhood

**Definition 4.3.** Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . A subset  $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is called a **neighbourhood (n'h'd)** of  $x$  if  $\exists \epsilon_0 > 0$  such that  $B_{\epsilon_0}(x) \subseteq U$ .



**Figure 4.4:**  $U$  is a neighbourhood of  $x$  since there exists an open set  $B$  of  $x$  contained in  $U$ .

(Equivalently,  $U$  is a n'h'd of  $x \iff U$  contains an open set containing  $x$ .)

**Definition 4.4.** An open n'h'd of  $x$  is any open set containing  $x$ . (A set is an open n'h'd of  $x$  if it contains  $x$  **and** all points sufficiently close to  $x$ ).

**Lemma 4.2.** Let  $(x_k)$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Suppose  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k$  exists and equal  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then any n'h'd of  $x$  contains all  $x_k$ 's for  $k$  sufficiently large, i.e. if  $U$  is a n'h'd of  $x$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  ( $N$  depends on  $U$ ) such that

$$k \geq N \Rightarrow x_k \in U$$

*Proof.*  $U$  is a n'h'd of  $x$  so  $\exists \epsilon_0 > 0$  such that  $B_{\epsilon_0}(x) \subseteq U$ .

Since  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = x$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $k \geq N \Rightarrow \|x_k - x\| < \epsilon_0$  so  $x_k \in B_{\epsilon_0}(x) \subseteq U \quad \forall k \geq N$ . □

## 5 January 12, 2018

### 5.1 Relations between convergent sequences and open/closed sets

**Recall:**  $x \in \overline{A} \iff B_\epsilon(x) \cap A \neq \emptyset \quad \forall \epsilon > 0$ .

**Proposition 5.1.** Suppose  $x \in \overline{A}$ . Take  $\frac{1}{k} > 0$ . From above: *exists*  $x_k \in A$  such that  $\|x_k - x\| < \frac{1}{k}$ , then  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = x$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\epsilon > 0$  so  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\frac{1}{N} < \epsilon$  (Archimedean Principle).  $\forall k \geq N$ ,  $\frac{1}{k} \leq \frac{1}{N} < \epsilon$  so  $\|x_k - x\| < \frac{1}{k} < \epsilon$ . □

To summarize, if  $x \in \overline{A}$ , then  $\exists$  a sequence  $(x_k)$  such that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = x$  **and**  $x_k \in A \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

What about the converse?

**Proposition 5.2.** Suppose  $x_k \in A \quad \forall k$  and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = x$  **and**  $x_k \in A \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $x \in \overline{A}$ .

*Proof.* If not,  $x \in (\overline{A})^c$  so  $\exists \epsilon > 0$  such that  $B_\epsilon(x) \subseteq (\overline{A})^c$ . But  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$k \geq N \Rightarrow x_k \in B_\epsilon(x)$$

and by hypothesis  $x_k \in A \subseteq \overline{A}$ .

So  $k \geq N \Rightarrow x_k \in \overline{A}$  but we assumed  $x_k \in (\overline{A})^c$  which is a contradiction.  $\square$

(i.e. whenever  $(x_k)$  is a convergent sequence of points all of whose elements are in  $A$ , then the limit is in  $\overline{A}$ ).

**Special case:** If  $A$  is closed ( $\overline{A} = A$ ) then if  $(x_k) \rightarrow x$  and  $x_k \in A \forall k$  then  $x \in A$ ; this is **not** true for open sets  $A$ .

## 5.2 Bounded and Cauchy sequences

**Definition 5.1.** A sequence  $(x_k)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is called **bounded** if  $\exists M > 0$  such that

$$\|x_k\| \leq M \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$$

(that is: all the  $x_k$ 's lie in some closed ball  $\overline{B_\epsilon(x)}$  centred at 0).

**Definition 5.2.** A sequence  $(x_k)$  is called **Cauchy** if for any  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$k, l \geq N \Rightarrow \|x_k - x_l\| < \epsilon$$

(eventually all points in the sequence are close to each other).

