

Problem 1. Mandatory Problem. (25 points) Let (S, d) and (S^*, d^*) be metric spaces, and let $f : (S, d) \rightarrow (S^*, d^*)$ satisfy the $\epsilon - \delta$ definition of continuity (at all points of S). Do all of the following.

(a) Define the notion of **open subset** of S with respect to d .

(b) Define **compactness** of (S, d) .

(c) Without quoting from the book, prove that for every subset U of S^* that is open (with respect to d^*), also the preimage subset $f^{-1}(U) \subset S$ is open (with respect to d).

(a) An open subset of (S, d) is a subset $U \subseteq S$ (possibly empty) such that for every $s_0 \in U$, there exists positive real ϵ such that U contains the open ball of radius ϵ about s_0 , i.e., for every $s \in S$, if $d(s_0, s) < \epsilon$, then $s \in U$.

(b) The metric space (S, d) is compact if for every open covering, i.e., collection $(U_i)_{i \in I}$ of open subsets $U_i \subset S$ such that S equals $\bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$, there is a finite subcovering, i.e., there exists a finite subset $J \subseteq I$ such that $\bigcup_{i \in J} U_i$ equals S .

(c). Let s_0 be an element of $f^{-1}(U)$. Thus $f(s_0)$ is an element of U . Since U is open, there exists positive real ϵ such that U contains the open ball $B_\epsilon^*(f(s_0)) := \{s^* \in S^* : d^*(s^*, f(s_0)) < \epsilon\}$. Since f is $\epsilon - \delta$ continuous, there exists positive real δ such that $f^{-1}(B_\epsilon^*(f(s_0)))$ contains the open ball $B_\delta(s_0) := \{s \in S : d(s, s_0) < \delta\}$, i.e., if $d(s, s_0) < \delta$, then $d^*(f(s), f(s_0)) < \epsilon$. Since $B_\delta(s_0)$ is contained in $f^{-1}(B_\epsilon^*(f(s_0)))$, and since $f^{-1}(B_\epsilon^*(f(s_0)))$ is contained in $f^{-1}(U)$, $B_\delta(s_0)$ is contained in $f^{-1}(U)$. Thus, for every s_0 in $f^{-1}(U)$, there exists positive real δ such that $B_\delta(s_0)$ is contained in $f^{-1}(U)$, i.e., $f^{-1}(U)$ is an open subset of S .

Problem 2 (25 points) For each of the following series, determine whether the series converges or diverges with justification.

(a) $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n!}}$

(b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$

(c) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{n!}$

(d) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(1+(1/n))^n}$

(a) Every term $a_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n!}}$ is positive. By the Ratio Test, $\frac{|a_{n+1}|}{|a_n|} = \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{(n+1)!}}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{n!}}} = \frac{\sqrt{n!}}{\sqrt{(n+1) \cdot n!}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1}}$, which is less than $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} < 1$ for all $n \geq 2$. Thus, $\limsup \frac{|a_{n+1}|}{|a_n|} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} < 1$. So the series converges.

(b) The terms are $(-1)^n a_n$ with $(a_n) = (\frac{1}{n})_n$ a positive sequence. Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$, by the Alternating Series Test, the series converges.

(c) Every term $a_n = \frac{2^n}{n!}$ is positive, thus nonzero. Also, $\frac{|a_{n+1}|}{|a_n|} = \frac{\frac{2^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}}{\frac{2^n}{n!}} = \frac{2 \cdot 2^n}{(n+1) \cdot n!} \cdot \frac{n!}{2^n} = \frac{2}{n+1}$. For every $n \geq 4$,

$\frac{2}{n+1} \leq \frac{2}{5} < 1$. Thus, $\limsup \frac{|a_{n+1}|}{|a_n|} \leq \frac{2}{5} < 1$. By the Ratio Test, the series converges.

(d) Recall from calculus (by L'Hospital's rule), $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + \frac{1}{n})^n$ equals e . Thus, since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(1 + \frac{1}{n})^n} = \frac{1}{e}$, which is nonzero, the series diverges.

