

# Topology [6]

Connectedness  $(X, \mathcal{T})$   $X$  connected

if  $X \neq U \cup V$  with  $U, V$  open  $U \cap V = \emptyset$

cannot be decomposed as a union of two open nonempty sets that do not intersect

e.g.  $X = \{0, 1\}$   $\mathcal{T} = \{\emptyset, \{0\}, \{0, 1\}\}$   $X$  is connected

$X = \{0\} \cup \{1\}$  only possible decomp into two non empty non-intersecting sets

$\{0\}$  is open but  $\{1\}$  is not open  $\Rightarrow X$  connected

but  $X = \{0, 1\}$   $\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{D} = \mathcal{P}(X) = \{\emptyset, \{0\}, \{1\}, \{0, 1\}\}$   
discrete topology  $\Rightarrow X$  not connected

now  $X = \{0\} \cup \{1\}$  two nonempty open sets

e.g.  $X = \mathbb{R}$  w/ Euclidean topology

only connected sets are intervals  $(a, b)$   
 $-\infty \leq a, b \leq +\infty$

check:  $A$  connected  $\Rightarrow$  interval!

if not interval then  $\exists a, b \in A$  st.  $\exists c$   $-a < c < b$   
and  $c \notin A$  but then  $A \cap \{x \mid x < c\} \cup A \cap \{x \mid x > c\}$   
is a decomposition  $\Rightarrow$  not connected

interval  $\Rightarrow$  connected:  $Y = A \cup B$  non empty open  
 $A \cap B = \emptyset$

$\exists a \in A$   $b \in B$   
say  $a < b$



let  $\alpha = \sup \{x \mid [a, x) \subset A\}$  ←

since  $Y = \text{interval} \Rightarrow \alpha \in Y$

also  $\alpha \in \bar{A}_Y$  closure in induced topology  $\mathcal{T}_Y$

but in  $\mathcal{T}_Y$  if  $Y = A \cup B$  decomp. then  $A, B$  both open and closed in  $\mathcal{T}_Y$

since  $A = \bar{A}_Y$  (complement of  $A$  is  $B$  open and closed)

$\Rightarrow \alpha \in A$  but since  $A$  open

$\Rightarrow (\alpha - \epsilon, \alpha + \epsilon) \subset A$  for some  $\epsilon > 0$

contradicts def. of  $\alpha \Rightarrow Y$  connected  
interval must be

Equivalently 1)  $Y$  connected

2) the only subsets  $A \subseteq Y$  both open and closed are  $Y$  &  $\emptyset$

3) no continuous function  $f: Y \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  is surjective (w/ discrete top)

$f: X \rightarrow Y$  continuous map  $(X, \mathcal{T}_X)$   $(Y, \mathcal{T}_Y)$

if  $X$  connected then  $f(X)$  connected

in fact: suppose  $f(X)$  not connected  $f(X) = U \cup V$   
open nonempty non-intersecting

$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(U), f^{-1}(V)$  open nonempty non-intersecting in  $X$

and  $X = f^{-1}(U) \cup f^{-1}(V)$  would not be connected

(equivalently if  $f(X)$  not conn  $\exists g: f(X) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  cont. + surj  $\Rightarrow g \circ f: X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  cont. + surj)

$(X, \mathcal{T})$   $A \subseteq X$  connected

$\Rightarrow$  any set  $Y$  s.t.  $A \subseteq Y \subseteq \bar{A}$  is also connected (hence  $\bar{A}$  connected if  $A$  is)

in fact: show that

$f: Y \rightarrow \{0,1\}$  cont. cannot be ~~surjective~~

Know  $f|_A: A \rightarrow \{0,1\}$  not surjective

$Y = \bar{A} \cap Y = \bar{A}_Y$  closure in induced  $\mathcal{T}_Y$

then  $f(Y) = f(\bar{A}_Y) \subseteq f(\bar{A}) = \overline{f(A)} = f(A)$

$\Rightarrow$  not surjective

$\{0,1\}$  w/ discr. top. all sets already closed

Connected components

a non-connected space  $X$  has a unique decomposition into connected components

$x \in X$   $C(x) \subseteq X$  is largest connected set containing  $x$   
 Connected Component of  $x$  i.e. union of all connected subsets of  $X$  that contain  $x$

Note:  $C_\alpha \subseteq X$  connected and  $x \in C_\alpha \neq \alpha \Rightarrow \bigcup_\alpha C_\alpha = C$  also connected

check:  $f: C \rightarrow \{0,1\}$  continuous

$f|_{C_\alpha}: C_\alpha \rightarrow \{0,1\}$  cont &  $C_\alpha$  conn.  $\Rightarrow f|_{C_\alpha}$  not surjective

since  $x \in C_\alpha \neq \alpha \Rightarrow f(x) = f(\alpha)$  for all  $x \in C_\alpha$   
 $\Rightarrow f|_{C_\alpha}(x)$  all same  $\forall \alpha$  e.t.a of  $\{0,1\}$

$\Rightarrow f$  not surj.



