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UNIT - II

CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS

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RESULTS:

① Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ let $A_0 \subset A$ and $B_0 \subset B$

Then $A_0 \subset f^{-1}[f(A_0)]$ and that equality holds if f is injective

$f[f^{-1}(B_0)] \subset B_0$ and that equality holds if f is surjective

② Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ and let $A_i \subset A$ and $B_i \subset B$
for $i=0$ and $i=1$

Then f^{-1} preserves inclusions, unions, intersections
and differences of sets.

$$\textcircled{a} B_0 \subset B_1 \Rightarrow f^{-1}(B_0) \subset f^{-1}(B_1)$$

$$\textcircled{b} f^{-1}(B_0 \cup B_1) = f^{-1}(B_0) \cup f^{-1}(B_1)$$

$$\textcircled{c} f^{-1}(B_0 \cap B_1) = f^{-1}(B_0) \cap f^{-1}(B_1)$$

$$\textcircled{d} f^{-1}(B_0 - B_1) = f^{-1}(B_0) - f^{-1}(B_1)$$

f preserves inclusions and unions only

$$\textcircled{e} A_0 \subset A_1 \Rightarrow f(A_0) \subset f(A_1)$$

$$\textcircled{f} f(A_0 \cup A_1) = f(A_0) \cup f(A_1)$$

⑧ $f(A_0 \cap A_1) \subset f(A_0) \cap f(A_1)$ and that equality
holds if f is injective

⑨ $f(A_0 - A_1) \supset f(A_0) - f(A_1)$ and that equality holds
if f is surjective

Continuous FunctionsDEF: Continuity of a Function

Let X and Y be topological spaces. A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be continuous if for each open subset V of Y , the set $f^{-1}(V)$ is an open subset of X .

Note: $f^{-1}(V)$ is the set of all points x of X for which $f(x) \in V$. It is empty if V does not intersect the image set $f(X)$ of Y .

Example: Let \mathbb{R} denote the set of real numbers in its usual topology and let \mathbb{R}_l denote the same set in the lower limit topology. Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_l$ be the identity function. $f(x) = x$ for every real number x . Then f is not a continuous function because the inverse image of the open set $[a, b)$ of \mathbb{R}_l equals itself which is not open in \mathbb{R} .

But the identity function $g: \mathbb{R}_l \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous because $g^{-1}(a, b) = (a, b)$ which is open in \mathbb{R}_l .

Theorem: Let X and Y be topological spaces.

Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$. Then the following are equivalent.

- (i) f is continuous
- (ii) For every subset A of X , one has $f(\bar{A}) \subset \overline{f(A)}$
- (iii) For every closed set B of Y , the set $f^{-1}(B)$ is closed in X .
- (iv) For each $x \in X$ and each neighbourhood V of $f(x)$, there is a neighbourhood U of x such that $f(U) \subset V$

Proof: We show that $(i) \Rightarrow (ii) \Rightarrow (iii) \Rightarrow (i)$ and $(i) \Rightarrow (iv) \Rightarrow (i)$

Claim: $(i) \Rightarrow (ii)$

Let us assume that $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous.

Let A be a subset of X .

To show that $f(\bar{A}) \subset \overline{f(A)}$

It is enough to show that $x \in f(\bar{A}) \Rightarrow x \in \overline{f(A)}$

Let $x \in \bar{A}$

$\Rightarrow f(x) \in f(\bar{A}) \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$

Let V be a neighbourhood of $f(x) = y$

Since f is continuous, $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X .

By theorem, $x \in \bar{A}$ iff every open set containing x intersects A .

$\therefore x \in \bar{A} \Rightarrow$ Every open set containing x intersects A .

$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(V) \cap A \neq \emptyset$

Let $y \in f^{-1}(V) \cap A$

$\Rightarrow y \in f^{-1}(V)$ and $y \in A$

$\Rightarrow f(y) \in V$ and $f(y) \in f(A)$

$\Rightarrow f(y) \in V \cap f(A)$

$\Rightarrow V \cap f(A) \neq \emptyset$

$\Rightarrow f(x) \in \overline{f(A)} \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$ (by theorem)

\therefore From $\textcircled{1}$ & $\textcircled{2}$ we prove that $f(\bar{A}) \subset \overline{f(A)}$

claim: $(ii) \Rightarrow (iii)$

Assume that for every subset A of X , $f(\bar{A}) \subset \overline{f(A)}$

To prove that for every closed set B of Y , the

set $f^{-1}(B)$ is closed in X .

Let B be a closed set in Y .

To prove that $f^{-1}(B)$ is closed in X .

$$\text{Let } A = f^{-1}(B)$$

We have to prove that A is closed in X .

i.e. to prove that $A = \bar{A}$ (A is closed iff $A = \bar{A}$)

Since $A = f^{-1}(B)$, by elementary set theory,
we have $f(A) = f[f^{-1}(B)] \subset B \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$

By the definition of \bar{A} , we have $\bar{A} \supset A$

$$\text{i.e. } A \subset \bar{A} \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

To prove that $\bar{A} \subset A$

$$\text{Let } x \in \bar{A}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) \in f(\bar{A})$$

$$\subset \overline{f(A)} \text{ by (i)}$$

$$\subset \bar{B} \text{ by } \textcircled{1}$$

$$= B \text{ since } B \text{ is closed in } Y$$

$$\therefore f(x) \in B$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in f^{-1}(B) = A$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{A} \subset A \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

\therefore From $\textcircled{2}$ and $\textcircled{3}$, we proved that $\bar{A} = A$

claim: (iii) \Rightarrow (i)

Assume that for every closed set B of Y , the set $f^{-1}(B)$ is closed in X .

To prove that $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous.

i.e. to prove that $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X whenever V is open in Y .

Let V be open in Y

To prove that $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X

Let $B = Y - V$

Then $f^{-1}(B) = f^{-1}(Y - V) = f^{-1}(Y) - f^{-1}(V) = X - f^{-1}(V)$

\therefore By hypothesis, B is closed in $Y \Rightarrow f^{-1}(B)$ is closed in X

$\Rightarrow X - f^{-1}(V)$ is closed in X

$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X

$\Rightarrow f$ is continuous.

Claim: (i) \Rightarrow (iv)

Assume that $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous.

To prove that for each $x \in X$ and each neighbourhood

V of $f(x)$, there exists a neighbourhood U of x

such that $f(U) \subset V$

Let $x \in X$ and V be a neighbourhood of $f(x)$

$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X containing x since f is continuous.

Then the set $U = f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X and $x \in U$

$\Rightarrow f(U) = f[f^{-1}(V)] \subset V$

$\Rightarrow f(U) \subset V$

Claim: (iv) \Rightarrow (i)

Assume that for each $x \in X$ and each neighbourhood

V of $f(x)$, there exists a neighbourhood U of x

such that $f(U) \subset V$

To show that $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous.

i.e. To show that $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X whenever V is open in Y .

Let V be open in Y

To prove that $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X .

Let $x \in f^{-1}(V)$

$\Rightarrow f(x) \in V$

\therefore By hypothesis, there exists a neighbourhood

U_x of x such that $f(U_x) \subset V$

$\Rightarrow U_x \subset f^{-1}(V)$

$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(V) = \bigcup_{x \in f^{-1}(V)} U_x$ which is open in X
since U_x is open

$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X

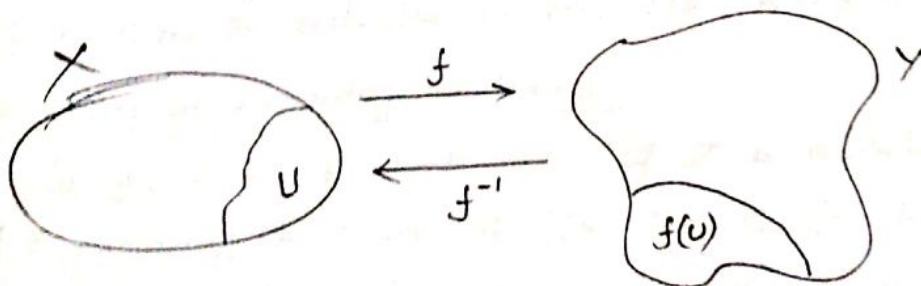
$\Rightarrow f$ is continuous.

Homeomorphism

Let X and Y be topological spaces and let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a bijection. If both the functions f and the inverse function $f^{-1}: Y \rightarrow X$ are continuous then f is called a homeomorphism.

Note: ① The condition that f^{-1} be continuous says that for each open set U of X , the inverse image of U under the map $f^{-1}: Y \rightarrow X$ is open in Y

② If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a homeomorphism then U is open in X iff $f(U)$ is open in Y .



Topological Imbedding:

Suppose that $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is an injective continuous map where X and Y are topological spaces. Let Z be the image set $f(X)$, considered as a subspace of Y . Then the function $f': X \rightarrow Z$ obtained by restricting the range of f is bijective. If f' is a homeomorphism of X with Z , we say that the map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a topological imbedding (or) simply an imbedding of X in Y .

Theorem: (Rules for constructing continuous functions)

Let X, Y and Z be topological spaces.

(a) Constant Function:

If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ maps all of X into the single point y_0 of Y then f is continuous.

(b) Inclusion:

If A is a subspace of X , the inclusion $j: A \rightarrow X$ is continuous.

(c) Composites:

If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ are continuous, then the map $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is continuous.

