

Homework 5, Due on Tuesday, March 20, 2018

For all the proofs, write *in details* using standard mathematical language.

1. If S is a set in \mathbb{R} that is bounded above, show that $\sup S$ is either an element of S or is a cluster point of S .

2. Let M be a metric space. Prove that S is a dense subset of M if and only if $S' = M$.

3. (*Closure*) Let M be a metric space. A closure of a set $S \subseteq M$, denoted by \bar{S} , is defined as the union of the set and its derived set

$$\bar{S} = S \cup S'.$$

a). Prove that for any set S , its closure \bar{S} is a closed set.

b). Prove that if S is closed, then $\bar{S} = S$. (*This will directly imply that $\bar{\bar{S}} = \bar{S}$.*)

c). Prove that \bar{S} is the smallest closed set that contains S . Namely,

$$\forall \text{ closed set } U \in M \ (S \subseteq U \Rightarrow \bar{S} \subseteq U).$$

4. Show that the Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem fails in the field in *any* ordered field that is not Archimedean.

5. Finish problem 9 in exercise 7.6 of the textbook.

a). Show that a bounded set having exactly one cluster point is denumerable.

b). Show that the assumption in part a) that S is bounded is unnecessary.

c). Show that a set having finitely many cluster points is denumerable.

d). (Bonus) Is a set having denumerable many cluster points necessarily denumerable? Explain.

e). Is a set having uncountable many cluster points necessarily uncountable? Explain.