

TOPOLOGY HOMEWORK PROBLEMS
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Please provide plenty of details! Pix are definitely kewl (☺).

- (1) Define $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{d} \mathbb{R}$ by $d(m, n) := \left| \frac{1}{m} - \frac{1}{n} \right|$.
 - (a) Verify that d is a distance function on \mathbb{N} .
 - (b) Is the sequence $(n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ a Cauchy sequence in (\mathbb{N}, d) ? Does it converge in (\mathbb{N}, d) ?
- (2) Consider the identity map $(X, d_1) \xrightarrow{\text{id}} (X, d_2)$ where d_1 and d_2 are distance functions on some non-empty set X . Give conditions (both necessary and sufficient, if possible) that describe when: id is a continuous map, id is an open map, id is a homeomorphism.
- (3) Let $S \xrightarrow{f} X$ be a function from some set S to some set X . Suppose d is a distance function on X . Define $d_f : S \times S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $d_f(s, t) := d(f(s), f(t))$. Determine conditions on f that guarantee that d_f is a distance function on S . (The metric d_f is called the **pullback of d by f** .)
- (4) Let P be *any* set of positive numbers. Prove that there exists a metric space (X, d) with the property that $\{d(x, y) \mid x, y \in X\} = P \cup \{0\}$.
- (5) List the distinct topologies on the set $\{a, b\}$.
- (6) List the distinct topologies on the set $\{a, b, c\}$.
- (7) Let \mathcal{C} be a collection of subsets of some set X . Prove that there is a unique smallest topology on X that contains \mathcal{C} ; this is called the **topology generated by \mathcal{C}** .
- (8) Let $\{\mathcal{T}_\alpha\}$ be a collection of topologies on some non-empty set X .
 - (a) Prove that $\bigcap_\alpha \mathcal{T}_\alpha$ is a topology on X . Is $\bigcup_\alpha \mathcal{T}_\alpha$ a topology on X ?
 - (b) Show that there is a unique smallest topology on X that contains each of the \mathcal{T}_α , and there is a unique largest topology on X that is contained in each \mathcal{T}_α .
 - (c) Suppose $X := \{a, b, c\}$ and $\mathcal{T}_1 := \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$, $\mathcal{T}_2 := \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$. Find the smallest topology on X that contains both \mathcal{T}_1 and \mathcal{T}_2 , and the largest topology on X contained in each of \mathcal{T}_1 and \mathcal{T}_2 .
- (9) Let \mathcal{B} be a basis for some topology \mathcal{T} . Prove that \mathcal{T} is the topology generated by \mathcal{B} .
- (10) Let \mathcal{B} be a basis for some topology \mathcal{T} on some set X . Prove that for each $A \subset X$, the following are equivalent:
 - (a) $A \in \mathcal{T}$.
 - (b) $\forall a \in A, \exists U \in \mathcal{T}$ such that $a \in U \subset A$.
 - (c) A is the union of elements of \mathcal{T} .
 - (d) $\forall a \in A, \exists B \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $a \in B \subset A$.
 - (e) A is the union of elements of \mathcal{B} .
 Formulate a **Lemma** that gives both (b) \iff (c) and (d) \iff (e).

- (11) Prove that each of the following collections is a basis for the standard topology on \mathbb{R} .
- (a) $\{(a, b) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R} \text{ with } a < b\}$.
 - (b) $\{(p, q) \mid p, q \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ with } p < q\}$.
 - (c) $\{(r + 1/n, r - 1/n) \mid r \in \mathbb{Q}, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$.

Notice that the latter two collections are countable!

- (12) Demonstrate that $\{[a, b) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R} \text{ with } a < b\}$ is a basis for a topology \mathcal{T}_{low} (called the **lower limit topology**) on \mathbb{R} . Often we write \mathbb{R}_{low} to indicate the set \mathbb{R} together with its lower limit topology.

Is the collection $\{(p, q) \mid p, q \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ with } p < q\}$ a basis for the lower limit topology on \mathbb{R} ?

- (13) Show that $\{(r, s) \mid 0 < r < s < 1\} \cup \{[0, r) \cup (s, 1) \mid 0 < r < s < 1\}$ is a basis for a topology on $[0, 1)$. Do you “see” what space we get with this topology?

- (14) Let $p := (0, 1) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and put $X := \mathbb{R} \cup \{p\}$.

(a) Show that $\{(a, b) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R} \text{ with } a < b\} \cup \{(-r, 0) \cup \{p\} \cup (0, r) \mid r > 0\}$ is a basis for a topology on X . (We call X , with this topology, the *line with two origins*.)

(b) Show that $\{(a, b) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R} \text{ with } a < b\} \cup \{X \setminus [-r, r] \mid r > 0\}$ is a basis for a topology on X . Do you “see” what space X is with this topology?

- (15) Let $p := (0, 0, 1) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and put $X := \mathbb{R}^2 \cup \{p\}$. Show that

$$\{\mathbb{B}^2(z; r) \mid z \in \mathbb{R}^2, r > 0\} \cup \{X \setminus \mathbb{D}^2(z; r) \mid z \in \mathbb{R}^2, r > 0\}$$

is a basis for a topology on X . Do you “see” what space X is with this topology?

- (16) Let \mathcal{S} be a collection of subsets of some set X . Let \mathcal{B} be the collection of all sets that can be expressed as a finite intersection of elements of \mathcal{S} ; thus $B \in \mathcal{B}$ if and only if there are $S_1, \dots, S_n \in \mathcal{S}$ with $B = S_1 \cap \dots \cap S_n$.

If \mathcal{B} is a basis for some topology \mathcal{T} on X , then we call \mathcal{S} a **subbasis for \mathcal{T}** . What conditions on \mathcal{S} and/or \mathcal{T} ensure that \mathcal{S} is a subbasis for \mathcal{T} ?

Prove that if a collection \mathcal{S} of subsets of some set X is a subbasis for a topology \mathcal{T} on X , then \mathcal{T} is the topology generated by \mathcal{S} . (Recall (#7).) When does the converse hold?

