

I-POINTS WITH RESPECT TO A GIVEN SET

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Let $(V, \| \cdot \|)$ be a normed space and let M, X be two nonvoid subsets of V .

DEFINITION 1. We say that a point $x \in X \cap M$ has the *I-property with respect to M* , if there is an $r > 0$ such that $S(x, r) \cap M \subseteq X$, where $S(x, r) = \{y \in V \mid \|x - y\| < r\}$.

Let $I_M(X) = \{x \in X \cap M \mid x \text{ has the I-property}\}$.

Remark 1. It is easy to see that the following assertions are true :

- (a) $M \cap \text{int } X \subseteq I_M(X) \subseteq M \cap X$;
- (b) if $M \Rightarrow V$, then $I_M(X) = \text{int } X$;
- (c) $\text{ext } X \cap I_M(X) = \Phi$;
- (d) $I_M(M) = M$.

DEFINITION 2. We say that the set X has the *I-property with respect to the set M* if $X = \Phi$ or if $I_M(X) = X \cap M$.

Example 1. Let $V = R$, $M =$ the set of rational numbers and $X = \{0, 1, 3\}$. We have $I_M(X) = \Phi$.

Example 2. Let $V = R$, $M =$ the set of rational numbers and $X = \{x \in R \mid -\sqrt{2} \leq x \leq \sqrt{2}\}$. We have $I_M(X) = M \cap X$.

Example 3. Let $V = R$, $M =$ the set of integers numbers and $X = \{0, 1, 3\}$. We have $I_M(X) = X$.

PROPOSITION 1. If $A_i, i = 1, \dots, m$ are subset of V with the *I-property*, then $\bigcap_{i=1}^m A_i$ has the *I-property with respect to M* .

Proof. Let $z \in M \cap \left(\bigcap_{i=1}^m A_i\right)$. Because $A_i, i = 1, \dots, m$ has the *I-property with respect to M* , there are $r_i > 0, i = 1, \dots, m$ such that $S(z, r_i) \cap M \subseteq A_i, i = 1, \dots, m$. Let $r = \min \{r_i \mid i = 1, \dots, m\}$. Because $S(z, r) \subseteq S(z, r_i)$ for all $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, we have

$$S(z, r) \cap M \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^m A_i.$$

Hence $z \in I_M(X)$. Since z was arbitrarily chosen, it follows that $M \cap \left(\bigcap_{i=1}^m A_i\right) = I_M\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^m A_i\right)$.

PROPOSITION 2. If A_i , $i \in I$ is a family of subsets of V with the I-property with respect to M , then $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ has the I-property with respect to M .

Proof. Let $z \in \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$. Then there is a $j \in I$ such that $z \in A_j$. Because A_j has the I-property with respect to M , there is an $r > 0$ such that $S(z, r) \cap M \subseteq A_j$. Because $A_j \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$, it follows that $S(z, r) \cap M \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$. Hence $z \in I_M(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)$. Since z was arbitrarily chosen, it results that $M \cap (\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i) = I_M(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)$.

Let $\mathcal{I} = \{A \subseteq V \mid A \text{ has the I-property with respect to } M\}$. From definition 2, remark 1 and propositions 1 and 2 it follows that the family \mathcal{I} is a topology on V .

DEFINITION 3. We say that a point $x \in X$ has the c-property if there is an $r > 0$ such that $S(x, r) \subseteq \text{conv} X$, where $\text{conv} X$ denotes the convex hull of X .

Example 4. Let $X = \{(0,0), (1,2), (2,1), (1,1)\}$. The point $(1,1)$ has the c-property, but the points $(0,0)$, $(1,2)$ and $(2,1)$ do not have the c-property.

Remark 2. If $x \in \text{int} X$, then x has the c-property.

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Example 5. Let Z be the set of all integer numbers and let $X = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x \geq 1/2, y \geq 1/2, 2x + 2y \leq 5\}$. The set X has the c-property with respect to $M = \mathbb{Z}^2$.

PROPOSITION 3. If A_i , $i \in I$ is a family of subsets of V with the c-property with respect to M , then $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ has the c-property with respect to M .

Proof. Let $z \in M \cap (\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)$. Then there is a $j \in I$ such that $z \in A_j$. Because A_j has the c-property with respect to M , there is an $r > 0$ such that $S(z, r) \subseteq \text{conv} A_j$. But $\text{conv} A_j \subseteq \text{conv}(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)$. Then $S(z, r) \subseteq \text{conv}(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)$. Hence z has the c-property. Because z was arbitrarily chosen, it follows that the set $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$ has the c-property with respect to M .

Let

$c - I(X) = \{x \in X \cap M \mid \exists r > 0 \text{ such that } S(x, r) \subseteq \text{conv} X \text{ and } x \in I_M(X)\}$.

PROPOSITION 4. If X is a strongly convex set with respect to M , then the set $c - I_M(X)$ is also strongly convex with respect to M .

Proof. Let $x \in M \cap \text{conv}(c - I_M(X))$. Then there is a natural number m and there are x^1, \dots, x^m elements of $c - I_M(X)$ and $t_1 \geq 0, \dots, t_m \geq 0$ with $t_1 + \dots + t_m = 1$ such that $x = t_1 x^1 + \dots + t_m x^m$. For each $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ there is a positive number r such that $S(x^i, r) \subseteq \text{conv} X$.

Let $r = \min \{r_i \mid i = 1, \dots, m\}$, and let $z \in S(x, r)$. For each $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, consider the point

$$z^j = z + \sum_{i=1}^m t_i (x^j - x^i).$$

For each $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, we have $\|x^j - z^j\| = \|x - z\| < r \leq r_j$. Then $z^j \in S(x^j, r_j)$ for all $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$. Because $z = \sum_{i=1}^m t_i x^i$ and $S(x^i, r_i) \subseteq \text{conv} X$ for all $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, we get that $z \in \text{conv} X$. But z was arbitrarily chosen. Hence $S(x, r) \subseteq \text{conv} X$.

From the definition of the strongly convex set with respect to a given set (see [1]) we get that $M \cap \text{conv} X \subseteq X$. Then we have

$$S(x, r) \cap M \subseteq M \cap \text{conv} X \subseteq X.$$

Hence $x \in c - I_M(X)$.

Because x was arbitrarily chosen in $M \cap \text{conv}(c - I_M(X))$, we get that the $M \cap \text{conv}(c - I_M(X)) \subseteq c - I_M(X)$. Hence $c - I_M(X)$ is strongly convex with respect to M .

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