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Definition: A set X is called a metric space if $\exists d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \rightarrow$

a) $d(p, q) > 0$ if $p \neq q$ and $d(p, p) = 0$

b) $d(p, q) = d(q, p)$

c) $d(p, q) \leq d(p, r) + d(r, q)$ for any $r \in X$.

Example: $X = \mathbb{R}^k$, $d(x, y) = |x - y|$

Example: $X =$ any non-empty set

$$d(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x = y \\ 1, & \text{if } x \neq y \end{cases}$$

check that the metric space axioms are satisfied.

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$$(a, b) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a < x < b\}$$

segment

$$[a, b] = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a \leq x \leq b\}$$

$$X = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) \rightarrow a_i \leq x_i \leq b_i \quad 1 \leq i \leq k$$

is called a k -cell.

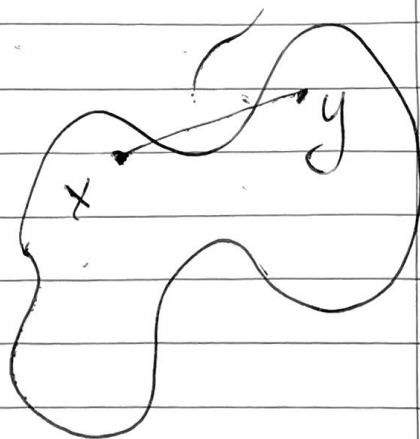
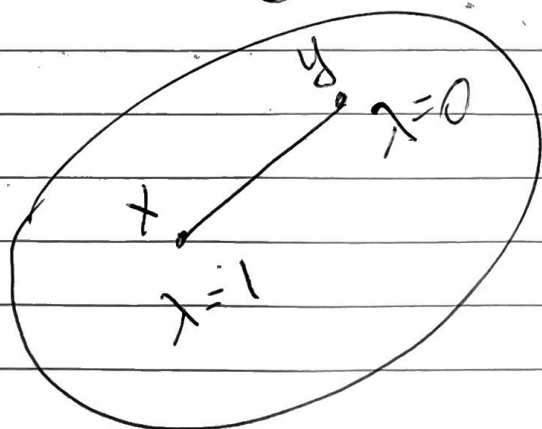
$$\text{Open ball } B(x, r) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^k : |x - y| < r\}$$

$E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^k$ is called convex if

$$\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y \in E \quad 0 < \lambda < 1$$

whenever $x, y \in E$

not convex



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Claim: Balls are convex

Proof: Let $x =$ center of the ball, and let $y, z \in$ ball.

$$\text{Then } |\lambda y + (1-\lambda)z - x| =$$

$$|\lambda(y-x) + (1-\lambda)(z-x)|$$

$$\leq \lambda|y-x| + (1-\lambda)|z-x|$$

$$< \lambda r + (1-\lambda)r = r \quad \checkmark$$

Definition: $X =$ metric space

a) Neighborhood of p : $N_r(p) = \{q \in X : d(p, q) < r\}$
for some $r > 0$.

b) p is a limit point of $E \subseteq X$ if every neighborhood of p contains a point $q \neq p \in E$.

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e) If $p \in E$ and p is not a limit point of E , then p is an isolated point of E .

d) E is closed if every limit point of E is a point of E .

e) A point p is an interior point of E if \exists neighborhood of p contained in E .

f) E is open if every point of E is an interior point of E .

g) $E^c = \{x \in X : x \notin E\}$
complement of E

h) E is perfect if E is closed and if every point of E is a limit point of E .

i) E is bounded if there is a real number M and a point $q \in X$ such that $d(p, q) < M \forall p \in E$.

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j) E is dense in X if every point of X is a limit point of E , or a point of E , or both.

run through examples of the definitions above

Theorem: Every neighborhood is an open set.



Let $E = N_r(p)$, $r > 0$, and $q \in E$.

By definition, $\exists h > 0 \ni d(p, q) = r - h$.

$\forall s \ni d(q, s) < h$,

$$d(p, s) \leq d(p, q) + d(q, s) < r - h + h = r$$

metric space triangle inequality

Therefore, $N_h(q) \subset N_r(p)$, so

q is an interior point.

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Theorem: If p is a limit point of a set E , then every neighborhood of p contains infinitely many points of E .

Proof: We argue by contradiction. Suppose there is a neighborhood N of p which contains only finitely many points of E .

Let $q_1, \dots, q_n \in N \cap E$
limit points $q_i \neq p$

Let $r = \min_{1 \leq m \leq n} d(p, q_m) > 0$
why?

By assumption, $N_r(p)$ contains no points of E - contradiction!

Corollary: A finite set has no limit points

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Theorem: $\{E_\alpha\}$ finite or infinite collection
of sets E_α .

$$\text{Then } \left(\bigcup_{\alpha} E_\alpha \right)^c = \bigcap_{\alpha} E_\alpha^c.$$

Proof: If $x \in A$, $x \notin \bigcup_{\alpha} E_\alpha$, which means that $x \in$ NONE of the set E_α ,

i.e. $x \in E_\alpha^c$ for every α , so

$$x \in \bigcap_{\alpha} E_\alpha^c. \text{ Thus } A \subset B.$$

If $x \in B$, $x \in E_\alpha^c \forall \alpha$, which

means that $x \notin E_\alpha$ for any α ,

hence $x \notin \bigcup_{\alpha} E_\alpha$. We conclude that

$$x \in \left(\bigcup_{\alpha} E_\alpha \right)^c, \text{ so } B \subset A.$$

It follows that $A=B$.

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Theorem: E is open iff its complement is closed

Proof: Suppose that E^c is closed.

Choose $x \in E$. Then $x \notin E^c$, and x is not a limit point of E^c .

because E^c contains its limit points.

Hence \exists neighborhood N of $x \ni E^c \cap N$ is empty, i.e. $N \subseteq E$. This implies that E is open.

Conversely, suppose that E is open. Let x be a limit point of E^c . Then every neighborhood of x contains a point of E , so that x is not an interior point of E . Since E is open, it follows that $x \in E^c$, which implies that E^c is closed.