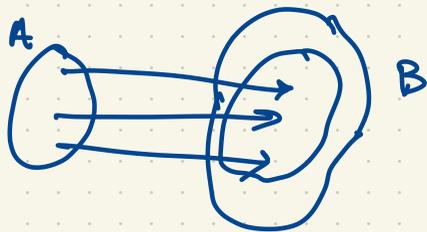


# Point Set Topology

Book 2

Bernstein-Cantor-Schröder Theorem Let  $A, B$  be sets. If  $|A| \leq |B|$  and  $|B| \leq |A|$  then  $|A| = |B|$ . I.e. if there is an injection  $A \rightarrow B$  and an injection  $B \rightarrow A$  then there is a bijection  $A \rightarrow B$ .

Here  $|A| \leq |B|$  means there is an injection  $A \rightarrow B$  i.e.  $A$  is in one-to-one correspondence with a subset of  $B$ . This is equivalent to the existence of a surjection  $B \rightarrow A$  under the Axiom of Choice.



Bernstein-Cantor-Schröder Theorem uses ZF

Eg.  $|(0,1)| = |[0,1]|$  but what is an explicit bijection?

There is an injection  $(0,1) \rightarrow [0,1]$ ,  $x \mapsto x$ . So  $|(0,1)| \leq |[0,1]|$ .

There is an injection  $[0,1] \rightarrow (0,1)$ ,  $x \mapsto \frac{1}{3}(x+1)$ . So  $|[0,1]| \leq |(0,1)|$ .

$$\underline{|R| = |R^3| = |[0,1]| = |[0,1]^3|}$$

$[0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]^3$ ,  $x \mapsto (x,0,0)$  is an injection.

$[0,1]^3 \rightarrow [0,1]$ ,  $(x,y,z) \mapsto 0.x_1y_1z_1x_2y_2z_2x_3y_3z_3x_4y_4z_4 \dots$

$$x = 0.x_1x_2x_3x_4 \dots$$

$$y = 0.y_1y_2y_3y_4 \dots$$

$$z = 0.z_1z_2z_3z_4 \dots$$

Theorem  $X = \mathbb{R}^3 - \{0\}$  can be partitioned into lines.

Use transfinite induction.

$$|X| = |\mathbb{R}| = 2^{\aleph_0}$$

And how many lines do we need to cover  $X$ ? (partition)

Let  $\Sigma$  be a set of lines partitioning  $X$ . Then  $|\Sigma| = 2^{\aleph_0}$ .

Pick a point on each  $l \in \Sigma$ . This gives an injection  $\Sigma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  so

$|\Sigma| \leq |\mathbb{R}^3| = 2^{\aleph_0}$ . An injection  $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \Sigma$ ?  $\mathbb{R}^3 \xrightarrow{!} \mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{!} l \xrightarrow{!} \Sigma$

Let  $l$  be any line in  $X$  which is not in  $\Sigma$ .

To construct  $\Sigma$ , we inductively construct a sequence sets of disjoint lines in  $X$

$$\Sigma_0 \subseteq \Sigma_1 \subseteq \Sigma_2 \subseteq \Sigma_3 \subseteq \dots ?$$

hoping that "in the limit" we cover all of  $X$ .

$$\Sigma_0 = \emptyset.$$

$$\Sigma_1 = \{l_0\}$$

$$\Sigma_2 = \{l_0, l_1\}$$

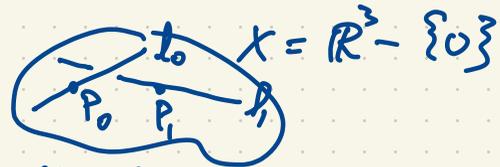
$$\Sigma_3 = \{l_0, l_1, l_2\}$$

Inductively construct  $\Sigma_\beta$ ,  $\beta \in A$ , a set of disjoint lines in  $X$ , such that

•  $\Sigma_\beta$  covers  $P_\alpha$  whenever  $\alpha < \beta$ .

•  $|\Sigma_\beta| \leq |\beta| < |K| = 2^{\aleph_0}$ .

•  $\Sigma_\beta \subseteq \Sigma_\gamma$  whenever  $\beta \leq \gamma$



Well-orders the points of  $X$  as  $P_\alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in A$

where  $A$  is well-ordered.

