

# Functional Analysis Course Notes

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# Chapter 1

## Point set topology

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### 1.1 Review

**Definition 1.1.1** (Topology). A topology on a set  $X$  is a collection  $\tau$  of subsets of  $X$  such that

1.  $\emptyset, X \in \tau$
2.  $U, V \in \tau \implies U \cap V \in \tau$
3.  $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A} \subset \tau \implies \cup_\alpha U_\alpha \in \tau$

The elements of  $\tau$  are called open sets.

**Example 1.1.1.** 1. Metric spaces

2. Discrete topology  $\tau = \mathcal{P}(X)$ , the power set of  $X$
3. Trivial topology
4. Let  $(X, <)$  be a total order.  $\tau = \{\cup_\alpha (x_\alpha, y_\alpha) : x_\alpha < y_\alpha\}$ .
5. Induced topology (subspace topology) of  $(X, \tau)$  on  $Y \subset X$  is  $\sigma = \{U \cap Y : U \in \tau\}$ .

**Definition 1.1.2** (Complement, interior, closure notations). • Complement:  $F^c = X \setminus F$

- Interior:  $A^0 = \cup_{U \in \{U : U \in \tau, U \subset A\}} U$
- Closure:  $\bar{A} = \cap_{F \in \{F : F^c \in \tau, A \subset F\}} F$

**Proposition 1.1.1.** • The collection of closed sets is closed under infinite intersection and finite union.

- $x \in \bar{A}$  iff every open  $U \ni x, U \cap A \neq \emptyset$ .
- $\bar{A} = ((A^c)^0)^c$

**Proposition 1.1.2.** Let  $S \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$  be a subset of the power set on  $X$ . Then there exists a weakest topology  $\tau$  that contains  $S$ , namely

$$\tau = \{\cup_\alpha (S_{\alpha,1} \cap \cdots \cap S_{\alpha,n_\alpha})\}$$

**Definition 1.1.3** (Base, sub-base). •  $S$  is a base of  $\tau$  if every set  $U \in \tau$  is the union of sets in  $S$ .

- $S$  is a sub-base of  $\tau$  if it generates  $\tau$  as in the above proposition.

**Example 1.1.2.** 1. If  $(X, d)$  is a metric space, then  $\{b_r(x) : x \in X, r > 0\}$  is a base for the topology.

2.  $\{(r, s) : r < s, r, s \in \mathbb{Q}\}$  is a base for the standard topology on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

3. Let  $X = C[0, 1]$ . For  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}, a \in [0, 1], r > 0$ , let

$$U(\lambda, a, r) = \{g : |g(a) - \lambda| < r\}$$

$$V(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n, a_1, \dots, a_n, r) = \{g : |g(a_i) - \lambda_i| < r \forall i\}.$$

Then the  $U$ 's form a sub-base for  $X$  and the  $V$ 's form a base for  $X$ .

**Definition 1.1.4** (Strength of a topology). Let  $X$  be a set. Let  $\sigma, \tau$  be topologies on  $X$ . We say  $\sigma$  is weaker than  $\tau$  or  $\tau$  is stronger than  $\sigma$  if  $\sigma \subset \tau$ .

**Example 1.1.3.** 1.  $(\mathbb{R}, \text{trivial}) \subset (\mathbb{R}, d) \subset (\mathbb{R}, \text{discrete})$

2.  $(C[0, 1], \text{pointwise topology}) \subset (C[0, 1], d), d(f, g) = \sup_x |f(x) - g(x)| = \|f - g\|_\infty$

**Definition 1.1.5.**  $(X, \tau)$  is separable if there is a countable dense subset. ie  $A = \{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, \bar{A} = X$ .

$(X, \tau)$  is first countable if for all  $x \in X$ , there is a countable neighbourhood base at  $x$ . ie  $\exists B = \{U_n : x \in U_n \in \tau\}$  such that if  $x \in U \in \tau$ , then  $\exists U_n \in B$  such that  $U_n \subset U$ .

$(X, \tau)$  is second countable if there is a countable base.

**Example 1.1.4.** • Suppose  $(X, d)$  is a metric space, then  $X$  is first countable. Then  $\{b_{1/n}(x) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a countable local base.

- For  $(X, \text{discrete})$ , a base must contain (be)  $\{\{x\} : x \in X\}$ . So  $X$  is second countable iff  $X$  is countable. Also  $X$  is separable iff  $X$  is countable.

- For a metric space,  $X$  is compact iff  $X$  is separable. Why?

**Proposition 1.1.3.** If  $X$  is a metric space, then being separable implies being second countable. (Is converse true?)

*Proof.*  $(\Rightarrow)$  Let  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be dense. Let  $S = \{b_{1/k}(x_n) : k, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , which is countable. Let  $U$  be an open neighbourhood of  $x \in X$ . Then there is  $r > 0$  such that  $b_r(x) \subset U$ . Pick  $1/n < r/2$ . Then  $b_{2/n}(x) \subset b_r(x) \subset U$ . Pick  $x_k \in b_{1/n}(x)$ , which is allowed because the  $x_k$ 's are dense. Then  $x \in b_{1/n}(x_k) \subseteq b_{2/n}(x) \subset U$ . Therefore  $U = \cup \{b_{1/n}(x_k)\}$  implies  $S$  is a countable base.  $\square$

**Definition 1.1.6.**  $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is continuous if for all  $V \in \sigma, f^{-1}(V) \in \tau$ .  
 $f$  is a homeomorphism if  $f$  is a bijection and  $f, f^{-1}$  are continuous.

**Example 1.1.5.** • Let  $f : (\mathbb{R}, \text{discrete}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, d), g : (\mathbb{R}, d) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \text{trivial})$  be identity functions. Then  $f, g$  are both bijective and continuous, but  $f^{-1}, g^{-1}$  are not continuous.

- $f : (X, \text{discrete}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$  is always continuous.
- $f : (X, \text{trivial}) \rightarrow (Y, d)$  is continuous iff  $f$  is constant.

**Definition 1.1.7.**  $(X, \tau)$  is Hausdorff if  $\forall x \neq y \in X$ , there is an open neighbourhood of  $x, U$ , and an open neighbourhood of  $y, V$ , such that  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ .

**Example 1.1.6.** 1. Metric spaces are Hausdorff.

2. Let  $X = \{0, 1\}, \tau = \{\emptyset, \{0\}, X\}$ . Cannot separate 0, 1, so not Hausdorff.

3. Let  $X = [0, 1) \cup \{a, b\}$ . If  $U \subseteq [0, 1)$  is open in  $(X, d)$ , then  $U \in \tau$ . Also  $(r, 1) \cup \{a\}, (r, 1) \cup \{b\}$  are open. But

$$((r, 1) \cup \{a\}) \cap ((s, 1) \cup \{b\}) = (\max(r, s), 1) \neq \emptyset$$

means it is not Hausdorff.