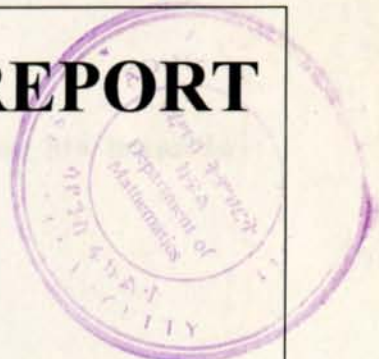


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This seminar report has two parts. In the first part we prove that $C(X, Y)$, the set of all continuous functions from a topology X to a complete metric space Y is complete in the uniform topology. As a consequence we prove the famous peano space - Filling curve.

In the second part we shall prove a classical revision of Ascolis Theorem. We also define three topologies on $C(X, Y)$ namely, the point-open topology, the topology of compact convergence and the compact-open topology and we study their inclusion relation. We complete this report defining the notion of compactly generated spaces and showing that the evaluation map is continuous.

Definition 1.1: Let (X, d) be a metric space. A sequence (x_n) of points of X is said to be a Cauchy-sequence, if for each $\epsilon > 0$ there is a natural number N such that

$$d(x_n, x_m) < \epsilon, \quad \forall n, m \geq N$$

The metric space (X, d) is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence in X converges.

Lemma 1.2: Let (X, d) be a metric space and let (x_n) be a sequence of points of X .

- Then,
- (i) If (x_n) converges then (x_n) is a Cauchy sequence.
 - (ii) If (x_n) is a Cauchy-sequence and it has a convergent subsequence (x_{n_k}) , that converges to a point $x \in X$, then the sequence (x_n) itself converges to x .
 - (iii) If (x_n) is Cauchy then the set $A = \{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is bounded.

Proof: (i) Let $x \in X : d(x_n, x) \rightarrow 0$ and let $\epsilon > 0$

Then, there is $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $d(x_n, x) < \epsilon/2, \forall n \geq N$ and hence

$$d(x_n, x_m) \leq d(x_n, x) + d(x_m, x) < \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon, \quad \forall n, m \geq N$$

(ii) Let $\epsilon > 0$. Choose $N_1 \in \mathbb{N} : d(x_n, x_m) < \epsilon/2, \forall n, m \geq N_1$ (1)

(using the fact that (x_n) is a Cauchy-sequence)

Then using the fact that $d(x_{n_k}, x) \xrightarrow[k \rightarrow \infty]{} 0$ choose $N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$d(x_{n_k}, x) < \epsilon/2, \quad \forall n_k \geq N_2 \quad \text{put } N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$$

then from (1) we get: $d(x_n, x_N) < \epsilon/2, \forall n \geq N$ and from (2)

we get $d(x_N, x) < \epsilon/2$.

$$d(x_n, x) \leq d(x_n, x_N) + d(x_N, x) < \epsilon, \quad \forall n \geq N$$

Therefore, the Cauchy-sequence (x_n) converges to x .

(iii) Let (x_n) be a Cauchy-sequence in X .

choose $N \in \mathbb{N} : d(x_n, x_m) < 1, \forall n, m \geq N$. (We need to show that

$\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subseteq B_d(x, M)$ for some $x \in X$ and $M > 0$). Let $x \in X$ be fixed.

Since $|d(x_n, x) - d(x_m, x)| \leq d(x_n, x_m)$ we have:

$d(x_n, x) < 1 + d(x_m, x), \forall n, m \geq N$ and hence $d(x_n, x) < 1 + d(x_N, x), \forall n \geq N$

Set $M := \max \{d(x_1, x), d(x_2, x), \dots, d(x_{N-1}, x), d(x_N, x) + 1\}$

then, $d(x_n, x) \leq M, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

and hence $x_n \in B_d(x, M), \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

Remarks 1.3 By the above lemma a metric space X is complete iff every Cauchy-sequence in X has a convergent subsequence. This criterion we are going to use it several times in the next proofs.

(2) It is easy to prove but important to observe that any closed subset A of a complete metric space (X, d) is necessarily complete.

To see this, Let (x_n) be a Cauchy-sequence in A . Then (x_n) is a Cauchy-sequence in X whence it converges to a point $x \in X$. Because A is a closed subset of X , the point x must lie in A .

Theorem 1.4: Consider the Euclidean space $\mathbb{R}^k, k \in \mathbb{N}$ and let d be the Euclidean metric on \mathbb{R}^k . Let ρ be the square metric on \mathbb{R}^k . Then the spaces (\mathbb{R}^k, d) and (\mathbb{R}^k, ρ) are both complete.

Proof: To show first that (\mathbb{R}^k, ρ) is complete. Let (x_n) be a Cauchy-sequence in (\mathbb{R}^k, ρ) . By Lemma 1.2 (iii) the set $\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a bounded subset of (\mathbb{R}^k, ρ) . Hence, $\exists M > 0 : \rho(x_n, 0) \leq M, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Let $x_n = [x_1^{(n)}, x_2^{(n)}, \dots, x_k^{(n)}]$. Then $\rho(x_n, 0) = \max \{|x_i^{(n)}| : i=1, \dots, k\}$

Therefore, $|x_i^{(n)}| \leq M, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\forall i = 1, 2, \dots, k$

So $-M \leq x_i^{(n)} \leq M$ or $x_i^{(n)} \in [-M, M] \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\forall i = 1, \dots, k$.

Thus $x_n \in [-M, M]^k, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

So all the points of the sequence (x_n) lie in the cube $[-M, M]^k$ in other words, (x_n) is a sequence of points of the set $[-M, M]^k$ which is compact (and hence sequentially compact). Therefore, (x_n) has a convergent subsequence and hence (\mathbb{R}^k, ρ) is complete, by Lemma 1.2

To show that (\mathbb{R}^k, d) is complete, note that

$$\rho(x, y) \leq d(x, y) \leq \sqrt{k} \rho(x, y), \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^k.$$

Hence d and ρ give the same topology on \mathbb{R}^k (the product topology) and so, they are equivalent metrics.

Since (\mathbb{R}^k, ρ) is complete, the space (\mathbb{R}^k, d) is also complete.

Remarks 1.5: Let (X, d) be a metric space

Define, $\bar{d}(x, y) := \min \{d(x, y), 1\}$ (standard bounded metric). Then the metrics d and \bar{d} are equivalent since d and \bar{d} induce the same topology on X . To see this let $\epsilon > 0$ and put $\delta = \min \{\epsilon, 1\}$

then, $B_d(x, \epsilon) \subseteq B_{\bar{d}}(x, \epsilon)$ and

$$B_{\bar{d}}(x, \delta) \subseteq B_d(x, \epsilon)$$

(*)

Hence if X is complete with regard to metric d then X is complete with regard to the standard bounded metric \bar{d} corresponding to d , and conversely.

EXAMPLE 1: Let X be any set and d be the discrete metric i.e

$$d(x, y) = 1 \quad \text{if } x \neq y$$

$$d(x, y) = 0 \quad \text{if } x = y$$

Then the metric space (X, d) is complete since any Cauchy-sequence in X is a constant sequence except for finitely many terms.

Example 2: Let Q be the set of rational numbers in the usual metric

$$d(x, y) = |x - y|.$$

Consider the sequence $x_n = \left[1 + \frac{1}{n}\right]^n, n \in \mathbb{N}$

Clearly, (x_n) is a Cauchy sequence of rationals and $x_n \rightarrow e \notin \mathbb{Q}$.
Hence \mathbb{Q} is noncomplete.

Example 3: Another noncomplete space is the open interval $(-1,1)$ of \mathbb{R} , in the usual metric $d(x,y) = |x - y|$.

Consider the sequence (x_n) with $x_n := 1 - \frac{1}{n}$ it is a Cauchy sequence in $(-1,1)$ but $x_n \rightarrow 1 \notin (-1,1)$

In this example we can see that completeness is not a topological property (it is not preserved by homeomorphisms) since the interval $(-1,1)$ is homeomorphic to \mathbb{R} and \mathbb{R} is complete in the above metric.

