

Topology Homework 2

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13.1. Given that $A \subset X$ and X has topology \mathcal{T} and $\forall_{x \in A} (\exists_{U \in \mathcal{T}} (x \in U \text{ and } U \subset A))$, show that $A \in \mathcal{T}$.
Let U_x be an open subset of A su. $x \in U$, we know this exists as it is given.

1. $\bigcup_{x \in A} (U_x)$ is open as it is the union of open sets.
2. $\bigcup_{x \in A} (U_x) \subset A$ as all $U_x \subset A$.
3. $\bigcup_{x \in A} (U_x) \supset A$ as for any $x' \in A$ is in at least one U_x namely $U_{x'}$.

Thus $\bigcup_{x \in A} (U_x) = A$ and is open, thus A must be open.

13.2. We will make a table here comparing each pair of two topologies on X . It will be read as: $<$ means that the row's value is finer then the column's value, $>$ means that the row's value is coarser then the column's value, $=$ means the row and column are the same, and $/$ means they are not compareable. First let us list all nine topologies though.

1. $\{\emptyset, X\}$
2. $\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, X\}$
3. $\{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, \{b\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$
4. $\{\emptyset, \{b\}, X\}$
5. $\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$
6. $\{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, \{b\}, \{b, c\}, \{c\}, X\}$
7. $\{\emptyset, \{a, b\}, X\}$
8. $\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{b\}, X\}$
9. $P(X)$, where $P(S)$ is the powerset of S .

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	=	<	<	<	<	<	<	<	<
2	>	=	/	/	/	/	>	/	<
3	>	/	=	>	/	<	>	/	<
4	>	/	<	=	/	<	/	<	<
5	>	/	/	/	=	/	/	/	<
6	>	/	>	>	/	=	>	/	<
7	>	<	<	/	/	<	=	<	<
8	>	/	/	>	/	/	>	=	<
9	>	>	>	>	>	>	>	>	=

Let X be a set; show that $\mathcal{T}_c = \{U \subset X | X - U \text{ is countable or } X - U = X\}$ is a topology on X .

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{T}_c &= \{U \subset X | X - U \text{ is countable or } X - U = X\} \\ &= \{U \subset X | U^c \text{ is countable or } U^c = X\} \\ &= \{U \subset X | U^c \text{ is countable or } U = \emptyset\}\end{aligned}$$

First note that $\emptyset = \emptyset \implies \emptyset \in \mathcal{T}_c$ and $X^c = \emptyset$ is countable $\implies X \in \mathcal{T}_c$, thus the first condition is satisfied.

Now to show the second condition, let $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{T}_c$. We will show $\bigcup_{A \in \mathcal{A}} (A) \in \mathcal{T}_c$ by contradiction, so we will assume $\bigcup_{A \in \mathcal{A}} (A) \notin \mathcal{T}_c$, thus we know

$$\left(\bigcup_{A \in \mathcal{A}} (A) \right)^c \text{ is not countable and } \bigcup_{A \in \mathcal{A}} (A) \neq \emptyset$$

thus

$$\bigcup_{A \in \mathcal{A}} (A) \neq \emptyset \implies \exists A \in \mathcal{A} (A \neq \emptyset) \implies \exists A \in \mathcal{A} (A^c \text{ is countable})$$

and

$$\left(\bigcup_{A \in \mathcal{A}} (A) \right)^c \text{ is not countable} \implies \bigcap_{A \in \mathcal{A}} (A^c) \text{ is not countable} \implies \forall A \in \mathcal{A} (A^c \text{ is not countable})$$

thus there is a contradiction, thus our second condition is met.

Now to show the third condition, we will try to show that for any finite $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{T}_c$

$$\bigcap_{A \in \mathcal{A}} (A) \in \mathcal{T}_c$$

If \mathcal{A} is finite, that means that $|\mathcal{A}| \in \mathbb{N}$.¹ Thus if show that the statement holds when $|\mathcal{A}| = 0$, and then show that the statement holding when $|\mathcal{A}| = n$ implies that the statement will hold when $|\mathcal{A}| = n + 1$, where $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then we will have shown that our statement is true in all cases.

If $|\mathcal{A}| = 0$ then $\mathcal{A} = \emptyset$, thus $\bigcap_{A \in \mathcal{A}} (A) = X \in \mathcal{T}_c$, thus our base case is fulfilled.

Now let us assume that for any $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{T}_c$ with cardinality n , $\bigcap_{A \in \mathcal{A}} (A) \in \mathcal{T}_c$. Now let $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{T}_c$ such that $|\mathcal{A}| = n + 1$. Let B and C form a partition on \mathcal{A} such that $|C| = 1$, thus we know that $|B| = n$. Since $|B| = n$ and $B \subset \mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{T}_c$ we know, via our assumption that $\bigcap_{A \in B} (A) \in \mathcal{T}_c$. We also know that $C \subset \mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{T}_c$. Because B and C form a partition on \mathcal{A} we can say that

$$\bigcap_{A \in \mathcal{A}} (A) = \bigcap_{A \in B} (A) \cap \bigcap_{A \in C} (A)$$

Now there are two cases either one of the intersection across a partition, is the empty set, in which case it's trivial that the entire intersection is in the topology, or they both compliments of countable sets. In the case where both are countable sets we will let

$$\bigcap_{A \in B} (A) = \mathcal{B}$$

$$\bigcap_{A \in C} (A) = \mathcal{C}$$

thus, \mathcal{B}^c and \mathcal{C}^c are countable.

$$\mathcal{B}^c \cap \mathcal{C}^c = (\mathcal{B} \cup \mathcal{C})^c$$

¹ $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

Because the union of countable sets is countable, then $(\mathcal{B} \cup \mathcal{C})^c$ is the compliment of two countable sets and thus is in the topology \mathcal{T}_c .

The set defined by \mathcal{T}_∞ is not a topology for all sets X , a counter example is consider \mathcal{T}_∞ on \mathbb{R} then any singleton set is in \mathcal{T}_∞ , then if we take the union of all singletons except $\{0\}$, then we have a set not in \mathcal{T}_∞ .

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