

## 1 Introduction

This is a collection of selected lemmas, propositions and theorems in topology from the book Introduction to Topological Manifolds by John M. Lee[1]. Refer to this book for precise wording and definitions.

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Some definitions that are not enumerated in the book have been included, these have been enumerated as **2.3X** to indicate roughly where to find them in the textbook.

## 2 Topological Spaces

### Topologies

**2.8 Proposition.** Let  $X$  be a topological space (A set  $X$  with a topology  $\mathcal{T}$ ) and let  $A \subseteq X$  be any subset. Then

- a) A point is in Int( $A$ )  $\Leftrightarrow$  it has a neighborhood contained in  $A$ .
- b) A point is in Ext ( $A$ )  $\Leftrightarrow$  it has a neighborhood contained in  $X \setminus A$
- c) A point is in  $\partial$ ( $A$ )  $\Leftrightarrow$  each of its neighborhoods contains both a point in  $A$  and a point in  $X \setminus A$ .
- d) A point is in the closure of  $A$ , denoted  $\overline{A}$   $\Leftrightarrow$  each of its neighborhoods contains a point of  $A$ .
- e)  $\overline{A} = A \cup \partial A = \text{Int}(A) \cup \partial(A)$
- f) Int( $A$ ) and Ext ( $A$ ) are open in  $X$ . The closure of  $A$  and  $\partial$  $A$  are closed in  $X$ .
- g) The following are equivalent:
  - i)  $A$  is open in  $X$ .
  - ii)  $A = \text{Int } A$
  - iii)  $A$  contains none of its boundary points.
  - iv) Every point of  $A$  has a neighborhood contained in  $A$ .
- h) The following are equivalent:
  - i)  $A$  is closed in  $X$ .
  - ii)  $A = \overline{A}$
  - iii)  $A$  contains all of its boundary points.
  - iv) Every point of  $X \setminus A$  has a neighborhood contained in  $X \setminus A$ .

**Definition.** closed set

**Definition.** dense set

### Convergence and Continuity

**2.15 Proposition.** A map between topological spaces is continuous if and only if the preimage of every closed subset is closed.

**2.17 Proposition.** Let  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  be topological spaces.

- a) Every constant map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous.

- b) The identity map  $\text{Id}_X : X \rightarrow X$  is continuous .
- c) If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous , so is the restriction of  $f$  onto any open subset of  $X$ .
- d) If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  are both continuous , then so is their composition  $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$

**2.19 Proposition. (Local Criterion for Continuity)** A map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  between topological spaces is continuous if and only if each point of  $X$  has a neighborhood on which (the restriction of)  $f$  is continuous .

**2.30 Proposition.** Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  are topological space, and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is any map.

- a)  $f$  is continuous  $\Leftrightarrow f(\bar{A}) \subseteq \bar{f(A)}$  for all  $A \subseteq X$ .
- b)  $f$  is closed  $\Leftrightarrow f(\bar{A}) \supseteq \bar{f(A)}$  for all  $A \subseteq X$ .
- c)  $f$  is continuous  $\Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(\text{Int } B) \subseteq \text{Int}(f^{-1}(B))$  for all  $B \subseteq Y$ .
- d)  $f$  is open  $\Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(\text{Int } B) \supseteq \text{Int}(f^{-1}(B))$  for all  $B \subseteq Y$ .

**2.31 Proposition (Properties of Local Homeomorphisms).**

- a) Every homeomorphism is a local homeomorphism .
- b) Every local homeomorphism is continuous and open .
- c) Every bijective local homeomorphism is a homeomorphism .

## Hausdorff Spaces

**2.37 Proposition.** Let  $X$  be a Hausdorff space.

- a) Every finite subset of  $X$  is closed .
- b) If a sequence  $(p_i)$  in  $X$  converges to a limit  $p \in X$ , the limit is unique.

**2.39** Suppose  $X$  is a Hausdorff space and  $A \subseteq X$ . If  $p \in X$  is a limit point of  $A$ , then every neighborhood of  $p$  contains infinitely many points of  $A$ .

**2.3X Definition: Basis** A collection  $\mathcal{B}$  of subsets of  $X$  is called a *basis for the topology of  $X$*  if the following conditions hold

- i) Every element of  $\mathcal{B}$  is an open subset of  $X$ .
- ii) Every open subset of  $X$  is the union of some collection of elements of  $\mathcal{B}$ .

## Bases and Countability

**2.43 Proposition.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces and let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a basis for  $Y$ . A map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous if and only if for every basis subset  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ , the subset  $f^{-1}(B)$  is open in  $X$ .

**2.44 Proposition.** Let  $X$  be a set, and suppose  $\mathcal{B}$  is a collection of subsets of  $X$ . Then  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis for some topology on  $X$  if and only if it satisfies the following conditions:

- i)  $\bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{B}} B = X$  and
- ii) if  $B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B}$  and  $x \in B_1 \cap B_2$  then  $\exists B_3 \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $x \in B_3 \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2$ .

