

* Tutorials & OH today

* Mistake when explaining \liminf / \limsup

Let x_n be a sequence in \mathbb{R} . Then

$$* \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{k \geq n} x_k = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \inf_{k \geq n} x_k$$

$\stackrel{=: y_n}{\square}$

$$* \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{k \geq n} x_k = \inf_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \sup_{k \geq n} x_k$$

$\stackrel{=: z_n}{\square}$

Define $y_n := \inf_{k \geq n} x_k$ which is \nearrow and $\rightarrow \liminf x_n$

$z_n := \sup_{k \geq n} x_k$ which is \searrow and $\rightarrow \limsup x_n$

Also $y_n \leq x_n \leq z_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\Rightarrow \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \text{ exists iff}$$

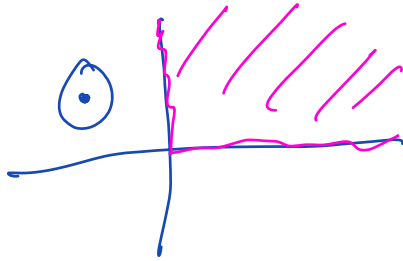
$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$$

Closed Sets, Closure, Interior

Let X be a topological space.

Def: $A \subseteq X$ is **closed** if A^c is open.

Ex: \odot $[a, b]$ is closed since $[a, b]^c = (-\infty, a) \cup (b, \infty)$ which is open
 \odot on \mathbb{R}^2 , define $A := \{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x \geq 0, y \geq 0 \}$



A is closed since

$A^c = (-\infty, 0) \times \mathbb{R} \cup \mathbb{R} \times (-\infty, 0)$ is open

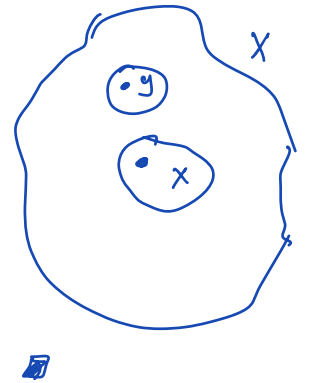
\odot Can sets both open and closed? Yes! X and \emptyset are always open & closed. (we call this clopen)
 Can sets be neither open nor closed? Yes! $[0, 1)$

\odot $\{x\}$ are these always closed? No.

Proposition: Let X be a Hausdorff space. Then singletons are closed.

Proof: Let $x \in X$. For $y \in X \setminus \{x\}$, we can choose a neighbd U_y of y that doesn't contain x .

Then $\{x\}^c = \bigcup_{\substack{y \in X \\ y \neq x}} U_y$ which is open.



Theorem: (1) \emptyset and X are closed

(2) Arbitrary intersection of closed sets is closed.

(3) finite union of closed sets is closed.

Def: Let $A \subseteq X$. The closure of A , denoted by \bar{A} , is the intersection of all closed sets containing A . The interior of A , denoted by $\text{Int}(A)$, is the union of all open sets contained in A .

It directly follows:

- 1) $\text{Int}(A) \subseteq A \subseteq \bar{A}$
- 2) $\text{Int}(A)$ is open and \bar{A} is closed
- 3) $\text{Int}(A)$ is the "largest" open set contained in A in the sense that if $U \subseteq A$ is open, then $U \subseteq \text{Int}(A)$.
- 4) \bar{A} is the "smallest" closed set containing A in the sense that if $B \supseteq A$ is closed, then $\bar{A} \subseteq B$.
- 5) $\text{Int}(A) = A \Leftrightarrow A$ is open
 $\bar{A} = A \Leftrightarrow A$ is closed

Theorem: (1) $x \in \bar{A} \Leftrightarrow$ Every neighbd of x intersects A .
 (2) let B be a basis. $x \in \bar{A} \Leftrightarrow$ every basis neighbd of x intersects A .

Proof: $x \notin \bar{A} \Leftrightarrow \exists$ closed set $C \supseteq A$ s.t. $x \notin C$
 $\Leftrightarrow \exists$ closed set $C \supseteq A$ s.t. $x \in C^c$ } often

$\Leftrightarrow \exists$ neighborhood of x that doesn't intersect A .

Ex:

1) $\overline{(0,1)} = [0,1]$

$\text{Int}(0,1) = (0,1)$

2) $A := \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \mid n \in \mathbb{N} \right\} \quad \bar{A} = A \cup \{0\}$

3) let $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $r > 0$. $\overline{B_r(x)} = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|x-y\| \leq r\}$
 $=: C_r(x)$

In general metric spaces,

is it true that $\overline{B_r(x)} = C_r(x)$? No.

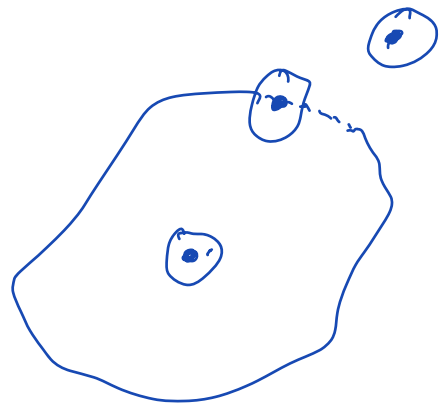
4) $\bar{\mathbb{Q}} = \mathbb{R}$ (every open interval contains a rational #)

Def: $A \subseteq X$ is **dense** if $\bar{A} = X$.

Limit points, Interior points, boundary points, isolated points.

Def: let $A \subseteq X$. $x \in X$ is a **limit point** of A if every neighborhood of x intersects $A \setminus \{x\}$

$$A' := \{ \text{limit point of } A \}$$



Def: Let $A \subseteq X$. $x \in X$ is a **boundary point** of A if every neighbd of x intersects both A and A^c .

$$\partial A := \{ \text{boundary points} \}$$

$$\partial A \subseteq A'$$

Let $A \subseteq X$.