Actually we can take  $A = \kappa$  the smallest ordinal such that

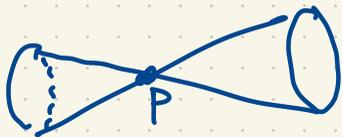
$$|K| = 2^{\aleph_0}$$

$$\text{Take } \Sigma = \bigcup_{\beta \in A} \Sigma_\beta$$

Key Lemma: (inductive step)

Given a set  $\Sigma$  of disjoint lines in  $X$  with  $|\Sigma| < |K| = 2^{\aleph_0}$   
with  $P \in X$  not covered by  $\Sigma$  ( $P \notin \bigcup_{\text{in } \Sigma} \text{lines}$ ),

there exists line  $l$  in  $X$  disjoint from all lines in  $\Sigma$  passing through  $P$ .  
Consider a cone with vertex  $P$ . Every line of  $\Sigma$  hits this cone in at most 2 points. There are  $2^{\aleph_0}$  lines in this cone passing through  $P$ , at most  $|\Sigma| < 2^{\aleph_0}$  hit lines of  $\Sigma$ .



By the Pigeonhole Principle,  $l$  exists.

Where are we headed? (Rough plan)

- Product spaces. Tychonoff's Theorem.
- Separation axioms. Urysohn's Lemma.
- Examples: Tychonoff's corkscrew, Tychonoff's Plank
- Metrizability?

- Stone-Cech Compactification
- Ultrafilters

Given top. spaces  $X, Y$ , we have the disjoint union  $X \sqcup Y$  which can be viewed as  $(X \times \{0\}) \cup (Y \times \{1\})$

$$\{(x, 0) : x \in X\}$$

$$\{(y, 1) : y \in Y\}$$

eg.  $\mathbb{R} \sqcup \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R} \times \{0, 1\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$

$\mathbb{R} \times \{1\} =$  the line  $y=1$

$\mathbb{R} \times \{0\} =$  x-axis ( $y=0$ )

WLOG I will assume  $X$  and  $Y$  are already disjoint (in order to avoid excessive notation of ordered pairs).

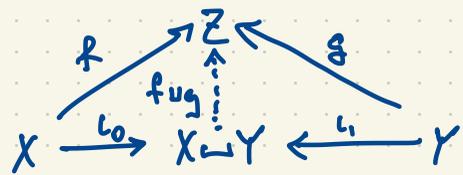
Open sets in  $X \sqcup Y$  are of the form  $U \sqcup V$  where  $U \subseteq X$  is open and  $V \subseteq Y$  is open. In fact  $X \sqcup Y$  is the coproduct of  $X$  and  $Y$  in the category-theoretic sense.  $X \sqcup Y$  enjoys the following universal property:

Given top. spaces  $X$  and  $Y$ , a coproduct of  $X$  and  $Y$  is a top. space  $X \sqcup Y$  and two morphisms (continuous maps)  $\iota_0 : X \rightarrow X \sqcup Y$ ,  $\iota_1 : Y \rightarrow X \sqcup Y$

such that whenever  $Z$  is a top. space and  $f : X \rightarrow Z$ ,  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  (note:  $f, g$  assumed to be continuous), there exists a morphism  $f \sqcup g : X \sqcup Y \rightarrow Z$  such that this diagram commutes i.e.  $(f \sqcup g) \circ \iota_0 = f$  and  $(f \sqcup g) \circ \iota_1 = g$  see over

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & f & \\ & \nearrow & \\ X & \xrightarrow{\iota_0} & X \sqcup Y & \xleftarrow{\iota_1} & Y \\ & \searrow & & \nearrow & \\ & f \sqcup g & & g & \\ & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \\ & Z & & Z & \end{array}$$

$$\iota_0(x) = (x, 0), \quad \iota_1(y) = (y, 1)$$

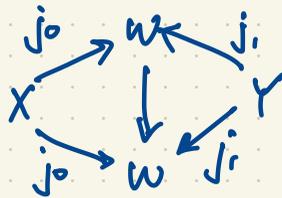
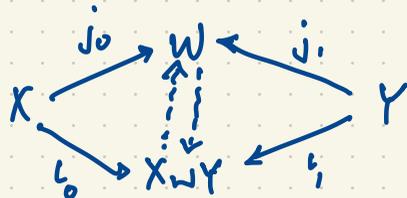


$$X \sqcup Y = (X \times \{0\}) \cup (Y \times \{1\})$$

$$(f \cup g)(x, 0) = f(x) \in Z$$

$$(f \cup g)(y, 1) = g(y) \in Z$$

Any  $X \sqcup Y$  together with  $l_0, l_1$  satisfying this universal property is a (the) coproduct of  $X$  and  $Y$ . It exists by our construction; and it is unique. If  $W$  also satisfies the same universal property then

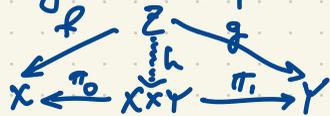


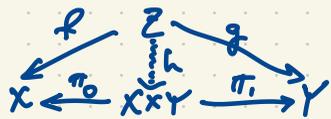
(cont maps)

Given top. spaces  $X, Y$ , a product is a top. space  $X \times Y$  together with morphisms

$\pi_0: X \times Y \rightarrow X, \pi_1: X \times Y \rightarrow Y$  such that for every top. space  $Z$  and morphisms  $f: Z \rightarrow X, g: Z \rightarrow Y$ , there exists a unique  $h: Z \rightarrow X \times Y$  such that the following diagram

commutes:





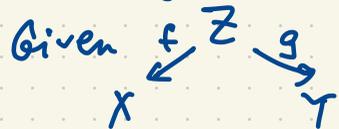
Existence of direct product:  $X \times Y = \{(x, y) : x \in X, y \in Y\}$ .