- (17) Prove that $\mathcal{S} := \{(a, \infty) \mid a \in \mathbb{R}\} \cup \{(-\infty, b) \mid b \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is a subbasis for the standard topology on \mathbb{R} .

- (18) Let \mathcal{H} be the collection of all open half-planes in \mathbb{R}^2 each determined by a horizontal or vertical line. Prove that \mathcal{H} is a subbasis for the standard topology on \mathbb{R}^2 .

- (19) Let $\mathcal{C} := \mathcal{C}([0, 1], \mathbb{R}) := \{[0, 1] \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is continuous}\}$. For each $x \in [0, 1]$ and each open $U \subset \mathbb{R}$, put

$$S(x; U) := \{f \in \mathcal{C} \mid f(x) \in U\}.$$

Prove that $\mathcal{S} := \{S(x; U) \mid x \in [0, 1], U \subset \mathbb{R} \text{ open}\}$ is a subbasis for a topology \mathcal{T}_{po} on \mathcal{C} ; we call \mathcal{T}_{po} the **point-open topology** on $\mathcal{C}([0, 1], \mathbb{R})$.

Prove that a sequence $(f_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ in \mathcal{C} converges to some $f \in \mathcal{C}$ with respect to the point-open topology \mathcal{T}_{po} if and only if $(f_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges pointwise to f on $[0, 1]$. (For this reason, \mathcal{T}_{po} is often called the **topology of pointwise convergence**.)

What happens if we replace $[0, 1]$ by \mathbb{R} ? What can you say about convergence in $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ with respect to its point-open topology?

- (20) Let $\mathcal{C} := \mathcal{C}([0, 1], \mathbb{R}) := \{[0, 1] \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is continuous}\}$. For each compact $C \subset [0, 1]$ and each open $U \subset \mathbb{R}$, put

$$S(C; U) := \{f \in \mathcal{C} \mid f(C) \in U\}.$$

Prove that $\mathcal{S} := \{S(C; U) \mid C \subset [0, 1] \text{ compact}, U \subset \mathbb{R} \text{ open}\}$ is a subbasis for a topology \mathcal{T}_{co} on \mathcal{C} ; we call \mathcal{T}_{co} the **compact-open topology** on $\mathcal{C}([0, 1], \mathbb{R})$.

Prove that a sequence $(f_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ in \mathcal{C} converges to some $f \in \mathcal{C}$ with respect to the compact-open topology \mathcal{T}_{co} if and only if $(f_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges uniformly to f on $[0, 1]$. (For this reason, the compact-open topology \mathcal{T}_{co} , on $\mathcal{C}([0, 1], \mathbb{R})$, could be called the **topology of uniform convergence** on $\mathcal{C}([0, 1], \mathbb{R})$.)

What happens if we replace $[0, 1]$ by \mathbb{R} ? What can you say about convergence in $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ with respect to its compact-open topology?

- (21) Let (X, d) be a metric space. Prove that $X \times X \xrightarrow{d} \mathbb{R}$ is continuous.
- (22) Let $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ be a map between topological spaces. Suppose \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{S} are a basis and a subbasis (respectively) for the topology on Y . Demonstrate that the following are equivalent:
- (a) f is continuous.
 - (b) $\forall B \in \mathcal{B}, f^{-1}(B)$ is open in X .
 - (c) $\forall S \in \mathcal{S}, f^{-1}(S)$ is open in X .

- (23) Consider the identity map $(X, \mathcal{T}_1) \xrightarrow{\text{id}} (X, \mathcal{T}_2)$ where \mathcal{T}_1 and \mathcal{T}_2 are topologies on some non-empty set X . Give conditions (both necessary and sufficient, if possible) that describe when: id is a continuous map, id is an open map, id is a homeomorphism.

Recall that U is a **neighborhood** of a point x (in some topological space) provided U is open and $x \in U$. If U happens to belong to an understood basis, we also call it a **basis neighborhood**.

We say that a map f is continuous at a point x (in some topological space) provided for each neighborhood V of $f(x)$ there is a neighborhood U of x such that $f(U) \subset V$. Here either (or both) of the terms ‘neighborhood’ can be replaced by ‘basis neighborhood’. Right?

- (24) Prove that a map $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ between topological spaces is continuous if and only if for each x in X , f is continuous at x .
- (25) Let X, Z be topological spaces. Assume $A \subset X, B \subset Y \subset Z$ are each given their subspace topologies. Let $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ be continuous.
- (a) Prove that the inclusion map $A \xrightarrow{j} X$, defined by $j(x) := x$, is continuous.
 - (b) Prove that $A \xrightarrow{f|_A} Y$ is continuous.
 - (c) If $f(X) \subset B$, prove that $X \xrightarrow{f} B$ is continuous.
 - (c) Prove that $X \xrightarrow{f} Z$ is continuous.

Thus restricting the domain or restricting the target or expanding the target does not destroy continuity!

- (26) Let $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ be a map between two sets. Suppose that Y is a topological space. Find the smallest (i.e., coarsest) topology on X that makes f a continuous map. (Hint: What sets must be open?)

A map $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ is called an **embedding** if $X \xrightarrow{f} f(X)$ is a homeomorphism.

- (27) Define $\mathbb{S}^1 \times \mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}^2$ by $f(z, r) := e^r z$. Prove that f is an embedding. What is $f(\mathbb{S}^1 \times \mathbb{R})$?

Construct a similar embedding $\mathbb{S}^n \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$, and determine the image of $\mathbb{S}^n \times \mathbb{R}$.

