

Topology

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1 Order Theory

Definition 1 (Convex). Let X be a linearly ordered set and $Y \subseteq X$. Then Y is *convex* if and only if, for all $a, b \in Y$ and $c \in X$, if $a < c < b$ then $c \in Y$.

2 Topological Spaces

Definition 2 (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 3 (Topological Space). A *topological space* X consists of a set X and a topology on X .

Definition 4 (Discrete Space). For any set X , the *discrete* topology on X is $\mathcal{P}X$.

Definition 5 (Indiscrete Space). For any set X , the *indiscrete* or *trivial* topology on X is $\{\emptyset, X\}$.

Definition 6 (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 7 (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 8 (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 $\mathcal{T} \supseteq \mathcal{T}'$.

Lemma 9. *Let X be a topological space and $U \subseteq X$. Then U is open if and only if, for all $x \in U$, there exists an open set V such that $x \in V \subseteq U$.*

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1. \Rightarrow$

PROOF: Take $V = U$

$\langle 1 \rangle 2. \Leftarrow$

PROOF: We have $U = \bigcup \{V \in \mathcal{P}X \mid V \subseteq U\}$.

□

Lemma 10. *Let X be a set and \mathcal{T} a nonempty set of topologies on X . Then $\bigcap \mathcal{T}$ is a topology on X , and is the finest topology that is coarser than every member of \mathcal{T} .*

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1. X \in \bigcap \mathcal{T}$

PROOF: Since X is in every member of \mathcal{T} .

$\langle 1 \rangle 2. \bigcap \mathcal{T}$ is closed under union.

$\langle 2 \rangle 1. \text{ LET: } \mathcal{U} \subseteq \bigcap \mathcal{T}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 2. \text{ For all } T \in \mathcal{T} \text{ we have } \mathcal{U} \subseteq T$

$\langle 2 \rangle 3. \text{ For all } T \in \mathcal{T} \text{ we have } \bigcup \mathcal{U} \in T$

$\langle 2 \rangle 4. \bigcup \mathcal{U} \in \bigcap \mathcal{T}$

$\langle 1 \rangle 3. \bigcap \mathcal{T}$ is closed under binary intersection.

$\langle 2 \rangle 1. \text{ LET: } U, V \in \bigcap \mathcal{T}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 2. \text{ For all } T \in \mathcal{T} \text{ we have } U, V \in T$

$\langle 2 \rangle 3. \text{ For all } T \in \mathcal{T} \text{ we have } U \cap V \in T$

$\langle 2 \rangle 4. U \cap V \in \bigcap \mathcal{T}$

□

Lemma 11. *Let X be a set and \mathcal{T} a set of topologies on X . Then there exists a unique coarsest topology that is finer than every member of \mathcal{T} .*

PROOF: The required topology is given by

$\bigcap \{T \in \mathcal{P}\mathcal{P}X \mid T \text{ is a topology on } X \text{ that is finer than every member of } \mathcal{T}\}$,

The set is nonempty since it contains the discrete topology. □

3 Basis for a Topology

Definition 12 (Basis). If X is a set, a *basis* for a topology on X is a set $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{P}X$ called *basis elements* such that

1. For all $x \in X$, there exists $B \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $x \in B$.
2. For all $B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B}$ and $x \in B_1 \cap B_2$, there exists $B_3 \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $x \in B_3 \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2$.

If \mathcal{B} satisfies these two conditions, then we define the topology *generated* by \mathcal{B} to be $\mathcal{T} = \{U \in \mathcal{P}X \mid \forall x \in U. \exists B \in \mathcal{B}. x \in B \subseteq U\}$.

We prove this is a topology.

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1. X \in \mathcal{T}$

PROOF: For all $x \in X$ there exists $B \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $x \in B \subseteq X$ by condition 1.

$\langle 1 \rangle 2. \text{ For all } \mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{T} \text{ we have } \bigcup \mathcal{U} \in \mathcal{T}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 1. \text{ LET: } \mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{T}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 2. \text{ LET: } x \in \bigcup \mathcal{U}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 3. \text{ PICK } U \in \mathcal{U} \text{ such that } x \in U$

$\langle 2 \rangle 4. \text{ PICK } B \in \mathcal{B} \text{ such that } x \in B \subseteq U$

PROOF: Since $U \in \mathcal{T}$ by $\langle 2 \rangle 1$ and $\langle 2 \rangle 3$.

$\langle 2 \rangle 5. x \in B \subseteq \bigcup \mathcal{U}$

$\langle 1 \rangle 3. \text{ For all } U, V \in \mathcal{T} \text{ we have } U \cap V \in \mathcal{T}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 1. \text{ LET: } U, V \in \mathcal{T}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 2. \text{ LET: } x \in U \cap V$

$\langle 2 \rangle 3. \text{ PICK } B_1 \in \mathcal{B} \text{ such that } x \in B_1 \subseteq U$

$\langle 2 \rangle 4. \text{ PICK } B_2 \in \mathcal{B} \text{ such that } x \in B_2 \subseteq V$

$\langle 2 \rangle 5. \text{ PICK } B_3 \in \mathcal{B} \text{ such that } x \in B_3 \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2$

PROOF: By condition 2.

$\langle 2 \rangle 6. x \in B_3 \subseteq U \cap V$

□

Lemma 13. *Let X be a set. Let \mathcal{B} be a basis for a topology \mathcal{T} on X . Then \mathcal{T} is the set of all unions of subsets of \mathcal{B} .*

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1. \text{ For all } U \in \mathcal{T}, \text{ there exists } \mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{B} \text{ such that } U = \bigcup \mathcal{A}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 1. \text{ LET: } U \in \mathcal{T}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 2. \text{ LET: } \mathcal{A} = \{B \in \mathcal{B} \mid B \subseteq U\}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 3. U \subseteq \bigcup \mathcal{A}$

$\langle 3 \rangle 1. \text{ LET: } x \in U$

$\langle 3 \rangle 2. \text{ PICK } B \in \mathcal{B} \text{ such that } x \in B \subseteq U$

PROOF: Since \mathcal{B} is a basis for \mathcal{T} .

$\langle 3 \rangle 3. x \in B \in \mathcal{A}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 4. \bigcup \mathcal{A} \subseteq U$

PROOF: From the definition of \mathcal{A} ($\langle 2 \rangle 2$).

$\langle 1 \rangle 2. \text{ For all } \mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{B} \text{ we have } \bigcup \mathcal{A} \in \mathcal{T}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 1. \mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{T}$

PROOF: If $B \in \mathcal{B}$ and $x \in B$, then there exists $B' \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $x \in B' \subseteq B$, namely $B' = B$.

$\langle 2 \rangle 2. \text{ Q.E.D.}$

PROOF: Since \mathcal{T} is closed under union.

□

Corollary 13.1. *Let X be a set. Let \mathcal{B} be a basis for a topology \mathcal{T} on X . Then \mathcal{T} is the coarsest topology that includes \mathcal{B} .*

PROOF: Since every topology that includes \mathcal{B} includes all unions of subsets of \mathcal{B} . \square

Lemma 14. *Let X be a topological space. Suppose that \mathcal{C} is a set of open sets such that, for every open set U and every point $x \in U$, there exists $C \in \mathcal{C}$ such that $x \in C \subseteq U$. Then \mathcal{C} is a basis for the topology on X .*

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. For all $x \in X$, there exists $C \in \mathcal{C}$ such that $x \in C$

PROOF: Immediate from hypothesis.

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. For all $C_1, C_2 \in \mathcal{C}$ and $x \in C_1 \cap C_2$, there exists $C_3 \in \mathcal{C}$ such that $x \in C_3 \subseteq C_1 \cap C_2$

PROOF: Since $C_1 \cap C_2$ is open.

$\langle 1 \rangle 3$. Every open set is open in the topology generated by \mathcal{C}

PROOF: Immediate from hypothesis.

$\langle 1 \rangle 4$. Every union of a subset of \mathcal{C} is open.

