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$X$  is a non-empty set.

Def: A topology on  $X$

is  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$  s.t.

i)  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{F}, X \in \mathcal{F}$

ii)  $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A} \subset \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha \in \mathcal{F}$   
where  $A$  is any index set.

iii)  $\{U_1, \dots, U_n\} \subset \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow \bigcap_{i=1}^n U_i \in \mathcal{F}$   
 $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

~~(X,  $\mathcal{F}$ )~~  $(X, \mathcal{F})$  is a topological space

Elements of  $\mathcal{F}$  are called open sets

e.g. If  $(X, \mathcal{F})$  is a top. space

and  $Y \subset X$  then

$\mathcal{F}_Y \equiv \{U \cap Y : U \in \mathcal{F}\}$  is a topology on  $Y$ .

The relative topology induced by  $\mathcal{F}$ .  
The open sets in this  $\mathcal{F}$  topology are called relatively open.

## other vocabulary

- closed set - the complement of an open set.
- interior of  $A \subset X$  - denoted by  $A^\circ$ ,  
this is the union of all open sets contained  
in  $A$
- Closure of  $A \subset X$  - denoted by  $\bar{A}$ ,  
this is the intersection of all ~~open~~ closed  
sets containing  $A$ .
- Boundary of  $A \subset X$  - denoted by  $\partial A$  or  $\partial A$   
$$\partial A = \bar{A} \setminus A^\circ$$
- If  $\bar{A} = X$ ,  $A$  is dense in  $X$ .
- If  $(\bar{A})^\circ = \emptyset$ ,  $A$  is nowhere dense.

• A nbhd of  $x \in X$  is a set  $A \subset X$   
s.t.  $x \in A^\circ$ .

• If  $x \in X$  and  $A \subset X$  then  
 $x$  is an accumulation pt. of  $A$   
if  $A \cap (U \setminus \{x\}) \neq \emptyset$  for  
every nbhd of  $x$ .

Prop:  $A \subset X$

$C(A) = \{ \text{accumulation pts of } A \}$ .

•  $\bar{A} = A \cup C(A)$

•  $A$  is closed iff  $C(A) \subset A$ .

Pf: Let  $F$  be any closed set containing  $A$ .  
if  $x \notin F$  then  $F^c$  is a nbhd of  $x$

but  $A \cap (F^c \setminus \{x\}) = \emptyset$

so  $x \notin C(A)$

$$\therefore C(A) \subset F$$

$$\therefore C(A) \subset \bar{A} \quad (\text{since } F \text{ was arbitrary}).$$

$$\therefore A \cup C(A) \subset \bar{A} \quad (\text{since } A \subset \bar{A}).$$

For the opposite inclusion, it suffices to show that

$$\bar{A} \setminus A \subset C(A)$$

which by de-Morgan's laws is equivalent to.

$$C(A)^c \setminus A \subset \bar{A}^c$$

But if  $x \in C(A)^c \setminus A$  then

$\exists U$ , a nbhd of  $x$  s.t.

$$A \cap U = \emptyset \quad \left( A \cap (U \setminus \{x\}) = \emptyset \text{ but } x \notin A \right).$$

Now  $(U^c)^c$  is a closed set containing  $A$  which does not contain  $x$

$$\text{so } x \notin \bar{A}.$$

~~Q.E.D.~~

For the last conclusion,

$$A \text{ is closed iff } A = \bar{A}$$

$$\text{iff } A = A \cup C(A)$$

$$\text{iff } C(A) \subset A.$$



Neighborhood bases and base for a Topology:

$\mathcal{I}$  a topology on  $X$

$\mathcal{A}$  nbhd base for  $\mathcal{I}$  at  $x \in X$

is a family  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{I}$  s.t.

a)  $x \in V \quad \forall V \in \mathcal{A}$

b) if  $U \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $x \in U$  then

$$\exists V \in \mathcal{A} \text{ s.t. } V \subset U.$$

A base for  $\mathcal{I}$  is a family  $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{I}$   
which contains a nbhd base for each  $x \in X$ .

A: Prop  $\mathcal{F}$  a topology on  $X$   
 $\mathcal{E} \subset \mathcal{F}$

•  $\mathcal{E}$  is a base for  $\mathcal{F} \iff$

every  $U \in \mathcal{F}$  ( $U \neq \emptyset$ ) is a union  
of sets in  $\mathcal{E}$ .

Pf:

If every  $U \in \mathcal{F}$  is a union of sets in  $\mathcal{E}$   
then  $\mathcal{E}$  is a base by definition.

If  $\mathcal{E}$  is a base and  $x \in U \in \mathcal{F}$ ,

$\exists V_x \in \mathcal{E}$  s.t.  $x \in V_x \subset U$ .

So  $U = \bigcup_{x \in U} V_x$



B: Prop:  $\mathcal{E} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$

•  $\mathcal{E}$  is a base for a topology on  $X \iff$

The following two conditions hold:

a) for each  $x \in X$ ,  $\exists V \in \mathcal{E}$  s.t.  $x \in V$

b)  $U, V \in \mathcal{E}$  and  $x \in U \cap V \implies \exists W \in \mathcal{E}$  s.t.  $x \in W \subset U \cap V$ .

