

TOPOLOGY

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Chapter 1

Preliminaries

1.1 Naive Set Theory

Suppose that A_α, A, B_α, B are sets and I is some index set. We have

- $A \cap \left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} B_\alpha \right) = \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} (A \cap B_\alpha)$, $A \cup \left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} B_\alpha \right) = \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} (A \cup B_\alpha)$.
- $\left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha \right)^C = \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha^C$, $\left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha \right)^C = \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha^C$
- $E - \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha = \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} (E - A_\alpha)$, $E - \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha = \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} (E - A_\alpha)$

Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a map. Suppose that $A_\alpha, A, E \subset X$ and $B_\alpha, B, F \subset Y$. We have

- $f \left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha \right) = \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} f(A_\alpha)$, $f \left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha \right) \subset \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} f(A_\alpha)$, $f(E - A) \supset f(E) - f(A)$.
- $f^{-1} \left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} B_\alpha \right) = \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} f^{-1}(B_\alpha)$, $f^{-1} \left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} B_\alpha \right) = \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} f^{-1}(B_\alpha)$, $f^{-1}(F - B) = f^{-1}(F) - f^{-1}(B)$.
- $A \subset f^{-1}(f(A))$, $B \supset f(f^{-1}(B))$.

Chapter 2

General Topology

2.1 Topological space

Definition 2.1.1 (topological space) A *topological space* is an ordered pair (X, τ) , where X is a set and $\tau \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$ is a collection of subsets of X , satisfying the following axioms:

1. $\emptyset \in \tau, X \in \tau$.
2. If $A_i \in \tau$ ($i \in I$), then $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \in \tau$,
3. If $A_i \in \tau$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$), then $\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i \in \tau$.

The elements of τ are called *open sets* and the collection τ is called a *topology* on X .

In this chapter we always assume that (X, τ) is a topological space.

Definition 2.1.2 (closed set) Suppose that A is a subset of X . A is a *closed set* if and only if A^C is an open set.

Proposition 2.1.1 Assume that $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$ is a collection of all closed sets of (X, τ) .

1. $\emptyset \in \mathcal{F}, X \in \mathcal{F}$.
2. If $A_i \in \mathcal{F}$ ($i \in I$), then $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \in \mathcal{F}$,
3. If $A_i \in \mathcal{F}$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$), then $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \in \mathcal{F}$.

Proof.

1. $\emptyset \in \tau \implies \emptyset^C = X \in \mathcal{F}$. $X \in \tau \implies X^C = \emptyset \in \mathcal{F}$.
2. $A_i \in \mathcal{F}$ ($i \in I$) $\implies A_i^C \in \tau$ ($i \in I$) $\implies \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i^C \in \tau \implies \left(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \right)^C \in \tau \implies \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \in \mathcal{F}$.
3. $A_i \in \mathcal{F}$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$) $\implies A_i^C \in \tau$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$) $\implies \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i^C \in \tau \implies \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \right)^C \in \tau \implies \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \in \mathcal{F}$.

□

Definition 2.1.3 (neighborhood) Given a point $x \in X$, a set $N \subset X$ is the *neighborhood* of x if there exists an open set $O \in \tau$ such that $x \in O \subset N$. The collection of all neighborhoods of x is denoted by $\mathcal{N}(x)$.

Proposition 2.1.2 Suppose that $x \in X$.

1. $N \in \mathcal{N}(x) \implies x \in N$
2. $N_1, N_2 \in \mathcal{N}(x) \implies N_1 \cap N_2 \in \mathcal{N}(x)$
3. $N \in \mathcal{N}(x) \wedge N \subset U \subset X \implies U \in \mathcal{N}(x)$
4. $N \in \mathcal{N}(x) \implies \exists M \in \mathcal{N}(x), (M \subset N) \wedge (\forall y \in M, M \in \mathcal{N}(y))$

Proof.

