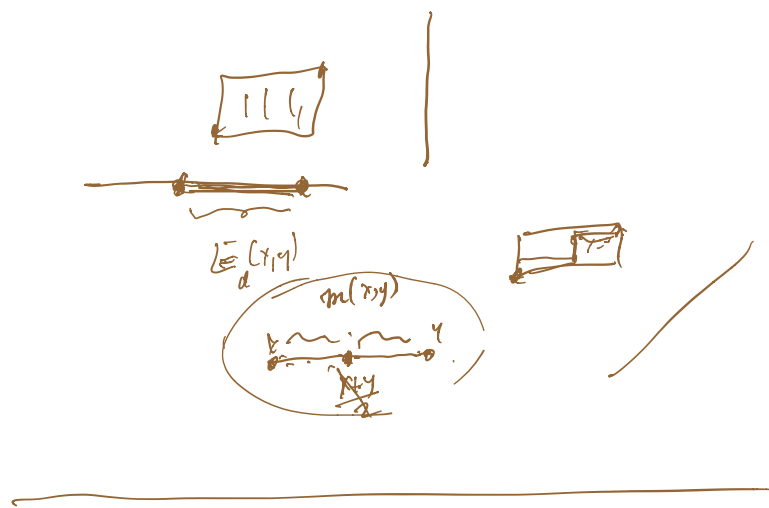


Introduction to Algebraic and Geometric Topology Week 5

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Topology of Metric Spaces

- ▶ (X, d) metric space.
- ▶ Recall the definition of *Open sets*:

Definition

$U \subset X$ open set $\iff \forall x \in U \exists r > 0$ so that
 $B(x, r) \subset U.$



Examples

$$B(x, r) = \{y \mid d(x, y) < r\}$$

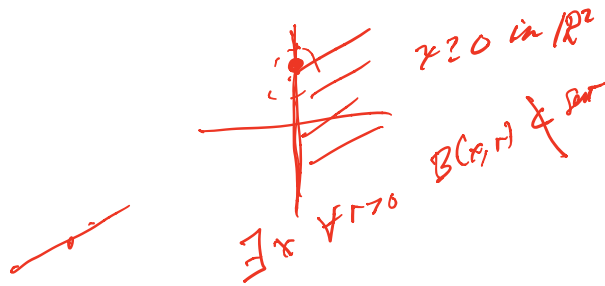
(radius)

$$\bar{B}(x, r) \subseteq S$$

- ▶ $(\mathbb{R}^n, d_{(2)})$ usual open sets.
- ▶ (X, d) discrete metric space \implies all sets are open.
- ▶ Open sets in French railway metric.



► Examples on non-open sets:



$d(x), d(y), d(z)$

- ▶ Have seen that different metrics can give same open sets.
- ▶ Example: $(\mathbb{R}^n, d_{(1)})$ or $(\mathbb{R}^n, d_{(\infty)})$: same open sets.
- ▶ Will concentrate on the collection of open sets, rather than the metric,
- ▶ This collection will be called the *Topology*
- ▶ First look more closely at open sets.

► Theorem

(X, d) metric space, $x \in X$ and $r > 0 \implies$

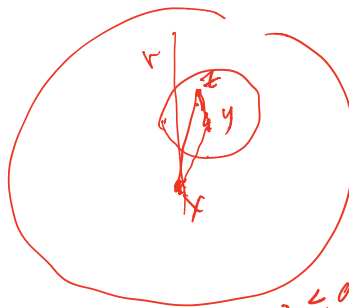
$B(x, r)$ is an open set

► Proof?



$$\forall y \in B(x, r) \exists s > 0 \\ B(y, s) \subset B(x, r)$$

$$z \in B(y, s) : \begin{aligned} s &= r - d(x, y) \\ d(y, z) &\leq s \\ &\leq \frac{d(x, y)}{2} + d(y, z) \end{aligned}$$



$$r = r - d(x, y)$$

$$d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$$

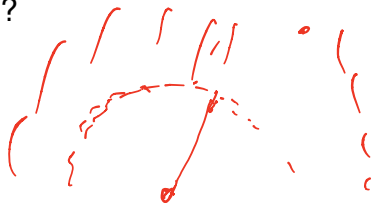
Q.E.D.

