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**Exercise 1.9** Let  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  be subsets of a metric space  $(X, d)$ . Prove that

$$\text{Lim}_X(E_1 \cup E_2) = \text{Lim}_X(E_1) \cup \text{Lim}_X(E_2).$$

For  $\subset$ , assume  $x \in \text{Lim}_X(E_1 \cup E_2)$  and  $U$  is a neighborhood of  $x$  in  $X$ . So,  $\emptyset \neq U \cap (E_1 \cup E_2) \setminus \{x\}$ .  $U \cap [(E_1 \setminus \{x\}) \cup (E_2 \setminus \{x\})] = [U \cap (E_1 \setminus \{x\}) \cup U \cap (E_2 \setminus \{x\})] = \text{Lim}_X(E_1) \cup \text{Lim}_X(E_2)$ . For  $\supset$ , using Proposition 1.8,  $E_1 \subset E_1 \cup E_2 \rightarrow \text{Lim}_X(E_1) \subset \text{Lim}_X(E_1 \cup E_2)$ . Similarly,  $E_2 \subset E_1 \cup E_2 \rightarrow \text{Lim}_X(E_2) \subset \text{Lim}_X(E_1 \cup E_2)$ . So,  $\text{Lim}_X(E_1) \cup \text{Lim}_X(E_2) \subset \text{Lim}_X(E_1 \cup E_2)$ . So,  $\text{Lim}_X(E_1 \cup E_2) = \text{Lim}_X(E_1) \cup \text{Lim}_X(E_2)$ . ■

**Exercise 1.10** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space, and assume  $E \subset Y \subset X$ . Prove that

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

For  $\subset$ ,  $\text{Lim}_Y(E) = V \cap (E \setminus \{x\}) = (U \cap Y) \cap (E \setminus \{x\})$ , where  $V$  is open in  $Y$  and  $U$  is open in  $X$  (applied Theorem 2.19). So,  $(U \cap Y) \cap (E \setminus \{x\}) \rightarrow [U \cap E \setminus \{x\}] \cap Y = \text{Lim}_X(E) \cap Y$ . For  $\supset$ ,  $\text{Lim}_X(E) \cap Y \rightarrow [V \cap (E \setminus \{x\})] \cap Y$ , where  $V$  is an open set neighborhood of  $x$  with respect to  $X$ . So,  $[(V \cap Y) \cap [E \setminus \{x\} \cap Y]]$ . Applying Theorem 2.19 to  $V \cap Y = U$  where  $U$  is open in  $Y$ . Then,  $U \cap [E \setminus \{x\} \cap Y] = U \cap [E \setminus \{x\}]$ , since  $E \subset Y$ . So,  $U \cap [E \setminus \{x\}] \rightarrow \text{Lim}_Y(E)$ . So,  $\text{Lim}_Y(E) = \text{Lim}_X(E) \cap Y$ . ■

**Exercise 1.13** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space, and assume  $Y \subset X$ . Let  $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence in  $Y$  and let  $x$  be a point of  $X$ . Prove that the following two statements are equivalent:

1.  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $X$ , and  $x \in Y$ .
2.  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $Y$ .

For  $\subset$ , if  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $X$ , and  $x \in Y$ , then for some neighborhood  $V$  of  $x$  and  $\exists$  some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $x_n \in V$ . By Theorem 2.19,  $U = V \cap Y \implies U$  is open in  $Y$  so  $x_n \in U$ . This implies that  $x_n \rightarrow x$  and  $x \in Y$ . For  $\supset$ ,  $\exists$  a neighborhood  $V$  around  $x$  with respect to  $Y$  s.t.  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  that  $x_n \in V$ .  $V \subset Y \subset X$  so  $x \in Y$ . If  $x_n \in V$ , then  $V = U \cap Y$  where  $x_n \in U$ . So,  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $X$ . ■

**Exercise 1.14** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space, and let  $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence in  $Y$  and let  $x$  be a point of  $X$ . Prove that the following statements are equivalent:

