

# Topology

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# Part I

## Set Thoery





# Chapter 1

## Axioms of Zermelo-Fraenkel

The axioms of Zermelo-Fraenkel (ZF) admits one kind of objects, namely **sets**. Some times we also call a set of sets a **family** of sets. We introduce the informal notion of **class**, describe the objects that satisfy a fomula. A class that is not a set is called a **proper class**.

The axioms of ZF together with the axiom of choice include:

**Axiom 1.0.1** (ZFC).

1. **Axiom of Extensionality:** *If  $X$  and  $Y$  have the same elements, then  $X = Y$ .*
2. **Axiom of Pairing:** *For any  $a$  and  $b$  there exists a set  $\{a, b\}$  that contains exactly  $a$  and  $b$ .*
3. **Axiom Schema of Separation:** *If  $\phi(u, p)$  is a property with parameter  $p$ , then for any  $X$  and  $p$ , there exists a set  $Y = \{u \in X | \phi(u, p)\}$  that contains all those  $u \in X$  that have the property  $\phi$ .*
4. **Axiom of Union:** *For any  $X$  there exists a set  $Y = \bigcup X$ , the union of all elements of  $X$ .*
5. **Axiom of Power Set:** *For any  $X$  there is exists a set  $Y = P(X)$ , the set of all subsets of  $X$ .*
6. **Axiom of Infinity:** *There exists an infinite set.*
7. **Axiom of Schema of Replacement:** *If a class  $F$  is a function, then for any  $X$  there exists a set  $Y = F(X) = \{F(x) | x \in X\}$ .*
8. **Axiom of Regularity:** *Every nonempty  $X$  has an element disjoint from  $X$ .*
9. **Axiom of Choice:** *Every family of nonempty sets has a choice function.*

The Axioms 1-7 are explained in detail as follows.

### 1.1 Axiom of Extensionality

**Axiom 1.1.1.** *If  $X$  and  $Y$  have the same elements, then  $X = Y$ :*

$$\forall u (u \in X \leftrightarrow u \in Y) \rightarrow X = Y \quad (1.1)$$

## 1.2 Axiom of Pairing

**Axiom 1.2.1.** *For any  $a$  and  $b$  there exists a set  $c$  that contains exactly  $a$  and  $b$ :*

$$\forall a \forall b \exists c \forall x (x \in c \leftrightarrow x = a \vee x = b) \quad (1.2)$$

*By extensionality, the set  $c$  is unique.*

**Definition 1.2.2.** *We can define the **pair***

$$\{a, b\} = \text{the unique } c \text{ such that } \forall x (x \in c \leftrightarrow x = a \vee x = b) \quad (1.3)$$

*The singleton  $\{a\}$  is the set  $\{a, a\}$ .*

**Definition 1.2.3** (Kuratowski). *We can define the **ordered pair***

$$(a, b) = \{\{a\}, \{a, b\}\} \quad (1.4)$$

*We can further define  $n$ -tuples  $(a_1, \dots, a_n) = (\dots((a_1, a_2), a_3) \dots, a_n)$*

**Theorem 1.2.4.** *Let  $(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  and  $(b_1, \dots, b_n)$  be two  $n$ -tuples.*

$$(a_1, \dots, a_n) = (b_1, \dots, b_n) \leftrightarrow (a_1 = b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge a_n = b_n) \quad (1.5)$$

*Proof.* If  $(a, b) = (c, d)$ , then  $\{a\} = \{c\}$  or  $\{a\} = \{c, d\}$ . If  $\{a\} = \{c, d\}$ , then  $a = c = d$  and  $\{a, b\} = \{c\} = \{c, d\}$ . So  $a = b = c = d$ . If  $\{a\} = \{c\}$ , then  $\{a, b\} = \{c, b\} = \{c, d\}$ . So  $b = d$ . In conclusion  $(a, b) = (c, d) \rightarrow a = b \wedge c = d$ . When  $n > 2$ , use induction.  $\square$

## 1.3 Axiom Schema of Separation

**Axiom 1.3.1.** *Let  $\phi(u, p)$  be a formula. For any  $X$  and  $p$ , there exists a set  $Y = \{u \in X \mid \phi(u, p)\}$ :*

$$\forall X \forall p \exists Y \forall u (u \in Y \leftrightarrow u \in X \wedge \phi(u, p)) \quad (1.6)$$

**Definition 1.3.2.** *We define the **intersection** of  $X$  and  $Y$  as*

$$X \cap Y = \{u \in X \mid u \in Y\} \quad (1.7)$$

*Clearly  $X \cap Y = Y \cap X$*

**Definition 1.3.3.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty class of sets, we have the set called the intersection of  $C$*

$$\bigcap C = \{u \in X_0 \mid u \in X \text{ for every } X \in C\} \quad (1.8)$$

*where  $X_0 \in C$ . Clearly  $\bigcap C$  is independent on the choice of  $X_0$ .*

**Definition 1.3.4.** *We define the **difference** of  $X$  and  $Y$  as*

$$X - Y = \{u \in X \mid u \notin Y\} \quad (1.9)$$

## 1.4 Axiom of Union

**Axiom 1.4.1.** For any  $X$  there exists a set  $Y = \bigcup X$ , the union of elements of  $X$ :

$$\forall X \exists Y \forall u (u \in Y \leftrightarrow (\exists z \in X) u \in z) \quad (1.10)$$

Now we can define

$$X \cup Y = \bigcup \{X, Y\}, \quad X \cup Y \cup Z = (X \cup Y) \cup Z, \quad \dots \quad (1.11)$$

and

$$\{a_1, \dots, a_n\} = \{a_1\} \cup \dots \cup \{a_n\} \quad (1.12)$$

**Definition 1.4.2.** We define the **symmetric difference** of  $X$  and  $Y$  as

$$X \triangle Y = (X - Y) \cup (Y - X) \quad (1.13)$$

## 1.5 Axiom of Power Set

**Definition 1.5.1.** A set  $U$  is a **subset** of  $X$ , written as  $U \subseteq X$ , if

$$\forall z (z \in U \rightarrow z \in X) \quad (1.14)$$

If  $U \subseteq X$  and  $U \neq X$ , then  $U$  is a **proper subset** of  $X$ .

**Axiom 1.5.2.** For any  $X$  there is exists a set  $Y$ :

$$\forall X \exists Y \forall u (u \in Y \leftrightarrow u \subseteq X). \quad (1.15)$$

Clearly such set is unique for any  $X$ . It's called the **power set** of  $X$ , denoted by  $P(X)$ .

**Definition 1.5.3.** The **Cartesian product** of  $X$  and  $Y$  is the set

$$X \times Y = \{(x, y) \in PP(X \cup Y) | x \in X \wedge y \in Y\} \quad (1.16)$$

Similarly let

$$X_1 \times X_2 \times \dots \times X_n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \underbrace{P \dots P}_n (X_1 \cup \dots \cup X_n) | x_1 \in X_1 \wedge \dots \wedge x_n \in X_n\} \quad (1.17)$$

and let

$$X^n = \underbrace{X \times \dots \times X}_n \quad (1.18)$$

**Definition 1.5.4.** We define the **disjoint union** of two (not necessarily disjoint) sets  $A$  and  $B$  to be

$$A \sqcup B = (A \times 0) \cup (B \times 1) \quad (1.19)$$

**Definition 1.5.5.** A relation  $R$  on set  $X$  is a subset  $R$  of  $X \times X$ . We use  $xRy$  to represent that  $(x, y) \in R$ .

**Definition 1.5.6.** A relation  $\sim$  on  $X$  is called

1. **reflective** iff  $\forall x \in X (x \sim x)$ ;
2. **transitive** iff  $\forall x, y, z \in X (x \sim y \wedge y \sim z \rightarrow x \sim z)$ ;
3. **symmetric** iff  $\forall x, y \in X (x \sim y \leftrightarrow y \sim x)$ ;
4. **antisymmetric** iff  $\forall x, y \in X (x \sim y \wedge y \sim x \rightarrow x = y)$ .

**Definition 1.5.7.** A relation  $\sim$  on  $X$  is called an **equivalence relation** if it's reflective, transitive and symmetric.

**Definition 1.5.8.** Let  $\sim$  be an equivalence relation on  $X$ . We define the **equivalence class** on  $X$  to be  $X / \sim = \{S \in P(X) | (S \neq \emptyset) \wedge ((\forall b \in X)((\exists a \in S)a \sim b \rightarrow b \in S)) \wedge ((\forall a, b \in S)a \sim b)\}$ . Clearly  $X / \sim$  is a family of mutually disjoint sets and  $\bigcup (X / \sim) = X$ . For each  $S \in (X / \sim)$  and each  $s \in S$ , we may denote  $S$  by  $[s]$ .

**Definition 1.5.9.** A **function** (also called a **map**)  $f$  from a set  $X$  to a set  $Y$  is a subset  $S$  of  $X \times Y$ , such that  $\forall x \in X \exists y \in Y ((x, y) \in S)$  and  $\forall x \in X ((x, y) \in S \wedge (x, z) \in S \rightarrow y = z)$ . For each  $x \in X$  we use  $f(x)$  to represent the element in  $Y$  such that  $(x, f(x)) \in S$ .  $X$  is called the **domain** of  $f$ . We use  $f(X)$  to represent the set  $\{y \in Y | \exists x \in X (f(x) = y)\}$ , called the **image** of  $f$ .

**Definition 1.5.10.** Let  $f$  be a function from  $X$  to  $Y$ . If  $f(X) \subseteq S \subseteq Y$ , then  $f$  can be viewed as a function from  $X$  to  $S$ . Let  $T \subseteq X$ .  $f$  **restricted on  $T$**  is defined as  $f|_T = f \cap (T \times Y)$ .

**Definition 1.5.11.** Let  $f$  be a bijective function from  $X$  to  $Y$ .  $f$  is **injective** if  $f(x) = f(y) \rightarrow x = y$ .  $f$  is **surjective** if  $f(X) = Y$ .  $f$  is **bijective** if it's injective and surjective.

**Definition 1.5.12.** Let  $f$  be a bijective function from  $X$  to  $Y$ . We define the **inverse** of  $f$  as  $f^{-1} = \{(a, b) \in Y \times X | (b, a) \in f\}$ .

**Definition 1.5.13.** We denote the set of all functions from  $A$  to  $B$  by  $B^A$ .

We can also define relation and function on classes.

**Definition 1.5.14.** We define an **indexed set**  $\{X_i | i \in I\}$  to be a function  $X$  from the index set  $I$  to a family of sets.  $X(i)$  is written as  $X_i$ . We define  $\bigcup_{i \in I} X_i = \bigcup X(I)$ , and  $\bigcap_{i \in I} X_i = \bigcap X(I)$ . We define  $\bigsqcup_{i \in I} X_i = \bigcup_{i \in I} (X_i \times i)$

## 1.6 Axiom of Infinity

**Axiom 1.6.1.** *There exists a set.*

**Definition 1.6.2.** *Let  $a$  be a set (which exists). We define the empty set as*

$$\emptyset = \{x \in a \mid x \neq x\} \quad (1.20)$$

*By extensionality, the empty set is unique.*

**Definition 1.6.3.** *A set  $S$  is **inductive** iff*

$$\emptyset \in S \wedge (\forall x \in S) x \cup \{x\} \in S \quad (1.21)$$

**Axiom 1.6.4.** *There exists an inductive set.*

## 1.7 Axiom Schema of Replacement

**Axiom 1.7.1.** *If a class  $F$  is a function, then for every set  $X$ ,  $F(X)$  is a set:*

$$\forall p(\forall x \forall y \forall z(\phi(p, x, y) \wedge \phi(p, x, z) \rightarrow y = z) \rightarrow \forall X \exists Y \forall y(y \in Y \leftrightarrow (\exists x \in X) \phi(p, x, y))) \quad (1.22)$$

*where  $\phi(p, x, y)$  is a formula with parameter  $p$ .*



# Chapter 2

## Ordering

**Definition 2.0.1.** A **pre-order**  $\leq$  is a reflective and transitive binary relation.

**Definition 2.0.2.** A **partial order**  $\leq$  is a pre-order that is antisymmetric.

**Definition 2.0.3.** A **linear order**  $\leq$  on  $X$  is a partial order that  $\forall x, y \in X : x \leq y \vee y \leq x$ .

**Definition 2.0.4.** Let  $X$  be a linearly ordered set, and  $a < b$  belong to  $X$ . We define the intervals between  $a$  and  $b$  as:

$$(a, b) = \{x \in X | a < x < b\} \quad (2.1)$$

$$[a, b) = \{x \in X | a \leq x < b\} \quad (2.2)$$

$$(a, b] = \{x \in X | a < x \leq b\} \quad (2.3)$$

$$[a, b] = \{x \in X | a \leq x \leq b\} \quad (2.4)$$

Furthermore, we define

$$(a, \infty) = \{x \in X | x > a\} \quad (2.5)$$

$$[a, \infty) = \{x \in X | x \geq a\} \quad (2.6)$$

$$(-\infty, a) = \{x \in X | x < a\} \quad (2.7)$$

$$(-\infty, a] = \{x \in X | x \leq a\} \quad (2.8)$$

**Definition 2.0.5.** Let  $X$  be a partially ordered set.

1.  $a$  is the **largest** element in  $X$  iff  $(\forall x \in X)x \leq a$ .
2.  $a$  is the **least** element in  $X$  iff  $(\forall x \in X)a \leq x$ .
3.  $a$  is a **maximal** element in  $X$  iff  $(\nexists x \in X)a < x$ .
4.  $a$  is a **minimal** element in  $X$  iff  $(\nexists x \in X)x < a$ .

**Definition 2.0.6.** Let  $X$  be a partially ordered set, and  $S \subseteq X$ .

1.  $a$  is an **upper bound** of  $S$  iff  $\forall x \in S : x \leq a$ .

2.  $a$  is a **lower bound** of  $S$  iff  $\forall x \in X : a \leq x$ .
3.  $a$  is the **supremum** of  $S$  iff its the least upper bound of  $S$ .
4.  $a$  is the **infimum** of  $S$  iff its the greatest lower bound of  $S$ .

**Definition 2.0.7.** Let  $f$  be a map from a partial ordered set  $X$  to a partial ordered set  $Y$ . If  $a \leq b \rightarrow f(a) \leq f(b)$ , then  $f$  is called **order-preserving** (or **weakly increasing** or **monotone**).

**Definition 2.0.8.** **Poset** is the category whose objects are partially ordered sets and whose morphisms are monotone maps.

**Definition 2.0.9.** A **well-order**  $\leq$  is linear order such that every non-empty subset has a smallest element.

From now on, we assume the morphisms between well-ordered sets to be those in the category **Poset**.

**Lemma 2.0.10.** Let  $X$  be a well-ordered set and  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be an injective morphism. Then  $f(x) \geq x$ .

*Proof.* Let  $S = \{x \in X | f(x) < x\}$ . If  $S$  is nonempty, let  $s$  be the least element in  $S$ . Since  $f(s) < s$ ,  $f(f(s)) < f(s)$ . Then  $f(s) \in S$ , a contradiction.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.0.11.** Let  $X$  be a well-ordered set in and  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be an isomorphism. Then  $f = id$ .

**Definition 2.0.12.** Let  $X$  be a well-ordered set and  $u \in X$ . Then  $X_{<u} = \{x \in X | x < u\}$  is called an **initial segment** of  $X$  given by  $u$ .

**Lemma 2.0.13.** Let  $X$  be a well-ordered set in.  $X$  is not isomorphic to an initial segment of  $X$ .

**Theorem 2.0.14.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be well-ordered sets. Then one of the following three cases holds:

1.  $X$  is isomorphic to  $Y$ .
2.  $X$  is isomorphic to an initial segment of  $Y$ .
3. An initial segment of  $X$  is isomorphic to  $Y$ .

*Proof.* We denote Let  $F = \{(x, y) \in X \times Y | X_{<x} \text{ is isomorphic to } Y_{<y}\}$ . From Lem. 2.0.13,  $(x_1, y) = (x_2, y) \rightarrow x_1 = x_2$ . If  $(x, y) \in F$ ,  $(x', y') \in F$  and  $x < x'$ , let  $h$  be an isomorphism from  $X_{<x'}$  to  $Y_{<y'}$ . Then it's easy to see that  $h|_{X_{<x}}$  is an isomorphism from  $X_{<x}$  to  $Y_{<h(x)}$ . So  $(x, h(x)) \in F$ . So  $y = h(x) < y'$ .

Let  $X' = \{x \in X | (\exists y \in Y)(x, y) \in F\}$  and  $Y' = \{y \in Y | (\exists x \in X)(x, y) \in F\}$ . It's easy to see that  $F$  is an isomorphism from  $X'$  to  $Y'$ . If  $X = X'$  and  $Y = Y'$ , then the 1st case holds. If  $X \neq X'$  and  $Y = Y'$ , let  $u = \inf(X - X')$ . It's easy to see that  $X' = X_{<u}$ . Thus the 3rd case holds. If  $X = X'$  and  $Y \neq Y'$ , similarly the 2nd case holds. If  $X \neq X'$  and  $Y \neq Y'$ , let  $X' = X_{<u}$  and  $Y' = Y_{<v}$ . Thus  $(u, v) \in F$ , which leads to a contradiction.  $\square$

This theorem shows that any two well-ordered sets can be compared.



**Definition 2.0.15.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two partially ordered sets. The **lexicographic order**  $\leq_{lex}$  on  $A \times B$  is defined as

$$(a, b) \leq_{lex} (c, d) \leftrightarrow a < c \vee (a = c \wedge b \leq d) \quad (2.9)$$

**Definition 2.0.16.** Let  $A$  be a linearly ordered set. The **canonical order**  $\leq_{can}$  on  $A \times A$  is defined as

$$(a, b) \leq_{can} (c, d) \leftrightarrow \max(a, b) < \max(c, d) \vee (\max(a, b) = \max(c, d) \wedge (a, b) \leq_{lex} (c, d)) \quad (2.10)$$

**Lemma 2.0.17.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are two linearly ordered sets,  $\leq_{lex}$  is a linear order on  $A \times B$ . If  $A$  and  $B$  are two well-ordered sets,  $\leq_{lex}$  is a well-order on  $A \times B$ .

**Lemma 2.0.18.** If  $A$  is a well-ordered set,  $\leq_{can}$  is a well-order on  $A \times A$ .



# Chapter 3

## Ordinal Numbers

**Definition 3.0.1.** A set  $T$  is **transitive** if every element of  $T$  is a subset of  $T$ .

**Definition 3.0.2.** A set is an **ordinal number** if it is transitive and (strictly) well-ordered by  $\in$ . The class of all ordinal numbers are called **Ord**.

**Lemma 3.0.3.**

1.  $0 = \emptyset$  is an ordinal.
2. Let  $\alpha$  be an ordinal,  $\gamma \in \beta \in \alpha \rightarrow \gamma \in \alpha$ .
3. Let  $\alpha$  be an ordinal,  $\alpha \notin \alpha$ .
4. An element of an ordinal is an ordinal.
5. Let  $\alpha \neq \beta$  be ordinals.  $\alpha \subseteq \beta \leftrightarrow \alpha \in \beta$ .
6. Let  $\alpha \neq \beta$  be ordinals. Either  $\alpha \subseteq \beta$  or  $\beta \subseteq \alpha$ .
7. A transitive set of ordinals is an ordinal.

*Proof.*

1. Clearly.
2. Clearly.
3. Since  $\alpha$  is strictly well-ordered by  $\in$ .
4. Let  $A$  be an ordinal and  $a \in A$ . For each  $x \in a$ ,  $y \in x \wedge x \in a \rightarrow y \in a$ . So  $x \subseteq a$ . Since  $a \subseteq A$ , clearly  $a$  is well-ordered by  $\in$ .
5. If  $\alpha \subset \beta$ , let  $\gamma$  be the least element in  $\beta - \alpha$ .  $x \in \gamma \in \beta \Rightarrow x \in \beta \wedge x < \gamma \Rightarrow x \in \alpha$ . So  $\gamma \subseteq \alpha$ . If  $\exists x \in \alpha - \gamma$ , then  $x > \gamma$  ( $x \neq \gamma$  since  $\gamma \notin \alpha$ ). So  $\gamma \in x \in \alpha \rightarrow \gamma \in \alpha$ , a contradiction. So  $\alpha = \gamma$ . The proof can be better understood with Fig.3.1.

6. Let  $\gamma = \alpha \cap \beta$ . Clearly  $\gamma$  is an ordinal. We have  $\gamma = \alpha$  or  $\gamma = \beta$ . Otherwise,  $\gamma \in \alpha \wedge \gamma \in \beta \Rightarrow \gamma \in \gamma$ , which leads to a contradiction.

7. It follows from 3,4.

□

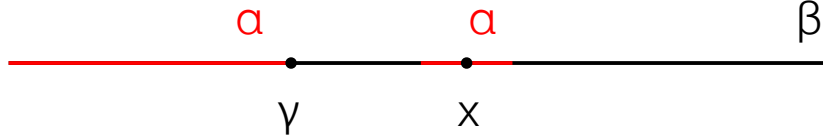


Figure 3.1: Relation of  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $x$ .

**Definition 3.0.4.** Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be ordinals. We define  $\alpha < \beta$  iff  $\alpha \in \beta$ .

**Corollary 3.0.5.**  $<$  is a (strict) linear ordering of the class  $\text{Ord}$ .

**Lemma 3.0.6.** If  $C$  is a nonempty class of ordinals, then  $\bigcap C$  is the least element of  $C$ . If  $C$  is a nonempty set of ordinals, then  $\bigcup C$  is the supremum of  $C$ .

**Corollary 3.0.7.** Each set of ordinals has an upper bound in  $\text{Ord}$ .

**Lemma 3.0.8.**  $\text{Ord}$  is a proper class.

*Proof.* Otherwise,  $\text{Ord} \in \text{Ord}$ .

□

**Lemma 3.0.9.** Let  $\alpha$  be an ordinal,  $\alpha \cup \{\alpha\}$  is the least ordinal larger than  $\alpha$ .

**Definition 3.0.10.** For each ordinal  $\alpha$ , we define  $\alpha + 1 = \alpha \cup \{\alpha\}$ .

**Theorem 3.0.11.** Every well-ordered set is isomorphic to a unique ordinal.

*Proof.* For each well-ordered set  $X$ . Let  $X' = \{x \in X \mid \exists \text{ an ordinal } \alpha (X_{<x} \text{ is isomorphic to } \alpha)\}$ . For each  $x \in X'$ , let  $F(x)$  be the ordinal isomorphic to  $X_{<x}$ , which is unique due to Lem. 2.0.13. By the replacement axiom,  $F(X')$  is a set. Let  $\gamma$  be the least ordinal strictly larger than all of  $F(X')$ . If  $X' \neq X$ , let  $x_0$  be the least element in  $X - X'$ . It's easy to see that  $F$  is an isomorphism from  $X_{<x_0}$  to  $\gamma$ . So  $x_0 \in X'$ , a contradiction. So  $X' = X$ . It's easy to see that  $F$  is an isomorphism from  $X$  to  $\gamma$ . □

**Definition 3.0.12.** The order type of a well-ordered set is the ordinal it is isomorphic to.

### 3.1 Successor Ordinal and Limit Ordinal

**Definition 3.1.1.** If  $\alpha = \beta + 1$ , then  $\alpha$  is called a **successor ordinal**. Otherwise  $\alpha$  is called a **limit ordinal**.

**Lemma 3.1.2.** There exists an inductive ordinal.

*Proof.* Let  $S$  be an inductive set. Let  $S' = \{s \in S \mid s \text{ is an ordinal}\}$ .  $S'$  is nonempty since  $\emptyset \in S'$ . It's easy to see that  $S'$  is inductive. Let  $\alpha = \bigcup S'$ . It's easy to see that  $\alpha$  is an inductive ordinal.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.1.3.** An ordinal is an inductive ordinal iff it's a nonzero limit ordinal.

*Proof.* Let  $\alpha$  be an inductive ordinal. If  $\alpha = \beta + 1$ , then it's easy to see  $\alpha = \beta + 1 \in \alpha$ , a contradiction.

Let  $\alpha$  be a nonzero limit ordinal. For each  $\beta < \alpha$ ,  $\beta + 1 < \alpha$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.1.4.** There exists a nonzero limit ordinal.

**Definition 3.1.5.** We denote the least nonzero limit ordinal  $\omega$  (or  $\mathbb{N}$ ). The ordinals less than  $\omega$  (elements of  $\mathbb{N}$ ) are called **finite ordinals** or **natural numbers**. The ordinals larger than or equal to  $\omega$  are called **infinite ordinals**. Specifically,

$$0 = \emptyset, \quad 1 = 0 + 1, \quad 2 = 1 + 1, \quad \dots \quad (3.1)$$

**Lemma 3.1.6.** Let  $\alpha$  be an infinite ordinal, the order type of  $\alpha \times \alpha$  with canonical order is  $\alpha$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\Gamma(\alpha)$  be the order type of  $\alpha \times \alpha$ . Clearly  $\Gamma(\alpha) \geq \alpha$  and  $\Gamma(\omega) = \omega$ . Let  $\beta$  be the least ordinal (if exists) in  $\{\alpha \mid \Gamma(\alpha) > \alpha\}$ . Let  $f$  be the isomorphism  $\beta \times \beta \mapsto \Gamma(\beta)$ . It's easy to see that  $f(\gamma, \gamma) = \Gamma(\gamma) = \gamma$  for each  $\omega \leq \gamma < \beta$ . So  $f(\gamma, \gamma') \leq \max(\gamma, \gamma') < \beta$  for all  $\omega \leq \gamma, \gamma' < \beta$ . So  $\Gamma(\beta) = f(\beta \times \beta) \leq \beta$ , a contradiction.  $\square$

**Definition 3.1.7.** A **sequence** is a function  $f$  whose domain is the set  $\mathbb{N}$ . An  $\alpha$ -**sequence** is a function  $f$  whose domain is an ordinal  $\alpha$ .  $f(\beta)$  in a sequence is usually denoted by  $f_\beta$ .

**Definition 3.1.8.** Let  $a_\xi$  be a monotone  $\alpha$ -sequence. For each  $\beta < \alpha$  define

$$\lim_{\xi \rightarrow \beta} = \sup\{a_\xi \mid \xi < \beta\} \quad (3.2)$$

### 3.2 Transfinite induction

**Theorem 3.2.1.** Let  $C$  be a class of ordinals and assume that

1.  $0 \in C$ .
2.  $\alpha \in C$  implies that  $\alpha + 1 \in C$ .
3. If  $\alpha$  is a nonzero limit ordinal,  $\beta \in C$  for all  $\beta < \alpha$  implies that  $\alpha \in C$ .

Then  $C$  is the class of all ordinals.

*Proof.* If not, consider the least ordinal not in  $C$ .  $\square$

### 3.3 Ordinal Arithmetic

**Definition 3.3.1.** (*Addition*) For all ordinal number  $\alpha$

1.  $\alpha + 0 = \alpha$
2.  $\alpha + (\beta + 1) = (\alpha + \beta) + 1$  for each  $\beta$
3.  $\alpha + \beta = \lim_{\gamma \rightarrow \beta} (\alpha + \gamma)$  for each limit  $\beta$

**Definition 3.3.2.** (*Multiplication*) For all ordinal number  $\alpha$

1.  $\alpha \cdot 0 = 0$
2.  $\alpha \cdot (\beta + 1) = \alpha \cdot \beta + 1$  for each  $\beta$
3.  $\alpha \cdot \beta = \lim_{\gamma \rightarrow \beta} (\alpha \cdot \gamma)$  for each limit  $\beta$

**Definition 3.3.3.** (*Exponentiation*) For all ordinal number  $\alpha$

1.  $\alpha^0 = 1$
2.  $\alpha^{\beta+1} = \alpha^\beta \cdot \alpha$  for each  $\beta$
3.  $\alpha^\beta = \lim_{\gamma \rightarrow \beta} \alpha^\gamma$  for each limit  $\beta$

**Lemma 3.3.4.**

1.  $\forall \alpha \forall \beta \forall \gamma (\beta < \gamma \rightarrow \beta + \alpha < \gamma + \alpha)$
2.  $\forall \alpha \forall \beta (\alpha < \beta \rightarrow \exists! \gamma (\alpha + \gamma = \beta))$
3.  $\forall \alpha \forall \beta \forall \gamma (\alpha > 0 \wedge \beta < \gamma \rightarrow \alpha \cdot \beta < \alpha \cdot \gamma)$
4.  $\forall \alpha \forall \gamma (\alpha > 0 \rightarrow \exists! \beta \exists! \rho (\rho < \alpha \wedge \gamma = \alpha \cdot \beta + \rho))$
5.  $\forall \alpha \forall \beta \forall \gamma (\alpha > 1 \wedge \beta < \gamma \rightarrow \alpha^\beta < \alpha^\gamma)$

**Lemma 3.3.5.**

1.  $\forall \alpha \forall \beta \forall \gamma (\alpha + (\beta + \gamma) = (\alpha + \beta) + \gamma)$
2.  $\forall \alpha \forall \beta \forall \gamma (\alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma) = (\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma)$

### 3.4 Cardinality and Uncountable Ordinal

**Definition 3.4.1.** Two sets  $X, Y$  are called **equipotent** if there's a bijection map between them.

**Theorem 3.4.2** (Cantor-Bernstein). *If there's an injective map from  $X$  to  $Y$ , and there's also an injective map from  $Y$  to  $X$ , then  $X$  and  $Y$  are equipotent.*

*Proof.* Let  $f_1 : X \mapsto Y$  and  $f_2 : Y \mapsto X$  be injective maps. We define by induction for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :

$$A_0 = A \quad (3.3)$$

$$A_{n+1} = f_2 \circ f_1(A_n) \quad (3.4)$$

$$B_0 = f_2(B) \quad (3.5)$$

$$B_{n+1} = f_2 \circ f_1(B_n) \quad (3.6)$$

It's easy to see that  $A_0 \supseteq B_0 \supseteq A_1 \supseteq B_1 \supseteq \dots$ .