PROOF: Since every member of \mathcal{C} is open.

\square

Lemma 15. *Let \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{B}' be bases for the topologies \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{T}' respectively on the set X . Then the following are equivalent.*

1. $\mathcal{T} \subseteq \mathcal{T}'$

2. For all $B \in \mathcal{B}$ and $x \in B$, there exists $B' \in \mathcal{B}'$ such that $x \in B' \subseteq B$.

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. $1 \Rightarrow 2$

$\langle 2 \rangle 1$. ASSUME: $\mathcal{T} \subseteq \mathcal{T}'$

$\langle 2 \rangle 2$. LET: $B \in \mathcal{B}$ and $x \in B$

$\langle 2 \rangle 3$. $B \in \mathcal{T}$

PROOF: Corollary 13.1.

$\langle 2 \rangle 4$. $B \in \mathcal{T}'$

PROOF: By $\langle 2 \rangle 1$

$\langle 2 \rangle 5$. There exists $B' \in \mathcal{B}'$ such that $x \in B' \subseteq B$

PROOF: Since \mathcal{B}' is a basis for \mathcal{T}' .

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. $2 \Rightarrow 1$

$\langle 2 \rangle 1$. ASSUME: 2

$\langle 2 \rangle 2$. LET: $U \in \mathcal{T}$

PROVE: $U \in \mathcal{T}'$

$\langle 2 \rangle 3$. LET: $x \in U$

PROVE: There exists $B' \in \mathcal{B}'$ such that $x \in B' \subseteq U$

$\langle 2 \rangle 4$. PICK $B \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $x \in B \subseteq U$

PROOF: Since \mathcal{B} is a basis for \mathcal{T} .

$\langle 2 \rangle 5$. PICK $B' \in \mathcal{B}'$ such that $x \in B' \subseteq B$

PROOF: By $\langle 2 \rangle 1$.

$\langle 2 \rangle 6$. $x \in B' \subseteq U$

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Definition 16 (Lower Limit Topology on the Real Line). The *lower limit topology on the real line* is the topology on \mathbb{R} generated by the basis consisting of all half-open intervals of the form $[a, b)$.

We write \mathbb{R}_l for the topological space \mathbb{R} under the lower limit topology.

We prove this is a basis for a topology.

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. For all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ there exists an interval $[a, b)$ such that $x \in [a, b)$.

PROOF: Take $[a, b) = [x, x + 1)$.

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. For any open intervals $[a, b)$, $[c, d)$ if $x \in [a, b) \cap [c, d)$, then there exists an interval $[e, f)$ such that $x \in [e, f) \subseteq [a, b) \cap [c, d)$.

PROOF: Take $[e, f) = [\max(a, c), \min(b, d))$.

□

Definition 17 (K -topology on the Real Line). Let $K = \{1/n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$.

The *K -topology on the real line* is the topology on \mathbb{R} generated by the basis consisting of all open intervals (a, b) and all sets of the form $(a, b) \setminus K$.

We write \mathbb{R}_K for the topological space \mathbb{R} under the K -topology.

We prove this is a basis for a topology.

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. For all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ there exists an open interval (a, b) such that $x \in (a, b)$.

PROOF: Take $(a, b) = (x - 1, x + 1)$.

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. For any basic open sets B_1, B_2 if $x \in B_1 \cap B_2$, then there exists a basic open set B_3 such that $x \in B_3 \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2$.

$\langle 2 \rangle 1$. CASE: $B_1 = (a, b)$, $B_2 = (c, d)$

PROOF: Take $B_3 = (\max(a, c), \min(b, d))$.

$\langle 2 \rangle 2$. CASE: $B_1 = (a, b)$ or $(a, b) \setminus K$, $B_2 = (c, d)$ or $(c, d) \setminus K$, and they are not both open intervals.

PROOF: Take $B_3 = (\max(a, c), \min(b, d)) \setminus K$.

□

Lemma 18. *The lower limit topology and the K -topology are incomparable.*

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. The interval $[10, 11)$ is not open in the K -topology.

PROOF: There is no open interval (a, b) such that $10 \in (a, b) \subseteq [10, 11)$ or $10 \in (a, b) \setminus K \subseteq [10, 11)$.

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. The set $(-1, 1) \setminus K$ is not open in the lower limit topology.

PROOF: There is no half-open interval $[a, b)$ such that $0 \in [a, b) \subseteq (-1, 1) \setminus K$, since there must be a positive integer n with $1/n \in [a, b)$.

□

Definition 19 (Subbasis). A *subbasis* \mathcal{S} for a topology on X is a set $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{P}X$ such that $\bigcup \mathcal{S} = X$.

The topology *generated* by the subbasis \mathcal{S} is the set of all unions of finite intersections of elements of \mathcal{S} .

We prove this is a topology.

PROOF:

⟨1⟩1. The set \mathcal{B} of all finite intersections of elements of \mathcal{S} forms a basis for a topology on X .

⟨2⟩1. $\bigcup \mathcal{B} = X$

PROOF: Since $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{B}$.

⟨2⟩2. \mathcal{B} is closed under binary intersection.

PROOF: By definition.

⟨1⟩2. Q.E.D.

PROOF: By Lemma 13.

□

We have simultaneously proved:

Proposition 20. *Let \mathcal{S} be a subbasis for the topology on X . Then the set of all finite intersections of elements of \mathcal{S} is a basis for the topology on X .*

Proposition 21. *Let X be a set. Let \mathcal{S} be a subbasis for a topology \mathcal{T} on X . Then \mathcal{T} is the coarsest topology that includes \mathcal{S} .*

PROOF: Since every topology that includes \mathcal{S} includes every union of finite intersections of elements of \mathcal{S} . □

4 Open Maps

Definition 22 (Open Map). Let X and Y be topological spaces and $f : X \rightarrow Y$. Then f is an *open map* if and only if, for every open set U in X , the set $f(U)$ is open in Y .

5 The Order Topology

Definition 23 (Order Topology). Let X be a linearly ordered set with at least two points. The *order topology* on X is the topology generated by the basis \mathcal{B} consisting of:

- all open intervals (a, b) ;
- all intervals of the form $[\perp, b)$ where \perp is least in X ;
- all intervals of the form $(a, \top]$ where \top is greatest in X .

We prove this is a basis for a topology.

PROOF:

⟨1⟩1. For all $x \in X$ there exists $B \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $x \in B$.

⟨2⟩1. LET: $x \in X$

⟨2⟩2. CASE: x is greatest in X .

⟨3⟩1. PICK $y \in X$ with $y \neq x$

⟨1⟩1. Every open interval is open in the lower limit topology.

PROOF: If $x \in (a, b)$ then $x \in [x, b) \subseteq (a, b)$.

⟨1⟩2. The half-open interval $[0, 1)$ is not open in the standard topology.

PROOF: There is no open interval (a, b) such that $0 \in (a, b) \subseteq [0, 1)$.

□

Lemma 27. *The K -topology is strictly finer than the standard topology on \mathbb{R} .*

PROOF:

⟨1⟩1. Every open interval is open in the K -topology.

PROOF: Corollary 13.1.

⟨1⟩2. The set $(-1, 1) \setminus K$ is not open in the standard topology.

PROOF: There is no open interval (a, b) such that $0 \in (a, b) \subseteq (-1, 1) \setminus K$, since there must be a positive integer n with $1/n \in (a, b)$.

□

Definition 28 (Ordered Square). The *ordered square* I_o^2 is the set $[0, 1]^2$ under the order topology generated by the dictionary order.

6 The Product Topology

Definition 29 (Product Topology). Let X and Y be topological spaces. The *product topology* on $X \times Y$ is the topology generated by the basis \mathcal{B} consisting of all sets $U \times V$ such that U is open in X and V is open in Y .

We prove that this is a basis for a topology.

PROOF:

⟨1⟩1. For all $(x, y) \in X \times Y$ there exists $B \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $(x, y) \in B$

PROOF: Take $B = X \times Y$.

