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The Axiom of Choice(Thomas Jech Set Theory)

Every family of nonempty sets has a choice function.

Definition (choice function)

Let $S = \{U_{\alpha}\}_{{\alpha} \in J}$ with $\emptyset \notin S$. We call f a **choice function** for S if

$$f\colon J o igcup_{lpha\in J}U_lpha$$
 such that $f(lpha)\in U_lpha$ for every $lpha\in J$

Note

- 1. If $U_{\alpha} = \{x_{\alpha}\}$ is a singleton for every $\alpha \in J$,
- 2. If *J* is finite,
- 3. If U_{α} is a finite set of real numbers for every $\alpha \in J$, a choice function exists.

Given a collection $\mathcal A$ of disjoin nonempty sets, there exists a set $\mathcal C$ consisting of exactly one element from each element of $\mathcal A$. that is,

$$\mathcal{C}\subset\bigcup_{A\in\mathcal{A}}A$$

and $\mathcal{C} \cap A$ is a singleton.

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- (i) $p \not< p$ for any $p \in P$
- (ii) if p < q and q < r, then p < r

c.f. If (X,<) is a (linear) order set, for any $x,y\in X$ either x=y,x>y, or x< y. However if (P,<) is a partial order, it is possible that $x\neq y$ and $x\not> y$ and $x\not< y$.

Every order set is partial order set.

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Give a partial order \prec on $\mathbb N$ as follows: In general, for any $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ there are $q, r \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

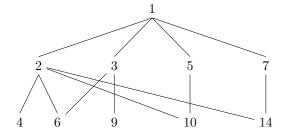
$$m = qn + r$$

$$0 \le r < n$$

If r = 0, we say n is a divisor of m, and denote $n \mid m$. If n|m and m|n, m=n.

Now define \leq by $m \leq n$ if and only if n is a divisor of m. If $m \neq n$ and $m \leq n, m < n.$

Then (\mathbb{N}, \prec) is a partial order set.



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Zorn's Lemma

Suppose a partially ordered set (P, \prec) has the property that every chain in P has an upper bound in P. Then the set P contains at least one maximal element.

Well-ordering theorem

Every set can be well-ordered.

Note

Zorn's Lemma ⇔ Axiom of choice ⇔ Well-ordering theorem

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Proof.

Let $\mathcal S$ be a family of nonempty sets. Define $P=\{f\colon f \text{ is a choice function on some } \mathcal Z\subset \mathcal S\}$. Since every finite collection has a choice function, P is not empty.

Give a natural partial order \subset on P. Let $\mathcal C$ be a chain in P and define $\overline f=\bigcup_{f\in\mathcal C}f$. Then for any $f\in\mathcal C$, $f\subset \overline f$. For each $f\in\mathcal C$ with $\mathcal Z_f\subset\mathcal S$ such that f is a choice function on $\mathcal Z_f$, define $\mathcal Z=\bigcup_{f\in\mathcal C}\mathcal Z_f$. Then $\mathcal Z\subset\mathcal S$ and f is a choice function on $\mathcal Z$. Thus $\overline f\in P$ and it is an upper bound of $\mathcal C$. By Zorn's Lemma, P has a maximal element f_m with $\mathcal Z\subset\mathcal S$. Suppose $\mathcal Z\neq\mathcal S$. Then there exsits $Z\in\mathcal Z$ such that f_m is not a choice function on $\mathcal Z\cup\{Z\}$. Choose $z_0\in Z$ and define $f_m=f_m\cup\{(Z,z_0)\}$. Then $f_m\subsetneq f_m^*$ and f_m^* is a choice function on $\mathcal Z\cup\{Z\}$. (contradiction). Hence f_m is a choice function on $\mathcal S$.

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- 2. Define a partial order.
- 3. For given chain, find an upper bound.

Example

- 1. (Set theory) Every filter on a set X is contained in an ultrafilter.
- 2. (Differential geometry) Every smooth atlas \mathcal{A} for a manifold M is contained in a unique maximal smooth chart.
- (Algebra) In a commutative ring with 1, every proper ideal is contained in a maximal ideal.
- 4. (Linear Algebra) Every vector space has a basis.
- 5. (Field Theory) Every filed has an algebraic closure.

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Lemma (37.1)

Let X be a set; let A be a collection of subsets of X having the F.I.P. Then there is a collection \mathcal{D} of subsets of X such that \mathcal{D} contains \mathcal{A} , and \mathcal{D} has the F.I.P, and no collection of subsets of X that properly contains \mathcal{D} has this property.