► Theorem

(X, d) metric space, $x \in X$ and $r \geq 0 \implies$

$\{y \in X \mid d(x, y) > r\}$ is an open set.

► Proof?



Closed sets

► Definition

$F \subset X$ closed set $\iff X \setminus F$ is open.

$\{y : d(x, y) > r\}$ is open
 $X - \{y : d(x, y) \leq r\} = B(x, r)$

- ▶ Examples of closed sets:

$B(x, r)$ = $\{ y : \underbrace{d(x, y)}_{\text{aka}} > r \}$

 $x \geq 0 \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^n$

$\{x \in \mathcal{D}\}$ open.

$f: X \rightarrow Y$

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$\forall x \in X \quad \forall \epsilon > 0$

$\exists \delta > 0$ st. $d(x, y) < \delta \Rightarrow d(f(x), f(y)) < \epsilon$

$f(B(x, \delta)) \subset B(f(x), \epsilon)$

Continuous maps

- ▶ (X, d) and (Y, d') metric spaces, $f : X \rightarrow Y$

- ▶ **Theorem**

f is continuous

\Longleftrightarrow

$$\forall U \subset Y, \quad U \text{ open in } (Y, d') \implies f^{-1}(U) \text{ open in } (X, d).$$

- ▶ Briefly:
f continuous

\Longleftrightarrow

the preimage of every open set is open.

- Review preimage f^{-1}

Sets

$$f: X \rightarrow Y$$
$$\quad \quad \quad \cup$$
$$\quad \quad \quad \cup$$
$$f^{-1}(U) = \{x : f(x) \in U\}$$

f^{-1} operation on Sets
not pts.

► Prove Theorem

f cont $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

U open

Suppose $f: X \rightarrow Y$

U open $\Rightarrow f^{-1}(U)$ open.

$x \in X, f(x), B(f(x), \epsilon)$
 \uparrow
open set

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

$$f(x) \in B(f(x), \epsilon)$$

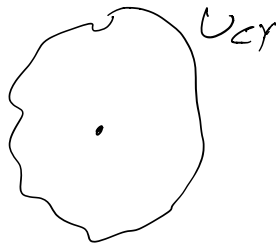
$$f^{-1}(B(f(x), \epsilon)) \text{ then}$$

$$\exists \delta > 0 \quad s.t.$$

$$B(x, \delta) \subset f^{-1}(B(f(x), \epsilon))$$

$$\Rightarrow f(B(x, \delta)) \subset B(f(x), \epsilon)$$

ϵ, δ def $\Rightarrow f^{-1}(\text{den})$ is the

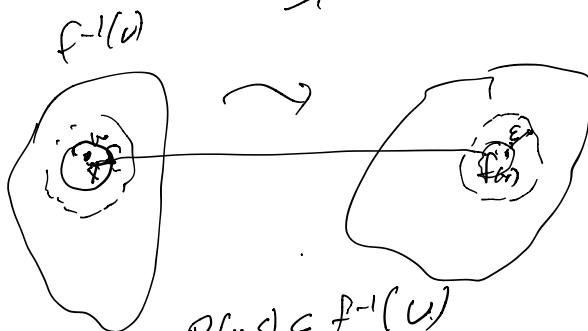


$f^{-1}(U)$ den.

$$x \in f^{-1}(U) \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{f(x) \in U}$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists \epsilon > 0 \\ f(B(f(x), \epsilon)) \subset U$$

$$\epsilon - \delta \text{ def} \\ \Rightarrow \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } f(B(x, \delta)) \subset B(f(x), \epsilon)$$



$$\underbrace{B(x, \delta) \subset f^{-1}(U)} \\ \rightarrow B(f(x), \epsilon) \subset U$$

Official def of
Continuity

$f^{-1}(\text{den})$ is den.