- (28) Define $\mathbb{D}^2 \xrightarrow{F} \mathbb{R}^3$ by

$$(x, y, z) := F(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) := (k(r) \cos \theta, k(r) \sin \theta, h(r))$$

where, for $0 \leq r \leq 1$,

$$h(r) := 2r - 1 \quad \text{and} \quad k(r) := \sqrt{1 - h(r)^2}.$$

- (a) Explain why F maps the circle $\mathbb{S}^1(0; r)$ to a circle in \mathbb{R}^3 at ‘height’ $h(r)$.
 (b) Prove that F is continuous and determine $F(\mathbb{D}^2)$.
 (c) Is $F : \mathbb{D}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ an embedding?
 (d) Is $F : \mathbb{B}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ an embedding?
- (29) In each of the following lists, determine which spaces are homeomorphic to which; construct the maps!
 (a) $(0, 1), (0, 1], [0, 1], \mathbb{R}$
 (b) $\mathbb{B}^2, \mathbb{D}^2, \mathbb{R}^2, \mathbb{S}^2 \setminus \{\text{pt}\}, \mathbb{S}_+^2 := \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{S}^2 \mid z \geq 0\}$
- (30) Classify, up to homeomorphisms, the non-empty intervals (open, closed, neither, finite, or infinite) in \mathbb{R} .
- (31) Let (X, \mathcal{T}) and (Y, \mathcal{U}) be topological spaces. Show that the collection

$$\mathcal{B} := \{U \times V \mid U \in \mathcal{T}, V \in \mathcal{U}\}$$

is a basis for a topology on $X \times Y$.

This is called the **product topology** on $X \times Y$. A word of caution is in order here: this description of the product topology is only valid for finite products. That is, if $(X_1, \mathcal{T}_1), \dots, (X_n, \mathcal{T}_n)$ are topological spaces, then

$$\mathcal{B} := \{U_1 \times \dots \times U_n \mid U_i \in \mathcal{T}_i\}$$

is a basis for the product topology on $X_1 \times \dots \times X_n$. But this is **not** the correct definition for the product topology on an *infinite* product space.

- (32) Let (X, \mathcal{T}) and (Y, \mathcal{U}) be topological spaces. Show that the collection

$$\mathcal{S} := \{U \times Y \mid U \in \mathcal{T}\} \cup \{X \times V \mid V \in \mathcal{U}\}$$

is a subbasis for the product topology on $X \times Y$.

- (33) Prove that the usual (metric) topology on $\mathbb{R}^2 := \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ is the same as the product topology. That is, show that the appropriate identity map is a homeomorphism.

(34) Prove that a subspace of a Hausdorff space is Hausdorff, and that a product of two Hausdorff spaces is Hausdorff.

(35) Prove that a topological space X is a Hausdorff space if and only if

$$\Delta := \{(x, x) \mid x \in X\} \text{ is a closed subset of } X \times X.$$

(36) Show that the Continuity Test (part of the Characteristic Property) for Product Spaces fails if we use the “box topology” instead of the product topology.

(37) Let X be a topological space, Λ a non-empty set, and consider the product space X^Λ . Thus

$$X^\Lambda = \prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda \text{ where each set } X_\lambda := X.$$

Consider the map $X \xrightarrow{f} X^\Lambda$ defined by $f(x) := (x_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$ where each $x_\lambda := x$.

Is f an embedding?

(38) Let $\{(X_\lambda, \mathcal{T}_\lambda) \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ be a collection of topological spaces. Let $\prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda \xrightarrow{\pi_\mu} X_\mu$ denote the usual projection map. Prove that π_μ is a continuous open map.

(39) Let $\{(X_\lambda, \mathcal{T}_\lambda) \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ be a collection of topological spaces. Suppose $\prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda \xrightarrow{f} Y$ is continuous. Demonstrate that for each $\mu \in \Lambda$ and each fixed $(a_\lambda) \in \prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda$, the map $X_\mu \xrightarrow{f_\mu} Y$ defined by

$$f_\mu(x) := f((x_\lambda)) \text{ where } x_\mu := x \text{ and for } \lambda \neq \mu, x_\lambda := a_\lambda$$

is continuous. Does the converse hold? (This is an Advanced Calculus question!)

(40) Let $\{(X_\lambda, \mathcal{T}_\lambda) \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ be a collection of topological spaces. Suppose that for each $\lambda \in \Lambda$ there is a non-empty subset $A_\lambda \subset X_\lambda$. Prove that

$$\text{int} \left[\prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A_\lambda \right] \subseteq \prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{int}[A_\lambda]$$

and equality may not hold, but always

$$\text{cl} \left[\prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A_\lambda \right] = \prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{cl}[A_\lambda].$$

What happens if we use the “box topology” on $\prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda$?

(41) Recall that we can view the product set $\mathbb{R}^\mathbb{N}$ as the set of all sequences in \mathbb{R} . Let \mathbb{R}^∞ denote the subset of $\mathbb{R}^\mathbb{N}$ that consists of all sequences that are ‘eventually zero’. Thus $(a_n)_1^\infty$ belongs to \mathbb{R}^∞ precisely when there exists an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n \geq N$, $a_n = 0$.

Determine the closure of \mathbb{R}^∞ with respect to each of the product and box topologies on $\mathbb{R}^\mathbb{N}$.

(42) Let $\{(X_\lambda, \mathcal{T}_\lambda) \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ be a collection of topological spaces and $\{Z \xrightarrow{g_\lambda} X_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ a collection of continuous maps. Prove that there is a unique continuous map

$$Z \xrightarrow{g} \prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda$$

with the property that for all $\lambda \in \Lambda$, $g_\lambda = \pi_\lambda \circ g$ (here π_λ are the usual projections).

- (43) Let $\{Z_\lambda \xrightarrow{f_\lambda} X_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ a collection of continuous maps. Prove that there is a unique continuous map

$$Z := \prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} Z_\lambda \xrightarrow{f} \prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda =: X$$

with the property that for all $\lambda \in \Lambda$, $\rho_\lambda = \pi_\lambda \circ f$; here $\pi_\lambda : X \rightarrow X_\lambda$ and $\rho_\lambda : Z \rightarrow Z_\lambda$ are the usual projections. We write $f := \prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} f_\lambda$.

Deduce that when each f_λ is a homeomorphism, so is f .