Definition 1.6 Let (Y,d) be a metric space and let \bar{d} be the standard bounded metric on Y corresponding to d . Given an arbitrary index set J , consider the set Y^J of all functions $f:J \rightarrow Y$. Define $\bar{\rho} : Y^J \times Y^J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$\bar{\rho}(f,g) = \sup \left\{ \bar{d}(f(a),g(a)) : a \in J \right\}.$$

Then $\bar{\rho}$ is a metric ; it is called the uniform metric on Y^J , corresponding to the metric d on Y . It is easy to check that $\bar{\rho}$ is a metric:

1. Clearly, $\bar{\rho}(f,g) \geq 0, \forall f, g \in Y^J$.
2. $\bar{\rho}(f,g) = 0 \Rightarrow \bar{d}(f(a),g(a)) \leq 0, \forall a \in J$

and since $\bar{d}(f(a),g(a)) \geq 0 \forall a \in J$ we have

$$\bar{d}(f(a),g(a)) = 0, \forall a \in J \Leftrightarrow f(a) = g(a), \forall a \in J \Leftrightarrow f = g.$$

3. $\bar{d}(f(a),g(a)) \leq \bar{d}(f(a),h(a)) + \bar{d}(h(a),g(a)) \leq \bar{\rho}(f,h) + \bar{\rho}(h,g)$

$$\text{Hence, } \sup_{a \in J} \{ \bar{d}(f(a),g(a)) \} \leq \bar{\rho}(f,h) + \bar{\rho}(h,g)$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{\rho}(f,g) \leq \bar{\rho}(f,h) + \bar{\rho}(h,g)$$

The metric $\bar{\rho}$ induces the uniform topology on Y^X

Theorem 1.7: Let (Y,d) be a metric space. If Y is complete then $(Y^J, \bar{\rho})$ is complete.

Proof: Let $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a Cauchy-sequence in $(Y^J, \bar{\rho})$

Then for each $a \in J$.

$$\bar{d}(f_n(a), f_m(a)) \leq \bar{\rho}(f_n, f_m) \text{ holds}$$

Hence, the sequence $\{f_n(a)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a Cauchy sequence in (Y, \bar{d}) . Therefore

$\{f_n(a)\}$ is also a Cauchy sequence in (Y, d)

Since (Y, d) is complete $\{f_n(a)\}$ converges in Y , say to a point $y_a \in Y$.

Define,

$$f: J \rightarrow Y \text{ by } f(a) = y_a$$

We claim that $f_n \rightarrow f$ under $\bar{\rho}$

Given $\epsilon > 0$ choose $N : \bar{\rho}(f_n, f_m) < \epsilon/2, \forall n, m \geq N$

$$\text{then } \bar{d}(f_n(a), f_m(a)) < \epsilon/2, \forall n, m \geq N, \forall a \in J. \quad (1)$$

For fixed $a \in J$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$ taking the limit of (1), for $m \rightarrow \infty$ we get:

$$\bar{d}(f_n(a), f(a)) \leq \epsilon/2 \quad (2)$$

The above inequality holds for all $a \in J$ and for all $n \geq N$.

Therefore, $\bar{\rho}(f_n, f) = \sup \left\{ \bar{d}(f_n(a), f(a)) : a \in J \right\} \leq \epsilon/2 < \epsilon, \forall n \geq N$.

Remarks 1.8(1) For $Y = \mathbb{R}$ and $J = \mathbb{N}$ we get that the space \mathbb{R}^ω is complete in the uniform topology (induced by $\bar{\rho}$). \mathbb{R}^ω in the box topology can not be complete since it is not metrizable space. In the product

topology \mathbb{R}^ω is metrizable. Consider the metric: $D(x, y) = \sup \left\{ \frac{\bar{d}(x_i, y_i)}{i} \right\}$

The metric D induces the product topology on \mathbb{R}^ω

where $\bar{d}(a, b) = \min \left\{ |a-b|, 1 \right\}$. \mathbb{R}^ω is complete under D .

To show this, let (x_n) be a Cauchy-sequence of \mathbb{R}^ω under D , where

$$x_n = \left[\lambda_1^{(n)}, \lambda_2^{(n)}, \dots, \lambda_i^{(n)}, \dots \right] \in \mathbb{R}^\omega, \text{ Let } i \text{ be fixed for the moment.}$$

Since, $\bar{d} \left[\lambda_i^{(n)}, \lambda_i^{(m)} \right] \leq i D(x_n, x_m)$ holds, the sequence $\left\{ \lambda_i^{(n)} \right\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a

Cauchy-sequence in (\mathbb{R}, \bar{d}) . Therefore it converges to a real number say α_i .

Let $\alpha = (\alpha_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^\omega$. We claim that $x_n \rightarrow \alpha$.

Let U be a basis element of the product topology on \mathbb{R}^ω such that $a \in U$. Then, $U = \prod U_i$ where $U_i = \mathbb{R}$ except for finitely many indices i . Therefore, $U_i = \mathbb{R}$ for all $i > m$, where m is the maximum value of i such that $U_i \neq \mathbb{R}$

if $i \leq m$, choose $N_i \in \mathbb{N}$ (using the fact that $\lambda_i^{(n)} \rightarrow a_i$) such that $\lambda_i^{(n)} \in U_i, \forall n \geq N_i$. Put $N = \max \{N_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, m\}$ then $\lambda_i^{(n)} \in U_i$,

$\forall n \geq N, \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, m$. Since $\lambda_i^{(n)} \in U_i = \mathbb{R}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\forall i > m$ we get

$$x_n = \left[\lambda_1^{(n)}, \lambda_2^{(n)}, \dots \right] \in \prod U_i = U, \forall n \geq N$$

Since U was an arbitrary n.b.d of α , $x_n \rightarrow \alpha$

Remark 2: Clearly Theorem 1.7. holds for $J = X$ where X is a topological space. In this case consider the subset $C(X, Y)$ of Y^X , consisting of all continuous functions $f: X \rightarrow Y$. We shall show that $C(X, Y)$ is closed in Y^X and hence $C(X, Y)$ is complete, provided of course that Y is complete.

Theorem 1.9.: Let X be a topological space and Let (Y, d) be a metric space. The set $C(X, Y)$ is closed in Y^X under the uniform metric $\bar{\rho}$. Therefore if Y is complete, $C(X, Y)$ is complete under $\bar{\rho}$.

Proof: Let $f \in Y^X$ be a limit point of $C(X, Y)$. Then there is a sequence (f_n) of continuous functions $f_n: X \rightarrow Y$ such that $f_n \rightarrow f$ under $\bar{\rho}$.

Hence, given $\epsilon > 0 \exists N: \bar{\rho}(f_n, f) < \epsilon, \forall n \geq N$

since, $\bar{d}(f_n(x), f(x)) \leq \bar{\rho}(f_n, f), \forall x \in X$

we get that $\bar{d}(f_n(x), f(x)) < \epsilon, \forall n \geq N$ and for all $x \in X$. Therefore, $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly (under \bar{d}). By the uniform limit theorem (p.130-Munkres), $f \in C(X, Y)$. By Remark 1.3 $C(X, Y)$ is complete under $\bar{\rho}$. //

Lemma 1.11: Let X be a topological space. The set $B(X, \mathbb{R})$ is complete under ρ (sup-metric).

Proof: It suffices to show that $B(X, \mathbb{R})$ is a closed subset of \mathbb{R}^X . Let f be a limit point of $B(X, \mathbb{R})$. Then there is a sequence of bounded function $f_n: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, such that $f_n \rightarrow f$ under $\bar{\rho}$, or $\bar{\rho}(f_n, f) \rightarrow 0$.

Choose N such that $\bar{\rho}(f_n, f) < 1, \forall n \geq N$. In particular we have $\bar{\rho}(f_N, f) < 1$. Hence, $\bar{d}(f_N(x), f(x)) < 1, \forall x \in X$, where $\bar{d}(f_N(x), f(x)) =$

$$\min \{ |f_N(x) - f(x)|, 1 \}$$

Then, $|f_N(x) - f(x)| < 1 \forall x \in X$ and so, $|f(x)| < 1 + |f_N(x)|, \forall x$

But $f_N \in B(X, \mathbb{R})$.

This implies that $\exists M > 0: |f_N(x)| \leq M, \forall x \in X$

So, $|f(x)| \leq 1 + M, \forall x \in X$. i.e $f \in B(X, \mathbb{R})$. Since $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ was an arbitrary limit point of $B(X, \mathbb{R})$, $B(X, \mathbb{R})$ contains all its limit points.