▶ Similarly, f is continuous \iff

the preimage of every closed set is closed:

▶ Proof: use $f^{-1}(A \setminus B) = f^{-1}(A) \setminus f^{-1}(B)$.

$$\begin{aligned} x \in f^{-1}(\cancel{Y} \setminus A) & \quad f: X \rightarrow Y \\ & \quad \underline{f(x) \in Y}, \quad \underline{f(x) \notin A} \\ \Rightarrow X \setminus \underbrace{f^{-1}(A)}_{\substack{x \in f^{-1}(A) \\ f(x) \notin A}} & \quad \text{⌈} \end{aligned}$$

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- ▶ *Theorem* Composition of continuous maps is continuous.

- ▶ Knew this already, but now have shorter proof, since

$$(f \circ g)^{-1}(U) = g^{-1}(f^{-1}(U))$$

$$(f \circ g)^{-1} = g^{-1} \circ f^{-1}$$

check

$$\begin{aligned} U \text{ open} &\Rightarrow f^{-1}(U) \text{ open} \Rightarrow g^{-1}(f^{-1}(U)) \\ &= (f \circ g)^{-1}(U), \end{aligned}$$

► $f : (X, d) \rightarrow (Y, d')$ continuous. Then

\hat{f} is a homeomorphism \iff

f is bijective and $f(U) \subset Y$ is open for all $U \subset X$ open.

cont. $U \xrightarrow{f} \overline{f(U)} \xrightarrow{f^{-1}} \overline{f^{-1}(U)}$

(f^{-1}) cont

if map f is surj.
then $(f^{-1})(A) = f^{-1}(A)$
 $(f^{-1})_i(A)$

- ▶ $f : X \rightarrow Y$ bijjective map (not assumed continuous).
Then

f is a homeomorphism \iff

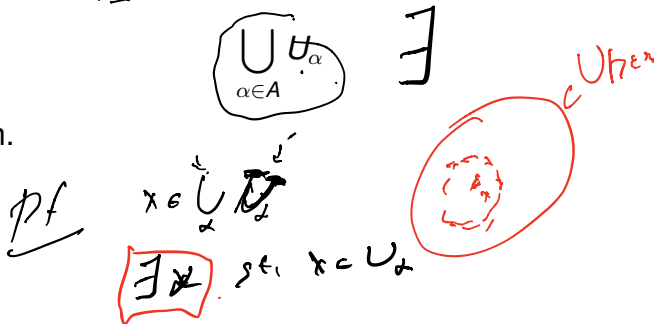
$$\forall U \subset X, U \text{ is open in } X \iff f(U) \text{ is open in } Y.$$

The collection of open sets in (X, d)

- ▶ Let
 - ▶ A an index set (any cardinality)
 - ▶ $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ a collection of open sets in (X, d) indexed by A .

▶ Then

is open.



U_α open \Rightarrow

$\exists r > 0$

$s_i \in U_\alpha \Rightarrow B(x_i, r) \subset U_\alpha.$

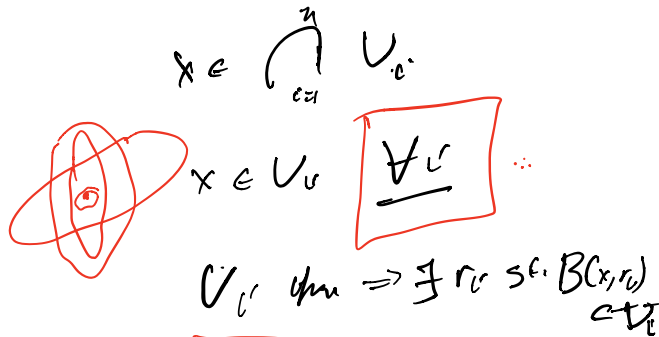
$\Rightarrow B(x_i, r) \subset \bigcup_\alpha U_\alpha$


► Let $\underline{U_1, \dots, U_k}$ be a *finite* collection of open sets.

► Then

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^k U_i$$

is open.



$$U_n = (-1/n, 1/n)$$


$$r = \min \{r_1, \dots, r_n\}$$

$$\underline{B(x, r) \subset \bigcap U_n}$$

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1/n, 1/n)$$

$$= \{0\}$$

$$\exists r > 0 \text{ s.t. } B(0, r) \subset \{0\}$$

$$\{0\}$$

► Summary: The collection of open sets in (X, d) is closed under the operations of

► Arbitrary union.