- (44) Let $\{(X_\lambda, \mathcal{T}_\lambda) \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ be a collection of topological spaces. Suppose for each $\lambda \in \Lambda$, Z_λ is a subspace of X_λ . Prove that

$$\prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} Z_\lambda \text{ is a subspace of } \prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda.$$

- (45) Prove that for any topological spaces X, Y, Z

$$X \times Y \approx Y \times X \quad \text{and} \quad (X \times Y) \times Z \approx X \times (Y \times Z).$$

- (46) Use pictures to show that $[0, 1] \times [0, 1] \approx (0, 1) \times [0, 1]$.

Thus while \times , is “associative” and “commutative”, there is no “cancellation law”.

- (47) Let X, Y be the closed annuli with *matched* and *mismatched fins* pictured in Figure 1. Draw sketches that suggest a homeomorphism between $X \times [0, 1]$ and $Y \times [0, 1]$. Are X and Y homeomorphic?

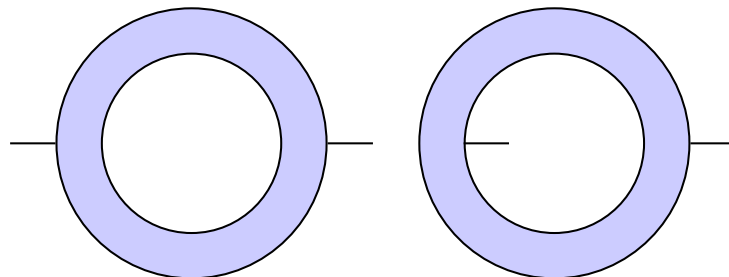
- (48) Let W denote the “torus surface” (i.e., the tire tube space in \mathbb{R}^3) with an open disk removed (from the surface). Let Z denote the closed unit disk with two smaller open disks removed. Draw sketches that suggest a homeomorphism between $W \times [0, 1]$ and $Z \times [0, 1]$. Are W and X homeomorphic?

- (49) Show that for *any* two topological spaces X and Y , there exists a space Z such that $X \times Z \approx Y \times Z$.

- (50) Let L be a line in the plane \mathbb{R}^2 . Describe the subspace topologies on $L \subset \mathbb{R}_{\text{low}} \times \mathbb{R}$ and on $L \subset \mathbb{R}_{\text{low}} \times \mathbb{R}_{\text{low}}$. (These are familiar topologies!)

- (51) The *dictionary order* \prec on \mathbb{R}^2 is defined by

$$(x, y) \prec (x', y') \iff x < x' \text{ or } x = x' \text{ and } y < y'.$$



X with matched fins Y with mismatched fins

FIGURE 1. Closed annuli with fins

This defines a *total ordering* \preceq on \mathbb{R}^2 , and this total ordering induces the so-called *dictionary order topology* \mathcal{T}_{do} on \mathbb{R}^2 . (See Lee, especially problem (2-12) on p.37.)

We write $\mathbb{R}_{\text{do}}^2 := (\mathbb{R}^2, \mathcal{T}_{\text{do}})$ to denote the set \mathbb{R}^2 with its dictionary order topology.

Compare the following topologies on \mathbb{R}^2 :

- (a) \mathcal{T}_{do}
- (b) the standard topology
- (c) the product topology on $\mathbb{R}_{\text{disc}} \times \mathbb{R}$
- (d) the topology described in problem (2-5) on p.37 of Lee

- (52) The *dictionary order* on \mathbb{I}^2 is just the restriction of the dictionary order on \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{I}^2 , and so \mathbb{I}^2 also has a *dictionary order topology*.

Compare the following topologies on \mathbb{I}^2 :

- (a) the standard topology
- (b) the dictionary order topology
- (c) the subspace topology that \mathbb{I}^2 inherits as a subset of \mathbb{R}_{do}^2

- (53) Define an equivalence relation on \mathbb{R} by writing $x \sim y$ if $y - x \in \mathbb{Q}$. Prove that \mathbb{R}/\sim is an uncountable space with the trivial (i.e., indiscrete) topology.

- (54) Define an equivalence relation on \mathbb{R}^2 by writing $(x, y) \sim (x', y')$ if $x' - x \in \mathbb{Z}$. Prove that \mathbb{R}^2/\sim is a surface (i.e., a 2-manifold). What surface is it?

- (55) Define an equivalence relation on \mathbb{R}^2 by writing $(x, y) \sim (x', y')$ if $n := x' - x \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $y' = (-1)^n y$. Prove that \mathbb{R}^2/\sim is a surface (i.e., a 2-manifold). What is it?

- (56) There are four different ways of describing the **2-dimensional torus** \mathbb{T}^2 .

- as the product space $\mathbb{T}^2 := \mathbb{S}^1 \times \mathbb{S}^1$, a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2$;
- as the **tire tube surface** $\mathbb{T}\mathbb{T}$ in \mathbb{R}^3 obtained by rotating the circle $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : (y - 2)^2 + z^2 = 1, x = 0\}$ about the z -axis; or, more simply,

$$\mathbb{T}\mathbb{T} := \{(x, y, z) : (2 - \sqrt{x^2 + y^2})^2 + z^2 = 1\};$$
- as the quotient space \mathbb{I}^2/\sim where $(x, 0) \sim (x, 1)$ and $(0, y) \sim (1, y)$, which is called the **flat torus**;
- as the orbit space \mathbb{R}^2/Γ where Γ is the group of all horizontal and vertical translations $(x, y) \mapsto (x + m, y + n)$ with $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$; equivalently, \mathbb{R}^2/\sim where $(x + 1, y) \sim (x, y) \sim (x, y + 1)$.

Demonstrate that these four spaces are homeomorphic.

- (57) The **Klein bottle** $\mathbb{K}\mathbb{B}$ is the quotient space obtained from the square \mathbb{I}^2 via the boundary identifications $(0, y) \sim (1, 1 - y)$ and $(x, 0) \sim (x, 1)$. Prove that $\mathbb{K}\mathbb{B}$ is a surface.