Topology:  $U \times V \subseteq X \times Y$  ( $U \subseteq X, V \subseteq Y$  open)

are a basis for top. on  $X \times Y$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi_0: (X, Y) &\rightarrow X \\
 (x, y) &\mapsto x
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi_1: X \times Y &\rightarrow Y \\
 (x, y) &\mapsto y
 \end{aligned}$$



we have  $h(z) = (f(z), g(z))$ .

The product topology  $X \times Y$  is the coarsest topology on the Cartesian product for which the two projections  $\pi_0, \pi_1$  are continuous.

We require  $\pi_0^{-1}(U) = U \times Y$  to be open in  $X \times Y$  whenever  $U \subseteq X$  is open. Also

" "  $\pi_1^{-1}(V) = X \times V$  . . . . .  $V \subseteq Y$  . . . . .

Then  $U \times V = (U \times Y) \cap (X \times V)$  must be open in  $X \times Y$ .

Ex.  $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  has topology generated by   $U \times V$   $(u, v \in \mathbb{R})$   
 which is the standard topology.  $\text{open}$

A topological group is a group  $G$  endowed with a topology such that the maps  $G \rightarrow G$  is continuous  
 $g \mapsto g^{-1}$   
 and  $G \times G \rightarrow G$  is also continuous.  
 $(g, h) \mapsto gh$

Ex. Consider  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2xy}{x^2+y^2}, & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0); \\ 0, & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0). \end{cases}$

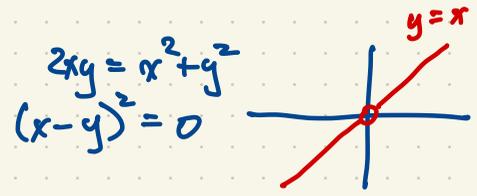
The map  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \mapsto f(x, b)$  is continuous for every  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ .

... ..  $y \mapsto f(a, y)$  ... ..  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

But  $f$  is not continuous.

$$f^{-1}(1) = \left\{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : f(x, y) = \frac{2xy}{x^2+y^2} = 1 \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ (x, x) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x \neq 0 \right\} \text{ is not closed in } \mathbb{R}^2.$$



$(\mathbb{R}, +)$  is a topological group.

$(\mathbb{R}^*, \cdot)$  . . . . .

$+, \cdot$  are continuous maps  $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

If  $f, g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous then so are  $f+g, fg$ .

One way to see this is

$(f \times g): \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$   
 $(x, y) \mapsto (f(x), g(y))$  is continuous.

$\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
 $x \mapsto (x, x) \mapsto (f(x), g(x)) \mapsto f(x) + g(x)$ .

Similarly for multiplication.

diagonal  
embedding of  
 $\mathbb{R}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

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Given a top. space  $X$ , is the diagonal embedding  $X \rightarrow X \times X$ ,  $x \mapsto (x, x)$  always continuous?

Given a metric space  $(X, d)$ ,  $d: X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ ,  
 $d$  is continuous.

This description of product spaces generalizes easily to  $X_1 \times X_2 \times \dots \times X_n$   
including  $X^n = \underbrace{X \times X \times \dots \times X}_{n \text{ times}}$  as a special case.

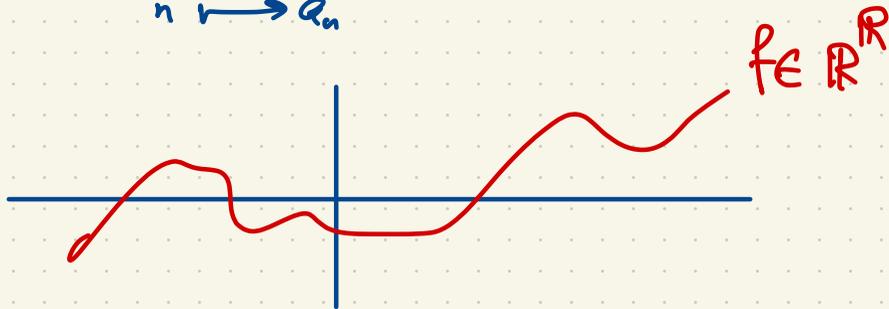
Infinite products are a little bit more subtle.