► Finite intersection.

- Equivalent statement:

The collection of closed sets in (X, d) is closed under the operations of

- Arbitrary intersection.

- Finite union.

$$F_\alpha = \text{closed } \forall \alpha \in A$$

$$X = \bigcap F_\alpha$$

$$= \bigcup (X - F_\alpha) \text{ then}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bigcap F_\alpha \text{ closed}$$

$$F_1, \dots, F_n$$

$$X = (F_1 \cup \dots \cup F_n)$$

$$= \bigcap_{i=1}^n (X - F_i) \text{ then}$$

$$X = n\text{-class}$$

$$\#(2^X) = 2^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \bigcup_{i=1}^n F_i \text{ closed.}$$

$$\{f: X \rightarrow \{0,1\}\}$$

\hookrightarrow subsets

$$f \mapsto \{x \mid f(x) = 1\}$$

$$"2" = \{0,1\}$$

$$\{0,1\}^n$$

$$Y^X = \{\text{all fns } (X \rightarrow Y)\}$$

$$f: X \rightarrow \{0,1\} \hookrightarrow S \subset X$$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in S \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin S \end{cases}$$

Topologies

- ▶ Turn these properties into a definition:

- ▶ Definition

$X \neq \emptyset$, set a set, $T \subset 2^X$.
 T is called a Topology on X iff

$2^X =$ Set of
Subsets
of X .

$\emptyset \in T$ and $X \in T$

▶ A any index set, $\{U_\alpha\}$ a collection of elements
 $U_\alpha \in T$ indexed by A , then

$$\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha \in T$$

closed under
arbitrary
union

▶ U_1, \dots, U_k any finite collection of elements $U_i \in T$,
then

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^k U_i \in T$$

- ▶ Briefly, a topology \mathcal{T} on X is a collection of subsets of X ($\mathcal{T} \subset 2^X$) which contains the empty set, the whole set, and is closed under the operations of arbitrary union and finite intersection.

Def \mathcal{T} is a topology on X ,
the elements of \mathcal{T} are called
the open sets

Examples of Topologies

- ▶ (X, d) any metric space, $\mathcal{T}_{(X,d)}$ the collection of its open sets.

- ▶ Two extreme examples of topologies::

Given X , what is the largest possible topology on X ?

- ▶ X any set, $\mathcal{T}_{disc} = 2^X$. Every set is open

- ▶ This is the *discrete topology*, can be defined by the discrete metric.

- ▶ X any set, $\mathcal{T}_{ind} = \{\emptyset, X\}$, the *indiscrete topology*

Smallest

- ▶ Indiscrete topology not defined by any metric (if cardinality of X at least 2).

► Intermediate example:

► X any infinite set. Define $\mathcal{T}_{CF} \subset 2^X$ by

$U \in \mathcal{T}_{CF}$ if and only if $\begin{cases} U = \emptyset \text{ or} \\ X \setminus U \text{ is a finite set.} \end{cases}$

$$X = \mathbb{Z}$$

$$X = \mathbb{R}$$

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



$F \subset X$ closed $\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} F = X \\ \text{or} \\ F \text{ is finite} \end{cases}$

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X, ϕ closed?

Closed arb intersect
under finite unions



Topological Spaces

- ▶ *Definitions:*
- ▶ A *Topological space* is a pair (X, \mathcal{T}) , where
 - ▶ X is a set.
 - ▶ $\mathcal{T} \subset 2^X$ is a topology on X .
- ▶ If (X, \mathcal{T}) is a topological space, then
 - ▶ $U \subset X$ is an open set if and only if $U \in \mathcal{T}$.
 - ▶ $F \subset X$ is a closed set if and only if $X \setminus F$ is open.

- ▶ If \mathcal{T} is a topology on X , its closed sets satisfy:
 - ▶ X and \emptyset are closed sets.
 - ▶ If A is any index set and $\{F_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ is any collection of closed set indexed by A , then

$$\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} F_\alpha$$

is closed.

