

(1) We define a function $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{3x^2 + y^2}{x^2 + 2y^2}, & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0, & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0). \end{cases}$$

Use the definition of continuous function (in terms of " $\epsilon - \delta$ ") to show that f is discontinuous at $(0, 0)$.

Pf. f is continuous if $\forall \epsilon > 0. \exists \delta > 0. \text{ s.t.}$

$$\|(x, y) - (0, 0)\| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x, y) - f(0, 0)| < \epsilon$$

$$\text{let } \epsilon_0 = \frac{1}{2} \quad \left| f(x, y) - f(0, 0) \right| = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\frac{5}{2}x^2}{x^2 + 2y^2} > \epsilon_0 \quad \forall x, y.$$

$$\text{let } x_i = 0 \quad y_i = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^i$$

$$(x_i, y_i) \rightarrow (0, 0) \text{ as } i \rightarrow +\infty. \text{ but } \left| f(x_i, y_i) - f(0, 0) \right| > \epsilon_0$$

so f is discontinuous at $(0, 0)$ by definition □

(2) Let $\{x_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ be an infinite sequence in \mathbb{R}^n . If the sequence is bounded, show that it has a converging subsequence. (Hint: applying Bolzano-Weierstraß Theorem)

Pf. By Bolzano-Weierstraß Theorem. $\{x_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ has a limit point.

denote the limit point by x_0

by definition $\forall r > 0. \exists j \in \mathbb{N}. 0 < |x_j - x_0| < r$

$$\text{let } i_1 = 1. \quad r_1 = |x_0 - x_{i_1}|$$

with r_k picked. $i_{k+1} = j$ where $x_j \in B_{r_k}(x_{i_k}) \cap \{x_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty} \setminus \{x_{i_k}\} \neq \emptyset$
 $r_{k+1} = |x_0 - x_{i_{k+1}}|.$

then such an inductively picked sequence $\{x_{i_k}\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a convergent subsequence of $\{x_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ with $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{i_k} = x_0$. □

(3) Consider two sequences $L = \{a_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ and $R = \{b_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ in \mathbb{R}^1 . If

$$a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \dots \leq a_{j-1} \leq a_j \leq \dots \leq b_j \leq b_{j-1} \leq \dots \leq b_1,$$

and

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} |b_j - a_j| = 0,$$

then show that

$$\sup L = \inf R.$$

Pf. By definition $\forall i \in \mathbb{N}$. b_i is an upper bound of L .

$$\text{so } \sup L \leq b_i \quad (\forall i \in \mathbb{N})$$

so $\sup L$ is a lower bound of R

$$\text{so } \sup L \leq \inf R.$$

if $\sup L < \inf R$ let $\Delta = \inf R - \sup L > 0$

since $\forall j \in \mathbb{N}$. $a_j \leq \sup L < \inf R \leq b_j$.

$$\Rightarrow |b_j - a_j| \geq \Delta \quad (\forall j \in \mathbb{N})$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} |b_j - a_j| \geq \Delta > 0$$

this contradicts with $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} |b_j - a_j| = 0$.

$$\text{so } \sup L = \inf R.$$

□

(4) Textbook Chapter 1.4. Exercise 9(b): if $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$, then prove that there exists a unique integer $n_0 \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that

$$n_0 < x < n_0 + 1.$$

pf. If $x > 0$. Then $A = \{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+ \mid n < x\}$ is finite.

Any nonempty ^{finite} subset of \mathbb{Z} has a maximum element.

let $n_0 = \max_{n \in A} n$. $n_0 < x$ by definition.

Claim. $x < n_0 + 1$.

If not, $n_0 + 1 < x \Rightarrow n_0 + 1 \in A \Rightarrow n_0 \neq \max_{n \in A} n$ contradiction.

so $n_0 < x < n_0 + 1$ when $x > 0$.

if $x < 0$. $\exists n_1 \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ s.t. $n_1 < -x_0 < n_1 + 1$

$$\Rightarrow -n_1 - 1 < x_0 < -n_1$$

so the conclusion holds for $x < 0$.

so $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$. $\exists! n_0 \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $n_0 < x < n_0 + 1$. □

(5) Use (4) to prove that for any real number $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and for any $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a rational number q such that

$$q < x < q + \epsilon.$$

pf. If $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$.

$$\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ s.t. } n_0 < x < n_0 + 1$$

since $\epsilon > 0$. $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ s.t. $0 < \frac{1}{k} < \epsilon$.

consider the sequence $x_i = n_0 + \frac{i}{k}$ $0 \leq i \leq k$

$\exists! i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ s.t. $x_{i-1} \leq x < x_i$

$$\Rightarrow n_0 + \frac{i-1}{k} \leq x < n_0 + \frac{i}{k}$$

$$\text{let } q = n_0 + \frac{i-1}{k} \quad \frac{1}{k} < \varepsilon \Rightarrow q + \frac{1}{k} < q + \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow q \leq x < q + \frac{1}{k} < q + \varepsilon.$$

If $x \in \mathbb{Z}$. use the k above. let $q = x - \frac{1}{k} \in \mathbb{Q}$

$$x - \frac{1}{k} < x < x + (\varepsilon - \frac{1}{k}) \Rightarrow q < x < q + \varepsilon.$$

so $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}. \varepsilon > 0. \exists q \in \mathbb{Q}. \text{ s.t. } q < x < q + \varepsilon.$

□.

(6) Let us recall the definition of "subspace topology" for subsets of \mathbb{R}^n . Let $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a nonempty subset. We call a subset $W \subseteq U$ an **open set in U** (or an open set with respect to U) if there exists an open set $O \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $W = O \cap U$.

(a) Consider the set $S \equiv \{\frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}$. Let us regard S as a subspace of \mathbb{R} . Show that every *singleton* (a set with exactly one element) of S is an open set in S .

(b) Consider the set \mathbb{Q} of all rational numbers. If \mathbb{Q} is regarded as a subspace of \mathbb{R} , show that no *singleton* of \mathbb{Q} is an open set in \mathbb{Q} .

(w). Pf. Let $O_n = B_{r_n}(\frac{1}{n})$ where $r_n = \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}$

By definition $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}_+. O_n$ is open.

$$S \cap O_n = \{\frac{1}{n}\} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$$

$$\Rightarrow \{\frac{1}{n}\} \text{ is open in } S, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}_+.$$

□

(b). Pf. let $q \in \mathbb{Q}$.

$\{q\}$ is a singleton in \mathbb{Q} .

If there is such $O \subset \mathbb{R}$ open in \mathbb{R} s.t. $O \cap \mathbb{Q} = \{q\}$

since every point of O should be an interior point.

then $\exists r_0 > 0$ s.t. $B_{r_0}(q) \subset O$ (I)

the conclusion from (5) shows that:

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}. \forall \varepsilon > 0. \exists q \in \mathbb{Q}: q < x < q + \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow x - \varepsilon < q < x$$

this indicates that given any two different real numbers, there always exists a rational number between them.

In (I). $q \in \mathbb{R}$. $q + r_0 \in \mathbb{R}$. $\Rightarrow \exists q_1 \in \mathbb{Q}$. $q < q_1 < q + r_0$

$$\Rightarrow q_1 \in B_{r_0}(q) \text{ and } q \neq q_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \{q, q_1\} \subset O \cap \mathbb{Q}.$$

So no such open set O exists in \mathbb{R}

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