(d) Restricting the domain

If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous and if A is a subspace of X then the restricted function $f|_A: A \rightarrow Y$ is continuous.

(e) Restricting or expanding the Range

Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be continuous. If Z is a subspace of Y containing the image set $f(X)$ then the function $g: X \rightarrow Z$ obtained by restricting the range of f is continuous.

If Z is a space having Y as a subspace, then the function $h: X \rightarrow Z$ obtained by expanding the range of f is continuous.

(f) Local Formulation of continuity

The map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous if X can be written as the union of open sets U_α such that $f|_{U_\alpha}$ is continuous for each α .

Proof (a) Given that $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is defined by $f(x) = y_0 \forall x \in X$
To prove that f is continuous.

Let V be open in Y

To prove that $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X .

$$f^{-1}(V) = \begin{cases} X & \text{if } y_0 \in V \\ \emptyset & \text{if } y_0 \notin V \end{cases}$$

In each case $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X since X and \emptyset are itself open.

$\Rightarrow f$ is continuous.

(b) Given that A is a subspace of X

To prove that the inclusion $j: A \rightarrow X$ is continuous.

If U is open in X then $j^{-1}(U) = U \cap A$, which is open in A by the definition of subspace topology.

(c) Given that $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ are continuous.

To prove that $g \circ f: X \rightarrow Z$ is continuous.

Let U be open in Z

To prove that $(g \circ f)^{-1}(U)$ is open in X .

Since $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ is continuous, $g^{-1}(U)$ is open in Y

Since $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous, $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(U))$ is open in X

$\Rightarrow (f^{-1} \circ g^{-1})(U)$ is open in X .

$\Rightarrow (g \circ f)^{-1}(U)$ is open in X since $(g \circ f)^{-1} = f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}$

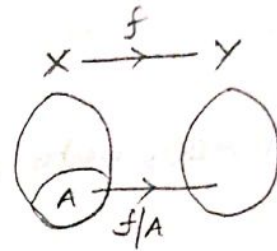
$\Rightarrow g \circ f$ is continuous.

(d) Restricting the domain

Given that $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous and

A is a subspace of X

To prove that $f|_A: A \rightarrow Y$ is continuous.



Here $f|_A = f \circ j$ where $j: A \rightarrow X$

Since f and j are continuous $\Rightarrow f \circ j$ is continuous

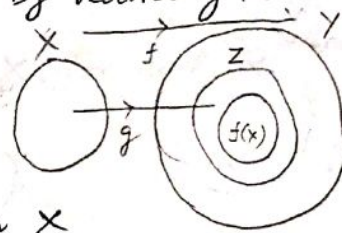
$\Rightarrow f|_A$ is continuous.

(i) Given that $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous.

Z is a subspace of Y containing the image set $f(X)$

$$i \quad f(X) \subset Z \subset Y$$

To prove that $g: X \rightarrow Z$ obtained by restricting the range of f is continuous.



Let B be open in Z

To prove that $g^{-1}(B)$ is open in X

Since B is open in $Z \subset Y$, we have

$$B = Z \cap U \quad \text{where } U \text{ is open in } Y$$

~~$$f^{-1}(Z \cap U) = f^{-1}(B)$$~~

Since $f(X) \subset Z$, by elementary set theory, we have

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

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

$\Rightarrow g^{-1}(B)$ is open in X

$\Rightarrow g: X \rightarrow Z$ is continuous.

(ii) To show that $h: X \rightarrow Z$ is continuous where Y is a subspace of Z , obtained by expanding the range of f .

Here $h = j \circ f$

where $j: Y \rightarrow Z$ and $f: X \rightarrow Y$ are continuous.

$\Rightarrow j \circ f$ is continuous.

$\Rightarrow h$ is continuous.

① Given that $X = \bigcup_{\alpha} U_{\alpha}$ where U_{α} is open such that $f|_{U_{\alpha}}$ is continuous for each α .

To prove that $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous.

Let V be open in Y

To prove that $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X .

$$\text{Then } (f|_{U_{\alpha}})^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(V) \cap U_{\alpha}$$

Since $f|_{U_{\alpha}}$ is continuous for each α

$\Rightarrow (f|_{U_{\alpha}})^{-1}(V)$ is open in X for each α

$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(V) \cap U_{\alpha}$ is open in X for each α

$$\text{But } f^{-1}(V) = \bigcup_{\alpha} (f^{-1}(V) \cap U_{\alpha})$$

$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X

$\Rightarrow f$ is continuous.

The Pasting Lemma:

Let $X = A \cup B$ where A and B are closed in X .

Let $f: A \rightarrow Y$ and $g: B \rightarrow Y$ be continuous. If $f(x) = g(x)$

for every $x \in A \cap B$ then f and g combine to give a continuous function $h: X \rightarrow Y$ defined by setting

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if } x \in A \\ g(x) & \text{if } x \in B. \end{cases}$$

Proof: Given $X = A \cup B$ where A and B are closed in X .

Also given that $f: A \rightarrow Y$ and $g: B \rightarrow Y$ are continuous.

If $f(x) = g(x)$ for every $x \in A \cap B$ then

we have to prove that $h: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous.

Let C be closed in Y

To prove that $h^{-1}(C)$ is closed in X

Since $f: A \rightarrow Y$ and $g: B \rightarrow Y$ are continuous

$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(C)$ and $g^{-1}(C)$ are closed in A and B

$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(C)$ and $g^{-1}(C)$ are closed in X since A and B are closed in X .

$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(C) \cup g^{-1}(C)$ is closed in X .

Hence it is enough to prove that

$$h^{-1}(C) = f^{-1}(C) \cup g^{-1}(C)$$

$$\text{Let } x \in h^{-1}(C) \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{But } h^{-1}(C) \subset X = A \cup B$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \cup B$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \text{ (or) } x \in B$$

If $x \in A$ then since $x \in h^{-1}(C)$

$$\Rightarrow h(x) \in C \text{ where } x \in A$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) \in C \text{ since } h(x) = f(x) \text{ if } x \in A$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in f^{-1}(C)$$

If $x \in B$ then since $x \in h^{-1}(C)$

$$\Rightarrow h(x) \in C \text{ where } x \in B$$

$$\Rightarrow g(x) \in C \text{ since } h(x) = g(x) \text{ if } x \in B$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in g^{-1}(C)$$

Thus in any case $x \in f^{-1}(C) \cup g^{-1}(C) \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$

\therefore From (1) and (2) we proved that

$$h^{-1}(c) \subset \bar{f^{-1}(c)} \cup \bar{g^{-1}(c)} \rightarrow (3)$$

Next to prove that

$$\bar{f^{-1}(c)} \cup \bar{g^{-1}(c)} \subset h^{-1}(c)$$

$$\text{Let } x \in \bar{f^{-1}(c)} \cup \bar{g^{-1}(c)} \rightarrow (4)$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in \bar{f^{-1}(c)} \text{ (or) } x \in \bar{g^{-1}(c)}$$

If $x \in \bar{f^{-1}(c)}$ then $x \in A$ since $f^{-1}(c) \subset A$

$$\therefore f(x) \in c \text{ where } x \in A$$

$$\Rightarrow h(x) \in c \text{ since } h(x) = f(x) \text{ if } x \in A$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in h^{-1}(c)$$

If $x \in \bar{g^{-1}(c)}$ then $x \in B$ since $g^{-1}(c) \subset B$

$$\therefore g(x) \in c \text{ where } x \in B$$

$$\Rightarrow h(x) \in c \text{ since } h(x) = g(x) \text{ if } x \in B$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in h^{-1}(c)$$

$$\text{Thus in any case, } x \in h^{-1}(c) \rightarrow (5)$$

\therefore From (4) and (5), we have

$$\bar{f^{-1}(c)} \cup \bar{g^{-1}(c)} \subset h^{-1}(c) \rightarrow (6)$$

\therefore From (3) and (6), we prove that

$$h^{-1}(c) = \bar{f^{-1}(c)} \cup \bar{g^{-1}(c)}$$

$\bar{f^{-1}(c)}$ and $\bar{g^{-1}(c)}$ are closed in A and B

$$\Rightarrow \bar{f^{-1}(c)} \cup \bar{g^{-1}(c)} \text{ is closed in } A \cup B = X$$

$$\Rightarrow h^{-1}(c) \text{ is closed in } X$$

$$\Rightarrow h \text{ is continuous.}$$

Topological Property:

Let X and Y be two topological spaces and P be a property of X that is entirely expressed in terms of the topology of X (that is, in terms of the open sets of X) and there is a homeomorphism $f: X \rightarrow Y$. If we can prove that the property P holds in Y then the property P is said to be a topological property.

Theorem: Maps into products

Let $f_1: A \rightarrow X$ and $f_2: A \rightarrow Y$ and let $f: A \rightarrow X \times Y$ be given by the equations $f(a) = (f_1(a), f_2(a))$. Then f is continuous iff f_1 and f_2 are continuous.

Proof: Given that $f_1: A \rightarrow X$ and $f_2: A \rightarrow Y$ and

$f: A \rightarrow X \times Y$ is defined by $f(a) = (f_1(a), f_2(a))$

Part I Assume that f is continuous.

To prove that $f_1: A \rightarrow X$ and $f_2: A \rightarrow Y$ are continuous.

Let $\pi_1: X \times Y \rightarrow X$ and $\pi_2: X \times Y \rightarrow Y$ be the projections onto the first and second factors respectively.