1.  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $X$
2. For every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n \geq N$  implies  $x_n \in B_X(x, \epsilon)$  (i.e.  $d(x, x_n) < \epsilon$ ).
3.  $d(x, x_n) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Let's consider the first two points first. For  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $X$ ,  $\exists$  a neighborhood  $U$  around  $x$  in  $X$  s.t.  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  that  $x_n \in U$  and  $n \geq N$ , where  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ . For  $\subset$ , set  $U$  to the ball  $B_X(x, \epsilon)$  for  $\epsilon > 0$  so  $x_n \in B_X(x, \epsilon)$ . For  $\supset$ , use the same reasoning that  $n \geq N$  implies  $x_n \in B_X(x, \epsilon)$ .  $B_X(x, \epsilon)$  is a neighborhood of  $x$  which is open in  $X$ . Since  $x_n \in B_X(x, \epsilon)$  for  $n \geq N$ , so  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $X$ . For the last equality, let us look at points 2 and 3. To prove the direction (2)  $\rightarrow$  (3), let's argue via proof by contrapositive. Assume that  $d(x, x_n) \rightarrow \zeta$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If this is true, then  $\exists$  some  $\epsilon > 0$  s.t.  $\zeta > \epsilon$  so then  $x_n \notin B_X(x, \epsilon)$ . So, for  $x_n$  to be in the set  $B_X(x, \epsilon)$ ,  $d(x, x_n)$  must tend to 0 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . For the other inclusion  $\supset$ , for any  $\epsilon$  selected, there will always be another  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\epsilon > d(x, x_n)$  so  $x_n \in B_X(x, \epsilon)$ . ■

**Exercise 1.15** Let  $(s_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $(t_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be sequences of real numbers, with  $t_n > 0$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Assume that  $t_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

- Prove that if  $|s_n - s| < t_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $s_n \rightarrow s$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .
- Prove that if  $\frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

- Given  $|s_n - s| < t_n \forall n$  is true, for any  $t_n > 0$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $n \geq N$  implies  $s_n \in B_X(s, t_n)$  as  $d(s_n, s) < t_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  so  $s_n \rightarrow s$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .
- Let  $a_n = (\frac{1}{n})_{n=1}^{\infty}$ . Clearly,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, a_{n+1} < a_n$  (this is the Archimedean property). If  $a_N < \epsilon$  for  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  for any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists n \geq N$  s.t.  $a_n < a_N < \epsilon$  so  $a_n \in B_X(0, \epsilon)$ . ■

**Exercise 1.21** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space, and let  $E$  be a subset of  $X$ . Prove that  $\text{Lim}_X(E)$  is a closed set of  $X$ .

Let  $x \in \text{Lim}_X(E')$  where  $E' = \text{Lim}_X(E)$ . For any neighborhood  $U$  around  $x$ ,  $\exists x' \in U \cap (E' \setminus \{x\})$ . So,  $x' \in \text{Lim}_X(E)$ . For any neighborhood  $V$  around  $x'$ ,  $\exists y \in V \cap (E \setminus \{x'\})$  such that  $y \in E$ . For any neighborhood  $N$  around  $x$ ,  $y \in N \cap (E \setminus \{x\})$  so  $x \in \text{Lim}_X(E)$ . ■

**Exercise 1.24** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space, and let  $E$  be a subset of  $X$ . Prove that

$$X \setminus \text{Cl}_X(E) = \text{Int}_X(X \setminus E)$$

For  $\subset$ ,  $X \setminus \text{Cl}_X(E) = X \setminus (E \cup \text{Lim}_X(E)) = (X \setminus E) \cap (X \setminus \text{Lim}_X(E))$ . Recall from Exercise 1.21 that  $\text{Lim}_X(E)$  is a closed set so  $X \setminus \text{Lim}_X(E)$  is open. Let  $x \in X \setminus E$  and  $x \in X \setminus \text{Lim}_X(E)$ .  $x \in \text{Int}_X(X \setminus \text{Lim}_X(E)) \rightarrow \exists \epsilon > 0$  s.t.  $B_X(x, \epsilon) \subset \text{Int}_X(X \setminus \text{Lim}_X(E))$ . Since  $x \in X \setminus E$ , for  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $B_X(x, \epsilon) \subset X \setminus E$  so  $x \in \text{Int}_X(X \setminus E)$ . For  $\supset$ , let  $x \in \text{Int}_X(E) \subset X \setminus E$  so  $x \in X \setminus E$ .  $x \in \text{Int}_X(X \setminus E) \subset \text{Int}(X)$ . This says that since  $x$  is in this open set,  $B_X(x, r)$  is open.  $x \notin \text{Lim}_X(E)$  as  $\text{Lim}_X(E)$  is closed; that is,  $B_X(x, r) \not\subset \text{Lim}_X(E)$ . So,  $x \in X \setminus \text{Lim}_X(E)$ . Thus,  $X \setminus \text{Cl}_X(E) = \text{Int}_X(X \setminus E)$ . ■