

More Separation Axioms (T_4 onward)

Defⁿ: A space is normal iff whenever A, B are disjoint closed sets in X ,
 \exists disjoint open sets $U, V \in \tau$ st $A \subseteq U, B \subseteq V$. A space which is
normal and T_1 is called T_4 .

Jones' Lemma: If a space X contains a dense set D and a closed
set S which has the discrete topology as a subspace of S ,
and $|S| \geq 2^{|D|}$, then X is not normal.

Pf: If S is closed and $T \subseteq S$, and S has the discrete top. as a
subspace of X , then T is closed rel. to S , i.e. \exists a closed $F \subseteq X$
st $T = F \cap S$, but this is an intersection of two closed sets and thus
 T is closed in X . Further, $S - T \subseteq S$, so $S - T$ is also closed in X .

thus $\exists U(T), V(T) \in \tau_X$ st $T \subseteq U(T), S - T \subseteq V(T)$, and
 $U(T) \cap V(T) = \emptyset$. Let $T_1, T_2 \subseteq S$. Then if $T_1 - T_2 \neq \emptyset$, then
 $T_1 \cap (S - T_2) \neq \emptyset$, so since $U(T_1) \supseteq T_1$ and $V(T_2) \supseteq S - T_2$,
 $U(T_1) \cap V(T_2) \neq \emptyset$, and is open in X , so since D is dense,
 $U(T_1) \cap V(T_2) \cap D \neq \emptyset$. Note that $U(T_1) \cap V(T_2) \cap D \subseteq U(T_1) \cap D$,

but since $U(T_2) \cap V(T_2) = \emptyset$, $U(T_1) \cap V(T_2) \cap D \not\subseteq U(T_2) \cap D$.
So $U(T_1) \cap D$ and $U(T_2) \cap D$ are different subsets of D . Thus
the function $q: T_i \subseteq S \rightarrow U(T_i) \cap D$ is injective, and so
 $|P(S)| \leq |P(D)| \Leftrightarrow 2^{|S|} \leq 2^{|D|} \Rightarrow |S| < 2^{|D|}$, \neq . So X is not

normal. \square

Thm: The Moore Plane \mathbb{R}_+^2 is $T_{3\frac{1}{2}}$ but not T_4

Pf: To show \mathbb{R}_+^2 is $T_{3\frac{1}{2}}$, let $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}_+^2$, and V a basic nbhd of \vec{x} .
 So V is either a disk centered at \vec{x} or a disk tangent to \vec{x} if \vec{x} is on the x -axis. Define $f: \mathbb{R}_+^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$ by setting $f(\vec{x}) = 0$, $f(\vec{y}) = 1 \ \forall \vec{y} \notin V$, and letting f go to 1 linearly along line segments from \vec{x} to the boundary of V . Then f is cts on \mathbb{R}_+^2 with $f(\vec{x}) = 0$ and $f(\mathbb{R} - V) = 1$. If F is a closed set not containing \vec{x} , then \exists a basic nbhd V of \vec{x} st $F \subseteq \mathbb{R} - V$, so then $1 - f(\vec{z})$ is a cts function st $1 - f(\vec{x}) = 1$ and $1 - f(F) = 0$.
 So \mathbb{R}_+^2 is $T_{3\frac{1}{2}}$. Note that the x -axis as a subspace of \mathbb{R}_+^2 has the discrete topology, and is clearly closed, with $|x\text{-axis}| = \mathfrak{c}$.
 But we've already seen that \mathbb{R}_+^2 is separable, so it has a dense set D w/ $|D| = \omega$. Thus $|x\text{-axis}| = \mathfrak{c} = 2^{\aleph_1} = 2^{|D|}$, so by Jones' Lemma, \mathbb{R}_+^2 is not normal. \square