Define  $g : X \mapsto Y$  as follows

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} f_1(x) & x \in A_n - B_n \text{ for some } n \\ f_2^{-1}(x) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (3.7)$$

It's easy to see that  $g$  is a bijection. □

**Corollary 3.4.3.** *Let  $\alpha < \beta$  be two equipotent ordinals. Then for any  $\gamma$  such that  $\alpha \leq \gamma \leq \beta$ ,  $\alpha$  is equipotent to  $\gamma$ .*

**Lemma 3.4.4.** *Let  $\alpha$  be an finite ordinal. Then  $\alpha$  is the only ordinal that is equipotent to  $\alpha$ .*

*Proof.* It's easy to prove that for any finite ordinal  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha$  is not equipotent to  $\alpha + 1$ .

For any finite ordinal  $\alpha$ , let  $\beta$  any ordinal that is larger than  $\alpha$  and is equipotent to  $\alpha$ . If such  $\beta$  exists, clearly  $\beta > \alpha + 1 > \alpha$ . So  $\alpha$  is equipotent to  $\alpha + 1$ , a contradiction. So there's no ordinal larger than  $\alpha$  that is equipotent to  $\alpha$ . Symmetrically, there's no ordinal smaller than  $\alpha$  that is equipotent to  $\alpha$ . □

**Definition 3.4.5.** A set is called **finite** if it's equipotent to a finite ordinal, otherwise it's called **infinite**. A set is called **countable** if it's equipotent to  $\omega$ . A set is called **at most countable** if it's finite or countable, otherwise it's called **uncountable**.

Sometimes we simply abbreviate “at most countable” by “countable”.

**Theorem 3.4.6** (Hartogs). *Let  $\alpha$  be an ordinal, there's a least ordinal  $\beta > \alpha$  and not equipotent to  $\alpha$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $W$  be  $\{\text{well orderings of } a \subset \alpha\}$ .  $W$  is a set since it's a subset of  $P(\alpha \times \alpha)$ . Let  $\beta$  be the set of order types of well-orderings in  $W$ .

First we prove that  $\beta$  is an ordinal  $> \alpha$  and not equipotent to  $\alpha$ . For each  $\gamma \in \beta$ , let  $f : b \mapsto \gamma$  be an isomorphism, where  $b \subseteq \alpha$ . For each  $\delta \in \gamma$ ,  $\delta \subset \gamma$ . Then  $f \cap f^{-1}(\delta) \times \delta$  is an isomorphism from  $f^{-1}(\delta)$  to  $\delta$ . So  $\delta \in \beta$ . So  $\beta$  is a transitive set of ordinals. So  $\beta$  is an ordinal. Clearly  $\beta > \alpha$ . If  $\beta$  is equipotent to  $\alpha$ , then  $\beta$  induce a well-ordering on  $\alpha$ . Thus  $\beta \in \beta$ , a contradiction.

Next we prove that  $\beta$  is the least ordinal with this property. For each  $\gamma$  such that  $\alpha < \gamma < \beta$ , there's an injective map  $\gamma \mapsto \alpha$  and an injective map  $\alpha \mapsto \gamma$ . So  $\gamma$  and  $\alpha$  are equipotent. □

**Corollary 3.4.7.** *There exists a least uncountable ordinal, denoted as  $\omega_1$ . We define  $\Omega = \omega_1 + 1$*





# Chapter 4

## Axiom of Regularity

**Axiom 4.0.1.** *Every nonempty set  $S$  has an element disjoint from  $S$ :*

$$\forall S(S \neq \emptyset \rightarrow (\exists x \in S)S \cap x = \emptyset) \quad (4.1)$$

*This axiom can be reformulated as: every nonempty set has an  $\in$ -minimal element.*

**Lemma 4.0.2.** *Let  $S$  be a set.  $S \notin S$ , and therefore  $S \neq \{S\}$ .*

*Proof.* Consider  $\{S\}$ . □

**Lemma 4.0.3.** *For every set  $S$  there exists a smallest transitive set  $TC(S) \supseteq S$  called the **transitive closure** of  $S$ .*

*Proof.* We define by induction

$$S_0 = S, \quad S_{n+1} = \bigcup S_n \quad (4.2)$$

and let  $TC(S) = \bigcup_n S_n$  □

**Lemma 4.0.4.** *Every nonempty class  $C$  has an  $\in$ -minimal element.*

*Proof.* Let  $S \in C$  be arbitrary. If  $S$  is not an  $\in$ -minimal element of  $C$ ,  $(\exists S' \in C)S' \in S$ . Let  $X = TC(S) \cap C$ . Then  $S' \in X \neq \emptyset$ . By the axiom of regularity, there is  $x \in X$  such that  $x \cap X = \emptyset$ . Since  $x \subseteq TC(S)$ ,  $x \subseteq TC(S) - C$ . So  $x \cap C = \emptyset$ . Hence  $x$  is a minimal element of  $C$ . □

**Corollary 4.0.5.** *It's impossible to have a sequence  $S_i$  of sets such that  $S_0 \ni S_1 \ni S_2 \ni \dots$ .*

**Definition 4.0.6.** *We define by induction that*

$$V_0 = \emptyset \quad (4.3)$$

$$V_{\alpha+1} = P(V_\alpha) \quad (4.4)$$

$$V_\alpha = \bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} V_\beta \text{ for limit } \alpha \quad (4.5)$$

For example

$$V_1 = \{\emptyset\} = 1 \tag{4.6}$$

$$V_2 = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} = 2 \tag{4.7}$$

$$V_3 = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}, \{\{\emptyset\}\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\} = 3 \cup \{\{1\}\} \tag{4.8}$$

**Lemma 4.0.7.**

1. Each  $V_\alpha$  is transitive.
2.  $\alpha < \beta \rightarrow V_\alpha \subseteq V_\beta$ .
3.  $\alpha \subseteq V_\alpha$ .

**Lemma 4.0.8.** *For every  $x$  there is  $\alpha$  such that  $x \in V_\alpha$*

*Proof.* Let  $C$  be the class of  $x$  that are not in any  $V_\alpha$ . If  $C$  is nonempty, then  $C$  has an  $\in$ -minimal element  $x$ . For each  $t$  in some  $V_\alpha$ , we define  $\text{rank}(t) = \inf\{\alpha | t \in V_\alpha\}$ . Then  $\text{rank}(x)$  is a set of ordinals, with supremum  $\lambda$ . It's easy to see that  $x \subseteq V_\lambda$ . So  $x \in V_{\lambda+1}$ . Thus  $C$  is empty.  $\square$

**Definition 4.0.9.** *For each set  $x$ , we define the **rank** of  $x$  to be  $\inf\{\alpha | x \in V_\alpha\}$ .*

# Chapter 5

## Axiom of Choice

**Axiom 5.0.1.** *Every family  $S$  of nonempty sets has a choice function  $S \mapsto \bigcup S$ :*

$$\forall X \in S (f(X) \in X) \quad (5.1)$$

**Lemma 5.0.2.** *Let  $A$  be a set and  $F$  be a choice function on nonempty subsets of  $A$ . If*

1. *We have  $X_0 \neq \emptyset$*
2.  *$f(\alpha)$  is defined as  $f(\alpha) = F(X_\alpha)$  if  $X_\alpha \neq \emptyset$*
3.  *$X_\alpha$  is defined by a definitive rule if  $f(\beta)$  is defined and  $\beta < \alpha$ .*

*We can define by induction  $X_\alpha \in A$  for  $\alpha \leq \theta$ , and  $f(\alpha)$  for  $\alpha < \theta$ , where  $X_\theta = \emptyset$ , and  $f$  is injective.*

*Proof.* If such  $\theta$  doesn't exist,  $Ord$  would be a subset of  $A$ . □

**Theorem 5.0.3.** *The axiom of choice is equivalent to*

**Well-ordering principle:** *Every set can be well-ordered.*

**Zorn's lemma:** *A nonempty partially ordered set in which every chain has an upper bound has a maximal element.*

*Proof.*

**Axiom of choice  $\rightarrow$  Well-ordering principle:**

Let  $A$  be a nonempty set, and  $F$  be a choice function on nonempty subsets of  $A$ . We define a function  $f$  as  $f(\alpha) = F(A - \{f(\beta) | \beta < \alpha\})$  if  $A \neq \{f(\beta) | \beta < \alpha\}$ . By Lem. 5.0.2, there exists an  $\alpha$  such that  $f : \alpha \mapsto A$  and  $A = \{f(\beta) | \beta < \alpha\}$ . It's easy to see that  $f$  is bijective. So  $A$  can be well-ordered according to the well-ordering on  $\alpha$ .

**Well-ordering principle  $\rightarrow$  Axiom of choice:**

We well-order  $\bigcup S$  and define  $f(X) = \inf\{x \in \bigcup S | x \in X\}$ .

**Axiom of choice  $\rightarrow$  Zorn's lemma:**

Let  $P$  be a nonempty partially ordered set. Let  $F$  be a choice function on nonempty subsets of  $P$ . We define a function  $f$  as  $f(\alpha) = F(\{p \in P | (\forall \beta < \alpha) p > f(\beta)\})$  if  $(\exists p \in P)(\forall \beta < \alpha) p > f(\beta)$ .

By Lem. 5.0.2, there exists an  $\alpha$  such that  $f : \alpha \mapsto P$  and  $(\nexists p \in P)(\forall \beta < \alpha) p > f(\beta)$ .  $\{f(\beta) | \beta < \alpha\}$  is a chain in  $P$ , with an upper bound  $q$ . It's easy to see that  $q$  is the maximal element in  $P$ .

**Zorn's lemma  $\rightarrow$  Axiom of choice:**

Let  $S$  be a family of sets, and  $P = \{f | f \text{ is a choice function on some } Z \subseteq S\}$ .  $P$  is partially ordered by  $\subseteq$ . For each chain  $P'$  in  $P$ , it's easy to see that  $\bigcup P' \in P$  is the upper bound of  $P'$ . Use the Zorn's lemma,  $P$  has a maximal element  $F$ . It's easy to see that  $F$  is a choice function on  $S$ .  $\square$

# Chapter 6

## Cardinal Numbers

**Definition 6.0.1.** An ordinal  $\alpha$  is called a **cardinal number** if  $\alpha$  is not isomorphic to  $\beta$  for all  $\beta < \alpha$ .

**Definition 6.0.2.** For each set  $X$ ,  $|X|$  is defined to be the least ordinal that  $X$  is equipotent to. Clearly  $|X|$  is a cardinal number.  $|X|$  is well-defined since  $X$  can be well-ordered.

**Lemma 6.0.3.**  $X$  and  $Y$  are equipotent iff  $|X| = |Y|$ . There is an injective map from  $X$  to  $Y$  iff  $|X| \leq |Y|$ .

**Lemma 6.0.4.**  $|X| < |P(X)|$ .

*Proof.* If not, let  $f : X \mapsto P(X)$  be a bijection. Let  $Y = \{x \in X \mid x \notin f(x)\}$ .  $Y \notin f(X)$ . □

**Lemma 6.0.5.** For each cardinal  $\alpha$ , there's a cardinal strictly larger than  $\alpha$ .

**Definition 6.0.6.** For each ordinal  $\alpha$ , we define  $\alpha^+$  to be the least cardinal strictly larger than  $\alpha$ .

**Lemma 6.0.7.** Let  $X$  be a set of cardinals, then  $\sup X$  (in Ord) is a cardinal.

### 6.1 Finite and Infinite Cardinals

**Definition 6.1.1.** A cardinal is called a **finite cardinal** iff it's a finite ordinal. A cardinal is called an **infinite cardinal** iff it's an infinite ordinal.

**Lemma 6.1.2.** Let  $\alpha$  be an ordinal, then  $|\alpha| = |\alpha + 1|$  iff  $\alpha$  is infinite.

*Proof.* If  $\alpha$  is infinite, the injective map  $f : (\alpha + 1) \mapsto \alpha$  is defined as

$$f(\alpha) = 0 \tag{6.1}$$

$$f(\beta) = \beta + 1 \quad (\beta < \alpha) \tag{6.2}$$

□

**Corollary 6.1.3.** Each finite ordinal is a finite cardinal. Each infinite cardinal is a limit ordinal.

**Definition 6.1.4.** We define

$$\aleph_0 = \omega_0 = \omega \quad (6.3)$$

$$\aleph_{\alpha+1} = \omega_{\alpha+1} = \aleph_\alpha^+ \quad (6.4)$$

$$\aleph_\alpha = \omega_\alpha = \sup\{\omega_\beta \mid \beta < \alpha\} \text{ if } \alpha \text{ is a limit ordinal} \quad (6.5)$$

We usually use  $\aleph_\alpha$  to refer to cardinal numbers, and use  $\omega_\alpha$  to refer to ordinal numbers.

**Lemma 6.1.5.**  $\alpha < \beta \leftrightarrow \aleph_\alpha < \aleph_\beta$ .

**Lemma 6.1.6.** Each infinite cardinal number is some  $\aleph_\alpha$ .

*Proof.* It's easy to see that  $\aleph_\alpha \geq \alpha$  for each  $\alpha$ , since  $\alpha \rightarrow \aleph_\alpha$  is a morphism in **Poset**. So  $\forall$  cardinal  $\kappa \exists$  ordinal  $\alpha (\aleph_\alpha > \kappa)$ . Let  $\gamma = \inf\{\beta \mid \aleph_\beta \geq \kappa\}$ . Then it's easy to see that  $\kappa = \aleph_\gamma$ .  $\square$

**Definition 6.1.7.** An infinite cardinal  $\aleph_\alpha$  is called a **successor cardinal** iff  $\alpha$  is a successor ordinal. An infinite cardinal  $\aleph_\alpha$  is called a **limit cardinal** iff  $\alpha$  is a limit ordinal.

## 6.2 Cardinal Arithmetic

**Definition 6.2.1.** Let  $|A| = \kappa$  and  $B = \lambda$ . We define

1.  $\kappa + \lambda = |A \sqcup B|$ .
2.  $\kappa \cdot \lambda = |A \times B|$ .
3.  $\kappa^\lambda = |A^B|$ .

Note that the cardinal numbers have the same order but (possibly) different arithmetic with the ordinal numbers.

**Theorem 6.2.2.**

$$\aleph_\alpha \cdot \aleph_\alpha = \aleph_\alpha \quad (6.6)$$

*Proof.* Clearly  $\aleph_\alpha \leq \aleph_\alpha \cdot \aleph_\alpha$ . From Lem. 3.1.6, we have  $\aleph_\alpha \cdot \aleph_\alpha \leq \aleph_\alpha$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 6.2.3.** Let  $\kappa$  and  $\lambda$  be two non-zero cardinals, one of which is infinite. Then  $\kappa + \lambda = \kappa \cdot \lambda = \max\{\kappa, \lambda\}$

*Proof.*  $\max\{\kappa, \lambda\} \leq \kappa + \lambda \leq \kappa \cdot \lambda \leq \max\{\kappa, \lambda\} \cdot \max\{\kappa, \lambda\} = \max\{\kappa, \lambda\}$   $\square$

**Definition 6.2.4.** Let  $\{\kappa_i \mid i \in I\}$  be an indexed set of cardinal numbers. We define

$$\sum_{i \in I} \kappa_i = \left| \bigsqcup_{i \in I} \kappa_i \right| \quad (6.7)$$

**Lemma 6.2.5.** Let  $\{\kappa_i \mid i \in I\}$  be an indexed set of cardinal numbers, and  $|I|$  or  $\sup\{\kappa_i\}$  be infinite. Then

$$\sum_{i \in I} \kappa_i = |I| \cdot \sup\{\kappa_i\} \quad (6.8)$$

*Proof.* Note that  $\sup\{\kappa_i\}$  is a cardinal. It's easy to see that there's a injective map from  $\sum_{i \in I} \kappa_i$  to  $|I| \cdot \sup\{\kappa_i\}$ . On the other hand, it's easy to see that  $|I| \leq \sum_{i \in I} \kappa_i$  and  $\sup\{\kappa_i\} \leq \sum_{i \in I} \kappa_i$  (since  $\forall i (\kappa_i \leq \sum_{i \in I} \kappa_i)$ ).  $\square$

**Lemma 6.2.6.** *Let  $\{\kappa_{ij} | i \in I, j \in J_i\}$  be an indexed set of ordinal numbers.*

$$\sup\{\sup\{\kappa_{ij} | j \in J_i\} | i \in I\} = \sup\{\kappa_{ij} | i \in I, j \in J_i\} \quad (6.9)$$

**Lemma 6.2.7.** *Let  $\kappa_\lambda$  be an  $\alpha$ -sequence, where  $\alpha$  is a infinite cardinal. Then  $\sum_{\lambda < \alpha} \kappa_\lambda = \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha} \sum_{\lambda \leq \beta} \kappa_\lambda$ .*

*Proof.*  $\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha} \sum_{\lambda \leq \beta} \kappa_\lambda = \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha} (|\beta| \cdot \sup\{\kappa_\lambda | \lambda \leq \beta\}) = \max(\alpha, \sup\{|\kappa_\lambda| | \lambda < \alpha\}) = \sum_{\lambda < \alpha} \kappa_\lambda$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 6.2.8.**  $|P(X)| = 2^{|X|}$

**Corollary 6.2.9.**  $\kappa < 2^\kappa, \kappa^+ \leq 2^\kappa$

**Lemma 6.2.10.**

1.  $(\kappa^\lambda)^\theta = \kappa^{\lambda \cdot \theta}$
2.  $\kappa^\lambda \cdot \kappa^\theta = \kappa^{\lambda + \theta}$
3.  $\lambda > \theta \rightarrow \kappa^\lambda \geq \kappa^\theta$
4.  $\lambda > \theta \rightarrow \lambda^\kappa \geq \theta^\kappa$

**Lemma 6.2.11.** *If  $2 \leq \kappa \leq \lambda$  and  $\lambda$  is infinite, then  $\kappa^\lambda = 2^\lambda$ .*

*Proof.*

$$2^\lambda \leq \kappa^\lambda \leq (2^\kappa)^\lambda = 2^{\kappa \cdot \lambda} = 2^\lambda \quad (6.10)$$

$\square$

## 6.3 Cofinality

**Definition 6.3.1.** *A function  $A \mapsto B$  between two pre-ordered set is called **cofinal** in  $\beta$  iff*

$$\forall \beta \in B \exists \alpha \in A (f(\alpha) \geq \beta) \quad (6.11)$$

**Definition 6.3.2.** *Let  $\alpha > 0$  be a limit ordinal. We define  $cf(\alpha)$  to be the least  $\beta$  such that there's a cofinal map  $\beta \mapsto \alpha$ .*

$cf(\alpha)$  is the least ordinal that resembles the interval  $(\alpha - \epsilon, \alpha)$ .

**Lemma 6.3.3.**

1.  $cf(\alpha)$  is a limit ordinal.

2.  $cf(\alpha) \leq \alpha$ .

3.  $cf(cf(\alpha)) = cf(\alpha)$

*Proof.* 3. The composition of cofinal functions is cofinal.  $\square$

**Definition 6.3.4.** Let  $\alpha > 0$  be a limit ordinal.  $\alpha$  is called **regular** if  $cf(\alpha) = \alpha$ . Otherwise  $\alpha$  is called **singular**.

**Lemma 6.3.5.** Let  $\alpha > 0$  be a limit ordinal.  $cf(\alpha)$  is a regular cardinal.

**Lemma 6.3.6.** Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be infinite cardinals. There's a cofinal function  $f : \alpha \mapsto \beta$  iff there is a function  $g : \alpha \mapsto \beta$  such that  $\sum_{\theta < \alpha} g(\theta) = \beta$ .

*Proof.* Let  $f : \alpha \mapsto \beta$  be cofinal, define

$$g(\theta) = \begin{cases} f(0) & \alpha = 0 \\ \bigcup_{\beta \leq \theta+1} f(\beta) - \bigcup_{\beta \leq \theta} f(\beta) & \theta > 0 \end{cases} \quad (6.12)$$

Clearly  $\sum_{\theta < \alpha} g(\theta) = |\bigcup_{\theta < \alpha} g(\theta)| = |\bigcup_{\theta < \alpha} f(\theta)| = \beta$ .

Let  $g : \alpha \mapsto \beta$  be a function such that  $\sum_{\theta < \alpha} g(\theta) = \beta$ . We define  $f(\theta) = \sum_{\lambda \leq \theta} g(\lambda)$ . From Lem. 6.2.6, we have  $\sup\{f(\theta) | \theta < \alpha\} = \beta$ . So  $f$  is cofinal.  $\square$

**Corollary 6.3.7.** Let  $\kappa$  be an infinite cardinal.  $cf(\kappa) = \inf\{\theta \in \text{Ord} | \exists \text{ a } \theta\text{-sequence } \kappa_\nu \text{ of cardinals } \kappa_\nu < \kappa \text{ with } \kappa = \sum_{\nu < \theta} \kappa_\nu\}$ .

**Corollary 6.3.8.** An infinite successor cardinal is regular.

*Proof.* Let  $\kappa$  be an infinite cardinal. There exists a  $cf(\kappa^+)$ -sequence  $\kappa_\nu$  of cardinals  $\kappa_\nu < \kappa^+$  with  $\kappa^+ = \sum_{\nu < cf(\kappa^+)} \kappa_\nu = \max(cf(\kappa^+), \sup\{\kappa_\nu\})$ . Since  $\kappa_\nu < \kappa^+$ ,  $\kappa_\nu \leq \kappa$ . So  $\sup\{\kappa_\nu\} \leq \kappa < \kappa^+$ . We must have  $cf(\kappa^+) = \kappa^+$ .  $\square$

The classification of cardinal numbers is shown in Fig. 6.1.

## 6.4 Cardinal Exponentiation

**Theorem 6.4.1** (König). If  $\kappa$  is an infinite cardinal, then  $\kappa < \kappa^{cf(\kappa)}$ .

*Proof.* It's easy to see that  $\kappa \leq \kappa^{cf(\kappa)}$ . If  $\kappa = \kappa^{cf(\kappa)}$ , let  $f$  be the bijection between them. Let  $g$  be a cofinal map  $cf(\kappa) \mapsto \kappa$ . Define  $h : cf(\kappa) \mapsto \kappa$  as

$$h(\xi) = \inf(\kappa - \{f(\alpha)(\xi) | \alpha < g(\xi)\}) \quad (6.13)$$

$h(\xi)$  is well-defined since  $|\{f(\alpha)(\xi) | \alpha < g(\xi)\}| \leq |g(\xi)| < \kappa$ .  $h \notin f(\kappa)$  since  $\forall \alpha \exists \xi (h(\xi) \neq f(\alpha)(\xi))$ .  $\square$



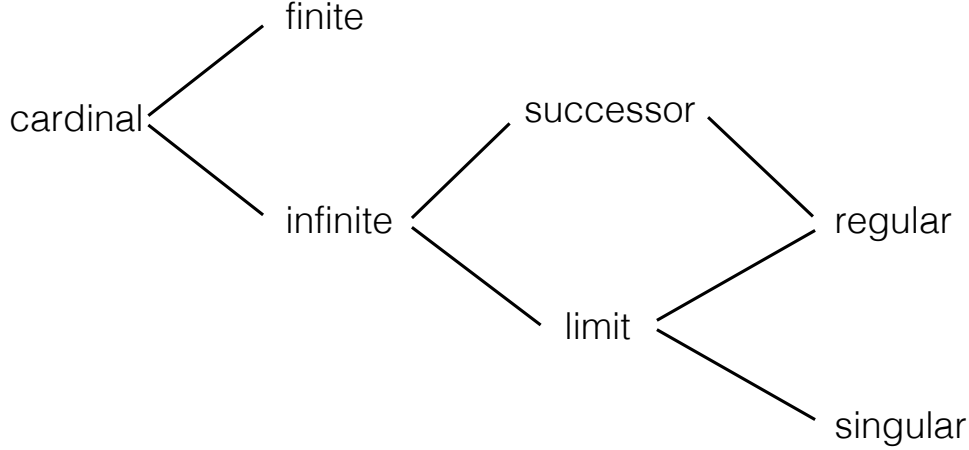


Figure 6.1: Classification of cardinal numbers.

**Lemma 6.4.2.** *Let  $\kappa$  be an infinite cardinal and  $\lambda < cf(\kappa)$ . Then*

$$\kappa^\lambda = \kappa \cdot \sup_{\theta < \kappa} \theta^\lambda \quad (6.14)$$

*Proof.* If  $\lambda < cf(\kappa)$ ,  $(\forall f : \lambda \mapsto \kappa) \exists (\theta < \kappa) f(\kappa) \subseteq \theta$ . So  $\kappa^\lambda = |\bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} \alpha^\lambda| \leq |\bigsqcup_{\alpha < \kappa} \alpha^\lambda| = |\bigsqcup_{\alpha < \kappa} |\alpha|^\lambda| = \sum_{\alpha < \kappa} |\alpha|^\lambda = \kappa \cdot \sup_{\theta < \kappa} \theta^\lambda$  where  $\alpha$  are ordinals and  $\theta$  are cardinals. On the other hand  $\kappa \leq \kappa^\lambda$  and  $\sup_{\theta < \kappa} \theta^\lambda \leq \kappa^\lambda$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 6.4.3.** *We have the Hausdorff formula  $\aleph_{\alpha+1}^{\aleph_\beta} = \aleph_{\alpha+1} \cdot \aleph_\alpha^{\aleph_\beta}$  for all  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .*

*Proof.* When  $\beta \leq \alpha$ , use Lem.6.4.2. When  $\beta > \alpha$ , the Hausdorff formula holds because  $\aleph_{\alpha+1}^{\aleph_\beta} = \aleph_\alpha^{\aleph_\beta} = 2^{\aleph_\beta} > \aleph_{\alpha+1}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 6.4.4.** *Let  $\lambda$  be an infinite ordinal. Then for all infinite cardinals  $\kappa$ ,*

1. *if  $\kappa \leq \lambda$  then  $\kappa^\lambda = 2^\lambda$ ,*
2. *if there exists some  $\mu < \kappa$  such that  $\mu^\lambda \geq \kappa$ , then  $\kappa^\lambda = \mu^\lambda$ ,*
3. *if  $\kappa > \lambda$  and  $\mu^\lambda < \kappa$  for all  $\mu < \kappa$ , then*
  - a.  $\kappa^\lambda = \kappa$  *if  $cf(\kappa) > \lambda$ ,*
  - b.  $\kappa^\lambda = \kappa^{cf(\kappa)}$  *if  $cf(\kappa) \leq \lambda$ .*

*Proof.* In the case 3, using the assumption, we have  $\sup_{\alpha < \kappa} |\alpha|^\lambda = \kappa$

In the case 3.a:  $\kappa^\lambda = \max(\kappa, \sup_{\alpha < \kappa} |\alpha|^\lambda) = \kappa$ .

In the case 3.b:  $\kappa$  must be a limit cardinal. It's easy to see that  $\kappa^\lambda \geq \kappa^{cf(\kappa)}$ . We only need to prove that  $\kappa^\lambda \leq \kappa^{cf(\kappa)}$ . Let  $h : cf(\kappa) \mapsto \kappa$  be a cofinal map. To each  $f : \lambda \mapsto \kappa$  and each  $\beta < cf(\kappa)$  we associate a function  $f_\beta : \lambda \mapsto \kappa$  :

$$f_\beta(\alpha) = \min(f(\alpha), h(\beta)) \quad (6.15)$$

The map  $f \mapsto (f_\beta)$  is an injective map from  $\kappa^\lambda$  to  $(\bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} \alpha^\lambda)^{cf(\kappa)}$ . So  $\kappa^\lambda \leq |\bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} \alpha^\lambda|^{cf(\kappa)} = \kappa^{cf(\kappa)}$ . Since  $\kappa \leq |\bigcup_{\alpha < \kappa} \alpha^\lambda| \leq |\bigsqcup_{\alpha < \kappa} \alpha^\lambda| = \max(\kappa, \sup_{\alpha < \kappa} |\alpha|^\lambda) = \kappa$ .  $\square$

## 6.5 Continuum Hypothesis

**Axiom 6.5.1.** *The continuum hypothesis is the statement  $2^{\aleph_0} = \aleph_1$ .*

**Axiom 6.5.2.** *The generalized continuum hypothesis (GCH) is the statement  $2^{\aleph_\alpha} = \aleph_{\alpha+1}$ .*

**Theorem 6.5.3.** *If GCH holds and  $\kappa$  and  $\lambda$  are infinite cardinals, then*

1. *if  $\kappa \leq \lambda$  then  $\kappa^\lambda = \lambda^+$ ,*
2. *if  $cf(\kappa) \leq \lambda < \kappa$  then  $\kappa^\lambda = \kappa^+$ ,*
3. *if  $\lambda < cf(\kappa)$  then  $\kappa^\lambda = \kappa$ .*

*Proof.* When  $\lambda < \kappa$ ,  $\kappa \leq \kappa^\lambda \leq (2^\kappa)^\lambda = 2^\kappa = \kappa^+$ . If  $cf(\kappa) \leq \lambda$ , then  $\kappa < \kappa^{cf(\kappa)} \leq \kappa^\lambda$ . So  $\kappa^\lambda = \kappa^+$ . If  $\lambda < cf(\kappa)$ , then  $\kappa^\lambda = \kappa \cdot \sup\{|\alpha|^\lambda \mid \alpha < \kappa\} \leq \kappa \cdot \sup\{(2^{|\alpha|})^\lambda \mid \alpha < \kappa\} = \kappa \cdot \sup\{(|\alpha| \cdot \lambda)^+ \mid \alpha < \kappa\} = \kappa$ .  $\square$

# Part II

## General topology



# Chapter 7

## Topological Space

**Definition 7.0.1.** Let  $X$  be a set and  $\mathcal{T}$  be a family of subsets of  $X$ .  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is called a **topological space** if

*O1 any union of elements in  $\mathcal{T}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{T}$ .*

*O2 any finite intersection of elements in  $\mathcal{T}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{T}$ .*

*O3  $\emptyset$  and  $X$  belong to  $\mathcal{T}$ .*

*Elements of  $\mathcal{T}$  are called **open subsets** of  $X$ . We also call  $\mathcal{T}$  a topology on  $X$ , and call  $(X, \mathcal{T})$   $X$  with topology  $\mathcal{T}$ .*

**Definition 7.0.2.** Let  $\mathcal{T}_1$  and  $\mathcal{T}_2$  be two topologies on  $X$ .  $\mathcal{T}_1$  is called **finer(stronger)** than  $\mathcal{T}_2$  if  $\mathcal{T}_1 \supseteq \mathcal{T}_2$ .  $\mathcal{T}_1$  is called **coarser(weaker)** than  $\mathcal{T}_2$  if  $\mathcal{T}_1 \subseteq \mathcal{T}_2$ .

