

Quotient topology (§ 22)



Sets

How to form new sets from old?
 take a subset $Y \subset X$
 intro an equiv. relation \sim . Form
 quotient set X/\sim
 $P(X), \dots$

X -top. space, \sim equiv. relation

Let $Y = X/\sim$ Y is a set. Can we turn Y into a top. space? Need to
 define open sets: $U \subset Y$ open iff $p^{-1}(U)$ is open in X .

$p: X \rightarrow Y = X/\sim$

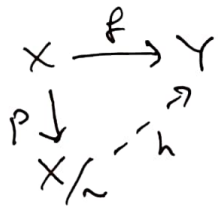
Exercise: This is a topology on Y .

Called quotient topology.

Note that $X \xrightarrow{p} X/\sim$ is continuous, surjective

(Saturated set.)

Suppose $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ is continuous, surjective. Is $Y \cong X/\sim$? In general, no.
 Because there might be $\Rightarrow U \subset Y$ open $\Rightarrow f^{-1}(U)$ open in X .



$Y = X/\sim$ as sets.

but there might be
 $\forall U \subset X, V = f^{-1}(U)$ same $U \subset Y$
 V -open in X , not open in Y .

use f to partition X , get \sim . Form $p: X \rightarrow X/\sim$
 but open in X/\sim

h bijection $X/\sim \rightarrow Y$

$f = hp$

Quotient space X/\sim has the finest possible topology among topologies on X/\sim s.t.
 $X \rightarrow X/\sim$ is continuous. Extreme example: Y is indiscrete.

Def $p: X \rightarrow Y$ surjective, p is a quotient map iff $U \subset Y$ open iff
 $p^{-1}(U) \subset X$ open

$\Rightarrow A \subset Y$ closed iff $p^{-1}(A)$ closed.

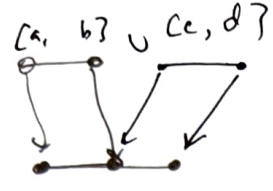
$C \subset X$ is saturated rel. to $p: X \rightarrow Y$ iff C contains $\forall p^{-1}(\{y\})$
 it intersects. (has a point in the fiber \Rightarrow contains the entire fiber).

p -quotient map iff p -continuous & maps saturated open (of X) to
saturated open of Y .

$f: X \rightarrow Y$ open map if $\forall U \subset X$ $f(U)$ is open in Y .
 closed map if $\forall \text{closed } A \subset X$ $f(A)$ is closed.

Prop $f: X \rightarrow Y$ surjective continuous; either open or closed $\Rightarrow f$ is a quotient map.

How do we tell if a map is



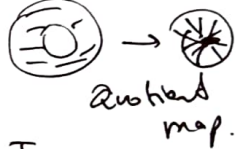
open: $X \rightarrow X \times Y \rightarrow X$ proj.
 open: inclusion $U \subset X$
 \uparrow
 open

closed: inclusion of closed subset $X \subset X$
 comp of closed is closed
 $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ Prop $\xrightarrow{\text{continuous}}$ $\text{A map from compact } X \text{ to Hausdorff } Y \text{ is closed.}$

Prop A surjective continuous map from compact X to Hausdorff Y is a quotient map.

Proof $A \subset X$ closed $\Rightarrow A$ -compact (since X compact) $\Rightarrow f(A)$ compact.

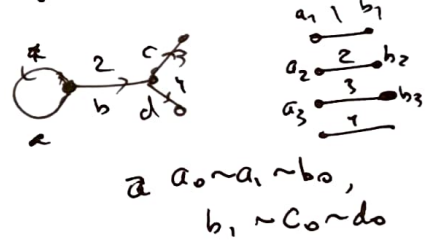
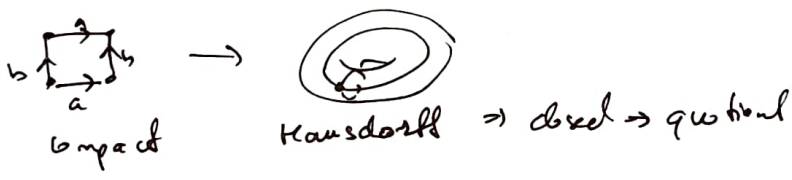
$\Rightarrow f(A) \subset Y$ is closed. $\Rightarrow f$ is closed, f is a quotient map.
 (any compact subspace of H space is closed)



Examples:

finite graphs (topologically)

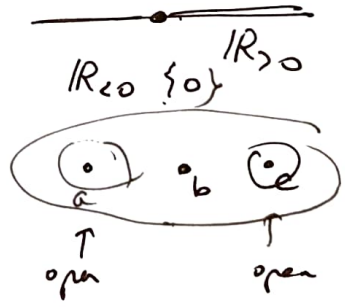
$\mathbb{I} \amalg \mathbb{I} \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{I} \amalg \mathbb{I}$ + equiv. reln on $\mathbb{I} \amalg \mathbb{I}$.
 (glue endpoints)



Often, quotient topology is not Hausdorff.

Examples: G acts on X , equiv. by homeomorphisms. A equiv classes

$X = \mathbb{R}$ $G = \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ $x \mapsto \lambda x$
 $\lambda \in G$



$\{e\}, \{e\}, \{e\} \cup \{e\}, \emptyset, Y$.

not Hausdorff

\mathbb{R}^2 $(x, y) \sim (\lambda x, \lambda^{-1} y)$
 $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$

