

# Lecture 7

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Recall. •  $f: (X, d) \rightarrow (\Omega, \rho)$  is cont. if  $\forall \epsilon, \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $\rho(f(x), f(a)) < \epsilon$  when  $d(x, a) < \delta$ .

• Equivalently,  $\forall \Delta \subseteq \Omega$  open  $\Rightarrow f^{-1}(\Delta) \subseteq X$  is open.

Basic Prop. ① If  $f, g: X \rightarrow \Omega$  are cont.  $\Rightarrow f+g, fg$  are cont.  
 $f/g: X \setminus \{g=0\} \rightarrow \Omega$  is also cont.

② If  $f: X \rightarrow Y, g: Y \rightarrow \Omega$  are cont.  $\Rightarrow g \circ f: X \rightarrow \Omega$  is cont.

Pfs left as Ex. (for ②, use 2<sup>nd</sup> char. of continuity.)

Def ①  $f: X \rightarrow \Omega$  is uniformly continuous if  $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $\rho(f(x), f(y)) < \epsilon$  when  $d(x, y) < \delta$ .

②  $f$  is Lipschitz cont. if  $\exists C > 0$  s.t.  $\rho(f(x), f(y)) \leq C d(x, y)$ .

Clearly:  $f$  Lipschitz  $\Rightarrow f$  unif cont.  $\Rightarrow f$  cont.

• Important Ex. Let  $A \subseteq X$ , and define  $d(\cdot, A): X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  by  $d(x, A) := \inf_{y \in A} d(x, y)$ . Then,  $d(\cdot, A)$  is Lipschitz w/  $C=1$ .

Pf. Pick  $\epsilon > 0, \exists a \in A$  s.t.  $d(x, a) < d(x, A) + \epsilon \Rightarrow$   
 $d(y, A) - d(x, A) < d(y, a) - (d(x, a) - \epsilon) \stackrel{\Delta\text{-ineq.}}{\leq} d(y, x) + d(x, a) - d(x, a) + \epsilon$   
 $= d(y, x) + \epsilon.$

$\Rightarrow d(y, A) - d(x, A) \leq d(x, y)$  since  $\epsilon$  arbitrary.

Same argument  $\Rightarrow d(x, A) - d(y, A) \leq d(x, y) \Rightarrow |d(x, A) - d(y, A)| \leq d(x, y). \quad \square$

Thm! Let  $f: X \rightarrow \Omega$  be cont.

(i) If  $K \subseteq X$  is compact  $\Rightarrow f(K) \subseteq \Omega$  is compact.

(ii) If  $A \subseteq X$  is connected  $\Rightarrow f(A) \subseteq \Omega$  is connected.

Pf: (i) Let  $\{\Delta_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  be open cover of  $f(K)$ . Then  $\{f^{-1}(\Delta_\alpha)\}_{\alpha \in I}$  is open cover of  $K$ . By assumption,  $\exists$  finite subcover  $K \subseteq \bigcup_{k=1}^n f^{-1}(\Delta_{\alpha_k})$   
 But then  $f(K) \subseteq \bigcup_{k=1}^n \Delta_{\alpha_k}$ ; finite subcover  $\Rightarrow f(K)$  compact.

But then  $f(K) \subseteq \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \Delta_{x_k}$ ; finite subcover  $\Rightarrow f(K)$  compact.

(ii) Suppose  $f(A)$  not connected.  $\Rightarrow \exists B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  open + closed s.t.  $B \cap f(A) \neq \emptyset, f(A)$ . But then  $f^{-1}(B) \subseteq X$  is open + closed by cont.  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f^{-1}(B) \cap A \neq \emptyset \text{ and } \\ \exists a \in A \text{ s.t. } f(a) \in B \end{array} \right.$  and  $\left. \begin{array}{l} f^{-1}(B) \cap A \neq A \\ f(A) \not\subseteq B \end{array} \right.$

This is  $\nabla$  since  $A$  is connected.  $\square$

• Important consequence:

Thm 2 If  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is cont.,  $K \subseteq X$  compact, then  $\exists x_1, x_2 \in K$  s.t.

$$\sup_{x \in K} f(x) = f(x_1) ; \quad \inf_{x \in K} f(x) = f(x_2).$$

Pf. By Thm 1,  $f(K) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is compact. By Heine-Borel,  $f(K)$  is closed and bdd.  $\Rightarrow \gamma_1 = \inf_{y \in f(K)} y, \gamma_2 = \sup_{y \in f(K)} y$

belong to  $f(K) \Rightarrow \exists x_1, x_2 \in K$  s.t.  $f(x_1) = \gamma_1, f(x_2) = \gamma_2$ .  $\square$

• Very important results:

Thm 3. If  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  cont. and  $X$  compact  $\Rightarrow f$  is unif. cont.

Pf. Pick  $\varepsilon > 0$ . For every  $a \in X \exists \delta_a \geq 0$  s.t.  $\rho(f(x), f(a)) < \varepsilon/2$  when  $d(x, a) < \delta_a$ . Consider  $G_a := B(a, \delta_a)$  open. If  $x, y \in G_a \Rightarrow \rho(f(x), f(y)) \stackrel{\Delta\text{-ineq.}}{\leq} \rho(f(x), f(a)) + \rho(f(a), f(y)) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon$ .

Now,  $\{G_a\}_{a \in X}$  is an open cover of  $X$ . Since  $X$  compact  $\Leftrightarrow$  seq. compact, by Lebesgue's Covering Lemma  $\boxed{\exists \delta > 0}$

$\forall b \in X \quad B(b, \delta) \subseteq G_a = B(a, \delta_a)$  for some  $a$ . But then if  $d(x, b) < \delta \Rightarrow x, b \in G_a \Rightarrow \rho(f(x), f(b)) < \varepsilon \Rightarrow$

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 $f$  unif. cont.  $\square$

Thm 4. If  $F \subseteq X$  closed,  $K \subseteq X$  compact,  $F \cap K = \emptyset$   
 $\Rightarrow d(F, K) := \inf_{x \in F, y \in K} d(x, y) > 0.$

Pf. Observe  $d(F, K) = \inf_{x \in K} d(x, F)$ . Now,  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  given

by  $f(x) = d(x, F)$  is cont. (Lipschitz). Since  $K$  compact,

Thm 2  $\Rightarrow \exists x_0 \in K$  s.t.  $f(x_0) = d(x_0, F) = \inf_{x \in K} d(x, F) = d(F, K)$ .

But it is easy to see that  $d(x_0, F) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x_0$  is a limit point of  $F$ . Since  $F$  is closed, if  $x_0$  were limit pt of  $F$  then  $x_0 \in F$ . But  $F \cap K = \emptyset \Rightarrow d(x_0, F) > 0.$   
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