

LECTURE 4: DEFINITION OF TOPOLOGY

Read the introduction to Chapter 3 of Munkres, pg. 39.

Defn/ A topology on a set X is a family \mathcal{T} of subsets of X called open sets satisfying the following requirements

A1.) $\emptyset, X \in \mathcal{T}$ (both \emptyset and X are open sets)

A2.) Union of open sets is open

A3.) Intersection of open sets A, B is open

X paired with \mathcal{T} forms a topological space.

① elements of topological space are typically called points

Thm/ Intersection of finitely many open sets is open in a topological space.

Proof: Let $A_1, \dots, A_n \in \mathcal{T}$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Notice $A_1 \cap A_2 \in \mathcal{T}$ by A3.

$A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3 = (A_1 \cap A_2) \cap A_3$ thus $A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3 \in \mathcal{T}$ by A3. Inductively suppose $A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_{n-1} \in \mathcal{T}$ and consider $A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_{n-1} \cap A_n = (A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_{n-1}) \cap A_n$ thus $A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n \in \mathcal{T}$ by A3 and the induct. hypo-//

E1 Let X be a set then $\mathcal{T} = \{\emptyset, X\}$ defines a topology called the TRIVIAL topology.

E2 Let X be a set then $\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{P}(X)$ defines the DISCRETE topology. Literally every subset of X is open in the discrete topology.

Remark: **E1** and **E2** show there are more than one topologies for any $X \neq \emptyset$.

[E2] Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ then $\mathcal{Y} = \{\emptyset, X, \{a, b\}, \{b\}, \{b, c\}\}$
 then $\{a, b\} \cup \{b, c\} = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\{a, b\} \cup \{b\} = \{a, b\}$
 and $\{a, b\} \cap \{b\} = \{b\}$ and $\{a, b\} \cap \{b, c\} = \{b\}$ etc..

We may verify \mathcal{Y} is topology on X .

$$\mathcal{P}(X) = \{\emptyset, X, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}\}$$

notice $\mathcal{Y} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$ hence \mathcal{Y} is coarser than $\mathcal{P}(X)$
 or $\mathcal{P}(X)$ is finer than \mathcal{Y}

} language for comparing topologies $\mathcal{Y}_1, \mathcal{Y}_2$ on X

[E3] Euclidean topology on \mathbb{R}

$U \in \mathcal{J}$ iff $U =$ union of open intervals of \mathbb{R} or $U = \emptyset$

Since $\emptyset, (-\infty, \infty) = \mathbb{R} \in \mathcal{J}$ we satisfy $A1$ and $A2$ is true since arbitrary union of union is once more a union.

Let $A = \bigcup_I A_i$ and $B = \bigcup_J B_j$ where A_i, B_j are open intervals $\forall I, J$

$$\text{Then } A \cap B = \left(\bigcup_I A_i \right) \cap \left(\bigcup_J B_j \right) = \bigcup_{I, J} \underbrace{A_i \cap B_j}_{\in \mathcal{J}} \in \mathcal{J}$$

provided either $\mathcal{Y}_1 \subset \mathcal{Y}_2$ or $\mathcal{Y}_2 \subset \mathcal{Y}_1$

Open Intervals : $(a, b), (a, \infty), (-\infty, a), (-\infty, \infty)$

interection of any two open intervals is either \emptyset or an open interval one more.

[E4] $\gamma = \{\phi / \forall (-\infty, a) \mid a \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}\}$ gives upper topology for \mathbb{R}

$\phi, (-\infty, \infty) = \mathbb{R} \in \gamma$ so A1 ✓

A2: $\bigcup_{i \in I} (-\infty, a_i) = (-\infty, a)$ where $a = \sup \{a_i \mid i \in I\}$ or $a = \infty$

A3: $\left(\bigcup_{i \in I} (-\infty, a_i) \right) \cap \left(\bigcup_{j \in J} (-\infty, b_j) \right) = \bigcup_{i \in I} (-\infty, a_i) \cap \left(-\infty, \min_{j \in J} (a_i, b_j) \right) = (-\infty, m)$

where $m = \sup_{i \in I} \left\{ \min_{j \in J} (a_i, b_j) \mid i \in I, j \in J \right\}$
or $m = \infty$.