## 5.3 Convergent $\iff$ Cauchy

**Proposition 5.3.** Let  $(x_k)$  be a convergent sequence. Then  $(x_k)$  is Cauchy.

*Proof.* Let  $x = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$ , then  $\exists N$  such that

$$\|x_k - x\| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

If  $k, l \geq N$  then

$$\|x_k - x_l\| \stackrel{\Delta}{\leq} \|x_k - x\| + \|x - x_l\| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$$

$\square$

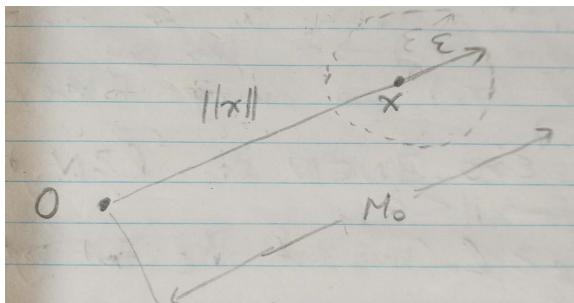
**Recall from MATH 147:** In  $\mathbb{R}$  every Cauchy sequence converges (equivalent to **completeness** of  $\mathbb{R}$  or the real line). We show Cauchy converges in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  in assignment 2 by showing that each  $j$ -th component  $x^{(j)}$  converges then by the completeness of  $\mathbb{R}$  this follows for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

## 5.4 Convergence implies bounded

**Lemma 5.1.** Every convergent sequence is bounded.

*Proof.* Let  $x = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k$ . Let  $M_0 = \|x\| + \epsilon$  for  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then  $\exists N$  such that

$$k \geq N \Rightarrow \|x_k - x\| < \epsilon$$



**Figure 5.1:** Convergent sequences can be bounded by the limit and  $\epsilon$  and finite points in the sequence.

Note that

$$k \geq N \Rightarrow \|x_k\| \stackrel{\Delta}{\leq} \|x_k - x\| + \|x\| < \epsilon + \|x\| = M_0$$

Thus we let  $M = \max\{\|x_1\|, \dots, \|x_{N-1}\|, M_0\}$  then  $\|x_k\| \leq M \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ . □

Note: not every bounded sequence is Cauchy. Consider  $x_k = (-1)^{k+1}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ , which is bounded but not convergent. Can we find a weaker statement that's true i.e. given a bounded sequence, can we somehow obtain from it a convergent sequence?

## 5.5 Subsequences

Let  $(x_k)$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $1 \leq k_1 < k_2 < \dots < k_e < k_{e+1} < \dots$  be a sequence of  $1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$ . Then the corresponding sequence  $(y_l)$  (or  $(x_{k_l})$ ) in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  given by  $y_l = x_{k_l}$  is called a **subsequence** of  $(x_k)$ .

**Example 5.1.** The subsequence given by  $k_l = 2l - 1$  (odd numbers) is

$$(x_{2l-1}) = x_1, x_3, x_5, \dots$$

**Proposition 5.4.** Suppose  $(x_k) \rightarrow x$ . Then any subsequence  $(x_{k_l})$  of  $(x_k)$  also converges to the same limit  $x$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\epsilon > 0$ .  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $l \geq N$  then  $\|x_l - x\| < \epsilon$ , but  $k_l \geq l$  (since each  $k_e$  must be strictly larger  $> k_{e-1}$ ), so  $\|x_k - x\| < \epsilon \quad \forall l \geq N$  hence  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{k_l} = x$ . □

**Note:** A sequence  $(x_k)$  that does not converge can have

1. Subsequences that don't converge (e.g.  $k_l = l$  so  $x_{k_l} = x_l$ ).
2. Distinct subsequences with different limits.

For example,  $x_k = (-1)^{k+1}$  which is  $1, -1, 1, -1, \dots$ , we can have two subsequences

$$\begin{aligned} x_{2l-1} &= (-1)^{2l} = 1, 1, 1, \dots & (x_{2l-1}) &\rightarrow 1 \\ x_{2l} &= (-1)^{2l-1} = -1, -1, -1, \dots & (x_{2l}) &\rightarrow -1 \end{aligned}$$

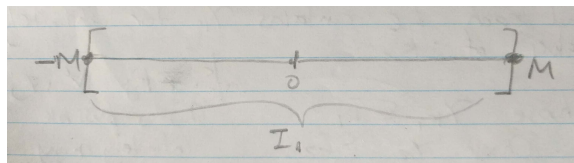
## 5.6 Bolzano-Weierstrass (B-W) Theorem

**Theorem 5.1.** In  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , every bounded sequence has a convergent subsequence.

**Remark 5.1.** This convergent subsequence is **not** unique. We'll see in the proof that we make many arbitrary choices.

*Proof.* By induction on  $n$ .