Thm: Any metric space is T_4

Pf: Let (\mathbb{X}, ρ) is a metric space, let A, B closed in \mathbb{X} , disjoint.
 For $x \in A$, $A \subseteq B^c \in \tau$, so $\exists \delta_x > 0$ st $B_\rho(x, \delta_x) \subseteq B^c$
 ie $B_\rho(x, \delta_x) \cap B = \emptyset$. Similarly, for $y \in B$, $\exists \epsilon_y > 0$ st $B_\rho(y, \epsilon_y) \cap A = \emptyset$.
 Let $U = \bigcup_{x \in A} B_\rho(x, \frac{\delta_x}{3})$, $V = \bigcup_{y \in B} B_\rho(y, \frac{\epsilon_y}{3})$. Then U and V are open sets st $A \subseteq U$, $B \subseteq V$. wts $U \cap V = \emptyset$. Bwoc, let $z \in U \cap V$.
 $z \in U \Rightarrow \exists B_\rho(x, \frac{\delta_x}{3})$ st $z \in B_\rho(x, \frac{\delta_x}{3}) \Rightarrow \rho(x, z) < \frac{\delta_x}{3}$, and
 $z \in V \Rightarrow \exists B_\rho(y, \frac{\epsilon_y}{3})$ st $z \in B_\rho(y, \frac{\epsilon_y}{3}) \Rightarrow \rho(y, z) < \frac{\epsilon_y}{3}$.

But since p is a metric, $p(x, y) \leq p(x, z) + p(z, y) < \frac{\delta_x}{3} + \frac{\epsilon_y}{3} < \delta_x$
 (wlog letting $\delta_x > \epsilon_y$) $< \frac{\delta_x}{3} + \frac{\delta_x}{3} = \frac{2\delta_x}{3}$

Thus $p(x, y) < \delta_x \Rightarrow y \in B_p(x, \delta_x) \Rightarrow y \notin B$ since $B \cap B_p(x, \delta_x) = \emptyset$ $< \delta_x$.

Supposedly $B_p(x, \delta_x) \cap B = \emptyset$. \forall . So $U \cap V = \emptyset$, i.e. (X, p) is normal. Since (X, p) is also T_2 , this means all metric spaces are T_4 . \square

Thm: The Sorgenfrey Line E is T_4 .

pf: Let A, B closed in E , disjoint. Then $A \subseteq B^c$, open in E , so if $x \in A$, $x \in B^c$, so $\exists \delta_x > 0$ st $[x, x + \delta_x) \subseteq B^c \Rightarrow [x, x + \delta_x) \cap B = \emptyset$.

Similarly, if $y \in B$, $\exists \epsilon_y > 0$ st $[y, y + \epsilon_y) \cap A = \emptyset$.

Let $U = \bigcup_{x \in A} [x, x + \delta_x)$, $V = \bigcup_{y \in B} [y, y + \epsilon_y)$. Then $A \subseteq U$, $B \subseteq V$, and U, V open in E . Suppose $U \cap V \neq \emptyset$. To show this, it

suffices to show that $\forall [x, x + \delta_x), [y, y + \epsilon_y)$, that these are disjoint, wlog let $x < y$. Since $[x, x + \delta_x) \cap B = \emptyset$, $y \in B$,

then we must have $y \geq x + \delta_x$, and so $[x, x + \delta_x) \cap [y, y + \epsilon_y) = \emptyset$.

So $U \cap V = \emptyset$ and so E is normal. If $x \in \mathbb{R}$, then

the intersection $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} [x, x + \frac{1}{n}) = \{x\}$ is an intersection of closed sets

in E so is closed, so E is T_1 . Thus E is T_4 . \square

Thm: $E \times E$ is not T_4

Pf: Consider the anti diagonal $-\Delta = \{(x, -x) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$.

This is a closed set in $E \times E$, since if $(x, y) \notin -\Delta$, then either $y > -x$ or $y < -x$. If $y > -x$, then the open set $[x, x+1) \times [y, y+1)$ contains (x, y) and misses $-\Delta$, else, $y < -x$, so the set $[x, \frac{x-y}{2}) \times [y, \frac{y-x}{2})$ misses $-\Delta$ and contains (x, y) , so in either case, $(E \times E) - (-\Delta)$ is open.

