

Topology Day 7

- Outline
- Continuity

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- Vote on midterm date. ^{Tue} Feb 25, 27 or March 4th

Recall: If X and Y are top. spaces, $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous iff $f^{-1}(U)$ is open in X whenever U is open in Y .

First we verify that this def. is compatible with the standard def of continuity on \mathbb{R} .

Prop | Let $f: \mathbb{R}_s \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_s$. Then f is continuous iff given any $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ ~~and~~ ^{and} $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$ s.t. $|f(x) - f(x_0)| < \varepsilon$ whenever $|x - x_0| < \delta$.

Pf | \Rightarrow | Suppose f is continuous and let $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ be given.

Since $(f(x_0) - \varepsilon, f(x_0) + \varepsilon)$ is open and f is continuous, $f^{-1}((f(x_0) - \varepsilon, f(x_0) + \varepsilon))$ is open and contains x_0 .

By def. of open ^{wrt. a basis} $\exists (a, b)$ s.t.

$$x_0 \in (a, b) \subset f^{-1}(\text{---}).$$

WLOG we can pick (a, b) symmetric about x_0 .

$$\exists \delta \text{ s.t. } x_0 \in (x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta) \subset f^{-1}(\text{---})$$

There exist $\delta > 0$ s.t. if $|x_0 - x| < \delta$ then $|f(x_0) - f(x)| < \varepsilon$.

⇐ Exercise

Remark | When verifying continuity, it is enough to check that the inverse image of basis elements (or even subbasis elements) are open.

Prop | ~~Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ have the property that~~

Prop | Let X be a top. space and Y be a top. space with basis \mathcal{B} .
If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ has the property that $f^{-1}(B)$ is open for every $B \in \mathcal{B}$, then f is continuous

Pf | Let U be an open set in Y .

$$U = \bigcup_{\alpha \in J} B_{\alpha} \text{ for } B_{\alpha} \in \mathcal{B}.$$

$$f^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in J} B_{\alpha}\right) = \bigcup_{\alpha \in J} f^{-1}(B_{\alpha}).$$

Since $f^{-1}(B_{\alpha})$ is open and the union of open is open, then $f^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in J} B_{\alpha}\right)$ is open. \square

Equivalent formulations of continuity

Th^m | Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a map between top spaces

TFAE:

- 1) f is continuous
- 2) $\forall A \subset X, f(\overline{A}) \subset \overline{f(A)}$
- 3) $\forall B \subset Y$ s.t. B is closed, $f^{-1}(B)$ is closed.
- 4) $\forall x \in X$ and all nbhs V of $f(x)$,
 \exists a nbh U of x with $f(U) \subset V$.

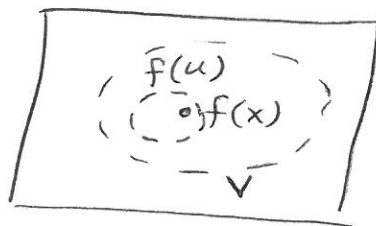
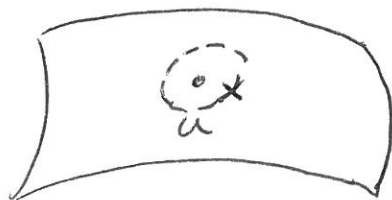
Interpretations

2) f sends every set and its limit points to $f(A)$ and its limit points.

4)

X

Y



Pf We will show $1) \Rightarrow 2) \Rightarrow 3) \Rightarrow 1)$ and $1) \Leftrightarrow 4)$.

$1) \Rightarrow 2)$ Suppose f is continuous.

Let $A \subset X$.

We want to show if $x \in \bar{A}$, then $f(x) \in \overline{f(A)}$.

Let $x \in \bar{A}$. Let V be a nbh of $f(x)$.

By continuity $f^{-1}(V)$ is a nbh of x .

Since $x \in \bar{A}$, $f^{-1}(V) \cap A \neq \emptyset$.

Let $y \in f^{-1}(V) \cap A$. $f(y) \in V \cap f(A)$.

Since V was arbitrary, $f(x) \in \overline{f(A)}$. \square

$2) \Rightarrow 3)$ Let B be a closed subset of Y .

Let $A = f^{-1}(B)$. W.T.S. A is closed in X .

Let $x \in \bar{A}$. By 2), $f(x) \in \overline{f(A)} = \overline{f(f^{-1}(B))}$.

Since $f(f^{-1}(B)) \subset B$, $f(x) \in \bar{B} = B$. Hence,

$x \in A$. Since $\bar{A} \subset A$ then A is closed.

Thus $f^{-1}(B)$ is closed. \square

3) \Rightarrow 1) | Let $U \subset Y$ be open.

$Y - U$ is closed.

By 3), $f^{-1}(Y - U)$ is closed.

Hence, $X - f^{-1}(Y - U)$ is open.

Fact: $f^{-1}(Y - U) = X - f^{-1}(U)$.

So, $X - (X - f^{-1}(U)) = f^{-1}(U)$ is open.

1) \Rightarrow 4) | Let $x \in X$ and let V be a nbh of $f(x)$.