Therefore $B(X, \mathbb{R})$ is closed under $\bar{\rho}$.

Theorem 1.12: Let (X, d) be a metric space. There is an isometric imbedding of X into a complete metric space.

Proof: Let $B(X, \mathbb{R})$ be the set of all bounded functions mapping X into \mathbb{R} . It is a complete metric space under the sup metric ρ . Let $x_0 \in X$ be a fixed point. For each $a \in X$, define $\varphi_a: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by: $\varphi_a(x) = d(x, a) - d(x, x_0)$.

Then $|\varphi_a(x)| = |d(x, a) - d(x, x_0)| \leq d(a, x_0) := M_a > 0$

Hence $\varphi_a \in B(X, \mathbb{R}), \forall a \in X$.

Define $\Phi: X \rightarrow B(X, \mathbb{R})$ by $\Phi(a) = \varphi_a$

we claim that Φ is an isometric imbedding of (X, d) into the complete space $(B(X, \mathbb{R}), \rho)$. We need to show $d(a, b) = \rho(\varphi_a, \varphi_b)$.

Observe that $|\varphi_a(x) - \varphi_b(x)| = |d(x, a) - d(x, x_0) - d(x, b) + d(x, x_0)|$

$= |d(x, a) - d(x, b)| \forall x$. Using the quadrangle inequality we get that

$|d(x, a) - d(x, b)| \leq d(x, x) + d(a, b) = d(a, b)$. So $|\varphi_a(x) - \varphi_b(x)| \leq$

$d(a, b), \forall x \in X$.

Hence, $\rho(\varphi_a, \varphi_b) = \sup_{x \in X} \{ |\varphi_a(x) - \varphi_b(x)| \} \leq d(a, b)$. But since $a \in X$ we have

$$d(a, b) = |\varphi_a(a) - \varphi_b(a)| \leq \rho(\varphi_a, \varphi_b)$$

Therefore, $d(a, b) = \rho(\varphi_a, \varphi_b)$ and hence the proof of the theorem is completed.

2. A space-Filling Curve

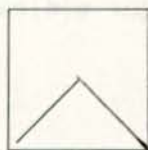
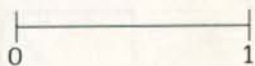
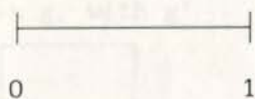
As an application of the completeness of the space $C(X, Y)$ in the uniform metric when Y is complete, we shall construct the famous "Peano space-filling curve".

Theorem: Let $I = [0, 1]$. There exists a continuous map $f: I \rightarrow I^2$ which is surjective.

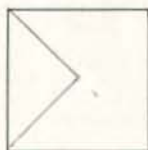
Our aim is to construct a sequence of continuous functions (f_n) , $f_n: I \rightarrow I^2$, $n = 0, 1, \dots$ which is a Cauchy sequence of $C(I, I^2)$. If $f_n \rightarrow f$ then $f: I \rightarrow I^2$ is continuous.

Step 1: Let $[a, b]$ be a closed interval in the real line and let H be any square in the plane with sides parallel to the coordinate axes.

Then always we can define a triangular path g (continuous), $g: [a, b] \rightarrow H$ into H . In particular for $I = [0, 1]$ consider a triangular path $g: I \rightarrow I^2$. Since g always connects two adjacent corners of the square I^2 there are four possible ways to define a such that g



(a)



(b)

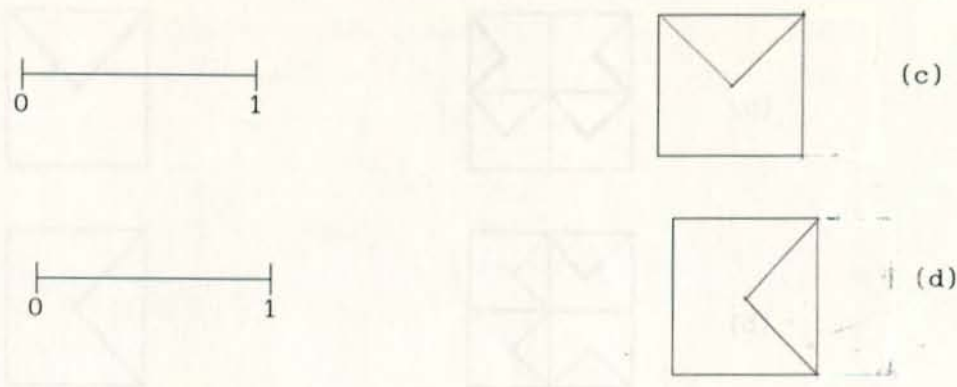


Fig. 1

Step 2: Consider the map $g':[0,1] \rightarrow I^2$ pictured in Figure 2.



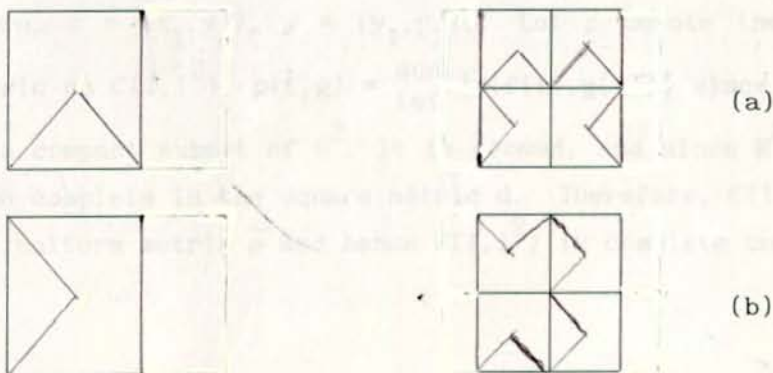
Fig.2

It is made up of four triagular paths such that

1. Each one is half of the size of g
2. Each one lies in a sub-square of I^2 (The length of the side of each sub-square is half the length of the side of I^2)
3. The end points of each triagular path are adjacent corners of the corresponding sub-square.

Clearly, each one of them has been defined on **Step 1**.

g' is a continuous map of $I = [0,1]$ into $I^2 = [0,1] \times [0,1]$ Note that, if a path g is given (from step. 1) we can always define a path g' with the above properties and such that g and g' have the same end points. Keeping all these in mind there are four possible ways to "replace" a given g with g'



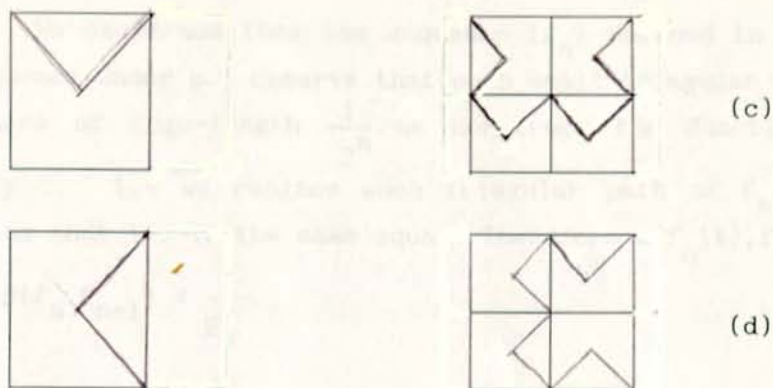


Figure 3

Step 3 Now we define a sequence of functions $f_n : I \rightarrow I^2$ for $n = 0, 1, \dots$

put $f_0 = g$, (see Fig. 1, a)

$f_1 = g$, (see Fig. 3, a) where f_1 consists from $4 = 4^1$ triangular paths. The next function f_2 is the function obtained by "replacing" each of the four triangular paths of f_1 with four triangular paths using step 2. Then f_2 consists of $4^2 = 16$ triangular paths, each one lies in a square of edge length $1/2^2$. And so on! At the general step, f_n is a continuous map, $f_n : I \rightarrow I^2$ made up of 4^n triangular paths of the type considered in step 1, each one lying in a square of edge-length $1/2^n$. We obtain the function f_{n+1} by applying the operation of step 2 to each of the 4^n triangular paths of f_n , replacing each one by four smaller triangular paths.