- (58) Let A be a non-degenerate closed annulus in the plane and define an equivalence relation on A by identifying antipodal points on the outer circle and also identifying antipodal points on the inner circle. Show that the resulting quotient space is homeomorphic to the Klein bottle $\mathbb{K}\mathbb{B}$.

- (59) Let M be the quotient space obtained from the cube $(-1, 1) \times (-1, 1) \times [-1, 1] \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ by identifying, for each $(x, y) \in (-1, 1)^2$, the points $(x, y, 1)$ and $(-x, y, -1)$. Prove that M is a 3-manifold. (You may stipulate that M is Hausdorff and second countable.)

- (60) The **disjoint union** $X := \coprod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda$ of an indexed collection of sets $\{X_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ is characterized by the following two properties:

(i) For each $\lambda \in \Lambda$, there exist an ‘injection’ $X_\lambda \xrightarrow{j_\lambda} X$.

(ii) For all sets Z and all functions $X_\lambda \xrightarrow{h_\lambda} Z$, there exist a unique function $X \xrightarrow{h} Z$ such that for all $\lambda \in \Lambda$, $h_\lambda = h \circ j_\lambda$.

You could/should show that for each $x \in X$, there exists a $\lambda \in \Lambda$ and a point $x_\lambda \in X_\lambda$ with $j_\lambda(x_\lambda) = x$; moreover, if $j_\lambda(x_\lambda) = j_\mu(x_\mu)$, then $\lambda = \mu$ and $x_\lambda = x_\mu$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_\lambda & \xrightarrow{j_\lambda} & X \\ & \searrow h_\lambda & \swarrow h \\ & Z & \end{array}$$

(a) Check that when the sets X_λ are disjoint (i.e., for all $\lambda, \mu \in \Lambda$ with $\lambda \neq \mu$, $X_\lambda \cap X_\mu = \emptyset$), we can take $X = \bigcup_\lambda X_\lambda$ (the usual union) and for j_λ we can use the natural inclusion $X_\lambda \hookrightarrow \bigcup_\lambda X_\lambda$.

In practice we can always replace each set X_λ with $X_\lambda \times \{\lambda\}$ to obtain disjoint sets. Then $X := \bigcup_\lambda (X_\lambda \times \{\lambda\})$ serves as the disjoint union $\coprod_\lambda X_\lambda$, and the ‘injections’ $j_\lambda : X_\lambda \rightarrow X$ can be defined by $j_\lambda(x) := (x, \lambda)$.

Now let $\{X_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ be a collection of topological spaces. The **disjoint union topology** \mathcal{T}_{du} on $X := \coprod_\lambda X_\lambda$ is the largest (i.e., finest) topology on X with the property that each ‘injection’ $j_\lambda : X_\lambda \rightarrow X$ is continuous. Thus (one can prove that) $U \subset X$ is open in X if and only if for all $\lambda \in \Lambda$, $j_\lambda^{-1}(U)$ is open in X_λ . This means that all of the ‘topological stuff’ occurs in each space X_λ separately.

(b) Check that when the sets X_λ are disjoint, a subset of X is open (i.e., belongs to \mathcal{T}_{du}) if and only if its intersection with each X_λ is open in X_λ , and a subset of X is closed if and only if its intersection with each X_λ is closed in X_λ .

(c) Prove that each ‘injection’ $X_\lambda \xrightarrow{j_\lambda} X$ is an embedding. Because of this fact, typically one identifies X_λ with its image $j_\lambda(X_\lambda) \subset X$.

(d) Prove the following **Continuity Test** for the disjoint union topology on $X := \coprod_\lambda X_\lambda$.

For every topological space Z ,

$$X \xrightarrow{f} Z \text{ is continuous} \iff \forall \lambda \in \Lambda, X_\lambda \xrightarrow{f \circ j_\lambda} Z \text{ is continuous.}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_\lambda & \xrightarrow{j_\lambda} & X \\ & \searrow f_\lambda & \swarrow f \\ & Z & \end{array}$$

(e) Prove that the disjoint union topology is the unique topology on X that enjoys the property given in part (c).

(61) For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $X_n := (0, 1)$. Check that $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Z} \approx \coprod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} X_n$. (This is not \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} !)

(62) For each of the following sets X_n , describe a set $E \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ such that $E \approx \coprod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} X_n$.
 $X_n := \mathbb{I}$ or \mathbb{S}^1 or \mathbb{B}^2 or \mathbb{I}^2 or \mathbb{R} .

(63) For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let H_n be the hyperbola in \mathbb{R}^2 described by $xy = 1/n$. Let A be the union of the two coordinate axes in \mathbb{R}^2 . Determine whether or not $A \sqcup \coprod_n H_n$ and $A \cup \bigcup_n H_n \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ are homeomorphic. (Hint: Argue that any homeomorphism would have to map A to A and thus map $\coprod_n H_n$ to $\bigcup_n H_n$, but ...)

Describe a set $E \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ such that $E \approx A \sqcup \coprod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} H_n$.

(64) Let $\{X_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ be a collection of topological spaces. Select points $a_\lambda \in X_\lambda$ and put $A = \{a_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$. The **wedge** of the spaces X_λ (with respect to the points a_λ) is defined by

$$\bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda := X/A = X/\sim \quad \text{where} \quad X := \coprod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda$$

and $a_\lambda \sim a_\mu$ for all $\lambda, \mu \in \Lambda$. Thus a set in $\bigvee_\lambda X_\lambda$ is open (or closed) if and only if its intersection with each X_λ is open (or closed, resp.) in X_λ .

(a) Consider topological spaces X and Y with distinguished points $a \in X$ and $b \in Y$. Demonstrate that

$$X \vee Y \approx (X \times \{b\}) \cup (\{a\} \times Y),$$

where the latter space is regarded as a subspace of $X \times Y$.

(b) Formulate a conjecture regarding $X \vee Y \vee Z$. What about $X_1 \vee \dots \vee X_n$?