**Definition 7.0.3.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space, and  $S$  be a subset of  $X$ .  $S$  is called **closed** if  $X - S$  (denoted by  $S^\circ$ ) is open.

**Lemma 7.0.4.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be the family of closed subsets of  $X$ . Then

*C1 any finite union of elements in  $\mathcal{F}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{F}$ ,*

*C2 any intersection of elements in  $\mathcal{F}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{F}$ ,*

*C3  $\emptyset$  and  $X$  belong to  $\mathcal{F}$ ,*

*and furthermore*

*C4  $S \subseteq X$  is open if  $S^\circ$  is closed.*

*Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a family of subsets of  $X$  that satisfies C1-C3. Then  $\mathcal{F}$  is the family of closed subsets of a topology space, whose open sets are defined by C4.*

## 7.1 Base and subbase

**Definition 7.1.1.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space, and  $\mathcal{B}$  be a subfamily of  $\mathcal{T}$ .  $\mathcal{B}$  is called a **base** if  $(\forall x \in X)(\forall S \in \mathcal{T})x \in S \rightarrow (\exists B \in \mathcal{B})x \in B \subseteq S$ .

**Lemma 7.1.2.** Let  $X$  be a set and  $\mathcal{B}$  be a base of  $(X, \mathcal{T})$ . Then

$$B1 \ (\forall x \in X)(\exists B \in \mathcal{B})x \in B$$

$$B2 \ (\forall B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B})(\forall x \in B_1 \cap B_2)(\exists B_3 \in \mathcal{B})x \in B_3 \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2$$

and furthermore

$$B3 \ S \subseteq X \text{ is open if } (\forall x \in S)(\exists B \in \mathcal{B})x \in B \subseteq S.$$

Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a family of subsets of  $X$  that satisfies B1 and B2. Then  $\mathcal{B}$  is the base of a topology space, and open sets are defined by B3.

**Definition 7.1.3.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space, and  $\mathcal{B}_x$  be a subfamily of  $\mathcal{T}$  that contains  $x$ .  $\mathcal{B}_x$  is called a **local base** at  $x$  if  $(\forall S \in \mathcal{T})x \in S \rightarrow (\exists B \in \mathcal{B}_x)x \in B \subseteq S$ .

**Lemma 7.1.4.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space, and for each  $x$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_x$  be a local base at  $x$ . Then

$$LB1 \ (\forall B \in \mathcal{B}_x)x \in B,$$

$$LB2 \ (\forall B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B}_x)(\exists B_3 \in \mathcal{B}_x)B_3 \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2,$$

$$LB3 \ (\forall B \in \mathcal{B}_x)(\forall y \in B)(\exists B' \in \mathcal{B}_y)B' \subseteq B.$$

and furthermore

$$LB4 \ S \subseteq X \text{ is open if } (\forall x \in S)(\exists B \in \mathcal{B}_x)x \in B \subseteq S.$$

$\forall x \in X$  let  $\mathcal{B}_x$  be a family of subsets of  $X$  that satisfies LB1-LB3. Then  $\mathcal{B}_x$  is the local base of a topology space, and open sets are defined by LB4.

**Lemma 7.1.5.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space. If  $\forall x \in X$  we have a local base  $\mathcal{B}_x$ , then  $\bigcup_{x \in X} \mathcal{B}_x$  is a base.

**Definition 7.1.6.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space, and  $\mathcal{S}$  be a subfamily of  $\mathcal{T}$ .  $\mathcal{S}$  is called a **subbase** if the collection of all finite intersections of  $\mathcal{S}$  is a base.

**Lemma 7.1.7.** Let  $X$  be a set and  $\mathcal{S}$  be a family of subsets of  $X$ .  $\mathcal{S}$  is a subbase for a topology on  $X$  with the collection of all finite intersections of  $\mathcal{S}$  as its base.

## 7.2 Neighborhoods

**Definition 7.2.1.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space,  $x \in X$  and  $S \subseteq X$ .  $S$  is called the **neighborhood** at  $x$  if  $\exists A \in \mathcal{T} : x \in A \subseteq S$ . The family of neighborhoods at  $x$  is called the **neighborhood system** at  $x$ , denoted by  $\mathcal{N}_x$ .

**Theorem 7.2.2.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space, and  $\forall x \in X$ ,  $\mathcal{N}_x$  be a neighborhood system at  $x$ . Then

$$N1 \quad \forall N \in \mathcal{N}_x : x \in N,$$

$$N2 \quad \forall N_1, N_2 \in \mathcal{N}_x : N_1 \cap N_2 \in \mathcal{N}_x,$$

$$N3 \quad \forall N \in \mathcal{N}_x \exists N' \in \mathcal{N}_x \forall y \in N' : N \in \mathcal{N}_y.$$

$$N4 \quad \forall N \in \mathcal{N}_x : N \subseteq N' \Rightarrow N' \in \mathcal{N}_x,$$

and furthermore

$$N5 \quad S \subseteq X \text{ is open if } \forall x \in S \exists N \in \mathcal{N}_x : x \in N \subseteq S.$$

$\forall x \in X$  let  $\mathcal{N}_x$  be a family of subsets of  $X$  that satisfies N1-N4. Then  $\mathcal{N}_x$  is the neighborhood system of a topology space, and open sets are defined by N5.

**Definition 7.2.3.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space,  $\mathcal{NB}_x$  be a subfamily of  $\mathcal{N}_x$ .  $\mathcal{NB}_x$  is called the **neighborhood base** at  $x$  if  $\forall A \in \mathcal{T} : x \in A \exists B \in \mathcal{NB}_x : x \in B \subseteq A$ . Elements of a neighborhood base are called **basic neighborhoods**.

**Theorem 7.2.4.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space. A local base at  $x \in X$  is a neighborhood base.

**Theorem 7.2.5.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space, and  $\forall x \in X : \mathcal{NB}_x$  be a neighborhood base at  $x$ . Then

$$NB1 \quad \forall N \in \mathcal{NB}_x : x \in N,$$

$$NB2 \quad \forall N_1, N_2 \in \mathcal{NB}_x \exists N_3 \in \mathcal{NB}_x : N_3 \subseteq N_1 \cap N_2,$$

$$NB3 \quad \forall N \in \mathcal{NB}_x \exists N' \subseteq N \forall y \in N' \exists N'' \in \mathcal{NB}_y : N'' \subseteq N.$$

and furthermore

$$NB4 \quad S \subseteq X \text{ is open if } \forall x \in S \exists N \in \mathcal{NB}_x : x \in N \subseteq S.$$

$\forall x \in X$  let  $\mathcal{NB}_x$  be a family of subsets of  $X$  that satisfies NB1-NB3. Then  $\mathcal{NB}_x$  is the neighborhood base of a topology space, and open sets are defined by NB4.

**Theorem 7.2.6.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space,  $E \subseteq X$  Then

1.  $E$  is open iff  $E$  contains a basic neighborhood of each of its points.
2.  $E$  is closed iff each  $x \notin E$  has a basic neighborhood disjoint from  $E$ .
3.  $E^- = \{x \in X \mid \text{each basic neighborhood of } x \text{ meets } E\}$
4.  $E^\circ = \{x \in X \mid \text{some basic neighborhood of } x \text{ is contained in } E\}$

### 7.3 Closure and Interior

**Definition 7.3.1.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space and  $S \subseteq X$ . The **closure** of  $S$ , denoted by  $S^-$  or  $Cl_X(S)$ , is defined to be the intersection of all closed subsets that contains  $S$ . The **interior** of  $S$ , denoted by  $S^\circ$  or  $Int_X(S)$ , is defined to be the union of all open subsets that is contained in  $S$ . The **frontier** of  $S$ , denoted by  $Fr_X(S)$ , is defined to be  $S^- - S^\circ$ . The **boundary** of  $S$ , denoted by  $\partial_X(S)$ , is defined to be  $S - S^\circ$ .

**Lemma 7.3.2.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of topological space  $X$

$$A \subseteq B \Rightarrow A^- \subseteq B^- \wedge A^\circ \subseteq B^\circ \quad (7.1)$$

$$A^\circ = A^{-\neg\neg} \quad (7.2)$$

$$A^{\circ-} = A^{\circ-\circ-} \quad (7.3)$$

$$A^{-\circ} = A^{-\circ-\circ} \quad (7.4)$$

$$(A \cup B)^- = A^- \cup B^- \quad (7.5)$$

$$(A \cap B)^\circ = A^\circ \cap B^\circ \quad (7.6)$$

where  $\neg$  denotes complementation.

*Proof.* Since for any closed  $S$  we have  $S^{\circ-} \subseteq S$ , we have  $A^{\circ-\circ-} \subseteq A^{\circ-}$ . Since for any open  $S$  we have  $S \subseteq S^{-\circ}$ , we have  $A^\circ \subseteq A^{\circ-\circ}$ . So  $A^{\circ-} \subseteq A^{\circ-\circ-}$ . So  $A^{\circ-} = A^{\circ-\circ-}$ . Similarly  $A^{-\circ} = A^{-\circ-\circ}$ .  $\square$

The concepts of closure, interior and frontier are illustrated in Fig. 7.1.

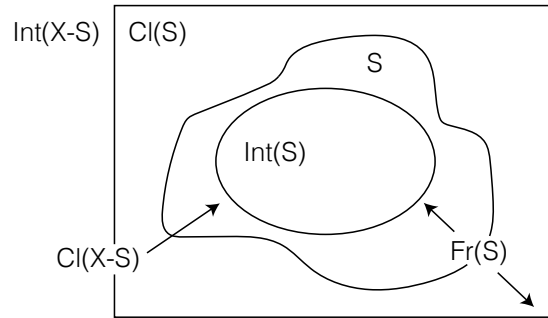


Figure 7.1: Illustration of the closure, interior and frontier of a set  $S$ .

**Corollary 7.3.3.** Let  $X$  be a space and  $S \subseteq X$ . There're at most 14 distinct sets one can get from  $X$  by applying the operations of closure and complement, namely:

$$\begin{aligned} &A, A^-, A^{-\neg}, A^{-\neg\neg}, A^{-\neg\neg\neg}, A^{-\neg\neg\neg\neg}, A^{-\neg\neg\neg\neg\neg}, A^{-\neg\neg\neg\neg\neg\neg}, \\ &A^-, A^{-\neg}, A^{-\neg\neg}, A^{-\neg\neg\neg}, A^{-\neg\neg\neg\neg}, A^{-\neg\neg\neg\neg\neg} \end{aligned} \quad (7.7)$$

*Proof.* An example that gives the 14 distinct sets is:

$$A = (-1, 0) \cup (0, 1) \cup (\mathbb{Q} \cap (1, 2)) \cup \{3\} \quad (7.8)$$



$$A^- = (-\infty, -1] \cup \{0\} \cup ([1, 2] - \mathbb{Q}) \cup [2, 3) \cup (3, \infty) \quad (7.9)$$

$$A^{--} = (-\infty, -1] \cup \{0\} \cup [1, \infty) \quad (7.10)$$

$$A^{---} = (-1, 0) \cup (0, 1) \quad (7.11)$$

$$A^{----} = [-1, 1] \quad (7.12)$$

$$A^{-----} = (-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty) \quad (7.13)$$

$$A^{-----} = (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty) \quad (7.14)$$

$$A^{-----} = (-1, 1) \quad (7.15)$$

$$A^- = [-1, 2] \cup \{3\} \quad (7.16)$$

$$A^{--} = (-\infty, -1) \cup (2, 3) \cup (3, \infty) \quad (7.17)$$

$$A^{---} = (-\infty, -1] \cup [2, \infty) \quad (7.18)$$

$$A^{----} = (-1, 2) \quad (7.19)$$

$$A^{-----} = [-1, 2] \quad (7.20)$$

$$A^{-----} = (-\infty, -1) \cup (2, \infty) \quad (7.21)$$

The preceding lemma tells us that there's no more.  $\square$

**Lemma 7.3.4** (Kuratowski). *The operation  $A \rightarrow A^-$  in a topological space  $X$  has the following properties:*

$$K1 \ A \subseteq A^-,$$

$$K2 \ A^{--} = A^-,$$

$$K3 \ (A \cup B)^- = A^- \cup B^-,$$

$$K4 \ \emptyset^- = \emptyset,$$

and furthermore

$$K5 \ A \text{ is closed in } X \text{ if } A = A^-.$$

If we have a set  $X$  and a map  $A \rightarrow A^-$  for each  $A \subseteq X$  that satisfies K1-K4. Then  $X$  becomes a topology space if the closed sets are defined by K5. The map  $A \rightarrow A^-$  in  $X$  coincides with the one we began with.

*Proof.*  $K3 \rightarrow ((A \subseteq B) \rightarrow B^- = (A \cup (B - A))^- = A^- \cup (B - A)^- \rightarrow ((A \subseteq B) \rightarrow (A^- \subseteq B^-)) \quad \square$

**Lemma 7.3.5.** *The operation  $A \rightarrow A^\circ$  in a topological space  $X$  has the following properties:*

$$I1 \ A^\circ \subseteq A,$$

$$I2 \ A^{\circ\circ} = A^\circ,$$

$$I3 \ (A \cap B)^\circ = A^\circ \cap B^\circ,$$

$$I4 \ X^\circ = X,$$

and furthermore

I5  $A$  is open in  $X$  if  $A = A^\circ$ .

If we have a set  $X$  and a map  $A \rightarrow A^\circ$  for each  $A \subseteq X$  that satisfies I1-I4. Then  $X$  becomes a topology space if the open sets are defined by I5. The map  $A \rightarrow A^\circ$  in  $X$  coincides with the one we began with.

**Definition 7.3.6.** Let  $S$  be a subset of  $X$ .  $x$  is a **limit point** of  $S$  iff for each neighborhood  $N$  of  $x$ ,  $(N - \{x\}) \cap S \neq \emptyset$ .

**Lemma 7.3.7.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space,  $x \in X$  and  $S \subseteq X$ .  $S^- = S \cup \{ \text{all the limit points of } S \}$ .

**Definition 7.3.8.** Let  $S$  be a closed subset of  $X$ , and  $T \subseteq S$ .  $T$  is called **dense** in  $S$  if  $T^- = S$ .

## 7.4 Subspace

**Definition 7.4.1.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space and  $Y \subseteq X$ . The topological space  $(Y, \{S \cap Y | S \in \mathcal{T}\})$  is called a **subspace** of  $(X, \mathcal{T})$ .

**Theorem 7.4.2.** Let  $Y$  be a subspace of a topological space  $X$ , then

1.  $H \subseteq Y$  is open in  $A$  iff  $H = G \cap A$  where  $G$  is open in  $X$ .
2.  $H \subseteq Y$  is closed in  $A$  iff  $H = G \cap A$  where  $G$  is closed in  $X$ .
3. Let  $H \subseteq Y$ . Then  $Cl_Y(H) = Y \cap Cl_X(H)$ ,  $Int_Y(H) = Y \cap Int_X(H)$ ,  $Fr_Y(H) = Y \cap Fr_X(H)$ .
4. Let  $x \subseteq Y$ . If  $\mathcal{B}_x$  is a neighborhood base(local base) at  $x$  in  $X$ , then  $\{B \cap Y | B \in \mathcal{B}_x\}$  is a neighborhood base(local base) at  $x$  in  $Y$ .
5. If  $\mathcal{B}$  is a base(subbase) for  $X$ , then  $\{B \cap Y | B \in \mathcal{B}\}$  is a base(subbase) for  $Y$

## 7.5 Metric Spaces

**Definition 7.5.1.** Let  $X$  be a set and  $\rho : X \times X \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  be a map.  $\rho$  is called a **pseudometric** on  $X$  if for all  $x, y \in X$ :

1.  $\rho(x, y) \geq 0$
2.  $\rho(x, x) = 0$
3.  $\rho(x, y) = \rho(y, x)$
4.  $\rho(x, y) + \rho(y, z) \geq \rho(x, z)$

$\rho$  is called a **metric** on  $X$  if it's a pseudometric and  $\rho(x, y) = 0 \Rightarrow x = y$ .

**Definition 7.5.2.** We define the **ball** in  $X$  centered at  $x$  as  $B(x, r) = \{y \in X \mid \rho(x, y) < r\}$ .

**Definition 7.5.3.** Let  $X$  be a set with a pseudometric  $\rho$ .  $X$  is called a **pseudometric space** if it has the topology with  $\{B(x, r) \mid r > 0\}$  as a local base at  $x$ .

**Definition 7.5.4.** A **metric space** is a pseudometric space whose pseudometric is a metric.

**Lemma 7.5.5.** Let  $X$  be a pseudometric space with pseudometric  $\rho$ ,  $\sim$  be the equivalence relation on  $X$  defined by  $x \sim y \leftrightarrow \rho(x, y) = 0$ . Let  $X^* = X / \sim$  be the equivalence classes. We define a map  $\rho^* : X^* \times X^* \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  as  $\rho^*([x], [y]) = \rho(x, y)$ .  $\rho^*$  is well-defined and is a metric on  $X^*$ .

## 7.6 Examples

**Example 7.6.1.** We define the **discrete topology** on a set  $X$  as the family of all subsets of  $X$ .

**Example 7.6.2.** We define the **trivial topology** on a set  $X$  as  $\{\emptyset, X\}$ .

**Example 7.6.3.** Let  $X$  be a infinite set, we define the **cofinite topology** on  $X$  by  $\{S \in \mathcal{T} \mid |X - S| < \aleph_0 \vee S = \emptyset\}$ .

**Example 7.6.4.** We define the **usual topology** on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  as the metric topology with the metric  $\rho(x, y) = \sqrt{\sum_i (x_i - y_i)^2}$ .

**Example 7.6.5.** Let  $X$  be a linearly ordered set, we define the **order topology** on  $X$  to be the one with the subbase  $\{(-\infty, a), (a, \infty) \mid a \in X\}$ .

**Example 7.6.6.** We define the **radial plane** as the real plane with the topology such that a local neighborhood base at  $x$  is  $\mathcal{N}_x = \{S \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \mid S \text{ contains an open line segment through } x \text{ in each direction}\}$ . See Fig. 7.2.

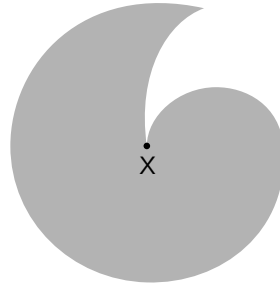


Figure 7.2: Example of neighborhood at  $x$  of radial plane.

**Example 7.6.7.** We define the **Sorgenfrey line** as the real line with the topology such that a local base at  $x$  contains  $[x, y)$  for all  $y > x$ .

**Example 7.6.8.** We define the **Moore plane** as the topology on the upper half plane  $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid y \geq 0\}$ , such that: At  $(x, y)$  where  $y > 0$ , a neighborhood base contains 2-balls in the upper half plane centered at  $(x, y)$ . At  $(x, 0)$ , a neighborhood base contains sets of the form  $\{(x, 0)\} \cap A$ , where  $A$  is a 2-ball in the upper half plane tangent to the  $x$ -axis at  $(x, 0)$ . See Fig. 7.3.

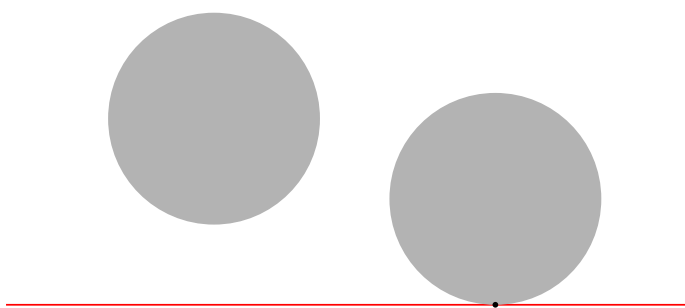


Figure 7.3: Example of neighborhoods of Moore plane.

# Chapter 8

## Product and Quotient Spaces

### 8.1 Continuous Function

**Definition 8.1.1.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces and  $f : X \mapsto Y$ .  $f$  is said to be **continuous at**  $x \in X$  if  $\forall$  neighborhood  $V$  of  $f(x) \exists$  neighborhood  $U$  of  $x : f(U) \subseteq V$ .

**Definition 8.1.2.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces and  $f : X \mapsto Y$ .  $f$  is called a **continuous function** if it satisfies the equivalent conditions:

1.  $\forall x \in X : f$  is continuous at  $x$ .
2.  $H \subseteq Y$  is open  $\Rightarrow f^{-1}(H)$  is open.
3.  $H \subseteq Y$  is closed  $\Rightarrow f^{-1}(H)$  is closed.
4.  $\forall H \subseteq X : f(H^-) \subseteq f(H)^-$ .
5.  $\forall H \subseteq Y : f^{-1}(H)^- \subseteq f^{-1}(H^-)$ .
6.  $\forall H \subseteq X : f(H^\circ) \supseteq f(H)^\circ$ .
7.  $\forall H \subseteq Y : f^{-1}(H)^\circ \supseteq f^{-1}(H^\circ)$ .

**Theorem 8.1.3.** Let  $f$  be a continuous function from  $X$  to  $Y$ , and  $U$  be a subspace of  $X$ . Then  $f|_U$  is continuous.

**Definition 8.1.4.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces and  $f : X \mapsto Y$  be a bijective map.  $f$  is called a **homeomorphism** if both  $f$  and  $f^{-1}$  are continuous.

**Theorem 8.1.5.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces and  $f : X \mapsto Y$  be a bijective map. The following are equivalent

1.  $f$  is a homeomorphism.
2.  $H \subseteq Y$  is open  $\Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(H)$  is open.
3.  $H \subseteq Y$  is closed  $\Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(H)$  is closed.

$$4. \forall H \subseteq X : f(H^-) = f(H)^-.$$

$$5. \forall H \subseteq Y : f^{-1}(H)^- = f^{-1}(H^-).$$

**Theorem 8.1.6.** *Let  $f$  be a homeomorphism from  $X$  to  $Y$ , and  $U$  be a subspace of  $X$ . Then  $f|_U$  is homeomorphism from  $U$  to  $f(U)$ .*

**Definition 8.1.7.** *Let  $f$  be a continuous function from  $X$  to  $Y$ . If  $f$  is a homeomorphism from  $X$  to  $f(X)$ , then  $f$  is called an **embedding**.*

**Definition 8.1.8.** *Let  $f$  be a map from  $X$  to  $Y$ .  $f$  is called an **open map** if it maps open subsets to open subsets.  $f$  is called a **closed map** if it maps closed subsets to closed subsets.*

**Example 8.1.9.** *For topological spaces  $X$  and  $Y$ , let  $C(X, Y)$  denote the collection of all continuous functions from  $X$  to  $Y$ . Especially, we use  $C(X)$  to denote  $C(X, \mathbb{R})$ , and  $C^*(X)$  to denote all bounded functions in  $C(X)$ . It's easy to see that  $C(X)$  and  $C^*(X)$  are algebras over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Moreover,  $C^*(X)$  is a normed linear space with the norm  $\|f\| = \sup_{x \in X} |f(x)|$ .*

## 8.2 Product Spaces and Weak Topologies

**Definition 8.2.1.** *Let  $X$  be a set and  $X_\alpha$  be a topological spaces with  $f_\alpha : X \mapsto X_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha \in A$ . The **weak topology** induced on  $X$  by  $\{f_\alpha | \alpha \in A\}$  is the weakest topology on  $X$  making each  $f_\alpha$  continuous.*

**Theorem 8.2.2.** *Let  $X$  be a set and  $X_\alpha$  be a topological spaces with  $f_\alpha : X \mapsto X_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha \in A$ . The weak topology induced on  $X$  by  $\{f_\alpha | \alpha \in A\}$  is the one with the subbase  $\{f_\alpha^{-1}(U_\alpha) | \alpha \in A, U_\alpha \text{ open in } X_\alpha\}$*

**Theorem 8.2.3.** *Let  $X_\alpha$  be topological spaces. Let  $X$  be a set with weak topology induced by  $f_\alpha : X \mapsto X_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha \in A$ . Let  $Y$  be a topological space. A map  $f : Y \mapsto X$  is continuous iff  $f_\alpha \circ f$  is continuous for each  $\alpha \in A$ .*

**Definition 8.2.4.** *Let  $X_\alpha$  be a family of topological spaces where  $\alpha \in A$ , and  $\prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  be their Cartesian product. We define  $\pi_\alpha : \prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha \mapsto X_\alpha$  as  $\pi_\alpha(x) = x_\alpha$ . Then the weakest topology induced on  $\prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  by  $\{\pi_\alpha | \alpha \in A\}$  is called the **product topology**. With this topology,  $\prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  is called the **product space**.*

**Theorem 8.2.5.** *Let  $X_\alpha$  be a family of spaces where  $\alpha \in A$ , then their product space is the direct product of  $X_\alpha$  in the category **Top**.*

**Theorem 8.2.6.** *Let  $X_\alpha$  be a family of spaces where  $\alpha \in A$ , and  $\prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  be their product space. Then  $\pi_\alpha : \prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha \mapsto X_\alpha$  is an open map for each  $\alpha \in A$ .*

**Theorem 8.2.7.** *A map  $f : X \mapsto \prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  is continuous iff  $\pi_\alpha \circ f$  is continuous for each  $\alpha \in A$ .*

**Definition 8.2.8.** *Let  $X$  be a space and  $X_\alpha$  be spaces, with  $f_\alpha : X \mapsto X_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha \in A$ . The **evaluation map**  $e : X \mapsto \prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  is defined by  $e(x) = \bar{x}$ , where  $\bar{x}_\alpha = f_\alpha(x)$ .*

**Theorem 8.2.9.** *Let  $X$  be a space and  $X_\alpha$  be spaces, with  $f_\alpha : X \mapsto X_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha \in A$ . Then the evaluation map  $e : X \mapsto \prod_\alpha X_\alpha$*

1. *is continuous iff  $f_\alpha$  is continuous for each  $\alpha \in A$ .*
2. *is injective iff  $\forall x \neq y \in X \exists \alpha \in A : f_\alpha(x) \neq f_\alpha(y)$ .*
3. *is an embedding iff it's injective and  $X$  has the weak topology induced by  $f_\alpha$ .*

*Proof.* 1:  $f_\alpha = \pi_\alpha \circ e$

3: If  $e$  is injective and  $X$  has the weak topology induced by  $f_\alpha$ , it's easy to see that  $e$  is continuous. We only need to prove that  $e$  is open (from  $X$  to  $e(X)$ ), which only needs to be tested on a subbase of  $X$ :  $\{f_\alpha^{-1}(U_\alpha) | \alpha \in A, U_\alpha \text{ open in } X_\alpha\}$ . However  $e(f_\alpha^{-1}(U_\alpha)) = e(X) \cap \pi_\alpha^{-1}(U_\alpha)$ , which is open in  $e(X)$ .

If  $e$  is an embedding, then  $e$  is injective. It's easy to see that  $X$  has the weak topology induced by  $e$ . Since  $\prod_\alpha X_\alpha$  has the weak topology induced by  $\{\pi_\alpha\}$ .  $X$  has the weak topology induced by  $\{f_\alpha\} = \{\pi_\alpha \circ e\}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 8.2.10.** *Let  $X$  be a pseudometric space with pseudometric  $\rho : X \times X \mapsto \mathcal{R}$ .  $\rho$  is a continuous function.*

## 8.3 Coproduct Spaces and Strong Topologies

**Definition 8.3.1.** *Let  $X$  be a set and  $X_\alpha$  be a topological spaces with  $f_\alpha : X_\alpha \mapsto X$  for each  $\alpha \in A$ . The **strong topology** induced on  $X$  by  $\{f_\alpha | \alpha \in A\}$  is the strongest topology on  $X$  making each  $f_\alpha$  continuous.*

**Theorem 8.3.2.** *Let  $X$  be a set and  $X_\alpha$  be a topological spaces with  $f_\alpha : X_\alpha \mapsto X$  for each  $\alpha \in A$ . The strong topology induced on  $X$  by  $\{f_\alpha | \alpha \in A\}$  is the one with the open sets  $\{S \subseteq X | \forall \alpha \in A : f_\alpha^{-1}(S) \text{ is open in } X_\alpha\}$*

**Theorem 8.3.3.** *Let  $X_\alpha$  be topological spaces. Let  $X$  be a set with strong topology induced by  $f_\alpha : X_\alpha \mapsto X$  for each  $\alpha \in A$ . Let  $Y$  be a topological space. A map  $f : X \mapsto Y$  is continuous iff  $f \circ f_\alpha$  is continuous for each  $\alpha \in A$ .*

**Corollary 8.3.4.** *Let  $f$  be a function from  $X$  to  $Y$ , and  $U_\alpha$  be a family of open subspaces of  $X$  that covers  $X$ . If  $\forall \alpha : f|_{U_\alpha}$  is continuous, then  $f$  is continuous.*

*Proof.*  $X$  has the strong topology induced by the inclusion map  $\{U_\alpha \mapsto X\}$ .  $\square$

**Definition 8.3.5.** *Let  $X_\alpha$  be a family of topological spaces where  $\alpha \in A$ , and  $\coprod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  be their disjoint union. We define  $\iota_\alpha : X_\alpha \mapsto \coprod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  as  $\iota_\alpha(x_\alpha) = x_\alpha$ . Then the strong topology induced on  $\coprod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  by  $\{\iota_\alpha | \alpha \in A\}$  is called the **coproduct topology**. With this topology,  $\coprod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  is called the **coproduct space**.*

**Theorem 8.3.6.** *Let  $X_\alpha$  be a family of topological spaces where  $\alpha \in A$ , then their coproduct space is the direct sum of  $X_\alpha$  in the category **Top**.*

**Theorem 8.3.7.** *Let  $X_\alpha$  be a family of topological spaces where  $\alpha \in A$ , and  $\coprod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  be their coproduct space. Then  $\iota_\alpha : X_\alpha \mapsto \coprod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  is an open map for each  $\alpha \in A$ .*

## 8.4 Quotient map and Quotient Spaces

**Definition 8.4.1.** Let  $f : X \mapsto Y$  be a surjective map from a topological space  $X$  to a set  $Y$ . The **quotient topology** on  $Y$  induced by  $f$  is the coproduct topology.

