

Math 554 Summer 2000 Exam 4

- ① The subset E of \mathbb{R} is an open set if for all $x \in E$ there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $N_\varepsilon(x) \subseteq E$.
- ② The subset E of \mathbb{R} is a compact set if every open cover of E contains a finite subcover of E .
- ③ Let E be a subset of \mathbb{R} , f be a function from E to \mathbb{R} , p be a limit point of E and L be an element of \mathbb{R} . Then $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) = L$ means for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $x \in E$ with $0 < |x - p| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$.
- ④ The set K is not a closed set, so K has a limit x which is not in K . x is a limit point of K , so there is a sequence $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ with $x_n \in K$ for all n and the limit of the sequence is x . Consider the set $E = \{x_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. The only limit point of E is x . For each $y \in K$, $y \neq x$ so y is not a limit point of E . So $\exists \varepsilon_y > 0$ with $N_{\varepsilon_y}(y) \cap E$ contains at most one element (if $y \in E$, then $N_{\varepsilon_y}(y) \cap E$ has exactly one element; if $y \notin E$, then $N_{\varepsilon_y}(y) \cap E$ has no elements.)

$$\mathcal{U} = \{N_{\varepsilon_y}(y) \mid y \in K\} \text{ covers } K$$

But no finite subset of \mathcal{U} covers the infinite set E , so surely no finite subset of \mathcal{U} covers K (because $E \subseteq K$). Thus K is not compact.

- ⑤ Given $\varepsilon > 0$. Observe

$$|f(x) - L| = |(4x-7) - 5| = |4x-12| = |4(x-3)| = 4|x-3|$$

where $f(x) = 4x-7$ and $L = 5$. If $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{4}$, then $x \in \mathbb{R}$ $0 < |x-3| < \delta$
 $\Rightarrow |f(x) - L| = 4|x-3| < 4\delta = 4 \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{4} = \varepsilon$.