**Case  $n = 1$ :** Let  $(x_k)$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$  that is **bounded**. So  $\exists M > 0$  such that  $|x_k| \leq M \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N} \iff x_k \in [-M, M]$ .



**Figure 5.2:**  $I_1$  is the interval of our bounded sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Define

$$I_1 = [-M, M] = [-M, 0] \cup [0, M]$$

At least one (maybe both) of  $[-M, 0]$  and  $[0, M]$  contains  $x_k$  for infinite many values of  $k$  (the  $x_k$ 's could initially be all in one side then infinitely many in the other, or the  $x_k$ 's could jump back and forth so both would have infinitely many).

Let  $I_2$  denote the one with infinitely many. That is  $x_k \in I_2$  for infinitely many  $x_k$ 's. Note that

$$I_2 \subseteq I_1$$

$$I_2 = [a, b] = [a, \frac{a+b}{2}] \cup [\frac{a+b}{2}, b]$$

Again, at least one of these halves contains infinitely many  $x_k$ 's. Let  $I_3$  be that one.

Keep subdividing in this way and choosing a half which contains  $x_k$  for infinitely many  $k$ 's. We have

$$\text{length } I_1 = 2M$$

$$\text{length } I_2 = M$$

$$\text{length } I_3 = \frac{M}{2}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\text{length } I_l = \frac{2M}{2^{l-1}}$$

moreover,

$$I_1 \supseteq I_2 \supseteq \dots \supseteq I_e \supseteq I_{e+1} \supseteq \dots$$

and each  $I_l$  contains  $x_k$  for infinitely many values of  $k$ .

We can thus choose some  $x_{k_1} \in I_1, x_{k_2} \in I_2, \dots, x_{k_l} \in I_l \quad \forall l \in \mathbb{N}$  where  $1 \leq k_1 < k_2 < \dots < k_e < k_{e+1} < \dots$ . This is possible since there are infinitely many  $x_k$ 's in each interval.

We claim:

1.

$$\bigcap_{l=1}^{\infty} I_l \neq \emptyset$$

and in fact contains **exactly one point**  $x$ .

Note that

$$I_l = [a_l, b_l] \quad \text{for some } a_l < b_l$$

and also

$$I_l \supset I_{l+1} \Rightarrow a_1 \leq a_l \leq a_{l+1} < b_{l+1} \leq b_l \leq b_1 \quad \forall l$$

(i.e. either endpoints move inwards for each successive interval).

So  $(a_l)$  is an increasing sequence bounded by  $b_1$ , therefore  $\exists a$  such that  $\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} a_l = a$  and  $a_l \leq a \leq b_1 \quad \forall l$ .

Similarly  $(b_l)$  is a decreasing sequence bounded by  $a_1$ , so  $\exists b$  such that  $\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} b_l = b$  and  $a_1 \leq b \leq b_l \quad \forall l$ .

We have  $a_l < b_l \quad \forall l$ . Taking the limit we have  $a \leq b$  (limit can only be guaranteed with potential for equality).

$$a_1 \leq a_l \leq a_{l+1} \leq a \leq b \leq b_{l+1} \leq b_l \leq b_1$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq b - a &\leq b_l - a_l = \text{length}(I_l) \\ &= \frac{2M}{2^{l-1}} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } l \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

hence  $a = b$  (call this  $x$ ).

By construction  $x = a = b \in [a_l, b_l] = I_l \quad \forall l$  so

$$x \in \bigcap_{l=1}^{\infty} I_l$$

so there exists an element. Suppose  $y \in \bigcap_{l=1}^{\infty} I_l$  then  $x, y \in I_l \quad \forall l$  and

$$|x - y| \leq \frac{2M}{2^{l-1}} \quad \forall l \Rightarrow x = y \text{ (as } l \rightarrow \infty)$$

2.

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} x_{k_l} = x$$

Assume  $x_{k_l} \in I_l$  and  $x \in I_l \quad \forall l$  (from claim 1). So

$$|x_{k_l} - x| \leq \frac{2M}{2^{l-1}} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } l \rightarrow \infty$$

thus  $\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} x_{k_l} = x$ .

The above two claims prove the theorem for  $n = 1$ .

Now suppose the theorem is true for  $n$ , we show it is true for  $n + 1$ .

Let  $(x_k)$  be a bounded sequence in  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ , so  $\exists M$  such that  $\|x_k\| \leq M \quad \forall k$ .

