

Sheet 5

Q1: Let (X, d) be a metric space and $E \subset X$ be a subset of X .

- i. What it means to say that the set E is compact ?
- ii. Identify which of the following subsets of \mathbb{R}^2 are compact and which are not. If E is not compact find the smallest compact set K (if there is one) such that $E \subset K$.
 - a) $A = \{f(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : a \leq x^2 + y^2 \leq b\}$ for some real numbers $0 < a < b$.
 - b) $B = \left\{\left(\frac{1}{n}, 0\right) \in \mathbb{R}^2, n \in \mathbb{N}\right\}$.
 - c) $C = \left\{f(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : y = \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right); x \in (0, 1)\right\}$.
 - d) $D = \{f(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : |xy| \leq 1\}$.

Q2:- The distance between sets A and B in a metric space (X, d) is denoted by

$$\text{dist}(A, B) = \{\inf d(a, b), a \in A, b \in B\}$$

Consider the following sets in \mathbb{R}^2 :

$$A = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x = 0\}, B = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid xy = 1\}.$$

Prove that $\text{dist}(A, B) = 0$.

Hint. You may wish to sketch the sets A and B in order to prove this result.

Q3:- Suppose that (X, d) is a metric space, $x \in X$ and $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a sequence in X converging to x . Show that for every $y \in X$, $d(x_n, y) \rightarrow d(x, y)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Q4:- In \mathbb{R}^N we define

$$d_1(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^N |x_i - y_i|,$$

$$d_2(x, y) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^N |x_i - y_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

$$d_\infty(x, y) = \max_{1 \leq i \leq N} |x_i - y_i|.$$

Show that

- a) $d_\infty(x, y) \leq d_1(x, y) \leq N d_\infty(x, y)$.
- b) $d_\infty(x, y) \leq d_2(x, y) \leq \sqrt{N} d_\infty(x, y)$.