

I. Topological Structures §4 Product Spaces.

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No. 3 Closures in products.

Propn: $\overline{\pi A_i} = \pi \overline{A_i}$. Proof: $\subseteq$ Since the projections are continuous,

$\text{pr}_i(\pi A_i) \subseteq \overline{\text{pr}_i(\pi A_i)} = \overline{A_i}$. $\supseteq$ Let $(b_i) \in \pi \overline{A_i}$. Let U be an elementary open set around (b_i) . $U = \pi U_i$ with U_i open in X_i and $U_i = X_i$ for almost all X_i .

Since U_i is open around $b_i \in \overline{A_i}$, we have $U_i \cap A_i \neq \emptyset$. Choose $a_i \in U_i \cap A_i$.

Thus $(a_i) \in \pi A_i \cap U$. QED

Cor: πA_i is closed in πX_i iff each A_i is closed in X_i .

Remark: In contrast, if I is infinite, just because U_i is open $\forall i$, it ~~is nevertheless~~ is not necessary that πU_i be open. For πU_i to be open, it is necessary that $U_i = X_i$ for almost all i .

Propn: Let (a_i) be any element of the product πX_i . Let D be the subset consisting of those elts $d \in \pi X_i$ s.t. $\text{pr}_i(d) = a_i$ for all but finitely many i (depending upon d). Then D is dense in πX_i .

Proof: ~~Any open set contains~~ the elementary open sets form a basis of πX_i .

Each such ~~element~~ set is of the form πU_i with $U_i = X_i$ except for finitely i , and so meets D . QED

No. 4. Inverse limits • Let I be a poset (reflexive, transitive relation). Let $\{X_i\}_{i \in I}$ be an inverse system of top spaces & cont. maps. Then $\varprojlim X_i$ may be defined a sets. We have natural maps $\varprojlim X_i \rightarrow X_i$. We give $\varprojlim X_i$ the initial topology w.r.t. $\varprojlim X_i \rightarrow X_i$.

• $\varprojlim X_i \subseteq \pi X_i$ as top. spaces: The topology on $\varprojlim X_i$ coincides with the subspace topology induced from πX_i . (by transitivity of initial topologies).

• If $Y_i \subseteq X_i$, then $\varprojlim Y_i \subseteq \varprojlim X_i$ as top spaces (again by transitivity)

• More generally, if $X'_i \rightarrow X_i$ is an inverse system of continuous maps, we get a natural continuous map $\varprojlim X'_i \rightarrow \varprojlim X_i$.

• Suppose I is a direct set & J is a cofinal subset. Then $\varprojlim_I X_i \cong \varprojlim_J X_i$ naturally homeomorphic. $\{\text{pr}_\alpha^{-1}(U_\alpha) \mid \alpha \in J, U_\alpha^{\text{open}} \subseteq X_\alpha \text{ (or more generally } U_\alpha \text{ belongs to a base of } X_\alpha)\}$ is a base of the top. of $\varprojlim X_i$.

• Cor: For $A \subseteq \varprojlim X_i$, let A_i be the image of A in X_i . Then A_i (resp $\overline{A_i}$) form an inverse system. $\overline{A} = \bigcap \text{pr}_i^{-1}(\overline{A_i}) = \varprojlim \overline{A_i}$. In particular, $A = \bigcap \text{pr}_i^{-1}(\overline{A_i}) = \varprojlim \overline{A_i}$ if A is closed.