

**Read Sec. 20, 21,  
(Metric Topology)**

**Def.** A sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $X$  converges to  $p$  if for each neighborhood  $U$  of  $p$ , there exists an  $N$  so that if  $n > N$ , then  $x_n \in U$ .

**Theorem:** If  $X$  is Hausdorff,  $(x_n) \rightarrow p$  and  $(x_n) \rightarrow q$ , then  $p = q$ .

**Theorem:** A countable product of metric spaces, with the product topology, is metrizable.

**Def.** A **neighborhood base** at a point  $x$  in  $X$  is a collection of neighborhoods of  $x$ ,  $\{U_\alpha\}$  such that every neighborhood of  $x$  contains one of the  $\{U_\alpha\}$ .

**Def.**  $X$  is **1st countable** if every point in  $X$  has a countable neighborhood base.  $X$  is **2nd countable** if  $X$  has a countable basis.

**Note:** Metric spaces are first countable.

**Sequence Lemma:** If a sequence of points  $(a_n)$  in a subset  $A$  of  $X$  converges to  $p$  in  $X$ , then  $p \in \overline{A}$ . Conversely, if  $X$  is first countable and  $p \in \overline{A}$ , then there is a sequence of points in  $A$  converging to  $p$ .

**Theorem:** An uncountable product of nontrivial metric spaces  $X_\alpha$  with the product topology is not metrizable.

**Proof:**

Fix distinct points  $a_\alpha$  and  $b_\alpha$  in each  $X_\alpha$ .

Let  $A = \{(x_\alpha) \in \prod X_\alpha \mid x_\alpha \in \{a_\alpha, b_\alpha\} \text{ and } x_\alpha = a_\alpha \text{ for only finitely many } \alpha\}$

Let  $p$  be the point with  $\alpha$ th coordinate equal to  $a_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha$ .

Claim,  $p$  is in  $\overline{A}$ , but no sequence in  $\overline{A}$  converges to  $p$ .

**Theorem:**  $\overline{S_\Omega}$  is not metrizable.

**Proof:** The sequence lemma fails.

**Theorem:**  $R^\omega$  with the box topology is not metrizable.

**Proof:** The sequence lemma fails.

**Theorem:** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be continuous where  $X$  is 1st countable. Then  $f$  is continuous if and only if whenever  $(a_n) \rightarrow a$  in  $X$ ,  $(f(a_n)) \rightarrow f(a)$  in  $Y$ .

**Proof:**

$\Rightarrow$  True for any  $X$ .

$\Leftarrow$  Show that  $f(\overline{A}) \subset \overline{f(A)}$ .

**Theorem:** The sum, difference, product and quotient operations from  $R \times R$  to  $R$  are continuous where defined. The sum, product, difference and quotient of continuous real valued functions are continuous where defined.

**Proof:** Advanced Calculus

**Uniform Limit Theorem:** If  $Y$  is metrizable and  $f_n : X \rightarrow Y$  is a sequence of continuous functions converging **uniformly** to a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ , then  $f$  is continuous.

Another way of stating this is that the subspace of  $Y^X$  consisting of continuous functions is closed in  $Y^X$  if  $Y^X$  is given the uniform bounded metric:

$$d(f, g) = \sup\{\bar{d}(f(x), g(x))\}.$$