Clearly, $|-\Delta| = 2^{\omega}$. Also, E is separable, and a finite product of separable spaces is separable, so $E \times E$ contains a dense set D with $|D| = \omega$. Note that if $(x, -x) \in -\Delta$,

then $[x, x+1) \times [-x, x+1)$ is an open set in $E \times E$ with $[x, x+1) \times [-x, x+1) \cap (-\Delta) = \{(x, -x)\}$ so every singleton set in $-\Delta$ is relatively open, i.e. $-\Delta$ has the discrete topology as a subspace of $E \times E$. But then $|-\Delta| = 2^{\omega} = 2^{|\omega|}$, so by Jones' Lemma $E \times E$ cannot be normal, and thus is not T_4 . □

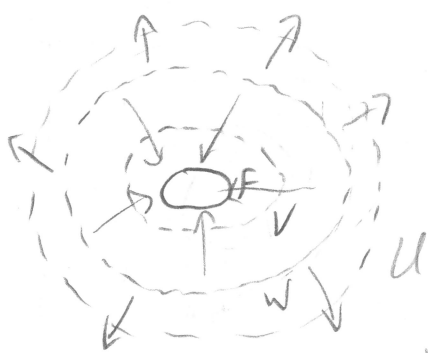
Thus, Thm: A subspace of a T_4 space need not be T_4 , and a product of T_4 spaces need not be T_4 .

Pf: The product of $E \times E$ proves the product claim. As for subspaces, consider again the Moore Plane \mathbb{R}_a^+ . As for subspaces, define the Tychonoff Plank as the space $[0, \omega_1] \times [0, \omega]$. (Pictured on next page)

Urysohn's Lemma: A space X is normal iff \forall closed sets A, B in X , with $A \cap B = \emptyset$, \exists a cts function $f: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ st $f(A) = 0$ and $f(B) = 1$.

First, a lemma for our lemma: A space is normal iff \forall closed sets F and all open sets U st $F \subseteq U$, $\exists V \in \tau$ st $F \subseteq V \subseteq \bar{V} \subseteq U$. [I.e. Normal \Leftrightarrow nbhds of closed sets can be "shrunk" in the same sense that regular \Leftrightarrow nbhds of pts can be "shrunk".]

Pf: \Rightarrow Let F be closed in X . U open w/ $F \subseteq U$. Then $F \cap U^c = \emptyset$, and U^c is closed, so these are disjoint closed sets. Thus, by normality, \exists open sets $V, W \in \tau$ st $F \subseteq V$, $U^c \subseteq W$, $V \cap W = \emptyset$. Note now though that since



$U^c \subseteq W$, $W^c \subseteq U$, and W^c is closed.

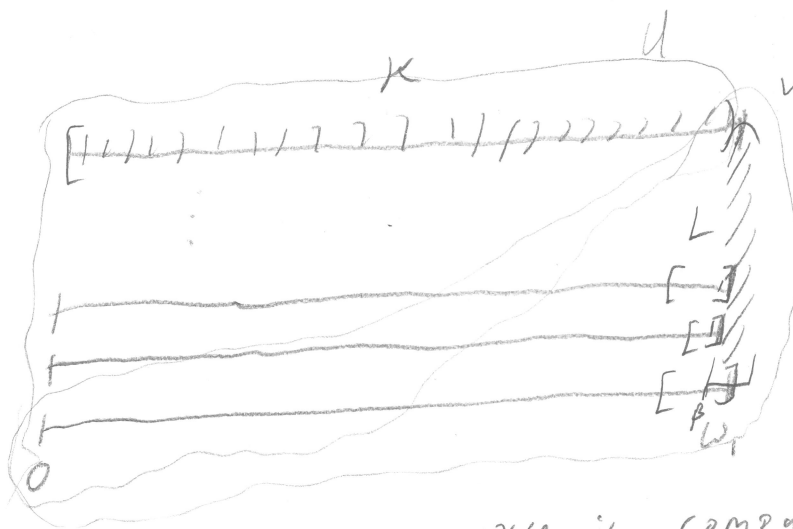
Further, $V \cap W = \emptyset \Rightarrow V \subseteq W^c$. So we

have the chain $F \subseteq V \subseteq W^c \subseteq U$.

Since \bar{V} is the smallest closed set containing

V , we thus have $F \subseteq V \subseteq \bar{V} \subseteq U$, as desired.

