

Structure-Zoo

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1 Topological spaces

1.1 Euclidean space

Definition	$(\mathbb{R}^n, \tau_{\text{Eucl}})$
type	Normed space via $\ \cdot\ _2$
separation	T4
compact	no, $(ne_1)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ has no convergent subnet
Baire	yes, as completely metrizable
countability	second countable via $\{B_q(r) \mid q, r \in \mathbb{Q}, q > 0\}$; separable

Note that this is homeomorphic to each open ball.

1.2 Compact Euclidean spaces

1.3 Euclidean space

Definition	$([0, 1]^n, \tau_{\text{Eucl}} _{[0,1]^n})$
type	Normed space via $\ \cdot\ _2$
separation	T4
compact	yes, by Heine-Borel
Baire	yes, as completely metrizable
countability	second countable; separable (see 1.1)

1.4 Co-finite topology

Let X be infinite.

Definition	$(X, \tau_{\text{co-finite}} := \{U \subseteq X \mid \text{card}(U^c) < \aleph_0\} \cup \emptyset)$
type	not metric, as not Hausdorff
separation	T1, as there are no disjoint open sets except \emptyset
compact	yes, as a chain of finite sets contains a smallest element
Baire	iff X is uncountable
countability	separable; if X is uncountable then not first countable

Note that each sequence converges to each point. If X is uncountable, the intersection of countably many open sets is co-countable, so nonempty (this proves the non-first-countability).

Also, each infinite set is dense. If X is countable, therefore all $\{x\}^c$ are open dense but have empty intersection. On the other hand, if X is uncountable, the intersection of countably many nonempty open sets has at most countable complement, so is dense.

1.5 Co-countable topology

Let X be uncountable.

Definition	$(X, \tau_{\text{co-countable}} := \{U \subseteq X \mid \text{card}(U^c) \leq \aleph_0\} \cup \emptyset)$
type	not metric, as not Hausdorff
separation	T1, as there are no disjoint open sets except \emptyset
compact	no, as $(\{n, n+1, \dots\})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ are closed, nonempty with empty intersection
Baire	yes
countability	not separable; not first countable (see 1.4)

The intersection of countably many nonempty open sets has countable complement, so is open and dense.

1.6 Discrete topology

Let X be a set of at least two elements.

Definition	$(X, 2^X)$
type	metric by $d(x, y) = 1$ if $x \neq y$
separation	T4
compact	iff X is finite
Baire	yes, as the only dense set is X
countability	first countable; not separable resp. second countable if X is infinite

1.7 Indiscrete topology

Let X be a set of at least two elements.

Definition	$(X, \{\emptyset, X\})$
type	not metric, as not Hausdorff
separation	none
compact	yes
Baire	yes, as the only open, dense set is X
countability	second countable; separable

1.8 Order topology

Let (X, \leq) be a totally ordered set.

Definition	$(X, \tau_{\text{Ord}}$ generated by $X_{<x}$ and $X_{>x}$ for each $x \in X$
type	in general not metric, as not first countable
separation	T4
compact	iff \leq is order complete (i.e. sup and inf exist for all subsets)
Baire	not in general, see \mathbb{Q}
countability	in general neither separable nor first countable, see e.g. $\aleph_1 + 1$

For $x \notin C$ and $C \subseteq X$ closed have $x \in]y, z[$ and $]y, z[$ disjoint to C by closedness of C . Then one easily sees that x can be separated from C by distinguishing the cases $y < u < x$ or $]y, x[= \emptyset$ and similarly for z .

For T4 see math SE.

1.8.1 Order topology $\aleph_1 + 1$

Definition	$(\aleph_1 + 1, \tau_{\text{Ord}}$
type	not metric, as not first countable
separation	T4
compact	yes, as order complete
Baire	yes, as compact Hausdorff space
countability	not first countable (\aleph_1 has no countable neighborhood basis), not separable (countable union of countable sets is countable)

1.8.2 Order topology \mathbb{Q}

Definition	$(\mathbb{Q}, \tau_{\text{Ord}}$
type	metric, as subspace topology of τ_{Eucl}
separation	T4
compact	no, as not Baire
Baire	no, as there is no open singleton and \mathbb{Q} is countable
countability	second countable, as \mathbb{Q} is countable

This is equal to the euclidean subspace topology on \mathbb{Q}

1.8.3 Order topology $\aleph_\alpha \times \mathbb{R}$ (lexicographic order)

Definition	$(\text{card}(2^{\mathbb{R}}) \times \mathbb{R}, \tau_{\text{Ord}}$
type	metric, via $d((\mu, x), (\mu, y)) = \frac{d(x, y)}{1 + d(x, y)}$ and $d(u, v) = 1$ otherwise
separation	T4
compact	no, as \mathbb{R} is not compact
Baire	yes because it is metric and complete
countability	first countable (for (μ, x) take $(\mu,]x - \frac{1}{n}, x + \frac{1}{n}[)$); second countable and separable iff α is countable

1.9 Infinite-dimensional hypercubes

Let α be a ordinal.

Definition	$([0, 1]^{\aleph_\alpha}, \tau)$ with product topology τ of $\tau_{\text{Eucl}} _{[0, 1]}$
type	metric iff $\alpha = 0$, so α_α is countable (with $d(x, y) = \sum_n 2^{-n} x_n - y_n $)
separation	T4
compact	yes by Tychonoffs theorem
Baire	yes, as compact Hausdorff space
countability	first countable iff $\alpha = 0$; In this case, also second countable, separable (see e.g. exercise problem 33); ? separable in the general case ?

To prove non-first-countability for $\alpha > 0$ use that the sets $] \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} [\times \prod_{\xi \neq \chi} [0, 1]$ are open and that the intersection of countably many open sets contains $\prod_{\xi \in A} S_\xi \times \prod_{\xi \notin A} [0, 1]$ for a countable A and any $S_\xi \subseteq [0, 1]$.

For the T4 property, consider $C_0, C_1 \subseteq [0, 1]^{\aleph_\alpha}$ closed. Then as above $C_i \subseteq A_i \times \prod_{\alpha \notin \mathcal{F}_i} [0, 1]$ for \mathcal{F}_i finite. Therefore, separating C_0, C_1 at the coordinates $\mathcal{F}_0 \cup \mathcal{F}_1$ is sufficient (this is possible, as the set is finite).

By Urysohn's Lemma, each compact T4 space is homeomorphic to a subspace of $[0, 1]^\kappa$, where κ is a big enough cardinal number. It suffices to take $\kappa = \text{card}(X^2)$, but it even suffices if there is a base of cardinality κ . Note that because of this, every second countable compact T4 space is metrizable.

1.10 Sorgenfrey topology

Definition	$(\mathbb{R}, \tau_{\text{Sorg}})$ where τ_{Sorg} is generated by $[a, b[$
type	not metric, as separable but not first countable
separation	T4
compact	no, even the subspace $[0, 1]$ is not compact, as the cover $[1, 2[$ and $[1 - \frac{1}{n}, 1 - \frac{1}{n+1}[$ has no finite subcover
Baire	yes
countability	first countable, separable; not second countable

Note that the Sorgenfrey is not connected. Assume there is a countable basis. Then there is some x such that x is not the infimum of any basis set. Then there is no basis set B with $x \in B \subseteq [x, x + \epsilon]$.

To see that it is a Baire space, consider $(U_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ open, dense and construct decreasing $[x_n, x_n + \epsilon_n[$ in $U_n \cap N$ for some open N . Then the x_n have a supremum x , and it is in $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n$.