Defⁿ/ Let X, γ be topological space. Then $C \subseteq X$ is called closed if $X - C$ is open.

\mathcal{T}_h^m / (C1) ϕ, X are closed

(C2) arbitrary intersection of closed sets is closed

(C3) union of two closed sets is closed

} could define topology by declaring which sets are closed.

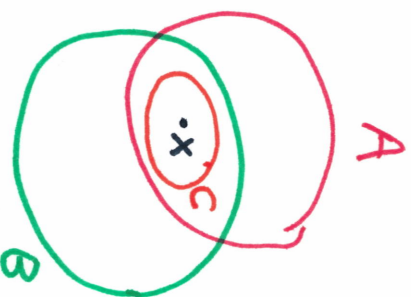
[E5] Cofinite topology: $C \subseteq X$ closed iff $C = X$ or C is finite.
(then open sets are those which complement C)

Defn/ A topological space X, \mathcal{T} has basis \mathcal{B} if $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{T}$ and every $\phi \in \mathcal{T}$ can be expressed as union of sets in \mathcal{B} .

[E6] for [E3] the set of all open intervals forms a basis for Euclidean Top. on \mathbb{R}
Likewise $\mathcal{B} = \{(-\infty, a) \mid a \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}\}$ forms basis for the upper topology discussed in [E4].

Th^m (3.7) Let X be a set and $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$. There exists a topology on X for which \mathcal{B} is a basis iff the following two conditions hold:

- 1.) $X = \bigcup \{B \mid B \in \mathcal{B}\}$
- 2.) for any pair $A, B \in \mathcal{B}$ and any point $x \in A \cap B$ there exists $C \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $x \in C \subset A \cap B$



Proof:

\Rightarrow Let X be a set and $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$ which defines basis for topology \mathcal{T} meaning every open nonempty set can be expressed as union of sets in \mathcal{B} . Since $X \in \mathcal{T}$ it follows \exists collection of sets in \mathcal{B} whose union is X . Then taking the union over all $B \in \mathcal{B}$ must likewise produce X . Since $A \cup A = A$ we find $A \in \mathcal{B} \Rightarrow A \in \mathcal{T}$. If $A, B \in \mathcal{B}$ then $A, B \in \mathcal{T}$ thus $A \cap B \in \mathcal{T}$.

If $x \in A \cap B = \bigcup_I B_I$ then $\exists i_0 \in I$ for which $x \in B_{i_0}$ and $C = B_{i_0} \subseteq A \cap B$ with $C \in \mathcal{B}$
 $\underbrace{B_I \in \mathcal{B}}_{\text{for each } I} \therefore$ 1.) and 2.) hold true. \curvearrowright

Proof continued

\Leftarrow Suppose X is set and $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$ for which 1.) and 2.) hold true that is $X = \cup \{B \mid B \in \mathcal{B}\}$ and for any pair $A, B \in \mathcal{B}$ and $x \in A \cap B$ $\exists C \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $x \in C \subseteq A \cap B$. We wish to show \mathcal{B} is basis for a topology \mathcal{T} on X . Claim: we may define a topology \mathcal{T} on X by generating its open sets as unions of sets in \mathcal{B} and the empty set.

