

# Topology Homework 03

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**EXERCISE 1.16.** *On the plane  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , let*

$$\mathbb{B} = \{(a, b) \times (c, d) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \mid a < b, c < d\}$$

(a) *Show that  $\mathbb{B}$  is a basis for a topology on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .*

(b) *Show that the topology  $\mathcal{T}'$  generated by  $\mathbb{B}$  is the standard topology on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .*

(a)

(1) Consider some  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

Let  $B' = (x - 1, x + 1) \times (y - 1, y + 1)$ .

Since  $x \in (x - 1, x + 1)$  and  $y \in (y - 1, y + 1)$ ,  $(x, y) \in B'$

So  $\exists B' \in \mathbb{B} \ni (x, y) \in B' \forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

□

(2) Let  $B_1, B_2 \subseteq \mathbb{B}$

$B_1 = (a_1, b_1) \times (a_2, b_2)$ ,  $a_1 < b_1$ ,  $a_2 < b_2$  and  $B_2 = (c_1, d_1) \times (c_2, d_2)$ ,  $c_1 < c_2$ ,  $c_2 < d_2$

Let  $(x, y) \in B_1 \cap B_2$

Using the laws of algebra, we know that

$\max(a_1, c_1) < x < \min(b_1, d_1)$  and  $\max(a_2, c_2) < y < \min(b_2, d_2)$

Let  $B' = (\max(a_1, c_1), \min(b_1, d_1)) \times (\max(a_2, c_2), \min(b_2, d_2))$

Thus,  $(x, y) \in B' \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2$

$\therefore (x, y) \in B_1 \cap B_2 \implies \exists B' \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2 \ni (x, y) \in B' \quad \forall B_1, B_2 \in \mathbb{B}$

□

$\therefore \mathbb{B}$  is a basis for a topology.

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(b)

Let  $\mathbb{B}_1 = \{(a, b) \times (c, d) \mid a < b, c < d\}$

Let  $\mathbb{B}_2 = \{B(p, r) \mid r > 0\}$

Let  $\mathcal{T}_1$  be the topology generated by  $\mathbb{B}_1 = \mathbb{B}$

Let  $\mathcal{T}_2$  be the topology generated by  $\mathbb{B}_2$  (the standard topology).

