

1. Let (X, d) be a metric space.

Metric topology on X : The metric topology on X is the topology with the following Basis:

$$\mathcal{B} = \{ B(x, \epsilon) \mid x \in X, \epsilon > 0 \}$$

$$\text{where } B(x, \epsilon) = \{ y \in X : d(x, y) < \epsilon \}$$

To show that the metric topology is a topology it suffices to show that \mathcal{B} is indeed a basis.

Claim: $X = \bigcup_{B(x, \epsilon) \in \mathcal{B}} B(x, \epsilon)$.

Let $x \in X$. Then for $\epsilon > 0$, we know $x \in B(x, \epsilon)$ and

$B(x, \epsilon) \in \mathcal{B}$. So $x \in \bigcup_{B(x, \epsilon) \in \mathcal{B}} B(x, \epsilon)$, which implies

$$X \subset \bigcup_{B(x, \epsilon) \in \mathcal{B}} B(x, \epsilon). \text{ Clearly, } \bigcup_{B(x, \epsilon) \in \mathcal{B}} B(x, \epsilon) \subset X.$$

$$\text{So, } X = \bigcup_{B(x, \epsilon) \in \mathcal{B}} B(x, \epsilon).$$

Claim: Let $y \in B(x_1, \epsilon_1) \cap B(x_2, \epsilon_2)$

$$\text{Now, let } \epsilon = \min(\epsilon_1 - d(y, x_1), \epsilon_2 - d(y, x_2))$$

Clearly, $B(y, \epsilon) \in \mathcal{B}$, and clearly $y \in B(y, \epsilon)$.

We claim $B(y, \epsilon) \subset B(x_1, \epsilon_1) \cap B(x_2, \epsilon_2)$



Proof of Claim: Let $z \in B(y, \varepsilon)$.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then } d(z, x_1) &\leq d(z, y) + d(y, x_1) \\ &< \varepsilon + d(y, x_1) \\ &\leq \varepsilon_1 - d(x_1, y) + d(y, x_1) \\ &= \varepsilon_1 - d(y, x_1) + d(y, x_1) \\ &= \varepsilon_1\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } d(z, x_1) < \varepsilon_1 \Rightarrow z \in B(x_1, \varepsilon_1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Similarly, } d(z, x_2) &\leq d(z, y) + d(y, x_2) \\ &< \varepsilon + d(y, x_2) \\ &\leq \varepsilon_2 - d(x_2, y) + d(y, x_2) \\ &= \varepsilon_2\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } d(z, x_2) < \varepsilon_2 \Rightarrow z \in B(x_2, \varepsilon_2).$$

$$\text{So } z \in B(x_1, \varepsilon_1) \cap B(x_2, \varepsilon_2).$$

$$\text{Therefore } B(y, \varepsilon) \subseteq B(x_1, \varepsilon_1) \cap B(x_2, \varepsilon_2).$$

So \mathcal{B} is indeed a basis. So the metric topology is a topology.

Prove that if $A \subset X$ and $x \in X$, then x is in the closure of A iff x is the limit of a sequence of points in A .

Proof: Let $A \subset X$.

Claim: $x \in \bar{A}$ if and only if for every open neighborhood U of x , $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$.

Proof of claim: we prove this by the contrapositive.

that is: $x \notin \bar{A}$ iff \exists an open neighborhood U of x such that $U \cap A = \emptyset$.

\Rightarrow Suppose $x \notin \bar{A}$. So there exists a closed set C such that $x \notin C$ and $A \subset C$. (since the closure of A is the intersection of all closed sets containing A)

Therefore $x \in X \setminus C \subseteq X \setminus A$,

~~however~~ so $X \setminus C \cap A = \emptyset$.

However, $X \setminus C$ is open since C is closed which yields our desired result.

\Leftarrow Now, suppose \exists an open neighborhood of ~~the~~ x (call it U) such that $U \cap A = \emptyset$. So $A \subseteq X \setminus U$.

However, since U is open $X \setminus U$ is closed. So $X \setminus U$ is a closed set containing A that does not contain x .

So $x \notin \bar{A}$ which proves our claim.

Now, Suppose $x \in \overline{A}$. Then, by our claim we know for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $B(x, \frac{1}{n}) \cap A \neq \emptyset$. So

Choose $x_n \in B(x, \frac{1}{n})$ and form $\{x_n\}$.

Claim: $\{x_n\} \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then, $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\frac{1}{N} < \varepsilon$.