Conversely, let F, G be closed, disjoint sets in X . Then $F \subseteq G^c$, an open set, so $\exists U$ open st $F \subseteq U \subseteq \bar{U} \subseteq G^c$. $\bar{U} \subseteq G^c \Rightarrow G \subseteq \bar{U}^c$, an open set. Thus, $F \subseteq U$, $G \subseteq \bar{U}^c$, and since $U \subseteq \bar{U}$, $U \cap \bar{U}^c = \emptyset$, so X is normal. \square



✓ We will show later that any product of compact spaces is compact, and already know a product of Hausdorff spaces is Hausdorff, and will later

Show that if a space is compact and Hausdorff, then it's T_4 . Thus, the Tychonoff plank, is T_4 . Consider the subspace

$[0, w_1) \times [0, w)$. Consider the sets $K = [0, w_1) \times \{w\}$, and $L = \{w_1\} \times [0, w)$. Since $[0, w_1] \times \{w_1\}$ is closed in the plank, and $K = ([0, w_1) \times [0, w]) \cap ([0, w_1] \times \{w_1\})$, K is rel. closed. and $L = ([0, w_1) \times [0, w]) \cap (\{w_1\} \times [0, w])$, L is rel. closed.

$\exists U, V$ rel. open st $K \subseteq U, L \subseteq V, U \cap V = \emptyset$ (clearly K, L are disjoint). Then for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, since $\{w_1\} \times [0, w] \subseteq V, (w_1, n) \in V$, so $\exists \alpha_n \in \mathbb{N}$ st $[\alpha_n, w_1] \times \{n\} \subseteq V$.

Let $\beta = \sup\{\alpha_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} = \bigcup\{\alpha_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. $\beta \in \mathbb{N}$, and in particular, $\beta < w_1$, since $\alpha_n < w_1$ for each α_n , ie it's a countable union of countable ordinals. $(\beta, n) \in V$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, since $\forall n \exists \alpha_n < \beta$ st $[\alpha_n, w_1] \times \{n\} \subseteq V$ and $(\beta, n) \in [\alpha_n, w_1] \times \{n\}$. But then the sequence $\{(\beta, n)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \rightarrow (\beta, w)$, ie for any rel. open set U containing

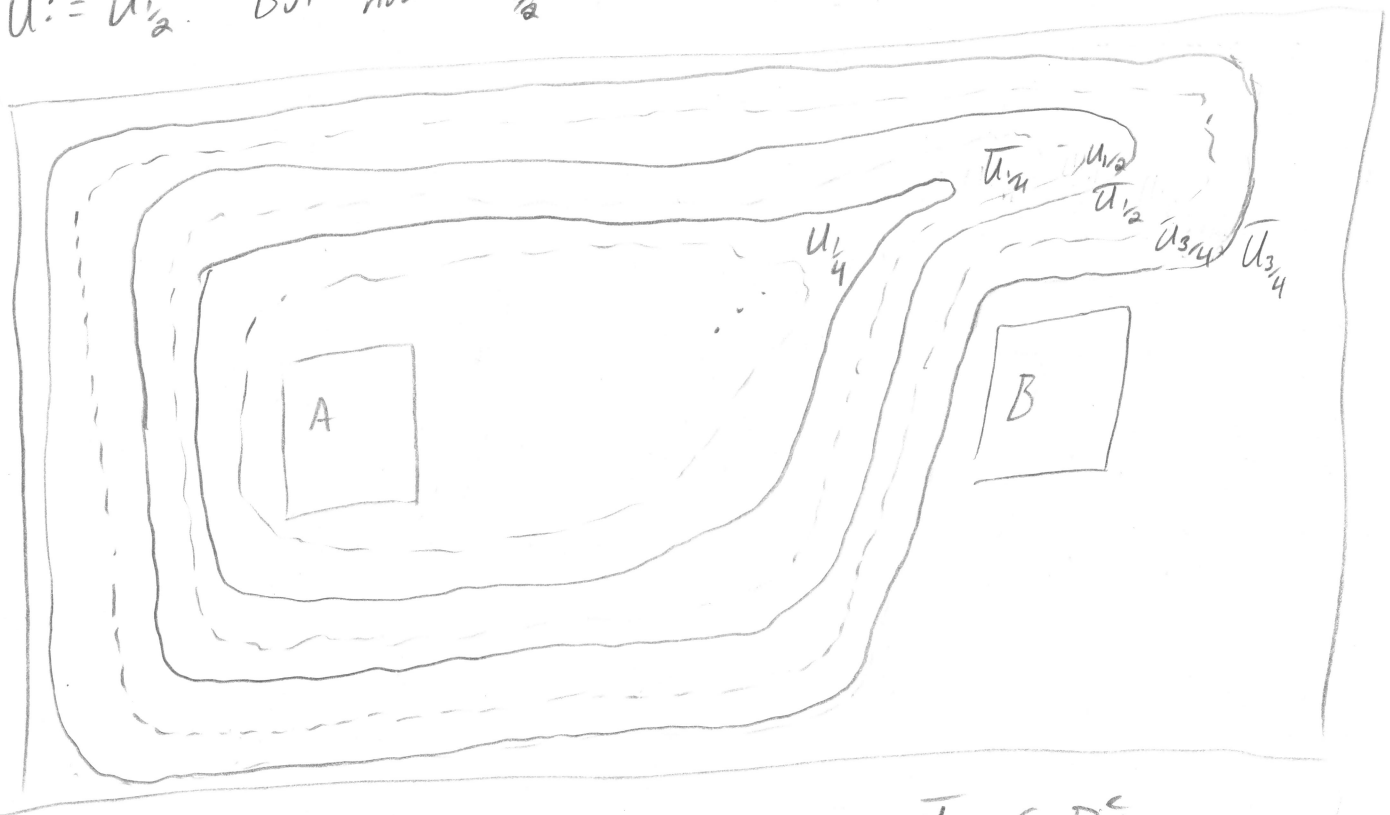
(β, w) , $\exists N$ st $\forall n \geq N, (\beta, n) \in U$. So $\exists N_0$ st $(\beta, N_0) \in U$, but since $(\beta, N_0) \in V, U \cap V \neq \emptyset$, so this subspace is not T_4 . \square