Step 4: For the needs of the proof Let d denote the square metric on \mathbb{R}^2 .

$$d(X, Y) = \max \{ |x_1 - y_1|, |x_2 - y_2| \}$$

Where, $x = (x_1, x_2)$, $y = (y_1, y_2)$. Let ρ denote the corresponding sup metric on $C(I, I^2)$, $\rho(f, g) = \sup_{t \in I} \{d(f(t), g(t))\}$ since $I^2 = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ is a compact subset of \mathbb{R}^2 , it is closed, and since \mathbb{R}^2 is complete I^2 is also complete in the square metric d . Therefore, $C(I, I^2)$ is complete in the uniform metric $\bar{\rho}$ and hence $C(I, I^2)$ is complete under ρ .

We claim now that the sequence (f_n) defined in step 3 is a Cauchy sequence under ρ . Observe that each small triangular path in f_n lies in a square of edge-length $\frac{1}{2^n}$ we construct the function f_{n+1} using the step 2. i.e we replace each triangular path of f_n by four triangular paths that lie in the same square Therefore $d(f_n(t), f_{n+1}(t)) \leq \frac{1}{2^n}, \forall t \in I$. So $\rho(f_n, f_{n+1}) \leq \frac{1}{2^n}$.

Since $\rho(f_n, f_{n+m}) \leq \rho(f_n, f_{n+1}) + \rho(f_{n+1}, f_{n+2}) + \dots + \rho(f_{n+m-1}, f_{n+m})$

$$\text{we have: } \rho(f_n, f_{n+m}) \leq \frac{1}{2^n} + \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n+m-1}} = \frac{1}{2^{n+m-1}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^n} \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{m-1}} \right] \leq \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^i} = \frac{2}{2^n}, \text{ for all } n, m$$

Hence (f_n) is a Cauchy sequence in $C(I, I^2)$. Since $I^2 = [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ is compact (finite product of compact spaces), $C(I, I^2)$ is complete and so (f_n) converges to a continuous function $f: I \rightarrow I^2$.

Now we need to show that f is surjective, it suffices to show that

$I \subseteq f(I)$ observe that $f(I)$ is a compact subset of I^2 (continuous image of a compact set) and hence $f(I)$ is closed. So if we show that $I^2 \subseteq \overline{f(I)}$ then we are done.

Let $x \in I^2$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. By the previous considerations f_n is made up of 4^n triangular paths each lying in a square, say I_n^2 of edge-length $\frac{1}{2^n}$.

Since $x \in I^2$, x lies in one of those I_n^2 s. At the same square there is (also) a triangular path. The distance (in the square metric) between x and any point $f(t)$ of this triangular path is at most $\frac{1}{2^n}$. Therefore there exist $t_0 \in I: d(x, f_n(t_0)) \leq \frac{1}{2^n}$, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. (1)

Hence, given $\epsilon > 0$ choose N such that $\frac{1}{2^N} < \epsilon/2$ and $\rho(f_N, f) < \epsilon/2$. Then by (1) $d(x, f_N(t_0)) \leq \frac{1}{2^N} < \epsilon/2$ and $d(f_N(t_0), f(t_0)) \leq \rho(f_N, f) < \epsilon/2$

So, $d(x, f(t_0)) \leq d(x, f_N(t_0)) + d(f_N(t_0), f(t_0)) < \epsilon$. Hence, $f(t_0) \in B_d(x, \epsilon) \cap f(I) \Rightarrow B_d(x, \epsilon) \cap f(I) \neq \emptyset$. Since $\epsilon > 0$ was arbitrary $x \in \overline{f(I)}$. Since $x \in I^2$ was arbitrary $I^2 \subseteq \overline{f(I)}$. The proof is completed. //

3. Compactness - Completeness in Metr. Spaces.

Definition 3.1: A metric space (X,d) is said to be totally bounded if for every $\epsilon > 0$ there is a finite covering of X by ϵ -balls.

Note: Since in the metric topology the bases elements are ϵ -balls, any covering of any space X is a collection of ϵ -balls. Observe that total boundedness implies boundedness. To show this let $\epsilon > 0$. Since X is totally bounded there are $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X : X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n B_d(x_i, \epsilon)$. Then for any two points α_1, α_2 of X each one of them lies in some of the above ϵ -balls. If $M := \max \{d(x_i, x_j) : i \neq j, i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ then $d(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \leq M + 2\epsilon$.

But the converge does not hold. Under the metric $\bar{d}(x,y) = \min \{|x-y|, 1\}$ the real line is bounded but not totally bounded (for $\epsilon < 1$).

Theorem 3.2: Let (X,d) be a metric space. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (a) X is compact
- (b) X is complete and totally bounded.
- (c) X is sequentially compact.

Proof: By Theorem 7.4 (p.181- Munkres) (a) and (c) are equivalent.

(a) \Rightarrow (b) Let X be compact. Then X is a sequentially compact space. Hence every Cauchy sequence converges in X . Therefore X is complete.

On the other hand given $\epsilon > 0$ a covering of X by ϵ -balls has a finite sub-covering that means X is totally bounded.

(b) \Rightarrow (c) Let (x_n) be a sequence in X . We shall construct a Cauchy subsequence of (x_n) . Using the fact that X is totally bounded cover X by finitely many balls of radius ϵ . These ϵ -balls cover (also) the infinite set: $\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. Necessarily, at least one of them contains infinitely many terms of the sequence (x_n) . Let B_1 be this ϵ -ball, and

Let $J_1 = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : x_n \in B_1\}$ choose an arbitrary point in J_1 , say $n_1 \in J_1$. Next cover X by finitely many balls of radius $\frac{1}{2}$ and consider the set $\{x_n : n \in J_1\}$. Since it is an infinite set and it is covered by the above $\frac{1}{2}$ -balls, at least one of them, say B_2 , contains x_n for infinitely many values of $n (n \in J_1)$. Let $J_2 = \{n \in J_1 : x_n \in B_2\}$. Choose $n_2 \in J_2 : n_2 > n_1$. In general given an infinite set $J_k, (J_k \subseteq \mathbb{N})$ and $n_k \in J_k$ cover X by finitely many balls of radius $\frac{1}{k+1}$ and consider the (infinite) set $\{x_n : n \in J_k\}$; some of the above $\frac{1}{k+1}$ -balls, say B_{k+1} , contains infinitely many elements of the set $\{x_n : n \in J_k\}$. Let J_{k+1} be the infinite subset of J_k such that $J_{k+1} = \{n \in J_k : x_n \in B_{k+1}\}$. Since J_{k+1} is infinite we can choose $n_{k+1} \in J_{k+1} : n_{k+1} > n_k$.

Consider the subsequence (x_{n_k}) of (x_n) . For $i, j \geq k$ we have $n_i \in J_i$ and $n_j \in J_j$. Since $J_k \supseteq J_{k+1}$, $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ (by construction). Then $J_i \subseteq J_k$ and $J_j \subseteq J_k$ hence, $n_i, n_j \in J_k$. Hence x_{n_i}, x_{n_j} are both contained in B_k . That means $d(x_{n_i}, x_{n_j}) < \frac{1}{k}$. So, let $\epsilon > 0$. Choose $k \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{k} < \epsilon$; then $d(x_{n_i}, x_{n_j}) < \epsilon, \forall i, j \geq k$. Since (x_{n_k}) is Cauchy and X is complete it converges. Therefore, since (x_n) was an arbitrary sequence in X the space X is sequentially compact.

Corollary 3.4: Let (X, d) be a metric space and Let $Y \subseteq X$ Then Y is compact if and only if it is complete and totally bounded.

Proposition 3.5: Let (X, d) be a metric space Let $Y \subseteq X$ be a compact subset of X . Then Y is closed and bounded in X .

Proof: Since X is a metric space and hence a Hausdorff space, every compact set is closed (Th.5.5.3, p. 166. Mankres). To show now that Y is bounded. Observe that the collection $\{B_d(x, n) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is an open covering of Y (because for $y \in Y$ there is $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $d(x, y) < n$, i.e $y \in B_d(x, n)$).

Since Y is compact, there is a finite sub-collection which covers Y . Therefore there is $M > 0$: $Y \subseteq B_d(x, M)$ and so Y is bounded.