⟨1⟩2. For all $B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B}$ and $(x, y) \in B_1 \cap B_2$, there exists $B_3 \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $(x, y) \in B_3 \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2$

PROOF: Take $B_3 = B_1 \cap B_2$.

□

Theorem 30. *If \mathcal{B} is a basis for the topology of X and \mathcal{C} is a basis for the topology of Y , then*

$$\mathcal{D} = \{B \times C \mid B \in \mathcal{B}, C \in \mathcal{C}\}$$

is a basis for the product topology on $X \times Y$.

PROOF:

⟨1⟩1. Every member of \mathcal{D} is open in the product topology.

PROOF: By definitions.

⟨1⟩2. For every open set U and point $(x, y) \in U$, there exists $D \in \mathcal{D}$ such that $(x, y) \in D \subseteq U$.

⟨2⟩1. LET: U be open and $(x, y) \in U$

⟨2⟩2. PICK W open in X and V open in Y with $(x, y) \in W \times V \subseteq U$

- ⟨2⟩3. PICK $B \in \mathcal{B}$ with $x \in B \subseteq W$
- ⟨2⟩4. PICK $C \in \mathcal{C}$ with $y \in C \subseteq V$
- ⟨2⟩5. $(x, y) \in B \times C \subseteq U$
- ⟨1⟩3. Q.E.D.

PROOF: By Lemma 14.

□

Definition 31 (Standard Topology on the Plane). The *standard topology* on \mathbb{R}^2 is the product topology of the standard topology on \mathbb{R} with itself.

Lemma 32. Let X and Y be topological spaces. The set

$$\mathcal{S} = \{U \times Y \mid U \text{ open in } X\} \cup \{X \times V \mid V \text{ open in } Y\}$$

is a subbasis for the product topology on $X \times Y$.

PROOF:

- ⟨1⟩1. Every element of \mathcal{S} is open.

PROOF: From definitions.

- ⟨1⟩2. Every basic open set is a finite intersection of members of \mathcal{S} .

PROOF: Given U open in X and V open in Y , we have $U \times V = (U \times Y) \cap (X \times V)$.

□

Proposition 33. For any topological spaces X and Y , the projections $\pi_1 : X \times Y \rightarrow X$ and $\pi_2 : X \times Y \rightarrow Y$ are open maps.

PROOF:

- ⟨1⟩1. π_1 is an open map.

- ⟨2⟩1. LET: U be open in $X \times Y$.

- ⟨2⟩2. LET: $x \in \pi_1(U)$

- ⟨2⟩3. PICK $y \in Y$ such that $(x, y) \in U$.

- ⟨2⟩4. PICK V open in X and W open in Y such that $(x, y) \in V \times W \subseteq U$.

- ⟨2⟩5. $x \in V \subseteq \pi_1(U)$

- ⟨3⟩1. LET: $v \in V$

- ⟨3⟩2. $(v, y) \in V \times W$

PROOF: $y \in W$ from ⟨2⟩4.

- ⟨3⟩3. $(v, y) \in U$

PROOF: From ⟨2⟩4.

- ⟨3⟩4. $v \in \pi_1(U)$

- ⟨2⟩6. Q.E.D.

PROOF: Lemma 9.

- ⟨1⟩2. π_2 is an open map.

PROOF: Similar.

□

Proposition 34. Let \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{T}' be topologies on a nonempty set X , and \mathcal{U} and \mathcal{U}' be topologies on a nonempty set Y . Then $\mathcal{T} \subseteq \mathcal{T}'$ and $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{U}'$ if and only if the product topology generated by \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{U} is coarser than the product topology generated by \mathcal{T}' and \mathcal{U}' .

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. LET: \mathcal{P} be the topology generated by \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{U} , and \mathcal{P}' the product topology generated by \mathcal{T}' and \mathcal{U}'

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. If $\mathcal{T} \subseteq \mathcal{T}'$ and $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{U}'$ then $\mathcal{P} \subseteq \mathcal{P}'$

PROOF: By Corollary 13.1.

$\langle 1 \rangle 3$. If $\mathcal{P} \subseteq \mathcal{P}'$ then $\mathcal{T} \subseteq \mathcal{T}'$ and $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{U}'$

$\langle 2 \rangle 1$. ASSUME: $\mathcal{P} \subseteq \mathcal{P}'$

$\langle 2 \rangle 2$. $\mathcal{T} \subseteq \mathcal{T}'$

$\langle 3 \rangle 1$. LET: $U \in \mathcal{T}$

$\langle 3 \rangle 2$. $U \times Y \in \mathcal{P}$

$\langle 3 \rangle 3$. $U \times Y \in \mathcal{P}'$

PROOF: By $\langle 2 \rangle 1$

$\langle 3 \rangle 4$. $U \in \mathcal{T}'$

PROOF: By Proposition 33.

$\langle 2 \rangle 3$. $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{U}'$

PROOF: Similar.

□

7 The Subspace Topology

Definition 35 (Subspace Topology). Let X be a topological space and $Y \subseteq X$. The *subspace topology* on Y is $\mathcal{T} = \{U \cap Y \mid U \text{ is open in } X\}$.

We prove this is a topology.

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. $Y \in \mathcal{T}$

PROOF: Since $Y = X \cap Y$

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. For all $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{T}$, we have $\bigcup \mathcal{U} \in \mathcal{T}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 1$. LET: $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{T}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 2$. LET: $\mathcal{V} = \{V \text{ open in } X \mid V \cap Y \in \mathcal{U}\}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 3$. $\bigcup \mathcal{U} = (\bigcup \mathcal{V}) \cap Y$

$\langle 1 \rangle 3$. For all $U, V \in \mathcal{T}$, we have $U \cap V \in \mathcal{T}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 1$. LET: $U, V \in \mathcal{T}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 2$. PICK U', V' open in X such that $U = U' \cap Y$ and $V = V' \cap Y$

$\langle 2 \rangle 3$. $(U \cap V) = (U' \cap V') \cap Y$

□

Lemma 36. Let X be a topological space and $Y \subseteq X$. Let \mathcal{B} be a basis for the topology on X . Then $\mathcal{B}' = \{B \cap Y \mid B \in \mathcal{B}\}$ is a basis for the subspace topology on Y .

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. Every element in \mathcal{B}' is open in Y

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. For every open set U in Y and point $y \in U$, there exists $B' \in \mathcal{B}'$ such that $y \in B' \subseteq U$

$\langle 2 \rangle 1$. LET: U be open in Y and $y \in U$

- ⟨2⟩2. PICK V open in X such that $U = V \cap Y$
- ⟨2⟩3. PICK $B \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $y \in B \subseteq V$
- ⟨2⟩4. LET: $B' = B \cap Y$
- ⟨2⟩5. $B' \in \mathcal{B}'$
- ⟨2⟩6. $y \in B' \subseteq U$
- ⟨1⟩3. Q.E.D.

PROOF: By Lemma 14.

□

Lemma 37. *Let X be a topological space and $Y \subseteq X$. Let \mathcal{S} be a basis for the topology on X . Then $\mathcal{S}' = \{S \cap Y \mid S \in \mathcal{S}\}$ is a subbasis for the subspace topology on Y .*

PROOF: The set $\{B \cap Y \mid B \text{ is a finite intersection of elements of } \mathcal{S}\}$ is a basis for the subspace topology by Lemma 36, and this is the set of all finite intersections of elements of \mathcal{S}' . □

Lemma 38. *Let Y be a subspace of X . If U is open in Y and Y is open in X then U is open in X .*

PROOF:

- ⟨1⟩1. PICK V open in X such that $U = V \cap Y$
- ⟨1⟩2. U is open in X

PROOF: Since it is the intersection of two open sets V and Y .