Now, the proof of Urysohn's Lemma: Let X normal, A, B disjoint closed sets in X . Then \exists open sets $U, V \in \mathcal{C}$ st $A \subseteq U, B \subseteq V, U \cap V = \emptyset$.

$B \subseteq V \Leftrightarrow B \cap V^c = \emptyset$, and $U \subseteq V^c$ for the same reason.

$A \subseteq U \subseteq \bar{U} \subseteq V^c$ and since $B \cap V^c = \emptyset, B \cap \bar{U} = \emptyset$ as well. Let

$U_1 := U_{1/2}$. But now $\bar{U}_{1/2}$ and B are disjoint closed sets. Thus...



... \exists an open set $U_{3/4}$ st $\bar{U}_{1/2} \subseteq U_{3/4} \subseteq \bar{U}_{3/4} \subseteq B^c$

Additionally, A and $U_{1/2}^c$ are closed, disjoint, so $\exists U_{1/4}$ st

$$A \subseteq U_{1/4} \subseteq \bar{U}_{1/4} \subseteq (U_{1/2}^c)^c = U_{1/2} \quad \text{ie...}$$

$$A \subseteq U_{1/4} \subseteq \bar{U}_{1/4} \subseteq U_{1/2} \subseteq \bar{U}_{1/2} \subseteq U_{3/4} \subseteq \bar{U}_{3/4} \subseteq B^c. \quad \text{Continue in this}$$

way to inductively define for all $r \in \left\{ \frac{k}{2^n} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k=1, 2, \dots, 2^n-1 \right\} = D$

sets U_r with the property that for each r ,

$$A \subseteq U_r, \text{ and } \bar{U}_r \cap B = \emptyset, \text{ and } \bar{U}_r \subseteq U_s \quad \forall r < s.$$

Now, define $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ as follows:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \forall r \in \mathbb{D}, x \notin U_r \\ \inf\{r \in \mathbb{D} : x \in U_r\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let $x \in A$. Then $x \in U_r \forall r$, so $f(x) = 0$. Also, if $x \in B$, then $x \notin U_r \forall r \in \mathbb{D}$ by construction, so $f(x) = 1$. Thus, we have that $f(A) = 0$, $f(B) = 1$. It remains to show that f is cts.