Remarks: Let $X = \mathbb{R}^n$. A subset Y of \mathbb{R}^n is compact if and only if it is closed and bounded (in the euclidean metric or in the square metric). Consider now the function space $\mathcal{C}(X, \mathbb{R}^n)$ in the uniform topology. Let X be a compact space and let d denote either the euclidean or the square metric on \mathbb{R}^n . Since the set $\{d(f(x), g(x)) : x \in X\}$ is bounded for all $f, g \in \mathcal{C}(X, \mathbb{R}^n)$ we can define the sup metric $\rho(f, g) = \sup \{d(f(x), g(x)) : x \in X\}$ on $\mathcal{C}(X, \mathbb{R}^n)$.

The space $\mathcal{C}(X, \mathbb{R}^n)$ is complete under $\bar{\rho}$ and ρ . Let F be a subset of $\mathcal{C}(X, \mathbb{R}^n)$. We say that F is uniformly bounded if F is bounded under ρ .

We say that F is pointwise bounded if for each $x \in X$ the set $F_x = \{f(x) : f \in F\}$ is a bounded subset of \mathbb{R}^n . Now we show that if F is uniformly bounded, there is a compact subset Y of \mathbb{R}^n such that $f(x) \in Y$ for all $f \in F$ and all $x \in X$. Let $f_0 \in F$ be a fixed point. Since F is bounded under $\rho \exists M > 0$: $\rho(f_0, f) < M, \forall f \in F$. Then, $d(f_0(x), f(x)) < M \forall f \in F$ and $\forall x \in X$ (1). On the other hand since f_0 is continuous and X is compact, $f_0(X)$ is also compact in \mathbb{R}^n . Hence $f_0(X)$ is bounded. This implies that there exists

$N \in \mathbb{N}$: $f_0(X) \subseteq B_d(0, N) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$. Then $f_0(x) \in B_d(0, N), \forall x \in X \Rightarrow d(0, f_0(x)) < N \forall x$ (2). (1), (2) $\Rightarrow d(0, f(x)) \leq d(0, f_0(x)) + d(f_0(x), f(x)) \leq M + N \Rightarrow f(x) \in B_d(0, M + N), \forall f \in F$ and $\forall x \in X$. So $f(X) \subseteq B_d(0, M + N) \forall f \in F$.

Set $Y = \overline{B_d(0, M + N)}$

Then Y is closed and bounded subset of \mathbb{R}^n Hence Y is a compact set such that $f(x) \in Y, \forall f \in F$ and $\forall x \in X$. Note that since $Y \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n, \mathcal{C}(X, Y) \subseteq \mathcal{C}(X, \mathbb{R}^n)$ and F is contained in $\mathcal{C}(X, Y)$.

Definition 3.6: Let (Y, d) be a metric space Let $F \subseteq \mathcal{C}(X, Y)$. The set F is said to be equicontinuous at a point $x_0 \in X$, if given $\epsilon > 0$ there is a neighborhood U of x_0 such that for all $x \in U$ and for all $f \in F$ we have $d(f(x), f(x_0)) < \epsilon$. If the set F is equicontinuous at each point $x \in X$ then F is equicontinuous on X .

Theorem 3.7: Let \mathbb{F} be a subset of $\mathcal{C}(X, Y)$ where X is compact space and (Y, d) is a compact metric space. Then \mathbb{F} is equicontinuous if and only if \mathbb{F} is totally bounded (under ρ).

Proof: Let \mathbb{F} be totally bounded under ρ . Let $x_0 \in X$ be fixed, and let $\epsilon > 0$. We shall show that \mathbb{F} is equicontinuous at x_0 . First choose $\epsilon_1 > 0$ and $\epsilon_2 > 0 : 2\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 \leq \epsilon$. Since \mathbb{F} is totally bounded there is a finite cover of \mathbb{F} by ϵ_1 -balls. Therefore, there are $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \in \mathcal{C}(X, Y)$ such that $\mathbb{F} \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n B_\rho(f_i, \epsilon_1)$. Each function $f_i, i = 1, \dots, n$ is continuous; hence it is continuous at x_0 . Therefore $\exists U_i$ (n.b.d of x_0) such that $d(f_i(x), f_i(x_0)) < \epsilon_2$, for all $x \in U_i$. Let $U = \bigcap_{i=1}^n U_i$. Then U is open and $x_0 \in U$. Moreover $d(f_i(x), f_i(x_0)) < \epsilon_2, \forall x \in U, i = 1, \dots, n$ (1)

We assert that if $x \in U$ and $f \in \mathbb{F}$ then $d(f(x), f(x_0)) < \epsilon$ holds. Let $f \in \mathbb{F}$ be arbitrary. then $f \in B_\rho(f_i, \epsilon_1)$ for some i and so, $\rho(f_i, f) < \epsilon_1$. Then $d(f_i(x), f(x)) < \epsilon_1 \forall x \in X \dots$ (2)

In particular $d(f_i(x), f(x)) < \epsilon_1 \forall x \in U$ (3)

By (1), (2) and (3) we get: $d(f(x), f(x_0)) \leq d(f(x), f_i(x)) + d(f_i(x), f_i(x_0)) + d(f_i(x_0), f(x_0)) \leq \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 + \epsilon_1 = 2\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 \leq \epsilon$ Conversely, let $\epsilon > 0$.

Since \mathbb{F} is equicontinuous on X , for each $x \in X \exists U_x$ (a neighborhood of x) such that $d(f(x), f(y)) < \epsilon/3 \forall y \in U_x$ and $\forall f \in \mathbb{F}$. We have $X = \bigcup_{x \in X} U_x$. That

means the collection $\{U_x : x \in X\}$ is an open covering of X , and since X is compact there are $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k \in X$ such that $X = \bigcup_{i=1}^k U_{x_i}$ and $d(f(x), f(x_i)) < \epsilon/3, \forall x \in U_{x_i}$ and for all $f \in \mathbb{F}$.

Now, cover Y by finitely many open sets V_1, V_2, \dots, V_m , with $\text{diam} V_j < \epsilon/3, \forall j = 1, 2, \dots, m$ For $f \in \mathbb{F}$ and $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$, $f(x_i)$ is contained in at least one of V_j 's for $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$.

J is the collection of all functions $\alpha: \{1, 2, \dots, k\} \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$. Let $\alpha \in J$; Then $\alpha(i) = j \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$, $\forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$. If there is $f \in F$ such that $f(x_i) \in V_j = V_{\alpha(i)}$, $\forall i$ take this function and denote it with $f_\alpha, f_\alpha \in F$. Consider the collection $\{f_\alpha\} \subseteq F$. Then $\alpha \in J' \subseteq J$. Clearly J is a finite set and hence $\{f_\alpha\}$ is a finite subset of F .

Claim: $F \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in J'} B_{\rho}(f_\alpha, \epsilon)$. Let $f \in F$. Then $f(x_i) \in V_j, \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ where

$j = 1, 2, \dots, m$. Choose $\alpha \in J: \alpha^*(i) = j$

Then $f(x_i) \in V_{\alpha^*(i)}, \forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ and hence $\alpha \in J'$. We assert that

$f \in B_{\rho}(f_\alpha^*, \epsilon)$. Let $x \in X$; then

there exists $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ such that $x \in U_i$. Therefore

$$d(f(x), f(x_i)) < \epsilon/3 \quad \forall f \in F \text{ and } x \in U_i \quad (1)$$

$$\text{hence } d(f_\alpha^*(x), f_\alpha^*(x_i)) < \epsilon/3 \quad \forall x \in U_i \quad (2)$$

Since $f(x_i) \in V_{\alpha^*(i)}$ and $f_\alpha^*(x_i) \in V_{\alpha^*(i)}$ we have

$$d(f_\alpha^*(x_i), f(x_i)) < \epsilon/3 \quad (3)$$

(1), (2), (3) $\Rightarrow d(f(x), f_\alpha^*(x)) < \epsilon$. Since $x \in X$ was arbitrary,

$$d(f(x), f_\alpha^*(x)) < \epsilon \quad \forall x \in X. \quad \text{Hence } \rho(f, f_\alpha^*) = \max \{d(f(x), f_\alpha^*(x))\} < \epsilon.$$

Therefore, $f \in B_{\rho}(f_\alpha^*, \epsilon) \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in J'} B_{\rho}(f_\alpha, \epsilon)$. Since $f \in F$ was arbitrary

$$F \subseteq \bigcup_{\alpha \in J'} B_{\rho}(f_\alpha, \epsilon)$$

Theorem 3.8: (Ascoli's theorem, classical version). Let X be compact space; A subset F of $C(X, \mathbb{R}^n)$ is compact if and only if it is closed, bounded and equicontinuous.