Let U and V be open sets in X and Y

$$\pi_1^{-1}(U) = U \times Y \quad \text{and} \quad \pi_2^{-1}(V) = X \times V$$

They are open in $X \times Y$

$\Rightarrow \pi_1^{-1}(U)$ and $\pi_2^{-1}(V)$ are open in $X \times Y$

$\Rightarrow \pi_1$ and π_2 are continuous

For each $a \in A$, $f_1(a) = \pi_1(f(a)) = \pi_1 \circ f$

$$f_2(a) = \pi_2(f(a)) = \pi_2 \circ f$$

Since π_1 and f are continuous

\Rightarrow the composition map $\pi_1 \circ f$ is also continuous

→ f_1 is continuous.

Since π_2 and f are continuous

⇒ the composition map $\pi_2 \circ f$ is also continuous.

⇒ f_2 is continuous

⇒ f_1 and f_2 are continuous.

Part II Assume that $f_1: A \rightarrow X$ and $f_2: A \rightarrow Y$ are continuous

To prove that $f: A \rightarrow X \times Y$ is continuous.

Let $U \times V$ be a basis element in $X \times Y$ where

U is open in X and V is open in Y .

To prove that $f^{-1}(U \times V) = f_1^{-1}(U) \cap f_2^{-1}(V)$

Let $a \in f^{-1}(U \times V) \Leftrightarrow f(a) \in U \times V$

$\Leftrightarrow (f_1(a), f_2(a)) \in U \times V$

$\Leftrightarrow f_1(a) \in U$ and $f_2(a) \in V$

$\Leftrightarrow a \in f_1^{-1}(U)$ and $a \in f_2^{-1}(V)$

$\Leftrightarrow a \in f_1^{-1}(U) \cap f_2^{-1}(V)$

∴ $f^{-1}(U \times V) = f_1^{-1}(U) \cap f_2^{-1}(V)$

Here U is open in X and V is open in Y .

Since $f_1: A \rightarrow X$ and $f_2: A \rightarrow Y$ are continuous

⇒ $f_1^{-1}(U)$ is open in A and $f_2^{-1}(V)$ is open in A

⇒ $f_1^{-1}(U) \cap f_2^{-1}(V)$ is open in A

⇒ $f^{-1}(U \times V)$ is open in A

⇒ f is continuous.

DEF: Let J be an index set. We define a J -tuple of elements of X to be a function $x: J \rightarrow X$. If α is an element of J , we often denote the value of x at α by x_α rather than $x(\alpha)$; we call it the α th coordinate of x and we often denote the function x itself by the symbol

$$(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in J}$$

We denote the set of all J -tuples of elements of X by X^J

DEF: Let $\{A_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in J}$ be an indexed family of sets.

Let $X = \bigcup_{\alpha \in J} A_\alpha$. The cartesian product of this indexed family, denoted by $\prod_{\alpha \in J} A_\alpha$ is defined to be

the set of all J -tuples $(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in J}$ of elements of X such that $x_\alpha \in A_\alpha$ for each $\alpha \in J$. That is, it is the set of all functions

$$x: J \rightarrow \bigcup_{\alpha \in J} A_\alpha$$

such that $x(\alpha) \in A_\alpha$ for each $\alpha \in J$

We denote the product simply by $\prod A_\alpha$ and its general element by (x_α) , if the index set is understood.

If all the sets A_α are equal to one set X , then the cartesian product $\prod_{\alpha \in J} A_\alpha$ is just the set X^J of all J -tuples of elements of X .

Box Topology:

Let $\{X_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in J}$ be an indexed family of topological spaces.

and $\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \prod_{\alpha \in J} U_\alpha \mid U_\alpha \text{ is open in } X_\alpha \text{ for each } \alpha \in J \right\}$

is a basis for a topology on product space $\prod_{\alpha \in J} X_\alpha$.

The topology generated by this basis is called the Box Topology.

PROJECTION MAPPING:

Let $\pi_\beta : \prod_{\alpha \in J} X_\alpha \rightarrow X_\beta$ be the function assigning to each element of the product space its β th coordinate

$$\text{i.e. } \pi_\beta \left((x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in J} \right) = x_\beta$$

It is called the projection mapping associated with the index β .

PRODUCT TOPOLOGY:

Let \mathcal{S}_β denote the collection

$$\mathcal{S}_\beta = \left\{ \pi_\beta^{-1}(U_\beta) \mid U_\beta \text{ is open in } X_\beta \right\} \text{ and let}$$

\mathcal{S} denote the union of these collections

$$\text{i.e. } \mathcal{S} = \bigcup_{\beta \in J} \mathcal{S}_\beta$$

The topology generated by the subbasis \mathcal{S} is called the Product Topology.

In this topology $\prod_{\alpha \in J} X_\alpha$ is called a product space

Comparison between Box and Product Topologies

The box topology on $\prod X_\alpha$ has as basis all sets of the form $\prod U_\alpha$ where U_α is open in X_α for each α . The product topology on $\prod X_\alpha$ has as basis all sets of the form $\prod U_\alpha$ where U_α is open in X_α for each α and U_α equals X_α except for finitely many values of α .

Theorem:

Let $f: A \rightarrow \prod_{\alpha \in J} X_\alpha$ be given by the equation

$$f(a) = (f_\alpha(a))_{\alpha \in J} \quad \text{where } f_\alpha: A \rightarrow X_\alpha \text{ for each } \alpha.$$

Let $\prod X_\alpha$ have the product topology. Then the function f is continuous iff each function f_α is continuous.

Proof: Given that $f: A \rightarrow \prod_{\alpha \in J} X_\alpha$ be given by

$$f(a) = (f_\alpha(a))_{\alpha \in J}$$

where $f_\alpha: A \rightarrow X_\alpha$ for each α .

$\prod X_\alpha$ have the product topology

Part I Assume that f is continuous.

To prove that each function f_α is continuous.

Let $\pi_\beta: \prod X_\alpha \rightarrow X_\beta$ be the projection mapping associated with β .

Let U_β be open in X_β

To prove that $\pi_\beta^{-1}(U_\beta)$ is open in $\prod X_\alpha$

Here the set $\pi_\beta^{-1}(U_\beta)$ is a subbasis element for the product topology on $\prod X_\alpha$

$\Rightarrow \pi_\beta^{-1}(U_\beta)$ is open in $\prod X_\alpha$

$\Rightarrow \pi_\beta$ is continuous.

Now $f_\beta : \pi_\beta \circ f$

$\Rightarrow f_\beta$ is the composition of two continuous functions π_β and f

$\Rightarrow f_\beta$ is continuous.

Part II Assume that each f_α is continuous.

To prove that $f : A \rightarrow \prod_{\alpha \in J} X_\alpha$ is continuous.

Consider the basis element of product topology on $\prod X_\alpha$

let it be $\pi_\beta^{-1}(U_\beta)$ where U_β is open in X_β for each β

To prove that $f^{-1}(\pi_\beta^{-1}(U_\beta))$ is open in A .

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(\pi_\beta^{-1}(U_\beta)) &= (f^{-1} \circ \pi_\beta^{-1})(U_\beta) \\ &= (\pi_\beta \circ f)^{-1}(U_\beta) \\ &= f_\beta^{-1}(U_\beta) \end{aligned}$$

Here U_β is open in X_β

Since $f_\beta : A \rightarrow X_\beta$ is continuous

$\Rightarrow f_\beta^{-1}(U_\beta)$ is open in A .

$\Rightarrow (\pi_\beta \circ f)^{-1}(U_\beta)$ is open in A

$\Rightarrow (f^{-1} \circ \pi_\beta^{-1})(U_\beta)$ is open in A

$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(\pi_\beta^{-1}(U_\beta))$ is open in A

$\Rightarrow f$ is continuous.

Prove that the product of continuous functions need not be continuous.

PROOF: Consider \mathbb{R}^ω , the box topology $\mathbb{R}^\omega = \prod_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^+} X_n$ where $X_n = \mathbb{R}$ for each n

Define $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^\omega$ by $f(t) = (t, t, t, \dots)$

Here $f_n : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $f_n(t) = t$ is continuous.

To prove that $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^\omega$ is not continuous

let $B = (-1, 1) \times (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) \times (-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}) \times \dots$

be the basis element which is open in \mathbb{R}^ω

To prove that $f^{-1}(B)$ is not open in \mathbb{R}

Suppose $f^{-1}(B)$ is open in \mathbb{R}

Since $0 \in f^{-1}(B)$, $f^{-1}(B)$ is open

\Rightarrow There exists an interval $(-\delta, \delta)$ such that

$$0 \in (-\delta, \delta) \subset f^{-1}(B)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(-\delta, \delta) \subset B$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi_n(f(-\delta, \delta)) \subset \pi_n(B)$$

$$\Rightarrow f_n(-\delta, \delta) \subset \pi_n(B)$$

$$\Rightarrow (-\delta, \delta) \subset (-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) \text{ since } f_n(t) = t$$

which is a contradiction

$\therefore f^{-1}(B)$ is not open in \mathbb{R}

\therefore Product of continuous functions need not be continuous.

Theorem: let $\{X_\alpha\}$ be an indexed family of spaces and let $A_\alpha \subset X_\alpha$ for each α . If $\prod X_\alpha$ is given either the product or the box topology then $\prod \bar{A}_\alpha = \overline{\prod A_\alpha}$

PROOF: Given that $\{X_\alpha\}$ is an indexed family of spaces.

and $A_\alpha \subset X_\alpha$ for each α

$\prod X_\alpha$ is given either the product or the box topology.

