

Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ and $g: C \rightarrow D$ be continuous functions. Let us define a map $f \times g: A \times C \rightarrow B \times D$ by

$$(f \times g)(a \times c) = f(a) \times g(c)$$

Show that $f \times g$ is continuous.

Let V_b be open in B , V_d open in D .
then $V_b \times V_d$ is a basis element of $B \times D$. its inverse image is $U_a \times U_c$, a basis element in $A \times C$ thus $f \times g$ is continuous.

Or define $\pi_b(b \times d) = a \times \text{c}$

$\pi_d(b \times d) = \text{a} \times c$
(continuous)

these are both open and

$$(f \times g)^{-1}(b \times d) = \pi_b^{-1}(b \times d) \cap \pi_d^{-1}(b \times d)$$

so continuous