**Lemma 8.4.2.** Let  $X$  be a set and  $X_\alpha$  be a topological spaces with  $f_\alpha : X_\alpha \mapsto X$  for each  $\alpha \in A$ . We define a map  $f : \coprod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha \mapsto X$  by  $f(x_\alpha) = f_\alpha(x_\alpha)$ . Then  $X$  has the strong topology induced by  $(f_\alpha)$  iff it has the quotient topology induced by  $f$ .

**Definition 8.4.3.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces with an surjective map  $f : X \mapsto Y$ .  $f$  is called the **quotient map** if the topology on  $Y$  is the quotient topology induced by  $f$ .

**Definition 8.4.4.** Let  $X$  be a topological space and  $\sim$  be an equivalence relation on  $X$ . The **quotient space** of  $X$  induced by  $\sim$  is  $X/\sim$  with the quotient topology induce by the canonical map  $X \mapsto X/\sim$ . If an equivalence relation on  $X$  is  $a \sim b \leftrightarrow a, b \in A \subseteq X$ , then the quotient space may also be written as  $X/A$ .

**Lemma 8.4.5.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces with a map  $f : X \mapsto Y$ . We define an equivalence relation on  $X$  by  $x \sim y \leftrightarrow f(x) = f(y)$ . Then  $f(X) \simeq X/\sim$ .

**Definition 8.4.6.** We define an  $n$ -dimensional **disk** to be  $D^n = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid |x| \leq 1\}$ . We define  $\partial D^n = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid |x| = 1\}$

**Lemma 8.4.7.**  $S^n \simeq D^n/\partial D^n$

*Proof.* Consider the map  $f : D^n \mapsto S^n$

$$f(x) = (1 - 2|x|, 2\sqrt{\frac{1-|x|}{|x|}}x_0, \dots, 2\sqrt{\frac{1-|x|}{|x|}}x_{n-1}) \quad (8.1)$$

□

**Theorem 8.4.8.** A surjective continuous map is a quotient map if it's open or closed.

*Proof.* If  $f : X \mapsto Y$  is a surjective continuous closed map. Let  $T$  be a set in  $Y$  such that  $f^{-1}(T)$  is open. Then  $Y - T = f(X - f^{-1}(T))$  is closed. So  $T$  is open. □

**Example 8.4.9.** How to stick two spaces together? Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two topological spaces, we consider their coproduct space  $A \sqcup B$ . We can define some equivalence relation on  $A \sqcup B$ , and the quotient space  $A \sqcup B/\sim$  would be the  $A$  and  $B$  stuck together.



# Chapter 9

## Convergence

### 9.1 Moore-Smith Convergence

**Definition 9.1.1.** A **directed set** is a set  $S$  with a pre-order  $\leq$  such that any two elements are bounded. We say that  $S$  is **directed by**  $\leq$ .

**Definition 9.1.2.** Let  $\Lambda$  be a directed set. A **net**  $(x_\lambda)$  is a map from  $\Lambda$  to  $X$ .

**Definition 9.1.3.** Let  $(x_\lambda)$  be a net from  $\Lambda$  to  $X$ , and  $S \subseteq X$ .  $(x_\lambda)$  is said to be **eventually in**  $S$  if  $\exists \lambda_0 : \lambda > \lambda_0 \rightarrow x_\lambda \in S$ .  $(x_\lambda)$  is said to be **frequently in**  $S$  if  $\forall \lambda_0 \exists \lambda > \lambda_0 : x_\lambda \in S$ . It's easy to see that “not eventually in  $S$ ” is equivalent to “frequently in  $X - S$ ”, and “not frequently in  $S$ ” is equivalent to “eventually in  $X - S$ ”

**Definition 9.1.4.** Let  $(x_\lambda)$  be a net from  $\Lambda$  to  $X$ .  $(x_\lambda)$  is said to **converges to**  $x_0$  (written as  $x_\lambda \rightarrow x_0$ ) if it's eventually in each neighborhood of  $x_0$ .

**Definition 9.1.5.** Let  $(x_\lambda)$  be a net from  $\Lambda$  to  $X$ .  $x_0$  is said to be a **cluster point** of  $(x_\lambda)$  if the net is frequently in each neighborhood of  $x_0$ .

**Example 9.1.6.** Let  $X$  be a topological space and  $x \in X$ . Let  $\Lambda$  be a neighborhood base at  $x$ . Then  $\Lambda$  with the order relation  $U_1 \leq U_2$  iff  $U_1 \supseteq U_2$  forms a directed set. If we pick a  $x_U \in U$  for each  $U \in \Lambda$  (using AC), we result in a net  $(x_U)$  that converges to  $x$ .

**Definition 9.1.7.** Let  $(x_\lambda)$  be a net from  $\Lambda$  to  $X$ . A net  $(x'_\mu)$  from  $M$  to  $X$  is a **subnet** of  $(x_\lambda)$  if there's an increasing cofinal function  $\phi : M \mapsto \Lambda$  such that  $x'_\mu = x_{\phi(\mu)}$ .

**Theorem 9.1.8.** Let  $(x_\lambda)$  be a net from  $\Lambda$  to  $X$  frequently in  $E \subseteq X$ . Then there is a subnet of  $(x_\lambda)$  eventually in  $E \subseteq X$ .

**Theorem 9.1.9.** Let  $(x_\lambda)$  be a net from  $\Lambda$  to  $X$  eventually in  $E \subseteq X$ . Then all of its subnets are eventually in  $E \subseteq X$ .

**Theorem 9.1.10.** If a net from  $\Lambda$  to  $X$  converges to  $x$ , then all of its subnets converge to  $x$ .

**Theorem 9.1.11.** A net from  $\Lambda$  to  $X$  has  $x$  as a cluster point iff it has a subnet that converges to  $x$ .

*Proof.* Let  $(x_\lambda)$  be a net  $\Lambda \mapsto X$ . We define  $\Lambda' = \{(\lambda, U) \in \Lambda \times P(X) \mid x_\lambda \in U \text{ is a neighborhood of } x\}$ .  $\Lambda'$  is directed by the pre-order:  $(\lambda, U) \leq (\lambda', U')$  iff  $\lambda \leq \lambda'$  and  $U \supseteq U'$ . We define  $\theta : \Lambda' \mapsto \Lambda$  as  $\theta(\lambda, U) = \lambda$ . Then  $(x_{\theta(\lambda, U)})$  is a subnet that converges to  $x$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 9.1.12.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space and  $E \subseteq X$ . Then  $x \in E^-$  iff there is a net from  $\Lambda$  to  $E$  that converges to  $x$ .*

This theorem together with Lem. 7.3.4 tell us that the topology of a space is determined by the convergence of nets in it.

**Theorem 9.1.13.** *Let  $f : X \mapsto Y$ . Then  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0 \in X$  iff for each net  $x_\lambda \rightarrow x_0$  we have  $f(x_\lambda) \rightarrow f(x_0)$ .*

*Proof.*  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0 \in X$

iff  $(\forall \text{ open } U \ni f(x_0)) x_0 \in f^{-1}(U)^\circ$

iff  $(\forall \text{ open } U \ni f(x_0)) \text{ and } \forall x_\lambda \rightarrow x_0, (x_\lambda) \text{ is eventually in } f^{-1}(U)$ .

iff  $(\forall \text{ open } U \ni f(x_0)) \text{ and } \forall x_\lambda \rightarrow x_0, f(x_\lambda) \text{ is eventually in } U$ .

iff  $\forall x_\lambda \rightarrow x_0, f(x_\lambda) \rightarrow f(x_0)$ .  $\square$

**Definition 9.1.14.** *Let  $(x_\lambda)$  be a net from  $\Lambda$  to  $X$ .  $(x_\lambda)$  is said to be an **ultranet** iff for each  $E \subseteq X$ ,  $(x_\lambda)$  is either eventually in  $E$  or eventually in  $X - E$ .*

**Theorem 9.1.15.** *Every subnet of an ultranet is an ultranet.*

**Theorem 9.1.16.** *If an ultranet has  $x$  as a cluster point, then it converges to  $x$ .*

## 9.2 Filters

**Definition 9.2.1.** *A **filter**  $\mathcal{F}$  on a set  $X$  is a nonempty collection of nonempty subsets of  $S$  such that*

1. *if  $F_1, F_2 \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $F_1 \cap F_2 \in \mathcal{F}$*
2. *if  $F_1 \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $F_1 \subseteq F_2$ , then  $F_2 \in \mathcal{F}$*

**Definition 9.2.2.** *Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a filter on  $X$ . A subcollection  $\mathcal{C}$  of  $\mathcal{F}$  is called a **filter base** iff  $(\forall F \in \mathcal{F})(\exists C \in \mathcal{C}) C \subseteq F$ .*

**Lemma 9.2.3.** *Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a filter base of the filter  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then  $(\forall C_1, C_2 \in \mathcal{C})(\exists C \in \mathcal{C}) C \subseteq C_1 \cap C_2$ .*

**Lemma 9.2.4.** *Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a collection of nonempty subsets of  $X$ .  $\mathcal{C}$  is a filter base for some filter iff  $(\forall C_1, C_2 \in \mathcal{C})(\exists C \in \mathcal{C}) C \subseteq C_1 \cap C_2$ . If  $\mathcal{C}$  satisfies this condition, then it is a filter base of the filter  $\mathcal{F} = \{F \subseteq X \mid (\exists C \in \mathcal{C}) C \subseteq F\}$ . We also call  $\mathcal{F}$  the filter generated by  $\mathcal{C}$ .*

**Definition 9.2.5.** *Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a filter on  $X$ . A subcollection  $\mathcal{C}$  of  $\mathcal{F}$  is called a **filter subbase** iff all finite intersections of  $\mathcal{C}$  is a filter base of  $\mathcal{F}$ .*

**Lemma 9.2.6.** *Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a collection of nonempty subsets of  $X$ .  $\mathcal{C}$  is a filter subbase for some filter iff each finite intersection of  $\mathcal{C}$  is nonempty.*

**Definition 9.2.7.** Let  $\mathcal{F}_1$  and  $\mathcal{F}_2$  be two filters on  $X$ . We say  $\mathcal{F}_1$  is **finer** than  $\mathcal{F}_2$  iff  $\mathcal{F}_1 \supseteq \mathcal{F}_2$

**Definition 9.2.8.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a filter on  $X$ . We say  $\mathcal{F}$  is **fixed** iff  $\bigcap F \neq \emptyset$ . We say  $\mathcal{F}$  is **free** iff  $\bigcap F = \emptyset$ .

**Example 9.2.9.** Let  $X$  be a topological space and  $x \in X$ . The neighborhood  $\mathcal{U}_x$  of  $x$  is a filter called the **neighborhood filter**.

**Example 9.2.10.** Let  $X$  be a set and  $S \subseteq X$ . Then  $\{T \subseteq X \mid S \subseteq T\}$  is a filter called the **principle filter** at  $S$ .

**Example 9.2.11.** Let  $X$  be a set. The **Fréchet filter** on  $X$  is defined as the collection of cofinite subsets in  $X$ . It's easy to see that the Fréchet filter is free.

**Definition 9.2.12.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a filter on a topological space  $X$ .  $\mathcal{F}$  is said to **converge to**  $x$  (written as  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x$ ) iff  $\mathcal{F}$  is finer than the neighborhood filter  $\mathcal{U}_x$  at  $x$ .

**Definition 9.2.13.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a filter on a topological space  $X$ .  $\mathcal{F}$  is said to have  $x$  as a **cluster point** iff  $\forall F \in \mathcal{F} : x \in F^-$ .

**Theorem 9.2.14.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a filter on  $X$ .  $\mathcal{F}$  has  $x$  as a cluster point iff there's a filter finer than  $\mathcal{F}$  that converges to  $x$ .

**Theorem 9.2.15.** Let  $X$  be a topological space and  $E \subseteq X$ . Then  $x \in E^-$  iff there is a filter that contains  $E$  and converges to  $x$ .

This theorem together with Lem. 7.3.4 tell us that the topology of a space is determined by the convergence of filters in it.

**Definition 9.2.16.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a filter on  $X$ , and  $f : X \mapsto Y$ . We define  $f(\mathcal{F})$  as a filter in  $Y$  with filter base  $\{f(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\}$ .

**Theorem 9.2.17.** Let  $f : X \mapsto Y$ . Then  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0 \in X$  iff for each filter  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x_0$  we have  $f(\mathcal{F}) \rightarrow f(x_0)$ .

*Proof.*  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0 \in X$

iff  $(\forall \text{ open } U \ni f(x_0)) x_0 \in f^{-1}(U)^\circ$

iff  $(\forall \text{ open } U \ni f(x_0)) f^{-1}(U) \in \mathcal{U}_{x_0}$

iff  $(\forall \text{ open } U \ni f(x_0)) U \in f(\mathcal{U}_{x_0})$

iff  $f(\mathcal{U}_{x_0}) \rightarrow f(x_0)$

iff  $\forall \mathcal{F} \rightarrow x_0$  we have  $f(\mathcal{F}) \rightarrow f(x_0)$ . □

**Definition 9.2.18.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a filter on  $X$ .  $\mathcal{F}$  is said to be an **ultrafilter** iff there is no filter strictly finer than  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**Theorem 9.2.19.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a filter on  $X$ .  $\mathcal{F}$  is an ultrafilter iff for each  $E \subseteq X$ ,  $E \in \mathcal{F}$  or  $X - E \in \mathcal{F}$ .

**Theorem 9.2.20.** Every filter is contained in some ultrafilter.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a filter. Let  $FT$  be the set of all filters of  $X$  that contains  $\mathcal{F}$ .  $FT$  is directed by  $\subseteq$ . For each chain  $C$  in  $FT$ ,  $\bigcup C$  is an upper bound of  $C$ . So by Zorn's lemma, there's a maximal element in  $FT$ , which is an ultrafilter that contains  $\mathcal{F}$ . □

**Theorem 9.2.21.** If an ultrafilter has  $x$  as a cluster point, then it converges to  $x$ .

**Theorem 9.2.22.** A fixed ultrafilter is a principle filter at some one-point set.

### 9.3 Correspondence between Nets and Filters

**Definition 9.3.1.** Let  $(x_\lambda)$  be a net on  $X$ . We define **the filter generated by  $(x_\lambda)$**  as the family of sets that  $(x_\lambda)$  is eventually in. It has a filter base  $\{\{x_\gamma \mid \gamma > \lambda\} \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ .

**Definition 9.3.2.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a filter on  $X$ , and let  $\Lambda = \{(x, F) \mid x \in F \in \mathcal{F}\}$ .  $\Lambda$  is directed by the relation  $(x_1, F_1) \leq (x_2, F_2)$  iff  $F_1 \supseteq F_2$ . We define **the net based on  $\mathcal{F}$**  by the map  $f : \Lambda \mapsto X$  where  $f(x, F) = x$ .

Note that this direct set is not partially ordered by  $\leq$  (if  $X$  contains at least 2 points).

**Theorem 9.3.3.** Let  $(x_\lambda)$  be a net on  $X$ . Let  $(x_\lambda)$  generate a filter  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then

1.  $(x_\lambda)$  is eventually in a set  $S \subseteq X$  iff  $S \in \mathcal{F}$ .
2.  $(x_\lambda)$  is frequently in a set  $S \subseteq X$  iff  $X - S \notin \mathcal{F}$ , iff  $\forall F \in \mathcal{F} : S \cap F \neq \emptyset$ .
3.  $(x_\lambda)$  converges to  $x \in X$  iff  $\mathcal{F}$  converges to  $x$ .
4.  $(x_\lambda)$  has  $x \in X$  as a cluster point iff  $\mathcal{F}$  has  $x$  as a cluster point.
5.  $(x_\lambda)$  is an ultranet iff  $\mathcal{F}$  is an ultrafilter.
6. A subnet of  $(x_\lambda)$  generate a filter finer than  $\mathcal{F}$ .
7. Let  $\mathcal{F}'$  be a filter finer than  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then  $\forall F \in \mathcal{F}' : (x_\lambda)$  is frequently in  $F$ .

**Theorem 9.3.4.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a filter on  $X$ , and  $(x_\lambda)$  be a net based on  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then  $(x_\lambda)$  generates  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**Lemma 9.3.5.** Let  $(x_\lambda)$  be a net on  $X$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  be a filter on  $X$  such that  $\forall F \in \mathcal{F} : (x_\lambda)$  is frequently in  $F$ . Then  $(x_\lambda)$  has a subnet  $(x'_{\lambda'})$  such that  $\forall F \in \mathcal{F} : (x'_{\lambda'})$  is eventually in  $F$ .

We can give a proof by a slight generalization on the proof of the Thm. 9.1.11, which treats the special case that  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{U}_x$ .

*Proof.* We define  $\Lambda' = \{(\lambda, F) \in \Lambda \times \mathcal{F} \mid x_\lambda \in F\}$ .  $\Lambda'$  is directed by the partial order:  $(\lambda, F) \leq (\lambda', F')$  iff  $\lambda \leq \lambda'$  and  $F \supseteq F'$ . We define  $\theta : \Lambda' \mapsto \Lambda$  as  $\theta(\lambda, F) = \lambda$ . Then  $(x_{\theta(\lambda, F)})$  is a subnet that is eventually in each  $F \in \mathcal{F}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 9.3.6.** Let  $(x_\lambda)$  be a net on  $X$  that generates a filter  $\mathcal{F}$ , and  $\mathcal{F}'$  be a filter finer than  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then  $(x_\lambda)$  has a subnet that generates a filter finer than  $\mathcal{F}'$ .

**Corollary 9.3.7** (Kelley). Every net has a subnet that is an ultranet.

*Proof.* Let  $(x_\lambda)$  be the net, which generates a filter  $\mathcal{F}$ . Let  $\mathcal{F}'$  be an ultrafilter finer than  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then  $(x_\lambda)$  has a subnet  $(x'_{\lambda'})$  that generates a filter finer than  $\mathcal{F}'$ . However, since  $\mathcal{F}'$  is an ultrafilter,  $(x'_{\lambda'})$  generates  $\mathcal{F}'$ . So  $(x'_{\lambda'})$  is an ultranet.  $\square$

## 9.4 Sequential Space

We have shown that the topology of a space is determined by the convergence of nets/filters in it. We may define a space whose topology space is determined by the convergence of sequences in it.

**Definition 9.4.1.** Let  $X$  be a topological space.  $X$  is a **sequential space** iff for each  $E \subseteq X$ ,  $E$  is closed iff for each converging sequence in  $E$  converges to a point in  $E$ .

**Definition 9.4.2.** Let  $X$  be a topological space.  $X$  is a **Fréchet-Urysohn space** iff for each  $E \subseteq X$ ,  $x \in E^-$  iff there is a sequence in  $E$  that converges to  $x$ .

**Theorem 9.4.3.** A space is a Fréchet-Urysohn space if and only if every subspace is a sequential space.

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a Fréchet-Urysohn space, and  $S$  be a subspace. For each subset  $E$  of  $S$ . 1. If  $E$  is closed, let  $E = E' \cap S$  where  $E'$  is closed in  $X$ . Let  $(x_n)$  be a sequence in  $E$  that converges to  $x$  in  $S$ . It's easy to see that  $(x_n)$  converges to  $x$  in  $X$ . So  $x \in E'^- = E'$  in  $X$ . So  $x \in E$ . 2. If for each sequence in  $E$  that converges to  $x$  we have  $x \in E$ . We define  $E_1$  to be  $E^-$  in  $S$  and  $E_2$  to be  $E^-$  in  $X$ . Clearly  $E_1 = E_2 \cap S$ . For each  $y \in E_1 \subseteq E_2$ . Let  $(x_n)$  be a sequence in  $E$  that converges to  $y$ . So  $E = E_1$  is closed in  $S$ .

Let  $X$  be a space such that every subspace is a sequential space. For each  $E \subseteq X$ . Consider the subspace  $S = E \cup \{x\}$ . Since  $S$  is a sequential space,  $x \in E^- \leftrightarrow E$  is not closed in  $S \leftrightarrow$  there's a sequence in  $E$  that converges to  $x$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 9.4.4.** The subspace of a Fréchet-Urysohn space is a Fréchet-Urysohn space.

**Theorem 9.4.5.** Let  $X$  be a sequential space, and  $f : X \mapsto Y$ . Then  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0 \in X$  iff for each sequence  $(x_n) \rightarrow x_0$  we have  $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x_0)$ .

*Proof.*  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0 \in X$

iff  $(\forall \text{ open } U \ni f(x_0)) x_0 \in f^{-1}(U)^\circ$

iff  $(\forall \text{ open } U \ni f(x_0)) \text{ and } \forall x_n \rightarrow x_0, (x_n) \text{ is eventually in } f^{-1}(U).$

iff  $(\forall \text{ open } U \ni f(x_0)) \text{ and } \forall x_n \rightarrow x_0, f(x_n) \text{ is eventually in } U.$

iff  $\forall x_n \rightarrow x_0, f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x_0).$   $\square$



# Chapter 10

## Separation and Countability

In the first part of this chapter we propose some conditions of separation, that describe how separate two points or two closed sets are in a topological space. In the second part we propose some conditions of countability, that describe the countability of the basis of a topological space. The stricter condition a topological space satisfies, the better properties it will enjoy.

### 10.1 $T_0$ , $T_1$ and Hausdorff( $T_2$ ) Spaces

**Definition 10.1.1.** A  $T_0$  space, as shown in Fig.10.1, is a topological space such that for each two different points  $x$  and  $y$ , there is an open set that contains one and not the other.

**Definition 10.1.2.** A  $T_1$  space, as shown in Fig.10.2, is a topological space such that for each two different points  $x$  and  $y$ , each has a neighborhood that doesn't contain the other.

**Definition 10.1.3.** A topological space is a  $T_1$  space iff each one point set is closed.

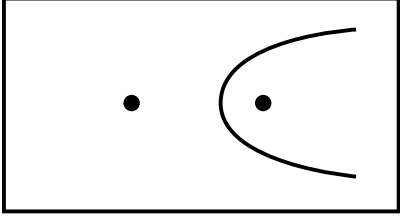
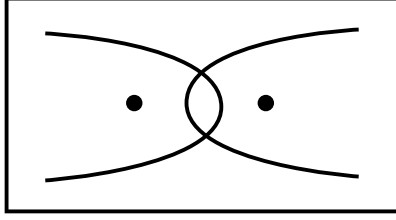
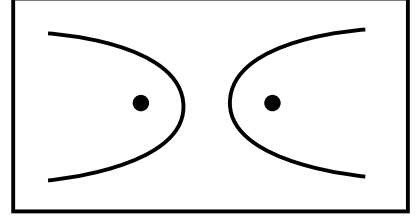
**Definition 10.1.4.** A topological space  $X$  is a  $T_1$  space iff for each  $x \in X$ , the union of all neighborhoods at  $x$  is  $\{x\}$ .

**Theorem 10.1.5.** The closed image of a  $T_1$  space is  $T_1$ .

**Definition 10.1.6.** A  $T_2$  space, also called a **Hausdorff space**, as shown in Fig.10.3, is a topological space such that for each two different points  $x$  and  $y$ , there are two disjoint open sets  $S \ni x$  and  $T \ni y$ .

**Theorem 10.1.7.** A topological space is a Hausdorff space iff each net or filter only converges to at most one point.

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a topological space that is not a  $T_2$  space. Let  $x, y \in X$  be two different points such that  $\forall S \in \mathcal{U}_x, T \in \mathcal{U}_y : S \cap T \neq \emptyset$ . (Remember that  $\mathcal{U}_x$  is the neighborhood filter at  $x$ .) Let  $\mathcal{F} = \{S \cap T | S \in \mathcal{U}_x, T \in \mathcal{U}_y\}$ . It's easy to see that  $\mathcal{F}$  is a filter that contains  $\mathcal{U}_x$  and  $\mathcal{U}_y$ . So  $\mathcal{F}$  converges to both  $x$  and  $y$ .  $\square$

Figure 10.1:  $T_0$  spaceFigure 10.2:  $T_1$  spaceFigure 10.3:  $T_2$  space

**Definition 10.1.8.** A **Urysohn space**, also called a  $T_{2\frac{1}{2}}$  space, is a topological space such that for each two different points  $x$  and  $y$ , there are two disjoint open sets  $S \ni x$  and  $T \ni y$  such that  $S^- \cap T^- = \emptyset$ .

**Theorem 10.1.9.** A Urysohn space is a  $T_2$  space. A  $T_2$  space is a  $T_1$  space. A  $T_1$  space is a  $T_0$  space.

**Theorem 10.1.10.** The subspace of a  $T_0/T_1/T_2$ /Urysohn space is  $T_0/T_1/T_2$ /Urysohn.

**Theorem 10.1.11.** The product space is a  $T_0/T_1/T_2$ /Urysohn space iff each factor space is  $T_0/T_1/T_2$ /Urysohn.

**Lemma 10.1.12.** Let  $X$  be a Hausdorff space, then the diagonal  $\Delta(X) = \{(x, x) | x \in X\}$  is closed in  $X \times X$ .

**Theorem 10.1.13.** Let  $Y$  be a Hausdorff space, and  $f : X \mapsto Y$  and  $f' : X \mapsto Y$  be two continuous maps from  $X$  to  $Y$  that coincide on a dense subset of  $X$ . Then  $f = f'$ .

*Proof.* We define a continuous map  $g : X \mapsto Y \times Y$  by  $g(x) = (f(x), f'(x))$ .  $g^{-1}(\Delta(Y))$  is dense and closed in  $X$ . So  $g^{-1}(\Delta(Y)) = X$ . □

## 10.2 Regular Spaces

**Definition 10.2.1.** A space  $X$  is a **regular space**, as shown in Fig. 10.4, iff for each closed set  $A \subseteq X$  and each  $b \notin A$ , there are two disjoint open sets  $S \supseteq A$  and  $T \ni b$ . A space  $X$  is a  **$T_3$  space** iff its  $T_1$  and regular.

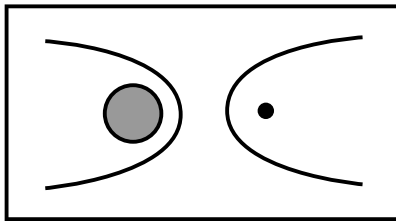


Figure 10.4: Regular space



**Theorem 10.2.2.** *A space  $X$  is a regular space iff for each open set  $A \subseteq X$  and each  $x \in A$ , there exists an open set  $B \ni x$  such that  $B^- \subseteq A$ .*

This means that regularity is a local property.

**Theorem 10.2.3.** *A  $T_0$  regular space is  $T_3$ .*

**Definition 10.2.4.** *A space  $X$  is a **completely regular space** iff for each closed set  $A \subseteq X$  and each  $x \notin A$ , there exists a continuous function  $f : X \mapsto I$  such that  $f(x) = 0$  and  $f(A) = 1$ . A space  $X$  is a **Tychonoff space**, also called a  $T_{3\frac{1}{2}}$  space, iff its  $T_1$  and completely regular.*

**Theorem 10.2.5.** *A Tychonoff space is a  $T_3$  space. A  $T_3$  space is a Urysohn space. A completely regular space is a regular space.*

**Theorem 10.2.6.** *The subspace of a regular/ $T_3$ /completely regular/Tychonoff space is regular/ $T_3$ /completely regular/Tychonoff.*

**Theorem 10.2.7.** *The product space is a regular/ $T_3$ /completely regular/Tychonoff space iff each factor space is regular/ $T_3$ /completely regular/Tychonoff.*

**Theorem 10.2.8.** *A space  $X$  is completely regular iff it has the weak topology induced by  $C^*(X)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a completely regular space. Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a basis of  $X$ . For each  $x \in X$  and each  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $x \in B$ . It's easy to see that there exists a function  $f \in C^*(X)$  such that  $f(x) = 0$  and  $f(X - B) = 1$ . So  $x \in f^{-1}(-\infty, 1/2) \subseteq B$ . So  $f^{-1}(U)$  for all  $f \in C^*(X)$  and open sets  $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  form a base of  $X$ . So  $X$  has the weak topology induced by  $C^*(X)$ .

