

MA 509 - REAL ANALYSIS LEC. 14LAST TIME:

Thm. 2.15 If X is a metric space and $E \subset X$, then

(a) \bar{E} is closed.

(b) $E = \bar{E}$ iff E is closed

(c) $\bar{E} \subset F$ for every closed set $F \subset X \supset E \subset F$.

Remark: \bar{E} is the smallest closed subset of X that contains E .

Thm. 2.16 Let E be a non-empty set of real numbers which is bounded above. Let $y = \sup(E)$. Then $y \in \bar{E}$. Hence $y \in E$ if E is closed.

Proof: If $y \in E$, then clearly $y \in \bar{E}$.

If $y \notin E$, then y is a limit point of E is what we want to show.

Since $y = \sup(E)$, $\exists x \in E \ni y - h < x < y$ for $h > 0$, otherwise $y - h$ would be an upper bound of E . But then y must be the limit point of E . $\Rightarrow y \in E' \subset \bar{E}$.

Hence in both the cases, we have $y \in \bar{E}$. \square

* Let $E = (a, b)$, $Y = \mathbb{R}^1$, $X = \mathbb{R}^2$.

Then E is open in \mathbb{R}^1 but not in \mathbb{R}^2 .

In general, let $E \subset Y \subset X$, where X is a metric space.

E open in X implies

if $p \in E$, $\exists r > 0 \ni d(p, q) < r, q \in X$

\Downarrow
 $q \in E$.

E is open relative to Y if

for $p \in E$, $\exists r > 0 \ni d(p, q) < r, q \in Y$

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 $q \in E$.

Thm. 2.17 Suppose $Y \subset X$. A subset E of Y is open relative to Y iff $E = Y \cap G$ for some open subset G of X .

Proof: \Rightarrow Suppose E is open relative to Y . Let $p \in E$.
 $\exists r_p > 0 \ni d(p, q) < r_p, q \in Y \Rightarrow q \in E$. — (1)

Let $V_p = \{q \in X : d(p, q) < r_p\}$. — (2)

Let $G = \bigcup_{p \in E} V_p$. Obviously, G is open in X .

Note that $p \in V_p \forall p \in E$. Thus $E \subset \bigcup_{p \in E} V_p = G$

Since we are given $E \subset Y$, we have
 $E \subset G \cap Y$ — (3)

Note that from (1) and (2), $V_p \cap Y \subset E \forall p \in E$

$\Rightarrow \bigcup_{p \in E} (V_p \cap Y) \subset E$

But $\bigcup_{p \in E} (V_p \cap Y) = \left(\bigcup_{p \in E} V_p \right) \cap Y = G \cap Y$.

$$\Rightarrow G \cap Y \subseteq E \quad (4)$$

From (3) and (4), we conclude $E = G \cap Y$.

" \leftarrow " Let G is open in X and $E = G \cap Y$.

Then by the defn. of an open set, for each $p \in E$, \exists nbhd $V_p \ni V_p \subseteq G$

$$\Rightarrow V_p \cap Y \subseteq G \cap Y$$

$$\Rightarrow V_p \cap Y \subseteq E$$

\Rightarrow for each $p \in E$, $\exists r_p > 0 \ni d(p, q) < r_p$,
 $q \in Y \Rightarrow q \in E$.

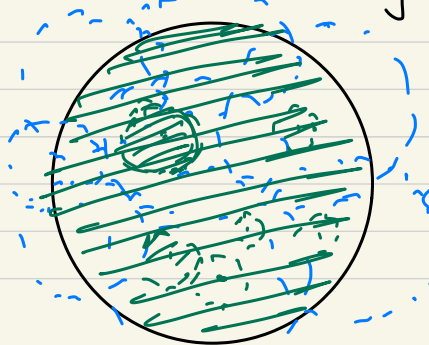
$\Rightarrow E$ is open relative to Y . \square

COMPACT SETS

Defn. Open cover : An open cover of a set E in a metric space X is a collection $\{G_\alpha\}$ of open subsets of X $\ni E \subseteq \bigcup_\alpha G_\alpha$.

Defn. A subset K of a metric space X is said to be compact if every open cover of K contains a finite subcover.

Eg. A finite set is always compact.



Suppose $K \subseteq \bigcup_\alpha G_\alpha$

Then K will be compact if \exists

$\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$ \ni

$$K \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n G_{\alpha_i}$$