Proof: Let F be a compact subset of the metric space $(C(X, \mathbb{R}^n))$. Then F is closed and bounded under ρ by pr 3.5. Hence there is a compact subset Y of \mathbb{R}^n such that $F \subseteq C(X, Y)$. Since F is compact, F is totally bounded under ρ (Th.3.2, p.20). By Th.3.7, we get that F is equicontinuous. Conversely, suppose F is closed, bounded and equicontinuous, where $F \subseteq C(X, \mathbb{R}^n)$. Since $C(X, \mathbb{R}^n)$ is complete and F closed in $C(X, \mathbb{R}^n)$, we have that F is complete. The fact that F is bounded (under ρ) implies that F

is contained in some subspace $C(X, Y)$ of $C(X, \mathbb{R}^n)$, where Y is a compact subset of \mathbb{R}^n . Since, F is equicontinuous in $C(X, Y)$, it is also totally bounded. Therefore, F is compact. ■

4. Pointwise and Compact Convergence

Consider the function space Y^X in the product topology. Let $x \in X$ and let U be an open subset of Y . Then $\pi_x^{-1}(U)$ is a typical subbasis element. Using functional notation, $\pi_x^{-1}(U) = \{f: X \rightarrow Y \mid f(x) \in U\}$. Set $S(x, U) = \pi_x^{-1}(U)$.

According to the text book (§2.8, p.112-Munkres) the typical basis element for this topology is a finite intersection of subbasis elements $S(x, U)$. Let $f \in Y^X$ and let B_f to be a basis element about f . Then $B_f = \bigcap_{i=1}^n S_i(x_i, U_i)$, where $x_i \in X$ and U_i are open in Y . Thus B_f contains all functions $g: X \rightarrow Y$ that are "closed" to f at finitely many points x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n ; i.e. $g(x_i) \in U_i \forall i=1, \dots, n$. (see Fig.1)

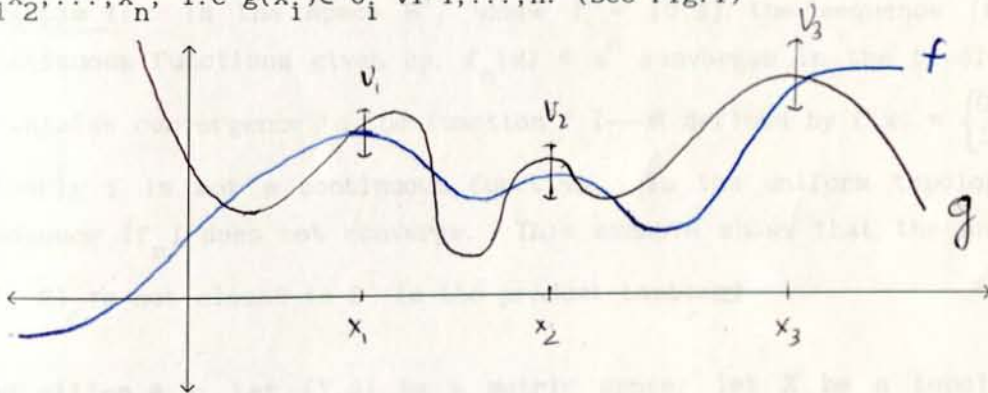


Figure 1

The graph of each $g \in B_f$ intersect the vertical intervals U_1, U_2, U_3 , where $U_i = \{(x_i, y) : i=1, 2, 3\}$.

Theorem 4.1: A sequence (f_n) of functions $f_n: X \rightarrow Y$ converges to a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ in the product topology if and only if for each $x \in X$ the sequence $\{f_n(x)\}$ of points of Y converges to the point $f(x) \in Y$.

Proof: Let $f_n: X \rightarrow Y$ such that $f_n \rightarrow f$, in the product topology on Y^X .

Hence, given $x \in X$ and a neighborhood U of $f(x)$ the set $S(x, U)$ is a neighborhood of f . Therefore $\exists N: f_n \in S(x, U), \forall n \geq N$. Then, $f_n(x) \in U, \forall n \geq N$.

Since U is an arbitrary neighborhood of $f(x)$, $f_n(x) \rightarrow f(x)$.

Conversely, Let $S(x, U)$ be an arbitrary subbasis element neighborhood of f .

Since $f_n(x) \rightarrow f(x)$ there is an $N: f_n(x) \in U$ for all $n \geq N$. This implies

$f_n \in S(x, U), \forall n \geq N$ Therefore, $f_n \rightarrow f$.

Remarks 4.2 By theorem 4.1 the convergence in the product topology on Y^X is equivalent with the pointwise convergence. That is the reason we call the product topology, topology of pointwise convergence. (or point-open topology).

Example 1: In the space \mathbb{R}^I , where $I = [0, 1]$ the sequence (f_n) of continuous functions given by, $f_n(x) = x^n$ converges in the topology of pointwise convergence to the function $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq x < 1 \\ 1, & x = 1 \end{cases}$

clearly f is not a continuous function. In the uniform topology the sequence (f_n) does not converge. This example shows that the subspace

$C(I, \mathbb{R})$ is not closed in \mathbb{R}^I in the product topology.

Definition 4.3: Let (Y, d) be a metric space; let X be a topological space. Given $f: X \rightarrow Y$, a compact subset C of X and a number $\epsilon > 0$, let $B_C(f, \epsilon)$ denote the set of all those elements $g \in Y^X$ for which $\sup \{d(f(x), g(x)): x \in C\} < \epsilon$. The sets $B_C(f, \epsilon)$ form a basis for a topology on Y^X . It is called the topology of compact convergence.

Remarks 4.4: 1) Comparing the pointwise convergence topology and the compact convergence topology the typical basis element $B_C(f, \epsilon)$ contains all functions that are "closed" to f not just at finitely many points, but at all points of a compact set C .

2) Note also that if $g \in B_C(f, \epsilon)$ then there is $\delta > 0 : B_C(g, \delta) \subset B_C(f, \epsilon)$ where $\delta = \epsilon - \sup \{d(f(x), g(x)) : x \in C\}$. The sets $B_C(g, \delta)$ form a basis for this topology.

Theorem 4.5: A sequence $f_n : X \rightarrow Y$ of functions converges to the function f in the compact convergence topology, if and only if for each compact subset C of X the sequence $f_n|_C$ converges uniformly to $f|_C$.

Proof: Suppose that (f_n) converges to f in the topology of compact convergence. Let C be an arbitrary compact subset of X and let $\epsilon > 0$. Then $B_C(f, \epsilon)$ is a n.b.d of f . Therefore there is an N such that $f_n \in B_C(f, \epsilon)$, $\forall n \geq N$. Then $d(f_n(x), f(x)) < \epsilon$, $\forall n \geq N$ and $\forall x \in C$. So f_n converges uniformly to f on C ; i.e. $f_n|_C$ converges uniformly to $f|_C$.

Conversely, let C be any compact set in X and let $\epsilon > 0$. Since $\{f_n|_C\}$ converges uniformly to $f|_C$ there is an N such that $d(f_n|_C, f|_C) < \epsilon/2 \forall n \geq N$ or $d(f_n(x), f(x)) < \epsilon/2$, $\forall n \geq N$ and $\forall x \in C$.

Hence $\sup \{d(f_n(x), f(x)) : x \in C\} < \epsilon, \forall n \geq N$. This implies $f_n \in B_C(f, \epsilon) \forall n \geq N$. Since $B_C(f, \epsilon)$ is an arbitrary n.b.d of f in the topology of compact convergence, f_n converges to f .

Definition 6.6: A space X is said to be compactly generated if it satisfies the following condition: A set $A \subseteq X$ is open in X if and only if $A \cap C$ is open in C , for each compact set C in X . The above condition is equivalent to say that a set B is closed in X if and only if $B \cap C$ is closed in C for any compact set C .

Lemma 4.7: If a topological space X is locally compact or if X satisfies the first countability axiom, then X is compactly generated.

Proof: Let X be a locally compact space. Let $A \subseteq X$ such that $A \cap C$ is open in C for every compact set C . We show that A is open in X . Let $x \in A$; since X is locally compact some neighborhood U of x is contained in some compact set C . Hence $x \in U \subseteq C$. Since $A \cap C$ is open in C and $U \subseteq C$, $A \cap U = (A \cap C) \cap U$ is open in U (consider U as a subspace of C).