If so, there is a unique topology on  $X$  for which  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis , called the *topology generated by  $\mathcal{B}$* .

## Countability Properties

Four different countability properties, first countable , second countable , separable and Lindelöf .

**2.47 Lemma (Nested Neighborhood Basis Lemma).** Let  $X$  be a first countable space. For every  $p \in X$ , there exists a nested neighborhood basis

**2.48 Lemma (Sequence Lemma).** Suppose  $X$  is a first countable space,  $A$  is any subset of  $X$ , and  $x$  is any point in  $X$

- a)  $x \in \overline{A} \Leftrightarrow x$  is a limit point of a sequence of points in  $A$ .
- b)  $x \in \text{Int } A \Leftrightarrow$  every sequence in  $X$  converging to  $x$  is eventually in  $A$ .
- c)  $A$  is closed  $\Leftrightarrow A$  contains every limit of every convergent sequence of points in  $A$ .
- d)  $A$  is open in  $X \Leftrightarrow$  every sequence in  $X$  converging to a point of  $A$  is eventually in  $A$ .

**2.50 Theorem (Properties of Second Countable Spaces).** Suppose  $X$  is a second countable space.

- a)  $X$  is first countable .
- b)  $X$  contains a countable dense subset.
- c) Every open cover of  $X$  has a countable subcover .

**2.5X Definition.** separable space.

**2.5X Definition.** Lindelöf space.

## Manifolds

**2.5X Definition.** locally Euclidean

**2.52 Lemma.** A topological space  $M$  is locally Euclidean of dimension  $n$  if either of the following properties hold:

- a) Every point of  $M$  has a neighborhood homeomorphic to an open ball in  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- b) Every point of  $M$  has a neighborhood homeomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**2.5X Definition. Manifold.** An  $n$ -dimensional topological manifold is a second countable Hausdorff space that is locally Euclidean of dimension  $n$ .

**2.53 Proposition.** Every open subset of an  $n$ -manifold is an  $n$ -manifold .

**2.55 Theorem (Invariance of Dimension).** If  $m \neq n$ , a nonempty topological space cannot be both an  $m$ -manifold and an  $n$ -manifold .

**2.56 Proposition.** A separable metric space that is locally Euclidean of dimension  $n$  is an  $n$ -manifold .

**2.5X Definition.** Closed  $n$ -dimensional upper half-space  $\mathbb{H}^n \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\mathbb{H}^n = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_n \geq 0\}$$

**2.5X Definitions.**

$$\partial \mathbb{H}^n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_n = 0\}$$

$$\text{Int} \mathbb{H}^n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_n > 0\}.$$

$(U, \psi)$  is a coordinate chart for  $M$

$(U, \psi)$  is an interior chart if  $\psi(U)$  is an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (which includes the case in which  $\psi(U)$  is an open subset of  $\mathbb{H}^n$ ).

$(U, \psi)$  is a boundary chart if  $\psi(U)$  is an open subset of  $\mathbb{H}^n$  with  $\psi(U) \cap \partial \mathbb{H}^n \neq \emptyset$

**2.58 Proposition.** If  $M$  is an  $n$ -dimensional manifold with boundary, then Int  $M$  is an open subset of  $M$ , which itself is an  $n$ -dimensional manifold without boundary.

**2.59 Theorem (Invariance of the Boundary).** If  $M$  is a manifold with boundary, then a point of  $M$  cannot be both a boundary point and an interior point. Thus  $\partial M$  and Int  $M$  are disjoint subsets and  $\partial M \cup \text{Int } M = M$ .

**2.60 Corollary.** If  $M$  is a nonempty  $n$ -dimensional manifold with boundary, then  $\partial M$  is closed in  $M$  and  $M$  is an  $n$ -manifold if and only if  $\partial M = \emptyset$ .

### 3 New Spaces From Old

**3.5 Proposition.** Suppose  $S$  is a subspace topology of the topological space  $X$ .

- a) If  $U \subseteq S \subseteq X$ , and  $S$  is open in  $X$ , then  $U$  is open in  $X$ . The same is true with "closed" instead of "open".
- b) If  $U$  is a subset of  $S$  that is either open or closed in  $X$ , then it is also open or closed in  $S$ , respectively.

**3.8 Theorem (Characteristic Property of the Subspace Topology)** Suppose  $X$  is a topological space and  $S \subseteq X$  is a subspace. For any topological space  $Y$ , a map  $f : Y \rightarrow S$  is

continuous  $\Leftrightarrow$  the composite map  $1_S \circ f : Y \rightarrow X$  is continuous:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & & \\ \nearrow 1_S \circ f & & \uparrow 1_S \\ Y & \xrightarrow{f} & S \end{array}$$

**3.9 Corollary.** If  $S$  is a subspace of the topological space  $X$ , the inclusion map  $1_S : S \hookrightarrow X$  is continuous.

