

(1) Let A and B be bounded subsets of a metric space (X, d) such that $A \cap B = \emptyset$. Show that

$$\text{diam}(A \cup B) \leq \text{diam}(A) + \text{diam}(B)$$

What can you say if A and B are disjoint?

Solution The definition of $\text{diam}(A)$ is

$$\text{diam}(A) = \sup \{ d(x, y) \mid x, y \in A \}$$

Assume $A \subseteq X$ and $B \subseteq X$ and $A \cap B = \emptyset$ and $\text{diam}(A) < \infty$ and $\text{diam}(B) < \infty$.

To show: $\text{diam}(A \cup B) \leq \text{diam}(A) + \text{diam}(B)$.

To show: $\text{diam}(A) + \text{diam}(B)$ is an upper bound of $\{d(x, y) \mid x, y \in A \cup B\}$.

To show: If $x, y \in A \cup B$ then $d(x, y) \leq \text{diam}(A) + \text{diam}(B)$.

Assume $x, y \in A \cup B$

Case 1: $x, y \in A$. Then

$$d(x, y) \leq \text{diam}(A) \leq \text{diam}(A) + \text{diam}(B)$$

Case 2: $x, y \in B$. Then

$$d(x, y) \leq \text{diam}(B) \leq \text{diam}(A) + \text{diam}(B).$$

Case 3: $x \in A$ and $y \in B$. Let $z \in A \cap B$. Then

$$d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y) \leq \text{diam}(A) + \text{diam}(B).$$

Case 4: $x \in B$ and $y \in A$. Let $z \in A \cap B$. Then

$$d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y) \leq \text{diam}(A) + \text{diam}(B).$$

So $\text{diam}(A) + \text{diam}(B)$ is an upper bound of

$$\{d(x, y) \mid x, y \in A \cup B\}.$$

So $\text{diam}(A \cup B) \leq \text{diam}(A) + \text{diam}(B)$.

(2) Let $X = \{f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is continuous}\}$

Let $d_\infty: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ and $d_1: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ be given by

$$d_\infty(f, g) = \sup \{ |f(x) - g(x)| \mid x \in [0, 1] \} \quad \text{and}$$

$$d_1(f, g) = \int_0^1 |f(x) - g(x)| dx.$$

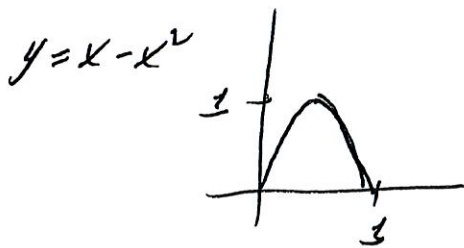
Let $f_1, f_2, \dots \in X$ be given by

$$f_n: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \text{given by } f_n(x) = nx^n(1-x).$$

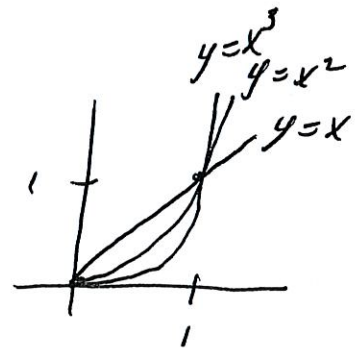
(a) Determine whether $\{f_n\}$ converges in (X, d_1) .

(b) Determine whether $\{f_n\}$ converges in (X, d_∞) .

The graph of

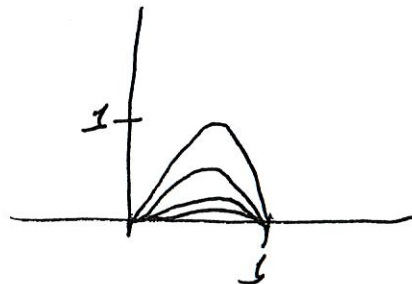


and $y = x^{n-1}$



help to determine the graph of

$$y = nx^n(1-x) = nx^{n-1}(x-x^2)$$



Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} nx^{n-1} = 0$ for $x \in [0, 1)$ and $nx^{n-1} = n$ for $x = 1$

and $x - x^2 = 0$ for $x = 1$, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} nx^{n-1}(x - x^2) = 0$ for $x \in [0, 1]$.

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So the pointwise limit of $\{f_n\}$ is the zero function

$f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $f(x) = 0$.

$\{f_n\}$ converges in (X, d_1) if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_1(f_n, f) = 0$.

$\{f_n\}$ converges in (X, d_∞) if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_\infty(f_n, f) = 0$.

Compute: $d_1(f_n, f)$.

$$d_1(f_n, f) = \int_0^1 |f_n(x) - f(x)| dx = \int_0^1 (nx^n(1-x) - 0) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 (nx^n - nx^{n+1}) dx = \left(\frac{nx^{n+1}}{n+1} - \frac{nx^{n+2}}{n+2} \right) \Big|_{x=0}^{x=1}$$

$$= \left(\frac{n}{n+1} - \frac{n}{n+2} \right) = \frac{n}{(n+1)(n+2)}.$$

So $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_1(f_n, f) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{(n+1)(n+2)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(1+\frac{1}{n})(n+2)} = \frac{1}{1+0} \cdot \frac{1}{\infty} = 1 \cdot 0 = 0$.

