

# Embedding and Metrization

A topological space  $X$  is said to be embedded in a top space  $Y$  if  $X$  is homeomorphic to the subspace of  $Y$ .

Def. - A Cartesian product of closed unit intervals  $[0, 1]$  with product topology is called a cube.

A cube is then the set  $\mathcal{C}^A$  of all functions on a set  $A$  to the closed unit interval  $\mathcal{C}$ , with the topology of point wise, or coordinate wise, convergence.

Evaluation Map - Let  $F$  be a family of functions such that each member  $f$  of  $F$  is on a top space  $X$  to a space  $Y_f$ .

A map  $e$  is called evaluation map if the map

$$e: X \rightarrow \prod \{Y_f : f \in F\}$$

is defined by ~~the~~ point  $x \in X$  into the member of product whose  $f$ -coordinate is  $f(x)$ .

where  $f(x)$  is the  $f^{\text{th}}$  coordinate of  $\prod \{Y_f : f \in F\}$ ,  $x \in X$ .

The range be different for different members of the family.

So that  $e$  is continuous if the members of  $F$  are continuous and  $e$  is homeomorphism if  $F$  contains enough functions.

Def - A family  $F$  of functions on  $X$  distinguishes points iff

for each pair of distinct points  $x$  and  $y$  there is  $f$  in  $F$  such that  $f(x) \neq f(y)$  i.e.

if  $x \neq y \in X$  and  $f \in F$  then  $f(x) \neq f(y)$ .

Def - The family  $F$  distinguishes points and closed sets iff for each closed ~~set~~ subset  $A$  of  $X$  and each member  $x$  of  $X \setminus A$  there is  $f$  in  $F$  such that  $f(x) \notin \overline{f[A]}$ .

(i)  $A \subset X$  and  $x \in X \setminus A \Rightarrow f(x) \notin \overline{f[A]} \forall f \in F$ .

Embedding Lemma - Let  $F$  be the family of continuous functions  $f: X \rightarrow Y_f$ , where  $X$  is a topological space and  $Y_f$  is a topological space.

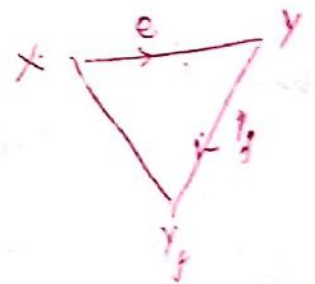
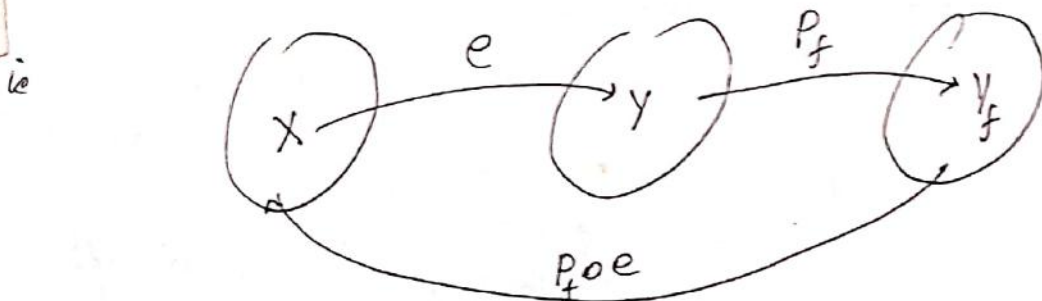
Then:

- (a) The evaluation map  $e$  is a continuous function on  $X$  to  $\prod \{Y_f : f \in F\}$ .
- (b) The function  $e$  is an open map of  $X$  onto  $e[X]$  if  $F$  distinguishes points and closed sets.
- (c) The function  $e$  is one-to-one iff  $F$  distinguishes points.

