

so $|a|^n \geq |a|^{n+1}$. The theorem implies the limit exists. Denote

$$y = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a|^n$$

Then

$$|a| \cdot y = \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a| \right) \cdot \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a|^n \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a|^{n+1} = y.$$

So $|a| \cdot y = y$. If $y \neq 0$, then $\Rightarrow |a| = 1$, contradicting $|a| < 1$. So we must have $y = 0$. \square

Completeness III.4

As we have seen, a sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges when all the points "cluster" together eventually. We can study this independently from the notion of convergence.

Def: In a metric space (E, d) , a sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a Cauchy sequence if $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. ~~$\forall n, m \in \mathbb{N}$~~
 $\forall n, m > N \quad d(x_n, x_m) < \epsilon$

Prop: Any convergent sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in a metric space (E, d) is also a Cauchy sequence.

Pf: Let $\epsilon > 0$ and let $x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$. Let $N \in \mathbb{N}$ be s.t.

$$\forall n \geq N \quad d(x_n, x) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Then by the triangle inequality:

$$\forall n, m > N \quad d(x_n, x_m) = d(x_n, x) + d(x, x_m) < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon. \quad \square$$

Ex: Consider the sequence $(\frac{1}{n})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ but in the metric space $E := \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ with the metric $d(x, y) = |x - y|$.

Claim: $(\frac{1}{n})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in (E, d) is a Cauchy sequence but is not convergent.

Indeed, we know the sequence wants to converge

to zero, but since $0 \notin E$, $(\frac{1}{n})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ will not converge. To see that it is Cauchy, let $\epsilon > 0$ and let $N > \frac{2}{\epsilon}$. Then $\forall n, m \geq N$ we have

$$\frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{m} < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

So $\forall n, m \geq N$

$$d(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{m}) = |\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{m}| \leq \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{m} < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon.$$

Prop: Let $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a Cauchy sequence in a metric space (E, d) . Then:

(i) $\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is bounded,

(ii) Any subsequence $(x_{n_k})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ is also a Cauchy sequence

(iii) If there exists a convergent subsequence $(x_{n_k})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ then $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is also convergent with

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k}.$$

Pf: (i) Let $\epsilon = 1$ and let $N \in \mathbb{N}$ be st. $\forall n, m \geq N$

$$d(x_n, x_m) < 1.$$

Set $R = \max\{d(x_1, x_1), \dots, d(x_{N-1}, x_{N-1}), 1\}$

Then $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, either $n \geq N$ in which case

$$d(x_n, x_N) < 1 \leq R$$

or $n < N$ in which case

$$d(x_n, x_N) \leq R.$$

Thus $\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(x_N, R)$.

(ii) Let $\epsilon > 0$. Then $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ st. $\forall n, m \geq N$

$$d(x_n, x_m) < \epsilon.$$

Since $(n_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ is strictly increasing, $\exists K \in \mathbb{N}$

st. $n_k \geq N$. Consequently, $\forall k, l \geq K$ we

have $n_k, n_l \geq n_K \geq N$ and so

$$d(x_{n_k}, x_{n_l}) < \epsilon.$$

Thus $(x_{n_k})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ is Cauchy.

(iii) Suppose $x = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k}$. Let $\epsilon > 0$, and let

$\forall \epsilon > 0$ $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $\forall n, m \geq N$ $d(x_n, x_m) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$.

Let $K \in \mathbb{N}$ be s.t. $\forall k \geq K$, $d(x_{n_k}, x) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$.

Fix $k_0 \geq K$ s.t. $n_{k_0} \geq N$. Then $\forall n \geq N$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x) &\leq d(x_n, x_{n_{k_0}}) + d(x_{n_{k_0}}, x) \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to x . \square

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Def: A metric space (E, d) is complete if every Cauchy sequence converges.

Non-Ex: $E = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ with metric $d(x, y) = |x - y|$ is not complete by our previous example.

Prop: Let (E, d) be a ^{complete} metric space, and let $S \subseteq E$ be a closed subset. Then $(S, d|_{S \times S})$ is a complete metric space.

Pf: Let $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq S$ be a Cauchy sequence with respect to $d|_{S \times S}$. But then $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq E$ and is also a Cauchy sequence w.r.t. d . Since E is complete, $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to some $x \in E$. However, S is closed so must have $x \in S$ and so $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to x w.r.t. $d|_{S \times S}$. \square

Thm: \mathbb{R} with the usual metric is complete.