So $\{f_n\}$ converges in (X, d_1) .

Compute $d_\infty(f_n, f)$:

To compute $d_\infty(f_n, f) = \sup \{ |nx^n(1-x) - 0| \mid x \in [0, 1] \}$

find the maximum of

$f_n(x) = nx^n(1-x)$ on the interval $[0, 1]$.

This maximum occurs at $x=0$ or $x=1$ or at a critical point. Since

$$\frac{df_n}{dx} = \frac{d nx^n(1-x)}{dx} = n^2 x^{n-1} - n(n+1)x^n = nx^{n-1}(n-nx-x)$$

the critical points are at $x=0$ and $x = \frac{n}{n+1}$.

Since $f_n(0)=0$ and $f_n(1)=0$ and $f_n(\frac{n}{n+1}) = n(\frac{n}{n+1})^n(1-\frac{n}{n+1})$

the maximum of f_n is $(\frac{n}{n+1})^{n+1} = (1-\frac{1}{n+1})^{n+1}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } d_\infty(f_n, f) &= \sup \{ |f_n(x) - f(x)| \mid x \in [0, 1] \} \\ &= \sup \{ nx^n(1-x) \mid x \in [0, 1] \} \\ &= (1 - \frac{1}{n+1})^{n+1}. \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 - \frac{1}{n+1})^{n+1} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{\log((1 - \frac{1}{n+1})^{n+1})} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{(n+1) \log(1 - \frac{1}{n+1})} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{-\left(\frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{n+1} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{n+1} \right)^3 + \dots \right)} \end{aligned}$$

since $-\log(1-x) = \int \frac{1}{1-x} dx = \int (1+x+x^2+\dots) dx = x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \dots$

$$\text{So } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_\infty(f_n, f) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 - \frac{1}{n+1})^{n+1} = e^{-\left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0 + \frac{1}{3} \cdot 0^2 + \dots \right)} = e^{-1}$$

So $\{f_n\}$ does not converge in (X, d_∞) .

(3) Let X and Y be topological spaces.

Let $A \subseteq X$ and $B \subseteq Y$. Show that $\overline{A \times B} = \overline{A} \times \overline{B}$.

Proof To show: (a) $\overline{A} \times \overline{B} \subseteq \overline{A \times B}$

(b) $\overline{A \times B} \subseteq \overline{A} \times \overline{B}$.

(a) Assume $(x, y) \in \overline{A} \times \overline{B}$.

To show: $(x, y) \in \overline{A \times B}$.

To show: (x, y) is a close point of $A \times B$.

Let N be a neighborhood of (x, y) in $X \times Y$.

By the definition of the product topology on $X \times Y$ there exist N_x , a neighborhood of x in X , and N_y , a neighborhood of y in Y , such that $N_x \times N_y \subseteq N$.

Since $x \in \overline{A}$ there exists $a \in A$ with $a \in N_x$.

Since $y \in \overline{B}$ there exists $b \in B$ with $b \in N_y$.

So $(a, b) \in N_x \times N_y \subseteq N$ and $(a, b) \in A \times B$.

So (x, y) is a close point of $A \times B$.

So $(x, y) \in \overline{A \times B}$

So $\overline{A} \times \overline{B} \subseteq \overline{A \times B}$.

(b) To show: $\overline{A \times B} \subseteq \overline{A} \times \overline{B}$.

Assume $(x, y) \in \overline{A \times B}$.

To show: $(x, y) \in \overline{A} \times \overline{B}$.

To show: $x \in \overline{A}$ and $y \in \overline{B}$.

Let N_x be a neighborhood of $x \in X$ and
let N_y be a neighborhood of $y \in Y$.

Then $N_x \times N_y$ is a neighborhood of $(x, y) \in X \times Y$.

Since (x, y) is a close point of $A \times B$,

there exists $(a, b) \in A \times B$ with $(a, b) \in N_x \times N_y$

So $a \in N_x$ and $b \in N_y$ and $a \in A$ and $b \in B$.

So x is a close point of A and

y is a close point of B .

So $x \in \overline{A}$ and $y \in \overline{B}$.

So $(x, y) \in \overline{A} \times \overline{B}$.

(4) Let (X, d) be a metric space and let $A \subseteq X$ with $A \neq \emptyset$. For $x \in X$ let

$$d(x, A) = \inf \{ d(x, a) \mid a \in A \}.$$

(a) Prove that $\bar{A} = \{ x \in X \mid d(x, A) = 0 \}$

To show: (aa) $\{ x \in X \mid d(x, A) = 0 \} \subseteq \bar{A}$

(ab) $\bar{A} \subseteq \{ x \in X \mid d(x, A) = 0 \}$.