To prove that $\prod \bar{A}_\alpha = \overline{\prod A_\alpha}$

$$\text{let } x = (x_\alpha) \in \prod \bar{A}_\alpha$$

where $x_\alpha \in \bar{A}_\alpha$ for each α .

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Let $U = \prod U_\alpha$ be a basis element for either the product or box topology that contains x .

Then since $x_\alpha \in \bar{A}_\alpha$, we can choose a point $y_\alpha \in U_\alpha \cap A_\alpha$ for each α .

Then $y = (y_\alpha)$ is an element of both U and $\prod A_\alpha$

$$\Rightarrow U \cap \prod A_\alpha \neq \emptyset$$

\therefore Every element of x intersects $\prod A_\alpha$

$$\Rightarrow x \in \overline{\prod A_\alpha}$$

$$\text{Hence } \prod \bar{A}_\alpha \subset \overline{\prod A_\alpha} \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Conversely let us assume that $x = (x_\alpha) \in \overline{\prod A_\alpha}$

To prove that $x_\beta \in \bar{A}_\beta$ for any given index β

Let V_β be an arbitrary open set of X_β containing x_β .

$$\bar{\pi}_\beta^{-1}(V_\beta) = X_{\alpha_1} \times X_{\alpha_2} \times X_{\alpha_3} \times \dots \times V_\beta \times \dots$$

Now $\bar{\pi}_\beta^{-1}(V_\beta)$ is open in $\prod X_\alpha$ containing (x_α)

Since $(x_\alpha) \in \overline{\prod A_\alpha}$, $\bar{\pi}_\beta^{-1}(V_\beta) \cap \prod A_\alpha \neq \emptyset$

Choose a point $y = (y_\alpha) \in \bar{\pi}_\beta^{-1}(V_\beta) \cap \prod A_\alpha$

$$\Rightarrow (y_\alpha) \in \bar{\pi}_\beta^{-1}(V_\beta) \text{ and } (y_\alpha) \in \prod A_\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow y_\beta \in V_\beta \text{ and } y_\beta \in A_\beta$$

$$\Rightarrow V_\beta \cap A_\beta \neq \emptyset$$

$$\therefore x_\beta \in \bar{A}_\beta$$

$$(x_\alpha) \in \prod \bar{A}_\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \overline{\prod A_\alpha} \subset \prod \bar{A}_\alpha \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

\therefore From $\textcircled{1}$ & $\textcircled{2}$, we prove that $\prod \bar{A}_\alpha = \overline{\prod A_\alpha}$

The Metric Topology:

DEF: METRIC

A Metric on a set X is a function $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ having the following properties:

- (i) $d(x, y) \geq 0$ for all $x, y \in X$
- (ii) $d(x, y) = 0$ iff $x = y$
- (iii) $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$
- (iv) $d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$ for all $x, y, z \in X$
(Triangle inequality)

Note: Given a metric d on X , the number $d(x, y)$ is called the distance between x and y in the metric d .

DEF: OPEN BALL (or) ϵ -ball

Let (X, d) be a metric space and $x \in X$. Then the open ball centered at x and radius ϵ denoted by $B_d(x, \epsilon)$ is defined as $B_d(x, \epsilon) = \{y \in X \mid d(x, y) < \epsilon\}$ which is called the ϵ -ball centered at x .

METRIC TOPOLOGY

Let (X, d) be a metric space and let $\mathcal{B} = \{B_d(x, \epsilon) \mid x \in X, \epsilon > 0\}$ is a basis for the topology on X and the topology generated by this basis is known as metric topology induced by d .

Note: A set U is open in the metric topology induced by d iff for every $y \in U$ there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $B_d(y, \delta) \subset U$

Discrete Topology:

Let X be a non-empty set and define $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\text{by } d(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \neq y \\ 0 & \text{if } x = y \end{cases}$$

Then d is a metric on X . This metric is called discrete Metric.

The topology it induces ^{is} the discrete topology, the basis element $B(x, 1)$, for example, consists of the point x alone.

Standard Topology:

Let $X = \mathbb{R}$. Define $d: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $d(x, y) = |x - y|$

Then d is a metric on \mathbb{R} . This metric is called usual metric.

Let $\mathcal{B} = \{B(x, \epsilon) \mid x \in \mathbb{R}, \epsilon > 0\}$ is a basis for a topology on \mathbb{R} .

The topology generated by this basis is called the Standard topology on \mathbb{R} .

METRIZABLE:

If X is a topological space then we say that X is said to be metrizable if there exists a metric d on the set X such that d induces the topology of X . A metric space is a metrizable space X together with a specific metric d that gives the topology of X .

BOUNDED:

Let X be a metric space with metric d . A subset A of X is said to be bounded if there is some number M such that $d(a_1, a_2) \leq M$ for every pair a_1, a_2 of points of A .

DIAMETER: If A is bounded and non-empty, then the diameter of A is defined to be the number $\text{diam } A = \text{Sup} \{d(a_1, a_2) \mid a_1, a_2 \in A\}$

Theorem:

Let X be a metric space with metric d . Define $\bar{d}: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by the equation $\bar{d}(x, y) = \min\{d(x, y), 1\}$. Then \bar{d} is a metric that induces the same topology as d . The metric \bar{d} is called the standard bounded metric corresponding to d .

Proof: Given that X is a metric space with metric d .

$$\bar{d}: X \times Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ defined by } \bar{d}(x, y) = \min\{d(x, y), 1\}$$

To prove: \bar{d} is a metric on X

(i) $\bar{d}(x, y) = \min\{d(x, y), 1\} \geq 0$ since $d(x, y) \geq 0$

(ii) $\bar{d}(x, y) = 0$ iff $x = y$

$$\bar{d}(x, y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \min\{d(x, y), 1\} = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow d(x, y) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x = y$$

(iii) $\bar{d}(x, y) = \min\{d(x, y), 1\}$

$$= \min\{d(y, x), 1\} \text{ since } d \text{ is a metric}$$
$$= \bar{d}(y, x) \quad d(x, y) = d(y, x)$$

(iv) To prove: $\bar{d}(x, z) \leq \bar{d}(x, y) + \bar{d}(y, z)$

Case (i) Suppose $d(x, y) \geq 1$ (or) $d(y, z) \geq 1$

$$\bar{d}(x, y) = \min\{d(x, y), 1\} = 1$$

$$\bar{d}(y, z) = \min\{d(y, z), 1\} = 1$$

$$\therefore \bar{d}(x, y) + \bar{d}(y, z) \geq 1$$

$$\bar{d}(x, z) = \min\{d(x, z), 1\} \leq 1 \leq \bar{d}(x, y) + \bar{d}(y, z)$$

$$\therefore \bar{d}(x, z) \leq \bar{d}(x, y) + \bar{d}(y, z)$$

Case (ii) Suppose $d(x, y) < 1$ and $d(y, z) < 1$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{d}(x, y) = \min\{d(x, y), 1\} = d(x, y)$$

$$\text{and } \bar{d}(y, z) = \min\{d(y, z), 1\} = d(y, z)$$

$$\therefore \bar{d}(x, y) = d(x, y) \text{ and } \bar{d}(y, z) = d(y, z)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We know that } d(x, z) &\leq d(x, y) + d(y, z) \\ &= \bar{d}(x, y) + \bar{d}(y, z) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore d(x, z) \leq \bar{d}(x, y) + \bar{d}(y, z) \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But } \bar{d}(x, z) &= \min\{d(x, z), 1\} \\ &\leq d(x, z) \\ &\leq \bar{d}(x, y) + \bar{d}(y, z) \quad \text{by } \textcircled{1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \bar{d}(x, z) \leq \bar{d}(x, y) + \bar{d}(y, z)$$

$\Rightarrow \bar{d}$ is a metric on X

Hence the proof.

Note: In any metric space, the collection of ε -balls with $\varepsilon < 1$ forms a basis for the metric topology because every basis element containing x contains such an ε -ball centered at x with $\varepsilon < 1$.

Also the collection of ε -balls with $\varepsilon < 1$ under these two metrics d and \bar{d} are the same collection.

\therefore Both d and \bar{d} induce the same topology on X .

Lemma:

Let d and d' be two metrics on the set X . Let \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{T}' be the topologies they induce, respectively. Then \mathcal{T}' is finer than \mathcal{T} iff for each $x \in X$ and each $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $B_{d'}(x, \delta) \subset B_d(x, \varepsilon)$

Proof: Given that d and d' are the two metrics on the set X .

\mathcal{T} and \mathcal{T}' be the topologies of d and d' respectively.