So for all $m \geq N$, $m \in \mathbb{N}$ we have

$$d(x, x_m) \leq \frac{1}{m} \leq \frac{1}{N} < \varepsilon. \text{ So } \{x_n\} \rightarrow x.$$

Conversely, suppose there exists a sequence in A such that $\{x_n\} \rightarrow x$. Let U be an open neighborhood.

Then ~~there~~ there exists $\varepsilon > 0$, such that $B(x, \varepsilon) \subseteq U$.

Since $\{x_n\} \rightarrow x$ $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all

$m \geq N$, we have $x_m \in B(x, \varepsilon)$. So $x_m \in A$

and $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$. Thus, by our original claim, we

know $x \in \overline{A}$.



2. Let $d: \mathbb{Z}^+ \times \mathbb{Z}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the function

$$d(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = y \\ \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} & \text{if } x \neq y \end{cases}$$

Prove (\mathbb{Z}^+, d) is a metric space but not a complete metric space.

Proof: We check to see if (\mathbb{Z}^+, d) fulfills the three requirements of a metric space.

1. Suppose $x = y$, then $d(x, y) = 0$ by definition.

Suppose $d(x, y) = 0$, and suppose $x \neq y$.

$$\text{Then } d(x, y) = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} = -\frac{1}{y}$$

$$y = -x \quad \text{which is a contradiction as } x, y \in \mathbb{Z}^+.$$

So, if $d(x, y) = 0$, then $x = y$.

2. Now, for $x \neq y$

$$d(x, y) = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{x} = d(y, x).$$

3. $d(x, y) + d(y, z) = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z}$

$$d(x, z) = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{z} \leq \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = d(x, y) + d(y, z)$$

$\therefore (\mathbb{Z}^+, d)$ is a metric space.

2b. (Not a complete metric space).

Let $\{x_n\} = (1, 2, 3, \dots)$ so $x_n = n$, for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

we claim $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy but not convergent.

Cauchy: Let $\epsilon > 0$. Then $\exists K \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$\frac{1}{K} < \epsilon$ (by the Archimedean property?). Now

for all $m, n \geq 2K$ we know
($\Rightarrow \frac{1}{m} \leq \frac{1}{2K}$ and $\frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{2K}$)

$$d(x_n, x_m) = d(n, m) = \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{m} \leq \frac{1}{2K} + \frac{1}{2K} = \frac{1}{K} < \epsilon.$$

Therefore, $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy.

not convergent:

Clearly $(1, 2, 3, \dots)$ is not convergent

as $x_n \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

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4. Prove that a metric Space is compact iff it is sequentially compact.

Proof: \Rightarrow Suppose (X, d) is a compact metric space.

Now, if there exists $x \in X$ such that $\forall \epsilon > 0$,

$B_\epsilon(x)$ contains infinitely many points of $\{x_n\}$ then we claim $\{x_n\}$ has a convergent subsequence.

proof of claim: Let $\epsilon = 1$. Then choose $x_{n_1} \in B_1(x) \cap \{x_n\}$.

Now let $\epsilon = \frac{1}{2}$, ~~then since $B_{\frac{1}{2}}(x)$ has infinitely many points of $\{x_n\}$ we know $\exists m \geq n_1$ such that~~

~~$x_m \in B_{\frac{1}{2}}(x)$~~ then since $B_{\frac{1}{2}}(x)$ has infinitely many points of $\{x_n\}$ we know $\exists m \geq n_1$ such that

$x_m \in B_{\frac{1}{2}}(x)$. ~~$x_{n_2} = x_m$~~ Let $x_{n_2} = x_m$. We can continue this process and

~~x_{n_i}~~ we can choose $x_{n_i} \in B_{\frac{1}{i}}(x)$ for each $i \in \mathbb{N}$.

Now, it is clear that $\{x_{n_i}\} \rightarrow x$ so $\{x_n\}$

has a convergent subsequence.

Now, ~~the~~ on the other hand, ~~for~~ ^{Suppose} every $x \in X$, then

$B_\epsilon(x)$ contains only finitely many points of $\{x_n\}$. Then $\{B_\epsilon(x)\}_{x \in X}$ form an

open cover of X . So, we can extract a finite subcover (since X is compact). So finitely many balls containing finitely many points of $\{x_n\}$ cover X . Therefore $\{x_n\}$ must only have finitely many distinct points. So, it must have a convergent subsequence.

\Leftarrow Suppose X is sequentially compact.
Then we know X has a Lebesgue # and
 X is totally bounded. (need to prove this?)