Notation:  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} X_\alpha$  (I some index set)

Special case:  $\mathbb{R}^\omega \stackrel{\omega}{=} \prod_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \dots = \{(a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots) : a_i \in \mathbb{R}\}$

Every function  $\omega \mapsto \mathbb{R}$   
 $n \mapsto a_n$

$\mathbb{R}^\mathbb{R} = \{\text{functions } \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$



The product topology for  $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}} = \{ \text{functions } \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \}$  is the coarsest topology for which the projections  $f \mapsto f(a)$  ( $a \in \mathbb{R}$ ) are continuous.

This means we require: for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\{ f \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}} : f(a) \in \underbrace{B_{\varepsilon}(b)} \}$  is open in  $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$ .  
 $\underbrace{B_{\varepsilon}(b)}$  or any open set in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

$$\left( \underbrace{\dots}_{\text{no restriction}}, \underbrace{f(a)}_m, \underbrace{\dots}_{\text{no restriction}} \right) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R} \times U \times \mathbb{R} \times \dots$$

General product: Let  $X_{\alpha}$  ( $\alpha \in A$ , some index set  $A$ ) be top. spaces. The product space  $\prod_{\alpha \in A} X_{\alpha}$  has the Cartesian product as its underlying set.

As a set, an element  $x = (x_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in A} \in \prod_{\alpha \in A} X_{\alpha}$  is really a function  $A \rightarrow \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} X_{\alpha}$  subject to  $x_{\alpha} \in X_{\alpha}$  for all  $\alpha \in A$ .

(Special case: all  $X_{\alpha}$  isomorphic to  $X$ ;  $x \mapsto x_{\alpha}$  is a map  $A \rightarrow X = X$ ).  
 If  $X_{\alpha} \neq \emptyset$  for all  $\alpha \in A$ , then  $\prod_{\alpha \in A} X_{\alpha} \neq \emptyset$ . This uses AC = Axiom of Choice.

If all  $X_\alpha = X$  for all  $\alpha \in A$  then  $\prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha = X^A = \{ \text{functions } A \rightarrow X \} \neq \emptyset$  assuming  $X \neq \emptyset$ . This holds in ZF without requiring AC. Let  $x \in X$  and consider the constant function  $f(\alpha) = x$  for all  $\alpha \in A$ . This gives the diagonal embedding  $X \rightarrow X^A$ .

Topology on  $\prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$ : A subbasis consists of the open cylinders

$$\{ x = (x_\alpha)_\alpha : x_\alpha \in X_\alpha \text{ arbitrary for } \alpha \neq \beta; x_\beta \in U \} \quad \text{where } \beta \in A, U \subseteq X_\beta \text{ open}$$

$$= \underbrace{U}_{\text{in coordinate } \beta} \times \prod_{\substack{\alpha \in A \\ \alpha \neq \beta}} X_\alpha = \pi_\beta^{-1}(U) \quad \text{where } \pi_\beta : \prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha \rightarrow X_\beta$$

$$x = (x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A} \mapsto x_\beta.$$

Under finite intersections, these generate a basis for the topology on the product space. Basic open sets have the form

$$\{ x \in (X_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A} : x_{\alpha_i} \in U_{\alpha_i} \text{ for } i=1, \dots, k \} \quad \text{where } k \geq 1 \text{ is a positive integer;}$$

$$\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k \in A;$$

$$U_{\alpha_i} \subseteq X_{\alpha_i} \text{ for each } i=1, \dots, k \text{ are open sets}$$

Arbitrary open sets are unions of basic open sets. This is the product topology (or the Tychonoff topology).

If instead one takes as basic open sets  $\prod_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha$  ( $U_\alpha \subseteq X_\alpha$  open), then one gets the box topology.

This is a refinement of the product topology. Unless otherwise specified, the topology on  $\prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  is understood to be the product topology.

Eg.  $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}} = \prod_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \mathbb{R} = \{ \text{functions } \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \}$

Each function  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  determines a point  $(f(x))_{x \in \mathbb{R}}$  (a generalized sequence).

A basic open nbhd of  $f \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$  has the form

$$\{ g \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}} : g(x_i) \in U_i, i=1, 2, \dots, k \}, \quad U_i \text{ is an open nbhd of } f(x_i) \text{ in } \mathbb{R} \}.$$

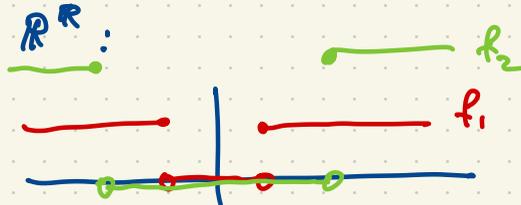
or specifically

$$\{ g \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}} : |g(x_i) - f(x_i)| < \varepsilon_i, i=1, \dots, k \}$$

Varying  $x_1, \dots, x_k, k, \varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_k$  we get a basis for the topology of  $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$  in this way.