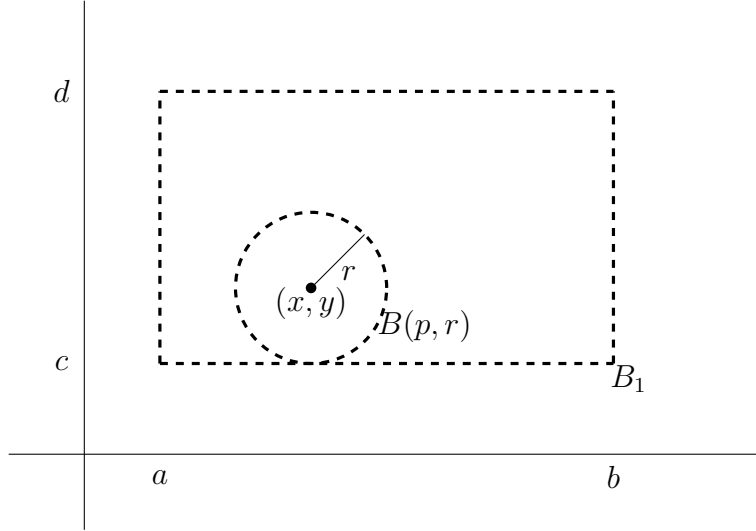


Figure 1:  $\rightarrow$

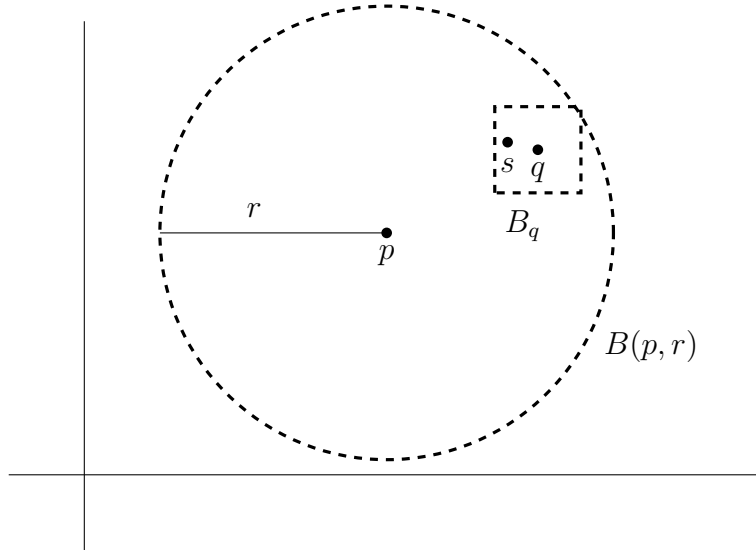


Figure 2:  $\leftarrow$

$\rightarrow$  Let  $B_1 \in \mathbb{B}_1$

$\exists a, b, c, d \ni B_1 = (a, b) \times (c, d)$

Let  $p = (x, y) \in B_1$ , so  $a < x < b$  and  $c < y < d$ .

Let  $r = \min(x - a, b - x, y - c, d - y)$ , so  $r > 0$ .

Consider  $B(p, r) \in \mathbb{B}_2$

$B(p, r) \in \mathcal{T}_2$

Let  $q \in B(p, r)$

$\exists m, \theta \ni 0 < m < r$  where  $q = (x + m \cos \theta, y + m \sin \theta)$

Since  $-1 \leq \sin \theta \leq 1$ ,  $-r \leq m \sin \theta \leq r$

Since  $-1 \leq \cos \theta \leq 1$ ,  $-r \leq m \cos \theta \leq r$

$$\begin{array}{ll} a < x - r & x + r < b \\ a < x - m & x + m < b \\ \boxed{a < x + m \cos \theta} & \boxed{x + m \cos \theta < b} \\ \\ c < y - r & y + r < d \\ c < y - m & y + m < d \\ \boxed{c < y + m \sin \theta} & \boxed{y + m \sin \theta < d} \end{array}$$

So  $q \in B_1$

Thus,  $B(p, r) \subseteq B_1$

By the Union Lemma,  $B_1 = \bigcup_{p \in B_1} B(p, r)$ .

Let  $U \in \mathcal{T}_1$ .

$U = \bigcup B_k$  where  $B_k \in \mathbb{B}_1$  since  $\mathbb{B}_1$  generates  $\mathcal{T}_1$

Thus,  $U = \bigcup_{p \in B_k} B(p, r)$ , which is a union of basis elements from  $\mathcal{T}_2$ .

So  $U \in \mathcal{T}_2$

$\therefore \mathcal{T}_1 \subseteq \mathcal{T}_2$

□

← Let  $B(p, r) \in \mathbb{B}_2$

Let  $q = (x_q, y_q) \in B(p, r)$ .

$\exists m \ni 0 < m < r$  and  $d(p, q) = m$

Let  $B_q = \{(x_q + \frac{m-r}{\sqrt{2}}, x_q + \frac{r-m}{\sqrt{2}}) \times (y_q + \frac{m-r}{\sqrt{2}}, y_q + \frac{r-m}{\sqrt{2}})\}$

$B_q \in \mathbb{B}_1$

Let  $s \in B_q$ .

By the formula for Euclidian distance

$$\begin{aligned} d(q, s) &< \sqrt{\left(x_q - \left(x_q \pm \frac{m-r}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\right)^2 + \left(y_q - \left(y_q \pm \frac{m-r}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\right)^2} \\ d(q, s) &< \sqrt{\left(\frac{m-r}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m-r}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2} \\ d(q, s) &< \sqrt{(r-m)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $r > m$

$$d(q, s) < r - m$$

By the triangular property

$$d(p, s) < d(p, q) + d(q, s)$$

$$d(p, s) < m + (r - m) \quad \text{so } d(p, s) < r$$

Thus,  $s \in B(p, r)$ .

So  $B_q \subseteq B(p, r)$

By the Union lemma  $\bigcup_{q \in B(p, r)} B_q = B(p, r)$

Let  $U \in \mathcal{T}_2$ .

$U = \bigcup B_k$  where  $B_k \in \mathbb{B}_2$  since  $\mathbb{B}_2$  generates  $\mathcal{T}_2$ .

Thus,  $U = \bigcup \bigcup_{q \in B(p, r)} B_q$ , which is a union of basis elements from  $\mathcal{T}_1$ .

So  $U \in \mathcal{T}_1$

$\therefore \mathcal{T}_2 \in \mathcal{T}_1$

□

$\therefore \mathcal{T}_1 = \mathcal{T}_2$

The topology  $\mathcal{T}'$  generated by  $\mathbb{B}$  is the standard topology on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

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