To prove: \mathcal{T}' is finer than \mathcal{T} iff for each $x \in X$ and each

$\varepsilon > 0$ \exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $B_{d'}(x, \delta) \subset B_d(x, \varepsilon)$

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Part I: Assume that \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{T}' be two topologies of X

Assume that \mathcal{T}' is finer than \mathcal{T}

To prove: For each $x \in X$ and each $\varepsilon > 0$, \exists a $\delta > 0$
such that $B_{d'}(x, \delta) \subset B_d(x, \varepsilon)$

\therefore By lemma, for every $x \in X$ and $B \in \mathcal{B}$ \exists a $B' \in \mathcal{B}'$
such that $x \in B' \subset B$

\Rightarrow For every $x \in X$ and each basis element $B_d(x, \varepsilon)$
there exists a basis element B' for \mathcal{T}' such that
 $x \in B' \subset B_d(x, \varepsilon) \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$

\therefore We can find a ball $B_{d'}(x, \delta) \subset B'$

$\therefore \textcircled{1} \Rightarrow B_{d'}(x, \delta) \subset B' \subset B_d(x, \varepsilon)$
 $\Rightarrow B_{d'}(x, \delta) \subset B_d(x, \varepsilon)$

Part II: Assume that for each $x \in X$ and each $\varepsilon > 0$ \exists a $\delta > 0$
such that $B_{d'}(x, \delta) \subset B_d(x, \varepsilon) \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$

To prove that \mathcal{T}' is finer than \mathcal{T}

is to prove that $\mathcal{T}' \supset \mathcal{T}$ (or) $\mathcal{T} \subset \mathcal{T}'$

let B be the basis element of \mathcal{T} containing x

\therefore We can find a ball $B_d(x, \varepsilon) \subset B$

$\textcircled{2} \Rightarrow$ There exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $x \in B_{d'}(x, \delta) \subset B$

$\therefore \mathcal{T}'$ is finer than \mathcal{T} .

Euclidean Metric:

Given $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we define the
norm of x by the equation $\|x\| = (x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + \dots + x_n^2)^{1/2}$

and we define the euclidean metric d on \mathbb{R}^n by the equation

$$d(x, y) = \|x - y\| = \left[(x_1 - y_1)^2 + (x_2 - y_2)^2 + \dots + (x_n - y_n)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

Square Metric :

Let $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n)$ and $y = (y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_n)$ be the elements of R^n . Then the metric $P(x, y)$ is defined as follows.

$$P(x, y) = \text{Max} \{ |x_1 - y_1|, |x_2 - y_2|, \dots, |x_n - y_n| \}$$

This metric $P(x, y)$ is called square metric.

Note: On the real line $R = R^1$, these two metrics coincide with the standard metric for R

In the plane R^2 , the basis element under d can be pictured as circular regions while the basis element under P can be pictured as square regions.

Ex: 1 In R^n , define $d'(x, y) = |x_1 - y_1| + |x_2 - y_2| + \dots + |x_n - y_n|$
Show that d' is a metric on R^n

Sol: To prove that d' is a metric in R^n

$$\text{let } x, y \in R^n$$

$$\Rightarrow x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n) \text{ and } y = (y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_n)$$

where $x_i, y_i \in R$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i) } d'(x, y) &= |x_1 - y_1| + |x_2 - y_2| + \dots + |x_n - y_n| \\ &\geq 0 \quad \text{since } x_i, y_i \in R \Rightarrow |x_i - y_i| \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d'(x, y) = 0 &\Leftrightarrow |x_1 - y_1| + |x_2 - y_2| + \dots + |x_n - y_n| = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - y_i| = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow |x_i - y_i| = 0 \text{ for each } i \\ &\Leftrightarrow x_i - y_i = 0 \text{ for each } i \\ &\Leftrightarrow x_i = y_i \text{ for each } i \\ &\Leftrightarrow x = y \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii)} \quad d'(x, y) &= |x_1 - y_1| + |x_2 - y_2| + \dots + |x_n - y_n| \\
 &= |y_1 - x_1| + |y_2 - x_2| + \dots + |y_n - x_n| \\
 &= d'(y, x)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore d'(x, y) = d'(y, x)$$

(iii) To prove: $d'(x, z) \leq d'(x, y) + d'(y, z) \quad \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Let $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Take $n=2$. $\therefore x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\Rightarrow x = (x_1, x_2), \quad y = (y_1, y_2), \quad z = (z_1, z_2)$$

where $x_i, y_i, z_i \in \mathbb{R}$ for $i=1, 2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 d'(x, z) &= |x_1 - z_1| + |x_2 - z_2| \\
 &= |x_1 - y_1 + y_1 - z_1| + |x_2 - y_2 + y_2 - z_2| \\
 &\leq |x_1 - y_1| + |y_1 - z_1| + |x_2 - y_2| + |y_2 - z_2| \\
 &= |x_1 - y_1| + |x_2 - y_2| + |y_1 - z_1| + |y_2 - z_2| \\
 &= d'(x, y) + d'(y, z)
 \end{aligned}$$

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

$\therefore d'$ is a metric on \mathbb{R}^n

Ex: 2 If $P(x, y) = \text{Max} \{ |x_1 - y_1|, |x_2 - y_2|, \dots, |x_n - y_n| \}$ then show that P is a metric on \mathbb{R}^n

Sol: (i) $P(x, y) = \text{Max} \{ |x_i - y_i| \} \geq 0$

(ii) $P(x, y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{Max} \{ |x_i - y_i| \} = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\Leftrightarrow |x_i - y_i| = 0 \text{ for each } i \\
 &\Leftrightarrow x_i - y_i = 0 \text{ for each } i \\
 &\Leftrightarrow x_i = y_i \text{ for each } i \\
 &\Leftrightarrow x = y
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(ii) \quad P(x, y) = \text{Max} \{ |x_i - y_i| \} = \text{Max} \{ |y_i - x_i| \} = P(y, x)$$

$$(iii) \quad \text{To prove: } P(x, z) \leq P(x, y) + P(y, z)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(x, z) &= \text{Max} \{ |x_i - z_i| \} \\ &= \text{Max} \{ |x_i - y_i + y_i - z_i| \} \\ &\leq \text{Max} \{ |x_i - y_i| \} + \text{Max} \{ |y_i - z_i| \} \\ &= P(x, y) + P(y, z) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore P(x, z) \leq P(x, y) + P(y, z)$$

$$\therefore P \text{ is a metric on } \mathbb{R}^n$$

Theorem: The topologies on \mathbb{R}^n induced by the Euclidean metric d and the square metric P are the same as the product topology on \mathbb{R}^n .

Proof: Let \mathcal{T} , \mathcal{T}_d , \mathcal{T}_p be the product topology, topology induced by d and the topology induced by P respectively.

$$\text{To prove: } \mathcal{T}_d = \mathcal{T}_p = \mathcal{T}$$

$$\underline{\text{Claim:}} \quad P(x, y) \leq d(x, y) \leq \sqrt{n} P(x, y) \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\text{Let } x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\Rightarrow x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n) \text{ and } y = (y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_n)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Consider } P(x, y) &= \text{Max} \{ |x_1 - y_1|, |x_2 - y_2|, \dots, |x_n - y_n| \} \\ &= |x_{i_0} - y_{i_0}| \quad (\text{say}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Clearly } |x_{i_0} - y_{i_0}|^2 \leq |x_1 - y_1|^2 + |x_2 - y_2|^2 + \dots + |x_n - y_n|^2$$

Taking square root on both sides, we get

$$\begin{aligned} |x_{i_0} - y_{i_0}| &\leq \left\{ |x_1 - y_1|^2 + |x_2 - y_2|^2 + \dots + |x_n - y_n|^2 \right\}^{1/2} \\ &= d(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore P(x, y) \leq d(x, y) \longrightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{Also } |x_1 - y_1| \leq |x_{i_0} - y_{i_0}|, |x_2 - y_2| \leq |x_{i_0} - y_{i_0}|, \dots$$

$$|x_n - y_n| \leq |x_{i_0} - y_{i_0}|$$

$$\Rightarrow |x_1 - y_1|^2 + |x_2 - y_2|^2 + \dots + |x_n - y_n|^2 \leq n |x_{i_0} - y_{i_0}|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ |x_1 - y_1|^2 + |x_2 - y_2|^2 + \dots + |x_n - y_n|^2 \right\}^{1/2} \leq n^{1/2} |x_{i_0} - y_{i_0}|$$

$$\Rightarrow d(x, y) \leq \sqrt{n} P(x, y) \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

\therefore From $\textcircled{1}$ and $\textcircled{2}$, we have

$$P(x, y) \leq d(x, y) \leq \sqrt{n} P(x, y)$$

Hence the claim.