Since $A \cap U$ is open in U and U is open in X we get that $A \cap U$ is open in X . Clearly $x \in A \cap U \subseteq A$ so $A \cap U$ is a neighborhood of x contained in A . Therefore, A is open in X .

Let X be a space which satisfies the first countability axiom. If $B \cap C$ is closed in C for all compact subsets C of X we need to show that B is closed in X . Let $x \in \bar{B}$; since X has a countable basis at the point x there is a sequence (x_n) of elements of B converging to x . Let V be a neighborhood of x . Then there is a positive integer N : $x_n \in V, \forall n \geq N$. Since infinitely many points of the sequence (x_n) lie in V ($x \in V$) the set $C := \{x\} \cup \{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is compact, so $B \cap C$ is closed in C . Clearly $x_n \in B \cap C, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. So we have a sequence in $B \cap C$ which converges to $x \in C$. Then $x \in B \cap C$. Therefore $x \in B$. Since x was an arbitrary limit point of B , the set B contains all its limit points and hence it is closed in X . //

Theorem 4.8: If X is a compactly generated space and (Y, d) is a metric space, then $C(X, Y)$ is closed in Y^X in the topology of compact convergence.

Proof: Let $f \in Y^X$ be a limit point of $C(X, Y)$; we need to show that f is continuous. Let C be an arbitrary compact subset of X . For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, the ball $B_c(f, 1/n)$ is a neighborhood of f . Since f is a limit point of $C(X, Y)$ we get that $B_c(f, 1/n) \cap C(X, Y) \neq \emptyset, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $f_n \in C(X, Y)$ such that $f_n \in B_c(f, 1/n)$. Let $\epsilon > 0$ and choose $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $1/N < \epsilon$. Then $1/n < \epsilon, \forall n \geq N$. Since $f_n \in B_c(f, 1/n)$ we get that $\sup_{x \in C} \{d(f(x), f_n(x))\} <$

$1/n$. Therefore $\sup_{x \in C} \{d(f(x), f_n(x))\} < \epsilon, \forall n \geq N$. This implies that $f_n \in B_C(f, \epsilon), \forall n \geq N$ that means the sequence (f_n) of points of $C(X, Y)$ converges to f in the topology of compact convergence. By Theorem 4.5, $f_n|_C$ converges uniformly to $f|_C$. By the uniform limit theorem $f|_C$ is continuous. Let now V be an open set in Y . We want to show that $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X .

Observe that $f^{-1}(V) \cap C = (f|_C)^{-1}(V)$, where $f|_C: C \rightarrow Y$ and C is any subset of X . Since $f|_C$ is continuous $(f|_C)^{-1}(V)$ is open in C ; i.e. $f^{-1}(V) \cap C$ is open in C . Considering C as a compact subspace of X and using the fact that X is compactly generated we get that $f^{-1}(V)$ is open in X . //

Corollary 4.9: Let X be a compactly generated space and let Y be a metric space with metric d . If a sequence of continuous functions $f_n: X \rightarrow Y$ converges to a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ in the topology of compact convergence, then f is continuous.

Proof: Let (f_n) be a sequence of continuous functions, $f_n: X \rightarrow Y$: i.e. $f_n \in C(X, Y) \subseteq Y^X$. Assume that $f_n \rightarrow f, f \in Y^X$ in the topology of compact convergence. By Theorem 4.8, $C(X, Y)$ is closed in Y^X in the topology of compact convergence. Hence $f \in C(X, Y)$.

Theorem 4.10: Let X be a topological space and let Y be a metric space with metric d . On the function space Y^X we have define three topologies. The uniform topology, the topology of compact convergence and the topology of pointwise convergence. Then, (pointwise convergence) \subset (compact convergence) \subset (uniform convergence). If X is compact, the last two coincide, and if X is discrete the first two coincide.

Proof: Let J_1, J_2 and J_3 denote the pointwise convergence topology, the compact convergence topology and uniform topology respectively
1. we need to show $J_1 \subset J_2$. Let $f = (f(x))_{x \in X}$ be any point of Y^X .

Recall that $Y^X = \prod_{x \in X} Y_x$, where $Y_x = Y$, $\forall x \in X$. Let B be a basis element about f in the topology of pointwise convergence J_1 (product topology) on Y^X . Let $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$ be the indices for which $U_x \neq Y$. Then $B = \prod_{x \in X} U_x$. Since Y is a metric space each U_{x_i} is a ball $B_d(f(x_i), \epsilon_i)$. We need to show that there is $\delta > 0$ and a compact subset C of X such that $B_C(f, \delta) \subset B = \prod_{x \in X} U_x$, where $B_C(f, \delta)$ is a basis element about f in the topology of compact convergence. Let $C := \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ and $\delta := \min\{\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n\}$. Then C is a compact set. Let $g \in B_C(f, \delta)$; then we have that $\sup\{d(f(x), g(x)) : x \in C\} = \max\{d(f(x), g(x)) : x \in C\} < \delta$. So, $d(f(x_i), g(x_i)) < \delta \leq \epsilon_i \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n$. Therefore $g(x_i) \in B_d(f(x_i), \epsilon_i) = U_{x_i}$; i.e. $g \in \prod_{x_i} U_{x_i} = B$.

2. $J_2 \subset J_3$. Let $f \in Y^X$, $\epsilon > 0$ and C compact in X . Set $\delta := \min\{1, \epsilon\}$; we claim that $B_C(f, \delta/2) \subset B_C(f, \epsilon)$. Let $g \in B_C(f, \delta/2)$, then $\sup\{\bar{d}(f(x), g(x)) : x \in X\} < \delta/2$. So we get $\bar{d}(f(x), g(x)) < \delta/2$, $\forall x \in X$. Clearly this implies $d(f(x), g(x)) < \epsilon/2$, $\forall x \in X$, therefore $\sup\{d(f(x), g(x)) : x \in C\} \leq \sup\{d(f(x), g(x)) : x \in X\} \leq \epsilon/2 < \epsilon$. Then $g \in B_C(f, \epsilon)$.

Note that if $g \in B_C(f, \epsilon)$ then $B_C(g, \delta) \subset B_C(f, \epsilon) \dots (1)$ where $\delta := \epsilon - \sup\{d(f(x), g(x)) : x \in C\}$.

Let X be compact; it remains to show that $J_3 \subset J_2$. Let $f \in Y^X$ and $\epsilon > 0$ it suffices to show: $B_X(f, \epsilon) \subset B_C(f, \epsilon)$. Let $g \in B_X(f, \epsilon)$; then

$\sup\{d(f(x), g(x)) : x \in X\} < \epsilon$. Since $\bar{d}(f(x), g(x)) \leq d(f(x), g(x))$, we get that $\sup\{\bar{d}(f(x), g(x)) : x \in X\} < \epsilon$ which means that $\bar{\rho}(f, g) < \epsilon \Rightarrow g \in B_C(f, \epsilon)$.

Now let X be discrete. Then a subset C of X is compact if and only if C is finite. We show $J_2 \subset J_1$. Let $B_C(f, \epsilon)$ be an arbitrary basis element about f in the topology of compact convergence J_2 , where C is a compact subset of X and $\epsilon > 0$.

Then $C = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\} \subseteq X$. Consider the following basis element B_f (about f) in the topology of pointwise convergence: $B_f := \prod_x V_x$, where $V_x = Y$ for all $x \neq x_i$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and $V_{x_i} = B_d(f(x_i), \epsilon)$. We claim that $B_f \subset B_C(f, \epsilon)$. Let $g \in B_f$; then $g(x_i) \in B_d(f(x_i), \epsilon)$, $\forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Hence $d(f(x_i), g(x_i)) < \epsilon$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. $\sup \{d(f(x_i), g(x_i)) : x_i \in C\} = \max \{d(f(x_i), g(x_i)) : x_i \in C\} < \epsilon \Leftrightarrow g \in B_C(f, \epsilon)$. //

5. The Compact Open Topology

Defining the topology of compact convergence on the function space Y^X we considered the space Y as a metric space, with metric d . But a topology on a space can be induced by different metrics. So, the question is whether the above topology depends only on the topology of Y rather than on the particular metric d . We can answer if our space is $C(X, Y) \subseteq Y^X$; for this space the topology of compact convergence is independent of the metrics which generate the topology of Y .