A convergent sequence of functions in  $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$ :

$$f_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } |x| < n; \\ n, & \text{if } |x| \geq n. \end{cases}$$



$f_n \rightarrow 0$  i.e. for any basic open nbhd  $U$  of  $0$ ,  $f_n \in U$  for all  $n \gg 0$ .

$\underbrace{0}_{\text{zero function}}$



In usual language,  $f_n \rightarrow 0$  pointwise meaning for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f_n(x) \rightarrow 0$ .

In the box topology,  $f_n \not\rightarrow 0$ .

$$\omega = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

Take  $X = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \dots = \{ \overbrace{(a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots)}^x : a_i \in \mathbb{R} \} = \mathbb{R}^\omega$   
 as a set (Cartesian product). Compare product topology, box topology, and topologies from a few norms including

$$\|x\|_1 = \sum_{i \in \omega} |a_i| = |a_0| + |a_1| + |a_2| + \dots$$

$$\|x\|_\infty = \sup |a_i|.$$

$$\|x\|_2 = \left( \sum |a_i|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{d}^1 &= \{x \in \mathbb{R}^\omega : \|x\|_1 < \infty\} \\
 \mathcal{d}^2 &= \{x \in \mathbb{R}^\omega : \|x\|_2 < \infty\} \\
 \mathcal{d}^\infty &= \{x \in \mathbb{R}^\omega : \|x\|_\infty < \infty\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$x_1 = (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, \dots)$$

$$x_2 = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \dots\right)$$

$$x_3 = \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \dots\right)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$x_n = \left(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}, \dots\right) \in \mathbb{R}^\omega$$

$x_n \rightarrow 0 = (0, 0, 0, \dots)$  in the product topology but not in the box topology

In the uniform norm topology,  $x_n \rightarrow 0$  ( $x_n \rightarrow 0$  in  $\mathcal{d}^\infty$ ).

In the box topology,  $\prod_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{1}{n+1}, \frac{1}{n+1}\right)$  is a basic open nbhd of 0 and it contains no terms of the sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \omega}$ .

Now consider

$$y_1 = (1, 0, 0, 0, 0, \dots)$$

$$y_2 = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0, 0, 0, \dots)$$

$$y_3 = (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, 0, 0, \dots)$$

etc.

$$y_n = (\underbrace{\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}, \dots, \frac{1}{n}}_n, 0, 0, \dots) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\|y_n\|_1 = 1 < \infty$$

$$\|y_n\|_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} < \infty$$

$$\|y_n\|_\infty = \frac{1}{n} < \infty$$

in  $l^1, l^2, l^\infty$  product topology  
but not in the box topology.

The box topology has  $\prod_{n=2}^{\infty} (-\frac{1}{2^{n+1}}, \frac{1}{2^{n+1}})$  as a basic open nbhd of 0 and it contains no term of the sequence of points  $(y_n)_n$ .

The product topology is sometimes called the topology of pointwise convergence.

The box topology is not usually as useful the other topologies.

A sequence  $f_n$  in  $\mathbb{R}^A$  converges uniformly to  $f$  if for all  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $N$  such that  $|f_n(a) - f(a)| < \varepsilon$  whenever  $n > N$  for all  $a \in A$ .

Basic open sets in the  $\tilde{\text{uniform}}$  topology look like  $U^A = \prod_{a \in A} U_a$ ,  $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is open.

(finer than the product topology but coarser than the box topology).

If  $|A| < \infty$  then the product topology on  $\prod_{a \in A} X_a$  agrees with the

box topology.

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If  $|A| = |B|$  then products  $\prod_{a \in A} X_a$  and

$\prod_{b \in B} Y_b$  are essentially the same.

(The order of the factors does not alter the definition of the product or box topology.)

$\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}} \cong \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}}$  in the product topology

The Cantor Space (as a topological space)

$$K_1 = [0, 1]$$

$$K_2 = [0, \frac{1}{3}] \cup [\frac{2}{3}, 1]$$

$$K_3 = [0, \frac{1}{9}] \cup [\frac{2}{9}, \frac{1}{3}] \cup [\frac{2}{3}, \frac{7}{9}] \cup [\frac{8}{9}, 1]$$

etc.

$C = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n$  is a compact top. space.  $C \subset \mathbb{R}$  and we take the standard topology. It is a metric space.

It is totally disconnected: given  $x \neq y$  in  $C$ , there exists a partition  $C = U \sqcup V$ ,  $U, V \subset C$  open,  $x \in U, y \in V$ .