Proof - Let  $P_f$  be the projection function on  $Y$  to  $Y_f$  where  $Y = \prod \{Y_f : f \in F\}$  be a product space, and the evaluation map  $e: X \rightarrow \prod \{Y_f : f \in F\}$

Then  $P_f \circ e: X \rightarrow Y_f \quad \forall f \in F, x \in X$

is defined by  $P_f \circ e(x) = P_f(e(x)) = e(x)_f = f(x)$



$$\Rightarrow P_f \circ e \cong f.$$

Now using the result, "[A function  $f$  on a topological space to a product space is continuous iff  $P_a \circ f$  is continuous for each projection  $P_a$ ]"

$\because f$  is continuous.  $\therefore F$  is family of continuous functions

$\Rightarrow P_f \circ e$  is continuous

$\Rightarrow e$  is continuous.

Let  $e: X \rightarrow Y$  be evaluation map, let  $G$  be open in  $X$ .  
 $e(x) \in e(G)$  so that  $x \in G$ . Then  $x \notin \overline{X \setminus G}$  and  $x \in G$  is  
 a closed set in  $X$ . Since  $F$  separates pts & closed sets then there  
 is some function  $f \in F$  s.t.  $f(x) \notin \overline{f(X \setminus G)}$ , whence  
 $f(x) \in Y_f - \overline{f(X \setminus G)}$ ,  $Y = \pi \{Y_f\}$

Now  $W = Y_f - \overline{f(X \setminus G)}$  is open in  $Y_f$  and  $f(x) \in W$

Also  $f = p_f \circ e \Rightarrow f(x) = p_f(e(x))$

Since  $f(x) \in W \Rightarrow p_f(e(x)) \in W \Rightarrow e(x) \in p_f^{-1}(W)$   
 $\Rightarrow p_f^{-1}(W)$  is open in  $Y$   $\because W$  is open in  $Y_f$  and  $p_f$  is continuous

Put  $W = p_f^{-1}(W) \cap e(X)$ .

Then  $W$  is open in  $e(X)$

Also  $e(x) \in p_f^{-1}(W)$  and  $e(x) \in e(X) \Rightarrow e(x) \in W$ .  $\text{--- } \textcircled{1}$

Now  $W \subseteq e(G)$   $\text{--- } \textcircled{2}$

For,  $e(t) \in W \Rightarrow e(t) \in p_f^{-1}(W)$

$\Rightarrow p_f(e(t)) \in p_f(p_f^{-1}(W)) \Rightarrow p_f(e(t)) \in W$

$\Rightarrow (p_f \circ e)(t) \in W \Rightarrow f(t) \in W$

$\Rightarrow f(t) \notin \overline{f(X \setminus G)}$

$\Rightarrow t \in G$  since  $F$  separates points and closed sets in  $X$

$\Rightarrow e(t) \in e(G)$ .

Hence from  $\textcircled{1}$  and  $\textcircled{2}$   $e(x) \in W \subseteq e(G)$ , where  $W$  is  
 open in  $e(X)$ . Therefore  $e(G)$  is open in  $e(X)$ , whence  $e$  is open map

It is sufficient to show that the image under  $e$  of an open nbd  $U$  of a point  $x$  contains  
 intersection of  $e(X)$  and the nbd of  $e(x)$  in the product.

$\therefore e[G]$  is an open subset of  $e[X]$ . Hence  $e$  is an open map of  $X$  onto  $e[X]$ .

(ii) Let  $e$  be one-to-one and  $x$  and  $y$  be two distinct points of  $X$ . Then  $x \neq y \Rightarrow e(x) \neq e(y)$

$$\Rightarrow \cancel{e(x)} \neq \cancel{e(y)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists f \in F, (e(x))_f \neq (e(y))_f$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) \neq f(y)$$

Hence  $F$  distinguishes points.

Conversely, let  $F$  distinguish points and  $x$  and  $y$  are two distinct points of  $X$  such that  $x \neq y$

$$\therefore f(x) \neq f(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow (e(x))_f \neq (e(y))_f$$

$$\Rightarrow e(x) \neq e(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow e \text{ is one-to-one.}$$

We can summarise the whole result as

Let  $F$  be a family of continuous functions. A map  $f \in F$  from  $X$  to  $Y_f$  is continuous. If  $F$  distinguishes points and closed sets then evaluation map  $e: X \rightarrow Y = \prod \{Y_f : f \in F\}$  is a homeomorphism of  $X$  onto the subspace  $e[X]$  of  $Y$ .  
i.e. the evaluation map  $e$  is an embedding.