□

Theorem 39. *If A is a subspace of X and B is a subspace of Y then the product topology on $A \times B$ is the same as the topology it inherits as a subspace of $X \times Y$.*

PROOF: The product topology is generated by

$$\begin{aligned} & \{U \times V \mid U \text{ open in } A, V \text{ open in } B\} \\ &= \{(U' \cap A) \times (V' \cap B) \mid U' \text{ open in } X, V' \text{ open in } Y\} \\ &= \{(U' \times V') \cap (A \times B) \mid U' \text{ open in } X, V' \text{ open in } Y\} \end{aligned}$$

and this is a basis for the subspace topology by Lemma 36. □

Theorem 40. *Let X be an ordered set in the order topology. Let $Y \subseteq X$ be convex. Then the order topology on Y is the same as the subspace topology on Y .*

PROOF:

- ⟨1⟩1. The order topology is finer than the subspace topology.
- ⟨2⟩1. For every open ray R in X , the set $R \cap Y$ is open in the order topology.
- ⟨3⟩1. For all $a \in X$, we have $(-\infty, a) \cap Y$ is open in the order topology.
 - ⟨4⟩1. CASE: For all $y \in Y$ we have $y < a$
PROOF: In this case $(-\infty, a) \cap Y = Y$.
 - ⟨4⟩2. CASE: For all $y \in Y$ we have $a < y$
PROOF: In this case $(-\infty, a) \cap Y = \emptyset$.
 - ⟨4⟩3. CASE: There exists $y \in Y$ such that $y \leq a$ and $y \in Y$ such that $a \leq y$

⟨5⟩1. $a \in Y$

PROOF: By convexity.

⟨5⟩2. $(-\infty, a) \cap Y = \{y \in Y \mid y < a\}$

⟨3⟩2. For all $a \in X$, we have $(a, +\infty) \cap Y$ is open in the order topology.

PROOF: Similar.

⟨2⟩2. Q.E.D.

PROOF: By Lemmas 24 and 37 and Corollary ??.

⟨1⟩2. The subspace topology is finer than the order topology.

⟨2⟩1. Every open ray in Y is open in the subspace topology.

PROOF: For any $a \in Y$ we have $(-\infty, a)_Y = (-\infty, a)_X \cap Y$ and $(a, +\infty)_Y = (a, +\infty)_X \cap Y$.

⟨2⟩2. Q.E.D.

PROOF: By Lemma 24 and Corollary ??

□

Proposition 41. *The order topology on I_o^2 is different from the subspace topology as a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 under the dictionary order topology.*

PROOF: The set $\{1/2\} \times (1/2, 1)$ is open in the subspace topology but not in the order topology. □

Proposition 42. *Let X be a topological space, Y a subspace of X , and Z a subspace of Y . Then the subspace topology on Z inherited from X is the same as the subspace topology on Z inherited from Y .*

PROOF: The subspace topology inherited from Y is

$$\begin{aligned} & \{V \cap Z \mid V \text{ open in } Y\} \\ &= \{U \cap Y \cap Z \mid U \text{ open in } X\} \\ &= \{U \cap Z \mid U \text{ open in } X\} \end{aligned}$$

which is the subspace topology inherited from X . □

Definition 43 (Unit Circle). The *unit circle* S^1 is $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$

8 Closed Set

Definition 44 (Closed Set). Let X be a topological space and $A \subseteq X$. Then A is *closed* if and only if $X \setminus A$ is open.

Lemma 45. *The empty set is closed.*

PROOF: Since the whole space X is always open. □

Lemma 46. *The topological space X is closed.*

PROOF: Since \emptyset is open. □

Lemma 47. *The intersection of a nonempty set of closed sets is closed.*

PROOF: Let \mathcal{C} be a nonempty set of closed sets. Then $X \setminus \bigcap \mathcal{C} = \bigcup \{X \setminus C \mid C \in \mathcal{C}\}$ is open. \square

Lemma 48. *The union of two closed sets is closed.*

PROOF: Let C and D be closed. Then $X \setminus (C \cup D) = (X \setminus C) \cap (X \setminus D)$ is open. \square

Theorem 49. *Let X be a topological space and Y a subspace of X . Let $A \subseteq Y$. Then A is closed in Y if and only if there exists a closed set C in X such that $A = C \cap Y$.*

PROOF: We have

$$\begin{aligned} & A \text{ is closed in } Y \\ \Leftrightarrow & Y \setminus A \text{ is open in } Y \\ \Leftrightarrow & \exists U \text{ open in } X. Y \setminus A = Y \cap U \\ \Leftrightarrow & \exists C \text{ closed in } X. Y \setminus A = Y \cap (X \setminus U) \\ \Leftrightarrow & \exists C \text{ closed in } X. A = Y \cap C \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

Theorem 50. *Let Y be a subspace of X and $A \subseteq Y$. If A is closed in Y and Y is closed in X then A is closed in X .*

PROOF: Pick a closed set C in X such that $A = C \cap Y$ (Theorem 49). Then A is the intersection of two sets closed in X , hence A is closed in X (Lemma 47). \square

Proposition 51. *Let X be a set and $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{P}X$ a set such that:*

1. $\emptyset \in \mathcal{C}$
2. $X \in \mathcal{C}$
3. For all $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ nonempty we have $\bigcap \mathcal{A} \in \mathcal{C}$
4. For all $C, D \in \mathcal{C}$ we have $C \cup D \in \mathcal{C}$.

Then there exists a unique topology \mathcal{T} such that \mathcal{C} is the set of closed sets, namely

$$\mathcal{T} = \{X \setminus C \mid C \in \mathcal{C}\}$$

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. LET: $\mathcal{T} = \{X \setminus C \mid C \in \mathcal{C}\}$

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. \mathcal{T} is a topology

$\langle 2 \rangle 1$. $X \in \mathcal{T}$

PROOF: Since $\emptyset \in \mathcal{C}$

$\langle 2 \rangle 2$. For all $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{T}$ we have $\bigcup \mathcal{U} \in \mathcal{T}$

$\langle 3 \rangle 1$. LET: $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{T}$

$\langle 3 \rangle 2$. CASE: $\mathcal{U} = \emptyset$

PROOF: In this case $\bigcup \mathcal{U} = \emptyset \in \mathcal{T}$ since $X \in \mathcal{C}$

⟨3⟩3. CASE: $\mathcal{U} \neq \emptyset$

PROOF: In this case $X \setminus \bigcup \mathcal{U} = \bigcap \{X \setminus U \mid U \in \mathcal{U}\} \in \mathcal{C}$.

⟨2⟩3. For all $U, V \in \mathcal{T}$ we have $U \cap V \in \mathcal{T}$

PROOF: Since $X \setminus (U \cap V) = (X \setminus U) \cup (X \setminus V) \in \mathcal{C}$.

⟨1⟩3. \mathcal{C} is the set of all closed sets in \mathcal{T}

PROOF:

C is closed in \mathcal{T}

$\Leftrightarrow X \setminus C \in \mathcal{T}$

$\Leftrightarrow C \in \mathcal{C}$

⟨1⟩4. If \mathcal{T}' is a topology and \mathcal{C} is the set of closed sets in \mathcal{T}' then $\mathcal{T}' = \mathcal{T}$

PROOF: We have

$U \in \mathcal{T}$

$\Leftrightarrow X \setminus U \in \mathcal{C}$

$\Leftrightarrow X \setminus U$ is closed in \mathcal{T}'

$\Leftrightarrow U \in \mathcal{T}'$

□

Proposition 52. *If A is closed in X and B is closed in Y then $A \times B$ is closed in $X \times Y$.*

PROOF:

$$(X \times Y) \setminus (A \times B) = ((X \setminus A) \times Y) \cup (X \times (Y \setminus B)) \quad \square$$

Proposition 53. *If U is open and A is closed then $U \setminus A$ is open.*

PROOF: $U \setminus A = U \cap (X \setminus A)$ is the intersection of two open sets. □

Proposition 54. *If U is open and A is closed then $A \setminus U$ is closed.*

PROOF: $A \setminus U = A \cap (X \setminus U)$ is the intersection of two closed sets. □

9 Interior

Definition 55 (Interior). Let X be a topological space and $A \subseteq X$. The *interior* of A , $\text{Int } A$, is the union of all the open subsets of A .