Definition 5.1: Let X and Y be topological spaces. Let C be a compact subset of X and U be an open set in Y . Define, $S(C, U) := \{f \in C(X, Y) : f(C) \subset U\}$. The sets $S(C, U)$, form a subbasis for a topology on $C(X, Y)$. We call this topology, the compact-open topology. Clearly, if C is one-point set it is compact and $S(C, U) = S(x, U)$, where $S(x, U)$ is a subbasis element for the point-open topology.

Note that the compact-open topology is defined without assuming a metric on Y . Let now d be a metric on Y which generates the topology of Y . Then we can define the topology of compact convergence of Y^X and hence on $C(X, Y)$. If we show that this topology coincides with the compact-open topology then the topology of compact convergence is independent of the particular metric chosen for Y .

Theorem 5.2: Let X be a space and let (Y, d) be a metric space consider the function space $C(X, Y)$ and let J_1 and J_2 denote the compact-open topology and the topology of compact convergence (on $C(X, Y)$). Then $J_1 = J_2$.

Proof: Step 1. For each subset A of Y and for each $\epsilon > 0$ we can define $U(A, \epsilon) := \bigcup_{a \in A} B_d(a, \epsilon)$. The set $U(A, \epsilon)$ is called " ϵ -neighborhood" of A . If A is compact and V is an open set in Y containing A then we can show that there is $\epsilon > 0$ such that $U(A, \epsilon) \subset V$: Since $A \subset V$, for each $a \in A$ choose $\delta(a) > 0$ such that $B_d(a, \delta(a)) \subset V$. Note that since A is compact the collection $\{B_d(a, 1/2 \delta(a)) : a \in A\}$ contain a finite covering of A , say $B_d(a_1, 1/2 \delta(a_1)), \dots, B_d(a_n, 1/2 \delta(a_n))$. Set $\epsilon := \min\{1/2 \delta(a_i)\}$ and let $a \in A$. Then $b \in B_d(a, \epsilon)$ implies $d(a, b) < \epsilon$.

Note that since $a \in A$ and $A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n B_d(a_i, 1/2 \delta(a_i))$, $a \in B_d(a_k, 1/2 \delta(a_k))$, for some $k \leq n$. Hence $d(a_k, a) < 1/2 \delta(a_k)$. Then $d(a_k, b) \leq d(a_k, a) + d(a, b)$. So $d(a_k, b) < 1/2 \delta(a_k) + \epsilon \leq 1/2 \delta(a_k) + 1/2 \delta(a_k) = \delta(a_k) \Rightarrow b \in B_d(a_k, \delta(a_k))$. Therefore, $B_d(a, \epsilon) \subset B_d(a_k, \delta(a_k)) \subset V$. Since $a \in A$

was arbitrary $B_d(a, \epsilon) \subset V, \forall a \in A$; that means $U(A, \epsilon) = \bigcup_{a \in A} B_d(a, \epsilon) \subset V$.

So, we proved that for each compact subset A of Y with $A \subset V$ (where V is an open set) there is $\epsilon > 0$ such that $U(A, \epsilon) \subset V$.

Step 2. Claim $J_1 \subset J_2$. Let $S(C, U)$ be any subbasis element for J_1 (compact-open topology) on $C(X, Y)$ and let $f \in S(C, U)$. Then $f(C) \subset U$. Since C is compact and f is continuous $f(C)$ is a compact subset of Y . By step 1 there is $\epsilon > 0$ such that the ϵ -neighborhood of $f(C)$ lies in U . Then $B_c(f, \epsilon)$ is a basis element for the topology of compact convergence J_2 . We want to show: $B_c(f, \epsilon) \subset S(C, U)$. Let $g \in B_c(f, \epsilon)$; then $d(f(x), g(x)) < \epsilon, \forall x \in C \Rightarrow g(x) \in B_d(f(x), \epsilon), \forall x \in C \Rightarrow g(C) \subset \bigcup_{c \in C} B_d(f(x), \epsilon) \subset U$. Since $g(C) \subset U, g \in S(C, U)$.

Step 3. Claim $J_2 \subset J_1$. Let $f \in C(X, Y)$, let C be a compact set in X and let $\epsilon > 0$. Then $B_c(f, \epsilon)$ is a basis element for J_2 on $C(X, Y)$, neighborhood of f . We shall find a basis element of J_1 that contains f and lies in $B_c(f, \epsilon)$.

Using the fact that f is continuous at each point $x \in C$ we can choose a neighborhood V_x such that $f(V_x) \subset B_d(f(x), \epsilon/4)$. We claim that $f(\overline{V_x}) \subset B_d(f(x), \epsilon/3)$; it suffices to show $f(\overline{V_x}) \subset \overline{B_d(f(x), \epsilon/4)}$.

Let $y \in f(\overline{V_x})$; then $y = f(x_0)$, $x_0 \in \overline{V_x}$. Note that $y \in \overline{B_d(f(x), \epsilon/4)}$ if and only if every neighborhood of $y = f(x_0)$ intersects $B_d(f(x), \epsilon/4)$. Let $B_d(f(x_0), \delta)$ be a neighborhood of y ; set $A := f^{-1}[B_d(f(x_0), \delta)] \cap V_x$. Since $x_0 \in \overline{V_x}$, $A \neq \emptyset$ and $f(A) \subset B_d(f(x_0), \delta) \cap f(V_x) \subset B_d(f(x_0), \delta) \cap B_d(f(x), \epsilon/4) \neq \emptyset$. Hence $y \in \overline{B_d(f(x), \epsilon/4)}$.

Since the collection $\{V_x : x \in C\}$ is an open covering of C and C is compact, C has a finite subcovering, say V_{x_1}, \dots, V_{x_n} . Set $C_{x_i} = \overline{V_{x_i}} \cap C$. Then each C_{x_i} is compact in X . If $U_{x_i} := B_d(f(x), \epsilon/3)$ we claim that $S(C_{x_1}, U_{x_1}) \cap \dots \cap S(C_{x_n}, U_{x_n}) \subset B_c(f, \epsilon)$. Let $g \in S(C_{x_1}, U_{x_1}) \cap \dots \cap S(C_{x_n}, U_{x_n})$ and $x \in C$. Then $x \in V_{x_i}$ and hence $x \in C_{x_i}$ for some i . Then $f(x) \in U_{x_i}$ therefore $d(f(x), f(x_i)) < \epsilon/3$. On the other hand $g \in S(C_{x_i}, U_{x_i})$, hence $g(x) \in U_{x_i} \Rightarrow d(f(x_i), g(x)) < \epsilon/3$. Then $d(f(x), g(x)) \leq d(f(x), f(x_i)) + d(f(x_i), g(x)) < 2\epsilon/3$ So, $\sup_{x \in C} \{d(f(x), g(x))\} < \epsilon$ and so $g \in B_c(f, \epsilon)$. //

Theorem 5.3 Let X be a locally compact Hausdorff space and consider the set $C(X, Y)$ in the compact open topology. Then the map $e: X \times C(X, Y) \rightarrow Y$ given by $e(x, f) := f(x)$ is a continuous map. It is called the evaluation map.

Proof: Given a point $(x, f) \in X \times C(X, Y)$ and an arbitrary open set V in Y , neighborhood of the image point $e(x, f) = f(x)$ we need to find a neighborhood of (x, f) that e maps into V . Since f is continuous $f^{-1}(V)$ is an open set in X , neighborhood of x . Since X is locally compact at x we can find a neighborhood U of x with compact closure such that $\overline{U} \subset f^{-1}(V)$ or $f(\overline{U}) \subset V$. Then $S(\overline{U}, V)$ is a basis element for the

compact-open topology on $C(X, Y)$ and since $f(\bar{U}) \subset V$ we get that $f \in S(\bar{U}, V)$. Observe that the set $U \times S(\bar{U}, V)$ is open in $X \times C(X, Y)$ and it is a neighborhood of (x, f) . It remains to show that $f'(x') \in V$, for every $(x', f') \in U \times S(\bar{U}, V)$. Let $(x', f') \in U \times S(\bar{U}, V)$; then $x' \in U \subset \bar{U}$ and $f(\bar{U}) \subset V$. Hence $f'(x') \in V$.

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