Theorem - A Tychonoff cube is Tychonoff space.

Proof - We know that the unit interval  $I = [0, 1]$  is a metric space with defined (metric) by  $d(x, y) = |x - y|$  for all  $x, y \in I$ . Since every metric space is normal. Also  $I$  is  $T_2 \Rightarrow I$  is  $T_1 \Rightarrow I$  is  $T_1 + \text{normal} \Rightarrow T_4$ .  $\therefore$  every  $T_4$  is CR.  $\Rightarrow I$  is CR +  $T_1 \Rightarrow$  Tychonoff sp.  $\Rightarrow I^{\mathbb{F}}$  is also Tychonoff space.

where  $I^{\mathbb{F}} = I \times I \times I \dots$  into  $\mathbb{F}$  times,  $I^{\mathbb{F}}$  is called Tychonoff cube. the number of factors equals to the cardinality of  $\mathbb{F}$ .

Embedding Theorem -

A topological space is a Tychonoff space iff  $X$  is embedded in a Tychonoff cube.

Proof - Suppose that  $X$  is a Tychonoff space. Let  $F$  be the family of continuous functions from  $X$  to  $I$ . Let  $e: X \rightarrow e(X)$  where  $e(X) \subseteq I^{\mathbb{F}}$  be the evaluation map. Subspace of  $I^{\mathbb{F}}$

Let  $x \in X$  and  $F$  be a closed set in  $X$  with  $x \notin F$ . Since  $X$  is CR then  $\exists$  a continuous function  $f: X \rightarrow I$  such that  $f(x) = 0$  and  $f(F) = \{1\}$ .

$\Rightarrow f(x) \notin \overline{f(F)}$  i.e.  $F$  distinguishes points and closed sets in  $X$ . By Embedding lemma  $e$  is an open map.

Let  $x \neq y$  in  $X$ . Since  $X$  is  $T_1$  the singleton set  $\{y\}$  is closed and  $x \notin \{y\}$ .

But  $X$  is CR so that  $\exists$  a continuous function  $g: X \rightarrow I$  such that  $g(x) = 0$  and  $g(\{y\}) = \{1\}$ .

i.e.  $g(x) = 0$  and  $g(y) = \{1\}$ .

$\Rightarrow g(x) \neq g(y) \Rightarrow F$  ~~sepe~~ distinguishes points in  $X$

$\Rightarrow e$  is one-one.

Also  $e$  is continuous since  $f \in F$  is continuous by embedding lemma.

Therefore  $e$  is a homeomorphism of  $X$  onto  $e[X]$  which is a subspace of a Tychonoff cube  $I^F$ .

$\Rightarrow X$  is embedded into a Tychonoff cube.

Conversely, suppose  $X$  is embedded in a Tychonoff cube  $I^F$ . Then there is a homeomorphism  $h$  of  $X$  onto the subspace  $h[X]$  of  $I^F$ .

But  $I^F$  is a Tychonoff space. Also every subspace of Tychonoff space is Tychonoff space.

$\Rightarrow h[X]$  is Tychonoff space

we know that product of Tychonoff space is Tychonoff

Tychonoff  $\Rightarrow X$  is Tychonoff.

Theorem - Product of Tychonoff space is Tychonoff.

Proof - For convenience, let us agree to say that, a continuous function  $f$  on a top  $X$  to a  $[0, 1]$  is a pair  $(x, U)$  iff  $x$  is a point and  $U$  is a nbd of  $x$  such that  $f(x) = 0$  and  $f(x \cap U) = 1$ .