Next we prove $\mathcal{T}_d = \mathcal{T}_p$

i.e. we have to show that $\mathcal{T}_d \subset \mathcal{T}_p$ and $\mathcal{T}_p \subset \mathcal{T}_d$

First to prove: $\mathcal{T}_d \subset \mathcal{T}_p$

i. To prove that for every $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and each $\varepsilon > 0$, \exists a $\delta > 0$

such that $B_d(x, \delta) \subset B_p(x, \varepsilon)$

let $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\varepsilon > 0$

Choose $\delta = \varepsilon$

Then to prove that $B_d(x, \delta) \subset B_p(x, \varepsilon)$

let $y \in B_d(x, \delta)$

$$\Rightarrow d(x, y) < \delta = \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow P(x, y) < \varepsilon \quad \text{Since } P(x, y) \leq d(x, y)$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in B_p(x, \varepsilon)$$

$$\therefore B_d(x, \delta) \subset B_p(x, \varepsilon)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{T}_d \subset \mathcal{T}_p \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

Next we prove that $\mathcal{T}_p \subset \mathcal{T}_d$

i.e. we have to prove that $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and each $\varepsilon > 0$ \exists a $\delta > 0$

such that $B_p(x, \delta) \subset B_d(x, \varepsilon)$

Let $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\text{Choose } \delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{n}}$$

To prove that $B_p(x, \delta) \subset B_d(x, \varepsilon)$

Let $y \in B_p(x, \delta)$

$$\Rightarrow p(x, y) < \delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{n} p(x, y) < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow d(x, y) < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in B_d(x, \varepsilon)$$

$$\therefore B_p(x, \delta) \subset B_d(x, \varepsilon)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{T}_p \subset \mathcal{T}_d \rightarrow \textcircled{4}$$

\therefore From $\textcircled{3}$ and $\textcircled{4}$, we proved that $\mathcal{T}_p = \mathcal{T}_d \rightarrow \textcircled{5}$

Then to prove that $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{T}_p$

we have to show that $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{T}_p$ and $\mathcal{T}_p \subset \mathcal{I}$

First let us prove that $\mathcal{T}_p \subset \mathcal{I}$

Let $B_p(x, \varepsilon)$ be a basis element for \mathcal{T}_p

Let $y \in B_p(x, \varepsilon)$

We need to find a basis element B for \mathcal{I} such that

$$y \in B \subset B_p(x, \varepsilon)$$

$$B_p(x, \varepsilon) = (x_1 - \varepsilon, x_1 + \varepsilon) \times (x_2 - \varepsilon, x_2 + \varepsilon) \times \dots \times (x_n - \varepsilon, x_n + \varepsilon)$$

is a basis element for \mathcal{I}

$$\therefore \mathcal{T}_p \subset \mathcal{I}$$

To prove: $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{T}_p$

Let $B = (a_1, b_1) \times (a_2, b_2) \times \dots \times (a_n, b_n)$ be a basis element for \mathcal{I}

$$\text{Let } x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n) \in B$$

Then $x_i = (a_i, b_i)$ for $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$

For each i , we can arrange an $\varepsilon_i > 0$ such that

$$(x_i - \varepsilon_i, x_i + \varepsilon_i) \subset (a_i, b_i)$$

Choose $\varepsilon = \min \{ \varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon_3, \dots, \varepsilon_n \}$

Then $B_p(x, \varepsilon)$ be a basis element of \mathcal{T}_p and

$$x \in B_p(x, \varepsilon)$$

claim: $B_p(x, \varepsilon) \subset B$

let $y \in B_p(x, \varepsilon)$

$$\Rightarrow p(x, y) < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \max \{ |x_1 - y_1|, |x_2 - y_2|, \dots, |x_n - y_n| \} < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow |x_i - y_i| < \varepsilon \text{ for every } i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$$

$$\Rightarrow y_i \in (x_i - \varepsilon, x_i + \varepsilon)$$

$$\Rightarrow y_i \in (a_i, b_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in B$$

$$\therefore B_p(x, \varepsilon) \subset B$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{T}_p \supset \mathcal{T}$$

$$\text{a } \mathcal{T} \subset \mathcal{T}_p$$

$$\therefore \mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}_p \rightarrow \textcircled{6}$$

\therefore From $\textcircled{5}$ and $\textcircled{6}$, we have $\mathcal{T}_p = \mathcal{T}_d = \mathcal{T}$

Let $B = (a_1, b_1) \times (a_2, b_2) \times \dots \times (a_n, b_n)$ be a basis element for the product topology.

Let $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n)$ be an element of B

For each i , there is an ε_i such that

$$(x_i - \varepsilon_i, x_i + \varepsilon_i) \subset (a_i, b_i)$$

$$\text{Choose } \varepsilon = \min \{ \varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon_3, \dots, \varepsilon_n \}$$

To prove that $B_p(x, \varepsilon) \subset B$

$$\text{Let } y \in B_p(x, \varepsilon)$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho(x, y) < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \max \{ |x_1 - y_1|, |x_2 - y_2|, \dots, |x_n - y_n| \} < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow |x_i - y_i| < \varepsilon \text{ for all } i$$

$$\Rightarrow |y_i - x_i| < \varepsilon \quad \forall i$$

$$\Rightarrow -\varepsilon < y_i - x_i < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow x_i - \varepsilon < y_i < x_i + \varepsilon \quad \forall i$$

$$\Rightarrow y_i \in (x_i - \varepsilon, x_i + \varepsilon) \subset (a_i, b_i) = B$$

$$\Rightarrow y_i \in B$$

$$\therefore y \in B$$

$$\therefore B_p(x, \varepsilon) \subset B$$

\therefore The topology induced by ρ is finer than the product topology

$$\text{i.e. } \mathcal{T}_\rho \supset \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \textcircled{6}$$

Conversely let $B_p(x, \varepsilon)$ be a basis element for each ρ -topology.

Given the element $y \in B_p(x, \epsilon)$, we need to find a basis element B for the product topology such that

$$y \in B \subset B_p(x, \epsilon)$$

$$\text{To p.t. } B_p(x, \epsilon) = (x_1 - \epsilon, x_1 + \epsilon) \times (x_2 - \epsilon, x_2 + \epsilon) \times \dots \times (x_n - \epsilon, x_n + \epsilon)$$

$$\text{Let } y = (y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_n) \in B_p(x, \epsilon)$$

$$y \in B_p(x, \epsilon)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow p(x, y) < \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \max\{|x_1 - y_1|, |x_2 - y_2|, \dots, |x_n - y_n|\} < \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow |x_i - y_i| < \epsilon \text{ for each } i$$

$$\Rightarrow |x_1 - y_1| < \epsilon, |x_2 - y_2| < \epsilon, \dots, |x_n - y_n| < \epsilon$$

$$\therefore \text{As before } y_1 \in (x_1 - \epsilon, x_1 + \epsilon)$$

$$y_2 \in (x_2 - \epsilon, x_2 + \epsilon)$$

.....

$$y_n \in (x_n - \epsilon, x_n + \epsilon)$$

$$\therefore B_p(x, \epsilon) = (x_1 - \epsilon, x_1 + \epsilon) \times (x_2 - \epsilon, x_2 + \epsilon) \times \dots \times (x_n - \epsilon, x_n + \epsilon)$$

The RHS is a basis element for the product topology.

Thus the product topology is finer than the p -topology.

$$\text{ie } \mathcal{T} \supset \mathcal{T}_p \rightarrow \textcircled{7}$$

$$\therefore \text{From } \textcircled{6} \text{ and } \textcircled{7}, \text{ we prove that } \mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}_p \rightarrow \textcircled{8}$$

$$\therefore \text{From } \textcircled{5} \text{ \& } \textcircled{8}, \text{ we get } \mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}_p = \mathcal{T}_d$$

Hence the theorem

UNIFORM TOPOLOGY:

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Let J be an index set and $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. Define $\bar{d}(a, b)$ by
$$\bar{d}(a, b) = \min \{1, |a - b|\}$$
. Then \bar{d} is a metric on \mathbb{R} .
This type of metric is called standard bounded metric on \mathbb{R} .

$$\mathbb{R}^J = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \dots = \{(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in J}\}$$

Let $x = (x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in J}$ and $y = (y_\alpha)_{\alpha \in J}$ be the elements of \mathbb{R}^J .

$$\text{Define } \bar{p}(x, y) = \sup \{ \bar{d}(x_\alpha, y_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in J \}$$

Then \bar{p} is a metric on \mathbb{R}^J

This type of metric is called uniform metric on \mathbb{R}^J .

The topology induced by uniform metric \bar{p} on \mathbb{R}^J is called the uniform topology on \mathbb{R}^J .

Theorem:

The uniform topology on \mathbb{R}^J is finer than the product topology and coarser than the box topology.

PROOF: To prove that the uniform topology on \mathbb{R}^J is finer than the product topology on \mathbb{R}^J

Let $\prod U_\alpha$ be a basis element for the product topology containing the point $x = (x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in J}$

Let $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_n$ be the indices for which $U_\alpha \neq \mathbb{R}$

Since U_{α_i} is open in \mathbb{R} , we can choose $\epsilon_i > 0$ such that

$$B_{\bar{d}}(x_{\alpha_i}, \epsilon_i) \subset U_{\alpha_i} \longrightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{Let } \epsilon = \min \{ \epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \epsilon_3, \dots, \epsilon_n \}$$

Let $B_{\bar{p}}(x, \epsilon)$ be a basis element for the uniform topology.

Claim: $B_{\bar{p}}(x, \varepsilon) \subset \prod U_{\alpha}$

Let $z \in B_{\bar{p}}(x, \varepsilon)$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{p}(x, z) < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \sup \{ \bar{d}(x_{\alpha}, z_{\alpha}) \mid \alpha \in J \} < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{d}(x_{\alpha}, z_{\alpha}) < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{d}(x_{\alpha_i}, z_{\alpha_i}) < \varepsilon_i \quad \text{since } \varepsilon = \min \{ \varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon_3, \dots, \varepsilon_n \}$$

$$\Rightarrow z_{\alpha_i} \in B_{\bar{d}}(x_{\alpha_i}, \varepsilon_i) \subset U_{\alpha_i} \quad \text{by } \textcircled{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow z_{\alpha_i} \in U_{\alpha_i}$$

$$\Rightarrow z = (z_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in J} \in \prod U_{\alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow z \in \prod U_{\alpha}$$

\Rightarrow Uniform topology on \mathbb{R}^J is finer than the product topology on \mathbb{R}^J

Next to prove that the uniform topology on \mathbb{R}^J is coarser than the box topology.

