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σ -Compact

X is σ -compact iff it is the union of countably many compact subsets.

Fact If X is a σ -compact LCH space $\overset{\text{compactly}}{\text{ausdorff}}$

Sketch of Proof

$X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n$
↑
compact
 σ -compact
use the LC condition to get $U_1 \supset K_1$, $U_2 \supset K_2 \cup U_1$, &c.

then there are open sets $U_1 \subseteq U_2 \subseteq U_3 \subseteq \dots$

with each $\overline{U_n}$ compact and

$$X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n$$

Proposition If X is a σ -compact LCH space as above the U_n are as above

then the sets

$$A_{m,n}(f) = \left\{ g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C} ; \sup_{x \in \overline{U_n}} |f(x) - g(x)| < \frac{1}{m} \right\}$$

for $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

form a neighborhood base in the topology of uniform convergence on compact sets.

Proof omitted.

Partition of Unity

A partition of unity on a set $E \subseteq X$ is a collection of functions $\{h_\alpha : X \rightarrow [0, 1] ; \alpha \in I\}$ such that $\sum_{\alpha \in I} h_\alpha(x) = 1$ for all $x \in E$.

The partition of unity is subordinate to the open cover $\mathcal{A}$ of E iff for all $\alpha \in I$ there is a $U \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $\text{support}(h_\alpha) \subseteq U$.

Proposition

If X is LCH
 $K \subseteq X$ is compact

$\{U_j\}_{j=1}^n$ is an open cover of K

(which may as well be finite since K is compact)

then there is a partition of unity on K
subordinate to this open cover.

Sketch

Each $x \in K$ has a compact neighborhood

$$N_x \subseteq U_j$$

The interiors $\{\text{int } N_x : x \in K\}$ form an

open cover of K . By compactness, there
is a finite subcover: $x_1, \dots, x_m \in K$
compact N_{x_j} with $K \subseteq \bigcup_{j=1}^m N_{x_j}$

This trick is to circumvent the problem
that the closures of the original U_j
covering K might not be compact. Now
we have a cover by precompact sets.
Merge things together:

$$F_j = \bigcup \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{all the } N_{x_k} \text{ such that} \\ N_{x_k} \subseteq U_j \end{array} \right)$$

F_j is a finite union of compact sets, so
it's compact subset of U_j .

By Urysohn's Lemma, there are
 $g_1, \dots, g_n : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$

such that $g_j|_{F_j} = 1$ and $\text{supp } g_j \subseteq U_j$.

We have $\sum_{j=1}^n g_j(x) \geq 1$ for all $x \in K$

because x must be in some F_j and $g_j(x) = 1$ while the other $g_k(x)$ are ≥ 0 .

Rescaling: Use Urysohn's Lemma again to get

$$f \in C_c(X, [0, 1])$$

Such that $f \equiv 1$ on K and $\text{supp}(f) \subseteq \{x; \sum_{j=1}^n g_j(x) > 0\}$

Let $g_{n+1} = 1 - f$.

Then $\sum_{j=1}^{n+1} g_j(x) > 0$ for all $x \in X$.

In particular, this sum is non-zero and we can divide by it:

For $j=1, \dots, n$, let $h_j(x) = \frac{g_j(x)}{\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} g_k(x)}$

Then $\text{supp}(h_j) \subseteq \text{supp}(g_j) \subseteq U_j$.

$$\text{For all } x \in K, \quad \sum_{j=1}^n h_j(x) = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n g_j(x)}{\sum_{j=1}^{n+1} g_j(x)} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n g_j(x)}{\sum_{j=1}^n g_j(x)} = 1$$

Since $g_{n+1}(x) = 0$ for $x \in K$ because $f \equiv 1$ on K .

So $\sum_{j=1}^n h_j(x) = 1$ and we have a partition of unity.

□

= Tychonov in Russian.

Tychonoff Theorem

Dima's Theory

→ Tychonov in German
→ Tychonov v ← misread w as two v's
→ Tychonoff ← German v is f.

If X_α is compact for $\alpha \in I$

then $\prod_{\alpha \in I} X_\alpha$ is also compact (with the product topology)

Preliminaries: Lingo

For $B \subseteq I$, form $\pi_B(x) = \{ \pi_\alpha(x) \}_{\alpha \in B}$

If $B_1 \subseteq B_2$, we say that π_{B_2} is an extension of π_{B_1} .

So $\pi_B : X \longrightarrow \prod_{\alpha \in B} X_\alpha$

We can say one point is an extension of another point:

$q \in \prod_{\alpha \in B_2} X_\alpha$ extends $p \in \prod_{\alpha \in B_1} X_\alpha$ iff

for all $\alpha \in B_1$ $\pi_\alpha(q) = \pi_\alpha(p)$.

Start of proof

It suffices to show that for ~~any~~ net in X has a cluster point.

Consider all subsets $B \subseteq I$.

Given a net $\{x^\beta\}_{\beta \in J}$ in X ,

we shall look at cluster points of $\{\pi_B(x^\beta)\}_{\beta \in J}$