

Pre-class Warm-up!!!

Let $\mathbb{R}$ have the usual topology and let $x \sim y \iff x-y$ is rational.
Does the space $\mathbb{R}/\sim$ have

- a. finitely many points
- b. countably many points
- c. uncountably many points ✓

The equivalence classes have the form $x + \mathbb{Q} := \{x + q \mid q \in \mathbb{Q}\}$ and are countable.
 $\mathbb{R} = \bigcup (\text{equivalence classes})$ is uncountable.
There uncountably many equivalence classes.

Identify the quotient topology on $\mathbb{R}/\sim$. Is it

- a. The finite complement topology 0
- b. The discrete topology 1
- ✓ c. The indiscrete topology 3
- d. A metrizable topology 5
- e. None of the above 0

Consider an open set $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}/\sim$
Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}/\sim$ be the quotient map
The preimage $f^{-1}(V) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is open!
If $V \neq \emptyset$ and $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ then $x + \mathbb{Q} \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$
Every point y in $x + \mathbb{Q}$ has some ball $B_\epsilon(y) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$
 $B_\epsilon(y) \subseteq f^{-1}(V)$, so $f^{-1}(V) \supseteq \bigcup_{y \in f^{-1}(V)} B_\epsilon(y) = \mathbb{R}$
We deduce $f^{-1}(V) = \mathbb{R}$. $V = \mathbb{R}/\sim$.

Chapter 6: Product spaces

Definition. Let X, Y be topological spaces.

The product topology on $X \times Y$ is the topology generated by the basis consisting of sets $U \times V$, where $U \subseteq X$ and $V \subseteq Y$ are open.

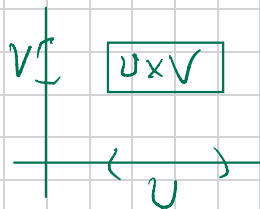
Proposition. The collection of sets $U \times V$ where U is open in X and V is open in Y is a basis for a topology.

Check (i) $X \times Y$ is in the union of sets $U \times V$ (take $X = U$, $Y = V$).

(ii) If $U_1 \times V_1$, $U_2 \times V_2$ are products of open sets, $(x, y) \in (U_1 \times V_1) \cap (U_2 \times V_2)$

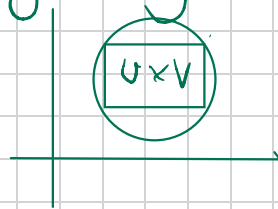
$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } (x, y) &\in (U_1 \cap U_2) \times (V_1 \cap V_2) \\ &\in (U_1 \times V_1) \cap (U_2 \times V_2). \end{aligned}$$

Example: $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ and if U, V are open sets in $\mathbb{R}$, then $U \times V$ is an open subset of $\mathbb{R}^2$ (usual topology)



Not all open sets in $X \times Y$ have the form $U \times V$

We can get arbitrary open subsets of $\mathbb{R}^2$ by taking unions of $U \times V$ e.g.



unions fill up e.g. a disk.

Proposition. The product topology on $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ is the usual topology on $\mathbb{R}^2$.

Proof. Show that the basic sets in the product topology are open in the usual topology, and the basic sets $B_\epsilon(x, y)$ are open in the product topology.

Have we done the following?:

Proposition.

(a) The typical open set in $X \times Y$ has the form

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} U_i \times V_i \quad \text{where } U_i \subseteq X \quad V_i \subseteq Y \text{ are open.}$$

Yes/ No

(b) This is a topology.

Yes/ No

(c) (Theorem 6.3)

A subset W of $X \times Y$ is open $\Leftrightarrow$ for all w in W there exist sets U, V with U open in X, V open in Y , and w in $U \times V$ which is contained in W .

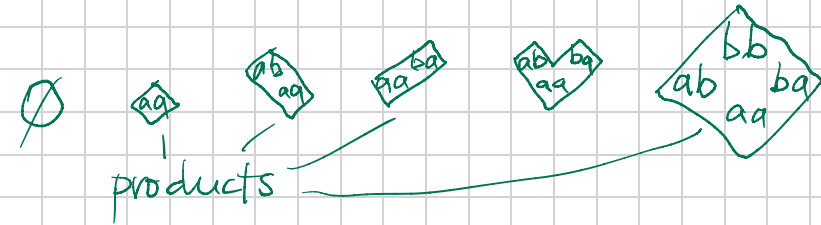
Yes/ No

Example. Let $X = \{a, b\}$ with open sets $\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}$. a b

How many open sets does $X \times X$ have?

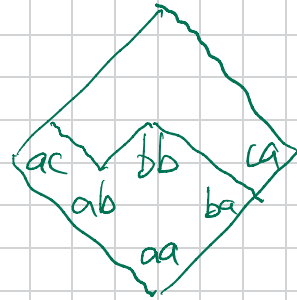
- a. 3
- b. 4
- c. 5
- ✓ d. 6
- e. 7
- f. 8
- g. 9
- h. 10
- i. > 20

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Example. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ with open sets $\emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, b, c\}$. a b c

How many open sets does $X \times X$ have?



open subsets
= those closed
by going down

= topology on the product poset
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Some properties of the product topology

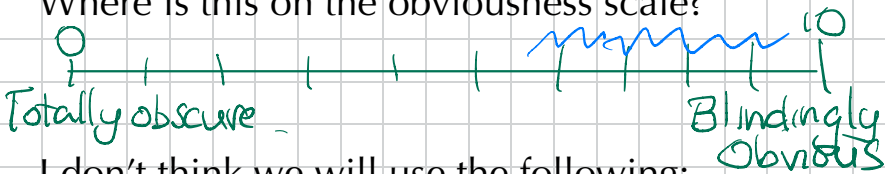
Let $\pi_X: X \times Y \rightarrow X$ and $\pi_Y: X \times Y \rightarrow Y$ be the projection maps:

$$\pi_X(x, y) = x$$

$$\pi_Y(x, y) = y \quad \pi_X^{-1}(U) = U \times Y \text{ which is open if } U \text{ is open}$$

Is it obvious that π_X and π_Y are continuous?

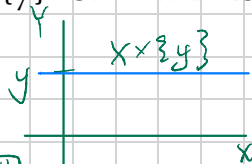
Where is this on the obviousness scale?



I don't think we will use the following:

Theorem 6.4

For all y in Y the subspace $X \times \{y\}$ of $X \times Y$ is homeomorphic to X .

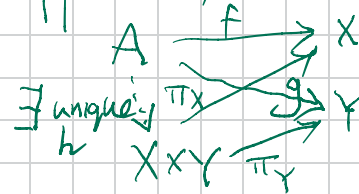


Sketch: see the book.

The map $X \times \{y\} \hookrightarrow X \times Y \xrightarrow{\pi_X} X$ is continuous and bijective. It is open. See the book.

The universal mapping property.

Suppose A, X, Y are topological spaces.



Theorem 6.5. Let $f: A \rightarrow X$ and $g: A \rightarrow Y$ be mappings of sets.

- (a) There is a unique mapping $h: A \rightarrow X \times Y$ so that $\pi_X h = f$ and $\pi_Y h = g$.
- (b) f and g are continuous $\iff h$ is continuous.