

# 1 Topology

## 1.1 Continuity

### 1.1.1 Definitions/Equivalence

**Definition 1.1.** (*Global Continuity*)

Let  $(X, \mathcal{T}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{T}_Y)$  be topological spaces. Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . We say that  $f$  is **continuous** if

$$(\forall V \in \mathcal{T}_Y)(f^{-1}(V) \in \mathcal{T}_X)$$

**Definition 1.2.** (*Local Continuity*)

Let  $(X, \mathcal{T}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{T}_Y)$  be topological spaces. Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . Let  $x_0 \in X$ . We say  $f$  is **continuous at  $x_0$**  if

$$(\forall V_{f(x_0)} \in \mathcal{T}_Y)(\exists U_{x_0} \in \mathcal{T}_X) \cap (f(U_{x_0}) \subset V_{f(x_0)})$$

**Theorem 1.** (*Global Local Continuity*)

Let  $(X, \mathcal{T}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{T}_Y)$  be topological spaces. Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . Then the following are equivalent.

- 1.)  $f$  is globally continuous.
- 2.)  $(\forall x_0 \in X)(f \text{ is continuous at } x_0)$ .

*Proof.* (1  $\implies$  2)

Pick  $x_0 \in X$ . Let  $f(x_0) \in V \in \mathcal{T}_Y$ . Since  $f$  is continuous,  $f^{-1}(V) \in \mathcal{T}_X$ . Thus  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a neighborhood of  $x_0$  such that  $f(f^{-1}(V)) \subset V$ , so  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0$ . □

*Proof.* (2  $\implies$  1)

Let  $V \in \mathcal{T}_Y$ . I must show  $f^{-1}(V) \in \mathcal{T}_X$ . Let  $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ . Since  $f$  is continuous at  $x$ ,  $(\exists U_x \in \mathcal{T}_X) \cap f(U_x) \subset V$

$\iff U_x \subset f^{-1}(V)$ . Thus an arbitrary element of  $f^{-1}(V)$  has a neighborhood contained within  $f^{-1}(V)$ . Hence  $f^{-1}(V) \in \mathcal{T}_X$ . Since  $V$  was an arbitrary element of  $\mathcal{T}_Y$ , we conclude that this is true for all open sets in  $Y$ , and thus  $f$  is globally continuous. □

### 1.1.2 Basic Facts

**Theorem 2.** (*Composition Continuity*)

Let  $X$ ,  $Y$ , and  $Z$  be topological spaces. Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  be continuous. Then  $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$  is continuous.

*Proof.* let  $V \in \mathcal{T}_Z$ .

$$\begin{aligned} &\implies g^{-1}(V) \in \mathcal{T}_Y. \\ &\implies f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) \in \mathcal{T}_X \\ &\iff (g \circ f)^{-1}(V) \in \mathcal{T}_X. \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 3.** *(Global Continuity Facts)*

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces. Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . Then the following are equivalent.

- 1.)  $f$  is continuous.
- 2.)  $f^{-1}(F)$  is closed in  $X$  for all  $F$  closed in  $Y$ .
- 3.)  $f^{-1}(U)$  is open in  $X$  for all  $U$  members of a subbasis of  $\mathcal{T}_Y$ .
- 4.)  $f(\overline{A}) \subset \overline{f(A)}$  ( $\forall A \subset X$ )
- 5.)  $\overline{f^{-1}(B)} \subset f^{-1}(\overline{B})$

*Proof.* (1  $\implies$  2)

Let  $F$  be closed in  $Y$ . Then  $Y \setminus \mathcal{C}F \in \mathcal{T}_Y$ .

$$\implies \mathcal{C}f^{-1}(F) = f^{-1}(\mathcal{C}F) \in \mathcal{T}_X$$

$$\implies f^{-1}(F) \text{ is closed in } X.$$

□

*Proof.* 2  $\implies$  3.

□

*Proof.* (3  $\implies$  4)

□

*Proof.* (4  $\implies$  1) A good challenging question for you to work on.