1. $N \in \mathcal{N}(x) \implies x \in O \subset N \implies x \in N$.
2. $N_1, N_2 \in \mathcal{N}(x) \implies x \in O_1 \subset N_1 \wedge x \in O_2 \subset N_2 \implies x \in O_1 \cap O_2 \subset N_1 \cap N_2$.
3. $N \in \mathcal{N}(x) \wedge N \subset U \subset X \implies x \in O \subset N \subset U \implies U \in \mathcal{N}(x)$.
4. If $N \in \mathcal{N}(x)$, then there exists $O \in \tau$ such that $x \in O \subset N$. Note that $O \in \mathcal{N}(x)$ and

$$\forall y \in O, y \in O \subset O \implies \forall y \in O, O \in \mathcal{N}(y).$$

We affirm that O is the set M that we are looking for.

□

Definition 2.1.4 (limit point) Suppose that A is a subset of X . A point $x \in X$ is a *limit point* of A , if every neighbourhood of x contains at least one point of A different from x itself, or alternatively, if for any open set O containing x ,

$$O \cap (A - \{x\}) \neq \emptyset.$$

The set of all limit points of A is said to be the *derived set* of A , denoted by A' .

Proposition 2.1.3 Suppose that A and B are subsets of X .

1. $\emptyset' = \emptyset$
2. $(A \cup B)' = A' \cup B'$
3. $A \subset B \implies A' \subset B'$
4. $A'' \subset A' \cup A$
5. $a \in A' \implies a \in (A - \{a\})'$

Proof.

1. For any point $x \in X$ and for any neighborhood $N \in \mathcal{N}(x)$, we have $N \cap (\emptyset - \{x\}) = \emptyset$. It implies that empty set has no limit points.
2. Omitted.

□

Definition 2.1.5 (closure) Suppose that A is a subset of X . The *closure* of A is the smallest closed set containing A , denoted by \overline{A} .

Proposition 2.1.4 The following propositions are equivalent:

1. S is the closure of A .
2. $S = \bigcap_{F_\alpha \in \mathcal{F}: A \subset F_\alpha} F_\alpha$, where \mathcal{F} is a collection of all closed sets of X .
3. $S = A \cup A'$.
4. $S = \{x \in X : \forall N \in \mathcal{N}(x), N \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$.

Proof.

1. Omitted. □

Proposition 2.1.5 Suppose that A and B are subsets of X .

1. $\overline{\emptyset} = \emptyset$.
2. $\overline{A \cup B} = \overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$, $\overline{A \cap B} \subset \overline{A} \cap \overline{B}$.
3. $A \subset \overline{A}$.
4. $\overline{(\overline{A})} = \overline{A}$.

Proof.

1. Omitted. □

Definition 2.1.6 (frontier) Suppose that A is a subset of X . The *frontier* of A denoted by ∂A is defined as

$$\partial A = \overline{A} \cap \overline{A^c}.$$

A point x is called an *boundary point* of A if $x \in \partial A$.

Definition 2.1.7 (interior) Suppose that A is a subset of X . The *interior* of A is the largest open set contained by A , denoted by A° . A point x is called an *interior point* of A if $x \in A^\circ$.

Proposition 2.1.6 The following propositions are equivalent:

1. S is the interior of A .
2. $S = \bigcup_{O_\alpha \in \tau: O_\alpha \subset A} O_\alpha$.
3. $S = A - \partial A$.
4. $S = \{x \in X : \exists N \in \mathcal{N}(x), N_x \subset A\}$.

Proof.

1. Omitted. □

Proposition 2.1.7 Suppose that A and B are subsets of X .

1. $\emptyset^\circ = \emptyset$.

2. $(A \cup B)^\circ = A^\circ \cup B^\circ$, $(A \cap B)^\circ \supset A^\circ \cap B^\circ$.
3. $A \supset A^\circ$.
4. $(A^\circ)^\circ = A^\circ$.