All clearly both $X, \emptyset \in \mathcal{T}$ since they're formed by unions of sets from \mathcal{B} by 1. and $\phi \in \mathcal{T}$ by definition. (Manetti cites the "empty union" which I forget at times)

A2 If $A_i \in \mathcal{T}$ for $i \in I$ then $\exists j_i \in J_i$ for which $A_i = \cup_{j_i \in J_i} B_{j_i}$ where $B_{j_i} \in \mathcal{B}$

then $\cup_{i \in I} A_i = \cup_{i \in I} \cup_{j_i \in J_i} B_{j_i} \in \mathcal{T}$ since this is a union over \mathcal{B}

A3 Let $A, B \in \mathcal{T}$ then $A = \cup_I B_I$ and $B = \cup_J B_J$ where $A_I, B_J \in \mathcal{B}$

hence $A \cap B = \cup_{I, J} B_I \cap B_J$

and $B_I \cap B_J = \cup \{C \mid C \in \mathcal{B}, C \subseteq B_I \cap B_J\}$ by assumption 2.)

thus $A \cap B \in \mathcal{T}$ as it is formed by union of $B_I \cap B_J \in \mathcal{B}$. //

E7] Lower-Limit Topology \mathcal{T}_L (Footnote)
• See comment on pg. 41 of Munkres;

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Topology for \mathbb{R} generated by basis consisting of $[a, b)$.

Since $(a, b) = \bigcup_{c>a} [c, b)$ we find $(a, b) \in \mathcal{T}_L$ but $[a, b) \notin \mathcal{T}_{\text{Euclidean}}$

The lower-limit top. on \mathbb{R} is finer than the Euclidean top. on \mathbb{R} .

E8] Disjoint Union

$(\mathbb{R} \sqcup \mathbb{R} \neq \mathbb{R}, \text{ the disjoint union is much like a Cartesian Product})$

Let \mathcal{X}_i for $i \in I$ be topological spaces and form

the disjoint union $\mathcal{X} = \bigsqcup_{i \in I} \mathcal{X}_i$; can be given a topology (most coarse)

where $A \subseteq \mathcal{X}$ is open iff $A \cap \mathcal{X}_i$ is open $\forall i \in I$.

Remark: §3.4 on metric spaces brings many

further examples which you might find familiar. The point of this section is

just to give some less familiar examples.

What follows next is quite divorced from the usual \mathbb{R}

E10 $K = \mathbb{R}$ look at Z.T. on \mathbb{R}^3

$$f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 1$$

$$D(f) = \{ (x, y, z) \mid x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 1 \neq 0 \}$$

$$V(f) = \{ (x, y, z) \mid x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1 \} \leftarrow \text{Unit-sphere}$$



is closed
in \mathbb{R}^3
Z.T.

[E9] ZARISKI TOPOLOGY

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Let K be a field and $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ the polynomial ring in n -variables with coefficients in K . For $f \in K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ define $D(f) = \{ (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in K^n \mid f(a_1, \dots, a_n) \neq 0 \}$. Since

$$D(0) = \emptyset \text{ and } D(1) = K^n \text{ and } D(f) \cap D(g) = D(fg) \text{ we may}$$

use $\bigwedge_{f \in I} D(f)$ to generate a topology on K^n called Zariski Topology.

$$\text{Let } V(f) = K^n - D(f) = \{ (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in K^n \mid f(a_1, \dots, a_n) = 0 \} \text{ and}$$

$$V(E) = \bigcap_{f \in E} V(f) = \{ a \in K^n \mid f(a) = 0 \forall f \in E \}$$

for any $E \subseteq K^n[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ you can argue $V(E)$ are only closed sets in Z.T.

If $E \subseteq K^n$ then $I = (E)$ is the ideal generated by E .

As $E \subseteq I$ it follows $V(E) \subseteq V(I)$. Also, if $f \in I$ then $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$ and polynomials $f_1, \dots, f_n \in E$ and $g_1, \dots, g_n \in K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ such that $f = f_1 g_1 + \dots + f_n g_n$ hence $V(E) \subset V(f_1) \cap \dots \cap V(f_n) \subset V(f)$

$$\text{Thus } V(E) \subset \bigcap_{f \in I} V(f) = V(I) \therefore V(I) = V(E).$$

(Will need to consult D&F for details.)
 \Rightarrow Zariski closed sets are those of type $V(I)$ as I is ideal of $K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$