Let $B_{\bar{p}}(x, \varepsilon)$ be a basis element for the uniform topology.

Let $U = \prod (x_{\alpha} - \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon, x_{\alpha} + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon)$ be a basis element for the box topology.

Claim: $B_{\bar{p}}(x, \varepsilon) \supset U$

Let $y \in U$

$$\Rightarrow y_{\alpha} \in (x_{\alpha} - \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon, x_{\alpha} + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon)$$

$$\Rightarrow |x_{\alpha} - y_{\alpha}| < \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \min \{ |x_{\alpha} - y_{\alpha}|, 1 \} < \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{d}(x_{\alpha}, y_{\alpha}) < \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon \quad \text{for all } \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \sup \{ \bar{d}(x_{\alpha}, y_{\alpha}) \mid \alpha \in J \} < \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{p}(x, y) < \frac{1}{2}\epsilon < \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in B_{\bar{p}}(x, \epsilon)$$

$$\therefore B_{\bar{p}}(x, \epsilon) \supset U$$

Hence the uniform topology on \mathbb{R}^J is coarser than the box topology.

Theorem: Let $\bar{d}(a, b) = \min\{|a-b|, 1\}$ be the standard bounded metric on \mathbb{R} . If x and y are two points of \mathbb{R}^ω , define

$$D(x, y) = \sup \left\{ \frac{\bar{d}(x_i, y_i)}{i} \right\}. \text{ Then } D \text{ is a metric that induces the product topology on } \mathbb{R}^\omega$$

(or)

\mathbb{R}^ω is metrizable with respect to the product topology.

Proof: Given that $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^\omega$

$$\text{let } \bar{d}(a, b) = \min\{|a-b|, 1\}$$

$$D(x, y) = \sup \left\{ \frac{\bar{d}(x_i, y_i)}{i} \right\}$$

To prove that D is a metric on \mathbb{R} .

$$\text{let } x = (x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_+}, y = (y_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_+}, z = (z_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_+}$$

$$(i) D(x, y) = \sup \left\{ \frac{\bar{d}(x_i, y_i)}{i} \right\} \geq 0 \text{ since } \bar{d} \text{ is a metric}$$

$$(ii) D(x, y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \sup \left\{ \frac{\bar{d}(x_i, y_i)}{i} \right\} = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\bar{d}(x_i, y_i)}{i} = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \bar{d}(x_i, y_i) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x_i = y_i$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x = y$$

$$(iii) \mathcal{D}(x, y) = \text{Sup} \left\{ \frac{\bar{d}(x_i, y_i)}{i} \right\} = \text{Sup} \left\{ \frac{\bar{d}(y_i, x_i)}{i} \right\} = \mathcal{D}(y, x)$$

(iv) To prove that $\mathcal{D}(x, z) \leq \mathcal{D}(x, y) + \mathcal{D}(y, z)$

Since \bar{d} is a metric

$$\Rightarrow \bar{d}(x_i, z_i) \leq \bar{d}(x_i, y_i) + \bar{d}(y_i, z_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\bar{d}(x_i, z_i)}{i} \leq \frac{\bar{d}(x_i, y_i)}{i} + \frac{\bar{d}(y_i, z_i)}{i}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Sup} \left\{ \frac{\bar{d}(x_i, z_i)}{i} \right\} \leq \text{Sup} \left\{ \frac{\bar{d}(x_i, y_i)}{i} \right\} + \text{Sup} \left\{ \frac{\bar{d}(y_i, z_i)}{i} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{D}(x, z) \leq \mathcal{D}(x, y) + \mathcal{D}(y, z)$$

$\therefore \mathcal{D}$ is a metric on \mathbb{R}^{ω}

To prove: \mathcal{D} induces the product topology.

i) To prove that Metric Topology is equal to product topology.

(i) To prove: Product Topology is finer than metric topology.

Let U be a basis element for the metric topology

and $x \in U$

We can choose an ε -ball, $B_{\mathcal{D}}(x, \varepsilon) \subset U$

Choose N large enough such that $\frac{1}{N} < \varepsilon$

Finally, let V be a basis element for the product topology

given by $V = (x_1 - \varepsilon, x_1 + \varepsilon) \times \dots \times (x_N - \varepsilon, x_N + \varepsilon) \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \dots$

Claim: $V \subset U$

Let $y = (y_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}^+} \in V$

$\Rightarrow y_i \in (x_i - \varepsilon, x_i + \varepsilon)$ for $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N$ and $y_i \in \mathbb{R}$ for $i > N$

$\Rightarrow |x_i - y_i| < \varepsilon$ for $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N$

$\Rightarrow \min \{ |x_i - y_i|, 1 \} < \varepsilon$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{d}(x_i, y_i) < \varepsilon \text{ for } i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\bar{d}(x_i, y_i)}{i} < \frac{\varepsilon}{i} < \varepsilon \text{ for } i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\bar{d}(x_i, y_i)}{i} < \varepsilon \text{ for } i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Let $i \geq N$

$$\text{Then } \frac{1}{i} \leq \frac{1}{N} < \varepsilon$$

$$\text{Now } \bar{d}(x_i, y_i) = \min\{|x_i - y_i|, 1\} \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\bar{d}(x_i, y_i)}{i} \leq \frac{1}{i} \leq \frac{1}{N}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{\bar{d}(x_i, y_i)}{i} \leq \frac{1}{N} \text{ for } i \geq N$$

$$\therefore D(x, y) \leq \max\left\{\frac{\bar{d}(x_1, y_1)}{1}, \frac{\bar{d}(x_2, y_2)}{2}, \dots, \frac{\bar{d}(x_N, y_N)}{N}, \frac{1}{N}\right\}$$

\therefore By eqn $\textcircled{1}$, we have $D(x, y) < \varepsilon$

$$\therefore y \in B_D(x, \varepsilon)$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in U \text{ since } B_D(x, \varepsilon) \subset U$$

$$\therefore V \subset U$$

\Rightarrow The product topology is finer than the metric topology.

Next to prove that the metric topology is finer than the product topology.

Let $U = \prod_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_+} U_i$ be a basis element for the product

topology and $x \in U$

Then U_i is open in \mathbb{R} for $i = \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_n$ and

$U_i = \mathbb{R}$ for all other indices i

Given $x \in U$, we find an open set V of the metric topology such that $x \in V \subset U$

Choose $\varepsilon_i \leq 1$ such that $(x_i - \varepsilon_i, x_i + \varepsilon_i) \subset U_i$

for $i = \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_n$

$$\text{let } \varepsilon = \min \left\{ \frac{\varepsilon_i}{i} \mid i = \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_n \right\}$$

Now $B_D(x, \varepsilon)$ is a basis element for the metric topology and $x \in B_D(x, \varepsilon)$

Claim: $B_D(x, \varepsilon) \subset U$

$$\text{let } y = (y_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_+} \in B_D(x, \varepsilon)$$

$$\Rightarrow D(x, y) < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\bar{d}(x_i, y_i)}{i} < \varepsilon \quad \text{for every } i = \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_n \quad \text{and} \quad \varepsilon < \frac{\varepsilon_i}{i}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\bar{d}(x_i, y_i)}{i} < \frac{\varepsilon_i}{i} \quad \text{for } i = \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{d}(x_i, y_i) < \varepsilon_i \quad \text{for } i = \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_n$$

$$\Rightarrow |x_i - y_i| < \varepsilon_i \quad \text{for } i = \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$$

$$\text{since } \bar{d}(x_i, y_i) = \min \{ |x_i - y_i|, 1 \}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_i \in (x_i - \varepsilon_i, x_i + \varepsilon_i) \subset U_i \quad \text{for } i = \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in \prod U_i = U$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in U$$

$$\therefore B_D(x, \varepsilon) \subset U$$

Hence the metric topology is finer than the product topology.
 $\therefore D$ is a metric which induces the product topology on \mathbb{R}^ω

Theorem: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and let X and Y be metrizable with metrics d_x and d_y respectively. Then continuity of f is equivalent to the requirement that given $x \in X$ and given $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that

$$d_x(x, y) < \delta \Rightarrow d_y(f(x), f(y)) < \epsilon$$

PROOF: Given that $f: X \rightarrow Y$ where X and Y are metrizable with metrics d_x and d_y respectively.

Part I: Assume that f is continuous.

To prove that given $x \in X$ and given $\epsilon > 0$ $\exists \delta > 0$

such that $d_x(x, y) < \delta \Rightarrow d_y(f(x), f(y)) < \epsilon$

Let $x \in X$ and $\epsilon > 0$ be given

Since $x \in X \Rightarrow f(x) \in Y$

Consider an open ball with centre $f(x)$ and radius ϵ in Y .

Then $f^{-1}(B_{d_y}(f(x), \epsilon))$ is open in X and contains x

There exists some δ -ball such that $B_{d_x}(x, \delta) \subset f^{-1}(B_{d_y}(f(x), \epsilon))$

Let $y \in B_{d_x}(x, \delta)$

$$\Rightarrow d_x(x, y) < \delta$$

Also $y \in f^{-1}(B_{d_y}(f(x), \epsilon))$

$$\Rightarrow d_y(f(x), f(y)) < \epsilon$$

$$\therefore d_x(x, y) < \delta \Rightarrow d_y(f(x), f(y)) < \epsilon$$

Part II Conversely, let us assume that $x \in X$ and given $\epsilon > 0$

$\exists \delta > 0$ such that $d_x(x, y) < \delta \Rightarrow d_y(f(x), f(y)) < \epsilon$

To prove that $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous.