Proof.

1. Omitted.

□

Proposition 2.1.8 The following propositions are equivalent:

1. F is a closed set.
2. $F' \subset F$.
3. $\overline{F} = F$.

Proof.

1. Omitted.

□

Proposition 2.1.9 The following propositions are equivalent:

1. F is an open set.
2. $\partial F \cap F = \emptyset$.
3. $F^\circ = F$.
4. $\forall x \in F, F \in \mathcal{N}(x)$.

Proof.

1. Omitted.

□

Proposition 2.1.10 Suppose that A is a subset of X .

1. $(\overline{A})^C = (A^C)^\circ$
2. $(A^\circ)^C = \overline{A^C}$

Proof.

1. Omitted.

□

Definition 2.1.8 (dense set) A subset A of a topological space X is called dense in X if $\overline{A} = X$.

Proposition 2.1.11 The following propositions are equivalent:

1. A is dense in X .
2. For any point $x \in X$ and for any neighborhood $N \in \mathcal{N}(x)$, $N \cap A \neq \emptyset$.

Proof.

1. Omitted.

□

Definition 2.1.9 Let \mathcal{B} is a collection of subsets of X , the collection of subsets generated by \mathcal{B} is defined as

$$\langle \mathcal{B} \rangle = \left\{ A \in 2^X : A = \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i, B_i \in \mathcal{B} \right\}.$$

Definition 2.1.10 (base) Let \mathcal{B} be a collection of subsets of the topological space (X, τ) . \mathcal{B} is a *base* for (X, τ) if $\langle \mathcal{B} \rangle = \tau$.

Proposition 2.1.12 Let \mathcal{B} be a collection of subsets of the topological space (X, τ) . The following propositions are equivalent:

1. \mathcal{B} is a base for X .
2. Elements in \mathcal{B} cover X and $\forall B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B}, \forall x \in B_1 \cap B_2, \exists B_3 \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $x \in B_3$.

Definition 2.1.11 (second-countable space) A *second-countable* space, also called a completely separable space, is a topological space whose topology has a countable base.

We have several separation axioms in topological spaces denoted by T_r , $r = 0, 1, 2, 2\frac{1}{2}, 3, 3\frac{1}{2}, 4, 5, 6$.

Definition 2.1.12 (Hausdorff space/ T_2 space) A topological space X is a *Hausdorff space*, separated space or T_2 space if for any two distinct points $x, y \in X$ there exists a neighbourhood U of x and a neighbourhood V of y such that $U \cap V = \emptyset$.

Definition 2.1.13 (normal space/ T_4 space) A topological space X is a *normal space* or T_4 space if, given any disjoint closed sets E and F in X , there are neighbourhoods U of E and V of F such that $U \cap V = \emptyset$.

Definition 2.1.14 (compact topological space) Formally, a topological space X is called *compact* if each of its open covers has a finite subcover. That is, X is compact if for every collection \mathcal{C} of open subsets of X such that

$$X = \bigcup_{C \in \mathcal{C}} C$$

there is a finite subset \mathcal{F} of \mathcal{C} such that

$$X = \bigcup_{F \in \mathcal{F}} F$$

A subset K of a topological space X is said to be compact if it is compact as a subspace (in the subspace topology).

2.2 Basic Construction

2.2.1 Subspace Topology

2.2.2 Quotient Topology

Definition 2.2.1 (quotient space) Let (X, τ) be a topological space and \sim be an equivalence relation on X . Let $\pi : X \rightarrow X/\sim$ be the projection. The *quotient space* of X is the set X/\sim equipped with the following topology

$$\tau_{\sim} := \{A \in 2^{X/\sim} \mid \pi^{-1}(A) \in \tau\},$$

which is called *quotient topology*.

It is easy to check that π is a continuous surjection from (X, τ) to $(X/\sim, \tau_\sim)$.