If  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n$  are the functions for the pair  $(x_1, U_1), (x_2, U_2), \dots, (x_n, U_n)$ , where  $n$  is a positive integer, and if

$$g(x) = \sup \{ f_i(x) : i=1, 2, \dots, n \}$$

then  $g$  is a function for  $(x, \cap \{U_i : i=1, 2, \dots, n\})$

is  $g(x) = 0$  and  $g(x \cap \{\cap U_i : i=1, 2, \dots, n\}) = 1$

$\Rightarrow g$  is a continuous function for  $(x, \{\cap U_i : i=1, 2, \dots, n\})$ .

is the space is completely regular if  $\forall x$  and for each nbd  $U$  of  $x$  belonging to some sub base for the topology, there is a function for  $(x, U)$ .

Let  $\{X_a : a \in A\}$  be coordinate spaces of  $T_{1/2}^{CR}$  spaces and

$X = \prod \{X_a : a \in A\}$  be a product space. Let  $x \in X$  and

$U_a$  be any nbd of  $x_a \in X_a$ . If  $f$  is a function for

for  $(x_a, U_a)$ , then  $f \circ P_a$  is a function for  $(x, P_a[U_a])$

where  $P_a$  is the projection into  $a^{\text{th}}$  coordinate space.

The family of sets of the form  $P_a^{-1}[U_a]$  is a subbase for

the product topology. Hence  $X$  is CR. Since Product of  $T_1$

space is  $T_1$  space.  $\therefore$  Product of Tychonoff space is Tychonoff.

Theorem - A Tychonoff space can be embedded into a cube.

Proof - we shall show that each Tychonoff space can be homeomorphic to a subspace of a cube.

Let  $X$  be a Tychonoff space. Consider  $F$  to be a family of all continuous functions defined on  $X$  to  $[0, 1]$ .

Then by Embedding lemma, we shall prove that

The evaluation map  $e$  of  $X$  into a cube  $[0, 1]^F$  is homeomorphic to a subspace of a cube  $\mathbb{Q}^F$ .

By Embedding lemma;  $e$  is continuous. To show that  $e$  is one - one.

Let  $x, y \in X$  such that  $x \neq y$ .

Consider  $x$  and  $X \setminus \{y\}$ , is a nbd of  $x$ .

$\Rightarrow \exists f \in F$  such that  $f(x) = 0$  and  $f(y) = 1$

$\Rightarrow f(x) \neq f(y)$ .

ie  $F$  distinguish points  $\Rightarrow e$  is one - one

Let  $x \in X$  and  $A$  be any closed set such that  $x \notin A$ .

$\Rightarrow X \setminus A$  is a nbd of  $x$

$\Rightarrow \exists f \in F$  such that  $f(x) = 0$  and  $f(A) = 1$

or  $f(\overline{A}) = \{1\} = \{1\}$ .

$\Rightarrow f(x) \notin f(\overline{A})$

$\Rightarrow F$  distinguishes points and closed sets.

Hence  $e$  is an open map of  $X$  onto  $e[X] \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^F$

Hence  $X$  is homeomorphic to a subspace  $e[X]$  of  $\mathbb{Q}^F$ .



## Metrizable

A topological space is said to be metrizable if  $\exists$  a metric  $d$  for  $X$  such that metric topology  $\mathcal{T}_d$  is identical with the topology  $\mathcal{T}$ .

The metric  $d$  is called an admissible metric for  $(X, \mathcal{T})$ .  
A space which is not metrizable is called a non metrizable space.

Some metrizable spaces.

- ① Every discrete space  $X$  is metrizable since the trivial metric  $d$  on  $X$  defined by  $d(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \neq y \\ 0 & x = y \end{cases}$  induces the discrete top on  $X$ .
- ② The real line  $\mathbb{R}$  with usual topology is metrizable since the usual metric on  $\mathbb{R}$  induces the usual top on  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- ③ Consider the Sierpinski space  $X = \{0, 1\}$  with topology  $\mathcal{T} = \{\emptyset, X, \{0\}\}$ .  
The space is non-metrizable space because  $\mathcal{T}_d \neq \mathcal{T}$ .

Properties -

- (i) Metrizable is hereditary
- (ii) Metrizable is a topological invariant.

Metrization Problem -

In topology the problem of finding necessary and sufficient conditions (topological) for a topological space to be metrizable is known as a metrization problem.