To do this, first note that if $x \in \bar{U}_r$ for some r , then since $\emptyset \neq \bar{U}_r \subseteq \bar{U}_s \forall s > r$, we have that $f(x) \leq r$. Also, if $x \notin U_r$, then $U_s \subseteq U_r \forall s < r$, $f(x) \geq r$. Let $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

(2) then since $U_s \subseteq U_r \forall s < r$, $f(x) \geq r$. Let $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$\exists (c, d) \subseteq [0, 1]$ st $f(x_0) \in (c, d)$. Choose dyadic rationals r, s st

$c < r < f(x_0) < s < d$, and consider the set $U_s - \bar{U}_r$. Clearly,

this is open. ($U_s - \bar{U}_r = (U_s \cap (\mathbb{R} - \bar{U}_r))$, an intersection of open sets). Note that since $f(x_0) < s$, then by the contrapositive of (2),

$x_0 \in U_s$, and since $f(x_0) > r$, we have $x_0 \notin \bar{U}_r$ by (1).

Thus $x_0 \in U_s - \bar{U}_r = U_s$. Next, let $x \in U$. Then $x \in U_s \subseteq \bar{U}_s$, so $f(x) \leq s$, by (1). Finally, since $x \notin \bar{U}_r$, $x \notin U_r$, so $f(x) \geq r$.

Thus $f(x) \in (r, s) \subseteq (c, d) \forall x \in U$, ie $f(U) \subseteq (c, d)$. So

f is cts.

Conversely, if A, B disjoint closed with $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ a cts function with $f(A) = 0$, $f(B) = 1$, then $f^{-1}([0, \frac{1}{2}))$ and $f^{-1}((\frac{1}{2}, 1])$ will be open sets, disjoint in \mathbb{R} , st $A \subseteq f^{-1}([0, \frac{1}{2}))$, $B \subseteq f^{-1}((\frac{1}{2}, 1])$.

So f is normal. \square

Corollary: $T_4 \Rightarrow T_{3\frac{1}{2}}$.

Pf: $T_4 \Leftrightarrow T_1 + \text{Normal}$. Let $x \in X$, F closed in X with $x \notin F$. Since X is T_1 , $\{x\}$ is closed, disjoint from F . So by Normality and Urysohn's Lemma, \exists a cts $f: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ st $f(F) = 0$, $f(\{x\}) = 1$, i.e. $f(x) \neq 0$. Thus, X is $T_{3\frac{1}{2}}$. \square

Note that since $[0, 1]$ is homeomorphic to $[a, b]$ for any $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, and the composition of cts functions is cts, we can always replace the $[0, 1]$ in the statement of Urysohn with any interval $[a, b]$.

Also, note that Urysohn in no way implies that $A = f^{-1}(0)$ and $B = f^{-1}(1)$. However, if we have such a function, then by the converse of Urysohn such a space would be T_4 .

Def: A space is T_5 (or completely normal) if all subspaces of X are T_4 . Clearly, $T_5 \Rightarrow T_4$, since X is a subspace of itself.

Def: A space is T_6 (or perfectly normal) if there is a Urysohn function f \forall closed disjoint A, B , st $f^{-1}(0) = A$, $f^{-1}(1) = B$. ($T_6 \Rightarrow T_5$).
Somehow.

Thm (Tietze's Extension Thm): X is normal iff whenever A is a closed subset of X and $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is cts, \exists an extension of f to all of X , i.e. a cts map $F: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ st $F(x) = f(x) \forall x \in A$.
(i.e. $F|_A = f$)

Pf: \Rightarrow Suppose to start that $f: A \rightarrow [-1, 1]$. Let B be cts!

$$A_1 = \{x \in A: f(x) \geq \frac{1}{3}\}, \quad B_1 = \{x \in A: f(x) \leq -\frac{1}{3}\}.$$

ie $A_1 = f^{-1}([\frac{1}{3}, 1])$, $B_1 = f^{-1}([-1, -\frac{1}{3}])$. Thus A_1 and B_1

are disjoint, closed sets in X . Thus, by Urysohn, \exists a cts $f_1: X \rightarrow [\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}]$
 st $f_1(A_1) = \frac{1}{3}$, $f_1(B_1) = -\frac{1}{3}$. Note that $|f(x) - f_1(x)| \leq 1 - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$

$\forall x \in A$. ie $f - f_1: A \rightarrow [-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}]$, and is cts. Let $f - f_1 := g_1$.