- ▶ If F_1, \dots, F_k is a finite collection of closed sets,

$$\underline{F_1 \cup \dots \cup F_k}$$

is closed.

- ▶ A topology can be defined in terms of its closed sets.
- ▶ Example: X any set, define

$$F \subset X \text{ is closed} \iff \left\{ \begin{array}{l} F = X \text{ or} \\ F \text{ is finite.} \end{array} \right.$$

- ▶ Then the topology

$$\mathcal{T} = \{X \setminus F \mid F \text{ is closed} \}$$

is the same as \mathcal{T}_{CF} above.

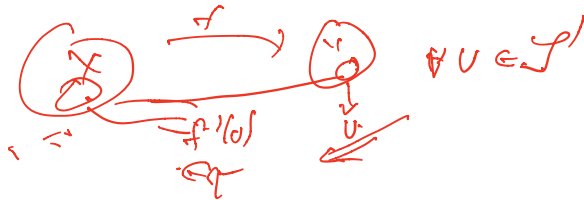
(X, d) metric? distance

(X, Y) top: 'neighborhoods'
→ "clue".

Continuous Maps

► Definition

If (X, \mathcal{T}) , (X', \mathcal{T}') are topological spaces and $f : X \rightarrow X'$, then $f : (X, \mathcal{T}) \rightarrow (X', \mathcal{T}')$ is *continuous* iff for all $U \in \mathcal{T}'$, $f^{-1}(U) \in \mathcal{T}$.



- Equivalent Characterization: f continuous \iff for all \mathcal{T}' -closed sets, $f^{-1}(F)$ is \mathcal{T} -closed.

Examples of Continuous Maps

X any set, Y, Z top. sp.

$$X \rightarrow Y$$

- ▶ (X, \mathcal{T}) any topological space.

$f^{-1}(U)$ is open

$$f : (X, \mathcal{T}_{disc}) \rightarrow (X, \mathcal{T})$$

$$f : (X, \mathcal{T}) \rightarrow (X, \mathcal{T}_{ind})$$

$$f^{-1}(\emptyset) = \emptyset$$

$$f^{-1}(X) = X$$

- ▶ Any $(X_1, \mathcal{T}_1), (X_2, \mathcal{T}_2), f : X_1 \rightarrow X_2$ constant.

$$f : X_1 \rightarrow X_2 \quad \boxed{f(x) = c \in X_2}$$

$$\forall x \in X_1$$

$$f^{-1}(U) = \begin{cases} \emptyset & \text{if } c \notin U \\ X_1 & \text{if } c \in U \end{cases}$$

$$| \tau_i, \theta \in U$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \longleftarrow R, \cancel{\theta} \tau_E \\ \downarrow f \\ \longleftarrow R, \bigcup_{CF} \end{array}$$

- ▶ $X = \mathbb{R}$, two topologies: \mathcal{T}_E Euclidean, \mathcal{T}_{CF} as above.

Compare usual continuous maps with continuous maps

- ▶ $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{T}_E) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{T}_{CF})$

$f^{-1}(\text{finite closed})$
 $\Leftrightarrow \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, f^{-1}(x) \text{ is closed}$

- ▶ $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{T}_{CF}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{T}_E)$

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- ▶ $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{T}_{CF}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{T}_{CF})$

$f^{-1}(\text{closed}) \text{ is closed}$

$f^{-1}(\text{finite})$

$= \{x_i\}$
 finite

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \underline{f^{-1}(x) \text{ finite}} \quad \text{or} \quad \underline{X}$$

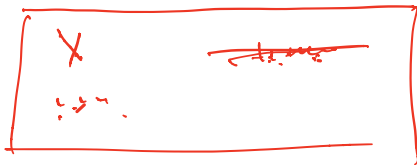
$$\downarrow$$

$$f \equiv \text{end.}$$

$$f^{-1}(\text{closed}) = \begin{cases} X \\ \text{end.} \end{cases}$$

X
 b

$$\mathcal{I}_{CF} \rightarrow \mathcal{I}_E$$



$$C_F \rightarrow C_F$$

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Composition of Continuous Maps

- ▶ $(X, \mathcal{T}), (X', \mathcal{T}'), (X'', \mathcal{T}'')$ topological spaces.
- ▶ $f : (X, \mathcal{T}) \rightarrow (X', \mathcal{T}')$ and $g : (X', \mathcal{T}') \rightarrow (X'', \mathcal{T}'')$ continuous.
- ▶ Then $g \circ f : (X, \mathcal{T}) \rightarrow (X'', \mathcal{T}'')$ is continuous.