Proposition 2.2.1 For any topological space (Y, σ) and any continuous mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ such that $a \sim b$ implies $f(a) = f(b)$ for all $a, b \in X$, there exists a unique continuous mapping $\bar{f} : X/\sim \rightarrow Y$ such that the following diagram commutes.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y \\ \pi \downarrow & \nearrow \exists! \bar{f} & \\ X/\sim & & \end{array}$$

Proof. Define

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{f} : X/\sim &\longrightarrow Y, \\ [x] &\longmapsto f(x). \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that \bar{f} is well-defined. Since for all $B \in \sigma$,

$$\pi^{-1}(\bar{f}^{-1}(B)) = \pi^{-1}(\{[x] \in X/\sim \mid f(x) \in B\}) = \{x \in X \mid f(x) \in B\} = f^{-1}(B) \in \tau,$$

we have

$$\bar{f}^{-1}(B) \in \tau_\sim,$$

which implies \bar{f} is continuous. If there exists a function $g : X/\sim \rightarrow Y$ such that $f = g \circ \pi$, then for all $[x] \in X/\sim$, we see

$$g([x]) = g(\pi(x)) = f(x) \implies g = \bar{f}.$$

□

2.2.3 Product Topology

Chapter 3

Basic Notions

3.1 CW Complex

A k -cell is a k -dimensional disc

$$D^k = \{x \in \mathbf{R}^k : |x| \leq 1\}.$$

Chapter 4

Concrete Examples

A topological space X is called locally Euclidean if there is a non-negative integer n such that every point in X has a neighbourhood which is homeomorphic to real n -dimensional space \mathbb{R}^n .

A topological manifold is a locally Euclidean Hausdorff space. In this chapter we focus on some concrete topological manifolds to develop a topological intuition. Topological manifold will be called manifold in brief whenever we mention it.

4.1 One-dimensional manifolds

4.1.1 Real affine line \mathbb{R}^1

The real line \mathbb{R}^1 carries a standard topology, which can be introduced from the metric defined above. The real line is homeomorphic to any open interval $(a, b) \in \mathbb{R}$.

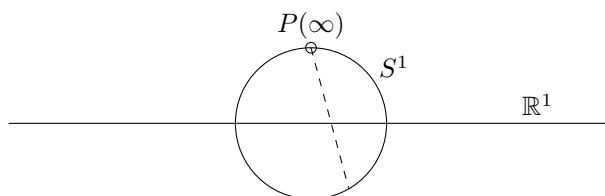
$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{R}^1 & \cong & (a, b) \\ \text{-----} & & \circ \text{-----} \circ \end{array}$$

One homeomorphic mapping is

$$f : \mathbb{R}^1 \longrightarrow (a, b), \quad x \longmapsto \frac{b-a}{\pi} \arctan(x) + \frac{a+b}{2}.$$

4.1.2 Circle S^1

The circle S^1 is defined by $S^1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 | x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$. S^1 can be described as $S^1 \cong \mathbb{R}^1 \cup \{\infty\}$, which is real line plus a single point representing infinity in both directions. Therefore, if a single point P is removed from a circle, it becomes homeomorphic to \mathbb{R}^1 .



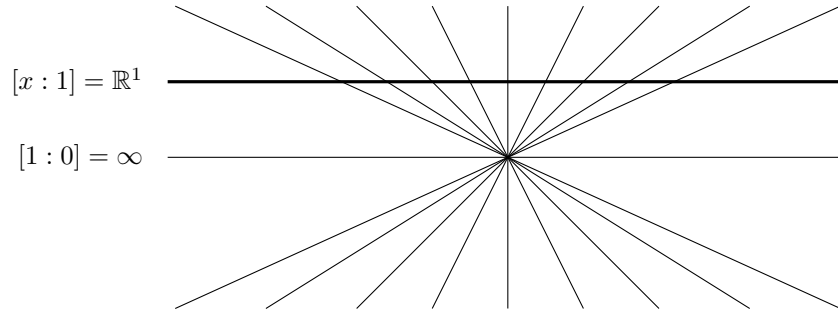
This homeomorphism is exactly the stereographic projection of P . Take $P = (0, 1)$ and the stereographic projection is given by