Let $A_2 = f^{-1}([\frac{2}{9}, \frac{2}{3}])$, $B_2 = f^{-1}([-\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{9}])$, define $f_2: X \rightarrow [-\frac{2}{9}, \frac{2}{9}]$

cts st $f_2(A_2) = \frac{2}{9}$, $f_2(B_2) = -\frac{2}{9}$, and note that $|g_1 - f_2| \leq \frac{2}{3} - \frac{2}{9}$
 $= \frac{6}{9} - \frac{2}{9} = (\frac{2}{3})^2$

and so define $g_2 = g_1 - f_2: A \rightarrow [-(\frac{2}{3})^2, (\frac{2}{3})^2]$.

Continue in this way, and note that $\forall n$, $g_n = f - (\sum_{k=1}^n f_k)$, with

$$|g_n| = |f - \sum_{k=1}^n f_k| \leq (\frac{2}{3})^n. \quad \text{Define } F(x) := \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} f_i(x), \text{ and note}$$

that F , like all the f_i , is defined $\forall x \in X$, (supposing the series converges)

$$\text{Note that since } |f_n(x)| \leq \frac{1}{3} (\frac{2}{3})^{n-1}, \quad \left| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} f_i(x) \right| \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |f_i(x)|$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3} (\frac{2}{3})^{i-1} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (\frac{2}{3})^{i-1} = \frac{1/3}{1 - 1/3} = 1, \text{ so this function is well}$$

defined $\forall x \in X$. Next, note that $F(x)$ is cts: Let $\epsilon > 0$. Pick $N \in \mathbb{N}$ st $\sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} (\frac{2}{3})^n < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$. Each f_i is cts, so for each $i=1, \dots, N$

$$\exists U_i \text{ open nbhd of } x \text{ st } y \in U_i \Rightarrow |f_i(x) - f_i(y)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2N}.$$

Let $U = U_1 \cap \dots \cap U_N$ open nbhd of x , since $N < \infty$. Then

note that for $y \in U$, $|F(x) - F(y)| = \left| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} f_i(x) - \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} f_i(y) \right|$

$$= \left| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} f_i(x) - f_i(y) \right| \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |f_i(x) - f_i(y)|$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N |f_i(x) - f_i(y)| + \sum_{i=N+1}^{\infty} |f_i(x) - f_i(y)|$$

$$< \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\epsilon}{2^N} + \sum_{i=N+1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n$$

since $|f_i(z)| \leq \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{n-1}$

$$\Rightarrow |f_i(x) - f_i(y)| \leq \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n$$

$$< \frac{N\epsilon}{2^N} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$$

ie for any basic open $(-\epsilon, \epsilon) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, \exists an open U in \mathbb{X} st $F(U) \subseteq (-\epsilon, \epsilon)$. ie F is cts. Next, we show that $F(A) = f$.

ie $\forall a \in A$, $F(a) = f(a)$. Consider the n th partial sum $S_n(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x)$. Note that by construction, $|f(a) - S_n(a)| = |g_n(a)| \leq \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n$.

but this goes to 0 as $n \rightarrow \infty$, so we have that $f(a) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n(a) = F(a)$.

Finally, note that when we showed that F was well defined, we also showed that it was bounded by 1. Thus, $F: \mathbb{X} \rightarrow [-1, 1]$ is a cts extension of f to all of \mathbb{X} . Now we turn to the more general case of $f: \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Since \mathbb{R} is homeomorphic to $(-1, 1)$, it suffices to show that $f: \mathbb{X} \rightarrow (-1, 1)$ can be extended.

Note that there is nothing wrong with regarding f as a map into $[-1, 1]$. Thus, \exists by the first case a cts extension $F': \mathbb{X} \rightarrow [-1, 1]$.