Let  $X$  be a space with the weak topology induced by  $C^*(X)$ .  $\mathcal{S} = \{f^{-1}(U) | f \in C^*(X), U = (-\infty, a) \text{ or } (a, \infty) \text{ for some } a \in \mathbb{R}\}$  form a subbase of  $X$ . Actually  $\mathcal{S} = \{f^{-1}(0, \infty) | f \in C^*(X)\}$ . Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be the base generated by  $\mathcal{S}$ . For each closed set  $A \subseteq X$  and each  $x \notin A$ , there exists  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $x \in B$  and  $B \cap A = \emptyset$ . Let  $B = \cap_i f_i^{-1}(0, \infty)$ . Let  $f = \prod_i f_i$ . It's easy to see that  $f \in C^*(X)$ ,  $B = f^{-1}(0, \infty)$ , and  $f(X - B) = 0$ . So  $f(x) \neq 0$  and  $f(A) = 0$ . So  $X$  is completely regular.  $\square$

**Corollary 10.2.9.** *A space is a Tychonoff space iff it can be embedded in a cube  $\prod I_a$  (product of copies of the unit interval  $I$ ).*

*Proof.* Use Thm. 8.2.9.  $\square$

## 10.3 Normal Spaces

**Definition 10.3.1.** *A space  $X$  is a **normal space**, as shown in Fig.10.5, iff for each two disjoint closed sets  $A$  and  $B$ , there are two disjoint open sets  $S \supseteq A$  and  $T \supseteq B$ . A space  $X$  is a  $T_4$  space iff its  $T_1$  and normal.*

**Theorem 10.3.2.** *A space  $X$  is a normal space iff for each open set  $A \subseteq X$  and each closed set  $B \subseteq A$ , there exists an open set  $C \supseteq B$  such that  $C^- \subseteq A$ .*

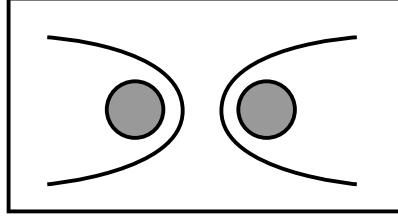


Figure 10.5: Normal space

**Theorem 10.3.3** (Urysohn). *A space  $X$  is a normal space iff for each two disjoint closed sets  $A$  and  $B$ , there exists a continuous function  $f : X \mapsto I$  such that  $f(A) = 0$  and  $f(B) = 1$ . Such a function is called a **Urysohn function** for  $A$  and  $B$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a normal space. We define  $U_0 = A$  and  $U_1 = X - B$ . We have  $U_0^- \subseteq U_1$ . We define  $U_{\frac{n}{2^m}}$  for  $m > 0, 0 \leq n \leq 2^m$  by induction: with  $U_a$  and  $U_b$  ( $a < b$ ) we define  $U_{\frac{a+b}{2}}$  as an open set such that  $U_a^- \subseteq U_{\frac{a+b}{2}} \subseteq U_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^- \subseteq U_b$ . We define  $f : X \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  as  $f(x) = \inf\{r | x \in U_r\}$ . It's easy to see that  $f$  is continuous,  $f(A) = 0$  and  $f(B) = 1$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 10.3.4.** *Every  $T_4$  space is Tychonoff.*

**Theorem 10.3.5** (Tietze).  *$X$  is a normal space iff for each closed sets  $A \subseteq X$  and each continuous map  $f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ , there is an extension of  $f$  to all of  $X$ .*

*Proof.* We prove  $\Rightarrow$ . Since  $[-1, 1]$  is homeomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}$ , we only need to prove that each continuous map  $f : A \mapsto [-1, 1]$  can be extended to all of  $X$ . Let  $g_1 = f$ . We define  $f_i, g_i, A_i$  and  $B_i$  by induction:

1.  $A_i = g_i^{-1}([\frac{2^{i-1}}{3^i}, \frac{2^{i-1}}{3^{i-1}}])$  and  $B_i = g_i^{-1}([-\frac{2^{i-1}}{3^{i-1}}, -\frac{2^{i-1}}{3^i}])$ .
2.  $f_i$  be the Urysohn function  $X \mapsto [-\frac{2^{i-1}}{3^i}, \frac{2^{i-1}}{3^i}]$  such that  $f_i(A_i) = \frac{2^{i-1}}{3^i}$  and  $f_i(B_i) = -\frac{2^{i-1}}{3^i}$ .
3.  $g_{i+1} = g_i - f_i|_A$ . It's easy to see that  $g_{i+1}(x) \in [-\frac{2^i}{3^i}, \frac{2^i}{3^i}]$

Since  $\{f_i\}$  converges uniformly,  $F = \sum_i f_i$  is continuous. It's easy to see that  $F$  is an extension of  $f$  to all of  $X$ .  $\square$

Note: we use  $f_i$  to approach  $f$  bit by bit while remaining controlled at  $X - A$ .

**Corollary 10.3.6.** *Let  $X$  be a normal space. For each closed sets  $A \subseteq X$ , each open  $U \supseteq A$ , and each continuous map  $f : A \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ , there is an extension of  $f$  to all of  $X$  such that  $\text{supp}(f) \subseteq U$ .*

**Theorem 10.3.7.** *The closed subspace of a normal/ $T_4$  is normal/ $T_4$ .*

**Definition 10.3.8.** *A space  $X$  is called **completely normal** each subspace of  $X$  is normal. A  $T_1$  completely normal space is called a  $T_5$  space.*

**Theorem 10.3.9.** *A space  $X$  is completely normal iff for each pair of subsets of  $X$ , named  $A$  and  $B$ , such that  $A \cap B^- = A^- \cap B = \emptyset$ , there are two disjoint open sets that contain  $A$  and  $B$  respectively.*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be completely normal. Consider the open subspace  $Y = X - A^- \cap B^-$ .  $A^- \cap Y$  and  $B^- \cap Y$  are disjoint closed sets in  $Y$ , and are contained in disjoint open sets  $A'$  and  $B'$ .  $A'$  and  $B'$  are disjoint open sets that contain  $A$  and  $B$  respectively.

Let  $X$  be a space that for each pair of subsets that satisfy the requirement in the theorem, there are two disjoint open sets that contain each of them respectively. For each subspace  $S$  of  $X$ , and each disjoint closed sets  $A$  and  $B$  of  $S$ . In  $X$ , it's easy to see that  $A \cap B^- = A^- \cap B = \emptyset$ . So There are two disjoint open sets in  $X$  that contain  $A$  and  $B$  respectively. So  $S$  is normal.  $\square$

**Definition 10.3.10.** A space  $X$  is called **perfectly normal** if for each pair of disjoint closed sets  $A$  and  $B$ , there exists a continuous function  $f : X \mapsto I$  such that  $A = f^{-1}(0)$  and  $B = f^{-1}(1)$ . A  $T_1$  perfectly normal space is called a  $T_6$  space.

**Theorem 10.3.11.** A space  $X$  is perfectly normal iff

1. for each closed set  $A$ , there exists a continuous function  $f : X \mapsto I$  such that  $A = f^{-1}(0)$ ;
2. each closed set is a countable intersection of open sets.

*Proof.* Clearly perfect normality  $\rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2$ .

$2 \rightarrow 1$ : Let  $A = \bigcup_n U_n$  be a closed set with all  $U_n$  open. For each  $U_n$ , define a Urysohn function  $f_n : X \mapsto I$  such that  $f_n(A) = 0$  and  $f_n(X - U_n) = 1$ . Define  $f = \sum_n f_n / 2^n$ . Then  $A = f^{-1}(0)$ .

$1 \rightarrow$  perfect normality: Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two disjoint closed sets, and  $A = f^{-1}(0)$  and  $B = g^{-1}(0)$ . Then  $f/(f+g)$  works.  $\square$

**Theorem 10.3.12.** The subspace of a perfectly normal space is perfectly normal.

**Corollary 10.3.13.** A perfectly normal space is completely normal. A completely normal space is normal.

**Lemma 10.3.14.** Each pseudo-metric space is perfectly normal. Each metric space is  $T_6$ .  $T_6 \rightarrow T_5 \rightarrow T_4$ .

## 10.4 Shrinking Lemma

**Definition 10.4.1.** Let  $X$  be a space. A collection of subsets of  $X$  is called **locally finite** iff each  $x \in X$  has a neighborhood that intersects only finitely many of the sets in the collection. A collection of subsets of  $X$  is called **discrete** iff each  $x \in X$  has a neighborhood that intersects at most one set in the collection.

**Lemma 10.4.2.** Let  $X$  be a normal space with an open cover  $(U_1, U_2)$ . There exists an open set  $V_1$  such that  $V_1^- \subseteq U_1$  and  $(V_1, U_2)$  covers  $X$ .

*Proof.*  $X - U_2$  and  $X - U_1$  are disjoint closed sets, covered by open sets  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  respectively.  $V_1$  is what we want.  $\square$

**Lemma 10.4.3.** Let  $X$  be a normal space with an open cover  $(U_1, \dots, U_n)$ . There exists an open cover  $(V_1, \dots, V_n)$  such that  $\forall i (V_i^- \subseteq U_i)$ .

*Proof.* By induction. □

**Lemma 10.4.4.** *Let  $X$  be a normal space with a locally finite open cover  $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ . There exists an open cover  $\{V_i\}_{i \in I}$  such that  $\forall i \in I (V_i^- \subseteq U_i)$ .*

*Proof.* We consider the set  $S$  of pairs  $(J, \mathcal{V})$  where  $J \subseteq I$  and  $\mathcal{V} = \{V_i\}_{i \in I}$  is an open cover of  $X$  such that

1.  $i \in J \rightarrow V_i^- \subseteq U_i$ ;
2.  $i \notin J \rightarrow V_i = U_i$ .

We equip the set  $S$  with a partial order  $(J_1, \mathcal{V}_1) \leq (J_2, \mathcal{V}_2) \leftrightarrow (J_1 \subseteq J_2) \wedge (\forall i \in J_1 (V_{1i} = V_{2i}))$ . It's easy to see that each chain has a maximal element. By Zorn's lemma, there's a maximal element  $(J, \mathcal{V})$ . It's easy to see that  $J = I$ . □

## 10.5 Countability

**Definition 10.5.1.** *A space is called **1st countable** if each point has a countable local base.*

**Example 10.5.2.** *A pseudo-metric space is 1st countable.*

**Lemma 10.5.3.** *Let  $X$  be a 1st countable space. At each  $x \in X$  we can find an countable local base  $\{B_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  such that  $B_1 \supseteq B_2 \supseteq \dots$ .*

**Corollary 10.5.4.** *A 1st countable space is a Fréchet-Urysohn space, and hence a sequential space.*

**Theorem 10.5.5.** *A 1st countable space is a Hausdorff space iff each sequence only converges to at most one point.*

**Lemma 10.5.6.** *A product of 1st countable spaces is 1st countable iff each factor space is 1st countable and all but countably many of the factor spaces are trivial.*

*Proof.* Let  $\prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  be 1st countable. Then clearly each  $X_\alpha$  is 1st countable. Let  $A' = \{\alpha \in A | X_\alpha \text{ is non-trivial}\}$ . We can find  $(x_\alpha) \in \prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  such that  $\forall \alpha \in A'$  there exists a non-trivial open set  $U_\alpha \ni x_\alpha$ . Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a local base at  $(x_\alpha)$ . For each  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  we can find  $B \supseteq \prod_{\alpha \in A_B} U(B)_\alpha \times \prod_{\alpha \notin A_B} X_\alpha \ni x$ , where  $U(B)_\alpha$  is a non-trivial open set in  $X_\alpha$ . Clearly  $A_B$  is finite. Let  $A'' = \bigcup_B A_B$ .  $A''$  is countable. It's easy to see that  $A'' \subseteq A'$ . If  $A'' \neq A'$ , let  $\beta \in (A' - A'')$ , and  $U_\beta$  be a non-trivial open set in  $X_\beta$ . Then  $U_\beta \times \prod_{\alpha \in A, \alpha \neq \beta} X_\alpha$  is an open set in  $\prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  but contains no base in  $\mathcal{B}$ , a contradiction. So  $A' = A''$  is (at most) countable. □

**Definition 10.5.7.** *A space is called **2nd countable** if it has a countable base. Clearly a 2nd countable space is a 1st countable space*

**Definition 10.5.8.** *A space is called **separable** if it has a countable dense subset.*

**Definition 10.5.9.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space. A family  $\mathcal{A}$  of subsets of  $X$  is called a **cover** of  $X$  if the union of  $\mathcal{A}$  is  $X$ . A subfamily of  $\mathcal{A}$  is called a **subcover** if its union is  $X$ . An **open cover** is a cover of open sets.*

**Definition 10.5.10.** A space is called a **Lindelöf space** if each open cover of it has a countable subcover.

**Theorem 10.5.11.** A regular Lindelöf space is normal.

*Proof.* Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two disjoint closed sets in a regular Lindelöf space  $X$ . For each  $a \in A$  we choose an open set (using AC)  $U_a \ni a$  such that  $U_a^- \cap B = \emptyset$ . Since  $\{U_a\}$  covers  $A$ , we can find a countable (assumed to be infinite) subcover  $\{U_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , such that  $A \subseteq \bigcup U_n$ . Similarly we have  $B \subseteq \bigcup V_n$ . However, at present,  $(\bigcup U_n) \cap (\bigcup V_n) \neq \emptyset$ .

We can define  $U'_n$  and  $V'_n$  by induction:

1.  $U'_i = U_i - (\bigcup_{n < i} V'_i)^-$
2.  $V'_i = V_i - (\bigcup_{n \leq i} U'_i)^-$

It's easy to see that  $\bigcup U_n$  and  $\bigcup V_n$  and disjoint open sets that contains  $A$  and  $B$  respectively.  $\square$

**Theorem 10.5.12.** A 2nd countable space is a separable Lindelöf space.

**Theorem 10.5.13.** Let  $X$  be a pseudometric space. The following are equivalent:

1.  $X$  is 2nd countable.
2.  $X$  is Lindelöf.
3.  $X$  is separable.



# Chapter 11

## Compactness

### 11.1 Compact Space

**Definition 11.1.1.** A topological space is a **compact space** iff each open cover has a finite subcover.

**Lemma 11.1.2.** A topological space is a compact space iff each family of closed sets with empty intersection has a finite subfamily with empty intersection.

**Theorem 11.1.3.** Let  $X$  be a topological space. The following statements are equivalent:

1.  $X$  is compact
2. Each filter (or equivalently each net) in  $X$  has a cluster point.
3. Each filter (or equivalently each net) in  $X$  has a convergent finer filter(subnet).
4. Each ultrafilter (or equivalently each ultranet) in  $X$  converges.

*Proof.*  $1 \Leftrightarrow 2$ :

$X$  is compact

iff  $\forall$  family of closed sets  $\mathcal{F}$  such that  $\bigcap_{F \in \mathcal{F}} F = \emptyset$  there's a finite subfamily  $\mathcal{F}'$  such that  $\bigcap_{F \in \mathcal{F}'} F = \emptyset$

iff  $\forall$  family  $\mathcal{F}$  such that  $\bigcap_{F \in \mathcal{F}} F^- = \emptyset$  there's a finite subfamily  $\mathcal{F}'$  such that  $\bigcap_{F \in \mathcal{F}'} F^- = \emptyset$

iff  $\forall$  family  $\mathcal{F}$  such that  $\bigcap_{F \in \mathcal{F}} F^- = \emptyset$  is not a filter subbase

iff  $\forall$  filter  $\mathcal{F}(\bigcap_{F \in \mathcal{F}} F^- \neq \emptyset)$

It's easy to see that  $2 \Leftrightarrow 3 \Leftrightarrow 4$ . □

**Theorem 11.1.4.** A compact subset of a Hausdorff space is closed.

**Theorem 11.1.5.** A closed subset of a compact space is compact.

**Theorem 11.1.6.** The continuous image of a compact space is compact.

**Theorem 11.1.7.** A non-empty product space is compact iff each factor space is compact.

*Proof.* Let  $X = \prod_{\alpha} X_{\alpha}$ . If each  $X_{\alpha}$  is compact. Let  $\{(x_{\alpha}^i) | i \in \Lambda\}$  be a supernet in  $X$ . It's easy to see that for each  $\alpha$ ,  $\{x_{\alpha}^i | i \in \Lambda\}$  is a supernet in  $X_{\alpha}$ , and it converges, say to  $x_{\alpha}$ . It's easy to see that  $\{(x_{\alpha}^i) | i \in \Lambda\}$  converges to  $(x_{\alpha})$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 11.1.8.**  *$I$  is compact with usual topology.*

*Proof.* For each open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $I$ , let  $S = \{x | [0, x] \text{ is covered by finite elements of } \mathcal{U}\}$ . If  $\sup S < 1$ , then let  $\sup S \in (a, b) \subseteq U \in \mathcal{U}$ , where  $\sup S < b$ . Then  $b \in S$ , a contradiction.  $\square$

**Corollary 11.1.9.** *A subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with usual topology is compact iff it's closed and bounded.*

**Lemma 11.1.10.** *Disjoint compact subsets of a Hausdorff space can be separated by disjoint open sets.*

**Corollary 11.1.11.** *A compact Hausdorff space  $X$  is a  $T_4$  space.*

**Definition 11.1.12.** *A topological space is a **countably compact space** iff each countable open cover has a finite subcover. Clearly a space is compact iff it's Lindelöf and countably compact.*

**Lemma 11.1.13.** *A topological space is a countably compact space iff each countable family of closed sets with empty intersection has a finite subfamily with empty intersection.*

**Theorem 11.1.14.** *A closed subset of a countably compact space is countably compact.*

**Theorem 11.1.15.** *A continuous real-valued function on a countable compact space is bounded.*

**Theorem 11.1.16.** *A space  $X$  is countably compact iff each sequence in  $X$  has a cluster point.*

We prove this theorem following the spirit of the proof of Thm. 11.1.3.

*Proof.*  $\Rightarrow$ : Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence. For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we define  $S_n = \{x_m | m \geq n\}^-$ . If  $\bigcap_n \{S_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\} = \emptyset$ , then  $\exists n_0 (\bigcap_n \{S_n | n < n_0\} = \emptyset)$ . That means  $\{x_m | m \geq n_0\}^- = \emptyset$ , which is impossible. So  $\bigcap_n S_n \neq \emptyset$ . Any  $x \in \bigcap_n S_n$  is a cluster point of  $\{x_n\}$ .

$\Leftarrow$ : Let  $\{U_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a family of closed sets such that  $\bigcap_n \{U_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\} = \emptyset$ . If  $(\forall n \in \mathbb{N}) \bigcap_{m \leq n} U_m \neq \emptyset$ , we can always choose  $x_n \in \bigcap_{m \leq n} U_m$ . The sequence  $\{x_n\}$  has a cluster point  $a$ . Let  $a \notin U_m$ , then  $\forall k > m (x_k \in U_m)$ , a contradiction.  $\square$

**Definition 11.1.17.** *A topological space  $X$  is a **sequentially compact space** iff each sequence in  $X$  has a convergent subsequence.*

**Definition 11.1.18.** *A topological space  $X$  is a **limit-point compact space** iff each infinite subset in  $X$  has a limit point.*

**Definition 11.1.19.** *A space is **locally compact** iff each point has a compact neighborhood.*

**Theorem 11.1.20.** *In a locally compact Hausdorff space, each point has a compact neighborhood base.*

*Proof.* Let  $x$  be a point with a compact neighborhood  $U$  and a local base  $\mathcal{N}_x$ .  $U$  is a compact Hausdorff space, so it's  $T_3$ . For each  $N \in \mathcal{N}_x$ ,  $N \cap U$  is an open neighborhood of  $x$ , which contains a closed neighborhood  $N'$  of  $x$  in  $U$ , which is compact. It's easy to see all  $N'$ 's form a compact neighborhood base.  $\square$



## 11.2 Relationship between Different Compact Conditions

**Theorem 11.2.1.** *Every sequentially compact space is countable compact.*

*Proof.* Each sequence has a cluster point that a subsequence converges to. □

**Theorem 11.2.2.** *Every countable compact space is limit-point compact.*

*Proof.* We can construct a sequence in a infinite subset such that any two elements are different. This sequence converges to a limit point of the subset. □

**Theorem 11.2.3.** *A  $T_1$  limit-point compact space is countable compact.*

*Proof.* For each sequence with infinite elements, we have a limit point. Since the space is  $T_1$ , the limit point has a neighborhood that excludes the first  $n$  points of the sequence for each  $n$ . So the limit point is a cluster point of the sequence. □

**Theorem 11.2.4.** *A sequential limit-point compact space is sequentially compact.*

*Proof.* Let  $(x_n)$  be a sequence with infinite elements. Let  $A = \{x_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  with limit point  $x$ . Clearly  $A - \{x\}$  is not closed. So there's a sequence  $(y_n)$  in  $A - \{x\}$  that converges. Then it's easy to find a subsequence of  $(x_n)$  that converges. □

**Theorem 11.2.5.** *A Lindelöf countable compact space is compact.*

**Lemma 11.2.6.** *Every sequentially compact metric space is 2nd countable.*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a sequentially compact metric space. For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , pick  $x_1^{[n]} \in X$ , then pick  $x_2^{[n]} \in (X - B(x_1^{[n]}, 1/n))$  if possible, then pick  $x_3^{[n]} \in (X - B(x_1^{[n]}, 1/n) \cup B(x_2^{[n]}, 1/n))$  if possible ...For each  $n$ , this process must stop in  $M_n$  steps. Otherwise we have a sequence  $(x_i^{[n]})$ , which has a cluster point  $x^{[n]}$ .  $B(x^{[n]}, 1/n)$  contains some elements in  $(x_i^{[n]})$ , say  $x_m^{[n]}$ . Thus  $\rho(x^{[n]}, x_m^{[n]}) < 1/n$ . Thus  $B(x^{[n]}, 1/n - \rho(x^{[n]}, x_m^{[n]}))$  contains no element in  $(x_i^{[n]})$ , a contradiction. It's easy to see that  $\{B(x_i^{[n]}, 1/n) | n \in \mathbb{N}, i \leq M_n\}$  forms a countable base. □

The relationship between different compact conditions is shown in Fig. 11.1.

## 11.3 Compactification

**Definition 11.3.1.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space. A **compactification**, written as  $(Y, f)$ , is an embedding  $f$  of  $X$  to a compact space  $Y$  such that  $f(X)$  is dense in  $Y$ . If  $Y$  is further Hausdorff, the compactification is called a **Hausdorff compactification**.*

**Lemma 11.3.2.** *A space has a Hausdorff compactification iff it's Tychonoff.*

**Definition 11.3.3.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space. Let  $X' = X \cup \{\infty\}$  ( $\infty \notin X$ ). In  $X'$ , let  $\{X' - T | T \text{ is compact in } X\}$  be a neighborhood base at  $\infty$  and the neighborhood base at any  $x \in X$  is identical to  $X$ . This gives us a topology of  $X'$ , with which  $X'$  is a compact space. This process is illustrated in Fig. 11.2.  $X'$  is called the **Alexandroff extension** of  $X$ .*

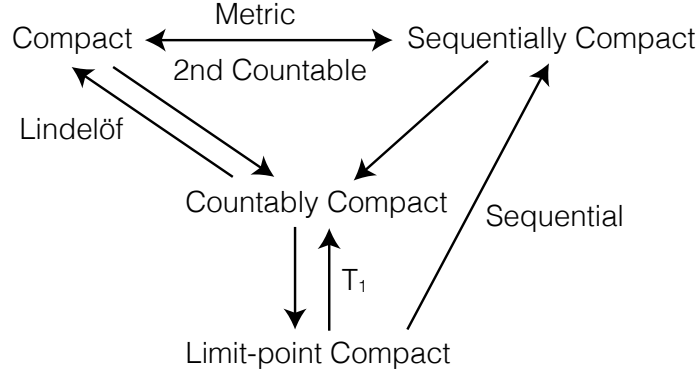


Figure 11.1: Relationship between different compact conditions.

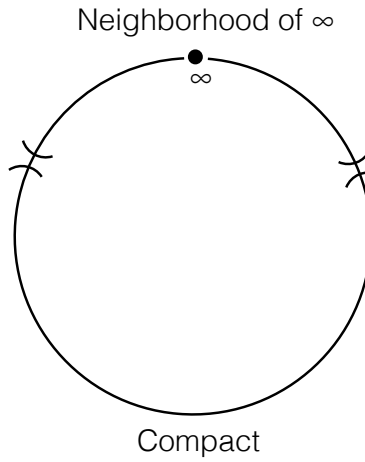


Figure 11.2: Illustration of Alexandroff extension.

**Lemma 11.3.4.** *Let  $X$  be a locally compact and Hausdorff but not compact space. Let  $X'$  be the Alexandroff extension of  $X$ . Then  $(X', \iota)$  is a Hausdorff compactification, called **one-point compactification**.*

**Corollary 11.3.5.** *A locally compact Hausdorff space is Tychonoff.*

**Definition 11.3.6.** *Let  $X$  be a Tychonoff space. As in Col. 10.2.9, we have an embedding  $e : X \mapsto \prod_{f \in C^*(X)} I_f$ , where  $e$  is the evaluation map induced by  $C^*(X)$ . The map  $X \mapsto e(X)^-$  is a Hausdorff compactification, called the **Stone-Čech compactification**. The space  $e(X)^-$  is usually denoted by  $\beta X$ .*

**Theorem 11.3.7.** *Let  $K$  be a compact Hausdorff space,  $X$  be a Tychonoff space,  $(\beta X, e)$  be the Stone-Čech compactification of  $X$ . For each continuous map  $f : X \mapsto K$  be continuous, there's a unique continuous map  $F : \beta X \mapsto K$  such that  $F \circ e = f$ .*

*Proof.* We already have an embedding  $e : X \rightarrow \prod_{g \in C^*(X)} I_g$ . Similarly we can construct an embedding  $e' : K \rightarrow \prod_{g \in C^*(K)} I_g$ . Using  $f : X \mapsto K$ , can construct a continuous function  $T_f : \prod_{g \in C^*(X)} I_g \mapsto$

$\prod_{g \in C^*(K)} I_g$  by

$$(T_f(a))_g = (a)_{g \circ f}, \quad \forall g \in C^*(K) \quad (11.1)$$

Since  $\forall x \in X \forall g \in C^*(K)$ ,  $(T_f(e(x)))_g = (e(x))_{g \circ f} = g(f(x))$ . We have  $T_f \circ e = e' \circ f$ . That is, the following diagram commutes.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \prod_{g \in C^*(X)} I_g & \xrightarrow{T_f} & \prod_{g \in C^*(K)} I_g \\ \uparrow e & & \uparrow e' \\ X & \xrightarrow{f} & K \end{array}$$

Clearly  $T_f(e(X)) \subseteq e'(K)$ . Thus  $T_f(\beta X) \subseteq e'(K)^- = e'(K)$ . We define  $F : \beta X \mapsto K$  as  $F = e'^{-1} \circ T_f|_{\beta X}$ . It's easy to see that  $F \circ e = f$ .

For uniqueness, use Thm. 10.1.13. □

**Definition 11.3.8.** Let  $X$  be Tychonoff space,  $\tilde{X}$  be the class of all compactifications of  $X$ . We define a equivalence relation  $(K_1, h_1) \sim (K_2, h_2)$  iff there is an homeomorphism  $f : K_1 \mapsto K_2$  such that  $f \circ h_1 = h_2$ . Let  $[\tilde{X}]$  be the resulting equivalent classes. We can define a binary relation on  $[\tilde{X}]$ :  $[(K_1, h_1)] \leq [(K_2, h_2)]$  iff there's a continuous function  $F : K_2 \mapsto K_1$  such that  $F \circ h_2 = h_1$ .

**Lemma 11.3.9.** The binary relation  $\leq$  we just defined is a well-defined partial order.

*Proof.* Let  $[(K_1, h_1)], [(K_2, h_2)] \in [\tilde{X}]$ ,  $[(K_1, h_1)] \leq [(K_2, h_2)]$  with continuous function  $F : K_2 \mapsto K_1$ , and  $[(K_2, h_2)] \leq [(K_1, h_1)]$  with continuous function  $G : K_1 \mapsto K_2$ . We have  $G \circ F \circ h_2 = G \circ h_1 = h_2$ . So  $G \circ F|_{h_2(X)} = 1_{h_2(X)}$ . Since  $h_2(X)$  is dense in  $K_2$ , we have  $G \circ F = 1$ . Similarly  $F \circ G = 1$ . So  $F = G^{-1}$  is a homeomorphism. So  $[(K_1, h_1)] = [(K_2, h_2)]$ . □

**Theorem 11.3.10.** Let  $X$  be Tychonoff space. The Stone-Čech compactification  $[(\beta X, e)]$  is the maximal element in  $[\tilde{X}]$ .

## 11.4 Paracompactness

**Definition 11.4.1.** Let  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $\mathcal{V}$  be two covers of  $X$ .  $\mathcal{V}$  is a **refinement** of  $\mathcal{U}$  iff  $(\forall V \in \mathcal{V})(\exists U \in \mathcal{U}) V \subseteq U$ .

**Definition 11.4.2.** Let  $X$  be a space. A collection of subsets of  $X$  is  **$\sigma$ -locally finite** iff it is the union of a countable family of locally finite collections of subsets of  $X$ . A collections of subsets of  $X$  is  **$\sigma$ -discrete** iff it is the union of a countable family of discrete collections of subsets of  $X$ .

**Definition 11.4.3.** A Hausdorff space  $X$  is **paracompact** iff each open cover of  $X$  has an open locally finite refinement.

**Theorem 11.4.4** (Michael). Let  $X$  be a  $T_3$  space. The following are equivalent:

1.  $X$  is paracompact.
2. Each open cover of  $X$  has an open  $\sigma$ -locally finite refinement.

3. Each open cover of  $X$  has a locally finite refinement.

4. Each open cover of  $X$  has a closed locally finite refinement.

*Proof.*  $2 \rightarrow 3$ : Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $X$ . Let  $\mathcal{V} = \bigcup_n \mathcal{V}_n$  be an open  $\sigma$ -locally finite refinement. Let  $A_n = \bigcup \mathcal{V}_n - \bigcup_{m < n} (\bigcup \mathcal{V}_m)$ . Then  $\{A_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a locally finite cover of  $X$ . It's easy to see that  $\{V_n \cap A_n | V_n \in \mathcal{V}_n, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a locally finite refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$ .

$3 \rightarrow 4$ : Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $X$ . For each  $x \in X$ , choose a  $U_x \in \mathcal{U}$  such that  $x \in U_x$ . Choose an open set  $V_x$  such that  $x \in V_x \subseteq V_x^- \subseteq U_x$ . Then  $\{V_x | x \in X\}$  is an open refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$ , and has a locally finite refinement  $\mathcal{S}$ . It's easy to see that  $\{S^- | S \in \mathcal{S}\}$  is a closed locally finite refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$ .