Product topology  $X_\alpha$   $\prod_\alpha X_\alpha = X$

$x = (x_\alpha)$  prod. topology  $\pi_\alpha: X \rightarrow X_\alpha$   
projections

sub-basis  $\{ \pi_\alpha^{-1}(U_\alpha) \mid U_\alpha \in \mathcal{T}_{X_\alpha} \}$

v.e. basis  $\bigcap_{i=1}^N \pi_{\alpha_i}^{-1}(U_{\alpha_i}) = U_{\alpha_1} \times \dots \times U_{\alpha_N} \times \prod_{\alpha \notin \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_N\}} X_\alpha$

(e.g.  $\prod_\alpha U_\alpha$  w/  $U_\alpha \neq X_\alpha$  for  $\infty$  many coord's  
not an open set)

smallest topology in which all  $\pi_\alpha: X \rightarrow X_\alpha$   
are continuous

in this topology the  $\pi_\alpha$  are also open

$\prod_\alpha X_\alpha$  w/ product topology  $\mathcal{B}$   
connected iff  $X_\alpha$  connected for all  $\alpha$

•  $X = \prod_\alpha X_\alpha$  connected  $\Rightarrow X_\alpha$  connected because  
 $\pi_\alpha: X \rightarrow X_\alpha$  continuous

•  $X_\alpha$  connected for all  $\alpha$ :

take  $x \in X = \prod_\alpha X_\alpha$  and the set

$D_x = \{ y \in X \mid x \text{ \& } y \text{ differ in only finitely many coordinates} \}$   
 $x = (x_\alpha) \quad y = (y_\alpha) \quad x_\alpha = y_\alpha \text{ for all } \alpha \text{ but fin. many } \alpha$

Claim 1:  $D_x$  dense in  $X$

given this: take  $C(x)$  union of all conn. subsets of  $X$

Claim 2:  $D_x \subseteq C(x) \Rightarrow X = \overline{D_x} \subseteq \overline{C(x)}$  containing  $x$   
 $\Rightarrow X = \overline{C(x)}$  connected  $\Rightarrow X = C(x)$  conn.

Claim 1:  $D_x$  dense in  $X$

← an equivalent condition to dense: each non empty open set contains an element of  $D$

Claim 2:  $D_x \subseteq C(x)$

Show two pts  $x, y$  differing in fin. many components are in a same connected set  $C$

basis open sets:

$$\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} X_{\alpha} \quad \bigcap_{\alpha \in J} X_{\alpha}$$

$$y = (x_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in I} \cup (y_{\alpha_1}, \dots, y_{\alpha_n})$$

if  $y_{\alpha_1} \in X_{\alpha_1} \dots y_{\alpha_n} \in X_{\alpha_n}$

if  $x_{\alpha_0} \neq y_{\alpha_0}$  for just one  $\alpha_0$

$$x, y \in \prod_{\alpha \neq \alpha_0} X_{\alpha} \times X_{\alpha_0}$$

connected because  $X_{\alpha_0}$  con.

$X \quad x \in X \quad C(x)$  con. comp. containing  $x$

$\Rightarrow \{C(x)\}$  partition of  $X$

gives decomposition of  $X$  into connected components (equiv. class  $x \sim y$  if  $C(x) = C(y)$ )

$f: X \rightarrow Y$  continuous  $\Rightarrow$  connected comp. of  $X$  contained in conn-comp. of  $Y$

$C \subset X$  con. comp  $f(C) \subseteq C'$  some  $C'$  con. comp. of  $Y$

$(X, \mathcal{T})$  locally connected if  $\exists \mathcal{B}$  basis of topology  $\mathcal{T}$  s.t. all  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  are connected



$X$  locally connected if  $\forall U \in \mathcal{T}$   
the connected components of  $U$  are open sets

•  $C \subseteq U$  conn. comp  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  basis of conn.-open sets  
 $\forall x \in C \exists B \quad x \in B \subseteq C$  and  $B$  connected  
so  $B \subseteq C$

• conversely: the set (assume  $C \subseteq U$   
conn. comp  $\Rightarrow$  open)  $\Rightarrow C$  is open

$\mathcal{B} = \{ \text{all connected comp of all open sets } U \}$   
is a basis for the topology  $\Rightarrow X$  loc. conn.

$X = \prod_{\alpha} X_{\alpha}$  loc. conn.  $\iff$  all  $X_{\alpha}$  loc. conn.  
 $\mathbb{Z}$  all but finitely many  $\alpha$

A path in  $(X, \mathcal{T})$

$f: [0,1] \rightarrow X$  continuous  
(Euclidean)

a path connecting  $x, y \in Y \subseteq X$

$f: [0,1] \rightarrow X$  cont. s.t.  $f(0) = x \quad f(1) = y$

$f(t) \in Y \quad \forall t$

$Y \subseteq X$  path connected if  $\forall x, y \in Y \exists$  path connecting them in  $Y$

path connected  $\Rightarrow$  connected



$f(I)$  connected since  $I$  is &  $f$  contin.

if  $X = U \cup V \quad U, V \neq \emptyset$   
 $U \cap V = \emptyset$

take  $t_+ = \sup \{ t \mid f(t) \in U \} \subseteq C(x) = U$

then  $\exists x \in U \quad y \in V$

$t_- = \inf \{ t \mid f(t) \in V \} \subseteq C(y) = V$

suppose  $f(0) = x \quad f(1) = y$

$f(t) \in C(x) \cap C(y) = \emptyset$  not then  $f(t) \in V \quad \forall t$