We write  $x_k = (x_k^1, x_k^2, \dots, x_k^{n+1})$  where  $x_k^j$  is the  $j$ -th component of vector  $x_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ .

So

$$\|x_k\|^2 = |x_k^1|^2 + |x_k^2|^2 + \dots + |x_k^n|^2 + |x_k^{n+1}|^2 \leq M^2 \quad (5.1)$$

Define a sequence  $(y_k)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  as the first  $n$  components of  $x_k$

$$y_k = (x_k^1, \dots, x_k^n)$$

therefore  $\|y_k\| \leq M \quad \forall k$  by equation 5.1.

By the inductive hypothesis,  $\exists$  a subsequence  $(y_{k_l})$  of  $(y_k)$  that converges to some point  $x = (x^1, \dots, x^n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Consider the sequence  $(x_{k_l}^{n+1})$  in  $\mathbb{R}^1$  (**TODO(richardwu): why can't we just use  $(x_k^{n+1})$  here instead?**). By equation 5.1,  $|x_{k_l}^{n+1}| \leq M \quad \forall l$ , so  $(x_{k_l}^{n+1})$  is a bounded sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$ . By B-W for  $n = 1$ ,  $\exists$  subsequence  $(x_{k_{l_j}}^{n+1})$

that converges to some  $x^{n+1} \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Consider the subsequence  $(y_{k_{l_j}})$  of  $(y_{k_l})$ , which also converges to  $(x^1, \dots, x^n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

So  $x_{k_{l_j}}^a \rightarrow x^a$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$  for  $a = 1, \dots, n$  and  $a = n + 1$ .

Thus the sequence  $x_{k_{l_j}} \rightarrow x$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Remark 5.2.** We used the IH/B-W on the first  $n$  components and then the  $n + 1$  component to find corresponding convergent subsequences. In order to “meld” them together, we needed to take the subsequence of either subsequence (to have a 2-level subsequence) to ensure it converges for the same  $k_{l_j}$ 's as the other 1-level subsequence.

**TODO(richardwu): see the above TODO for why we don't just take  $k_l$ 's instead of  $k_{l_j}$ 's.**

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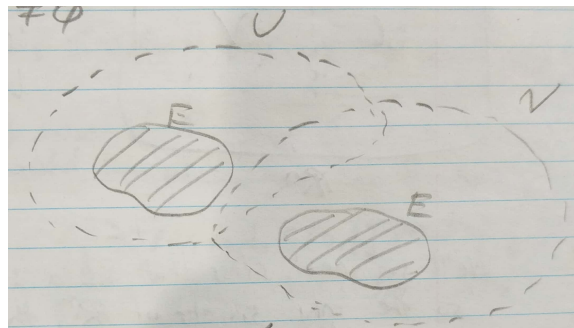
## 6 January 15, 2017

### 6.1 Connectedness

**Definition 6.1.** Let  $E$  be a non-empty subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

We say  $E$  is **disconnected** if there exists a **separation** for  $E$ . A separation of  $E$  is a pair  $U, V$  open sets in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that

1.  $E \cap U \neq \emptyset$
2.  $E \cap V \neq \emptyset$
3.  $E \cap U \cap V = \emptyset$
4.  $E \subseteq U \cup V$



**Figure 6.1:**  $E$  is disconnected since there are open sets  $U, V$  that form a separation.



Note that  $U \cap V$  need not be empty, but it must be disjoint from  $E$ .  
(intuitively a set is disconnected if it is more than one piece).

**Definition 6.2.**  $E$  is **connected** if  $\nexists$  any separation of  $E$ .

**Remark 6.1.** Connectedness and disconnectedness do not apply to  $\emptyset$ .

## 6.2 Is $\mathbb{R}^n$ connected?

(Yes it is).

Suppose  $\exists$  a separation of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  of open sets  $U, V$  such that

1.

$$\begin{aligned}\emptyset \neq U \cap \mathbb{R}^n &= U \\ \emptyset \neq V \cap \mathbb{R}^n &= V\end{aligned}$$

which implies  $U, V$  both non-empty. Furthermore

2.