$$\begin{aligned} pr : S^1 - P &\longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^1, & (x, y) &\longmapsto X = \frac{x}{1-y}, \\ pr^{-1} : \mathbb{R}^1 &\longrightarrow S^1 - P, & X &\longmapsto (x, y) = \left(\frac{2X}{X^2 + 1}, \frac{X^2 - 1}{X^2 + 1} \right). \end{aligned}$$

4.1.3 Real projective line $P^1(\mathbb{R})$

Real projective line $P^1(\mathbb{R})$ is the set of equivalence classes of $\mathbb{R}^2 - (0, 0)$ under the equivalence relation \sim defined by $x \sim y$ if there is a nonzero real number λ such that $x = \lambda y$. Given any representative element $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 - (0, 0)$, the equivalence class of (x, y) is denoted in the form of homogeneous coordinates $[x : y]$. Clearly we have $[x : y] = [\lambda x : \lambda y]$ for any nonzero $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$.

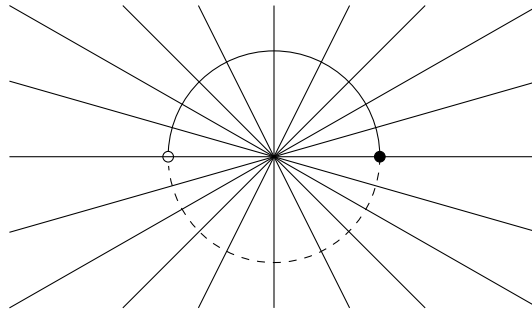
Real projective line consists of all 1-dimensional subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 .



By introduce the continuous mapping

$$\begin{aligned} r : P^1(\mathbb{R}) &\longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^1 \cup \{\infty\}, \\ [x : y] &\longmapsto \frac{x}{y}, \end{aligned}$$

we can clearly see $P^1(\mathbb{R}) \cong S^1$. $P^1(\mathbb{R})$ can be constructed by identifying the antipodal points of S^1 .



4.2 Two-dimensional manifolds

4.2.1 Real affine plane \mathbb{R}^2

The real affine plane \mathbb{R}^2 carries a standard topology. \mathbb{R}^2 is homeomorphic to any open region $G \in \mathbb{R}$. Since the mapping $(x, y) \mapsto x + iy$ is a homeomorphism, we have $\mathbb{R}^2 \cong \mathbb{C}$.

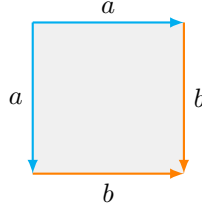
4.2.2 Sphere S^2

The circle S^2 is defined by $S^2 = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 | x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1\}$. Similarly we have $S^2 \cong \mathbb{R}^2 \cup \{\infty\}$ and the stereographic projection of $P = (0, 0, 1)$

$$pr : S^2 - P \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, \quad (x, y, z) \longmapsto (X, Y) = \left(\frac{x}{1-z}, \frac{y}{1-z} \right),$$