## Urysohn's Metrization Theorem -

Let  $X$  be a second countable  $T_3$ -space. Then  $X$  can be embedded in a Tychonoff cube and hence  $X$  is metrizable.  
If  $X$  is  $C_{II}$  normal space then  $\exists$  a homeomorphism  $f$  of  $X$  onto a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^\omega$ , and  $X$  is therefore metrizable.

Proof - Since  $X$  is  $C_{II} \Rightarrow$  Lindelöf. If  $X$  is  $T_3 \Rightarrow T_3 + \text{regul.} \Rightarrow X$  is regular Lindelöf space  $\Rightarrow X$  is normal.  
Again, that  $X$  is  $C_{II} \Rightarrow$  there is a countable base  $\mathcal{Q}$  for its topology. Put

$$\alpha = \{ (U, V) : \bar{U} \subseteq V, \quad U, V \in \mathcal{Q} \}.$$

Then  $\alpha$  is countable. Also  $\bar{U} \subseteq V \Rightarrow \bar{U} \cap (X \setminus V) = \emptyset$   
Since  $V$  is open, then  $X \setminus V$  is closed.

Thus  $\bar{U}$  and  $X \setminus V$  are disjoint closed subsets of a normal space  $X$ .

Applying Urysohn's lemma.

$\exists$  a continuous function  $f : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  
 $f(\bar{U}) = \{0\}$  and  $f(X \setminus V) = \{1\}$ .

Denote  $\mathcal{F}$  the family of such Urysohn's functions as  $(U, V)$  varies over  $\alpha$ .

Since  $\alpha$  is countable  $\mathcal{F}$  is also countable. Put  $I = [0, 1]$

then we get a Tychonoff cube  $I^{\mathcal{F}}$  which is metrizable

Using the theorem -

Let  $(X_n, d_n)$ ,  $(n=1, 2, \dots)$  be a countable number of metric spaces each of diameter at most 1. Let  $X = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n$ . For each  $x = \{x_n\}$ ,  $y = \{y_n\}$

in  $X$ , let  $d(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{d_n(x_n, y_n)}{2^n}$ .

Then  $(X, d)$  is a metric space.

Also the metric topology  $\tau_d$  is identical with the product topology  $\tau$  on  $X$ .

Let  $x \in X$  and  $A$  be closed set in  $X$  s.t.  $x \notin A$ . Then  $x \cup A$  is open subset of  $X$ . So that  $\exists$  some  $U \in \mathcal{B}$  s.t.

$$x \in U \subseteq X \cup A \text{ whence } A \subseteq X \cup U.$$

But  $X$  is regular. Hence we can choose a basic open set

$$U \text{ such that } x \in U \text{ and } \bar{U} \subseteq U, (U, U) \in \alpha.$$

Then  $\exists$  Urysohn's function  $f \in F$  s.t.  $f(\bar{U}) = \{0\}$  and

$$f(X \cup U) = \{1\}.$$

$$\text{But } \nexists x \in U \Rightarrow f(x) = 0.$$

$$\text{Also } A \subseteq X \cup U \Rightarrow f(A) = \{1\}.$$

$$\text{Hence } \overline{f(A)} = \{1\} \Rightarrow f(x) \notin \overline{f(A)},$$

i.e.  $F$  separates points and closed sets in  $X$ .

Next let  $x \neq y$  in  $X$ . Let  $A = \{y\}$ . Since  $X$  is  $T_1$ -space

$\Rightarrow A$  is closed in  $X$  also  $x \notin A$ . Since  $x \neq y$  Hence

$\exists$  a Urysohn's function  $f$  such that

$$f(x) = \{0\} \text{ and } f(y) = f(A) = \{1\},$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) \neq f(y). \Rightarrow F \text{ separates points and in } X.$$

Again let  $e: X \rightarrow e[X] \subseteq I^F$  be the evaluation map.

Then by applying embedding lemma,  $e$  is a homeomorphism of  $X$  onto  $e[X]$ . Metrizable is hereditary property

therefor metrizable of  $I^F \Rightarrow$  metrizable of its subspace  $e[X]$