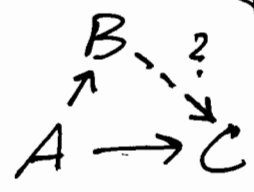


PROBLEM 21: If $A \subset X$ is a connected subset of a topological space, show that its closure \bar{A} is also connected. Is this true for "path-conn." replacing "connected?"

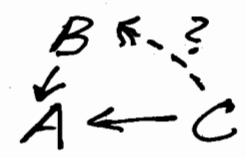
A space is locally path-connected if it has a basis consisting of path-connected open sets.

PROBLEM 22: If a space is connected and locally path-connected, then it is path-connected.

Many topological questions can be expressed in terms of map "extensions" or "liftings"



Extension problem



Lifting problem (dual)

Examples ① $B = \text{Hausdorff space}$, $A = \{p, q\} \subset B$, $C = \{0, 1\}$ discrete. Then extension exists $\Leftrightarrow p, q$ separated in B . $A \rightarrow C$ ONTO

② $A = \{0, 1\} \hookrightarrow B = [0, 1]$. Then extension always exists $\Leftrightarrow C$ is path-connected.

Compactness. A family \mathcal{F} of subsets of X is said to cover X if $\bigcup_{F \in \mathcal{F}} F = X$, i.e. every $x \in X$ lies in some $F \in \mathcal{F}$. A subset $\mathcal{F}' \subset \mathcal{F}$ is a subcover if $\bigcup_{F \in \mathcal{F}'} F = X$. If every set in \mathcal{F} is open, a cover has a finite subcover.

Ex: \mathbb{R} (usual topology) is not compact, because the open cover $\mathcal{F} = \left\{ \left(n - \frac{3}{4}, n + \frac{3}{4} \right) \mid n \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$ is infinite and has no proper subcover.

THM (Heine - Borel): A closed interval $[a, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$ is compact. (proof in class)

Prop: If X is compact and $A \subset X$ is closed, then A is compact. (converse may not hold, unless..)

Prop: If X is a compact Hausdorff space, then any compact subset of X is closed.

PROP: If X is compact and $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a map, then $f(X)$ is compact.

COR: Any map $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, with X compact, is bounded and closed. In particular the least upper bound u of $f(X)$ is realized ($\exists x, f(x) = u$).

THM: If X is compact and Y is a Hausdorff space, then a map $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ which is 1-1 and onto must be a homeomorphism.

NOTE: This is false for noncompact X -- for example the map $[0, 1) \xrightarrow{f} S^1$, $f(t) = e^{2\pi i t}$ is 1-1, onto but not a homeo.

THM: (Bolzano-Weierstrass) Every infinite subset of a compact space has a limit point.

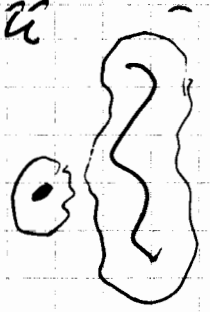
PROBLEM 23: Find an ^{infinite} subset $A \subset [0, 1]$ with all these properties: A is discrete (with subspace topology); for every $a \in A$ there is an element of A greater than a , and another less than a ; between any two elements of A there is another elt. of A .

Separation properties:

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There exist open sets $U, V \subset X$ with $p \in U, A \subset V$ and $U \cap V = \emptyset$.

X is normal if it is Hausdorff and for any two disjoint closed sets $A, B \subset X$, there exist disjoint open sets U, V with $A \subset U$ and $B \subset V$



Our text proves (Thm 3.6) that a compact Hausdorff space is regular.

PROBLEM 24: A compact Hausdorff space is normal.

PROBLEM 25: Show problem 24 does not hold if the "Hausdorff" condition is dropped.

PROBLEM 26: Every metric space is normal.

Def: A point p in a topological space X is isolated if there is a neighbourhood of p which does not contain any other points of X . In other words, $p \in X$ but p is not a limit point of X .

Note that the Cantor set has no isolated points, although it is totally disconnected.

PROBLEM 27: Show that a compact metric space may have infinitely many isolated points, but not uncountably many.