Lemma (37.2)

Let X be a set; let \mathcal{D} be a collection of subsets of X that is maximal with respect to the F.I.P. Then

- (a) Any finite intersection of elements of \mathcal{D} is an element of \mathcal{D} .
- (b) If A is a subset of X that intersects every element of \mathcal{D} . then $A \in \mathcal{D}$.

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Step1

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Given a collection $\{X_{\alpha}\}$ of compact spaces, construct \mathcal{A} of $X = \prod X_{\alpha}$ having the F.I.P.

Goal : $\bigcap_{A \subset A} \overline{A} \neq \emptyset$.

Step2

Extend \mathcal{A} to a maixmal \mathcal{D} with respect ti the F.I.P. It will suffice to show that $\bigcap_{D\in\mathcal{D}} \overline{D} \neq \emptyset$

Step3

Given $\alpha \in J$, consider $\{\pi_{\alpha}(D) : D \in \mathcal{D}\}$. Then this collection has the F.I.P. Let $x_{\alpha} \in \bigcap_{D \in \mathcal{D}} \pi_{\alpha}(D)$ and $\mathbf{x} = (x_{\alpha})$.

Step4

 $\mathbf{x} \in \bar{D}$ for every $D \in \mathcal{D}$.

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A collection A of subsets of X has the **countable intersection property** if every countable intersection of elements of A is nonempty. Show that X is a Lindelöf space if and only if for every collection A of subsets of X having the C.I.P, $\bigcap_{A \in A} \bar{A}$ is nonempty.

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Definition (Locally Finite)

Let X be a top'l space. A collection of A of subsets of X is said to be **locally finite** in X if every point of X has a nbd that intersects only finitely many elements of A.

Lemma (39.1)

Let A be a locally finite collection of subsets of X. Then

- (a) Any subcollection of A is locally finite.
- (b) The collection $\mathcal{B} = \{\overline{A}\}_{A \in \mathcal{A}}$ is locally finite.
- (c) $\overline{\bigcup_{A \in A} A} = \bigcup_{A \in A} \bar{A}$.

Definition (Countably locally Finite)

A collection \mathcal{B} of subsets of X is said to be **countably locally finite** if \mathcal{B} can be written as the countable union of collections \mathcal{B}_n , each of which is locally finite.

Let \mathcal{A} be a collection of subsets of X. A collection of \mathcal{B} of subsets of X is said to be a **refinement** of \mathcal{A} if for each element \mathcal{B} of \mathcal{B} , there is an element \mathcal{A} of \mathcal{A} containg \mathcal{B} . If the elements of \mathcal{B} are open sets, we call \mathcal{B} an **open refinement** of \mathcal{A} ; if the elements of \mathcal{B} are closed sets, we call \mathcal{B}

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 $\blacktriangleright \ \mathcal{B} = \{(0,1/\textit{n}) : \textit{n} \in \mathbb{Z}_+\} \text{ is locally fintie in } (0,1) \text{ but not in } \mathbb{R}.$

 $ightharpoonup \mathcal{C} = \{(1/(n+1), 1/n) : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is locally fintie in \mathbb{R} .

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Find a point-finite open covering A of \mathbb{R} that is not locally finite. \mathcal{A} is point-finite if each point of \mathbb{R} has in only finitely many element of \mathcal{A} .

Proof.

$$\mathcal{A} = \{(0, 1/n) : n \in \mathbb{Z}_+\} \cup \{(-\infty, 1), (0, \infty)\}.$$

Ex39.3

Give an example of a collection of sets A that is not locally finite, such that the collection $\mathcal{B} = \{\bar{A} : A \in \mathcal{A}\}$ is locally finite.

Proof.

Note that
$$\overline{\mathbb{Q}-\{q\}}=\mathbb{R}.$$

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Show that if X has a countable basis, a collection $\mathcal A$ of subsets of X is countably locally finite if and only if it is countable.

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- 1. Every open cover A of X has a finite subcover B.
- 2. Every open cover A of X has a finite open refinement $\mathcal B$ that covers X.

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Every open cover A of X has a locally finite refniement B.

Using Paracompactness, we can find a partition of unity.

Definition

Let $\{U_\alpha\}$ be an indexed open covering of X. An indexed family of countinuous functions $\phi_\alpha:X\to[0,1]$ is said to be a partition of unity on X dominated by $\{U_\alpha\}$ if

- 1. $supp(\phi_{\alpha}) \subset U_{\alpha}$ for each α
- 2. $\{\operatorname{supp}(\phi_{\alpha})\}$ is locally finite
- 3. $\sum \phi_{\alpha}(x) = 1$ for each x.

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