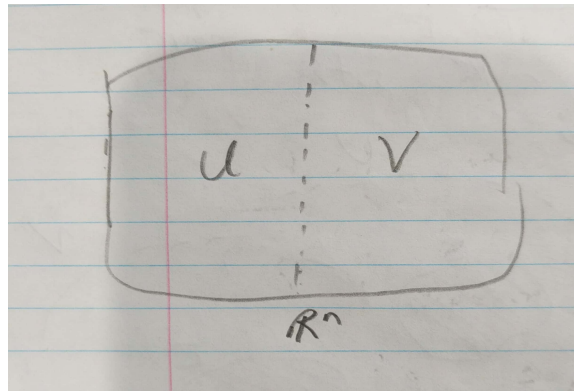
$$U \cap V \cap \mathbb{R}^n = U \cap V = \emptyset$$

which implies  $U, V$  are disjoint.

3.

$$\mathbb{R}^n \subseteq U \cup V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$$

so  $\mathbb{R}^n = U \cup V$ . Since  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ , then  $U^c = V$  and  $V^c = U$ .



**Figure 6.2:** Sketch of what disconnected  $\mathbb{R}^n$  would look like.

This would mean  $U, V$  are both **non-empty** subsets that are **both open and closed** and  $U, V \neq \mathbb{R}^n$  (since they are non-empty disjoint).

In other words, if  $\exists U$  such that  $U \neq \emptyset, U \neq \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $U$  is both open and closed, then  $U, V = U^c$  gives a separation of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

We'll see (next class) that  $\nexists$  a separation of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  for any  $n$ , so the only subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that are both open and closed are  $\emptyset, \mathbb{R}^n$ .

### 6.3 $[0, 1]$ is connected

This is an example of a connected subset in  $\mathbb{R}$  and will be used next time to prove  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is connected and *more*.

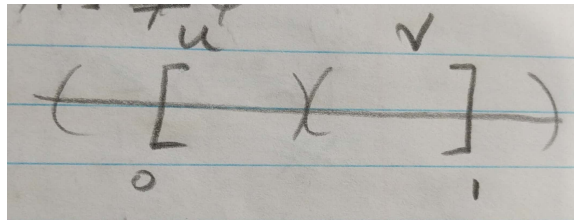
**Theorem 6.1.** Let  $E = [0, 1] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $E$  is connected.

(Aside: in fact: *any* interval  $[a, b]$ ,  $[a, b)$ ,  $(a, b]$ ,  $(a, b)$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  is connected and these are the **only** connected subsets in  $\mathbb{R}$  i.e. connectedness  $\Rightarrow$  interval).

*Proof.* By contradiction.

Suppose  $[0, 1]$  is not connected.  $\exists$  a separation  $U, V$  open subsets of  $[0, 1]$  where

1.  $U \cap [0, 1] \neq \emptyset$
2.  $V \cap [0, 1] \neq \emptyset$
3.  $U \cap V \cap [0, 1] = \emptyset$
4.  $[0, 1] \subseteq U \cup V$



**Figure 6.3:** Sketch of  $U, V$  open sets as (potential) separation for  $[0, 1]$ .

WLOG  $0 \in U$ . Since  $U$  is open and  $0 \in U$ ,  $\exists \epsilon_0 > 0$  such that  $B_{\epsilon_0}(0) = (-\epsilon_0, \epsilon_0) \subseteq U$ .

WLOG,  $\epsilon_0 < 1$  so  $[0, \epsilon_0) \subseteq U \cap [0, 1]$ .

Define  $t_0$  as

$$\sup\{\epsilon \in (0, 1) \mid [0, \epsilon) \subseteq U \cap [0, 1]\}$$

note: the above is a non-empty subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  since  $\epsilon_0$  is in the set. It's bounded above by 1, so the supremum or  $t_0$  must exist.

We have  $0 < \epsilon_0 \leq t_0 \leq 1$  so  $t_0 \in (0, 1]$ , thus  $t_0 \in U$  or  $t_0 \in V$ .

**Case 1:**  $t_0 \in U$  Since  $U$  is open (all open sets have some open ball around every point)  $\exists \delta > 0$  such that

$$(t_0 - \delta, t_0 + \delta) \subseteq U \tag{6.1}$$

WLOG  $\delta < t_0$  but  $0 < t_0 - \delta < t_0$  so by definition of  $t_0$  (as supremum),  $\exists \hat{\epsilon} > 0$  with  $t_0 - \delta < \hat{\epsilon} < t_0$  such that

$$[0, \hat{\epsilon}) \subseteq U \cap [0, 1] \tag{6.2}$$

Combining equation 6.1 and 6.2 (joining the two intervals together since we do not know if either separately are in  $U$ ), we have

$$[0, t_0 + \delta) \subseteq U \cap [0, 1] \tag{6.3}$$

We have two subcases:

$t_0 < 1$  Then we can shrink  $\delta > 0$  further to ensure  $t_0 + \delta < 1$  ( $\delta < 1 - t_0$ ).