Lemma 56. *The interior of a set is open.*

PROOF: It is a union of open sets. □

Lemma 57.

$$\text{Int } A \subseteq A$$

PROOF: Immediate from definition. □

Lemma 58. *A set A is open if and only if $A = \text{Int } A$.*

PROOF: If $A = \text{Int } A$ then A is open by Lemma 56. Conversely if A is open then $A \subseteq \text{Int } A$ by the definition of interior and so $A = \text{Int } A$.

10 Neighbourhood

Definition 59 (Neighbourhood). A *neighbourhood* of a point x is an open set that contains x .

11 Closure

Definition 60 (Closure). Let X be a topological space and $A \subseteq X$. The *closure* of A , \overline{A} , is the intersection of all the closed sets that include A .

This intersection exists since X is a closed set that includes A (Lemma 46).

Lemma 61. *The closure of a set is closed.*

PROOF: Dual to Lemma 56. \square

Lemma 62.

$$A \subseteq \overline{A}$$

PROOF: Immediate from definition. \square

Lemma 63. *A set A is closed if and only if $A = \overline{A}$.*

PROOF: Dual to Lemma 58. \square

Theorem 64. *Let Y be a subspace of X . Let $A \subseteq Y$. Let \overline{A} be the closure of A in X . Then the closure of A in Y is $\overline{A} \cap Y$.*

PROOF: The closure of A in Y is

$$\begin{aligned} & \bigcap \{C \text{ closed in } Y \mid A \subseteq C\} \\ &= \bigcap \{D \cap Y \mid D \text{ closed in } X, A \subseteq D \cap Y\} && (\text{Theorem 49}) \\ &= \bigcap \{D \mid D \text{ closed in } X, A \subseteq D\} \cap Y \\ &= \overline{A} \cap Y && \square \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 65. *Let X be a topological space, $A \subseteq X$ and $x \in X$. Then $x \in \overline{A}$ if and only if every neighbourhood of x intersects A .*

PROOF: We have

$$\begin{aligned} & x \in \overline{A} \\ & \Leftrightarrow \forall C. C \text{ closed} \wedge A \subseteq C \Rightarrow x \in C \\ & \Leftrightarrow \forall U. U \text{ open} \wedge A \cap U = \emptyset \Rightarrow x \notin U \\ & \Leftrightarrow \forall U. U \text{ open} \wedge x \in U \Rightarrow U \text{ intersects } A && \square \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 66. *Let X be a topological space, $A \subseteq X$ and $x \in X$. Let \mathcal{B} be a basis for X . Then $x \in \overline{A}$ if and only if, for all $B \in \mathcal{B}$, if $x \in B$ then B intersects A .*

PROOF:

- ⟨1⟩1. If $x \in \bar{A}$ then, for all $B \in \mathcal{B}$, if $x \in B$ then B intersects A .
 PROOF: This follows from Theorem 65 since every element of \mathcal{B} is open (Corollary 13.1).
 ⟨1⟩2. Suppose that, for all $B \in \mathcal{B}$, if $x \in B$ then B intersects A . Then $x \in \bar{A}$.
 ⟨2⟩1. ASSUME: For all $B \in \mathcal{B}$, if $x \in B$ then B intersects A .
 ⟨2⟩2. LET: U be an open set that contains x
 PROVE: U intersects A .
 ⟨2⟩3. PICK $B \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $x \in B \subseteq U$.
 ⟨2⟩4. B intersects A .
 PROOF: From ⟨2⟩1.
 ⟨2⟩5. U intersects A .
 ⟨2⟩6. Q.E.D.
 PROOF: By Theorem 65.

□

Proposition 67. *If $A \subseteq B$ then $\bar{A} \subseteq \bar{B}$.*

PROOF: This holds because \bar{B} is a closed set that includes A . □

Proposition 68.

$$\overline{A \cup B} = \bar{A} \cup \bar{B}$$

PROOF:

- ⟨1⟩1. $\bar{A} \subseteq \overline{A \cup B}$
 PROOF: By Proposition 67.
 ⟨1⟩2. $\bar{B} \subseteq \overline{A \cup B}$
 PROOF: By Proposition 67.
 ⟨1⟩3. $\overline{A \cup B} \subseteq \bar{A} \cup \bar{B}$
 ⟨2⟩1. LET: $x \in \overline{A \cup B}$
 ⟨2⟩2. ASSUME: $x \notin \bar{A}$
 PROVE: $x \in \bar{B}$
 ⟨2⟩3. PICK a neighbourhood U of x that does not intersect A
 ⟨2⟩4. LET: V be any neighbourhood of x
 ⟨2⟩5. $U \cap V$ is a neighbourhood of x
 ⟨2⟩6. $U \cap V$ intersects $A \cup B$
 PROOF: From ⟨2⟩1 and Theorem 65.
 ⟨2⟩7. $U \cap V$ intersects B
 PROOF: From ⟨2⟩3
 ⟨2⟩8. V intersects B
 ⟨2⟩9. Q.E.D.
 PROOF: We have $x \in \bar{B}$ from Theorem 65.

□

Proposition 69. *Let X and Y be topological spaces. Let $A \subseteq X$ and $B \subseteq Y$. Then*

$$\overline{A \times B} = \bar{A} \times \bar{B}$$

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1. \overline{A \times B} \subseteq \overline{A} \times \overline{B}$
 $\langle 2 \rangle 1. A \subseteq \overline{A}$
 PROOF: Lemma 62.
 $\langle 2 \rangle 2. B \subseteq \overline{B}$
 PROOF: Lemma 62.
 $\langle 2 \rangle 3. A \times B \subseteq \overline{A} \times \overline{B}$
 $\langle 2 \rangle 4. \overline{A \times B} \subseteq \overline{A} \times \overline{B}$
 PROOF: Since $\overline{A} \times \overline{B}$ is closed by Proposition 52.
 $\langle 1 \rangle 2. \overline{A} \times \overline{B} \subseteq \overline{A \times B}$
 $\langle 2 \rangle 1.$ LET: $x \in \overline{A}$ and $y \in \overline{B}$
 $\langle 2 \rangle 2.$ LET: U be a neighbourhood of (x, y)
 $\langle 2 \rangle 3.$ PICK V open in X and W open in Y such that $(x, y) \in V \times W \subseteq U$
 $\langle 2 \rangle 4.$ V intersects A
 PROOF: By Theorem 65 and $\langle 2 \rangle 1.$
 $\langle 2 \rangle 5.$ W intersects B
 PROOF: By Theorem 65 and $\langle 2 \rangle 1.$
 $\langle 2 \rangle 6.$ U intersects $A \times B$
 $\langle 2 \rangle 7.$ Q.E.D.
 PROOF: By Theorem 65.

□

12 Limit Points

Definition 70 (Limit Point). Let X be a topological space, $a \in X$ and $A \subseteq X$. Then a is a *limit point*, *cluster point* or *point of accumulation* for A if and only if every neighbourhood of a intersects A at a point other than a .

Lemma 71. *The point a is an accumulation point for A if and only if $a \in \overline{A \setminus \{a\}}$.*

PROOF: From Theorem 65. □

Theorem 72. *Let X be a topological space and $A \subseteq X$. Let A' be the set of all limit points of A . Then $\overline{A} = A \cup A'$.*

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1.$ For all $x \in \overline{A}$, if $x \notin A$ then $x \in A'$

PROOF: From Theorem 65.

$\langle 1 \rangle 2. A \subseteq \overline{A}$

PROOF: Lemma 62.

$\langle 1 \rangle 3. A' \subseteq \overline{A}$

PROOF: From Theorem 65.

□

Corollary 72.1. *A set is closed if and only if it contains all its limit points.*

Proposition 73. *In an indiscrete topology, every point is a limit point of any set that has more than one point.*

PROOF: Let X be an indiscrete space. Let A be a set with more than one point and x be a point. The only neighbourhood of x is X , which must intersect A at a point other than x . \square

13 T_1 Spaces

Definition 74 (T_1 Space). A topological space is T_1 if and only if every singleton is closed.