Equivalently,  $C = \{0, 1\}^{\omega} = 2^{\omega}$  with the product topology. ( $\{0, 1\}$  is discrete)

Points of  $C$  have the form  $(a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots)$  where  $a_i \in \{0, 1\}$ .

$$|C| = |\mathbb{R}| = 2^{\aleph_0}$$

A set of basic open nbhds of  $a = (a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots) \in C$  is the set of  $\{b \in C : b_i = a_i \text{ for } i \leq n\}$ .

A metric defining this topology is

$$d(a, b) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } a = b \\ \frac{1}{2^n}, & \text{if } a_n \neq b_n \text{ for some } n \text{ and we take the smallest such } n. \end{cases}$$

This is really  $\mathbb{Z}_2 = 2\text{-adic integers}$   
 $= \{a \in \mathbb{Q} : \|a\|_2 \leq 1\}$ .

A homeomorphism

$\{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow$  Usual Cantor set  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n$  is

$$(a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots) \mapsto \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2a_n}{3^n}$$

The Cantor Space is the unique compact Hausdorff space without isolated points which is second countable having a countable base of clopen sets.

Second countable: having a countable base.

Separable: having a countable dense subset.

$A \subseteq X$  is dense if  $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$  for every open  $U \neq \emptyset$ .

Tychonoff's Theorem A product of compact spaces is compact.

That is, if  $X_\alpha$  ( $\alpha \in A$ ) is an indexed family of compact spaces, then

$\prod_{\alpha \in A} X_\alpha$  is compact.

(NB: We are using the product topology here.)

NB means "take note"

eg.  $[0, 1]^\omega$  is compact in the product topology.

Not in the box topology eg. for every  $a \in \{0, 1\}^\omega$  i.e.  $a = (a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots)$   $a_i \in \{0, 1\}$

the sets  $U_a = \prod_{i \in \omega} U_{a(i)}$

$U_0 = [0, \frac{2}{3})$ ,  $U_1 = (\frac{1}{3}, 1]$  open in  $[0, 1]$

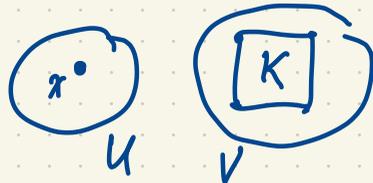
including  $U_{(0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, \dots)} = U_0 \times U_1 \times U_0 \times U_1 \times U_1 \times \dots$

covers  $[0, 1]^\omega$ . No finite number of these  $U_a$ 's cover  $[0, 1]^\omega$ .

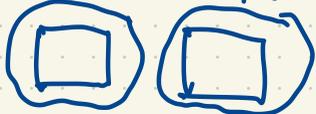
X is Hausdorff if for all  $x \neq y$  in  $X$ , there are disjoint open nbhds of  $x$  and  $y$ .

X is regular if for every closed

set  $K$  and every point  $x \in K$ , there are open sets  $U, V$  with  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ ,  $x \in U$ ,  $K \subseteq V$ .



X is normal if



Warning normal spaces are not necessarily regular (unless points are closed)

Eg.  $X = \{0, 1\}$

Open sets:  $\emptyset, \{0\}, X$

Closed sets:  $\emptyset, \{1\}, X.$

This space is normal. It's not regular.

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Urysohn's Lemma  $X$  is a normal top. space iff for every pair of disjoint closed sets,  $K, L$ , there exists a continuous function  $X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $f(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in K$ ;  $f(x) = 1$  for all  $x \in L$ .

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Metric spaces are Hausdorff, normal and regular.

In any metric space  $(X, d)$ ,  $d: X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is continuous.

If  $A \subseteq X$ , we can define distance from  $x \in X$  to  $A$ :  $d(x, A) = \inf_{a \in A} d(x, a)$ .

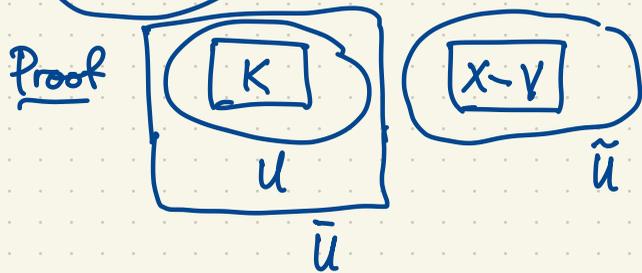
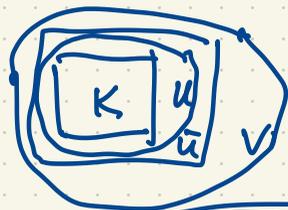
This is a continuous map  $X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ .  $d(x, A) = 0$  iff  $x \in \bar{A}$  = closure of  $A$ .

$d(A, B) = \inf_{a \in A} d(a, B)$ . If  $A, B$  are disjoint closed sets then  $d(A, B) > 0$ .

$$f(x) = \frac{d(x, A)}{d(x, A) + d(x, B)}$$

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Lemma  $X$  is normal iff whenever  $K \subseteq V$  with  $K$  closed and  $V$  open, there exists an open set  $U$  such that  $K \subseteq U \subseteq \bar{U} \subseteq V$ . ( $\bar{U}$  = closure of  $U$  = smallest closed set containing  $U$ ).