(65) Give a ‘geometric’ description for the following spaces:

$$\mathbb{R}/[0, 1], \mathbb{R}/(0, 1), \mathbb{R}/\{0, 1\}, \mathbb{R}/\{0, 1\}.$$

For example, in class we proved that $\mathbb{R}/[0, 1] \approx \mathbb{R}$ and we gave a conjecture (but no proof) that $\mathbb{R}/\{0, 1\} \approx \mathbb{R} \vee S^1 \vee \mathbb{R}$.

(66) Let Z be a closed subspace of X and suppose $Z \xrightarrow{\varphi} Y$ is continuous. We construct a space $Y \sqcup_\varphi X$, called the **adjunction of X to Y via φ** , by attaching X to Y using φ as follows:

$$Y \sqcup_\varphi X \text{ is the quotient space } (X \sqcup Y)/z \sim \varphi(z);$$

a more precise description of the equivalence relation is that $u \sim v$ if either (i) $u = v$ or (ii) $u, v \in Z$ and $\varphi(u) = \varphi(v)$ or (iii) $u \in Z$ and $v = \varphi(u) \in Y$.

There are natural maps $X \xrightarrow{q_X} Y \sqcup_\varphi X$ and $Y \xrightarrow{q_Y} Y \sqcup_\varphi X$ obtained by precomposing the quotient map $(X \sqcup Y) \xrightarrow{q} (Y \sqcup_\varphi X)$ with the natural inclusions $X \xrightarrow{i} X \sqcup Y$ and $Y \xrightarrow{j} X \sqcup Y$ respectively.

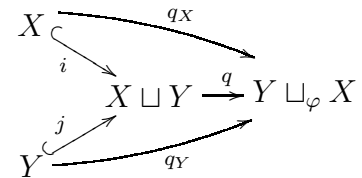
(a) Prove that the natural map $Y \xrightarrow{q_Y} Y \sqcup_\varphi X$ is an embedding onto a closed subspace.

(b) Prove that the natural map $X \setminus Z \xrightarrow{q_X|} Y \sqcup_\varphi X$ is an embedding onto an open subspace.

Here $q_X| := q_X|_{X \setminus Z}$.

(c) Suppose $X \xrightarrow{f} W$ and $Y \xrightarrow{g} W$ are continuous maps with $f|_Z = g \circ \varphi$. Demonstrate that there is a unique map $\Psi : Y \sqcup_\varphi X \rightarrow W$ with the property that

$$\Psi \circ q_X = f \quad \text{and} \quad \Psi \circ q_Y = g.$$



(67) One of the main objects of interest to algebraic geometers is so-called ***n-dimensional projective space*** which is defined by $\mathbb{P}^n := \mathbb{S}^n / \sim$ where $x \sim -x$; i.e., we identify so-called antipodal points x and $-x$. (Actually, this is *real* projective space; there is also a complex projective space. Moreover, algebraic geometers use a somewhat different, albeit homeomorphic, description of projective space.)

(a) Prove that \mathbb{P}^n is homeomorphic to the quotient space \mathbb{D}^n / \approx where $x \approx y$ if $x = y$ or $x, y \in \partial \mathbb{D}^n = \mathbb{S}^{n-1}$ and $x = -y$ (i.e., we identify boundary antipodal points).

(b) Demonstrate that $\mathbb{P}^1 \approx \mathbb{S}^1$. Do you think that $\mathbb{P}^2 \approx \mathbb{S}^2$?

(c) Find a space X with the property that $X = U \cup B$ where $U \neq \emptyset$ is open in X and B is homeomorphic to $\mathbb{S}^1 = \partial \mathbb{D}^2$, via some homeomorphism φ , and is such that the adjunction space $\mathbb{D}^2 \sqcup_\varphi X$ is (homeomorphic to) \mathbb{P}^2 .

(68) Which of the spaces in Figure 2 below are homeomorphic?

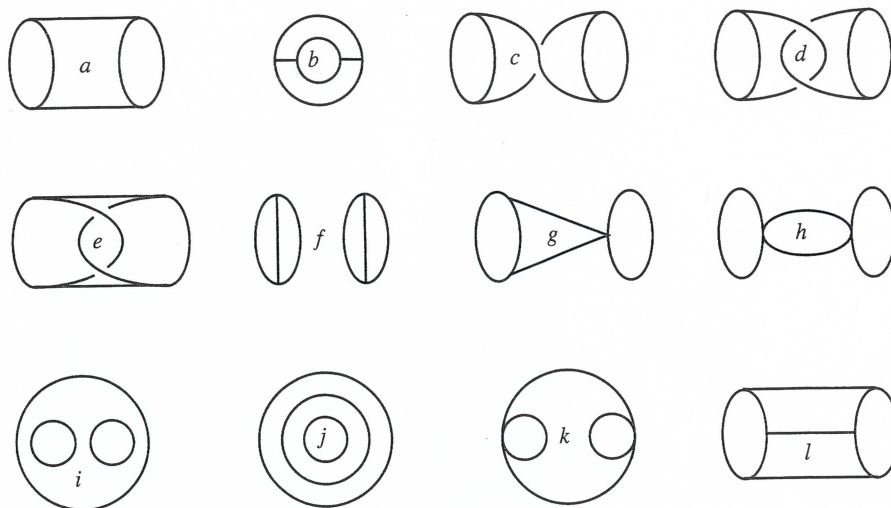


FIGURE 2. Some ‘one-dimensional’ “wire” topological spaces

(69) The **natural comb** NC, **harmonic comb** HC, and **doubled harmonic comb** DHC are the subspaces of \mathbb{R}^2 defined by

$$\text{NC} := ([0, \infty) \times \{0\}) \cup \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} (\{n\} \times [0, 1]) ,$$

$$\text{HC} := ([0, 1] \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times [0, 1]) \cup \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \{1/n\} \times [0, 1] ,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{DHC} := & (\{0\} \times [-1, 1]) \cup ([0, 1] \times \{1\}) \cup \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (\{1/n\} \times [0, 1]) \\ & \cup \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (\{-1/n\} \times [-1, 0]) \cup ([-1, 0] \times \{-1\}) . \end{aligned}$$

(a) Find two of NC, HC, $\text{HC}_0 := \text{HC} \setminus (\{0\} \times \mathbb{I})$, DHC that are homeomorphic.