Lemma 75. *A space is T_1 if and only if every finite set is closed.*

PROOF: From Lemma 48. \square

Theorem 76. *In a T_1 space, a point a is a limit point of a set A if and only if every neighbourhood of a contains infinitely many points of A .*

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. If a is a limit point of A then every neighbourhood of a contains infinitely many points of A .

$\langle 2 \rangle 1$. ASSUME: a is a limit point of A .

$\langle 2 \rangle 2$. LET: U be a neighbourhood of a .

$\langle 2 \rangle 3$. ASSUME: for a contradiction U contains only finitely many points of A .

$\langle 2 \rangle 4$. $(U \cap A) \setminus \{a\}$ is closed.

PROOF: By the T_1 axiom.

$\langle 2 \rangle 5$. $(U \setminus A) \cup \{a\}$ is open.

PROOF: It is $U \setminus ((U \cap A) \setminus \{a\})$.

$\langle 2 \rangle 6$. $(U \setminus A) \cup \{a\}$ intersects A in a point other than a .

PROOF: From $\langle 2 \rangle 1$.

$\langle 2 \rangle 7$. Q.E.D.

\square

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. If every neighbourhood of a contains infinitely many points of A then a is a limit point of A .

PROOF: Immediate from definitions.

\square

(To see this does not hold in every space, see Proposition 73.)

Proposition 77. *A space is T_1 if and only if, for any two distinct points x and y , there exist neighbourhoods U of x and V of y such that $x \notin V$ and $y \notin U$.*

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. LET: X be a topological space.

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. If X is T_1 then, for any two distinct points x and y , there exist neighbourhoods U of x and V of y such that $x \notin V$ and $y \notin U$.

PROOF: This holds because $\{x\}$ and $\{y\}$ are closed.

$\langle 1 \rangle 3$. Suppose, for any two distinct points x and y , there exist neighbourhoods U of x and V of y such that $x \notin V$ and $y \notin U$. Then X is T_1 .

(2)1. ASSUME: For any two distinct points x and y , there exist neighbourhoods U of x and V of y such that $x \notin V$ and $y \notin U$.
 (2)2. LET: $a \in X$
 (2)3. $\{a\}$ is closed.
 PROOF: For all $b \neq a$ there exists a neighbourhood U of b such that $U \subseteq X \setminus \{a\}$.
 □

14 Hausdorff Spaces

Definition 78 (Hausdorff Space). A topological space is *Hausdorff* if and only if, for any points x, y with $x \neq y$, there exist disjoint open sets U and V such that $x \in U$ and $y \in V$.

Theorem 79. *Every Hausdorff space is T_1 .*

PROOF:

(1)1. LET: X be a Hausdorff space.
 (1)2. LET: $b \in X$
 PROVE: $\overline{\{b\}} = \{b\}$
 (1)3. ASSUME: $a \in \overline{\{b\}}$ and $a \neq b$
 (1)4. PICK disjoint neighbourhoods U of a and V of b .
 (1)5. U intersects $\{b\}$
 PROOF: Theorem 65.
 (1)6. $b \in U$
 (1)7. Q.E.D.
 PROOF: This contradicts the fact that U and V are disjoint ((1)4).
 □

Proposition 80. *An infinite set under the finite complement topology is T_1 but not Hausdorff.*

PROOF:

(1)1. LET: X be an infinite set under the finite complement topology.
 (1)2. Every singleton is closed.
 PROOF: By definition.
 (1)3. PICK $a, b \in X$ with $a \neq b$
 (1)4. There are no disjoint neighbourhoods U of a and V of b .
 (2)1. LET: U be a neighbourhood of a and V a neighbourhood of b .
 (2)2. $X \setminus U$ and $X \setminus V$ are finite.
 (2)3. PICK $c \in X$ that is not in $X \setminus U$ or $X \setminus V$.
 (2)4. $c \in U \cap V$
 □

15 Convergence

Definition 81 (Convergence). Let X be a topological space. Let $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of points in X and $l \in X$. Then the sequence $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ *converges* to the *limit* l , $a_n \rightarrow l$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, if and only if, for every neighbourhood U of l , there exists N such that, for all $n \geq N$, we have $a_n \in U$.

Theorem 82. *In a Hausdorff space, a sequence has at most one limit.*

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. LET: X be a Hausdorff space.

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. ASSUME: for a contradiction $a_n \rightarrow l$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $a_n \rightarrow m$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and $l \neq m$

$\langle 1 \rangle 3$. PICK disjoint neighbourhoods U of l and V of m

PROOF: By the Hausdorff axiom.

$\langle 1 \rangle 4$. PICK M and N such that $a_n \in U$ for $n \geq M$ and $a_n \in V$ for $n \geq N$

$\langle 1 \rangle 5$. $a_{\max(M,N)} \in U \cap V$

$\langle 1 \rangle 6$. Q.E.D.

PROOF: This contradicts the fact that U and V are disjoint ($\langle 1 \rangle 3$).

□

To see this is not always true in spaces that are T_1 but not Hausdorff:

Proposition 83. *Let X be an infinite set under the finite complement topology. Let $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence with all points distinct. Then for every $l \in X$ we have $a_n \rightarrow l$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.*

PROOF: Let U be any neighbourhood of l . Since $X \setminus U$ is finite, there must exist N such that, for all $n \geq N$, we have $a_n \in U$. □

Theorem 84. *Every linearly ordered set under the order topology is Hausdorff.*

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. LET: X be a linearly ordered set under the order topology.

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. LET: $a, b \in X$ with $a \neq b$

$\langle 1 \rangle 3$. ASSUME: w.l.o.g. $a < b$

$\langle 1 \rangle 4$. CASE: There exists c such that $a < c < b$

PROOF: The sets $(-\infty, c)$ and $(c, +\infty)$ are disjoint neighbourhoods of a and b respectively.

$\langle 1 \rangle 5$. CASE: There is no c such that $a < c < b$

PROOF: The sets $(-\infty, b)$ and $(a, +\infty)$ are disjoint neighbourhoods of a and b respectively.

□

Theorem 85. *The product of two Hausdorff spaces is Hausdorff.*

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. LET: X and Y be Hausdorff spaces.

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. LET: (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) be distinct points in $X \times Y$

- (1)3. ASSUME: w.l.o.g. $x_1 \neq x_2$
 (1)4. PICK disjoint neighbourhoods U of x_1 and V of x_2 .
 (1)5. $U \times Y$ and $V \times Y$ are disjoint neighbourhoods of (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) .
 \square

Theorem 86. *A subspace of a Hausdorff space is Hausdorff.*

PROOF:

- (1)1. LET: X be a Hausdorff space and Y a subspace of X .
 (1)2. LET: $x, y \in Y$ with $x \neq y$
 (1)3. PICK disjoint neighbourhoods U of x and V of y in X .
 (1)4. $U \cap Y$ and $V \cap Y$ are disjoint neighbourhoods of x and y respectively in Y .
 \square

Proposition 87. *A space X is Hausdorff if and only if the diagonal $\Delta = \{(x, x) \mid x \in X\}$ is closed in X^2 .*

PROOF:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & X \text{ is Hausdorff} \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \forall x, y \in X. x \neq y \Rightarrow \exists V, W \text{ open. } x \in V \wedge y \in W \wedge V \cap W = \emptyset \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \forall (x, y) \in X^2 \setminus \Delta. \exists V, W \text{ open. } (x, y) \subseteq V \times W \subseteq X^2 \setminus \Delta \\
 & \Leftrightarrow \Delta \text{ is closed} \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

16 Boundary

Definition 88 (Boundary). The *boundary* of a set A is the set $\partial A = \overline{A} \cap \overline{X \setminus A}$.