Def: $x \in A$ is an **interior point** of A if \exists neighbd of x that is contained in A .

Def: Let $A \subseteq X$. $x \in A$ is an **isolated point** of A if \exists neighbd U of x s.t. $A \cap U = \{x\}$

Theorem: Let $A \subseteq X$

$$1) \bar{A} = A \cup A' = A \cup \partial A$$

If there are no isolated points of A , then
 $\bar{A} = A'$

$$2) \text{Int}(A) = \{ \text{interior points} \}$$

Proof: follows from the equivalent definition of \bar{A} above & def of $\text{Int}(A)$.

Corollary: A is closed iff $A' \subseteq A$
 iff $\partial A \subseteq A$

Theorem: (i) $\overline{A \cup B} = \bar{A} \cup \bar{B}$

$$\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha \stackrel{?}{=} \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} \bar{A}_\alpha \quad ?$$

(?) $\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha \stackrel{\subseteq}{\neq} \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} \bar{A}_\alpha$ (mistake during lecture)

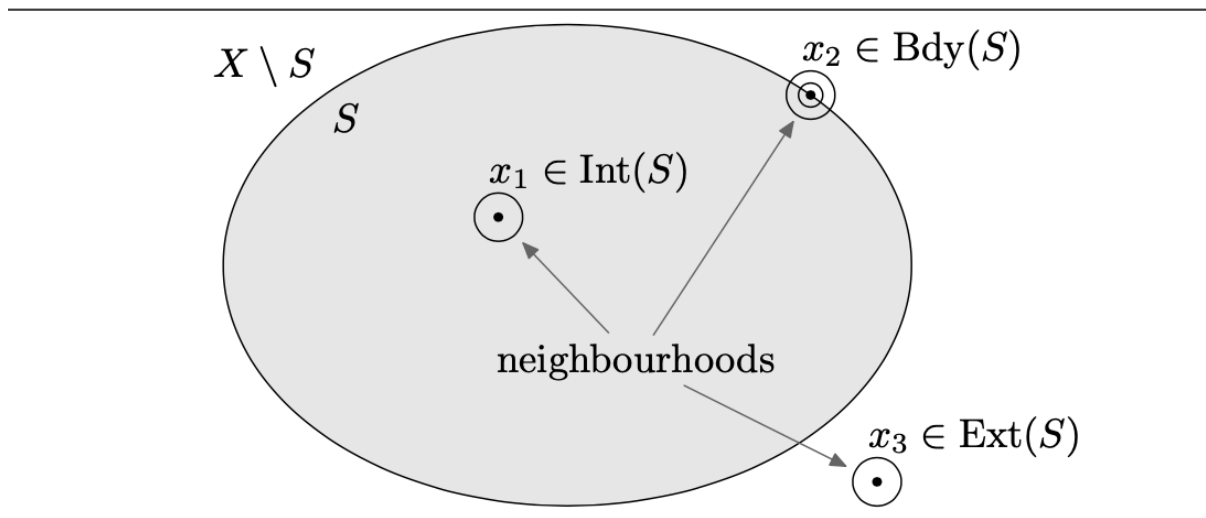
$$(3) \overline{A^c} = \text{Int}(A)^c, \quad \overline{A}^c = \text{Int}(A^c)$$

(4) Decomposition Theorem: Let $A \subseteq X$:

Then X can be decomposed or written as the following disjoint union:

$$X = \underbrace{\text{Int}(A)}_A \cup \partial A \cup \underbrace{\text{Int}(A^c)}_{\overline{A^c}}$$

Called Exterior of A



Interior, boundary and exterior of a set

Post-Lecture - Practice - Questions

- 1) Do the exercises above.
- 2) Show $\overline{\overline{A}} = \overline{A}$ and $\text{Int}(\text{Int}(A)) = \text{Int}(A)$
- 3) Show ∂A is closed.
- 4) Is the following true :
a) $\overline{A} = \text{Int}(A) \cup A'$
b) $\overline{A} = \text{Int}(A) \cup \partial A$
- 5) Show that every point in X is an isolated point for every set $A \subseteq X$ in the discrete topology.
- 6) Suppose $x_n \rightarrow x$. Is it always true that $\overline{\{x_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}} = \{x_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\} \cup \{x\}$?
- 7) Find $\overline{\{7\}}$ in the ray topology. Conclude that $(\mathbb{R}, \tau_{\text{ray}})$ is not Hausdorff.
- 8) Find an example of a collection of sets A_α s.t.

$$\overline{\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha} \neq \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} \overline{A_\alpha}$$

(notice that the right side is not necessarily closed but the left side is)

9) Do #7 in Munkres section 17.

10) Find $\text{Int}(A)$, \bar{A} , ∂A , A' , isolated points of A for:

a) $(0,1)$ in $(\mathbb{R}, \tau_{\text{standard}})$

b) $(0,1)$ in \mathbb{R}_L

c) $(0,1)$ in $(\mathbb{R}, \tau_{\text{ray}})$

d) $(0,1)$ in $(\mathbb{R}, \tau_{\text{co-finite}})$

e) $(0,1)$ in $(\mathbb{R}, \tau_{\text{co-countable}})$

f) $(0,1)$ in $(\mathbb{R}, \tau_{\text{discrete}})$

g) $(0,1)$ in $(\mathbb{R}, \tau_{\text{indiscrete}})$

h) $\{(x,y,z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x=0\}$ in $(\mathbb{R}^3, \tau_{\text{standard}})$

i) \mathbb{Q} in $(\mathbb{R}, \tau_{\text{standard}})$