

Topology

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Chapter 1

Topology

A topology is a geometric structure defined on a set. Basically it is given by declaring which subsets are “open” sets. Thus the axioms are the abstraction of the properties that open sets have.

1.1 Topological Spaces

Definition 1.1. A topology on a set X is a collection \mathcal{T} of subsets of X such that

- (T1) ϕ and X are in \mathcal{T} ;
- (T2) Any union of subsets in \mathcal{T} is in \mathcal{T} ;
- (T3) The finite intersection of subsets in \mathcal{T} is in \mathcal{T} .

A set X with a topology \mathcal{T} is called a topological space. Denoted by (X, \mathcal{T}) . An element of \mathcal{T} is called an open set.

Example 1.1. Let X be a three-element set, $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\tau = \{X, \emptyset, \{a, b\}, \{b\}, \{b, c\}\}$. We can check T1, T2 and T3 conditions.

Example 1.2. Let X be a three-element set, $X = \{a, b, c\}$ as pervoius. There are many possible topologies on X , some of which are indicated schematically in figure 1.1. Furthur, we can see that even a three-element set has many different topologies.

Remark. Not every collection of subsets of X is a topology on X . Observe that Neither of the collections indicated in figure 1.2 is a topology.

First let's consider the left hand coner of figure 1.2. $\{a\}$ and $\{b\}$ in the collection, but $\{a\} \cup \{b\}$ is not in the collection.

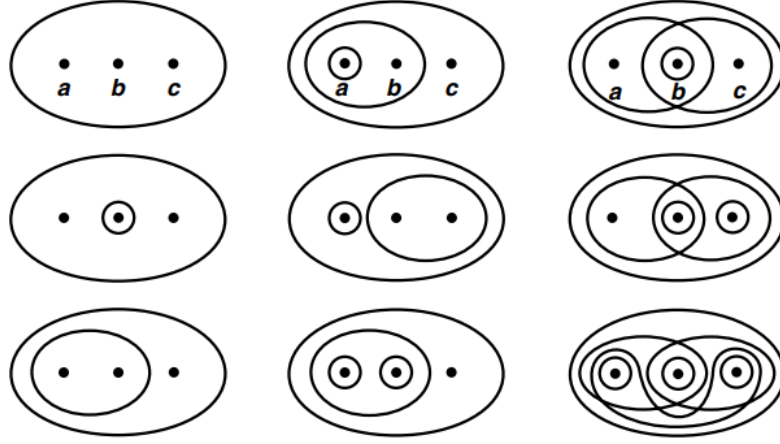


Figure 1.1:

Now consider the right hand coner figure. $\{a, b\}$ and $\{b, c\}$ in collection, but $\{a, b\} \cap \{b, c\} = \{b\}$ is not in the collection.



Figure 1.2:

Example 1.3. If X is any set, the collection of all subsets of X (Power set) is a topology on X . This trivially satisfied T1 T2 and T3 conditions. Further, This is called the *discrete topology*.

Example 1.4. The collection consisting of X and \emptyset only is also a topology on X . we shall call it the *indiscrete topology*, or the trivial topology.

Example 1.5. Let X be a set and let τ_f be the collection of all subsets U of X such that $X \setminus U$ either is finite or is all of X . In other words,

$$\tau_f := \{U \subseteq X : \text{Either } U \text{ is finite or } U = X\}$$

Let's check if τ_f is a topology. First observe that both X and \emptyset are in τ_f , because $X \setminus X = \emptyset$ is finite and $X \setminus \emptyset = X$ is all of X . So τ_f satisfies the T1 condition. Now let's

check the T2 condition. Let $\{U_\alpha : \alpha \in I, I \text{ is index set}\}$. Now we need to show that $\cup \alpha \in I U_\alpha \in \tau_f$. So consider,

$$X \setminus \cup_{\alpha \in I} U_\alpha = \cap_{\alpha \in I} (X \setminus U_\alpha).$$

Now observe that $\{X \setminus U_\alpha : \alpha \in I\}$ is finite, because each set $(X \setminus U_\alpha)$ is finite and arbitrary intersection of finite sets is finite. So, τ_f satisfied the T2 condition also. Finally check the last condition, T3 condition. Let U_1, \dots, U_n are nonempty elements of τ_f , to show that $\cup_i U_i \in \tau_f$, we compute

$$X \setminus \cap_{i=1}^n U_i = \cup_{i=1}^n (X \setminus U_i).$$

Note that the set $\cup_{i=1}^n (X \setminus U_i)$ is a finite union of finite sets and, therefore, finite. So it satisfies the T3 condition also. Therefore τ_f is a topology. Further τ_f is called the finite complement topology.

Example 1.6. Let X be a set. Define \mathcal{T} to be the collection of all subsets U of X such that $X \setminus U$ either is finite or is all of X . Then \mathcal{T} defines a topology on X , called finite complement topology of X .

1.2 Basis of a Topology

Once we define a structure on a set, often we try to understand what the minimum data you need to specify the structure. In many cases, this minimum data is called a basis and we say that the basis generate the structure. The notion of a basis of the structure will help us to describe examples more systematically.

Definition 1.2. Let X be a set. A basis of a topology on X is a collection \mathcal{B} of subsets in X such that

(B1) For every $x \in X$, there exist an element B in \mathcal{B} such that $x \in B$.

(B2) If $x \in B_1 \cap B_2$ where B_1, B_2 are in \mathcal{B} , then there is B_3 in \mathcal{B} such that $x \in B_3 \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2$.

Lemma 1.1 (Generating of a topology). *Let \mathcal{B} be a basis of a topology on X . Define $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{B}}$ to be the collection of subsets $U \subset X$ satisfying*

(G1) *For every $x \in U$, there is $B \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $x \in B \subset U$.*

Then $\tau_{\mathcal{B}}$ defines a topology on X . Here we assume that \emptyset trivially satisfies the condition, so that $\emptyset \in \tau_{\mathcal{B}}$.

Proof. We need to check the three axioms: □

Chapter 2

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Up to there is none.