Proposition 89.

$$\text{Int } A \cap \partial A = \emptyset$$

PROOF: Since $\overline{X \setminus A} = X \setminus \text{Int } A$. \square

Proposition 90.

$$\overline{A} = \text{Int } A \cup \partial A$$

PROOF:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Int } A \cup \partial A &= \text{Int } A \cup (\overline{A} \cap \overline{X \setminus A}) \\
 &= (\text{Int } A \cup \overline{A}) \cap (\text{Int } A \cup \overline{X \setminus A}) \\
 &= \overline{A} \cap X \\
 &= \overline{A}
 \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 91. $\partial A = \emptyset$ if and only if A is open and closed.

PROOF: If $\partial A = \emptyset$ then $\overline{A} = \text{Int } A$ by Proposition 90.

Proposition 92. *A set U is open if and only if $\partial U = \overline{U} \setminus U$.*

PROOF:

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial U &= \bar{U} \setminus U \\
\Leftrightarrow \bar{U} \setminus \text{Int } U &= \bar{U} \setminus U && \text{(Propositions 89, 90)} \\
\Leftrightarrow \text{Int } U &= U && \square
\end{aligned}$$

17 Continuous Functions

Definition 93 (Continuous). Let X and Y be topological spaces. A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is *continuous* if and only if, for every open set V in Y , the set $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X .

Proposition 94. Let X and Y be topological spaces and $f : X \rightarrow Y$. Let \mathcal{B} be a basis for Y . Then f is continuous if and only if, for all $B \in \mathcal{B}$, we have $f^{-1}(B)$ is open in X .

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. If f is continuous then, for all $B \in \mathcal{B}$, we have $f^{-1}(B)$ is open in X .

PROOF: Since every element of B is open (Lemma 13).

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. Suppose that, for all $B \in \mathcal{B}$, we have $f^{-1}(B)$ is open in X . Then f is continuous.

$\langle 2 \rangle 1$. ASSUME: For all $B \in \mathcal{B}$, we have $f^{-1}(B)$ is open in X .

$\langle 2 \rangle 2$. LET: V be open in Y .

$\langle 2 \rangle 3$. PICK $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{B}$ such that $V = \bigcup \mathcal{A}$

PROOF: By Lemma 13.

$\langle 2 \rangle 4$. $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X .

PROOF:

$$\begin{aligned}
f^{-1}(V) &= f^{-1}\left(\bigcup \mathcal{A}\right) \\
&= \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{A}} f^{-1}(B)
\end{aligned}$$

\square

Proposition 95. Let X and Y be topological spaces and $f : X \rightarrow Y$. Let \mathcal{S} be a basis for Y . Then f is continuous if and only if, for all $V \in \mathcal{S}$, we have $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X .

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. If f is continuous then, for all $V \in \mathcal{S}$, we have $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X .

PROOF: Since every element of \mathcal{S} is open.

$\langle 1 \rangle 2$. Suppose that, for all $V \in \mathcal{S}$, we have $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X . Then f is continuous.

$\langle 2 \rangle 1$. ASSUME: For all $V \in \mathcal{S}$, we have $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X .

$\langle 2 \rangle 2$. For every set B that is the finite intersection of elements of \mathcal{S} , we have $f^{-1}(B)$ is open in X .

PROOF: Because $f^{-1}(V_1 \cap \dots \cap V_n) = f^{-1}(V_1) \cap \dots \cap f^{-1}(V_n)$.

$\langle 2 \rangle 3$. Q.E.D.

PROOF: From Propositions 20 and 94.

□

Definition 96 (Continuous at a Point). Let X and Y be topological spaces. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ and $x \in X$. Then f is *continuous at x* if and only if, for every neighbourhood V of $f(x)$, there exists a neighbourhood U of x such that $f(U) \subseteq V$.

Theorem 97. Let X and Y be topological spaces and $f : X \rightarrow Y$. Then the following are equivalent:

1. f is continuous.
2. For all $A \subseteq X$, we have $f(\overline{A}) \subseteq \overline{f(A)}$
3. For all $B \subseteq Y$ closed, we have $f^{-1}(B)$ is closed in X .
4. f is continuous at every point of X .

PROOF:

⟨1⟩1. $1 \Rightarrow 2$

⟨2⟩1. ASSUME: f is continuous.

⟨2⟩2. LET: $A \subseteq X$

⟨2⟩3. LET: $x \in \overline{A}$

PROVE: $f(x) \in \overline{f(A)}$

⟨2⟩4. LET: V be a neighbourhood of $f(x)$

⟨2⟩5. $f^{-1}(V)$ is a neighbourhood of x

⟨2⟩6. PICK $y \in A \cap f^{-1}(V)$

PROOF: By Theorem 65.

⟨2⟩7. $f(y) \in V \cap f(A)$

⟨2⟩8. Q.E.D.

PROOF: By Theorem 65.

⟨1⟩2. $2 \Rightarrow 3$

⟨2⟩1. ASSUME: 2

⟨2⟩2. LET: B be closed in Y

⟨2⟩3. LET: $x \in \overline{f^{-1}(B)}$

PROVE: $x \in f^{-1}(B)$

⟨2⟩4. $f(x) \in B$

PROOF:

$$f(x) \in \overline{f(f^{-1}(B))}$$

$$\subseteq \overline{f(f^{-1}(B))}$$

(⟨2⟩1)

$$\subseteq \overline{B}$$

(Proposition 67)

$$= B$$

⟨1⟩3. $3 \Rightarrow 1$

⟨2⟩1. ASSUME: 3

⟨2⟩2. LET: V be open in Y

⟨2⟩3. $Y \setminus V$ is closed in Y

$\langle 2 \rangle 4$. $f^{-1}(Y \setminus V)$ is closed in X
 $\langle 2 \rangle 5$. $X \setminus f^{-1}(V)$ is closed in X
 $\langle 2 \rangle 6$. $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X
 $\langle 1 \rangle 4$. $1 \Rightarrow 4$
 PROOF: For any neighbourhood V of $f(x)$, the set $U = f^{-1}(V)$ is a neighbourhood of x such that $f(U) \subseteq V$.
 $\langle 1 \rangle 5$. $4 \Rightarrow 1$
 $\langle 2 \rangle 1$. ASSUME: 4
 $\langle 2 \rangle 2$. LET: V be open in Y
 $\langle 2 \rangle 3$. LET: $x \in f^{-1}(V)$
 $\langle 2 \rangle 4$. V is a neighbourhood of $f(x)$
 $\langle 2 \rangle 5$. PICK a neighbourhood U of x such that $f(U) \subseteq V$
 $\langle 2 \rangle 6$. $x \in U \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$
 $\langle 2 \rangle 7$. Q.E.D.
 PROOF: By Lemma 9.

□

Theorem 98. *A constant function is continuous.*

PROOF: Let X and Y be topological spaces. Let $b \in Y$, and let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be the constant function with value b . For any open $V \subseteq Y$, the set $f^{-1}(V)$ is either X (if $b \in V$) or \emptyset (if $b \notin V$). □

Theorem 99. *If A is a subspace of X then the inclusion $j : A \rightarrow X$ is continuous.*

PROOF: For any V open in X , we have $j^{-1}(V) = V \cap A$ is open in A . □

Theorem 100. *The composite of two continuous functions is continuous.*

PROOF: Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ be continuous. For any V open in Z , we have $(g \circ f)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V))$ is open in X . □

Theorem 101. *Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a continuous function and A be a subspace of X . Then the restriction $f \upharpoonright A : A \rightarrow Y$ is continuous.*

PROOF: Let V be open in Y . Then $(f \upharpoonright A)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(V) \cap A$ is open in A . □

Theorem 102. *Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be continuous. Let Z be a subspace of Y such that $f(X) \subseteq Z$. Then the corestriction $f : X \rightarrow Z$ is continuous.*

PROOF:

$\langle 1 \rangle 1$. LET: V be open in Z .
 $\langle 1 \rangle 2$. PICK U open in Y such that $V = U \cap Z$.
 $\langle 1 \rangle 3$. $f^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(U)$
 $\langle 1 \rangle 4$. $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X .
 □

Theorem 103. *Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be continuous. Let Z be a space such that Y is a subspace of Z . Then the expansion $f : X \rightarrow Z$ is continuous.*

PROOF: Let V be open in Z . Then $f^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(V \cap Y)$ is open in X . \square

Theorem 104. *Let X and Y be topological spaces. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$. Suppose \mathcal{U} is a set of open sets in X such that $X = \bigcup \mathcal{U}$ and, for all $U \in \mathcal{U}$, we have $f \upharpoonright U : U \rightarrow Y$ is continuous. Then f is continuous.*

PROOF:

- $\langle 1 \rangle 1$. LET: V be open in Y
- $\langle 1 \rangle 2$. $f^{-1}(V) = \bigcup_{U \in \mathcal{U}} (f \upharpoonright U)^{-1}(V)$
- $\langle 1 \rangle 3$. For all $U \in \mathcal{U}$, we have $(f \upharpoonright U)^{-1}(V)$ is open in U .
- $\langle 1 \rangle 4$. For all $U \in \mathcal{U}$, we have $(f \upharpoonright U)^{-1}(V)$ is open in X .