By 1), $f^{-1}(V)$ is ~~open~~ a nbh of x in X .

Since $f(f^{-1}(V)) \subset V$, then we satisfy 4). \square

4) \Rightarrow 1) | Let U be open in Y .

By 4), $\forall x \in f^{-1}(U) \exists U_x$ a nbh of x s.t.

$$f(U_x) \subset U.$$

Clearly $f^{-1}(U) \subset \bigcup_{x \in f^{-1}(U)} U_x$.

Since $U_x \subset f^{-1}(f(U_x)) \subset f^{-1}(U)$

then $\bigcup_{x \in f^{-1}(U)} U_x \subset f^{-1}(U)$

Thus, $f^{-1}(U)$ is the union of open sets and is itself open \square .

Question | What does it mean for two top. spaces to be equivalent?

Def | Let X and Y be top. spaces. $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a homeomorphism if f is continuous, f is a bijection and f^{-1} is continuous.

X is equivalent to Y if there exists a homeomorphism from X to Y .

Ex | \mathbb{R} is homeomorphic to $(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$.

$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$ s.t. $f(x) = \tan^{-1}(x)$
(to verify continuity use ϵ - δ def.)

Ex | $f: [0, 1) \xrightarrow{\text{with s.s. top}} \{ (x, y) \mid x^2 + y^2 = 1 \} \xleftarrow{\text{with s.s. top}}$

$$f(t) = (\cos(2\pi t), \sin(2\pi t))$$

f is continuous

f is bijective

f^{-1} is not continuous



Topology Day 8

Outline

- Continuity
- Topologies on products.

Announcements

- By popular demand,
Mid. 1 on Feb. 27
- Exam will cover everything
up to and including today's lec.

Motivating Question: What is the proper notion of equivalence for top. spaces?

Category

Groups
Vector spaces
Top. Space

Equivalence

Isomorphism
bijective linear map with linear inverse.
Homeomorphism

Def Let X and Y be top. spaces and $f: X \rightarrow Y$.
 f is a homeomorphism if f is a bijective continuous map with continuous inverse.

Note: X and Y are homeomorphic if there exists a homeomorphism $f: X \rightarrow Y$.

Ex $(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$ is homeomorphic to \mathbb{R} .

$$f: (-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad f(x) = \tan(x)$$

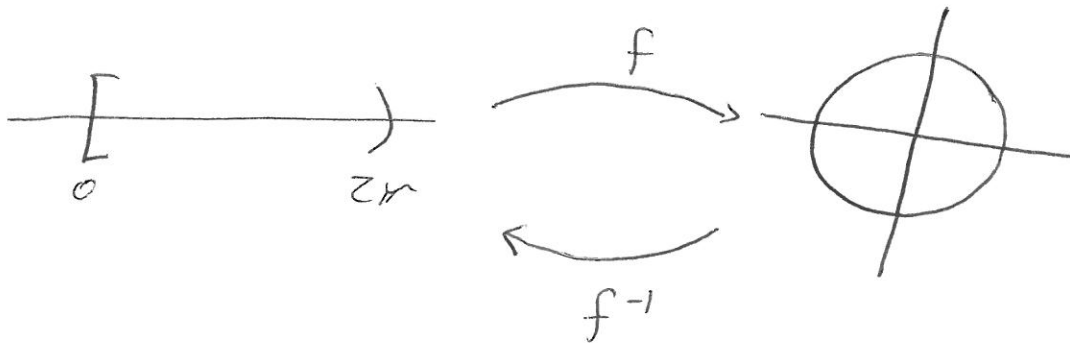
$$f^{-1}(x) = \tan^{-1}(x)$$

From calculus we know each of these functions is continuous and bijective.

Note: f^{-1} is continuous is an important property of being a homeomorphism.

Ex] $f: [0, 2\pi) \rightarrow S^1$ (the unit circle in \mathbb{R}^2)

$f(x) = (\sin(x), \cos(x))$ is a continuous bijective map



However $f^{-1}([0, 1))$ is not open in S^1 , so f^{-1} is not continuous.

Basic constructions for continuous functions

Thm] Assume X, Y, Z are top. spaces

- i) If $A \subset X$ is a subspace, then $i: A \rightarrow X$ s.t. $i(a) = a$ is continuous
- ii) If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ are continuous, then $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is continuous.
- iii) If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous and $A \subset X$ a subspace then $f|_A: A \rightarrow Y$ is continuous.
- iv) If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $X = \bigcup_{\alpha \in J} U_\alpha$ for U_α open in X and $f|_{U_\alpha}$ is continuous for all α , then $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous.

Pf i) Let $f: A \rightarrow X$ by $f(a) = a$ for $A \subset X$ a subspace.

Let $U \subset X$ be open $f^{-1}(U) = U \cap A$.

By def. of subspace top. $f^{-1}(U)$ is open in A .

Hence, f is continuous. \square

ii) WTS $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is continuous.

Let $U \subset Z$ be an open set.

$g^{-1}(U)$ is open in Y by continuity of g .

$f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U))$ is open in X by cont. of f .

By set theory $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(U)$.