Let V be open in Y containing $f(x)$ i.e. $f(x) \in V$

$\Rightarrow \exists$ a basis element $B_{d_y}(f(x), \epsilon)$ such that

$$f(x) \in B_{d_Y}(f(x), \varepsilon) \subset V$$

$$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(B_{d_Y}(f(x), \varepsilon)) \subset f^{-1}(V) \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

is given $\varepsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0$ such that $B_{d_X}(x, \delta)$ is open in X .

If $y \in B_{d_X}(x, \delta)$ then $d_X(x, y) < \delta$

$$\Rightarrow d_Y(f(x), f(y)) < \varepsilon \quad \text{by assumption}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(y) \in B_{d_Y}(f(x), \varepsilon)$$

$$\therefore f(y) \in B_{d_Y}(f(x), \varepsilon) \quad \forall y \in B_{d_X}(x, \delta)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(B_{d_X}(x, \delta)) \subset B_{d_Y}(f(x), \varepsilon)$$

$$\Rightarrow B_{d_X}(x, \delta) \subset f^{-1}(B_{d_Y}(f(x), \varepsilon))$$

$$\Rightarrow B_{d_X}(x, \delta) \subset f^{-1}(V) \quad \text{by } \textcircled{1}$$

is $x \in B_{d_X}(x, \delta) \subset f^{-1}(V)$ where $B_{d_X}(x, \delta)$ is a basis element from the metrizable topological space.

$$\therefore f^{-1}(V) \text{ is open in } X.$$

$$\Rightarrow f \text{ is continuous.}$$

DEF: A sequence $\{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n\}$ of points of X is said to converge to the point x of X if for every neighbourhood U of x there exists a positive integer N such that x_i lies in U for all $i \geq N$.

Theorem: (Sequence lemma)

Let X be a topological space and let $A \subset X$. If there is a sequence of points of A converging to x , then $x \in \bar{A}$.

The converse holds if X is metrizable.

PROOF: let X be a topological space and $A \subset X$

Given that $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence of points of A which converge to x .

Claim: $x \in \bar{A}$

Since $\{x_n\}$ converges to x where $x_n \in A$

ie x is a limit point of the sequence $\{x_n\}$

\Rightarrow Every neighbourhood of x intersects A and contains infinitely many points of A

$\Rightarrow x \in \bar{A}$ by theorem

Conversely Suppose that X is metrizable with metric d .

let $x \in \bar{A}$

To prove that $\{x_n\}$ converges to x

Since $x \in \bar{A} \Rightarrow$ every neighbourhood of x intersects A

let $B_d(x, \frac{1}{n})$ be a neighbourhood of x for each positive integer n .

$$\therefore B_d(x, \frac{1}{n}) \cap A \neq \emptyset \quad \forall n$$

$$\text{let } x_n \in B_d(x, \frac{1}{n}) \cap A \quad \forall n$$

$$\Rightarrow x_n \in A \text{ and } x_n \in B_d(x, \frac{1}{n})$$

let U be open in X containing x

\Rightarrow There exists a basis element $B_d(x, \epsilon)$ such that

$$x \in B_d(x, \epsilon) \subset U$$

choose N such that $\frac{1}{N} < \epsilon$

For $i \geq N$, we have $x_N \in A \cap B_d(x, \frac{1}{N})$

$$\Rightarrow x_N \in B_d(x, \frac{1}{N})$$

$$\Rightarrow d(x_N, x) < \frac{1}{N} < \epsilon$$

$$\text{ie } x_N \in B_d(x, \frac{1}{N}) \subset U \quad \forall i \geq N$$

$$\Rightarrow x_i \in U \quad \forall i \geq N$$

$\therefore \{x_n\}$ converges to x

Theorem: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and let X be metrizable. Then the function f is continuous iff for every convergent sequence $\{x_n\} \rightarrow x$ in X , the sequence $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x)$ in Y .

PROOF: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and X be metrizable.

Assume that f is continuous.

To prove: $\{x_n\}$ converges to $x \Rightarrow f(x_n)$ converges to $f(x)$ in Y .

Let $\{x_n\}$ converges to x in X

Claim: $\{f(x_n)\}$ converges to $f(x)$ in Y

Let $x \in X$. Then $f(x) \in Y$

Let V be a neighbourhood of $f(x)$ in Y .

$\therefore f(x) \in V \Rightarrow x \in f^{-1}(V)$ where $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X .

Since $\{x_n\} \rightarrow x \Rightarrow x_i \in f^{-1}(V) \quad \forall i \geq N$

$\Rightarrow f(x_i) \in V \quad \forall i \geq N$

$\therefore \{f(x_n)\} \rightarrow f(x)$ in Y

Conversely, let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be any function where X is metrizable.

Assume that $\{x_n\} \rightarrow x$ in $X \Rightarrow \{f(x_n)\} \rightarrow f(x)$ in Y .

To prove: f is continuous.

Let $x \in \bar{A}$

is to prove that if $A \subset X$ then $f(\bar{A}) \subset \overline{f(A)}$ by theorem

\Rightarrow There is a sequence $\{x_n\}$ of points of A converges to x

$\Rightarrow \{x_n\} \in A \rightarrow x$ by sequence lemma

$\Rightarrow \{f(x_n)\} \rightarrow f(x)$ by hypothesis

Since $f(x_n) \in f(A) \Rightarrow f(x) \in \overline{f(A)}$ by sequence lemma

Hence $f(\bar{A}) \subset \overline{f(A)}$

DEF: Converges uniformly

let $f_n : X \rightarrow Y$ be a sequence of functions from the set X to the metric space Y . let d be the metric for Y . We say that the sequence $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly to the function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ if given $\epsilon > 0$, there exists an integer N such that $d(f_n(x), f(x)) < \epsilon$ for all $n > N$ and all x in X .

Theorem: (UNIFORM LIMIT THEOREM)

let $f_n : X \rightarrow Y$ be a sequence of continuous functions from the topological space X to the metric space Y . If $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly to f then f is continuous.

PROOF: Given that $f_n : X \rightarrow Y$ is a sequence of continuous functions. Assume $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly to f

To prove: f is continuous.

let V be an open set in Y .

To prove: $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X

let x_0 be a point of $f^{-1}(V)$

We wish to find a neighbourhood U of x_0 such that $f(U) \subset V$.

Since V is open and $f(x_0) \in V$, we can choose an ϵ -ball $B(f(x_0), \epsilon) \subset V$.

Since $\{f_n\}$ converges to f uniformly

\Rightarrow given $\epsilon > 0$ there exists an integer N such that

$$d(f_n(x), f(x)) < \frac{\epsilon}{3} \rightarrow \textcircled{1} \forall n \geq N \text{ and all } x \in X$$

Since f_N is continuous \Rightarrow we can choose a neighbourhood U of x_0 such that $f(U) \subset V$

$$\Rightarrow f_N(U) \subset B(f_N(x_0), \frac{\epsilon}{3}) \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

Claim: $f(U) \subset B(f(x_0), \varepsilon)$

let $x \in U$

Then $d(f(x), f_N(x)) < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$ by ①

$d(f_N(x), f_N(x_0)) < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$ by ②

$d(f_N(x_0), f(x_0)) < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$ by ①

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } d(f(x), f(x_0)) &\leq d(f(x), f_N(x)) \\ &\quad + d(f_N(x), f_N(x_0)) \\ &\quad + d(f_N(x_0), f(x_0)) \\ &< \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} = \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore d(f(x), f(x_0)) < \varepsilon$

$\Rightarrow f(x) \in B(f(x_0), \varepsilon)$

$\Rightarrow f(U) \subset B(f(x_0), \varepsilon)$

Hence the claim

$\therefore f(U) \subset V$

$\therefore f$ is continuous.

① Prove that \mathbb{R}^ω in the box topology is not metrizable.

Sol: We shall show that the sequence lemma does not hold for \mathbb{R}^ω .

Let A be a subset of \mathbb{R}^ω consisting of those points all of whose coordinates are positive.

$$A = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) \mid x_i > 0 \text{ for all } i \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}$$

Let 0 be the origin in \mathbb{R}^ω

is The point $(0, 0, 0, \dots)$ each of whose coordinates is zero.

In the box topology, $0 \in \bar{A}$

If $B = (a_1, b_1) \times (a_2, b_2) \times \dots$ is any basis element containing 0 , then B intersects A

For instance, the point $(\frac{1}{2}b_1, \frac{1}{2}b_2, \dots) \in B \cap A$

We prove that there is no sequence of points of A converging to 0 .

For let (a_n) be a sequence of points of A
where $a_n = \{x_{1n}, x_{2n}, x_{3n}, \dots, x_{in}, \dots\}$

Each coordinate x_{in} is positive.

So we can construct a basis element B' for the box topology on \mathbb{R} by setting

$$B' = (-x_{11}, x_{11}) \times (-x_{22}, x_{22}) \times \dots$$

Then B' contains the origin 0 , but it contains no member of the sequence $\{a_n\}$.

The point $a_n \notin B'$ because its n th coordinate x_{nn} does not belong to the interval $(-x_{nn}, x_{nn})$.

Hence the sequence $\{a_n\}$ cannot converge to 0 in the box topology.

Thus \mathbb{R}^ω in the box topology is not metrizable.