

# Lecture 10: Metric and Hilbert spaces

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## Interiors and closures

Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space

An open set in  $X$  is  $U \in \mathcal{T}$

A closed set in  $X$  is  $C$  with  $C^c \in \mathcal{T}$ .

Let  $E \subseteq X$ .

The interior of  $E$  is the subset  $E^\circ$  of  $X$  such that

(a)  $E^\circ$  is open in  $X$  and  $E^\circ \subseteq E$ ,

(b) If  $U$  is open in  $X$  and  $U \subseteq E$  then  $U \subseteq E^\circ$ .

In English:  $E^\circ$  is the largest open set contained in  $E$ .

The closure of  $E$  is the subset  $\bar{E}$  of  $X$  such that

(a)  $\bar{E}$  is closed in  $X$  and  $\bar{E} \supseteq E$ ,

(b) If  $C$  is closed in  $X$  and  $C \supseteq E$  then  $C \supseteq \bar{E}$ .

In English:  $\bar{E}$  is the smallest closed set containing  $E$ .

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Neighborhoods Let  $x \in X$ .

A neighborhood of  $x$  is a subset  $N$  of  $X$  such that

there exists  $U \in \mathcal{J}$  such that  $x \in U$  and  $U \subseteq N$ .

The neighborhood filter of  $x$  is

$$\mathcal{N}(x) = \{ \text{neighborhoods of } x \}$$

Interior points and close points

Let  $E \subseteq X$ .

An interior point of  $E$  is an element  $x \in X$  such that

~~if  $N \in \mathcal{N}(x)$  then  $N \cap E = N$~~

there exists  $N \in \mathcal{N}(x)$  such that  $N \subseteq E$ .

A close point to  $E$  is an element  $x \in X$

such that

if  $N \in \mathcal{N}(x)$  then  $N \cap E \neq \emptyset$ .

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Theorem Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space and let  $E \subseteq X$ .

- (a) The interior of  $E$  is the set of interior points of  $E$ .
- (b) The closure of  $E$  is the set of close points of  $E$ .

Proof of (a) To show:  $E^\circ = \{\text{interior points of } E\}$ .

Let  $I = \{\text{interior points of } E\}$ .

To show: (aa)  $I \subseteq E^\circ$

(ab)  $E^\circ \subseteq I$

(aa) Let  $x \in I$ .

Then there exists  $N \in \mathcal{N}(x)$  with  $N \subseteq E$ .

So there exists  $U \in \mathcal{T}$  with  $x \in U \subseteq N \subseteq E$

~~$U \subseteq E$~~  and  $U$  is open then  $U \subseteq E^\circ$ .

So  $x \in E^\circ$ .

So  $I \subseteq E^\circ$ .

(ab) To show:  $E^\circ \subseteq I$ .

Let  $x \in E^\circ$

Then  $E^\circ$  is open and  $x \in E^\circ \subseteq E$ .

So  $x$  is an interior point of  $E$ .

So  $x \in I$ . So  $E^\circ \subseteq I$ . Thus  $E^\circ = I$ . //

## Limits of functions in topological spaces

Let  $(X, \mathcal{T}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{T}_Y)$  be topological spaces,

$f: X \rightarrow Y$  a function

Let  $a \in X$  and  $y \in Y$ . Write

$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = y$  if  $f$  satisfies

if  $N \in \mathcal{N}(y)$  then there exists  $P \in \mathcal{N}(a)$   
such that  $N \supseteq f(P)$ .

## Limits of sequences in topological spaces

Let  $(x_1, x_2, \dots)$  be a sequence in  $X$ . Let  $y \in X$ .

Write

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = y$  if  $(x_1, x_2, \dots)$  satisfies

if  $N \in \mathcal{N}(y)$  then  $N$  contains all but a  
finite number of elements of  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ .

More precisely,

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = y$  if  $(x_1, x_2, \dots)$  satisfies:

if  $N \in \mathcal{N}(y)$  then there exists  $l \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$   
such that  $N \supseteq \{x_l, x_{l+1}, \dots\}$ .

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## Limits of functions in metric spaces

Let  $(X, d_x)$  and  $(Y, d_y)$  be metric spaces

$f: X \rightarrow Y$  a function

Let  $a \in X$  and  $y \in Y$ . Write

$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = y$  if  $f$  satisfies:

if  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  then there exists  $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  such that  
if  $x \in X$  and  $d_x(x, a) < \delta$  then  $d_y(f(x), y) < \varepsilon$ .

## Limits of sequences in metric spaces

Let  $(x_1, x_2, \dots)$  be a sequence in  $X$ . Let  $y \in X$

Write

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = y$  if  $(x_1, x_2, \dots)$  satisfies:

if  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  then there exists  $N \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$

such that if  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq N}$  then  $d(x_n, y) < \varepsilon$ .