

Prove theorem 19.2 :

Suppose the topology on each space  $X_\alpha$  is given by a basis  $\mathcal{B}_\alpha$ . The collection of all sets of the form  $\prod_{\alpha \in J} B_\alpha$

where  $B_\alpha \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha \forall \alpha$  will serve as a basis for the box topology  $\prod_{\alpha \in J} X_\alpha$ .

The collection of all sets on the same form where  $B_\alpha \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha$  for finitely many indices  $\alpha$  and  $B_\alpha = X_\alpha$  for all remaining indices will serve as a basis for the product topology  $\prod_{\alpha \in J} X_\alpha$

The general basis for the box topology

$\prod_{\alpha \in J} X_\alpha$  is the collection of all  $U_\alpha$  s.t  $U_\alpha$  is open in  $X_\alpha$ . let  $U_\alpha$  be such a set

then for any  $\alpha, x \in U_\alpha \exists B$  s.t  $x \in B \subset U_\alpha$  denote this by  $(B_\alpha)_{\alpha \in J}$  thus by lemma 18.2 the collection of all such sets is a basis for the box topology

by Theorem 19.1 the product topology has basis of all sets of the form:  $\prod_{\alpha \in J} U_\alpha$  where  $U_\alpha$  is open in  $X_\alpha \forall \alpha$  and  $U_\alpha = X_\alpha$  except for finitely many values of  $\alpha$

Consider such a set

$\prod_{\alpha \in J} U_\alpha$ . Consider  $\alpha$  s.t.  $U_\alpha \neq X_\alpha$  then

for  $x \in U_\alpha \exists B \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha$  s.t.  $x \in B \subset U_\alpha$

for all these  $\alpha$  let  $B = B_\alpha$  and for the rest  $B_\alpha = X_\alpha$  then we have a set as described this is included in  $\prod_{\alpha \in J} U_\alpha$  thus by lemma 13.2 again This is a basis element.  $\square$