Neighborhoods

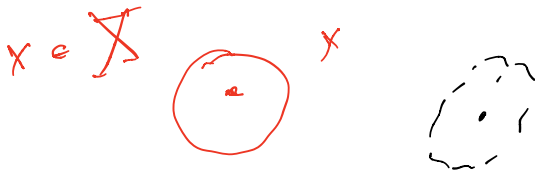
- ▶ (X, \mathcal{T}) topological space, $x \in X$.

- ▶ **Definition**

A *Neighborhood* of x

is an open set $U \subset X$ containing x .

In other words, $x \in U \subset X$



Limits

A

- ▶ (X, \mathcal{T}) topological space, $\{x_n\}$ sequence in X , $x \in X$.
- ▶ *Possible definition of $\lim\{x_n\} = x$:*
- ▶ \forall neighborhoods U of $x \exists N$ such that

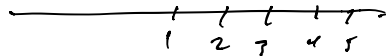
$$n > N \implies x_n \in U$$



- Problem: are limits unique? ✓
- Example: In $(\mathbb{R}, \{T_{CF}\})$, let $x_n = n$.

\mathbb{R}

$$x_n = n$$

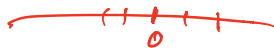


$\lim \{x_n\}$



$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\lim(x_n) = x$$



$\vec{x} = \text{limit set}$

as F ~~is~~ \lim



$\nexists \forall \epsilon, n \in \mathbb{N}$

x_1, \dots, x_n

$\forall n \geq N$?



$n \rightarrow 0$ in CF sys

$n \rightarrow 1$
 $n \rightarrow 55$



$\{m_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathbb{N}$

\mathbb{N}



~~Hausdorff Spaces~~

Hausdorff

► Need definition:

► Definition

(X, \mathcal{T}) is called a Hausdorff Space \iff

$\forall x, y \in X, x \neq y, \exists \text{ nbds } U \text{ of } x, V \text{ of } y \text{ s.t. } U \cap V = \emptyset.$



- If X is Hausdorff, limits are unique.

$$\lim x_n = x \quad \text{and} \quad \lim x_n = y$$

PF $x \neq y$

$\exists U, V$

$x \in U$
 $y \in V$

$\lim x_n = x \quad \forall N \exists n > N \quad x_n \in U$
 $U \cap V = \emptyset$



$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = y \quad \exists N \text{ s.t. } x_n \in V \quad \forall n > N$
 $\{x_n\} \in \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} V$

► Example:

► If (X, d) is a metric space, then it is Hausdorff. $U \cap V = \emptyset$

Metric \Rightarrow Hausdorff



open U, V

$x \in U \Rightarrow B(x, \frac{d(x, y)}{2})$

$y \in V \Rightarrow B(y, \frac{d(x, y)}{2})$

$U \cap V = \emptyset$

Interior, closure, boundary

- ▶ (X, \mathcal{T}) and $E \subset X$. Define:

- ▶ E° , the *interior* of E by

$$E^\circ = \bigcup \{U \subset X \mid U \text{ open and } U \subset E\}.$$

largest
open set
 $\subset E$

- ▶ \bar{E} , the *closure* of E by

$$\bar{E} = \bigcap \{F \subset X \mid F \text{ closed and } E \subset F\}.$$

smallest
closed
 $\supset E$

- ▶ ∂E , the *boundary* of E by

$$\partial E = \bar{E} \setminus E^\circ.$$

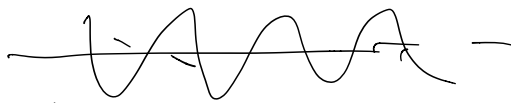
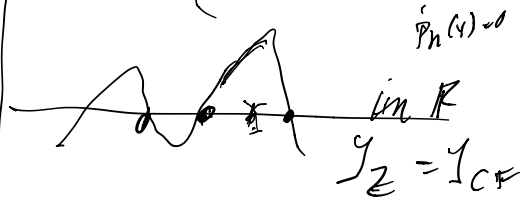
I_{CF} on \mathbb{R}

