

1.25, 1.26, 1.28, 1.30, 1.31, 2.7, 2.9, 2.16, 2.18.

Exercise 1.25 Let (X, d) be a metric space. Let E and Y be subsets of X such that $E \subset Y$. Prove that

$$\text{Cl}_Y(E) = \text{Cl}_X(E) \cap Y.$$

For \subset , let $x \in \text{Cl}_Y(E)$. $\text{Cl}_Y(E) = E \cup \text{Lim}_Y(E) = E \cup (\text{Lim}_X(E) \cap Y)$ (by Exercise 1.10) $= (E \cup \text{Lim}_X(E)) \cap Y = \text{Cl}_X(E) \cap Y$. So, $x \in \text{Cl}_X(E) \cap Y$. For \supset , let $x \in \text{Cl}_X(E) \cap Y$. So, $\text{Cl}_X(E) = (E \cup \text{Lim}_X(E)) \cap Y = E \cup (\text{Lim}_X(E) \cap Y) = E \cup \text{Lim}_Y(E) = \text{Cl}_Y(E)$. ■

Exercise 1.26 Let (X, d) be a metric space.

1. Prove that for any collection \mathbb{E} of subsets of X , we have

$$\bigcup_{E \in \mathbb{E}} \bar{E} \subset \overline{\bigcup_{E \in \mathbb{E}} E}$$

and equality holds if \mathbb{E} is finite.

2. Prove that for any collection \mathbb{E} of subsets of X , we have

$$\bigcap_{E \in \mathbb{E}} \bar{E} \supset \overline{\bigcap_{E \in \mathbb{E}} E}$$

and equality holds if \mathbb{E} is finite.

3. Give examples that demonstrate that equality might fail in part (1) if \mathbb{E} is not finite, and equality might fail in part (2) even if \mathbb{E} is finite.

1. Let $x \in \bigcup_{E \in \mathbb{E}} \bar{E}$. So, for some E , $x \in E \cup \text{Lim}_X(E)$. $\overline{\bigcup_{E \in \mathbb{E}} E} = [\bigcup_{E \in \mathbb{E}} E] \cup [\text{Lim}_X(\bigcup_{E \in \mathbb{E}} E)]$. So, $E \subset \bigcup_{E \in \mathbb{E}} E$ and $\text{Lim}_X(E) \subset \text{Lim}_X(\bigcup_{E \in \mathbb{E}} E)$ by Exercise 1.9. So, $x \in \overline{\bigcup_{E \in \mathbb{E}} E}$. For \supset , let $K = \bigcup_{E \in \mathbb{E}} \bar{E}$. Since K is union of finite number of closed sets, K is a closed set. All $x \in \bigcap_{E \in \mathbb{E}} \bar{E} \rightarrow x \in \text{Cl}_X(E)$ and so $x \in K$. Thus, $\bigcap_{E \in \mathbb{E}} \bar{E} \subset K$.
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Exercise 1.28 Let (X, d) be a metric space.

1. Prove that $x \in X$ and $r > 0$, we have $\overline{B_X(x, r)} \subset \{y \in X : d(x, y) \leq r\}$. (Hint: Take complements and draw a picture.) Note the inclusion $\overline{B_X(x, r)} \subset B_X(x, r + \epsilon)$ follows for any $\epsilon > 0$.
2. Give an example using the discrete metric that demonstrates that equality need not hold in the inclusion $\overline{B_X(x, r)} \subset \{y \in X : d(x, y) \leq r\}$ that you proved in (1).
3. Prove that in \mathbb{R}^n under the Euclidean metric $d(x, y) = \|x - y\|$, we have $\overline{B_{\mathbb{R}^n}(x, r)} = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n : \|x - y\| \leq r\}$. (Again a picture might be useful)
4. Using part (1), prove if A is bounded in (X, d) then \overline{A} is also bounded in (X, d) .

1. $\overline{B_X(x, r)} = B_X(x, r) \cup \text{Lim}_X(B_X(x, r))$. Let's analyze some $z \in B_X(x, r)$. For any such z , $d(x, z) < r \rightarrow z \in \{y \in X : d(x, y) \leq r\}$. Now assume that $y \in \text{Lim}_X(B_X(x, r))$. $\text{Lim}_X(B_X(x, r)) = \{x : U \cap \{B_X(x, r) \setminus \{x\}\} \neq \emptyset\}$ where U is any neighborhood of x . The set of limit points will contain those points with $d(x, y) \leq r$. Any y that has $d(x, y) \geq r + \epsilon$ will violate definition of limit point. So, $\text{Lim}_X(B_X(x, r)) \subset \{y \in X : d(x, y) \leq r\}$. This completes the inclusion, \subset .
2. Let $r = 1$ and $y \in \{y \in X : d(x, y) \leq r\}$. $y \notin B_X(x, 1) = \{x\}$ and we need to show $y \notin \text{Lim}_X(B_X(x, 1)) = U \cap (\{x\} \setminus y)$. Choose U to be $B_X(y, 1)$ so $y \notin \text{Lim}_X(B_X(x, 1))$.
3. Let $D = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n : \|x - y\| \leq r\}$. For \subset , $\overline{B_{\mathbb{R}^n}(x, r)} = B_{\mathbb{R}^n}(x, r) \cup \text{Lim}_X(B_{\mathbb{R}^n}(x, r))$. If $y \in B_{\mathbb{R}^n}(x, r)$, $d(x, y) < r$ so $y \in D$. If $y \in \text{Lim}_X(B_{\mathbb{R}^n}(x, r)) = U \cap (B_{\mathbb{R}^n}(x, r) \setminus \{y\})$ for any neighborhood around y . This includes y when $d(x, y) = r$ so $y \in D$. For \supset , choose $y \in D$ s.t. $d(x, y) < r$ so $y \in B_{\mathbb{R}^n}(x, r)$. Let $z \in D$ be s.t. $d(x, z) = r$. So, for any $\epsilon > 0$, $\nexists B_X(z, \epsilon)$ s.t. $B_X(z, \epsilon) \cap (B_{\mathbb{R}^n}(x, r) \setminus \{z\})$. Thus, $z \in \text{Lim}_X(B_{\mathbb{R}^n}(x, r))$.
4. Let $a \in \text{Lim}_X(A) = B_X(x, R) \cup A \subset \{a\} = \{\dots, b, \dots\}$. $d(a, x) \leq d(a, b) + d(b, x) \leq R$. So, $\text{Lim}_X(A) \in B_X(x, R)$ so \overline{A} is bounded. ■