Then  $0 < t_0 + \delta < 1$  and  $[0, t_0 + \delta) \subseteq U \cap [0, 1]$  which contradicts  $t_0$  as the supremum.

$t_0 = 1$  This implies  $U \cap [0, 1] = [0, 1]$  by equation 6.3 but then  $V \cap [0, 1] = \emptyset$  (since  $U \cap V \cap [0, 1] = \emptyset$ ), which is a contradiction since  $V$  must be non-empty.

**Case 2:**  $t_0 \in V$  Since  $V$  is open  $\exists \zeta > 0$  such that

$$(t_0 - \zeta, t_0 + \zeta) \subseteq V \quad (6.4)$$

WLOG  $\zeta < t_0$  but  $0 < t_0 - \zeta < t_0$  so by definition of  $t_0$  (as supremum)  $\exists \tilde{\epsilon} > 0$  with  $t_0 - \zeta < \tilde{\epsilon} \leq t_0$  such that

$$[0, \tilde{\epsilon}) \subseteq U \cap [0, 1]$$

(it's  $U$  since that was the set  $t_0$  was defined with).

Pick  $s \in (t_0 - \zeta, \tilde{\epsilon})$ . Then  $s \in U \cap [0, 1]$  by equation 6.1 but also  $s \in V \cap [0, 1]$  by equation 6.4, which is a contradiction.

By the contradiction of the two cases above,  $[0, 1]$  is connected. □

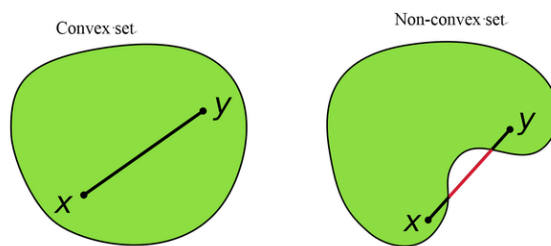
## 7 January 17, 2017

### 7.1 Convex sets

**Definition 7.1.** A **non-empty** subset  $E$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is called **convex** if whenever  $x, y \in E$  then

$$tx + (1 - t)y \in E \quad \forall t \in [0, 1]$$

i.e. the line segment between any 2 points in  $E$  is contained in  $E$ .



**Figure 7.1:** Convex and non-convex sets in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

### 7.2 Convex $\Rightarrow$ connected

**Corollary 7.1.** Any convex subset  $E$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is connected. This implies two corollaries:

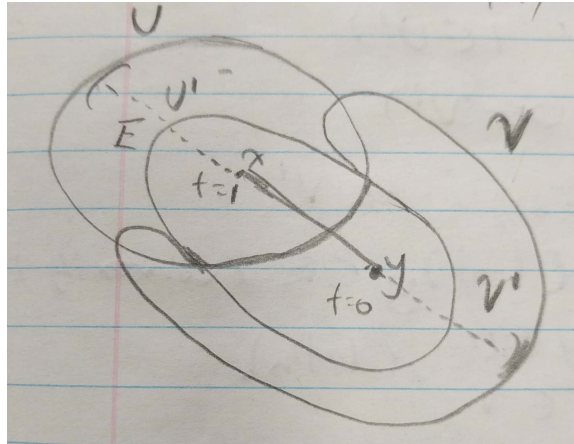
**Corollary 7.2.**  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is connected  $\forall n$  since  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is trivially connected.

**Corollary 7.3.** The only subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that are both open and closed are  $\emptyset, \mathbb{R}^n$  (see the remark about  $\mathbb{R}^n$  connectedness from above).