\Leftrightarrow Zariski Top
(Algebraic Geom)

$A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is closed

$\Leftrightarrow \exists p_1, \dots, p_n$

$$A = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \begin{matrix} p_1(x) = 0 \\ \vdots \\ p_n(x) = 0 \end{matrix} \right\}$$



I_Z is not Hausdorff

► E^0 is open.

► E^0 is the largest open set contained in E .

► Possibly $E^0 = \emptyset$



▶ \bar{E} is closed.

▶ \bar{E} is the smallest closed set containing E .

▶ Possibly $\bar{E} = X$.

► $E \text{ is open} \iff E = E^0$

► $E \text{ is closed} \iff E = \overline{E}.$



▶ $x \in E^0$ $\iff \exists$ nebd U of x with $U \subset E$.

$x \in E$
is true

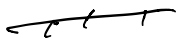
▶ $x \in \bar{E}$ $\iff \forall$ nbds U of x , $U \cap E \neq \emptyset$

~~$x \in E$~~

▶ $x \in \partial E$ $\iff \forall$ nbds U of x , $U \cap E \neq \emptyset$ and $U \cap E^c \neq \emptyset$

$$\phi: \mathbb{Z}^0 \subset \mathbb{Z} \subset \overline{\mathbb{Z}} = \mathbb{R}$$

$$\boxed{\mathbb{R} \subset \mathbb{F}}$$



$$\mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{R}$$

$$\overline{\mathbb{Z}} = \mathbb{R}$$

E closed,

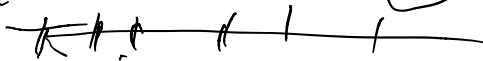
$$E \supset \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\mathbb{Z}^0$$

$$E = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{points} \\ \mathbb{R}_i \end{array} \right\}$$

for

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbb{R} - \text{points} \subset \mathbb{Z} \\ \phi \leftarrow \text{points} \end{array} \right\}$$



$$\triangleright ((E^c)^0)^c = ?$$

$$\triangleright (\overline{E^c})^c = ?$$

\overline{E}/E'
 $\overline{E} = E'$
 $E^0 = \emptyset$

Limit pt of E

$x_n \rightarrow x, \quad \forall \text{ nbs of } x,$

$$\bigcup_n E_n \neq \emptyset$$

Accumulation pt $\forall \text{ nbs of } x, \quad \left(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} E_n \right) \cap E \neq \emptyset$

Basis for a Topology

► (X, \mathcal{T}) topological space.

► Definition

$\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{I} \subset 2^X$

$\mathcal{B} \subset 2^X$ is called a *basis* for $\mathcal{T} \iff$

every element of \mathcal{T} is a union of elements of \mathcal{B} .

Examples

► (X, d) metric space,

$$\mathcal{B} = \{ \underbrace{B(x, r)}_{\text{ball}} : x \in X, r > 0 \}$$

$$\{ B(x, \frac{1}{n}) : x \in X, n \in \mathbb{N} \}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\mathbb{R}} \{ B(x, \frac{1}{n}) : n \in \mathbb{N}, x \in \mathbb{Q} \}$$

► (X, d) metric space, $E \subset X$ dense subset

► Recall : E dense $\iff \overline{E} = X$.

►

$$\mathcal{B}' = \{B(x, \frac{1}{k}) : x \in X, k \in \mathbb{N}\}.$$

► $(\mathbb{R}^n, d_{(2)})$ (or any equivalent d)

►

$$\mathcal{B} = \{B(x, \frac{1}{k}) : x \in \mathbb{Q}^n, k \in \mathbb{N}\}.$$

- ▶ In the last example \mathcal{B} is *countable*
- ▶ (X, \mathcal{T}) is called *second countable* $\iff \mathcal{T}$ has a countable basis.