

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a collection of subsets of the set  $X$ . Suppose  $\emptyset$  and  $X$  are in  $\mathcal{C}$  and that finite unions and arbitrary intersections of elements in  $\mathcal{C}$  are in  $\mathcal{C}$ . Show that

$$\tau = \{X \setminus C \mid C \in \mathcal{C}\} \text{ is a topology on } X \\ = \{C^c \mid C \in \mathcal{C}\}$$

1)  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{C}$  so  $X \in \tau$ ,  $X \in \mathcal{C}$  so  $\emptyset \in \tau$

2) let  $C_1, \dots, C_n \in \mathcal{C}$

$$\bigcap C_k^c = \left( \bigcup_{k=1}^n C_k \right)^c \in \tau \text{ since } \bigcup_{k=1}^n C_k \in \mathcal{C}$$

3) let  $\{C_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{I}}$  be a sequence from  $\mathcal{C}$

$$\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{I}} C_i^c = \left( \bigcap C_i \right)^c \in \mathcal{C}$$

so  $\tau$  is a topology on  $X$