

a) what are the components and path components of  $\mathbb{R}^w$  (in the product topology)

$\mathbb{R}^w$  is connected in the product topology so the components are  $\mathbb{R}^w$  (and  $\emptyset$ )

• Path connectedness: consider  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^w$

let  $f: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^w$  by  $f(t) = (x_n + t(y_n - x_n))_n$   
continuous in product topology so path connected

b) Consider  $\mathbb{R}^w$  in the uniform topology. Show that  $x$  and  $y$  lie in the same component  $\Leftrightarrow x-y$  is bounded.

[Hint suffices to consider the case when  $y=0$ ]  
We showed in ex 23.8 that  $\mathbb{R}^w$  has a separation consisting of bounded and unbounded sequences.

" $\Rightarrow$ " ~~is~~ true for  $y=0$  by ex 23.8. if  $y \neq 0$  then consider the separation  $x-y$  is bounded  $x-y$  is unbounded.

" $\Leftarrow$ " for bounded  $x$ , consider

$f: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^w$  by  $f(t) = tx \rightarrow$  this is continuous  
so this is path connected. <sup>not cont when  $x$  is unbounded</sup> for some  $y \in \mathbb{R}^w$

the case is similar for  $x-y$  bounded. Thus they are in the same component.