**3.10 Corollary.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces,  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous. Then

- a) **RESTRICTING THE DOMAIN:** The restriction of  $f$  to any subspace  $S \subseteq X$  is continuous.
- b) **RESTRICTING THE CODOMAIN:** If  $T$  is a subspace of  $Y$  that contains  $f(X)$ , then  $f : X \rightarrow T$  is continuous.
- c) **EXPANDING THE CODOMAIN:** If  $Y$  is a subspace of  $Z$ , then  $f : X \rightarrow Z$  is continuous.

**3.11 Proposition.** Suppose  $S$  is a subspace of the topological space  $X$ .

- a) If  $R \subseteq S$  is a subspace of  $S$ , then  $R$  is a subspace of  $X$ . I.o.w. the subspace topologies that  $R$  inherits from  $S$  and from  $X$  agree.

b) If  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis for the topology of  $X$ , then

$$\mathcal{B}_S = \{B \cap S : B \in \mathcal{B}\}$$

is a basis for the topology on  $S$ .

- c) If  $(p_i)$  is a sequence of points in  $S$  and  $p \in S$ , then  $p_i \rightarrow p \in S$  if and only if  $p_i \rightarrow p \in X$ .
- d) Every subspace of a Hausdorff space is Hausdorff.
- e) Every subspace of a first countable space is first countable.
- f) Every subspace of a second countable space is second countable.

**3.16 Proposition.** A continuous injective map that is either open or closed is a topological embedding.

**3.18 Proposition.** A surjective topological embedding is a homeomorphism.

**3.23 Lemma.(Gluing Lemma)** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces, and let  $\{A_i\}$  be either an arbitrary open cover of  $X$ , or a finite closed cover of  $X$ . Suppose that we are given continuous maps  $f_i : A_i \rightarrow Y$  that agree on overlaps:  $f_i|_{A_i \cap A_j} = f_j|_{A_i \cap A_j}$ . Then there exists a unique continuous map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  whose restriction to each  $A_i$  is equal to  $f_i$ .

**3.24 Theorem.(Uniqueness of the Subspace Topology)** Suppose  $S$  is a subset of a topological space  $X$ . The subspace topology on  $S$  is the unique topology for which the characteristic property (3.8) holds.

## Product Spaces

Suppose  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  are arbitrary topological spaces. On their Cartesian product  $X_1 \times \dots \times X_n$ , we define the product topology to be the topology generated by the basis

$$\mathcal{B} = \{U_1 \times \dots \times U_n : U_i \text{ is an open subset of } X_i\}$$

The topological space is called a product space, the basis subsets of the form  $U_1 \times \dots \times U_n$  is called product open subsets.

**3.27 Theorem.(Characteristic Property of the Product Topology)** Suppose  $X_1 \times \dots \times X_n$  is a product space. For any topological space  $Y$ , a map  $f_y : Y \rightarrow X_1 \times \dots \times X_n$  is continuous if and only if each of its component functions  $f_i = \pi_i \circ f$  is continuous, where  $\pi_i : X_1 \times \dots \times X_n \rightarrow X_i$

is the canonical projection:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_1 \times \dots \times X_n & & \\ \nearrow f & \uparrow \pi_i & \\ Y & \xrightarrow{f_i} & X_i \end{array}$$

**3.28 Corollary.** If  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are topological spaces, each canonical projection  $\pi_i : X_1 \times \dots \times X_n \rightarrow X_i$  is continuous.

**3.30 Theorem.(Uniqueness of the Product Topology.)** Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be topological spaces. The product topology  $X_1 \times \dots \times X_n$  is the unique topology for which the characteristic property (3.27) holds.

**3.31 Proposition.** Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be topological spaces.

a) The product topology is "associative" in the sense that three topologies on the set  $X_1 \times X_2 \times X_3$ , obtained by thinking of it as  $X_1 \times X_2 \times X_3$ ,  $(X_1 \times X_2) \times X_3$  or  $X_1 \times (X_2 \times X_3)$  are all equal.

b) For any  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and any point  $x_j \in X_j$ ,  $j \neq i$ , the map  $f : X_1 \rightarrow X_1 \times \dots \times X_n$  given by

$$f(x) = (x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, x, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)$$

is a topological embedding of  $X_i$  onto the product space.

c) Each canonical projection  $\pi_i : X_1 \times \dots \times X_n \rightarrow X_i$  is an open map.

d) If for each  $i$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_i$  is a basis for the topology on  $X_i$ , then the set

$$\{B_1 \times \dots \times B_n : B_i \in \mathcal{B}_i\}$$

is a basis for the product topology on  $X_1 \times \dots \times X_n$ .

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## References

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