Pf. If  $\mathcal{E}$  is a base for a topology  $\mathcal{T}$   
then  $\mathcal{E} \subset \mathcal{T}$ , a) holds by definition  
and  $U \cap V$  is open so if  $x \in U \cap V$   
then  $\exists W \in \mathcal{E}$  s.t.  $x \in W \subset U \cap V$ .

If a) and b) hold for  $\mathcal{E}$

let  $\mathcal{T} = \{ U \subset X : \text{for every } x \in U$   
 $\exists V \in \mathcal{E} \text{ s.t. } x \in V \subset U \}$

then  $\bullet \emptyset \in \mathcal{T}$  and by a),  $X \in \mathcal{T}$ .

$\bullet$  It is clear that any union of sets in  $\mathcal{T}$   
is still in  $\mathcal{T}$ .

$\bullet$  If  $U, V$  are in  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $x \in U \cap V$

then  $\exists U_1 \in \mathcal{E}$  s.t.  $x \in U_1 \subset U$

and  $\exists V_1 \in \mathcal{E}$  s.t.  $x \in V_1 \subset V$

~~With  $W = U_1 \cap V_1$  we have~~

~~$x \in W \in$~~  By condition b)  $\exists W \in \mathcal{E}$   
s.t.  $x \in W \subset U_1 \cap V_1 \subset U \cap V$ .

So  $\cup \mathcal{V} \in \mathcal{I}$  and by induction,  
any finite intersection of elements of  $\mathcal{I}$   
is in  $\mathcal{I}$ .

$\therefore \mathcal{I}$  is a topology which has  $\mathcal{E}$  as a base.

□

Prop:  $\mathcal{E} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$

(The topology generated by  $\mathcal{E}$  is the smallest topology  
on  $X$  which contains  $\mathcal{E}$ ).

The topology  $\mathcal{I}$  generated by  $\mathcal{E}$   
consists of  $\emptyset, X$  and all unions  
of finite intersections of members of  $\mathcal{E}$ .

Pf: The collection of sets in question  
is clearly contained in  $\mathcal{I}$ , so it  
suffices to show that this collection  
(denote it by  $\mathcal{C}$ ) is a topology.



By Prop B

the set of finite intersections of sets  
in  $\mathcal{E}$  together with  $X$

is a base  $\mathcal{E}^*$  for a topology.  $\mathcal{F}^*$

By proposition A, the nonempty sets  
in  $\mathcal{F}^*$  are unions of sets in  $\mathcal{E}^*$ .  
So  $\mathcal{F}^* = \mathcal{C}$ .  $\square$

### Vocabulary:

$(X, \mathcal{F})$  is 1st countable

if each  $x \in X$  has a countable  
nbhd base for  $\mathcal{F}$ .

remark: if  $X$  is 1st countable then  
at each  $x \in X$  there is a nbhd base

$$\{U_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty} \text{ s.t. } U_j \supset U_{j+1} \quad \forall j.$$

$(X, \tau)$  is second countable  
if  $\tau$  has a countable base.

$(X, \tau)$  is separable if it has a  
countable dense subset.

Prop: Every second countable space  
is separable.

Pf: Let  $\mathcal{E}$  be a countable base for  $X$ .

$\mathcal{E} = \{U_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$  For each  $j$ , let  $x_j \in U_j$

Then  $\overline{\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} \{x_j\}} = V$  is open.

If  $V \neq \emptyset$  then  $\exists j$  s.t.  $U_j \subset V$   
but  $x_j \in U_j$  and  $V$  contains no  $x_j$ .

So  $V = \emptyset$ , and  $\{x_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$  is dense.

□

$(X, \tau)$

A sequence  $\{x_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty} \subset X$  converges to  $x \in X$

if for any nbhd  $V$  of  $x$   $\exists N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

s.t.  $x_j \in V \quad \forall j > N$ .

In 1st countable spaces, topological concepts such as closure and continuity can be defined in terms of sequential convergence. This is not the case in general (as we will see later).

Prop:  $(X, \tau)$  is 1st countable.  
 $A \subset X$ .

•  $x \in \bar{A}$  iff  $\exists \{x_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty} \subset A$  s.t.  $x_j \rightarrow x$ .

Pf: if  $x \notin \bar{A}$  and  $\{x_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty} \subset A$

then  $(\bar{A})^c$  is a nbhd of  $x$  containing no  $x_j$ .

If  $x \in \bar{A}$ , let  $\{U_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$  be a countable nbhd base of  $x$  s.t.  $U_j \supset U_{j+1} \quad \forall j$ .

For each  $j$ ,  $A \cap (\mathcal{U}_j |_{\mathbb{R}^n}) \neq \emptyset$ .

so we can choose  $x_j \in A \cap (\mathcal{U}_j |_{\mathbb{R}^n})$ .

If  $V$  is any nbhd of  $x$  then  $\exists j$

s.t.  $\mathcal{U}_j \subset V$ ,  $\therefore x_k \in V \forall k \geq j$ .

so  $x_j \rightarrow x$ .