Let $\{U_\alpha\}$ be an open cover for X . And
let δ be the Lebesgue #. Then for all
 $x \in X$, $B_\delta(x) \subset U_\beta$ for some β .

Further, since X is totally bounded,

$$X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n B_\delta(x_i) \text{ where } x_i \in X.$$

Therefore since $B_\delta(x_i) \subset U_{\alpha_i}$ where $U_{\alpha_i} \in \{U_\alpha\}$

we know $X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n U_{\alpha_i}$ which is

a finite subcover. \square

5. Suppose X is second countable. prove that A is closed in X iff $A \cap K$ is closed in K for all compact $K \subseteq X$

Proof: First we prove a small claim.

Claim: If X is second countable, then $x \in \overline{A}$ iff there exists a sequence in A : $\{x_n\}$ such that $\{x_n\} \rightarrow x$.

Proof of claim: \Rightarrow Let $x \in \overline{A}$. Since X is 2nd countable, it is first countable. Let $B = \{B_n\}$ be the local ~~basiss~~ countable basis for x . Now, define $U_n = \bigcap_{i=1}^n B_i$. Since U_n is open, ^{and contains x} we know

$U_n \cap A \neq \emptyset$. Therefore pick $x_n \in U_n \cap A$.

We claim $\{x_n\} \rightarrow x$. Let V be an open neighborhood of x . Then $\exists B_n \in B$ such that $B_n \subset V$.

Now, for all $m \geq n$, we know $x_m \in \bigcap_{i=1}^m B_i$

so $x_m \in B_n$, which implies $x_m \in V$. Therefore, $\{x_n\} \rightarrow x$.

\Leftarrow Now, suppose there exists a sequence in X

such that $\{x_n\} \rightarrow x$. Let U be an open neighborhood of x . Then $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t for all $m \geq n$

$x_m \in U$. So $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$. Therefore $x \in \overline{A}$,

which proves our claim.

Now, we return to the main statement.

\Rightarrow Suppose A is closed in X . Then, by definition of the subspace topology, we know $A \cap K$ is closed for all compact $K \subseteq X$.

\Leftarrow Now suppose $A \cap K$ is closed in K for all compact $K \subseteq X$. Let $x \in \bar{A}$. Then by our claim, $\exists \{x_n\} \rightarrow x$ such that $x_n \in A$.

Now, define

$$K = \{x\} \cup \{x_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}.$$

We claim K is compact.

Proof of claim: Let $\{U_\alpha\}$ be an open cover of K .

Then, let $U \in \{U_\alpha\}$ such that $x \in U$. Then

Since U is open and $\{x_n\} \rightarrow x \quad \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$

such that for all $m \geq N \quad x_m \in U$.

Now for each $1 \leq i \leq N$, there exists $U_i \in \{U_\alpha\}$

such that $x_i \in U_i$. Therefore $\{U_i\}_{i=1}^N$

form a finite subcover of K and K is compact.

Therefore, by our assumption $A \cap K$ is closed in K .

Let U be an ~~open set~~^{open neighborhood} of x . Then we know

$\{x_n\}$ is eventually in U . So by definition of K ,

$U \cap (A \cap K) = \emptyset$. So $U \cap (A \cap K) = (U \cap K) \cap (A \cap K) \neq \emptyset$.

and thus every open neighborhood of x in K has non-trivial

intersection with $A \cap K$. Thus, $x \in \overline{A \cap K} = A \cap K$. So $x \in A$.

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5. Prove that if a topological space X has dense & connected subset, then X is connected.

Proof: By way of contradiction, suppose X is not connected.

Then there exists separated sets U and V such that $X = U \cup V$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$.

We claim $U \cap E$ and $V \cap E$ form a separation for E .

Since $U \cap X \neq \emptyset$ and E is dense, every open set in X must contain a point of E . So $U \cap E \neq \emptyset$.

Similarly $V \cap E \neq \emptyset$. By definition of subspace topology $U \cap E$ and $V \cap E$ are open.

Now, we know

$$E = E \cap X = E \cap [U \cup V] = (E \cap U) \cup (E \cap V)$$

Further, ~~U and V are separated~~

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$$(E \cap U) \cap (E \cap V) = (U \cap V) \cap E \subseteq (U \cap V) \cap X = \emptyset$$

So $(E \cap U) \cap (E \cap V) = \emptyset$. Thus, $E \cap U$ and $E \cap V$ form a separation of E , which is a contradiction as E is connected.

Prove that the product of two connected spaces is connected.

Proof: Suppose X is connected and Y is connected.

