

# PARTIAL SOLUTIONS TO TUTORIAL I

MA 406 GENERAL TOPOLOGY, IIT BOMBAY

(1)(a)  $\bigcup U_\alpha$  is not a topology in general.

Counter example - Use (2).

(1)(b). The unique smallest topology containing all the  $U_\alpha$ 's is

$$\mathcal{F} = \bigcap \{ \mathcal{U} \mid \mathcal{U} \supseteq U_\alpha \forall \alpha, \mathcal{U} \text{ is a topology } \}$$

\* Show that this is smallest & unique.

(That  $\mathcal{F}$  is a topology follows from 1(a)).

The largest topology contained in all the  $U_\alpha$ 's will be  $\bigcap U_\alpha$ .

Again this is a topology by 1(a).

\* Show that it is largest topology contained in  $U_\alpha \forall \alpha$  & unique!

Remark: Explain why smallest, largest etc do not imply unique directly?

2)

$$\begin{aligned}
 3(a). \quad E \cup \text{Bd}_X(E) &= E \cup (\bar{E} \cap X \setminus E) \\
 &= (E \cup \bar{E}) \cap (E \cup X \setminus E) \\
 (\text{since } E \subseteq \bar{E}) &= \bar{E} \cap (E \cup \underbrace{(\cap_{X \setminus E \subseteq F} F)}_{\text{closed}}) \\
 &= \bar{E} \cap (\cap_{X \setminus E \subseteq F} (E \cup F)) \\
 &\quad \text{F closed}
 \end{aligned}$$

But  $X \setminus E \subseteq F \Rightarrow X \setminus E \subseteq E \cup F \subseteq X$   
 $\Rightarrow E \cup F = X,$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore E \cup \text{Bd}_X(E) &= \bar{E} \cap (X) \\
 &= \bar{E} \cap X = \bar{E}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 3(b). \quad E^{\circ} \cup \text{Bd}_X(E) &= E^{\circ} \cup (\bar{E} \cap X \setminus E) \\
 &= (E^{\circ} \cup \bar{E}) \cap (E^{\circ} \cup X \setminus E)
 \end{aligned}$$

Note:  $X \setminus E = (E^{\circ})^c$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow E^{\circ} \cup \text{Bd}_X(E) &= (E^{\circ} \cup \bar{E}) \cap (E^{\circ} \cup (E^{\circ})^c) \\
 &= \bar{E} \cap X = \bar{E}.
 \end{aligned}$$

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The answer follows from previous fact. <sup>c)</sup>

(A). Check that ~~the~~  $\emptyset, \mathbb{R}^2 \in \mathcal{U}_{RD}$  where

let  $\mathcal{U}_{RD}$  consists of radially open sets in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

We ~~only~~ need to show that this defines a topology on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

\* The important one is to check that the intersection of two radially open sets is radially open.

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be radially open.

Let  $x \in A \cap B$ . There exists a line segment through  $x$  in every radial direction in both  $A$  and  $B$ . Pick the least radius in each direction then. There will be a radial nbd around  $x$  in  $A \cap B$ .

\* Show that  $\mathcal{U}_{(\mathbb{R}^2, \|\cdot\|_2)} \subseteq \mathcal{U}_{RD}$ .

where  $\mathcal{U}_{(\mathbb{R}^2, \|\cdot\|_2)}$  is the usual topology on  $(\mathbb{R}^2, \|\cdot\|_2)$ .

\* Show that  $\mathcal{U}_{\mathbb{R}^2} \neq \mathcal{U}_{(\mathbb{R}^2, \|\cdot\|_2)} \subsetneq \mathcal{U}_{\mathbb{R}^D}$ .

Hint: Take an open disk around  $(0,0)$  of radius 1.

As since rational angles are countable denote them as  $\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots$ .

Remove a point at distance  $1/n$  from  $(0,0)$

in direction  $\theta_n$  for all  $n$ , & call this new set  $A$ .

Show that this set  $A$  is not open in  $(\mathbb{R}^2, \|\cdot\|_2)$  but is radially open.

(5) Show that the given collection of sets  $\mathcal{B}$  has the two properties of a base.

\* Why is this sufficient to show that it is a topology.