

Prove that a finite set of points cannot have any accumulation point.

**Solution**

Let  $S = \{z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n\}$ .

Let  $z$  be some arbitrary point (may or may not be contained in  $S$ ), and let

$$d = \inf\{|z - z_i| : z_i \in S\}.$$

This establishes that there is a minimum distance between any arbitrary point  $z$  and a nearby point  $z_i : z_i \in S$ .

Now we can let  $B_\varepsilon(z)$  be a neighborhood around the arbitrary point  $z$ . If the set  $S$  were infinite then there would always be some radius  $\varepsilon$  in which a point in  $S \setminus \{z\}$  is included, therefore proving there is an accumulation point. However because  $S$  is finite, and  $\varepsilon$  can be provided such that  $\varepsilon < d$ . In other words, if  $\varepsilon$  is less than the minimum distance between some arbitrary point  $z$  and a point  $z_i$  then

$$\forall x \in B_\varepsilon(z), x \notin S.$$

Therefore there is no accumulation point.