Problem 3 (25 points) For each of the following subsets of \mathbb{R} , with respect to the usual metric, $d(x, y) = |y - x|$, find the interior and the closure. State whether the closure is compact. Justify your answers.

- (a) $[0, \infty)$,
 (b) $\mathbb{Q} \cap [0, \sqrt{2}]$,
 (c) $\bigcup_{n=2}^{\infty} [1/n^2, 1/(n^2 - 1)]$

(a) The interval $U = (0, \infty)$ is an open subset of $A \subset [0, \infty)$. For the unique element $0 \in A \setminus U$, for every positive real ε , $-\varepsilon/2$ is an element of $B_\varepsilon(0)$ that is not in A . Thus 0 is not an interior point. Hence interior(A) equals $U = (0, \infty)$.
 Already A is a closed interval, hence A is a closed set. Thus A^- equals $A = [0, \infty)$.
 Finally, since A^- is not bounded above, by Heine-Borel, A^- is not compact.

(b) For every nonempty open interval $B_\varepsilon(x) = (x - \varepsilon, x + \varepsilon)$ in \mathbb{R} , since $B_\varepsilon(x)$ is uncountable yet $\mathbb{Q} \cap B_\varepsilon(x)$ is countable, there exists $y \in B_\varepsilon(x)$ such that $y \notin \mathbb{Q}$. In particular, $B_\varepsilon(x)$ is not contained in \mathbb{Q} . Thus interior(\mathbb{Q}) is the empty set.
 Since $\mathbb{Q} \cap [0, \sqrt{2}]$ is a subset of \mathbb{Q} , also interior($\mathbb{Q} \cap [0, \sqrt{2}]$) is empty.
 On the other hand, for every nonempty open interval (a, b) , $a < b$, by the density of \mathbb{Q} , there exists $q \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $q \in (a, b)$. Thus, for every nonempty open interval $B_\varepsilon(x)$, if $B_\varepsilon(x) \cap [0, \sqrt{2}]$ is nonempty, then $B_\varepsilon(x) \cap [0, \sqrt{2}]$ contains a nonempty interval (a, b) , and hence contains $q \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, \sqrt{2}]$. Thus closure($\mathbb{Q} \cap [0, \sqrt{2}]$) = $[0, \sqrt{2}]$.
 Since $[0, \sqrt{2}]$ is a closed, bounded subset of \mathbb{R} , by Heine-Borel, $[0, \sqrt{2}]$ is compact.

(c) For $E_n = [1/n^2, 1/n^2]$, interior(E_n) equals $U_n = (1/n^2, 1/n^2)$. Since E_n is a subset of $E = \bigcup_{n \geq 2} E_n$, also $U_n \subseteq \text{interior}(E)$. Thus $U := \bigcup_{n \geq 2} (1/n^2, 1/n^2)$ is contained in interior(E).
 The relative complement is $\{1/n^2, 1/n^2 \mid n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 2\}$. For every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \geq 2$, for every positive real $\varepsilon \leq 1/n^2 - 1/(n+1)^2 = \frac{2}{n^2(n+2)}$, the set $(1/n^2 - \varepsilon, 1/n^2) \subset B_\varepsilon(1/n^2)$ is nonempty and disjoint from E . Hence $1/n^2 \notin \text{interior}(E)$. Similarly, $1/n^2 \notin \text{interior}(E)$. Thus interior(E) equals $\bigcup_{n=2}^{\infty} (1/n^2, 1/n^2)$.
 For $x \in (-\infty, 0)$, since $(-\infty, 0) \cap E = \emptyset$, x is not in E^- . For $x \in (0, \infty)$, there exists $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \geq 2$ with $1/n^2 < x$. Thus $(1/n^2, \infty) \cap E = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}, k \geq n} [1/k^2, 1/k^2]$ is closed, and contains x if & only if $x \in E$. Finally, $0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1/n^2$. Hence closure(E) equals $\{0\} \cup E = \{0\} \cup \bigcup_{n=2}^{\infty} [1/n^2, 1/n^2]$. Since this is closed and bounded, it is compact by Heine-Borel.

