

# Topology

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## 1 Topological Spaces

**Definition 1** (Topology). A *topology* on a set  $X$  is a set  $\mathcal{T} \subseteq \mathcal{P}X$  such that:

- $X \in \mathcal{T}$ .
- For all  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{T}$  we have  $\bigcup \mathcal{U} \in \mathcal{T}$ .
- For all  $U, V \in \mathcal{T}$  we have  $U \cap V \in \mathcal{T}$ .

We call the elements of  $X$  *points* and the elements of  $\mathcal{T}$  *open sets*.

**Definition 2** (Topological Space). A *topological space*  $X$  consists of a set  $X$  and a topology on  $X$ .

**Definition 3** (Discrete Space). For any set  $X$ , the *discrete* topology on  $X$  is  $\mathcal{P}X$ .

**Definition 4** (Indiscrete Space). For any set  $X$ , the *indiscrete* or *trivial* topology on  $X$  is  $\{\emptyset, X\}$ .

**Definition 5** (Finite Complement Topology). For any set  $X$ , the *finite complement topology* on  $X$  is  $\{U \in \mathcal{P}X \mid X \setminus U \text{ is finite}\} \cup \{\emptyset\}$ .

**Definition 6** (Countable Complement Topology). For any set  $X$ , the *countable complement topology* on  $X$  is  $\{U \in \mathcal{P}X \mid X \setminus U \text{ is countable}\} \cup \{\emptyset\}$ .

**Definition 7** (Finer, Coarser). Suppose that  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $\mathcal{T}'$  are two topologies on a given set  $X$ . If  $\mathcal{T}' \supseteq \mathcal{T}$ , we say that  $\mathcal{T}'$  is *finer* than  $\mathcal{T}$ ; if  $\mathcal{T}'$  *properly* contains  $\mathcal{T}$ , we say that  $\mathcal{T}'$  is *strictly finer* than  $\mathcal{T}$ . We also say that  $\mathcal{T}$  is *coarser* than  $\mathcal{T}'$ , or *strictly coarser*, in these two respective situations. We say  $\mathcal{T}$  is *comparable* with  $\mathcal{T}'$  if either  $\mathcal{T}' \supseteq \mathcal{T}$  or  $\mathcal{T} \supseteq \mathcal{T}'$ .