

November 11, hours 24-25: Tychonoff, Stone-Cech

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Note. I'll vanish at 4PM.

Goal. Tychonoff & a taste of Stone-Cech. [hardest class of this course]

HW. HW5 due today, HW6 on web by midnight.

Read Along. Munkres 37, 38

Riddle Along.  $\mathcal{C} \left( \begin{matrix} x & z_1 \\ -1 & z_2 \end{matrix} \right) = \left\{ (z_1, z_2) \in \mathbb{C}^2 : \begin{matrix} d(-1, z_1) = d(z_1, z_2) \\ = d(z_2, 1) = 1 \end{matrix} \right\} = \bigcirc$

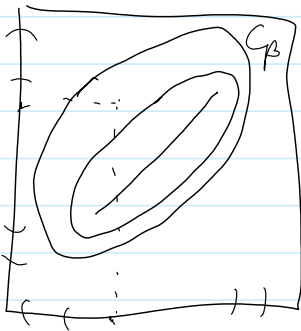
Reminder.  $X$  is compact iff every family of closed sets having the FIP has a common point. I.e.,  $\{F_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  closed,  $\forall \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\} \subset I \bigcap_{i=1}^n F_{\alpha_i} \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} F_\alpha \neq \emptyset$ .

Thm. (Tychonoff) If  $X_\alpha$  is compact for every  $\alpha$ , then so is  $\prod X_\alpha$ .

Example  $\{0,1\}^{\mathbb{N}}$  is compact

EX.  $\{0,1\}^{\mathbb{N}} \simeq C$ , the Cantor set.

Proof. Given  $\mathcal{C}$ , choose a maximal



collection  $\mathcal{A}$  having the FIP and containing  $\mathcal{C}$ , of not-necessarily-closed sets (using Zorn).

claim  $\mathcal{A}$  is closed under finite intersections.

claim IF  $B \cap A \neq \emptyset$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , Then  $B \in \mathcal{A}$ .

Now  $\forall \alpha, \{\overline{\prod_{\alpha} A} : A \in \mathcal{A}\}$  has the FIP,

so choose  $x_\alpha \in \bigcap_{A \in \mathcal{A}} \overline{\prod_{\alpha} A}$ . Want:  $(x_\alpha) \in \bigcap_{\mathcal{C} \in \mathcal{C}} C$

Aside on Zorn's Lemma

In a partially-ordered

set in which every

chain has a

bound, there is

a maximal element.

claim If  $U$  is a nbd of  $x_\alpha$  in  $X_\alpha$ , then  $\pi^{-1}(U) \in \mathcal{A}$ .

PF  $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}, U \cap \overline{\pi_\alpha(A)} \neq \emptyset$ , so  $U \cap \pi_\alpha(A) \neq \emptyset$ ,  
so  $\pi^{-1}(U) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ .

claim Every basic nbd of  $(x_\alpha)$  is in  $\mathcal{A}$ .

claim  $(x_\alpha) \in \bigcap_{C \in \mathcal{B}} C$  □

Let  $A = \{ \text{bounded sequences} \} = \{ a = (a_j)_{j=0}^\infty : \exists M \text{ s.t. } \forall j |a_j| < M \} \subset \mathbb{R}^\mathbb{N}$

for each  $(a_j) \in A$ , let  $R_{(a_j)}$  be  $[\inf(a_j), \sup(a_j)] \subset \mathbb{R}$

then  $C = \prod_{\bar{a} \in A} R_{\bar{a}}$ .  $C$  is compact! (and huge)

Let  $\phi: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow C$  be given by  $\phi(k)_\alpha = a_k$  <sup>(it's)</sup> <sub>(1-1)</sub>

let  $\beta\mathbb{N} := \overline{\phi(\mathbb{N})} \subset C$ . It is compact, and has  $\mathbb{N}$  as a dense subset.

Claim Every cont. bndd function  $b$  has a unique cont. extension  $\tilde{b}$  to  $\beta\mathbb{N}$ .

proof for  $b: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , set  $\tilde{b} = \pi b|_{\beta\mathbb{N}}$ . done fine

Claim If  $\mu \in \beta\mathbb{N} - \mathbb{N}$  and  $b = (b_j)$  is a seq. whose limit  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} b_j$  exists, then  $\tilde{b}(\mu) = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} b_j$ .

PF Enough to know that  $\mu \in [n, \infty)$ , for any  $n$ .

In a  $T_2$  space,  $\mu \in \overline{D} - D$  iff every nbd of  $\mu$  contains infinitely many elements of  $D$ .

Now fix  $\mu$  and define  $\text{Lim}(b_j) = \bar{b}(\mu)$ . Then  $\text{Lim}$  is a "generalized limit".

This contradicts the principle of diminishing values.