(aa) Assume $x \in X$ and $d(x, A) = 0$.

To show: $x \in \bar{A}$.

Let N be a neighborhood of x in X .

Then there exists $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ such that $B(x, \varepsilon) \subseteq N$

~~let $a \in A$~~ Since $d(x, A) = \inf \{ d(x, a) \mid a \in A \} = 0$, there exists $a \in A$ such that $d(x, a) < \varepsilon$.

Then $a \in B(x, \varepsilon) \subseteq N$ and $a \in A$.

So x is a close point of A .

So $\{ x \in X \mid d(x, A) = 0 \} \subseteq \bar{A}$.

(ab) To show: $\bar{A} \subseteq \{ x \in X \mid d(x, A) = 0 \}$.

Let $x \in \bar{A}$.

So x is a close point of A .

To show: $d(x, A) = 0$.

Let $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$

Then $B(x, \varepsilon)$ is a neighborhood of x in X .

Since x is a close point of A

there exists $a \in A$ such that $a \in B(x, \varepsilon)$.

$$\text{So } d(x, a) < \varepsilon.$$

$$\text{So } d(x, A) < \varepsilon \text{ for all } \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}.$$

$$\text{So } d(x, A) = 0.$$

$$\text{So } x \in \{x \in X \mid d(x, A) = 0\}.$$

$$\text{So } \bar{A} \subseteq \{x \in X \mid d(x, A) = 0\}.$$

$$\text{Thus } \bar{A} = \{x \in X \mid d(x, A) = 0\}.$$

(b) Show that if $x, y \in X$ then $|d(x, A) - d(y, A)| \leq d(x, y)$.

Assume $x, y \in X$.

$$\text{To show: (ba) } d(x, A) - d(y, A) \leq d(x, y)$$

$$\text{(bb) } -(d(x, A) - d(y, A)) \leq d(x, y).$$

(ba) Since $d(x, A)$ is a lower bound of $\{d(x, a) \mid a \in A\}$,
if $a \in A$ then $d(x, A) \leq d(x, a)$.

$$\text{Using } d(x, a) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, a),$$

$$\text{if } a \in A \text{ then } d(x, A) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, a).$$

So $d(x, A)$ is a lower bound of $\{d(x, y) + d(y, a) \mid a \in A\}$.

Since $d(x, y) + d(y, A)$ is the greatest lower bound of
 $\{d(x, y) + d(y, a) \mid a \in A\}$ then

$$d(x, A) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, A).$$

$$\text{So } d(x, A) - d(y, A) \leq d(x, y).$$

$$\text{So } d(y, A) - d(x, A) \leq d(y, x) = d(x, y)$$

$$\text{So } -(d(x, A) - d(y, A)) \leq d(x, y).$$

$$\text{So } d(x, A) - d(y, A) \leq d(x, y) \text{ and } -(d(x, A) - d(y, A)) \leq d(x, y)$$

$$\text{So } |d(x, A) - d(y, A)| \leq d(x, y).$$

(c) Let $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be given by $f(x) = d(x, A)$.

Show that f is continuous.

To show: If $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ ~~the~~ and $x \in X$ then there exists $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ such that

if $y \in X$ and $d(x, y) < \delta$ then $d(f(x), f(y)) < \varepsilon$.

Assume $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ and $x \in X$.

To show: There exists $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ such that

if $y \in X$ and $d(x, y) < \delta$ then $d(f(x), f(y)) < \varepsilon$.

Let $\delta = \varepsilon$.

To show: If $y \in X$ and $d(x, y) < \delta$ then $d(f(x), f(y)) < \varepsilon$.

Assume $y \in X$ and $d(x, y) < \delta$.

To show: $d(f(x), f(y)) < \varepsilon$.

By part (b),

$$d(f(x), f(y)) = |d(y, A) - d(x, A)| \leq d(x, y) < \delta = \varepsilon.$$

So f is continuous

(d) Assume $x \notin \bar{A}$ and let $U = \{y \in X \mid d(y, A) < d(x, A)\}$.

Show that (da) $x \notin U$

(db) U is open

(dc) $\bar{A} \subseteq U$.

(da) Let $D = d(x, A)$.

Since $x \notin \bar{A}$ and, by part (a), $\bar{A} = \{y \in X \mid d(y, A) = 0\}$
 then $d(x, A) \neq 0$.

So $D \neq 0$.

We know $U = \{y \in X \mid d(y, A) < D\}$.

(da) Since $d(x, A) = D$, $x \notin U$.

(db) Since $U = f^{-1}(\mathbb{R}_{<D}) = f^{-1}((-\infty, D))$

and f is continuous, then U is open.

(dc) By part (a),

$$\bar{A} = \{y \in X \mid d(y, A) = 0\} \subseteq \{y \in X \mid d(y, A) < D\} = U.$$

So $\bar{A} \subseteq U$. \square