Pf: Let $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be a Cauchy sequence.

Consider the set

$$S := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \leq x_n \text{ for any infinite number of } n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

Now $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is Cauchy \Rightarrow bounded. In particular, S is non-empty since, in particular, any lower bound for $\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ will be in S .

On the other hand, $\{x_n: n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is also bounded from above, and consequently S is bounded from above by any upper bound for $\{x_n: n \in \mathbb{N}\}$.

Set

$$x := \sup(S).$$

we claim $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$.

Let $\epsilon > 0$, set $N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $\forall n, m \geq N$

$$|x_n - x_m| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

Now, ~~since $x = \sup(S)$, $x - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \in S$~~ $x - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \in S$

Since $\exists s \in S$ satisfying

$$x - \frac{\epsilon}{2} < s \leq x$$

and consequently for infinitely many $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we have

$$x_n \geq s > x - \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

if $x - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \in S$. This means that, since $x = \sup(S)$, $x + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \notin S$.

So only finitely many $n \in \mathbb{N}$ satisfy

$$x + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \leq x_n$$

while infinitely many satisfy $x - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \leq x_n$.

Consequently, we can find $m \geq N$ s.t.

$$x - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \leq x_m < x + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -\frac{\epsilon}{2} \leq x_m - x < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow |x_m - x| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Thus $\forall n \geq N$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} |x_n - x| &\leq |x_n - x_m| + |x_m - x| \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$, and hence \mathbb{R} is complete. \square

Cor: For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, \mathbb{R}^n with the n -dim'd Euc. metric is complete.

Pf: Let $(\vec{x}_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be a Cauchy sequence.

For each $k \in \mathbb{N}$, write

$$\vec{x}_k = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^{(k)} \\ x_2^{(k)} \\ \vdots \\ x_n^{(k)} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Then for each coordinate $j = 1, \dots, n$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |x_j^{(k)} - x_j^{(l)}| &= \sqrt{(x_j^{(k)} - x_j^{(l)})^2} \\
 &\leq \sqrt{(x_1^{(k)} - x_1^{(l)})^2 + \dots + (x_n^{(k)} - x_n^{(l)})^2} \\
 &= d(\vec{x}_k, \vec{x}_l)
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus for $\forall \epsilon > 0$, if we let $N \in \mathbb{N}$ be st. $\forall k, l > N$
 $d(\vec{x}_k, \vec{x}_l) < \epsilon$

then $\forall k, l > N$

$$|x_j^{(k)} - x_j^{(l)}| < \epsilon.$$

That is, $(x_j^{(k)})_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathbb{R}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

Since \mathbb{R} is complete, it converges to some $x_j \in \mathbb{R}$.

We claim $(\vec{x}_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to

$$\vec{x} := \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Indeed, let $\epsilon > 0$. Let $N_1, N_2, \dots, N_n \in \mathbb{N}$ be st.

$$\forall k \geq N_j \quad |x_j^{(k)} - x_j| < \frac{\epsilon}{n}$$

Then, if $N = \max\{N_1, \dots, N_n\}$, $\forall k \geq N$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(\vec{x}_k, \vec{x}) &= \sqrt{(x_1^{(k)} - x_1)^2 + \dots + (x_n^{(k)} - x_n)^2} < \sqrt{\left(\frac{\epsilon}{n}\right)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{\epsilon}{n}\right)^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon^2}{n} + \dots + \frac{\epsilon^2}{n}} = \sqrt{\epsilon^2} = \epsilon.
 \end{aligned}$$

So $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \vec{x}_k = \vec{x}$ and \mathbb{R}^n is complete. \square

Cor: (\mathbb{R}^2, d) and $(\mathbb{R}^2, d_{\infty})$ are complete. Pf: Use eqn

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Compactness III.5

Def In a metric space (E, d) ^{for $S \subseteq E$,} \forall a collection $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ of open subsets $U_i \subseteq E, i \in I$, is called an open cover of ~~the~~ S if

$$S \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$$

An open cover of E is simply called an open cover.

If $J \subseteq I$ and

$$S \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in J} U_i$$

then $\{U_i\}_{i \in J}$ is called a subcover of $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ of S