$4 \rightarrow 1$ : Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $X$ , which has a closed locally finite refinement  $\mathcal{V}$ . For each  $x \in X$ , we can choose  $W_x$  that intersects with finitely many of elements in  $\mathcal{V}$ . This forms an open cover  $\mathcal{W} = \{W_x | x \in X\}$ , which has a closed locally finite refinement  $\mathcal{A}$ . For each  $V \in \mathcal{V}$ , let  $V^* = X - \bigcup \{A \in \mathcal{A} | A \cap V = \emptyset\}$ . Clearly  $\{V^* | V \in \mathcal{V}\}$  is an open refinement. Furthermore, for each  $x \in X$ , there's a neighborhood  $N$  of  $x$  that only intersects with finitely many members of  $\mathcal{A}$ . Since each element in  $\mathcal{A}$  only intersects with finitely many members of  $\mathcal{V}$ . We see that  $N$  only intersects with finitely many  $V^*$ s. So  $\{V^* | V \in \mathcal{V}\}$  is an open locally finite refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 11.4.5** (Stone). *Every pseudometric space is paracompact.*

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of the metric space  $X$ . For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ , let  $U_n = \{x \in U | \rho(x, X - U) \geq 1/2^n\}$ . Let  $\leq$  be a well-ordering of  $\mathcal{U}$ . Let  $U_n^* = U_n - \bigcup_{V < U} V_{n+1}$ , as shown in Fig. 11.3. It's easy to see that  $\rho(U_n^*, V_n^*) \geq 1/2^{n+1}$  for each  $U \neq V \in \mathcal{U}$ . Let  $\tilde{U}_n = \{x \in U | \rho(x, U_n^*) < 1/2^{n+3}\}$ .  $\bigcup_n \{\tilde{U}_n | U \in \mathcal{U}\}$  is a  $\sigma$ -discrete open refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$ .  $\square$

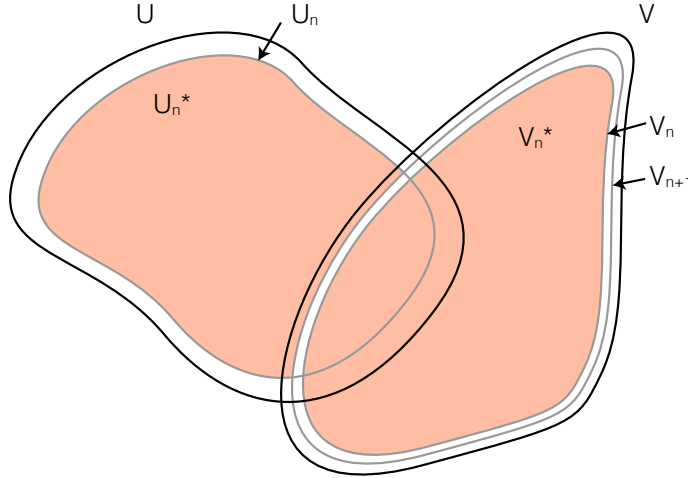


Figure 11.3:  $U_n^*$  and  $V_n^*$ , where  $V < U$ .

**Theorem 11.4.6.** *A closed subspace of a paracompact space is paracompact.*

**Theorem 11.4.7.** *A Hausdorff paracompact space is normal.*

*Proof.* Firstly, we prove the regularity. Let  $X$  be a Hausdorff paracompact space,  $x \in X$  and  $A$  be a closed set not containing  $x$ . For each  $a \in A$ , we have two disjoint open sets  $U_a \ni x$  and  $V_a \ni a$ .  $\{X - A\} \cup \{V_a | a \in A\}$  is an open cover of  $X$ . It has an open locally finite refinement  $\mathcal{V}$ . Discarding the open sets contained in  $X - A$ , we have an open locally finite cover  $\mathcal{V}'$  of  $A$ . Let  $N$  be an open neighborhood of  $x$  disjoint from  $A$  that intersects with finitely members of  $\mathcal{V}'$ . Since each member in  $\mathcal{V}'$  doesn't contain  $x$ . We can further shrink  $N$  to  $N'$  which is disjoint from all elements of  $\mathcal{V}'$ . Then  $\bigcup \mathcal{V}'$  is an open set that contains  $A$  and is disjoint from  $N'$ .

Secondly, we prove the normality. Let  $X$  be a Hausdorff paracompact space,  $A$  and  $B$  be two disjoint closed sets. Mimicking the first part, we have an open locally finite cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $A$ , of which each element is disjoint from  $B$ . Similarly, for each  $b \in B$  we have an open neighborhood  $V_b$  disjoint from each member of  $\mathcal{U}$ . Then  $\bigcup \mathcal{U}$  and  $\bigcup V_b$  are disjoint open sets that contains  $A$  and  $B$  respectively.  $\square$

## 11.5 Partition of Unity

**Definition 11.5.1.** Let  $X$  be a topological space, and let  $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$  be an open cover. Then a **partition of unity** subordinate to the cover is a set  $\{f_i\}_{i \in I}$  of continuous functions  $f_i : X \mapsto I$  such that

1.  $(\forall i \in I) \text{supp}(f_i) \subseteq U_i$ ;
2.  $\{\text{supp}(f_i)\}_{i \in I}$  is a locally finite cover;
3.  $(\forall x \in X) \sum_{i \in I} f_i(x) = 1$ .

where  $\text{supp}(f_i) = (f_i^{-1}((0, 1]))^-$ .

**Lemma 11.5.2.** Let  $X$  be a paracompact space with open cover  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ . Then  $\mathcal{U}$  has a locally finite refinement  $\{V_i\}_{i \in I}$  such that  $(\forall i \in I) V_i \subseteq U_i$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\{W_i\}_{i \in J}$  be a locally finite refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$ . Let  $\phi : J \mapsto I$  be a choice function  $W_i \subseteq U_{\phi(i)}$ . Let  $V_i = \bigcup_{j \in \phi^{-1}(i)} W_j$ . Then  $\{V_i\}_{i \in I}$  is a locally finite refinement.  $\square$

**Lemma 11.5.3.** Let  $X$  be a paracompact Hausdorff space. For each open cover  $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ , there is a subordinate partition of unity.

*Proof.* Let  $\{V_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a locally finite refinement of  $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$  such that  $(\forall i \in I) V_i \subseteq U_i$ . By shrinking lemma, we have covers  $\{W_i\}_{i \in I}$  and  $\{T_i\}_{i \in I}$  such that  $(\forall i \in I) T_i \subseteq T_i^- \subseteq W_i \subseteq W_i^- \subseteq V_i$ . Let  $f_i$  be a Urysohn function for  $T_i^-$  and  $X - W_i$ , such  $f_i(T_i^-) = 1$  and  $f_i(X - W_i) = 0$ . So  $(\forall i \in I) T_i \subseteq \text{supp}(f_i) \subseteq V_i$ . For each  $x \in X$  let  $f(x) = \sum_i f_i(x)$ . It's easy to see that  $f_i$  is well-defined, non-zero and continuous. Let  $f'_i = f_i/f$ . Then  $\{f'_i\}$  is a partition of unity.  $\square$



# Chapter 12

## Connectedness

### 12.1 Connectedness

**Definition 12.1.1.** A space  $X$  is **disconnected** if there's two disjoint nonempty open sets  $U$  and  $V$  such that  $X = U \cup V$ . A space is **connected** if it's not disconnected.

**Lemma 12.1.2.** The continuous image of a connected space is connected.

**Lemma 12.1.3.** Let  $S \subseteq X$  be connected. Then  $S^-$  is connected.

**Definition 12.1.4.** Two set  $A$  and  $B$  in  $X$  are **mutually separated** iff  $A^- \cap B = A \cap B^- = \emptyset$ .

**Lemma 12.1.5.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be mutually separated sets, and  $C \subseteq A \cup B$  be a connected set. Then  $C \subseteq A$  or  $C \subseteq B$ .

**Lemma 12.1.6.** Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a family of connected subsets of  $X$ .  $\bigcup \mathcal{C}$  is connected if no two members of  $\mathcal{C}$  are mutually separated.

*Proof.* Let  $\bigcup \mathcal{C} = A \cup B$  be disconnected, where  $A$  and  $B$  are nonempty open sets in  $\bigcup \mathcal{C}$ . Clearly  $A$  and  $B$  are mutually disjoint in  $\bigcup \mathcal{C}$ . So  $(\forall C \in \mathcal{C}) C \subseteq A \vee C \subseteq B$ . Each  $C$  in  $A$  and each  $C'$  in  $B$  are mutually disjoint.  $\square$

**Corollary 12.1.7.** Let  $\{C_n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a family of connected subsets of  $X$ . For each  $n$ ,  $C_n$  and  $C_{n+1}$  are not mutually separated. Then  $\bigcup_n C_n$  is connected.

*Proof.* Clearly for each  $N$ ,  $\bigcup_{n < N} C_n$  is connected.  $\square$

**Lemma 12.1.8.** A product space is connected iff each factor space is connected.

*Proof.* Let  $X = \prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  be disconnected. Let  $X = A \cup B$  where  $A$  and  $B$  are basic open sets. Let  $U$  and  $V$  be two basic open sets in  $A$  and  $B$  respectively. We have a finite subset  $A' = \{\alpha_n | 0 < n \leq N\} \subseteq A$  such that  $U = \prod_{\alpha \in A'} U_\alpha \times \prod_{\alpha \in (A-A')} X_\alpha$  and  $V = \prod_{\alpha \in A'} V_\alpha \times \prod_{\alpha \in (A-A')} X_\alpha$ . We can find  $u \in U$  and  $v \in V$  such that  $u_\alpha = v_\alpha$  for  $\alpha \in (A - A')$ . We define  $u_n \in X$  by  $u_{n,\alpha_m} = u_{\alpha_m}$  for  $m < n$ ,  $u_{n,\alpha_m} = v_{\alpha_m}$  for  $m \geq n$  and  $u_\alpha = v_\alpha$  for  $\alpha \in (A - A')$ . Clearly  $u_1 = v$  and  $u_{N+1} = u$ . Let  $u_m \in B$  and  $u_{m+1} \in A$ . Let  $L = \{x \in X | x_{n,\alpha_i} = u_{\alpha_i} \text{ for } i < m \text{ and } x_{n,\alpha_i} = v_{\alpha_i} \text{ for } i > m \text{ and } x_\alpha = v_\alpha \text{ for } \alpha \in (A - A')\}$ . Clearly  $u_{m+1} \in A \cup L \neq \emptyset$  and  $u_m \in B \cup L \neq \emptyset$ . So  $L$  is disconnected. And  $L$  is homeomorphic to  $X_{\alpha_m}$ . So there exists a disconnected factor space.  $\square$

**Definition 12.1.9.** Let  $X$  be a space and  $x \in X$ . The **component** of  $x$  is the union of all connected sets that contain  $x$ .

**Lemma 12.1.10.** The **component** of  $x$  is connected and closed.

**Definition 12.1.11.** Let  $X$  be a space. The **components** of  $X$  is the family of sets that are components of some  $x \in X$ .

**Lemma 12.1.12.** The **components** of  $X$  is a disjoint closed cover of  $X$ .

**Definition 12.1.13.** A space  $X$  is **locally connected** iff each point has a neighborhood base consisting of connected sets.

**Lemma 12.1.14.**  $X$  is locally connected iff each component of each open set is open.

**Corollary 12.1.15.** The components of a locally connected space are open and closed.

## 12.2 Path-connectedness

**Definition 12.2.1.** Let  $X$  be a space and  $x, y \in X$ .  $x$  and  $y$  are **connected by a path** if there's a continuous function  $f : I \mapsto X$  such that  $f(0) = x$  and  $f(1) = y$ .

**Definition 12.2.2.** A space is **path-connected** if any two points are connected by a path.

**Lemma 12.2.3.** Every path-connected space is connected.

**Definition 12.2.4.** A space  $X$  is **locally path-connected** iff each point has a neighborhood base consisting of path-connected sets.

**Theorem 12.2.5.** A connected, locally path-connected space  $X$  is path-connected.

*Proof.* Let  $x \in X$ , and  $B_x = \{y \in X \mid x \text{ and } y \text{ are connected by a path}\}$ . It can be shown that  $B_x$  is both open and closed. So  $B_x = X$ . □

**Example 12.2.6.** A path-connected space need not be locally path-connected. A counter example is the **comb space**. The comb space is a subspace of  $I \times I$ , defined by  $C = \{(x, y) \subseteq I \times I \mid x = 0 \vee y = 0 \vee 1/x \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .  $X$  is path-connected, but not locally path-connected at  $(0, 0.5)$ .



# Chapter 13

## Metrizable Spaces

### 13.1 Metrization

**Lemma 13.1.1.** *Let  $X$  be a metric space with metric  $\rho$ . Let  $\rho' = \min(\rho, 1)$ . Then the metric space induced by  $\rho'$  is the same as  $X$ .*

**Lemma 13.1.2.** *A nonempty product space  $\prod_{\alpha} M_{\alpha}$  is metrizable iff each  $M_{\alpha}$  is metrizable and  $M_{\alpha}$  is a single point for all but a countable set of indices.*

*Proof.*  $\Rightarrow$ : Use Lem. 10.5.6.

$\Leftarrow$ : Let  $\prod_i M_i$  be a product of countably many non-trivial metric spaces, and let  $\rho_i \leq 1$  be a metric of  $X_i$ . We define a metric  $\rho = \sum \rho_i/2^i$ , which induce a topology with the base  $\{B(x, \epsilon) | x \in X, \epsilon < 1\}$ . The base of the product topology is  $\{\prod_{i \leq n} B_i(x, \epsilon_i) \times \prod_{i > n} X_i | x \in X, \epsilon_i < 1\}$ . These two bases give the same topology, since given  $B = \prod_{i \leq n} B_i(x, \epsilon_i) \times \prod_{i > n} X_i$  we have  $B(x, \epsilon) \subseteq B$  if  $\epsilon < \epsilon_i/2^i$  for all  $i \leq n$ , and given  $B(x, \epsilon)$  we have  $\prod_{i \leq n} B_i(x, \epsilon/2n) \times \prod_{i > n} X_i \subseteq B(x, \epsilon)$  if  $\sum_{i > n} 1/2^i < \epsilon/2$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 13.1.3.** *The space  $I^{\omega}$  with product topology is metrizable.*

**Theorem 13.1.4** (Urysohn). *A 2nd countable Tychonoff space  $X$  is metrizable.*

*Proof.* Let  $\{B_n\}$  be a countable base and  $x_n \in B_n$ . Let  $f_n : X \mapsto I$  be a map such that  $f(x_n) = 1$  and  $f(X - B_n) = 0$ . Using Thm. 8.2.9, we see  $X$  can be embedded in  $I^{\omega}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 13.1.5.** *A space is metrizable iff it's  $T_3$  and has a  $\sigma$ -locally finite base.*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a metric space with metric  $\rho$ . For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $\mathcal{B}_n = \{B(x, 1/n) | x \in X\}$  be an open cover of  $X$ . From Thm. 11.4.5,  $\mathcal{B}_n$  has a locally finite refinement. So  $X$  has a  $\sigma$ -locally finite base.  $\square$

### 13.2 Complete Metric Spaces

**Theorem 13.2.1.** *Every metric space  $M$  can be isometrically embedded as a dense subset of a complete space.*

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be the set of all Cauchy sequences in  $M$ . We define a pseudometric on  $\mathcal{M}$  as

$$\tilde{\rho}(\{x_n\}, \{y_n\}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(x_n, y_n) \quad (13.1)$$

Since  $\{\rho(x_n, y_n)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$  ( $|\rho(x_n, y_n) - \rho(x_m, y_m)| \leq \rho(x_n, x_m) + \rho(y_n, y_m)$ ), the limit always exists. It's easy to see  $\mathcal{M}$  is a pseudometric space. It induces a metric space  $\mathcal{M}^*$  as in Lem. 7.5.5. Let  $\{x^i\} = \{[\{x_n^i\}]\}$  be a Cauchy sequence in  $\mathcal{M}^*$ . We define  $N_i$  such that

1.  $\forall i (\forall n, n' \geq N_i) \rho(x_n^i, x_{n'}^i) < \frac{1}{i}$
2.  $N_1 < N_2 < \dots$

We define  $y = [\{x_{N_i}^i\}]$ . Then  $\rho(x_{N_i}^i, x_{N_j}^j) \leq \frac{1}{i} + \frac{1}{j} + \tilde{\rho}(x^i, x^j)$ . So  $\{x_{N_i}^i\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $M$  and  $y \in \mathcal{M}^*$ . Since

$$\tilde{\rho}(y, x^j) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \rho(x_{N_i}^i, x_{N_j}^j) \quad (13.2)$$

$$\leq \rho(x_{N_{i_0}}^{i_0}, x_{N_j}^j) + \epsilon \quad (i_0 \geq N_j, i_0 \geq j) \quad (13.3)$$

$$\leq \rho(x_{N_{i_0}}^{i_0}, x_{N_j}^j) + \rho(x_{N_j}^j, x_{N_{i_0}}^{i_0}) + \epsilon \quad (13.4)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{i_0} + \frac{2}{j} + \tilde{\rho}(x^{i_0}, x^j) + \epsilon \quad (13.5)$$

It's easy to see that  $\tilde{\rho}(y, x^j) \rightarrow 0$ . Then  $x^i \rightarrow y$ . So  $\mathcal{M}^*$  is complete.

The embedding map  $f : M \mapsto \mathcal{M}^*$  is  $f(x) = [\{x, x, x, \dots\}]$ . Clearly  $f$  is an isometry.  $\forall y = [\{y_i\}] \in \mathcal{M}^*$ , it's easy to see that  $f(y_i) \rightarrow y$  as  $i \rightarrow \infty$ . So  $f(M)$  is dense in  $\mathcal{M}^*$ . □

# Chapter 14

## Selected Topics

### 14.1 Topological Group

**Definition 14.1.1.** Let  $G$  be a group and also a topological space.  $G$  is called a **topological group** iff the map  $x \mapsto x^{-1}$  and the map  $(x, y) \mapsto xy$  are continuous.

**Theorem 14.1.2.** Let  $G$  be a topological group. For each  $g \in G$ , the map  $x \mapsto xg$  and the map  $x \mapsto gx$  are automorphisms.

**Theorem 14.1.3.** Let  $G$  be a topological group, and  $U$  be a neighborhood of  $g \in G$ . Then  $Uh$  is a neighborhood at  $gh$  and  $hU$  is a neighborhood at  $hg$ .  $U^{-1}$  is a neighborhood at  $g^{-1}$ .

**Lemma 14.1.4.** Let  $G$  be a topological group, and  $U$  be a neighborhood of  $e \in G$ . Then  $U^{-} \subseteq U^{-1}U$ .

*Proof.* Let  $g \in U^{-}$ . Since  $Ug$  is a neighborhood of  $g$ ,  $U \cap Ug \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $u = u'g$ , then  $g = u'^{-1}u \in U^{-1}U$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 14.1.5.** A topological group is a regular space.

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a topological group. It's enough to prove that for each neighborhood  $U$  of  $e$ , there exists a neighborhood  $V$  of  $e$  such that  $V^{-} \subseteq U$ . It's easy to see that there exists a neighborhood  $V$  of  $e$  such that  $V = V^{-1}$  and  $V^2 \subseteq U$ . (First choose neighborhood  $T$  such that  $T^2 \subseteq U$ , which is possible since  $(x, y) \mapsto xy$  is continuous. Next choose  $S \subseteq T$  such that  $S^{-1} \subseteq T$ , which is possible since  $x \mapsto x^{-1}$  is continuous.  $V = S \cup S^{-1}$  satisfies the requirements. ) So  $V^{-} \subseteq V^{-1}V \subseteq U$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 14.1.6.** A topological group is a complete regular space.

*Proof.* [problem 2](#) or Willard 35F  $\square$

**Theorem 14.1.7.** A  $T_0$  topological group is a  $T_1$  space.

*Proof.* Let  $G$  be a  $T_0$  topological group. For each  $g \neq h \in G$ , let  $g \in gU$  such that  $h \notin gU$ . We have  $g \notin hU^{-1}$  and  $h \in hU^{-1}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 14.1.8.** A  $T_0$  topological group is a Tychonoff space.

## 14.2 Manifold

**Definition 14.2.1.** An  $n$ -dimensional **manifold**  $M$  is a 2nd countable Hausdorff space such that each point has a neighborhood that can be embedded in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

**Definition 14.2.2.** Let  $M$  be an  $n$ -dimensional manifold. A **coordinate chart** on  $M$  is a pair  $(U, \phi)$  where  $U$  is an open subset of  $M$  and  $U \mapsto \phi(U) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is a homeomorphism. An **atlas**  $\{(U_\alpha, \phi_\alpha)\}$  is a family of coordinate charts such that  $\{U_\alpha\}$  covers  $M$ .

**Lemma 14.2.3.** A manifold is locally compact and locally path-connected.

**Lemma 14.2.4.** A manifold has at most countably many components.

*Proof.* A manifold is Lindelöf. □

**Lemma 14.2.5.** A manifold is metrizable.

*Proof.* Since a manifold is locally compact, it is Tychonoff. By Urysohn metrization theorem, it's metrizable. □

**Corollary 14.2.6.** A manifold is perfectly normal and paracompact.

**Corollary 14.2.7.** A manifold admits partition of unity.

**Definition 14.2.8.** Let  $M$  be a manifold. Let  $A$  be a closed set in  $M$ , and  $U \supseteq A$  be an open set. A **bump function** for a  $A$  supported in  $U$  is a continuous function  $f : M \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f(A) = 1$  and  $\text{supp}(f) \subseteq U$ .

**Lemma 14.2.9.** Let  $M$  be a manifold. For any closed set  $A \subseteq M$  and any open set  $U \supseteq A$ , there's a bump function for a  $A$  supported in  $U$ .

**Definition 14.2.10.** An **exhaustion function** for a space  $X$  is a continuous map  $f : X \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f^{-1}((-\infty, c])$  is compact for each  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Lemma 14.2.11.** Each manifold admits an positive exhaustion function.

*Proof.* Let  $\{U_i\}$  be a countable base such that  $U_i^-$  is compact for each  $i$ , which exists since a manifold is 2nd countable and locally compact. Let  $\{f_i\}$  be a partition of unity subordinate to  $\{U_i\}$ . Let  $f = \sum i f_i$ . It's easy to see that  $f^{-1}((-\infty, c]) \subseteq f^{-1}((-\infty, [c])) \subseteq \bigcup_{i \leq [c]} U_i^-$  is compact. □

## 14.3 CW Complex

**Definition 14.3.1.** We can construct a **CW complex**  $X$  by the following procedure:

1. Start with a discrete set  $X^0$ , whose points are regarded as 0-cells.
2. Inductively, form the **n-skeleton**  $X^n$  from  $X^{n-1}$  by  $X^n = X^{n-1} \sqcup \bigsqcup_\alpha D_\alpha^n / \sim$ . For each disk we have a map  $f_\alpha : \partial D_\alpha^n \mapsto X^{n-1}$ . The equivalence relation is define by  $x \sim f_\alpha(x)$  for  $x \in \partial D_\alpha^n$ . The interior of each disk  $D_\alpha^n$  in  $X^n$  is called an **n-cell**  $e_\alpha^n$ . This step is also called attaching  $n$ -cells to  $X^{n-1}$

3. One can either stop at a finite stage, setting  $X = X^n$ . In this case the **dimension** of  $X$  is  $n$ . Or one can continue infinitely, setting  $X = \bigcup_n X^n$ . In the latter case  $X$  is given the weak topology of all projections  $X \mapsto X_n$ .

Note that a CW complex can be regarded as union of cells.

**Example 14.3.2.** A torus is a 2D CW complex. Its skeletons are shown in Fig. 14.1. The way to attach 2-cell to  $X^1$  is shown in 14.2.

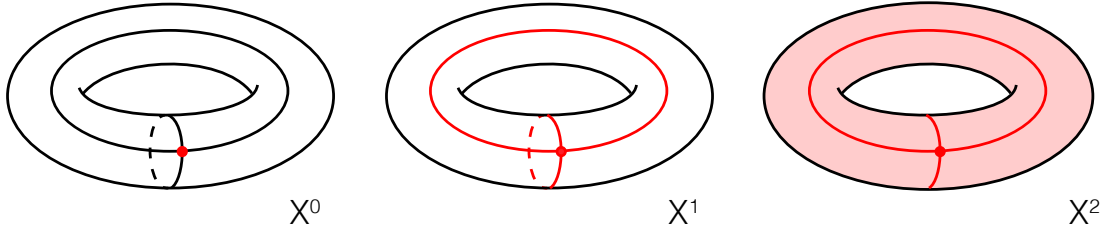


Figure 14.1: Skeletons of a torus.

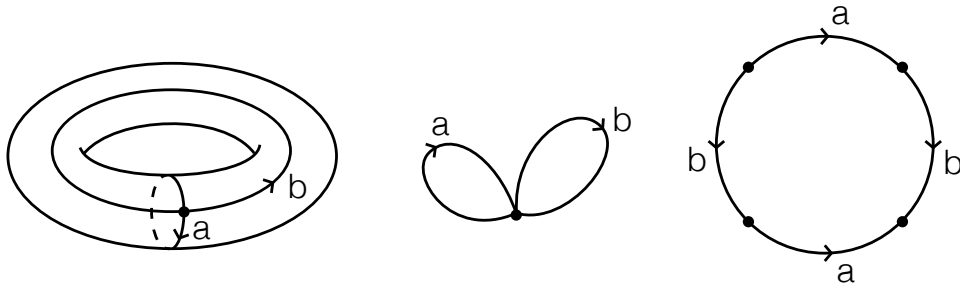


Figure 14.2: Map from  $S^2$  to  $X^1$  of a torus.

**Example 14.3.3.** A orientable surface  $M_g$  with genus  $g$  is a surface with  $g$  holes, as shown in Fig. 14.3.

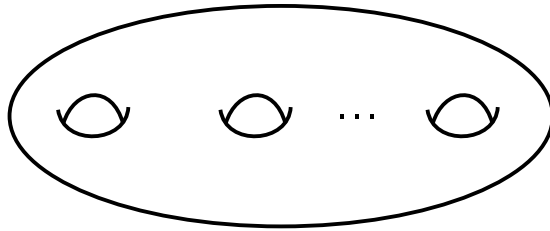


Figure 14.3: A orientable surface  $M_g$  with genus  $g$ .

**Example 14.3.4.**  $M_g$  is a 2D CW complex. The way to attach 2-cell to  $X^1$  is shown in 14.4.

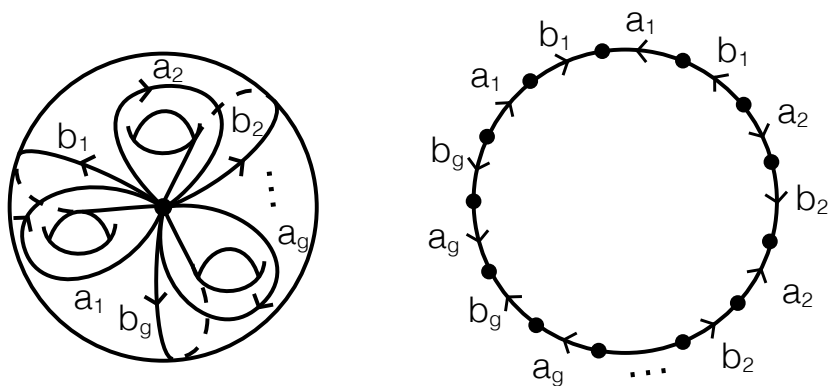


Figure 14.4: Map from  $S^2$  to  $X^1$  of  $M_g$ .

# Part III

## Homotopy Group I





# Chapter 15

## Basic Construction

Note: all map in this part is assumed to be continuous.

### 15.1 Homotopy and Homotopy type

**Definition 15.1.1.** A **retraction** of a space  $X$  onto a subspace  $A \subseteq X$  is a surjective map  $f : X \mapsto A$  such that  $f|_A = 1_A$ .

**Definition 15.1.2.** A **homotopy** from  $f_0 : X \mapsto Y$  to  $f_1 : X \mapsto Y$  is a map  $f : X \times I \mapsto Y$  such that  $(\forall x \in X)(f(x, 0) = f_0(x) \wedge f(x, 1) = f_1(x))$ , as shown in Fig. 15.1. Two maps  $f_0$  and  $f_1$  are **homotopic** iff there exists a homotopy that connects them, written as  $f_0 \simeq f_1$ .

**Definition 15.1.3.** Let  $f : X \times I \mapsto Y$  be a homotopy.  $f$  is a **homotopy relative to**  $A \subseteq X$  if  $(\forall x \in A)f(x, t)$  is constant. If there exists a homotopy that connects  $f_0$  and  $f_1$  relative to  $A$ , we say  $f_0 \simeq f_1 \text{ rel } A$ .

**Definition 15.1.4.** Let  $f : X \mapsto A$  be a retraction. A **deformation retraction** of  $X$  onto  $A$  is a homotopy from  $1_X$  to  $f \text{ rel } A$ .

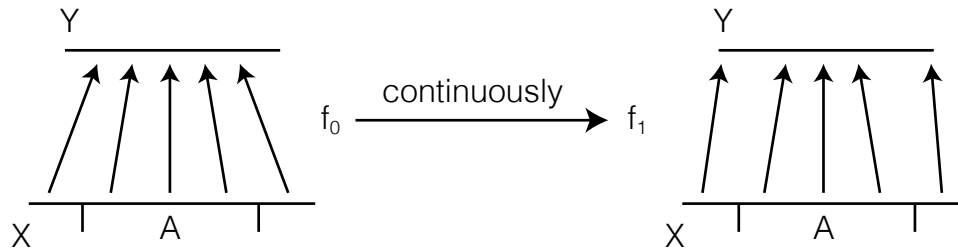


Figure 15.1: A homotopy from  $f_0$  to  $f_1$  relative to  $A$ .

**Definition 15.1.5.** Space  $X$  and  $Y$  are said to be **homotopy equivalent** or to have the same **homotopy type**, written as  $X \simeq Y$ , if there's a map  $f : X \mapsto Y$  and a map  $g : Y \mapsto X$  such that  $f \circ g \simeq 1_Y$  and  $g \circ f \simeq 1_X$ .

**Definition 15.1.6.** A space that has the homotopy type of a point is called **contractible**.

## 15.2 Pointed Space

**Definition 15.2.1.** A **pointed space** is a space with a distinguished point, the **base point**. Space  $X$  with based point  $x_0$  is written as  $(X, x_0)$ , abbreviated by  $X$ . Continuous maps between pointed spaces that preserve the base points are called **based maps**.