PROOF: Lemma 38.

\square

Theorem 105 (Pasting Lemma). *Let X and Y be topological spaces. Let A and B be closed subspaces of X such that $X = A \cup B$. Let $f : A \rightarrow Y$ and $g : B \rightarrow Y$ be continuous. Suppose f and g agree on $A \cap B$. Define $h : X \rightarrow Y$ by*

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if } x \in A \\ g(x) & \text{if } x \in B \end{cases}$$

Then h is continuous.

PROOF:

- $\langle 1 \rangle 1$. LET: $C \subseteq Y$ be closed.
- $\langle 1 \rangle 2$. $h^{-1}(C) = f^{-1}(C) \cup g^{-1}(C)$
- $\langle 1 \rangle 3$. $f^{-1}(C)$ and $g^{-1}(C)$ are closed in X .

PROOF: Theorems 97 and 50.

- $\langle 1 \rangle 4$. $h^{-1}(C)$ is closed in X .

PROOF: Lemma 48.

- $\langle 1 \rangle 5$. Q.E.D.

PROOF: Theorem 97.

\square

Theorem 106. *Let $f : X \rightarrow Y \times Z$. If $\pi_1 \circ f$ and $\pi_2 \circ f$ are continuous then f is continuous.*

PROOF:

- $\langle 1 \rangle 1$. LET: U be open in Y and V open in Z
- $\langle 1 \rangle 2$. $f^{-1}(U \times V) = (\pi_1 \circ f)^{-1}(U) \cap (\pi_2 \circ f)^{-1}(V)$
- $\langle 1 \rangle 3$. $f^{-1}(U \times V)$ is open in X .
- $\langle 1 \rangle 4$. Q.E.D.

PROOF: Proposition 94.

\square

Proposition 107. *Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Then f is continuous at x if and only if, for all $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that, for all $y \in \mathbb{R}$, if $|x - y| < \delta$ then $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$.*

PROOF:

- ⟨1⟩1. If f is continuous at x then, for all $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that. for all $y \in \mathbb{R}$, if $|x - y| < \delta$ then $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$
- ⟨2⟩1. ASSUME: f is continuous.
- ⟨2⟩2. LET: $\epsilon > 0$
- ⟨2⟩3. $f^{-1}((f(x) - \epsilon, f(x) + \epsilon))$ is open.
- ⟨2⟩4. PICK a, b such that $x \in (a, b) \subseteq f^{-1}((f(x) - \epsilon, f(x) + \epsilon))$
- ⟨2⟩5. LET: $\delta = \min(x - a, b - x)$
- ⟨2⟩6. LET: $y \in \mathbb{R}$ with $|x - y| < \delta$
- ⟨2⟩7. $y \in (a, b)$
- ⟨2⟩8. $f(y) \in (f(x) - \epsilon, f(x) + \epsilon)$
- ⟨2⟩9. $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$
- ⟨1⟩2. Suppose, for all $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that. for all $y \in \mathbb{R}$, if $|x - y| < \delta$ then $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$. Then f is continuous at x .
- ⟨2⟩1. ASSUME: For all $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that. for all $y \in \mathbb{R}$, if $|x - y| < \delta$ then $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$
- ⟨2⟩2. LET: V be a neighbourhood of $f(x)$
- ⟨2⟩3. PICK a, b such that $f(x) \in (a, b) \subseteq V$
- ⟨2⟩4. LET: $\epsilon = \min(f(x) - a, b - f(x))$
- ⟨2⟩5. PICK $\delta > 0$ such that, for all $y \in \mathbb{R}$, if $|x - y| < \delta$ then $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$
- ⟨2⟩6. LET: $U = (x - \delta, x + \delta)$
- ⟨2⟩7. $x \in U \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$

□

Proposition 108. *Let X and X' be the same set X under two topologies \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{T}' . Let $i : X \rightarrow X'$ be the identity function. Then i is continuous if and only if $\mathcal{T}' \subseteq \mathcal{T}$.*

PROOF: Immediate from definitions. □

Proposition 109. *Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $a \in \mathbb{R}$. Then f is continuous on the right at a if and only if f is continuous at a as a function $\mathbb{R}_l \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.*

PROOF:

- ⟨1⟩1. If f is continuous on the right at a then f is continuous at a as a function $\mathbb{R}_l \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.
- ⟨2⟩1. ASSUME: f is continuous on the right at a .
- ⟨2⟩2. LET: V be a neighbourhood of $f(a)$
- ⟨2⟩3. PICK b, c such that $f(a) \in (b, c) \subseteq V$.
- ⟨2⟩4. LET: $\epsilon = \min(c - f(a), f(a) - b)$
- ⟨2⟩5. PICK $\delta > 0$ such that, for all x , if $a < x < a + \delta$ then $|f(x) - f(a)| < \epsilon$
- ⟨2⟩6. LET: $U = [a, a + \delta)$
- ⟨2⟩7. $f(U) \subseteq V$
- ⟨1⟩2. If f is continuous at a as a function $\mathbb{R}_l \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ then f is continuous on the right at a .
- ⟨2⟩1. ASSUME: f is continuous at a as a function $\mathbb{R}_l \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- ⟨2⟩2. LET: $\epsilon > 0$

- ⟨2⟩3. PICK a neighbourhood U of a such that $f(U) \subseteq (f(a) - \epsilon, f(a) + \epsilon)$
- ⟨2⟩4. PICK b, c such that $a \in [b, c] \subset U$
- ⟨2⟩5. LET: $\delta = c - a$
- ⟨2⟩6. For all x , if $a < x < a + \delta$ then $|f(x) - f(a)| < \epsilon$

□

18 Homeomorphisms

Definition 110 (Homeomorphism). Let X and Y be topological spaces. A *Homeomorphism* f between X and Y , $f : X \cong Y$, is a bijection $f : X \rightarrow Y$ such that both f and f^{-1} are continuous.

Lemma 111. Let X and Y be topological spaces and $f : X \rightarrow Y$ a bijection. Then the following are equivalent:

1. f is a homeomorphism.
2. f is continuous and an open map.
3. For any $U \subseteq X$, we have U is open if and only if $f(U)$ is open.

PROOF: Immediate from definitions. □

Proposition 112. Let X and X' be the same set X under two topologies \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{T}' . Let $i : X \rightarrow X'$ be the identity function. Then i is a homeomorphism if and only if $\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}'$.

PROOF: Immediate from definitions. □

Definition 113 (Topological Property). Let P be a property of topological spaces. Then P is a *topological* property if and only if, for any spaces X and Y , if P holds of X and $X \cong Y$ then P holds of Y .

Definition 114 (Topological Imbedding). Let X and Y be topological spaces and $f : X \rightarrow Y$. Then f is a *topological imbedding* if and only if the corestriction $f : X \rightarrow f(X)$ is a homeomorphism.