

Exercise 4

1. Find the interior points and boundary points of the following sets:

- (a) $E_1 = \{(x, y) : x \in [0, a], y \in [0, b]\}$.
- (b) $E_2 = \{(x, y, z) : z > x^2 + y^2 - 1\}$.
- (c) $E_3 = \{(x, y, z) : 1 < x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 4\}$.
- (d) $E_4 = \{(x, y) : x \in [0, 1]\}$.
- (e) $E_5 = \{(x, y) : x, y \in \mathbb{Z}\}$.
- (f) $E_6 = \left\{ (x, y) : \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1 \right\}$, $a, b > 0$.

The determine whether these sets are open, closed, or compact. A set is compact if it is closed and bounded.

2. Let A and B be open sets in \mathbb{R}^n . Show that

- (a) $A \cup B$ is open.
- (b) $A \cap B$ is open.

3. (a) Show that (a, b) , $-\infty < a < b < \infty$, is open.
 (b) Show that $[a, b]$, $-\infty < a \leq b < \infty$, is open. Note that it implies that the singleton set $\{a\}$ is closed.

4. * Prove that F is a closed set in \mathbb{R}^n if and only if every convergent sequence in F has its limit in F .

5. * Prove that whenever F is a closed set containing E , then it must also contain \overline{E} . It shows that the closure of a set is the smallest closed set containing this set.

6. Study the limit of the following functions at $(0, 0)$.

(a)

$$f(x, y) = \frac{x^2 y^2}{|x| + y^2} .$$

(b)

$$g(x, y) = \frac{\sin xy}{x^2 + y^2} .$$

(c)

$$h(x, y) = y \log(x^2 + |y|) .$$

Hint: In (c) examine the sets $\{(x, y) : y \geq x^2\}$ and $\{(x, y) : y < x^2\}$ separately.

7. Find the iterated limits and limit of the function

$$h(x, y) = \frac{x - y}{x + y}$$

at $(0, 0)$.

8. Consider the function

$$F(x, y) = \frac{x^2 y^2}{x^2 y^2 + (x - y)^2} .$$

Show that

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} F(x, y) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} F(x, y) = 0 ,$$

but

$$\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} F(x, y)$$

does not exist.

9. Describe the natural domains of the functions determined by the following formulas and then study the continuity of these functions.

- (a) $\frac{1}{x^2 + y^2 - 1}$,
- (b) $\log(y - x^2)$,
- (c) $\arcsin \frac{x}{y}$,
- (d) $\exp\left(\frac{-1}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}\right)$.

Here arcsin is the branch of the inverse of the sine function from $[-1, 1]$ to $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$.

10. Use Theorem 4.10 to determine whether the following sets are open or closed:

- (a) $S_1 = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : p(x) = 0\}$ where p is a polynomial.
- (b) $S_2 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \cos x^2 - \sin^3 xy \leq 1\}$.
- (c) $S_3 = \{(x, y, z) : x^2 + y^2 < \sin(x + z) < 28z^2\}$.