**Definition 15.2.2.** Let  $\bar{X} = (X, x_0)$  and  $\bar{Y} = (Y, y_0)$  be point spaces. We define there **wedge sum** as  $\bar{X} \vee \bar{Y} = (X \sqcup Y / (x_0 \sim y_0), \bar{x}_0)$

**Definition 15.2.3.** Let  $(X, x_0)$  and  $(Y, y_0)$  be point spaces, and  $f_0 : X \mapsto Y$  and  $f_1 : X \mapsto Y$  are based maps. A **based point preserving homotopy** from  $f_0$  to  $f_1$  is a homotopy from  $f_0$  to  $f_1$  rel  $x_0$ .

**Definition 15.2.4.** Two point spaces  $(X, x_0)$  and  $(Y, y_0)$  are **homotopic equivalent**, written as  $(X, x_0) \simeq (Y, y_0)$ , iff there's based maps  $f : X \mapsto Y$  and  $g : Y \mapsto X$  and based point preserving homotopies  $f \circ g \simeq 1_Y$  and  $g \circ f \simeq 1_X$ .

**Definition 15.2.5.** Let  $S^n = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \sum_{i=0}^n x_i^2 = 1\}$  be a sphere.

1. The **north hemisphere** of  $S^n$  is  $\{x \in S^n \mid x_0 \geq 0\}$ .
2. The **south hemisphere** of  $S^n$  is  $\{x \in S^n \mid x_0 \leq 0\}$ .
3. The **east hemisphere** of  $S^n$  is  $\{x \in S^n \mid x_1 \geq 0\}$ .
4. The **west hemisphere** of  $S^n$  is  $\{x \in S^n \mid x_1 \leq 0\}$ .
5. The **north pole** of  $S^n$  is  $(1, 0, \dots, 0)$ .
6. The **south pole** of  $S^n$  is  $(-1, 0, \dots, 0)$ .
7. The **equator** of  $S^n$  is  $\{x \in S^n \mid x_0 = 0\}$ .

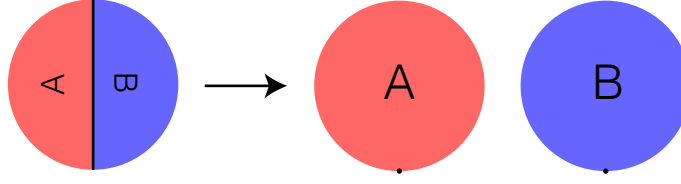
**Lemma 15.2.6.** Let  $S^n$  be a  $n$ -sphere ( $n \geq 1$ ) with south pole as its base point. The map  $v = \iota \circ w : S^n \mapsto S^n \vee S^n$  is a based map, where  $w : S^n \mapsto S^n \sqcup S^n$  defined by

$$w(x) = (2|x_1| - 1, 2\sqrt{\frac{|x_1|}{1+|x_1|}}x_0, 2\sqrt{\frac{|x_1|}{1+|x_1|}}x_2, 2\sqrt{\frac{|x_1|}{1+|x_1|}}x_3, \dots) \quad (15.1)$$

maps the east hemisphere to the 1st sphere and the west hemisphere to the 2nd sphere, and  $\iota$  is the quotient map  $S^n \sqcup S^n \mapsto S^n \vee S^n$ . The case  $n = 2$  is shown in Fig. 15.2.

**Lemma 15.2.7.** Let  $S^n$  be a  $n$ -sphere ( $n \geq 1$ ) with south pole as its base point. The following map  $i : S^n \mapsto S^n$  is a based map.

$$i(x) = (x_0, -x_1, x_2, \dots) \quad (15.2)$$

Figure 15.2: Based map from  $S^2$  to  $S^2 \vee S^2$ .

## 15.3 Homotopy Group

**Definition 15.3.1.** Let  $X$  be a space. The  $n$ -loop at  $x_0 \in X$  is a map  $f : S^n \mapsto X$ , that maps the south pole to  $x_0$ .

**Definition 15.3.2.** Let  $f, g$  be two  $n$ -loops in  $X$  at  $x_0$ , we define their wedge sum  $f \vee g : S^n \vee S^n \mapsto X$  as

$$f \vee g(\bar{x}) = \begin{cases} f(x) & x \in \text{1st } S^n \\ g(x) & x \in \text{2nd } S^n \end{cases} \quad (15.3)$$

where  $f \vee g$  maps the base point of  $S^n \vee S^n$  to  $x_0$ .

**Definition 15.3.3.** Let  $f, g$  be two  $n$ -loops in  $X$  at  $x_0$ . We define their composition loop  $f \cdot g : S^n \mapsto X$  as

$$f \cdot g = (f \vee g) \circ v \quad (15.4)$$

**Definition 15.3.4.** Let  $f$  be an  $n$ -loop in  $X$  at  $x_0$ , we define its inverse loop  $f^{-1} : S^n \mapsto X$  as

$$f^{-1} = f \circ i \quad (15.5)$$

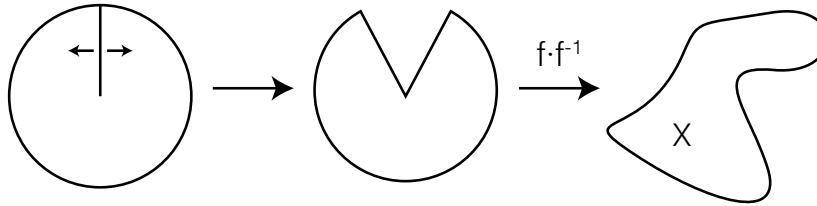
**Definition 15.3.5.** Let  $X$  be a space. We define the constant  $n$ -loop  $e$  at  $x_0$  to be the constant map from  $S^n$  to  $x_0$ .

**Lemma 15.3.6.** Let  $f$  be an  $n$ -loop in  $X$  at  $x_0$ . Then  $f \cdot f^{-1} \simeq e$  rel the south pole.

*Proof.* The homotopy map is

$$F(x, t) = f \cdot f^{-1}(\cos(\theta(1-t) + \pi t), s_1 \sin(\theta(1-t) + \pi t), s_2 \sin(\theta(1-t) + \pi t), \dots) \quad (15.6)$$

where  $x = (\cos \theta, s_1 \sin \theta, s_2 \sin \theta, \dots)$  and  $s_1^2 + s_2^2 + \dots = 1$ . The process is shown in Fig. 15.3.  $\square$

Figure 15.3: Homotopy when  $0 < t < 1$ .

**Definition 15.3.7.** Let  $X$  be a space. The  $n$ -th homotopy group (at  $x_0$ ), written as  $\pi_n(X, x_0)$ , is the (base point preserving) homotopy types of all  $n$ -loops at  $x_0$ , with multiplication rule  $[f] \cdot [g] = [f \cdot g]$ , inverse  $[f]^{-1} = [f^{-1}]$  and identity  $[e]$ . The 1st homotopy group is also called the **fundamental group**.

**Theorem 15.3.8.** When  $n \geq 2$ , the  $n$ -th homotopy group is abelian. So in this case we write  $f \cdot g$  as  $f + g$ .

*Proof.* Let  $f, g$  be two  $n$ -loops in  $X$  at  $x_0$ . When  $n \geq 2$ , we have a homotopy  $f \cdot g \simeq g \cdot f$  rel the south pole:

$$F(x, t) = \begin{cases} R_{12}(2\pi t)x & t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ R_{02}(\pi(2t - 1))R_0(\pi)x & t > \frac{1}{2} \end{cases} \quad (15.7)$$

where

$$R_{12}(\theta)(x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (x_0, x_1 \cos \theta - x_2 \sin \theta, x_2 \cos \theta + x_1 \sin \theta, x_3, \dots) \quad (15.8)$$

and

$$R_{02}(\theta)(x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (x_0 \cos \theta - x_2 \sin \theta, x_1, x_2 \cos \theta + x_0 \sin \theta, x_3, \dots) \quad (15.9)$$

The case  $n = 2$  is shown in Fig. 15.4. □

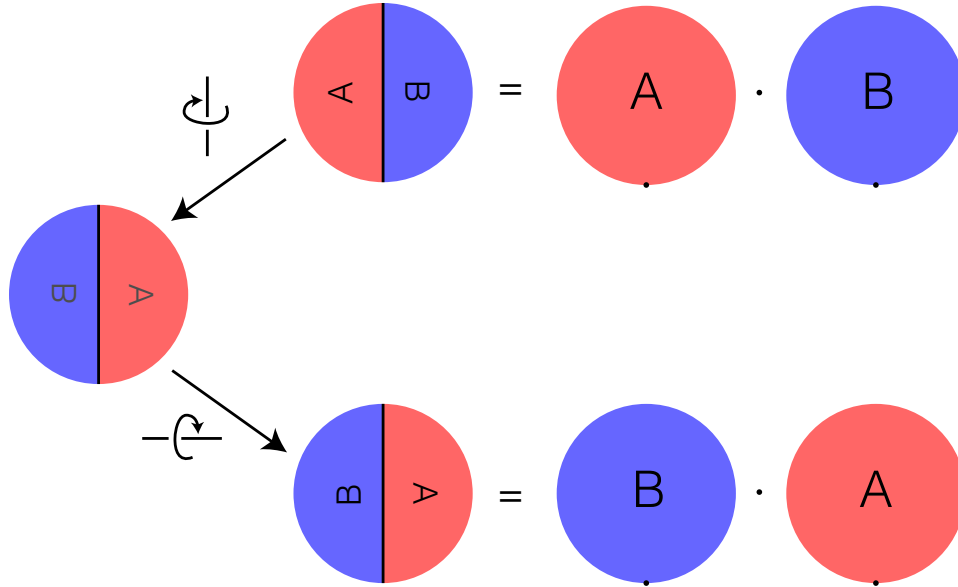


Figure 15.4: Homotopy group is abelian.

**Lemma 15.3.9.** Let  $X_\alpha$  be path-connected. Then  $\pi_n(\prod_\alpha X_\alpha) \simeq \prod_\alpha \pi_n(X_\alpha)$ .

*Proof.*  $[f]$  is mapped to  $f'$  such that  $f'_i = [f_i]$ . □

## 15.4 Change the Base Point

**Definition 15.4.1.** A **path** in a space  $X$  from  $a$  to  $b$  is a map  $f : I \mapsto X$  such that  $f(0) = a$  and  $f(1) = b$ . When we say a homotopy between paths, we always mean a homotopy relative to  $\{0, 1\}$ . And for a path  $f$  we use  $[f]$  to denote its homotopy type.

**Definition 15.4.2.** Let  $f$  be a path in  $X$ . The **inverse** of  $f$  is the path  $f^{-1}(t) = f(1 - t)$ .

**Definition 15.4.3.** Let  $X$  be a path connected space. For each path  $\gamma$  from  $x_1$  to  $x_0$  and each  $[l] \in \pi_n(X, x_0)$ , we define  $\beta_{[\gamma]} : \pi_n(X, x_0) \mapsto \pi_n(X, x_1)$  by  $\beta_{[\gamma]}([l]) = [\bar{\beta}_\gamma(l)]$  where

$$\bar{\beta}_\gamma(l)(x) = \begin{cases} l(2x_0 - 1, 2\sqrt{\frac{x_0}{1+x_0}}x_1, 2\sqrt{\frac{x_0}{1+x_0}}x_2, 2\sqrt{\frac{x_0}{1+x_0}}x_3, \dots) & x_0 > 0 \\ \lambda(x_0 + 1) & x_0 \leq 0 \end{cases} \quad (15.10)$$

The case  $n = 2$  is shown in Fig. 15.5.

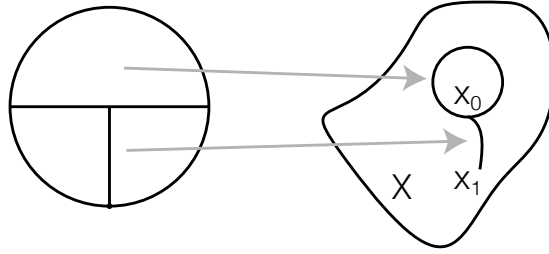


Figure 15.5: Change the base point from  $x_0$  to  $x_1$ .

**Lemma 15.4.4.** For each path  $\lambda$  from  $x_1$  to  $x_0$ ,  $\beta_{[\lambda]}$  is a group isomorphism from  $\pi_n(X, x_0)$  to  $\pi_n(X, x_1)$ .

*Proof.* Check  $\beta_{[\lambda]}\beta_{[\lambda^{-1}]} = 1$ ,  $\beta_{[\lambda]}e = e$  and  $\beta_{[\lambda]}(a + b) = \beta_{[\lambda]}a + \beta_{[\lambda]}b$ . □

**Corollary 15.4.5.** Let  $X$  be a path connected space. Homotopy groups of  $X$  at each point are isomorphic. So we may abbreviate  $\pi_n(X, x_0)$  by  $\pi_n(X)$ .

**Corollary 15.4.6.** For each  $g \in \pi_1(X, x_0)$ ,  $\beta_g$  is a group automorphism of  $\pi_n(X, x_0)$ .

**Definition 15.4.7.** Let  $\mathbb{Z}(\pi_1(X, x_0))$  be the group ring. We define the action of  $\mathbb{Z}(\pi_1(X, x_0))$  on  $\pi_n(X, x_0)$  ( $n \geq 2$ ) as

$$\left(\sum_i n_i g_i\right)f = \sum_i n_i \beta_{g_i} f \quad (15.11)$$

This makes  $\pi_n(X, x_0)$  a  $\mathbb{Z}(\pi_1(X, x_0))$  module.

## 15.5 Induced Homomorphisms

**Definition 15.5.1.** Let  $(X, x_0)$  and  $(Y, y_0)$  be point spaces, and  $f : X \mapsto Y$  be a based map. Then  $f$  induce a homomorphism  $f_* : \pi_n(X, x_0) \mapsto \pi_n(Y, y_0)$  by  $f_*([l]) = [f \circ l]$ .

**Lemma 15.5.2.** Let  $\phi_t : X \mapsto Y$  be a base point preserving homotopy, then  $\phi_{0*} = \phi_{1*}$ .

**Lemma 15.5.3.** Let  $l$  be an  $n$ -loop at  $x_0 \in X$ , and  $f_t$  be a homotopy from  $X$  to  $Y$ . Let  $p = f_t(x_0)$  be a path from  $f_0(x_0)$  to  $f_1(x_0)$ . Then  $\bar{\beta}_{p^{-1}}(f_0 \circ l) \simeq (f_1 \circ l)$ . The case  $n = 1$  is shown in Fig. 15.6. Thus the following diagram commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \pi_n(Y, f_0(x_0)) & \\ f_{0*} \nearrow & & \downarrow \beta_{[p^{-1}]} \\ \pi_n(X, x_0) & \xrightarrow{f_{1*}} & \pi_1(Y, f_1(x_0)) \end{array}$$

**Corollary 15.5.4.** Let  $l$  be an  $n$ -loop at  $x_0 \in X$  and  $f : X \mapsto X$  such that  $f \simeq 1$  by  $f_t$ . Let  $p = f_t(x_0)$  be a path from  $f(x_0)$  to  $x_0$ . Then  $f_* = \beta_{[p]}$ .

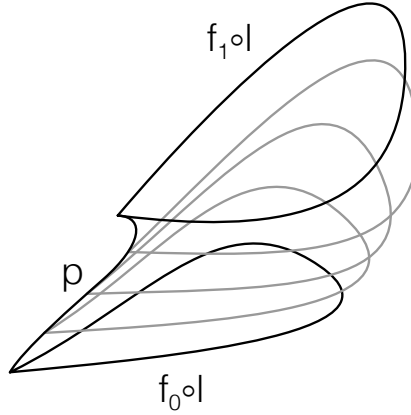


Figure 15.6:  $\bar{\beta}_{p^{-1}}(f_0 \circ l) \simeq (f_1 \circ l)$ .

**Lemma 15.5.5.** Let  $f : X \mapsto Y$  and  $g : Y \mapsto X$ . If  $f \circ g \simeq 1$ , then  $f_* : \pi_n(X, x_0) \mapsto \pi_n(Y, f(x_0))$  is surjective for all  $x_0 \in X$ . If  $g \circ f \simeq 1$ , then  $f_*$  is injective.

*Proof.* If  $f \circ g \simeq 1$ ,  $f_* g_* = \beta_h$  is bijective. So  $f_*$  is surjective. If  $g \circ f \simeq 1$ ,  $g_* f_* = \beta_{h'}$  is bijective. So  $f_*$  is injective.  $\square$

**Corollary 15.5.6.** If a space  $X$  retract onto a subspace  $A$ . Then  $i_* : \pi_n(A, x_0) \mapsto \pi_n(X, x_0)$  induced by  $i : A \hookrightarrow X$  is injective. If  $A$  is a deformation retract of  $X$ , then  $i_*$  is an isomorphism.

# Chapter 16

## Fundamental Group

### 16.1 Covering Spaces

**Definition 16.1.1.** Let  $X$  be a path connected space. As illustrated in Fig. 16.1,  $\tilde{X}$  is call a **covering space** of  $X$  if there's a map  $p : \tilde{X} \mapsto X$  (called the **covering map**) such that for each  $x \in X$ , there's an neighborhood  $U$  of  $x$  such that  $p^{-1}(U)$  is a union of disjoint sets (named **sheets**) in  $\tilde{X}$ , each of which is mapped homeomorphically onto  $U$  by  $p$ . Such  $U$  is called **evenly covered**.

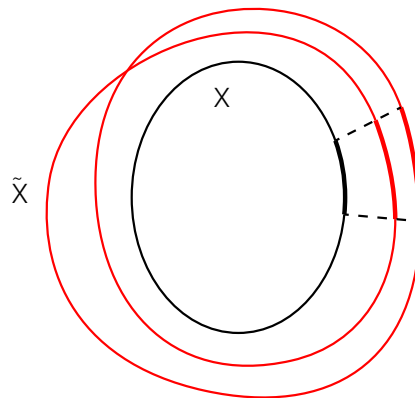


Figure 16.1: Illustration of covering space.

**Definition 16.1.2.** Let  $p : \tilde{X} \mapsto X$  be a covering space. For each map  $f : Y \mapsto X$ ,  $\tilde{f} : Y \mapsto \tilde{X}$  **lifts**  $f$  iff  $f = p \circ \tilde{f}$ . That is, the following diagram commutes.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \tilde{X} \\ & \nearrow \tilde{f} & \downarrow p \\ Y & \xrightarrow{f} & X \end{array}$$

**Lemma 16.1.3.** Let  $p : \tilde{X} \mapsto X$  be a covering space. For each path  $f$  which is lifted to  $\tilde{f}_1, \tilde{f}_2$ ,  $f_1 = f_2$  if  $\tilde{f}_1$  and  $\tilde{f}_2$  agree on one point.

**Lemma 16.1.4.** *Let  $p : \tilde{X} \mapsto X$  be a covering space. Given a homotopy  $F : Y \times I \mapsto X$  and a map  $\tilde{F}_0 : Y \times \{0\} \mapsto \tilde{X}$  that lifts  $F|_{Y \times \{0\}}$ , then there's a homotopy  $\tilde{F} : Y \times I \mapsto \tilde{X}$  lifting  $F$  such that  $\tilde{F}|_{Y \times \{0\}} = \tilde{F}_0$ .*

*Proof.* For each  $y \in Y$  and each  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ , we have an evenly covered open basic neighborhood  $N_i \times I_i \ni (y, t)$ , where  $I_i$  covers  $I$ . There's a finite subcover of  $I_i$ . Then we have  $0 = t_0 < \dots < t_n = 1$  and open  $N \ni y$ , such that each  $N \times [t_i, t_{i+1}]$  is in some evenly covered open set  $U_{N,i}$ . Then it's easy to construct a lift  $F_N$  of  $F$  on  $N \times I$ . From the last lemma we see that  $F_N(y)$  is the same for each  $N$  and is unique. Thus we can define a unique lift  $\tilde{F}$  of  $F$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 16.1.5.** *Let  $p : \tilde{X} \mapsto X$  be a covering space. For each path  $f : I \mapsto X$  starting at  $x_0$  and each  $\tilde{x}_0 \in p^{-1}(x_0)$ , there's a unique lift  $\tilde{f}$  of  $f$  starting at  $\tilde{x}_0$ .*

**Corollary 16.1.6.** *Let  $p : \tilde{X} \mapsto X$  be a covering space. For each homotopy of paths  $f : I \times I \mapsto X$  starting at  $x_0$  (which means that  $\forall t (f(t, 0) = x_0)$ ) and each  $\tilde{x}_0 \in p^{-1}(x_0)$ , there's a unique lift  $\tilde{f}$  of  $f$  starting at  $\tilde{x}_0$  which is a homotopy in  $\tilde{X}$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $f(t, 1)$  is constant,  $\tilde{f}(t, 1)$  must be constant.  $\square$

We can study the lift of a more general map.

**Lemma 16.1.7.** *Let  $p : (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \mapsto (X, x_0)$  be a covering space. Given a map  $f : (Y, y_0) \mapsto (X, x_0)$  with  $Y$  path-connected and locally path-connected. Then a lift  $\tilde{f} : (Y, y_0) \mapsto (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)$  of  $f$  exists iff  $f_*(\pi_1(Y, y_0)) \subseteq p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0))$ .*

*Proof.* Assume  $f_*(\pi_1(Y, y_0)) \subseteq p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0))$ . For each  $y \in Y$ , let  $p$  be a path from  $y_0$  to  $y$ . Let  $q = f \circ p$  be a path in  $X$  from  $x_0$  to  $f(y)$ . Let  $\tilde{q}$  be the lift of  $q$  starting at  $\tilde{x}_0$ . We define  $\tilde{f}(y) = \tilde{q}(1)$ .

We first prove that  $\tilde{f}(y)$  is well-defined. Let  $p$  and  $p'$  be two paths  $y_0$  to  $y$ , and  $q = f \circ p$  and  $q' = f \circ p'$ . Let  $l$  be the loop in  $X$  such that  $p_*([l]) = [p \circ l] = [q \cdot q'^{-1}] \in f_*(\pi_1(Y, y_0))$ . Let  $\tilde{q}$  and  $\tilde{q}'$  be the lifts of  $q$  and  $q'$ . There's a homotopy in  $X$  from  $p \circ l$  to  $q \cdot q'^{-1}$ , which lifts a homotopy from  $l$  to  $t$ . Then there's a homotopy in  $X$  from  $q$  to  $q \cdot q'^{-1} \cdot q'$ , which lifts to a homotopy from  $\tilde{q}$  to  $t \cdot \tilde{q}'$ . Then clearly  $\tilde{q}(1) = \tilde{q}'(1)$ .

To see that  $\tilde{f}$  is continuous, let  $U \subseteq X$  be an open neighborhood of  $f(y)$  having a lift  $\tilde{U} \subseteq \tilde{X}$  containing  $\tilde{f}(y)$  such that  $p : \tilde{U} \mapsto U$  is a homeomorphism. Choose a path-connected open neighborhood  $V$  of  $y$  with  $f(V) \subseteq U$ . It can be proved that  $\tilde{f}(V) \subseteq \tilde{U}$ .  $\square$

We can also prove that the lift is unique.

**Lemma 16.1.8.** *Let  $p : \tilde{X} \mapsto X$  be a covering space. Given a map  $f : Y \mapsto X$  with  $Y$  connected. Let  $\tilde{f}_1$  and  $\tilde{f}_2$  be two lifts of  $f$ . If  $\tilde{f}_1$  and  $\tilde{f}_2$  agree on one point of  $Y$ , they must agree on all of  $Y$ .*

*Proof.* For each  $y \in Y$ , let  $U \ni f(y)$  be an evenly covered open set, covered by  $\{\tilde{U}_\alpha\}$ . Let  $\tilde{f}_1(y) \in U_1$  and  $\tilde{f}_2(y) \in U_2$ . There exists a neighborhood  $N$  of  $y$  such that  $\tilde{f}_1(N) \in U_1$  and  $\tilde{f}_2(N) \in U_2$ . If  $\tilde{f}_1(y) = \tilde{f}_2(y)$ , then  $U_1 = U_2$ . It's easy to see that  $(\forall y \in N) \tilde{f}_1(y) = \tilde{f}_2(y)$ . If  $\tilde{f}_1(y) \neq \tilde{f}_2(y)$ , then  $U_1 \neq U_2$ . It's easy to see that  $(\forall y \in N) \tilde{f}_1(y) \neq \tilde{f}_2(y)$ . So the set that  $\tilde{f}_1$  and  $\tilde{f}_2$  agree on is both open and closed.  $\square$



**Lemma 16.1.9.** *Let  $p : \tilde{X} \mapsto X$  be a covering space. Let  $a$  and  $b$  be two loops at  $x_0 \in X$ . Let  $\tilde{a}$  and  $\tilde{b}$  be lifts of  $a$  and  $b$  starting at  $\tilde{x}_0 \in p^{-1}(x_0)$ . Then  $[a] = [b]$  iff  $\tilde{a}(1) = \tilde{b}(1)$  and  $[\tilde{a}] = [\tilde{b}]$ .*

**Corollary 16.1.10.** *A covering map  $p : (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \mapsto (X, x_0)$  induce an injective map  $p_* : \pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \mapsto \pi_1(X, x_0)$ . And  $\{[p \cdot q] | q \text{ is a path from } \tilde{x}_0 \text{ to } a\} | a \in p^{-1}(x_0)\}$  are right cosets of  $p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0))$  in  $\pi_1(X, x_0)$ .*

**Corollary 16.1.11.** *Let  $p : \tilde{X} \mapsto X$  be a covering space. For each  $\tilde{x} \in \tilde{X}$ , let  $l_{\tilde{x}}$  be a path from  $\tilde{x}_0 \in p^{-1}(x_0)$  to  $\tilde{x}$ . Then  $\pi_1(X, x_0) = \{[p \circ l_{\tilde{x}}] | \tilde{x} \in p^{-1}(x_0)\}$ .*

## 16.2 Fundamental Group of the Circle

**Lemma 16.2.1.**  $\pi_1(S^1) = \mathbb{Z}$

*Proof.*  $\mathbb{R}$  is a covering space of  $X$  with covering map  $p : \mathbb{R} \mapsto S^1$  defined by  $p(\theta) = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta)$ . Let  $f_n : I \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  be  $f_n(t) = (\cos(2\pi nt), \sin(2\pi nt))$ . It's easy to see that  $\pi_1(S^1, (1, 0)) = \{[p \circ f_n]\}$  and  $[p \circ f_n] \cdot [p \circ f_m] = [p \circ f_{n+m}]$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 16.2.2.** *Every non-constant polynomial with coefficients in  $\mathbb{C}$  has a root in  $\mathbb{C}$ .*

*Proof.* Let the polynomial be  $p(z) = z^n + a_1 z^{n-1} + \cdots + a_n$ . Define a map

$$f_{r,t}(s) = \frac{p_t(re^{2\pi is})/p_t(r)}{|p_t(re^{2\pi is})/p_t(r)|} \quad (16.1)$$

where  $p_t(z) = z^n + t(a_1 z^{n-1} + \cdots + a_n)$  and  $r, t, s \in I$ .

Fixing  $r, t$ ,  $f$  is a loop in  $S^1 \in \mathbb{C}$  based at 1. Supposing  $p$  has no roots, the formula is well-defined at  $t = 1$ . When  $|z|$  is large enough,  $|z^n| > |a_1 z^{n-1} + \cdots + a_n|$ . So  $p_t(z)$  has no roots with large  $|z|$ , and Eqn. 16.1 is also well-defined when  $r$  is large enough.

First we fix  $t = 1$  and let  $r$  goes from 0 to a very large  $r_0$ . Then we fix  $r$  and let  $t$  goes from 1 to 0. This process describe a homotopy between  $f_{0,1}(s) = 1$  to  $f_{r_0,0}(s) = e^{2\pi nis}$ . There's a contradiction since  $n > 0$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 16.2.3.** *There's no retraction  $D^2 \mapsto S^1 = \partial D^2$ .*

*Proof.* Each loop in  $D^2$  is homotopic to a constant loop.  $\square$

**Theorem 16.2.4.** *Every continuous map  $h : D^2 \mapsto D^2$  has a fixed point.*

*Proof.* Suppose that there's no fixed point. For each  $x \in D^2$ , let  $r(x)$  be the ray starting at  $h(x)$  and passing through  $x$ . Let  $f(x) \in S^1$  be the point that  $r(x)$  leaves  $D^2$ .  $f$  is a retraction  $D^2 \mapsto S^1 = \partial D^2$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 16.2.5.** *Let  $f$  be a loop in  $S^1$  such that  $f(x) = -f(x + 1/2)$ . Then  $[f] \neq 0$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $S^1$  is covering by  $\mathbb{R}$  with the standard covering map  $p : \mathbb{R} \mapsto S^1$ . Let  $\tilde{f}$  lifts  $f$ . Then  $\tilde{f}(x + 1/2) = \tilde{f}(x) + q(x)/2$  where  $q(x)$  is an odd integer. Since  $q(x)$  is continuous, it must be constant. So  $\tilde{f}(x + 1/2) = \tilde{f}(x) + q/2$  and thus  $\tilde{f}(1) = \tilde{f}(0) + q$ . So  $[f] = [q] \neq 0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 16.2.6.** *For every continuous map  $f : S^2 \mapsto \mathbb{R}^2$ , there exists a pair of antipodal points  $x$  and  $-x$  in  $S^2$  with  $f(x) = f(-x)$ .*

*Proof.* If the conclusion is false, let  $g(x) = (f(x) - f(-x))/|f(x) - f(-x)|$ . Then  $g$  maps  $S^2$  to  $S^1$  and  $g(x) = -g(-x)$ . Let  $l$  be the loop circling the equator of the  $S^2$ . Then  $q = g \circ l$  is a loop that  $q(x) = -q(x + 1/2)$ . Since  $l$  is homotopic to a constant loop,  $[q] = 0$ , a contradiction.  $\square$

## 16.3 The van Kampen Theorem

**Theorem 16.3.1** (Serfeit, van Kampen). *Let  $X$  be the union of path-connected open sets  $A_\alpha$  each containing the base point  $x_0$ . Let each intersection  $A_\alpha \cap A_\beta$  be path-connected. Then the homomorphism  $\Psi : *_\alpha \pi_1(A_\alpha) \mapsto \pi_1(X)$  defined by  $\Psi([l_1][l_2] \cdots) = [l_1 \cdot l_2 \cdots]$  is surjective. If in addition each intersection  $A_\alpha \cap A_\beta \cap A_\gamma$  is path-connected, then the kernel of  $\Psi$  is the normal subgroup  $N$  generated by all elements of the form  $i_{\alpha\beta*}(\omega)i_{\beta\alpha*}(\omega)^{-1}$  for  $\omega \in \pi_1(A_\alpha \cap A_\beta)$ , and  $i_{\alpha\beta} : A_\alpha \cap A_\beta \hookrightarrow A_\alpha$ .*

*Proof.* The first part is evident. Let  $l : I \mapsto X$  be a loop, then  $I$  can be covered by finite open intervals, the image of each by  $l$  lies in some  $A_\alpha$ .

