

Def Let  $X$  be a set and  $\tau$  a collection of subsets of  $X$ . We say  $\tau$  is a topology on  $X$  if

- 1)  $\emptyset, X \in \tau$
- 2)  $U_1, \dots, U_n \in \tau \Rightarrow \bigcap_{i=1}^n U_i \in \tau$
- 3)  $\{U_i\}_{i \in I} \subset \tau \Rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i \in \tau$

We say an element in  $\tau$  is an open set.

e.g. trivial topology:  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X\}$

discrete topology:  $\tau = \mathcal{P}(X)$  (power set of  $X$ )  
(i.e. any  $A \subset X \Rightarrow A \in \tau$ )

Def Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. Then for any  $U \in \tau$ ,  $U^c$  is called a closed set

Def Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $A \subset X$ . The interior of  $A$  is the largest open set contained in  $X$ . The closure of  $A$  is the smallest closed set containing  $A$ .

$$A^\circ := \text{int}(A) := \bigcup_{\substack{U \in \tau \\ U \subset A}} U \quad \bar{A} := \text{cl}(A) := \bigcap_{\substack{S^c \in \tau \\ A \subset S}} S$$

Def Let  $X$  be a set and  $\beta$  a collection of subsets of  $X$  s.t.

1)  $X = \bigcup_{B \in \beta} B$

2) If  $B_1, B_2 \in \beta$ , then for  $x \in B_1 \cap B_2$ , there is  $B_3 \in \beta$  s.t.  $x \in B_3$  and  $B_3 \subset B_1 \cap B_2$

Then  $\tau = \{ U : U = \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \text{ for any subcollection } \{B_i\}_{i \in I} \subset \beta \}$

is a topology on  $X$  and  $\beta$  is called a basis of  $\tau$  (and  $\tau$  is called a topology generated by  $\beta$ )

E.g The standard topology on  $\mathbb{R}$  is a topology generated by a basis  $\{(a, b) : a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$

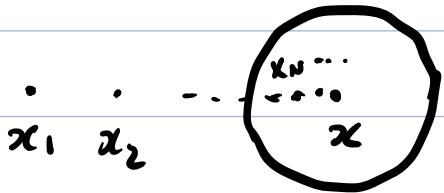
Def Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $Y \subset X$ . Then

$$\tau_Y := \{ Y \cap U : U \in \tau \}$$

is a topology on  $Y$  and called the subspace topology on  $Y$

Def Let  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$  be topological spaces. Then  $\beta := \tau \times \sigma = \{U \times V : U \in \tau, V \in \sigma\}$  is a basis for a topology on  $X \times Y$ . This topology is called the product topology of  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \sigma)$ .

Def Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  a sequence in  $X$ . We say  $x_n$  converges to  $x$  if for any open set  $U \subset X$  containing  $x$ , there is  $N > 0$  s.t.  $x_n \in U$  for  $n > N$ .



E.g. In the trivial topology  $(X, \tau = \{\emptyset, X\})$ , any sequence converges to any point.

In the discrete topology, any sequence does not converge.

Def A topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called Hausdorff if for any  $x, y \in X$ , there are open sets  $U_x$  and  $U_y$  ( $x \neq y$ )

containing  $x$  and  $y$  respectively, s.t.  $U_x \cap U_y = \emptyset$ .

Prop In a Hausdorff space, if there is a limit of a sequence, it is unique.

e.g The trivial topology is not Hausdorff  
The discrete topology is Hausdorff.

Def Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space and  $A \subset X$ . A limit point (= cluster point, accumulation point) of  $A$  is a point  $x \in X$  s.t. any open set containing  $x$  contains a point in  $A$  which is different from  $x$ .

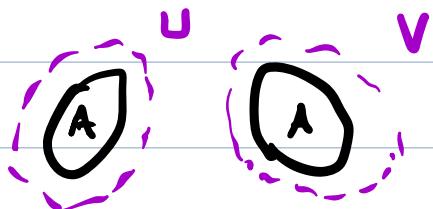
↪ Standard topology

e.g  $(\mathbb{R}, \tau_{std})$ ,  $A = \{\frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , 0 is the limit pt of  $A$ .

Def Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. A set  $A \subset X$  is compact if for any collections of open sets  $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$  s.t.  $A \subset \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$ , there is a finite subcollection  $\{U_{i_1}, \dots, U_{i_n}\} \subset \{U_i\}$  s.t.  $A \subset \bigcup_{k=1}^n U_{i_k}$

Prop In  $(\mathbb{R}^n, \tau_{\text{std}})$ , a set  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is compact if and only if  $A$  is closed and bounded.

Def Let  $(X, \epsilon)$  be a topological space. A set  $A \subset X$  is disconnected if there is a two open sets  $U, V \subset X$  s.t  $U \cap V = \emptyset$   $U \cup V = A$ . If  $A$  is not disconnected we call it connected.



Def Suppose  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(Y, \epsilon)$  are topological spaces. Then  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous if

$f^{-1}(U)$  is open in  $X$  for any open set  $U$  in  $Y$

Prop Suppose  $f: (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \epsilon)$  is a continuous function. Then

- 1) for any closed set  $C \subset Y$   $f^{-1}(C)$  is closed
- 2) for any compact set  $A \subset X$   $f(A)$  is compact
- 3) for any connected set  $A \subset X$   $f(A)$  is connected
- 4) If  $f, g: X \rightarrow Y$  are continuous, then  $(f, g): (X \times X) \rightarrow (Y \times Y)$  is also continuous.

e.g (topologist's sine curve)

$$C = \{(0, y) : y \in [-1, 1]\} \cup \{(x, \sin \frac{1}{x}) : x \in (0, \infty)\}$$

A

B

C is connected :

① A is connected (exercise)

② B is connected : B is the image of

$$f: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \quad f(x) = (x, \sin \frac{1}{x})$$

Since f is continuous and  $(0, \infty)$  is connected,  
B is connected.

③  $A \cup B$  is connected : Since any open set

Containing A intersects B (exercise),

there is no open sets U, V s.t.  $A \subset U$   $B \subset V$

and  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ .  $\therefore A \cup B$  is connected.