$X - V = \{x \in X : x \notin V\}$   
closed

Proof of Urysohn's Lemma ( $\Leftarrow$ ) Suppose  $K, L$  disjoint closed sets in a space  $X$  and  $f: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is continuous with  $f|_K = 0$ ,  $f|_L = 1$ .

Let  $U = f^{-1}([0, \frac{1}{3})) \subseteq X$  is open,  $V = f^{-1}((\frac{2}{3}, 1]) \subseteq X$  is open.

$U \cap V = \emptyset$ ,  $K \subseteq U$ ,  $L \subseteq V$ . So  $X$  is normal.

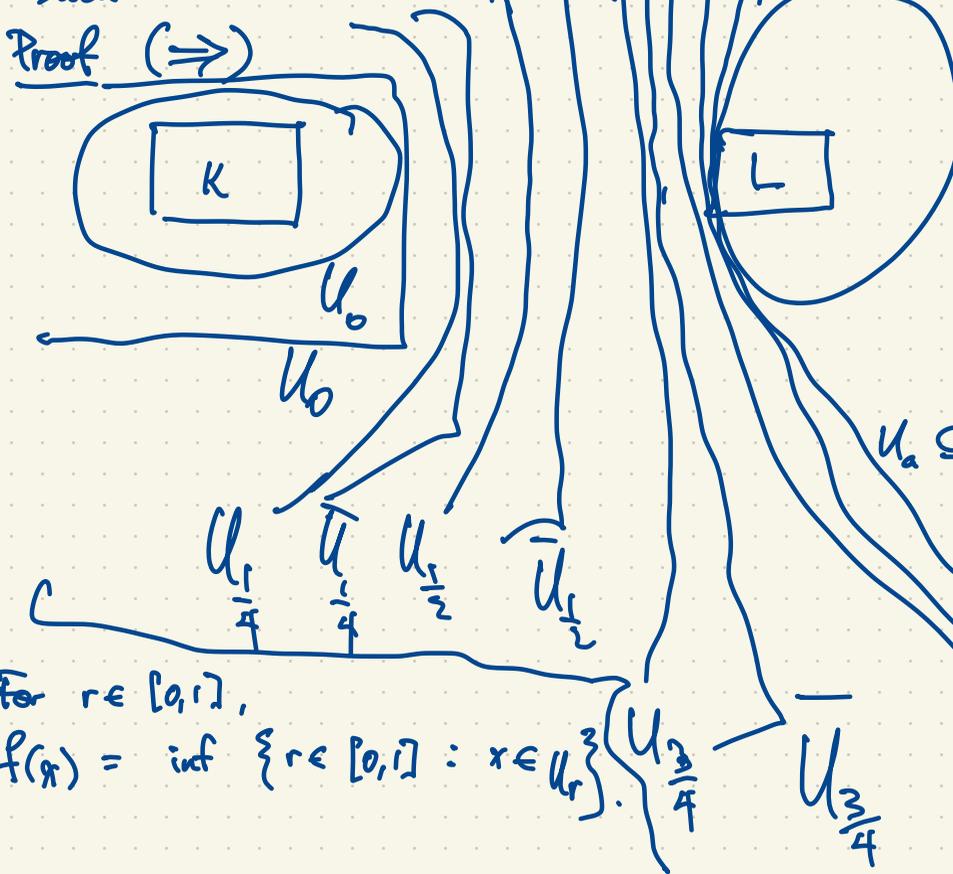
# Urysohn's Lemma

disjoint closed sets,

such that  $f(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in K$ ,

$f(x) = 1$  for all  $x \in L$ .

Proof ( $\Rightarrow$ )



$X$  is a normal top space iff for every pair of disjoint closed sets  $K, L$  there exists a continuous function  $X \rightarrow [0,1]$

We recursively use the Lemma to find an indexed collection of open sets  $U_a$  where  $a$  is any dyadic rational in  $[0,1]$

(dyadic rationals have the form  $\frac{m}{2^k}$ ,  $m, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ) such that

$$U_a \subseteq \bar{U}_a \subseteq U_b \quad \text{whenever} \quad 0 \leq a < b \leq 1$$

$$K \subseteq U_a, \quad \bar{U}_a \cap L = \emptyset$$

For  $r \in [0,1]$ ,

$$f(x) = \inf \{ r \in [0,1] : x \in U_r \}$$



Question: If  $X$  is regular, i.e.

must there exist a continuous function  $f: X \rightarrow [0,1]$  such that  $f(x)=0$ ,  $f|_K=1$ ?  
No! There is no analogue of Urysohn's Lemma for regularity.