Problem 4 (25 points) Let (S, d) be a compact metric space, let (S^*, d^*) be a metric space, and let $f: (S, d) \rightarrow (S^*, d^*)$ be a continuous function.

(a) If f is onto, prove that (S^*, d^*) is a compact metric space.

(b) Assume that (S^*, d^*) is \mathbb{R} with the usual metric, and assume that S is nonempty. Prove that $f(S)$ has a maximum, and prove that $f(S)$ has a minimum. You may now assume (a).

(c) Now for (S^*, d^*) a general metric space, assume that f is not onto, and let y be an element in $S^* \setminus f(S)$. Prove that $\{d^*(f(x), y) \mid x \in S\}$ has a minimum that is positive. You may now assume both (a) and (b).

(a) Let $(V_i)_{i \in I}$ be an open covering of S^* . Since f is continuous, every $f^{-1}(V_i)$ is an open subset of S . For every $\Delta \in S$, $\exists i$ with $f(\Delta) \in V_i$. Hence Δ is in $f^{-1}(V_i)$. Thus $(f^{-1}(V_i))_{i \in I}$ is an open covering of S . Since (S, d) is compact, there exists a finite subset $J \subseteq I$ such that $(f^{-1}(V_j))_{j \in J}$ is an open covering of S . For every $\Delta^* \in S^*$, since f is onto, there exists $\Delta \in S$ such that $\Delta^* = f(\Delta)$. Since $(f^{-1}(V_j))_{j \in J}$ is an open cover of S , there exists $j \in J$ with $f(\Delta) \in V_j$. Thus $\Delta^* = f(\Delta)$ is in V_j . Thus $(V_j)_{j \in J}$ is an open subcovering of $(V_i)_{i \in I}$ that is finite. Thus (S^*, d^*) is compact.

(b) By (a), $f(S) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ with the usual, Euclidean metric forms a compact metric space. By Heine-Borel, $f(S) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is a closed, bounded set. By the Completeness Axiom, every nonempty, closed, bounded subset of \mathbb{R} contains a maximum and contains a minimum.

(c) Consider $g: (S^*, d^*) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, d_{\text{Euc}})$, $g(z) = d^*(z, y)$. This is continuous (by the triangle inequality for d^*). Thus the composition $g \circ f: (S, d) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, d_{\text{Euc}})$, $g(f(x)) = d^*(f(x), y)$, is also continuous. By (b), $g \circ f(S)$ has a minimum $d^*(f(x), y)$. Since $f(x) \neq y$ (since $y \notin f(S)$), by the positive definiteness of d^* , $d^*(f(x), y)$ is positive.

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Problem 5 (25 points) Let $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence. Prove that if the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges absolutely, then also for every subsequence $(a_{n_k})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$, the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{n_k}$ converges absolutely. Also give an example of (a_n) and a subsequence (a_{n_k}) such that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges, yet the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{n_k}$ does not converge.

Define $(b_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ by $b_n = \begin{cases} a_{n_k}, & n = n_k \text{ some } k \in \mathbb{N} \\ 0, & n \notin \{n_k \mid k \in \mathbb{N}\} \end{cases}$. Then for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$0 \leq |b_n| \leq |a_n|$. If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges absolutely, then by the Comparison Test, also $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ converges absolutely, i.e., the sequence $(S_m)_{m \in \mathbb{N}} = (\sum_{n=1}^m |b_n|)_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges. Thus the subsequence $(S_{n_k})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ also converges. Of course $S_{n_k} = \sum_{n=1}^{n_k} |b_n|$ equals $\sum_{l=1}^k |a_{n_l}|$. Thus, also $\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} a_{n_l}$ converges absolutely.

On the other hand, the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$ converges (conditionally), yet for the subsequence $(a_{2k})_{k \in \mathbb{N}} = (\frac{(-1)^{2k}}{2k})_{k \in \mathbb{N}} = (\frac{1}{2k})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$, the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{2k} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2k}$ diverges to $+\infty$ by the Integral Test

Comparing the sequence with the divergent integral $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int_{x=2}^N \frac{2}{x} dx = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} 2 \ln(N) = +\infty$.