(b) Find two of the spaces NC, HC, HC_0 , DHC that are not homeomorphic.

(70) The **Hawaiian earring** and **expanding earring** are the subspaces of \mathbb{R}^2 defined by

$$\text{HE} := \bigcup_1^{\infty} \mathbb{S}^1((1/n, 0); 1/n) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{EE} := \bigcup_1^{\infty} \mathbb{S}^1((n, 0); n)$$

where $\mathbb{S}^1(z; r)$ is the circle in \mathbb{R}^2 with center z and radius r .

Which of the following spaces are homeomorphic?

$$\text{HE} , \text{EE} , \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} , \mathbb{I}/\mathbb{M} , \mathbb{R}/\{\pm 2^n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

Here $\mathbb{M} := \{0, 1, 1/2, 1/3, 1/4, \dots\}$.

For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, put $X_n := \mathbb{S}^1$ and let $a_n := (1, 0) \in \mathbb{S}^1$. Set $X := \bigvee_{n \in \mathbb{N}} X_n$. Which of the spaces HE, EE, \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} , \mathbb{I}/\mathbb{M} are homeomorphic to X ?

- (71) Let (A_n) be a sequence (finite or infinite) of connected subspaces of some topological space X . Suppose that for all n , $A_n \cap A_{n+1} \neq \emptyset$. Prove that $\bigcup_n A_n$ is connected.
- (72) Let $\{A_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ be a family of connected subspaces of some topological space X . Suppose A is another connected subspace of X and for all $\lambda \in \Lambda$, $A \cap A_\lambda \neq \emptyset$. Prove that $A \cup \bigcup_\lambda A_\lambda$ is connected.
- (73) Suppose a connected subspace C of X intersects both $A \subset X$ and $X \setminus A$. Prove that C meets ∂A .
- (74) Prove that any uncountable set, with its countable complement topology (see Lee, p.36, #(2-3), \mathcal{T}_3), is a connected space. Characterize its connected and disconnected subspaces.
- (75) Determine the homeomorphism types of connected spaces with exactly three points.
- (76) Describe, up to homeomorphisms, the connected spaces that can be constructed from four compact intervals via identifications among their endpoints.
- (77) A topological space is **totally disconnected** if its only connected subspaces are one-point sets. Show that every discrete space is totally disconnected. Does the converse hold?
- (78) Prove that any product of totally disconnected spaces is totally disconnected.
- (79) Prove that if U is a dense open subset of $\mathbb{I} = [0, 1]$, then $\mathbb{I} \setminus U$ is totally disconnected.
- (80) Let X, Y be connected topological spaces. Suppose $A \subsetneq X$ and $B \subsetneq Y$. Prove that $(X \times Y) \setminus (A \times B)$ is connected.
- (81) Let $X \xrightarrow{p} Y$ be an identification map. Suppose that Y is connected and that for all $y \in Y$, $p^{-1}(y)$ is also connected. Prove that X is connected.
- (82) Let S be a connected subspace of a connected space X . Suppose that $\{A, B\}$ is a separation of $X \setminus S$. Prove that both $A \cup S$ and $B \cup S$ are connected.
- (83) If S is a connected subspace of a topological space X , are either its interior or boundary connected? If both the interior and boundary of S are connected, must S be connected?
- (84) Let $\mathbb{S}^1 \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}$ be continuous. Prove that there exists an $s \in \mathbb{S}^1$ with $f(s) = f(-s)$.
- (85) (a) If A is a path connected subspace of X , is \bar{A} path connected?
 (b) If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous and X is path connected, is $f(X)$ path connected?
 (c) Is a product of path connected spaces path connected?
 (d) If $\{A_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ is a collection of path connected subspaces of X , and $\bigcap_\lambda A_\lambda \neq \emptyset$, is $\bigcup_\lambda A_\lambda$ path connected?
- (86) Show that for *any* countable set $S \subset \mathbb{R}^2$, $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus S$ is path connected.
- (87) Determine the components of the space $(\mathbb{I} \setminus \mathbb{M})^2 = (\mathbb{I} \setminus \mathbb{M}) \times (\mathbb{I} \setminus \mathbb{M})$ where $\mathbb{I} := [0, 1]$ and $\mathbb{M} := \{1/n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$.

- (88) What are the components and path components of \mathbb{R}_{low} ? Describe all continuous maps $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\text{low}}$.

A topological space X is said to be **locally connected at x** (a point of X) provided for each neighborhood U of x there exists a *connected* neighborhood V of x with $V \subset U$. A space X is **locally connected** if it is locally connected at each of its points.

A topological space X is said to be **locally path connected at x** (a point of X) provided for each neighborhood U of x there exists a *path connected* neighborhood V of x with $V \subset U$. A space X is **locally path connected** if it is locally path connected at each of its points.

- (89) The **harmonic rake** HR and **natural rake** NR subspaces of \mathbb{R}^2 are pictured below and defined by

$$\text{HR} := (\{0\} \times [0, 1]) \cup \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} ([c, a_n]) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{NR} := (\{0\} \times [0, 1]) \cup \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} ([c, b_n])$$

where $c := (0, 1)$ and $a_n := (1/n, 0)$ and $b_n := (n, 0)$.

Determine the sets of all points at which HR or NR is locally connected or locally path connected.