The second part needs more work. Clearly  $N \in \ker \Psi$ . Let  $L = [l_1][l_2] \cdots$  and  $L' = [l'_1][l'_2] \cdots$  such that  $\Psi(l) = \Psi(l')$ . There's a homotopy  $F : I \times I \mapsto X$  from  $l = l_1 \cdot l_2 \cdots$  to  $l' = l'_1 \cdot l'_2 \cdots$ . Due to the compactness of  $I \times I$ , one can find  $0 = s_0 < s_1 < \cdots < s_m = 1$  and  $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_n = 1$  such that each rectangle  $R_{ij} = [s_i, s_{i+1}] \times [t_j, t_{j+1}]$  is mapped to some single  $A_{ij}$  by  $F$ . We perturb the vertical edge of the rectangles slightly so that each point in  $I \times I$  lies in at most three rectangles. We may assume  $A_{ij} \neq A_{i,j+1}$ . Otherwise we can combine multiple rectangles into one rectangle. We can also require that  $F$  maps vertical edge of the rectangles to  $x_0$ .

For each horizontal row of rectangles  $I \times [t_i, t_{i+1}]$ , we have  $L_i = [l_{i,1}] \cdot [l_{i,2}] \cdots \in *_\alpha \pi_1(A_\alpha)$ , such that  $[l_{i,j}] \in \pi_1(A_{ij})$  and  $l_{i,1} \cdot l_{i,2} \cdots$  is homotopic to  $l$ . We want to study the relation between  $L_i$  and  $L_{i+1}$ . For this purpose, we study the horizontal line  $t = t_{i+1}$ . Along this line, we can construct a combination of loops  $p_{i1} \cdot p_{i2} \cdots$  which each loop  $p_{ij}$  is in both  $A_{\alpha_{ij}}$ , the rectangle below  $p_{ij}$ , and  $A_{\beta_{ij}}$ , the rectangle above  $p_{ij}$ . It's easy to see  $L_i = \prod_j i_{\alpha_{ij}\beta_{ij}}(p_{ij})$  and  $L_{i+1} = \prod_j i_{\beta_{ij}\alpha_{ij}}(p_{ij})$ . Since  $\prod_j i_{\alpha_{ij}\beta_{ij}}(p_{ij}) = \prod_j i_{\alpha_{ij}\beta_{ij}}(p_{ij})i_{\beta_{ij}\alpha_{ij}}^{-1}(p_{ij})i_{\beta_{ij}\alpha_{ij}}(p_{ij})$ , it's easy to see that  $L_i = L_{i+1} \cdot n$  where  $n \in N$ . Repeating this process, we can conclude that  $L = L' \cdot n$  where  $n \in N$ . So  $N = \ker \Psi$ .

The homotopy rectangle is shown in Fig. 16.2.

$\square$

**Lemma 16.3.2.**  $\pi_1(\wedge_i X_i) = *_i \pi_1(X_i)$

**Lemma 16.3.3.**  $\pi_1(S^n) = 0$  when  $n \geq 2$ .

**Example 16.3.4.** *In this example we calculate the fundamental group of a 2D CW complex.*

We attach a collection of 2-cells  $e_\alpha^2$  to a path connected 1-skeleton  $X^1$  via maps  $\phi_\alpha : S^1 \mapsto X^1$ . Each  $\phi_\alpha$  can be viewed as a loop in  $X = X^2$ . Let  $\gamma_\alpha$  be a path from  $x_0$  to  $\phi_\alpha(0)$ . Then  $\eta_\alpha = \gamma_\alpha \phi_\alpha \gamma_\alpha^{-1}$  is a loop at  $x_0$  in  $X$ .

Let's expand  $X$  to a slightly larger space  $X'$  that deformation retracts onto  $X$  by attaching rectangular strips  $S_\alpha = I \times I$ , with the lower edge attached to  $\gamma_\alpha$ , the right edge attached along an arc in  $e_\alpha^2$ , and all the left edges of the strips identified together, as shown in Fig. 16.3.

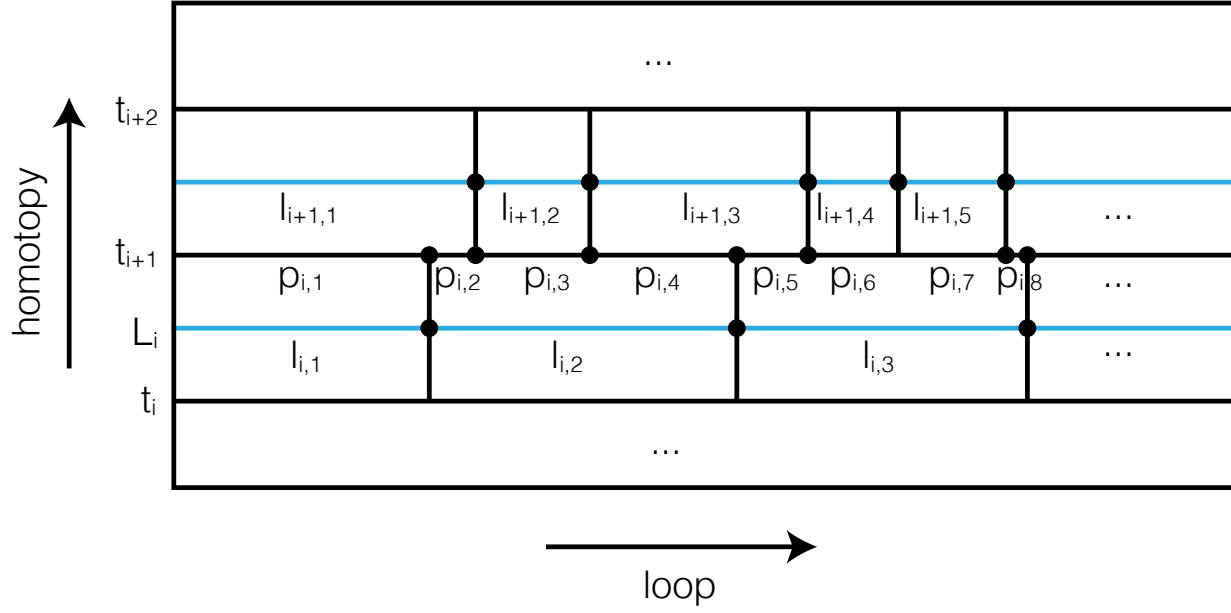


Figure 16.2: The homotopy rectangle in proving the van Kampen theorem.

Let  $C = \{c_\alpha\}$  be the set of centers of  $e_\alpha^2$ . Let  $A = X' - C$  and  $B = (X' - X) \cup \{x_0\}$ . Then  $A \cap B = (X' - X) \cup \{x_0\} - C$ . It's easy to see that  $B$  is contractable. So  $\pi_1(X) \simeq \pi_1(X_1)/N$ , where  $N$  is the normal subgroup of  $\pi_1(X)$  generated by  $i(\omega)$  for  $\omega \in \pi_1((X' - X) \cup \{x_0\} - C)$  and  $i$  is the homomorphism induced by  $A \cap B \hookrightarrow A$ . It's easy to see that  $\pi_1((X' - X) \cup \{x_0\} - C)$  is a free group generated by  $[l_\alpha]$ , where  $l_\alpha$  deformation retracts onto a circle in  $e_\alpha^2 - \{c_\alpha\}$ , as shown in Fig. 16.3. So  $i([l_\alpha]) = [\eta_\alpha]$ . So  $N$  is the normal subgroup generated by  $[\eta_\alpha]$ .

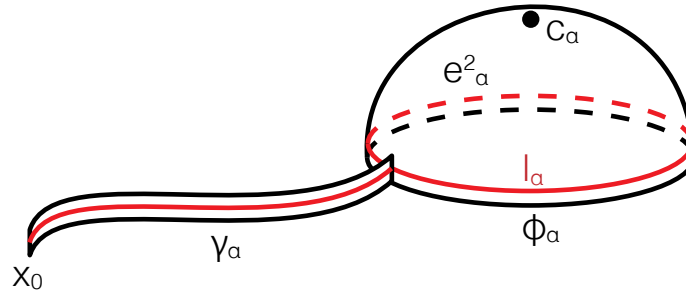


Figure 16.3: Strip attached to a CW complex.

**Lemma 16.3.5.** The fundamental group of  $M_g$  is  $\langle a_1, b_1, \dots, a_g, b_g | [a_1, b_1] \cdots [a_g, b_g] \rangle$

**Lemma 16.3.6.** For every group  $G$  there is a 2D CW complex  $X$  with  $\pi_1(X) = G$ .

*Proof.* Let  $G = \langle g_\alpha | r_\beta \rangle$ . We let  $X_1$  be the wedge sum of circles representing  $g_\alpha$ s. For each  $\beta$  we attach an  $e_\beta^2$  to  $X_1$  according to  $r_\beta$  □

## 16.4 Classification of Covering Spaces

**Definition 16.4.1.** A path connected space  $X$  is **simply connected** iff  $\pi_1(X) = 0$ .

**Definition 16.4.2.** A path connected space  $X$  is **locally simply connected** iff each point has a simply connected local neighborhood base.

**Definition 16.4.3.** A path connected space  $X$  is **semilocally simply connected** iff each point has a neighborhood  $U$  such that every loop in  $U$  is contractable in  $X$ .

**Lemma 16.4.4.** A path connected space  $X$  is semilocally simply connected iff each point has a local neighborhood base containing sets in which every loop is contractable in  $X$ .

**Definition 16.4.5.** A covering space is a **universal cover** iff it's simply connected.

**Lemma 16.4.6.** A path-connected, locally path-connected, semilocally simply connected space  $X$  has a universal cover.

*Proof.* Let  $x_0$  be a base point in  $X$ . Let  $\tilde{X}$  be  $\{[\eta] \mid \eta \text{ is a path in } X \text{ starting at } x_0\}$ .

We need to define a topology on  $\tilde{X}$ . For each  $x \in X$ , let  $\mathcal{U}_x$  be a local neighborhood base at  $x$ , containing sets in which every loop is contractable in  $X$ . For each  $[\eta] \in \tilde{X}$  and each  $U_{\eta(1)} \in \mathcal{U}_{\eta(1)}$  we define a set  $N(U, [\eta]) = \{[\eta \cdot \delta] \mid \delta \text{ is a path in } U \text{ starting at } \eta(1)\}$ . Then we define a family  $\mathcal{U}_{[\eta]} = \{N(U, [\eta]) \mid U \in \mathcal{U}_{\eta(1)}\}$ . It can be seen that  $\mathcal{U}_{[\eta]}$  is a neighborhood base for a topology on  $\tilde{X}$ .

Next we show the map  $p : \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$  defined by  $p([\eta]) = \eta(1)$  is a covering map. It's easy to see that  $p$  is continuous. For each  $x \in X$ , choose an open  $U_x \in \mathcal{U}_x$ . It's easy to see that  $\mathcal{N}_x = \{N(U_x, [\eta]) \mid \eta \text{ is a path from } x_0 \text{ to } x\}$  is a union of disjoint open sets and  $\bigcup \mathcal{N}_x = p^{-1}(U_x)$ .

Finally we show that  $\tilde{X}$  is simply connected. For this purpose, we study the lift of a path  $\gamma$  starting at  $x_0$  to a path  $\tilde{\gamma}$  starting at  $[x_0]$  (the homotopy type of a constant path). Let  $\gamma_t$  be the path defined by

$$\gamma_t(s) = \begin{cases} \gamma(s) & s < t \\ \gamma(t) & s \geq t \end{cases} \quad (16.2)$$

We define  $\tilde{\gamma}(t) = [\gamma_t]$ . It's easy to see that  $\tilde{\gamma}$  lifts  $\gamma$ , as shown in 16.4. So  $\tilde{X}$  is path-connected.  $\tilde{X}$  is simply connected iff each loop  $\xi$  in  $\tilde{X}$ ,  $p \circ \xi$  is contractable, which is clear since  $\xi(1) = [p \circ \xi] = \xi(0) = [x_0]$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 16.4.7.** Let  $X$  be path-connected, locally path-connected and semilocally simply connected. Then for every subgroup  $H \in \pi_1(X, x_0)$  there's a covering space  $p_H : \tilde{X}_H \rightarrow X$  such that  $\text{im } p_{H*} = H$ .

*Proof.* Let  $p : \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$  be the universal cover of  $X$ . Choose a  $\tilde{x}_0 \in p_H^{-1}(x_0)$ . For each  $\tilde{x} \in \tilde{X}$ , we define  $l_{\tilde{x}}$  to be a path from  $\tilde{x}_0$  to  $\tilde{x}$ . We define an equivalence relation on  $\tilde{X}$  by  $\tilde{x} \sim \tilde{y}$  iff  $p(\tilde{x}) = p(\tilde{y})$  and  $[(p \circ l_{\tilde{x}}) \cdot (p \circ l_{\tilde{y}})^{-1}] \in H$ . Especially  $\tilde{x} \sim \tilde{x}_0$  iff  $[(p \circ l_{\tilde{x}})] \in H$ . We define  $\tilde{X}_H = \tilde{X} / \sim$ , and define  $p_H : \tilde{X}_H \rightarrow X$  by  $p_H(\tilde{x}) = p(\tilde{x})$ . It's easy to see that  $p_H$  is continuous. We define the natural map  $q_H : \tilde{X} \rightarrow \tilde{X}_H$ . We have  $p_H \circ q_H = 1$ .

Next we prove that  $p_H$  is a covering map. For each  $x \in X$ , let  $U$  be an open set evenly covered by  $\bigcup_{\alpha} U_{\alpha}$  in  $\tilde{X}$ . Let  $p_{\alpha} : U_{\alpha} \rightarrow U$  be the homomorphism. For each  $\alpha \neq \beta$ , if  $(\exists u \in U) \overline{p_{\alpha}^{-1}(u)} = \overline{p_{\beta}^{-1}(u)}$ , then  $(\forall u \in U) \overline{p_{\alpha}^{-1}(u)} = \overline{p_{\beta}^{-1}(u)}$ . Then it's easy to see that  $p_H$  is a covering map.

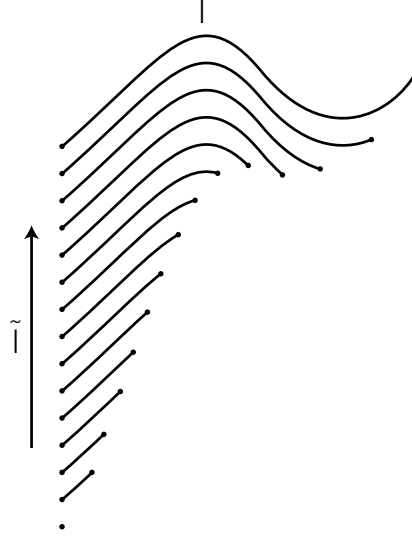


Figure 16.4: Lift of a path to a universal cover.

Finally we prove that  $\text{im } p_{H*} = H$ . For each loop  $l$  in  $X$ , let  $\tilde{l}$  be the lift of  $l$  in  $\tilde{X}$ . Then  $l_H = q_H \circ \tilde{l}$  is the lift of  $l$  in  $X_H$ .  $[l] \in H$  iff  $\tilde{l}(1) \sim \tilde{x}_0$  iff  $l_H$  is a loop in  $X_H$  iff  $[l] \in \text{im } p_{H*}$ .  $\square$

**Definition 16.4.8.** Let  $p_1 : \tilde{X}_1 \mapsto X$  and  $p_2 : \tilde{X}_2 \mapsto X$  be two covering spaces. An **isomorphism** from  $\tilde{X}_1$  to  $\tilde{X}_2$  is a homeomorphism  $f : \tilde{X}_1 \mapsto \tilde{X}_2$  such that  $p_1 = p_2 \circ f$ .

**Lemma 16.4.9.** Let  $X$  be path-connected, locally path-connected and semilocally simply connected. Then two path-connected covering spaces  $p_1 : \tilde{X}_1 \mapsto X$  and  $p_2 : \tilde{X}_2 \mapsto X$  are isomorphic via  $f : \tilde{X}_1 \mapsto \tilde{X}_2$  taking a base point  $\tilde{x}_1 \in p_1^{-1}(x_0)$  to a base point  $\tilde{x}_2 \in p_2^{-1}(x_0)$  iff  $p_{1*}(\pi_1(\tilde{X}_1, \tilde{x}_1)) = p_{2*}(\pi_2(\tilde{X}_2, \tilde{x}_2))$ .

*Proof.* We may lift  $p_1 : \tilde{X}_1 \mapsto X$  to  $\tilde{p}_1 : \tilde{X}_1 \mapsto \tilde{X}_2$  and  $p_2 : \tilde{X}_2 \mapsto X$  to  $\tilde{p}_2 : \tilde{X}_2 \mapsto \tilde{X}_1$ . By the unique lifting property,  $\tilde{p}_1 \circ \tilde{p}_2 = 1$  and  $\tilde{p}_2 \circ \tilde{p}_1 = 1$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 16.4.10.** Let  $X$  be path-connected, locally path-connected and semilocally simply connected. Then two path-connected covering spaces  $p_1 : \tilde{X}_1 \mapsto X$  and  $p_2 : \tilde{X}_2 \mapsto X$  are isomorphic iff  $p_{1*}(\pi_1(\tilde{X}_1))$  and  $p_{2*}(\pi_2(\tilde{X}_2))$  are conjugate.

## 16.5 Deck Transformations and Group Actions

**Definition 16.5.1.** For a covering space  $p : \tilde{X} \mapsto X$  the isomorphisms  $\tilde{X} \mapsto \tilde{X}$  are called **deck transformations**. These form a group  $G(\tilde{X})$  under composition.

**Definition 16.5.2.** A covering space  $p : \tilde{X} \mapsto X$  is called **normal** if for each  $x \in X$  and each  $\tilde{x}, \tilde{x}' \in p^{-1}(x)$  there's a deck transformation taking  $\tilde{x}$  to  $\tilde{x}'$ .

**Lemma 16.5.3.** Let  $p : (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \mapsto (X, x_0)$  be a path-connected covering space of the path-connected, locally path-connected space  $X$ . This covering space is normal iff  $p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0))$  is a normal subgroup of  $\pi_1(X, x_0)$ .

**Lemma 16.5.4.** Let  $p : (\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0) \mapsto (X, x_0)$  be a path-connected covering space of the path-connected, locally path-connected space  $X$ .  $G(\tilde{X})$  is isomorphic to  $N(p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)))/p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0))$ .

*Proof.* For each  $[l] \in N(p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)))$ , let  $\tilde{l}$  be the lift in  $\tilde{X}$  from  $\tilde{x}_0$  to  $\tilde{x}_1$ . Then  $p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)) = p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_1))$ . Let  $f([l])$  be the deck transformation mapping  $\tilde{x}_0$  to  $\tilde{x}_1$ .  $f$  is a homomorphism from  $N(p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0)))$  to  $G(\tilde{X})$ , with kernel  $p_*(\pi_1(\tilde{X}, \tilde{x}_0))$ .  $\square$

**Definition 16.5.5.** Let  $G$  be a group. The **action** of  $G$  on a topological space  $X$  is a homomorphism from  $G$  to the autohomeomorphism group of  $X$ . Let  $X/G$  be the space of orbits with quotient topology.  $X/G$  is called the **orbit space**.

**Lemma 16.5.6.** Let  $G$  be a group acting on  $X$  that satisfies the condition:

Each  $x \in X$  has a neighborhood  $U_x$  such that  $(\forall g \neq h \in G)g(U_x) \cap h(U_x) = \emptyset$ .

The quotient map  $X \mapsto X/G$  is a normal covering space of  $X/G$ . If  $X$  is path-connected, then  $G$  is the deck transformation group of this covering space. If  $X$  is further locally path-connected,  $\pi_1(X) = \pi_1(X/G)/G$ .

**Definition 16.5.7.** For each group  $G = \langle g_\alpha | r_\beta \rangle$  we can define the **Cayley graph** of  $G$  as follows: The vertices are members of  $G$ . There's a directed edge joining  $g$  and  $h$  if there exists a generator  $g_\alpha$  such that  $gg_\alpha = h$ .

**Example 16.5.8.** The Cayley graphs of  $D_{12} = \langle a, b | a^{12} = 1, b^2 = 1, abab = 1 \rangle$  and  $\langle a, b \rangle$  are shown in Fig. 16.5.

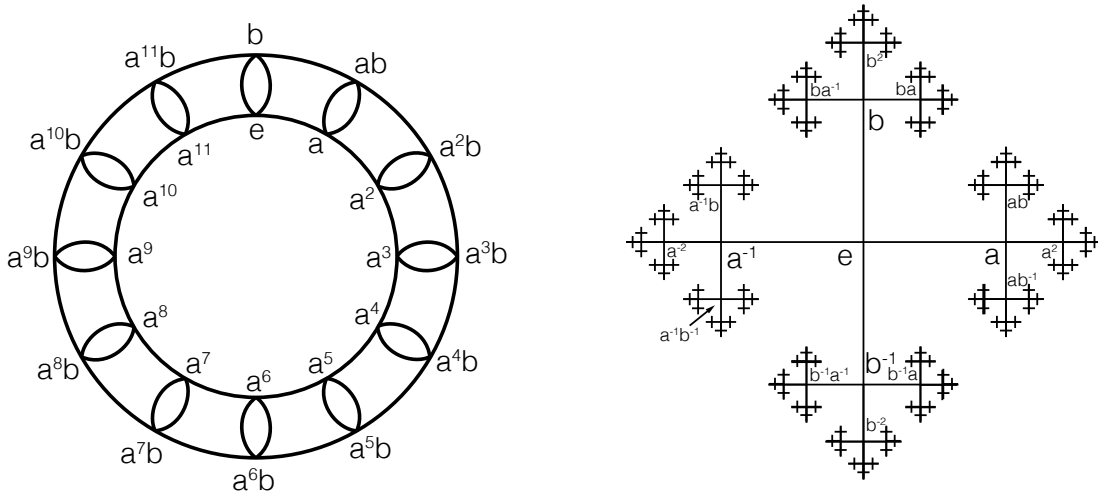


Figure 16.5: Left: Cayley graph of  $D_{12}$ . Right: Cayley graph of  $\langle a, b \rangle$ .

**Definition 16.5.9.** For each group  $G = \langle g_\alpha | r_\beta \rangle$ , let  $C_G$  be the Cayley graph of  $G$ . For each  $g \in G$  and each relation  $r_\beta = e_1 \cdots e_n$ ,  $g \rightarrow ge_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow (ge_1 \cdots e_{n-1}) \rightarrow g$  forms a loop, called  $L(g, r_\beta)$ . To each such loop we attach a  $S^2$ . The space we result in is called the **Cayley complex** of  $G$ .

**Lemma 16.5.10.** For each group  $G = \langle g_\alpha | r_\beta \rangle$ , let  $\tilde{X}_G$  be the Cayley complex of  $G$ .  $\tilde{X}_G$  is simply connected.

*Proof.* Each loop in  $C_G$  at  $g$  can be decomposed by  $P \rightarrow L(gh, r_1) \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow L(gh, r_n) \rightarrow P^{-1}$ , where  $P$  is a path from  $g$  to  $gh$ , since each  $g_1 \cdots g_m = 1$  can be decomposed by  $hr_1 \cdots r_n h^{-1}$ . Then use the Example 16.3.4.  $\square$

**Lemma 16.5.11.** *For each group  $G = \langle g_\alpha | r_\beta \rangle$ , let  $C_G$  be the Cayley graph of  $G$ , and  $\tilde{X}_G$  be the Cayley complex of  $G$ . We define the action of  $G$  on vertices of  $C_G$  by  $g \cdot h = gh$ . This action naturally extends to an action of  $G$  on  $\tilde{X}_G$ .  $X_G = \tilde{X}_G/G$  is just the space we define in Lem. 16.3.6.*





# Part IV

## Homology and Cohomology



# Chapter 17

## Simplicial Homology and Singular Homology

### 17.1 Simplicial Homology

**Definition 17.1.1.** An **n-simplex** ( $n > 0$ ) denoted by and ordered  $n$ -tuple  $[v_0, \dots, v_n]$  is the region  $\{\sum_i \lambda_i v_i \mid \lambda_i > 0, \sum_i \lambda_i = 1\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  ( $m \geq n$ ), where  $v_i$ s are affine dependent vectors (not contained in any  $n - 1$  dimensional subspace) in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . A **-1-complex** is defined as an empty set.

**Definition 17.1.2.** The **faces** of a simplex  $[v_0, \dots, v_n]$  are simplexes  $[v'_0, \dots, v'_m]$  where  $\{v'_0, \dots, v'_m\} \in \{v_0, \dots, v_n\}$ .

**Definition 17.1.3.** An **simplicial complex**  $X$  is a set of simplexes with a map  $f(\Delta, F) \mapsto \Delta' \in X$  for each  $\Delta \in X$  and each face  $F$  of  $\Delta$ , such that  $F$  and  $\Delta'$  are of the same dimension and that  $F \neq F' \rightarrow f(\Delta, F) \neq f(\Delta, F')$

In the following we will not distinguish between  $F$  and  $f(\Delta, F)$ .

**Definition 17.1.4.** Let  $X$  be a simplicial complex. We define a **simplicial n-chain** by

$$\dots \xrightarrow{\partial_3} C_2(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_2} C_1(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_1} C_0(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_0} C_{-1}(X) = 0 \quad (17.1)$$

, where  $C_n(X) = \{\text{the free abelian group generated by all singular } n\text{-simplexes in } X\}$ , and  $\partial_n : C_n(X) \mapsto C_{n-1}(X)$  is a group homomorphism defined by

$$\partial_n[v_0, \dots, v_n] = \sum_i (-1)^i [v_0, \dots, \hat{v}_i, \dots, v_n] \quad (17.2)$$

where  $\hat{v}_i$  means that  $v_i$  is omitted.

**Theorem 17.1.5.**  $\partial_{n-1}\partial_n = 0$

**Definition 17.1.6.** Let  $\dots \rightarrow C_2(X) \rightarrow C_1(X) \rightarrow C_0(X) \rightarrow 0$  be a simplicial  $n$ -chain. We define **simplicial n-cycles** as  $Z_n(X) = \ker \partial_n$ , and **simplicial n-boundaries** as  $B_n(X) = \text{im } \partial_{n+1}$ . Clearly  $B_n(X) \subseteq Z_n(X)$ .

**Definition 17.1.7.** Let  $\dots \rightarrow C_2(X) \rightarrow C_1(X) \rightarrow C_0(X) \rightarrow 0$  be a simplicial  $n$ -chain. We define the  $n$ th **simplicial homology group** of  $X$  as  $H_n(X) = Z_n(X)/B_n(X)$ .

## 17.2 Singular Homology

**Definition 17.2.1.** Let  $\Delta_n$  be an  $n$ -simplex for each  $n \geq -1$ . A **singular  $n$ -simplex** in a topological space  $X$  is a continuous map  $\sigma : \Delta_n \mapsto X$ . Especially  $\Delta_{-1}$  is the empty map  $\emptyset \mapsto X$ .

**Definition 17.2.2.** Let  $\Delta_n = [e_1, \dots, e_n]$  and  $\Delta_{n-1} = [e'_1, \dots, e'_{n-1}]$ . For each  $i$  we define the  $i$ th **face map**  $\epsilon_i^n : \Delta_{n-1} \mapsto \Delta_n$  as  $\epsilon_i^n(\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} t_j e'_j) = \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} t_j e_j + \sum_{j=i}^{n-1} t_j e_{j+1}$

**Definition 17.2.3.** Let  $X$  be a topological space. We define a **singular  $n$ -chain** by

$$\dots \xrightarrow{\partial_3} C_2(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_2} C_1(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_1} C_0(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_0} C_{-1}(X) = 0 \quad (17.3)$$

, where  $C_n(X) = \{\text{the free abelian group generated by all singular } n\text{-simplexes in } X\}$ , and  $\partial_n : C_n(X) \mapsto C_{n-1}(X)$  is a group homomorphism defined by

$$\partial_n \sigma = \sum_i (-1)^i \sigma \circ \epsilon_i^n \quad (17.4)$$

**Theorem 17.2.4.**  $\partial_{n-1} \partial_n = 0$

**Definition 17.2.5.** Let  $\dots \rightarrow C_2(X) \rightarrow C_1(X) \rightarrow C_0(X) \rightarrow 0$  be a singular  $n$ -chain. We define **singular  $n$ -cycles** as  $Z_n(X) = \ker \partial_n$ , and **singular  $n$ -boundaries** as  $B_n(X) = \text{im } \partial_{n+1}$ . Clearly  $B_n(X) \subseteq Z_n(X)$ .

**Definition 17.2.6.** Let  $\dots \rightarrow C_2(X) \rightarrow C_1(X) \rightarrow C_0(X) \rightarrow 0$  be a singular  $n$ -chain. We define the  $n$ th **singular homology group** of  $X$  as  $H_n(X) = Z_n(X)/B_n(X)$ .

**Part V**

**Homotopy Group II**