Let $A_0 = \{x \in \mathbb{X} : |F'(x)| = 1\} = (F')^{-1}(1) \cup (F')^{-1}(-1)$. Since F' is cts,

this is a union of two closed sets in \mathbb{X} and thus closed. ✓

Further, A is closed, disjoint from A_0 ! So again by Urysohn, \exists a cts $g: X \rightarrow [0,1]$ st $g(A)=1, g(A_0)=0$. Define $F: X \rightarrow (-1,1)$ by $F(x) = g(x)F'(x)$. This maps into $(-1,1)$ since if $F'(x) = \pm 1$, then $g(x) = 0 \Rightarrow F(x) = 0$. Further, if $x \in A$, then $g(x) = 1$, so $F(x) = 1 \cdot F'(x) = f(x)$, so $F|_A = f$. Finally, it's a product of cts functions, so it's cts! This proves the general case.

Conversely, if $A, B \subseteq X$ are closed, disjoint, then $A \cup B$ is closed. Define the function $f: A \cup B \rightarrow [0,1]$ by $f(x) = 0$ if $x \in A$ and $f(x) = 1$ if $x \in B$. By the pasting lemma and the fact that cts functions are cts, we have by hypothesis a cts function $F: X \rightarrow [0,1]$ st $F(A) = 0$ and $F(B) = 1$. This is a Urysohn function on X ! So by the other direction of Urysohn's Lemma, X is normal. \square

Thm: The closed, cts image of a T_4 space is T_4 .

PF: Let X be T_4 , f a cts closed function on X . Let $f(X) = Y$. Let A, B closed subsets of Y st $A \cap B = \emptyset$. Then $f^{-1}(A)$ and $f^{-1}(B)$ are closed disjoint sets in X , so $\exists U_1, U_2 \in \tau_X$ st $f^{-1}(A) \subseteq U_1, f^{-1}(B) \subseteq U_2$ and $U_1 \cap U_2 = \emptyset$. Since f is a closed map, $f(X - U_1)$ and $f(X - U_2)$ are closed in Y . Thus, $Y - f(X - U_1) = V_1$ and $Y - f(X - U_2) = V_2$ are open in Y . We claim V_1 and V_2 separate A and B .

To show this, let $y \in A$. Then $y = f(x)$ for some $x \in X$.

$$\text{So } x \in f^{-1}(A) \subseteq U_1 \Rightarrow x \notin X - U_1$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = y \notin f(X - U_1)$$

$$\Rightarrow y \in Y - f(X - U_1) = V_1.$$

So $A \subseteq V_1$, and an identical argument shows $B \subseteq V_2$.

Suppose $V_1 \cap V_2 \neq \emptyset$. Let $y \in V_1 \cap V_2$. Then $y = f(x)$

for some $x \in X$. Then $y \notin f(X - U_1)$ and $y \notin f(X - U_2)$

i.e. $y \in f(U_1)$ and $y \in f(U_2)$, i.e. $x \in U_1$ and $x \in U_2$, but

this is a contradiction since $U_1 \cap U_2 = \emptyset$. So Y is

T_4 . \square

A cts open image of a T_4 space need not be T_4 .

PF: Consider the line w/ 2 origins as a quotient of

$[-1, 1] \times \{0, 1\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}_{std}^2$. $[-1, 1]$ and $\{0, 1\}$ are both compact

T_2 subsets of \mathbb{R} , so the product is compact and T_2 and

thus $X = [-1, 1] \times \{0, 1\}$ is T_4 . Define \sim by

$(x, 0) \sim (x, 1) \quad \forall x \in [-1, 1] - \{0\}$. I.e. $\forall (x, \theta) \in X$,

$[(x, \theta)] = \{(x, 0), (x, 1)\} := x \quad \forall x \neq 0$, and if $x = 0$ then

$[(0, 0)] = \{(0, 0)\} := 0_0$ and $[(0, 1)] = \{(0, 1)\} = 0_1$.

The quotient map $q: X \rightarrow X/\sim$ is then a cts map,

and is open:

Let U open in \mathbb{T}_x wts $f(U)$ open in \mathbb{T}_y .

Let $x \in f(U)$. If $x \neq 0_0$ or 0_1 , then $x = \{(x, 0), (x, 1)\}$

or $(x_0, 1)$ for some $x_0 > 0$. Then $\exists \epsilon > 0$ st

$0 < x_0 - \epsilon < x_0 < x_0 + \epsilon$, so that $(x_0 - \epsilon, x_0 + \epsilon) \subseteq U$,
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so $f((x_0 - \epsilon, x_0 + \epsilon)) \subseteq f(U)$