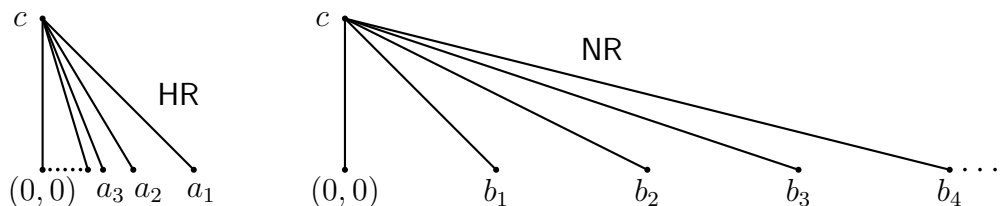


FIGURE 3. The Harmonic and Natural Rakes

- (90) Is local connectivity preserved by continuous maps? By homeomorphisms?
- (91) If S is a locally connected subspace of some space X , is \bar{S} locally connected?
- (92) Find a subset of \mathbb{R}^2 that is path connected but is not locally connected anywhere.
- (93) Prove that for any topological space (X, \mathcal{T}) , the following are equivalent:
- X is locally connected.
 - Every component of every open subspace of X is open.
 - There is a basis for \mathcal{T} consisting of connected sets.
- Formulate (and prove) a similar result for locally path connected spaces.
- (94) Suppose that X is a locally path connected space. Prove that:
- Every open connected subspace of X is path connected.
 - The components and path components of X are exactly the same.
 - All components of X are both open and closed.
- (95) Let $S := \{(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid r \geq 0, \theta \in [0, 2\pi] \cap \mathbb{Q}\}$ (the set of “polar rays with rational radian angle”).
- Prove that S is a connected subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 . Is it path connected?
 - Determine the components of the subspace $S \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$.
 - Is S locally connected?

(96) Prove that a connected metric space having more than one point is uncountable.

(97) Let $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ be a map of topological spaces with Y compact and Hausdorff. Prove that f is continuous if and only if the *graph of f* ,

$$G_f := \{(x, f(x)) \mid x \in X\}$$

is a closed subspace of $X \times Y$.

(98) Let A, B be compact subspaces of X, Y respectively. Suppose W is an open set in $X \times Y$ that contains $A \times B$. Prove that there are open sets $U \subset X$ and $V \subset Y$ such that $A \times B \subset U \times V \subset W$.

(99) Let $X \xrightarrow{p} Y$ be a continuous closed surjection. Suppose that Y is compact and that for each $y \in Y$, $p^{-1}(y) \subset X$ is also compact. Prove that X is compact.

(Hint: Show that for any open set $U \supset p^{-1}(y)$ there exists an open neighborhood V of y such that $p^{-1}(V) \subset U$.)

(100) Let X be a metric space and $\emptyset \neq A \subset X$. Recall that the *distance from x to A* is

$$\text{dist}(x, A) := \inf_{a \in A} |x - a|.$$

(a) Prove that $\text{dist}(x, A) = 0$ if and only if $x \in \bar{A}$. Deduce that A is closed if and only if for all $x \in X \setminus A$, $\text{dist}(x, A) > 0$.

(b) Show that when A is compact, for each $x \in X$ there exists an $a \in A$ such that $\text{dist}(x, A) = |x - a|$.

(c) The ε -neighborhood of A is $\mathbf{N}(A; \varepsilon) := \{x \in X \mid \text{dist}(x, A) < \varepsilon\}$.

Show that $\mathbf{N}(A; \varepsilon) = \bigcup_{a \in A} \mathbf{B}(a; \varepsilon)$.

(d) Prove that when A is compact, for each open $U \supset A$ there exists an $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $U \supset \mathbf{N}(A; \varepsilon)$.

(e) Do either (b) or (d) hold for closed sets A ?

(101) Let X be a metric space and $\emptyset \neq A, B \subset X$. Recall that the *distance from A to B* is

$$\text{dist}(A, B) := \inf_{a \in A, b \in B} |a - b|.$$

(a) Prove that when A is compact, B is closed, and $A \cap B = \emptyset$, $\text{dist}(A, B) > 0$.

(b) If A and B are closed with $A \cap B = \emptyset$, is $\text{dist}(A, B) > 0$?

(102) Let X be a metric space and let \mathcal{H} denote the collection of all non-empty closed bounded subsets of X . For $A, B \in \mathcal{H}$, define

$$d_{\mathcal{H}}(A, B) := \inf \{\varepsilon > 0 \mid A \subset \mathbf{N}(B; \varepsilon) \text{ and } B \subset \mathbf{N}(A; \varepsilon)\}.$$

(a) Prove that $d_{\mathcal{H}}$ is a distance function on \mathcal{H} , so $(\mathcal{H}, d_{\mathcal{H}})$ is a metric space.

(b) Show that when X is complete, so is \mathcal{H} .

(c) Show that when X is totally bounded, so is \mathcal{H} .

(d) Show that when X is compact, so is \mathcal{H} .

(103) Investigate the the following claims.

(a) Every compact subspace of a topological space has compact closure.

(b) No compact subspace of a topological space has compact interior.

(104) (a) Is the quotient space \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} compact?

- (b) Is the quotient space \mathbb{R}^2/\mathbf{L} compact? Here the ‘integer’ lattice
$$\mathbf{L} := (\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{R}) \cup (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{Z})$$
is identified to a point.
- (105) (a) Is the quotient space $\mathbb{R}/(\mathbb{R} \setminus [0, 1])$ compact or Hausdorff?
(b) Is the quotient space $\mathbb{R}/(\mathbb{R} \setminus (0, 1))$ compact or Hausdorff?
- (106) Prove that $S \subset \mathbb{R}$ is compact if and only if every continuous map $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is bounded and attains a maximum value on S .
- (107) Find a Lebesgue number for each of the following coverings.
- (a) The cover $\mathcal{U}_r := \{(n - r, n + r) \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ of \mathbb{R} (where $r > 0$).
 - (b) The cover $\mathcal{U}_r := \{\mathbb{B}^2(x; r) \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}^2\}$ of \mathbb{R}^2 (where $r > 1$).
 - (c) The cover $\{X \setminus \{x\} \mid x \in X\}$ of a compact metric space X .
 - (d) The cover $\mathcal{U}_r := \{\mathbf{B}(x; r) \mid x \in X\}$ of a compact metric space X (where $r > 0$).

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