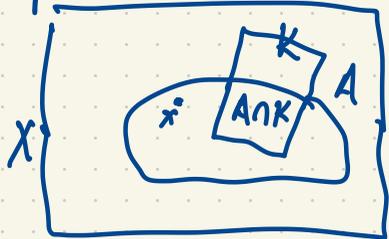
$X$  is completely regular if whenever  $\exists \boxed{K}$   $K$  closed,  $x \notin K$ , there exist continuous  $f: X \rightarrow [0,1]$ ,  $f(x)=0$ ,  $f|_K=1$ .

There exist top. spaces which are regular but not completely regular (e.g. Tychonoff cork screw) but we will omit this.

$X$  is completely normal if every subspace of  $X$  is normal.

Remarks: If  $X$  is completely regular then  $X$  is regular (easy) and every subspace of  $X$  is also completely regular.

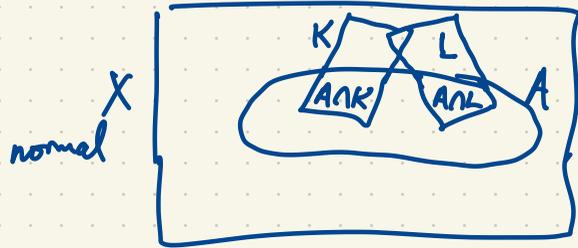
In  $X$ :



There exist continuous  $f: X \rightarrow [0,1]$  such that  $f(x)=0$ ,  $f|_K=1$ . Restricting  $f$  to  $f|_A$ , we see that  $A$  is also completely regular.

Is every subspace of a normal space normal?

No: see Tychonoff's Plank.



$$\omega = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\} \text{ discrete}$$

$$= \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

$$\omega+1 = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\} \cup \{\omega\}$$

$$= \{1, 2, 3, \dots\} \text{ in which } \{\omega\} \text{ is not open}$$

$$\omega^2 = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\} = \omega + \omega$$

$$\omega^2 = \underbrace{\omega + \omega + \omega + \dots}_{\omega \text{ times}} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\} \cdot \{1, 2, 3, \dots\} \dots \approx \{m^{-1/n} : m, n \text{ positive integers}\} \subset \mathbb{R}$$

$$(0, 0) < (0, 1) < (0, 2) < (0, 3) < \dots$$

$$0 \quad \frac{1}{2} \quad \frac{2}{3} \quad \frac{3}{4}$$

$$< \begin{matrix} 1 \\ (1, 0) \end{matrix} < \begin{matrix} 1\frac{1}{2} \\ (1, 1) \end{matrix} < \begin{matrix} 1\frac{2}{3} \\ (1, 2) \end{matrix} < \begin{matrix} 1\frac{3}{4} \\ (1, 3) \end{matrix} \dots$$

$$< \begin{matrix} (2, 0) \\ \uparrow \\ 2 \end{matrix} < \begin{matrix} (2, 1) \\ \uparrow \\ 2\frac{1}{2} \end{matrix} < \begin{matrix} (2, 2) \\ \uparrow \\ 2\frac{2}{3} \end{matrix} < \begin{matrix} (2, 3) \\ \uparrow \\ 2\frac{3}{4} \end{matrix} \dots$$

$$(m-1, n-1)$$



For  $\{a_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$  any indexed set of positive real numbers,

$$\sum \{a_\alpha : \alpha \in A\} = \sum_{\alpha \in A} a_\alpha = \sup \{a_{\alpha_1} + a_{\alpha_2} + \dots + a_{\alpha_k} : \begin{array}{l} \text{distinct} \\ \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k \in A \\ k \geq 1 \end{array}\}$$

$$\sum \left\{1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \dots\right\} = 2$$

But if  $A$  is uncountable and  $a_\alpha > 0$  (positive reals) then  $\sum_{\alpha \in A} a_\alpha = \infty$  (always diverges)!

Why? In other words, if  $\sum_{\alpha \in A} a_\alpha < \infty$ , why must  $A$  be countable?

$$\sum_{n, \alpha \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{(n^4 + \alpha^4 + 1)}$$

i.e. there exists  $M$  real  
such that  $a_{\alpha_1} + a_{\alpha_2} + \dots + a_{\alpha_k} < M$   
for all  $k \geq 1$ ;  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k \in A$  distinct.

$$A = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_4 \cup \dots \quad \text{where}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= \{\alpha \in A : a_\alpha \in [1, \infty)\} \\ A_2 &= \{\alpha \in A : a_\alpha \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1)\} \\ A_3 &= \{\alpha \in A : a_\alpha \in [\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2})\} \text{ etc.} \end{aligned}$$

$$|A_n| < \infty \text{ for all } n$$

So  $A$  is a countable union of finite sets so it's countable.