□

**1.2 Continuity in Metric Spaces**

**Definition 1.3.** Let  $(X, d)$  and  $(Y, \rho)$  be metric spaces, and let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . We say that  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0 \in X$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$f(B(x_0; \delta)) \subset B(f(x_0); \epsilon).$$

**Theorem 4.** Let  $(X, d)$  and  $(Y, \rho)$  be metric spaces, and let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . Then the following are equivalent :

1.  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0 \in X$
2.  $(\forall \epsilon > 0)(\exists \delta > 0)(f(B(x_0; \delta)) \subset B(f(x_0); \epsilon)).$

**Proposition 1.** Let  $(X, d)$  and  $(Y, \rho)$  be metric spaces, and let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . Then the following are equivalent :

1.  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0 \in X$
2.  $(\forall \epsilon > 0)(\exists \delta > 0)(x \in B(x_0; \delta) \implies f(x) \in B(f(x_0); \epsilon)).$

**Definition 1.4.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and let  $\{x_k\}$  be a sequence in  $X$ . We say that  $\{x_k\}$  is a convergent sequence to a point  $x_0$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $K \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $d(x_k, x_0) < \epsilon$  for all  $k \geq K$ .

**Theorem 5.** Let  $(X, d)$  and  $(Y, \rho)$  be metric spaces, and let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . Then the following are equivalent :

1.  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0 \in X$
2.  $(\forall \{x_k\})(x_k \rightarrow x_0 \Rightarrow f(x_k) \rightarrow f(x_0))$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Since  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0$ , There exists  $\delta > 0$  so that

$$f(B(x_0; \delta)) \subset B(f(x_0; \epsilon)).$$

Since  $x_k \rightarrow x_0$ , there exists  $K \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $d(x_k, x_0) < \delta$  for all  $k \geq K$ . This means,

$$x_k \in B(x_0; \delta) \text{ for all } k \geq K.$$

Consequently,

$$f(x_k) \in B(f(x_0); \epsilon) \text{ for all } k \geq K.$$

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) exercise

□

### 1.3 Semicontinuity

**Definition 1.5.** (*Semicontinuity*)

Let  $X$  be a topological space. Let  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

We say  $f$  is upper semicontinuous if  $(\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R})(f^{-1}(-\infty, \alpha)) \in \tau_X$

We say that  $f$  is lower semicontinuous if  $(\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R})(f^{-1}(\alpha, +\infty)) \in \tau_X$

**Theorem 6.** Let  $X$  be a topological space. Let  $f, g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . be continuous. Then

- 1.)  $|f|$  is continuous.
- 2.)  $af + bg$  is continuous ( $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ )
- 3.)  $fg$  is continuous.
- 4.) If  $f(X) \cap \{0\} = \emptyset$ , then  $\frac{1}{f}$  is continuous.

You should prove it using lower and upper semicontinuity.

*Proof.* (3) Use the fact  $4ab = (a + b)^2 - (a - b)^2$

□

*Proof.* (4) Formal assessment : Combine results on continuity.

□

### 1.3.1 Pasting Lemma

**Theorem 7.** (*The Pasting lemma*)

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces such that  $X=A \cup B$  where  $A$  and  $B$  are closed. Let  $f : A \rightarrow Y$  and let  $g : B \rightarrow Y$  be continuous such that  $f|_{A \cap B} = g|_{A \cap B}$ . Define  $h : X \rightarrow Y$  by  $h(x) = f(x)$  for  $x \in A$  and  $h(x) = g(x)$  for  $x \in B$ . (That is,  $h = f \cup g$ ) as sets.

Then  $h$  is continuous.

*Proof.* Let  $K$  be closed in  $Y$ . Then  $h^{-1}(K) = f^{-1}(K) \cup g^{-1}(K)$  which is closed in  $X$ .

□

### 1.3.2 Homeomorphisms

**Definition 1.6.** (*Homeomorphism*)

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces. Let  $h : X \rightarrow Y$ . We say  $h$  is a homeomorphism if  $h$  is continuous, bijective, and  $h^{-1}$  is continuous.

**Definition 1.7.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces. and let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ .

- 1.)  $f$  is said to be open if  $f(G)$  is open in  $Y$  for every  $G$  open in  $X$ .
- 2.)  $f$  is said to be closed if  $f(C)$  is closed in  $Y$  for every  $C$  closed in  $X$ .

**Theorem 8.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces. Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a continuous bijection. Then  $f$  is a homeomorphism if either of the following hold.

- 1.)  $f$  is an open mapping
- 2.)  $f$  is a closed mapping.

*Proof.* Define  $g : Y \rightarrow X$  by  $g = f^{-1}$ . Then for all  $B \subset X$ , we have  $g^{-1}(B) = f(B)$ . Our conclusion follows directly.

□