

Convergence of a sequence is also a topological property.

Def A sequence $[x_n]$ in X is Cauchy if $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N$ s.t. $\forall n, m > N, d(x_n, x_m) < \epsilon$.

Prop If $[x_n]$ converges, then $[x_n]$ is Cauchy.

Pf: Let $\epsilon > 0$, and let $x = \lim x_n$. This means that $\exists N > 0$ s.t. $\forall n > N, d(x_n, x) < \epsilon/2$.

In particular, $\forall n, m > N$ (same $N!$), $d(x_n, x_m) \leq d(x_n, x) + d(x_m, x) < \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon$. \square

Prop If $[x_n]$ is a Cauchy sequence + $[x_{n_k}]$ is a subsequence converging to x , then $[x_n]$ itself converges to x .

Pf: Let $\epsilon > 0$. Since $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x, \exists N_1$ s.t. $\forall k \geq N_1, d(x_{n_k}, x) < \epsilon/2$. Since $[x_n]$ is Cauchy, $\exists N_2$ s.t. $\forall n, m \geq N_2, d(x_n, x_m) < \epsilon/2$. Then if $N = \max(N_1, n_{N_2})$, then $\forall n, n_k > N, d(x_n, x) \leq d(x_n, x_{n_k}) + d(x_{n_k}, x) < \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2$. \square

Def A metric space X is complete if every Cauchy sequence in X converges.

Prop If $Y \subseteq X$ is a subset, then $d|_{Y \times Y}$ defines a metric on Y .

Pf: The axioms hold for all points in X , so in particular for all points in Y .

Thm A closed subspace of a complete metric space is complete.

Pf: Let $[y_n]$ be a Cauchy seq. in $Y \Rightarrow [y_n]$ is a Cauchy seq in $X \Rightarrow x = \lim y_n$ exists.

Y closed \Rightarrow limits of seq. in Y are in Y , so $x \in Y \nmid [y_n]$ converged in Y . \square

Thm A complete subspace of a metric space X is closed.

Pf Let $[y_n]$ be a sequence in Y converging to $x \in X$. Then $[y_n]$ is Cauchy \Rightarrow limit exists in $Y \Rightarrow x \in Y \nmid Y$ is closed. \square

Def A set Y is dense in X if $\bar{Y} = X$.

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