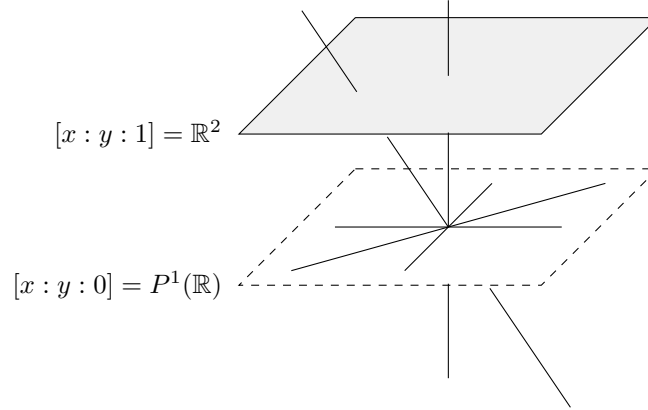
$$pr^{-1} : \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow S^2 - P, \quad (X, Y) \longmapsto (x, y, z) = \left(\frac{2X}{X^2 + Y^2 + 1}, \frac{2Y}{X^2 + Y^2 + 1}, \frac{X^2 + Y^2 - 1}{X^2 + Y^2 + 1} \right).$$

Sphere S^2 can be described by a square with some edges identified as follows

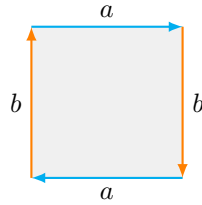


4.2.3 Real projective plane $P^2(\mathbb{R})$

Real projective plane $P^2(\mathbb{R}) = (\mathbb{R}^3 - \{(0, 0, 0)\}) / \sim$ where $x \sim y$ whenever there is a nonzero real number λ such that $x = \lambda y$. $P^2(\mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R}^2 \sqcup P^1(\mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R}^2 \sqcup \mathbb{R}P^1 \sqcup \{\infty\}$.



$P^2(\mathbb{R})$ can be constructed by identifying the antipodal points of S^2 , which can be represented by $S^2/\{1, -1\}$. $P^2(\mathbb{R})$ can also be constructed from a closed unit disk $\overline{D^2}$ by identifying the antipodal points of the boundary $\partial \overline{D^2} = S^1$. Another way to describe $P^2(\mathbb{R})$ is a square with some edges identified as follows

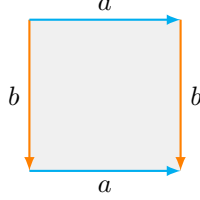


4.2.4 Complex projective line $P^1(\mathbb{C})$

Real projective line $P^1(\mathbb{R})$ is the set of equivalence classes of $\mathbb{R}^2 - (0, 0)$ under the equivalence relation \sim defined by $x \sim y$ if there is a nonzero real number λ such that $x = \lambda y$. We have the following homeomorphisms $P^1(\mathbb{C}) \cong \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\} \cong \mathbb{R}^2 \cup \{\infty\} \cong S^2$.

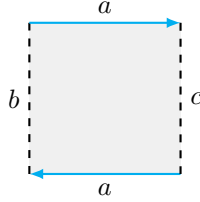
4.2.5 Torus T^2

A torus T^2 is a closed surface defined as the product of two circles $S^1 \times S^1$. Torus can be described by a square with some edges identified as follows



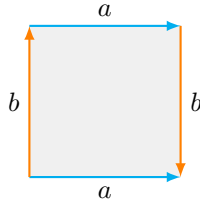
4.2.6 Möbius strip

Möbius strip can be described by a square with some edges identified as follows



4.2.7 Klein bottle

Klein bottle can be described by a square with some edges identified as follows



4.3 Other manifolds

4.3.1 Real projective space $P^n(\mathbb{R})$

Real projective plane $P^n(\mathbb{R}) = (\mathbb{R}^{n+1} - \{\mathbf{0}\}) / \sim$ where $x \sim y$ whenever there is a nonzero real number λ such that $x = \lambda y$. In general, we have

$$P^n(\mathbb{R}) \cong S^n / \{\pm 1\} \cong D^n \sqcup (\partial D^n / \pm 1) = D^n \sqcup (S^{n-1} / \{\pm 1\}) \cong D^n \sqcup P^{n-1}(\mathbb{R}) \cong \overline{D^n} \sqcup_{\partial D^n} P^{n-1}(\mathbb{R}),$$

where $D^n := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} : \|x\| \leq 1\}$.