~~By way of contradiction, suppose~~

~~$X \times Y$ is disconnected. So there exists~~

~~$f: X \times Y \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ continuous and non-constant.~~

~~Therefore~~ let $f: X \times Y \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$. Then,

we know ~~for~~ for all $x \in X$, $\{x\} \times Y$ is homeomorphic to Y , and therefore connected.

So $f|_{\{x\} \times Y}$ must be constant. Similarly, $X \times \{y\}$

is homeomorphic to X so $f|_{X \times \{y\}}$ must also

be constant. Therefore for any two points

$(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1) \in X \times Y$ & we know

$f(x_0, y_0) = f(x_0, y_1) = f(x_1, y_1)$. So

f must be constant. Therefore, ~~& hence~~

$X \times Y$ is connected. (Do I need to prove

if $f: X \times Y \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ for all continuous f is constant is then $X \times Y$ is connected?)

7. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a quotient map. Prove that if Y is connected and each $f^{-1}(\{y\})$ is connected, then X is connected.

Proof: By way of contradiction suppose X is not connected. So $\exists A, B \subseteq X$ such that $X = A \sqcup B$ and A, B are open. We claim $f(A)$ and $f(B)$ form a separation of Y .

Now, since the quotient map is surjective, we know $Y = f(A) \cup f(B)$.

Claim: $f(A) \cap f(B) = \emptyset$.

Suppose $y \in f(A) \cap f(B)$. Then, \exists there exists $a \in A$ and $b \in B$ such that $f(a) = y = f(b)$.

However, $f^{-1}(\{y\})$ is connected, so it must lie entirely in A or in B . Thus, $f(A) \cap f(B) = \emptyset$.

Claim $f(A)$ and $f(B)$ are open.

First we show that $A = f^{-1}(f(A))$.

We know $A \subseteq f^{-1}(f(A))$. So let $x \in f^{-1}(f(A))$. Suppose $x \in B$. Then $f(x) \in f(f^{-1}(f(A))) \subseteq f(A)$ and $f(x) \in f(B)$ which is a contradiction since $f(A) \cap f(B) = \emptyset$.

So $f^{-1}(f(A)) = A$. Since f is the quotient map, we know $f^{-1}(f(A))$ is open iff $f(A)$ is open.

Therefore $f(A)$ is open since A is open. Similarly $f(B)$ is open. Therefore $f(A)$ and $f(B)$ form a separation for Y which is a contradiction. \square

8. Galois correspondence: Let (X, x_0) be a path-connected, locally path-connected, semi-locally simply connected topological space. Then there is a bijective correspondence between

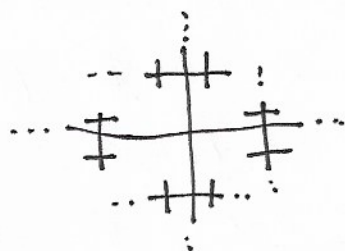
$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{all base point} \\ \text{preserving isomorphism} \\ \text{classes of path-connected} \\ \text{covering spaces} \\ p: (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \rightarrow (X, x_0) \end{array} \right\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Set of subgroups} \\ \text{of } \pi_1(X, x_0) \text{ obtained} \\ \text{by associating the subgroup} \\ p_* (\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)) \text{ to the} \\ \text{covering space } (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \end{array} \right\}$

Example of a space with fundamental group $\langle a, b \rangle$
is $S^1 \vee S^1$ (wedge of two circles)

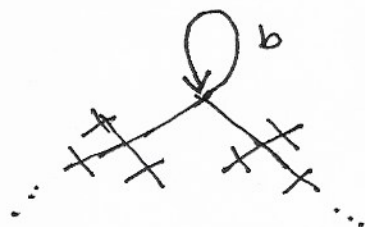
necessary to prove

Proof: Consider $S^1 \vee S^1$. Then $S^1 \vee S^1$ is clearly a cell complex. Now $S^1 \vee S^1 = S^1 \cup S^1$. ~~Starting~~ (both which contain the base point (pick base point to be in the intersection)). Then, by Van Kampen's theorem, we know $\pi_1(S^1 \vee S^1) \cong \mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z}$ (since intersection is just a point). which is the free group of two generators.

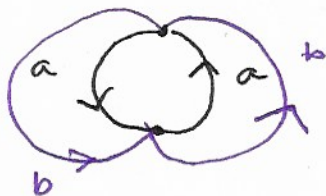
a) trivial group: corresponds to the covering space which is the (Cayley?) graph shown below:



b) $\langle b \rangle$



c) $\langle a^2, b^2, ab \rangle$



(how do I justify these)