Hence, $(g \circ f)^{-1}(U)$ is open in X and $g \circ f$ is cont. \square

iii) WTS $f|_A: A \rightarrow Y$ is continuous.

~~Let U be open in Y~~ Note: $f|_A = f \circ i: A \rightarrow Y$

where $i: A \rightarrow X$ is the inclusion map, ~~and~~

By i) and ii) $f|_A$ is continuous.

iv) Let $X = \bigcup_{\alpha \in J} U_\alpha$ and suppose $f|_{U_\alpha}: U_\alpha \rightarrow Y$ is

continuous for all $\alpha \in J$. Let $V \subset Y$ be an

open set. $f|_{U_\alpha}^{-1}(V)$ is open for all $\alpha \in J$.

So $\bigcup_{\alpha \in J} f|_{U_\alpha}^{-1}(V)$ is open

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{However, } f|_{U_\alpha}^{-1}(V) &= \{x \in U_\alpha \mid f|_{U_\alpha}(x) \in V\} \\
 &= \{x \in X \mid f(x) \in V \text{ and } x \in U_\alpha\} \\
 &= f^{-1}(V) \cap U_\alpha.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{So } \bigcup_{\alpha \in J} f|_{U_\alpha}^{-1}(V) &= \bigcup_{\alpha \in J} f^{-1}(V) \cap U_\alpha \\
 \text{(by dist. law)} &= f^{-1}(V) \cap \left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in J} U_\alpha\right) \\
 &= f^{-1}(V) \cap X \\
 &= f^{-1}(V)
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, f is continuous. \square

* Important *

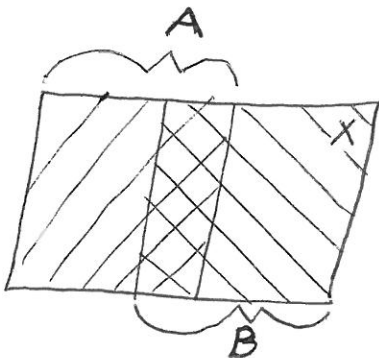
Pasting Lemma Let X be a top. space with

$A, B \subset X$ closed subsets. s.t. $X = A \cup B$. Let

$f: A \rightarrow Y$ and $g: B \rightarrow Y$ be continuous s.t.

$f(x) = g(x)$ for all $x \in A \cap B$. Then the function

$$h: X \rightarrow Y \quad h(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & x \in A \\ g(x) & x \in B \end{cases} \text{ is continuous.}$$



Pf We will show h^{-1} of a closed set is closed.

Let $C \subset Y$ be closed.

$$\begin{aligned}h^{-1}(C) &= \{x \in X \mid h(x) \in C\} \\ &= \{x \in A \mid f(x) \in C\} \cup \{x \in B \mid g(x) \in C\} \\ &= f^{-1}(C) \cup g^{-1}(C)\end{aligned}$$

By continuity of f and g , $f^{-1}(C)$ is closed in A and $g^{-1}(C)$ is closed in B .

By Munkres 17.2, $f^{-1}(C) = A \cap K_1$, and $g^{-1}(C) = B \cap K_2$ where K_1 and K_2 are closed in X . Since finite unions and arbitrary intersections of closed are closed, then $h^{-1}(C)$ is closed. Hence h is continuous. \square

Topologies on Products

Recall: Given top. spaces X and Y a ^{product} topology on $X \times Y$ has basis $\mathcal{B} = \{U \times V \mid U \text{ open in } X \text{ and } V \text{ open in } Y\}$

What about infinite products?

Let $\{X_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in J}$ be a collection of top. spaces.

$$\prod_{\alpha \in J} X_{\alpha} = \left\{ \vec{x} : J \rightarrow \bigcup_{\alpha \in J} X_{\alpha} \mid \vec{x}(\alpha) \in X_{\alpha} \text{ for all } \alpha \in J \right\}$$

Ex | $J = \mathbb{Z}^+$, so $\prod_{\alpha \in J} X_{\alpha} = \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} X_i = X_1 \times X_2 \times \dots$

$\vec{x} \in \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} X_i$ is a function $\vec{x} : \mathbb{Z}^+ \rightarrow \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} X_i$.

($\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{R}$ is the set of all sequences in \mathbb{R}).

Def | Let $\{X_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in J}$ be a collection of top. spaces

The box topology on $\prod_{\alpha \in J} X_{\alpha}$ is given

by the basis $\mathcal{B}_{\text{box}} = \left\{ \prod_{\alpha \in J} U_{\alpha} \mid U_{\alpha} \text{ is an open subset of } X_{\alpha} \right\}$

Exercise: Check that \mathcal{B}_{box} is a basis

Def | The product topology on $\prod_{\alpha \in J} X_{\alpha}$ is given by

the basis $\mathcal{B}_{\text{prod.}} = \left\{ \prod_{\alpha \in J} U_{\alpha} : U_{\alpha} \subset X_{\alpha} \text{ is open and} \right.$

$U_{\alpha} = X_{\alpha}$ for all but finitely many $\alpha \left. \right\}$.

Exercise | Check that $\mathcal{B}_{\text{prod}}$ is a basis

Note: the box topology is finer than the product topology.