

Def 1.6 A topology is a subset $\tau \subseteq P(X)$ with 3 properties

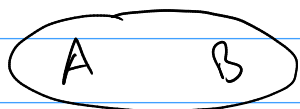
(i) $\emptyset \in \tau, X \in \tau$

(ii) If $\{U_i\} \subseteq \tau$ then $\cup U_i \in \tau$

(iii) If $\{U_i\}_{i=1, \dots, n} \subseteq \tau$ then $\cap U_i \in \tau$.

A set that "belongs to the topology" is called "open"

Most basic example. $X = \{A, B\}$



$$\tau = \{\emptyset, X\}$$

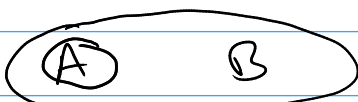
closed X, \emptyset

Trivial topology

Connected: \checkmark

metrisable: \times

Hausdorff: \times



$$\tau = \{\emptyset, \{A\}, X\}$$

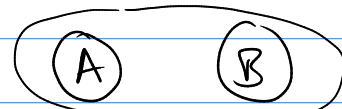
$X, \{B\}, \emptyset$

Sierpiński space

Connected: \checkmark

metrisable: \times

Hausdorff: \times



$$\tau = \{\emptyset, \{A\}, \{B\}, X\} = P(X)$$

$X, \{B\}, \{A\}, \emptyset$

Discrete topology

\times

$$d(A,A) = d(B,B) = 0 \quad d(A,B) = 1$$

$\{A\}$ is a n'hood of A
 $\{B\}$ is a n'hood of B

Terminology.

Neighbourhood of x / Umgebung = an open set containing x

Cover / Überdeckung = a collection of open sets, whose union is X

$\{\{A\}, \{B\}\}$ is a cover of the discrete space

Closed / abgeschlossen $A = X \setminus A$ is an open set

Closure of V is the smallest closed set that contains V .

Trivial $V = \{A\} \quad \bar{V} = X$

Discrete $V = \{A\} \quad \bar{V} = \{A\}$

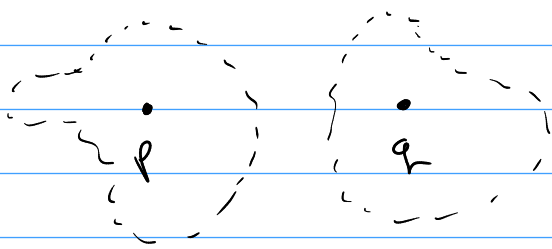
Sierpiński $V = \{A\} \quad \bar{V} = X$

Closed sets of Sierpiński
 $X, \{B\}, \emptyset$

Weak / strong
"coarse / fine"

If $\tau_1 \subseteq \tau_2$ then τ_1 is called weaker than τ_2

Hausdorff



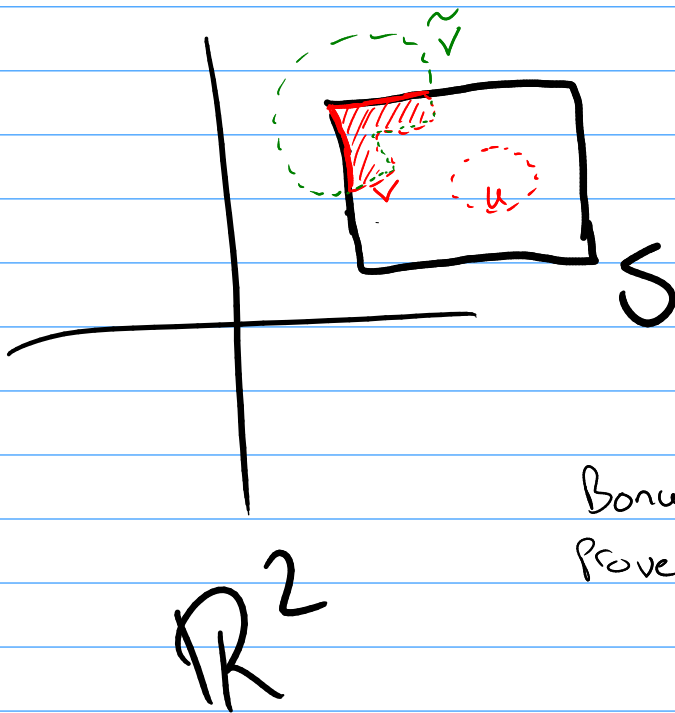
If every open nhood of p and q intersect,
 X is not Hausdorff

- Useful fact • every metric space is Hausdorff.
• every subspace of a metric space is a metric space.

Subspaces

(X, τ_X) is a topological space

$$\text{If } Y \subset X \quad \tau_Y := \{ U \mid U = Y \cap V \text{ and } V \in \tau_X \}$$



U is an open set of S ,
because $U = U \cap S$
↑ open in \mathbb{R}^2

\tilde{V} is open set of \mathbb{R}^2

$V = \tilde{V} \cap S$ so V is open in S .

Bonus exercise for you to try later:
Prove τ_Y is a topology.

Let $I = [0, 1) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$

What are the open and closed sets of I ?

- I is open in I because $I = I \cap (-1, 1)$
- $(0.5, 1)$ is open in I because $(0.5, 1)$ is open in \mathbb{R} and $(0.5, 1) = I \cap (0.5, 1)$
- If U is an open set of \mathbb{R} and $U \subset I$ then U is an open set of I . $U = I \cap U$
eg $U = (0.3, 0.5) \cup (0.7, 0.9)$
- $[0, 0.5)$ is open in I because $[0, 0.5) = I \cap \underbrace{(-1, 0.5)}_{\text{open in } \mathbb{R}}$
- $[0, a)$ and (a, b) are open in I , $0 \leq a < b \leq 1$.
- Claim: all open sets of I are unions of intervals of these forms.

Idea: Basis of topology

Often, the open sets of a space can be written as the union of a special type of open set.

eg if we want to prove "for every $x \in I$ there exist an neighbourhood of x ..."

\Rightarrow instead prove for neighbourhoods of the form (a, b) or $[0, b)$.

Common example. $x \in \mathbb{R}^3$ take any open neighbourhood U of x .

$\exists \varepsilon > 0$ so that $B(x, \varepsilon) \subset U$.

prove something about $B(x, \varepsilon)$