*Proof.* Let  $E$  be convex and suppose  $E$  is *not* connected.  $\exists$  open subsets  $U, V$  such that

1.  $U \cap E \neq \emptyset$

2.  $V \cap E \neq \emptyset$
3.  $U \cap V \cap E = \emptyset$
4.  $E \subseteq U \cup V$



**Figure 7.2:** Suppose convex  $E$  is not connected and there exists a separation  $U, V$ .

Let  $x \in U \cap E$  and  $y \in V \cap E$  (therefore  $x \neq y$  since  $U \cap V \cap E = \emptyset$ ). Since  $E$  is convex,

$$tx + (1 - t)y \in E \quad \forall t \in [0, 1]$$

Define  $U', V'$  subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  by

$$U' = \{t \in \mathbb{R} : tx + (1 - t)y \in U\}$$

$$V' = \{t \in \mathbb{R} : tx + (1 - t)y \in V\}$$

(note:  $U', V'$  is not restricted to elements  $[0, 1]$ :  $t$  could extend arbitrarily into  $E^c$ ).

**Claim:**  $U', V'$  are open subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ . Let  $t_0 \in U'$  so  $x_0 = t_0x + (1 - t_0)y \in U$ . Since  $U$  is open in  $\mathbb{R}^n$   $\exists \epsilon_0 > 0$  such that  $B_{\epsilon_0}(x_0) \in U$ . We pick  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$|t - t_0| < \frac{\epsilon_0}{\|x\| + \|y\|}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} B_{\epsilon_0}(x_0) \Rightarrow \|(tx + (1 - t)y) - x_0\| &= \|tx + (1 - t)y - t_0x - (1 - t_0)y\| \\ &= \|(t - t_0)x + (t_0 - t)y\| \\ &\stackrel{\Delta}{\leq} |t - t_0|(\|x\| + \|y\|) \\ &< \epsilon_0 \end{aligned}$$

But  $B_{\epsilon_0}(x_0) \subseteq U$  so if  $|t - t_0| < \frac{\epsilon_0}{\|x\| + \|y\|}$  then  $t \in U'$  (we want our choice of  $t$  to imply  $t \in U'$ ).

So  $\frac{B_{\epsilon_0}(t_0)}{\|x\| + \|y\|} \subseteq U'$  so  $U'$  is open.

Similarly,  $V'$  is open.

Thus here are the properties of  $U', V'$ . They are both open in  $\mathbb{R}$  and

1.  $U' \cap [0, 1] \neq \emptyset$  (since  $1 \in U'$ )

2.  $V' \cap [0, 1] \neq \emptyset$  (since  $0 \in V'$ )

3.  $U' \cap V' \cap [0, 1] = \emptyset$  (since  $0 \in V'$ )

Given some  $t \in [0, 1]$  (since  $tx \in (1-t)y \in E$  from convexity), note that either  $t \in U'$  from  $tx + (1-t)y \in U$  or  $t \in V'$  from  $tx + (1-t)y \in V$  (we know from before that  $U \cap V \cap E = \emptyset$  thus this must hold for the subsets  $U', V'$ ).

4.  $[0, 1] \subseteq U' \cup V'$

If  $t \in [0, 1]$ , then  $z = tx + (1-t)y \in E$  so  $z \in U \cup V$  from before, so  $z \in U$  or  $z \in V$ , thus by their definitions  $t \in U'$  or  $t \in V'$ .

Then  $U', V'$  is a separation for  $[0, 1]$ , which is a contradiction. Thus  $E$  is connected.  $\square$

**Remark 7.1.** In general, to prove a set  $E$  is connected it is generally easier to assume it is *not* connected and there exists a separation, then derive a contradiction.

### 7.3 Open cover and compactness

**Definition 7.2.** Let  $E$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . An **open cover** of  $E$  is a collection of open subsets  $U_\alpha$   $\alpha \in A$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that

$$E \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha$$

(finite or infinite union of open subsets).

**Definition 7.3.** The subset  $E$  is called **compact** iff every open cover of  $E$  admits a **finite subcover**.

That is: if  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha$   $\alpha \in A$  is an open cover of  $E$ , then  $\exists$  a finite subset  $A_0$  of  $A$  such that

$$E \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in A_0} U_\alpha$$

Informally, whenever a compact  $E$  is covered by a collection of open sets, it is actually covered by just finitely many of those open sets.

**Remark 7.2.** This definition is not very useful for checking if a subset is compact (because you would have to check every open cover of  $E$ ).

**Definition 7.4.** A subset  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is called **bounded** if  $\exists M > 0$  such that  $E \subseteq B_M(0)$ . That is  $\|x\| < M \forall x \in E$ .

### 7.4 Heine-Borel theorem

**Theorem 7.1.** Let  $E$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .  $E$  is **compact** iff  $E$  is both **closed** and **bounded**.

The following proof uses the *density of rationals*.