

24.1 (a) Q: Show $(0, 1)$, $(0, 1]$ & $[0, 1]$ are not homeomorphic.

A: $\forall x \in (0, 1)$ $(0, 1) - \{x\}$ has two components
 For $(0, 1]$ there is one x s.t. $(0, 1] - \{x\}$ is connected, namely $x = 1$.

For $[0, 1]$, there are two such x .
 If $f: X \xrightarrow{\cong} Y$ is a homeomorphism, then $f|_{X - \{x\}}: X - \{x\} \rightarrow Y - \{f(x)\}$ is a homeomorphism for all $x \in X$.

(b) Q: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ & $g: Y \rightarrow X$ are embeddings, show X & Y need not be homeomorphic.

A: $(0, 1) \hookrightarrow (0, 1]$ is an embedding.
 $(0, 1] \xrightarrow{x \mapsto x/2} (0, 1)$ is an embedding.

By (a) they are not homeomorphic.

(c) Q: Show \mathbb{R}^n & \mathbb{R} are not homeomorphic $n > 0$.

A: $\mathbb{R}^n - \{x\}$ is connected $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$.
 $\mathbb{R} - \{x\}$ is disconn $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Same argument as in (a).

24.2 Q: $f: S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, show $f(x) = f(-x)$ some x .

A: Assume $f(0) < f(\pi)$. Consider $g(x) = f(x) - f(x + \pi)$. Then $g(0) < 0 < g(\pi)$.

Since $g(S^1)$ is connected, $g(x) = 0$ for some $x \in S^1 \Rightarrow f(x) = f(-x)$

2 243 Q: Let $f: X \rightarrow X$, $X = [0, 1]$, show that $f(x) = x$ some $x \in X$.
 What if $X = (0, 1]$ or $[0, 1)$

A: Consider $g(x) = f(x) - x$.

Then $g(0) \geq 0$ $g(1) \leq 0$. So

$0 \in [g(1), g(0)] \subseteq g(X)$.

If $X = (0, 1]$ then $f(x) = x/2$ is a counterexample

If $X = [0, 1)$ or $(0, 1)$ then $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{2}$ is a counterexample.

241.8 (a) Q: If Y is a product of path conn. spaces path conn?

A: Yes. Let $x = (x_\alpha)$, $y = (y_\alpha) \in \prod X_\alpha$

Let $f_\alpha: I \rightarrow X_\alpha$ s.t. $f_\alpha(0) = x_\alpha$, $f_\alpha(1) = y_\alpha$

Then $f = (f_\alpha): I \rightarrow \prod X_\alpha$ is a path from x to y .

(b) Q: If $A \subset X$ is path conn. is \bar{A} path conn.
 A: No. The topologist's sine curve is a counterexample, see example 7.

(c) Q: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$, X is path conn. is $f(X)$ path conn.

A: Yes. Let $f(x)$, $f(y) \in f(X)$. Then $\exists \gamma: I \rightarrow X$ s.t. $\gamma(0) = x$, $\gamma(1) = y$. Then $f \circ \gamma$ is a path from $f(x)$ to $f(y)$.

(d) Q: If $\{A_\alpha\}$ is a collection of path conn. subspaces, of X , $\bigcap A_\alpha \neq \emptyset$. Is $\bigcup A_\alpha$ path conn.

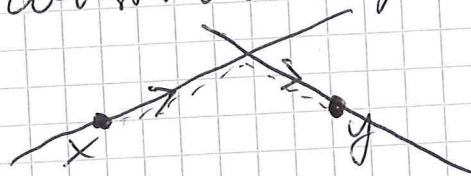
A: Yes. Pick $x_0 \in \bigcap A_\alpha$. If $x, y \in \bigcup A_\alpha$, pick γ_1 a path from x to x_0 , γ_2 path x_0 to y .

3 Then $\gamma: I \rightarrow X$, $\gamma(t) = \begin{cases} \gamma_1(t) & t \in (0, 2) \\ \gamma_2(t) & t \in [1/2, 1] \end{cases}$

is a path from x to y . See Theorem 18.3 (pasting lemma).

24.9 Q: Assume \mathbb{R} is uncountable. Let $A \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ be a countable subset. Show $\mathbb{R}^2 - A$ is path connected.

A: Given $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^2 - A$. Let L_x be the set of lines passing through x and no point in A . L_x is nonempty, and in fact uncountable, since A is countable. Indeed, if any line ~~in L_x~~ ^{through x} hit a point of A we could make a surjection $A \rightarrow \{ \text{lines through } x \}$. This contradicts the latter set being uncountable. Choose two non-parallel lines in $L_x \neq L_y$. Use these to construct a path:



24.10 Q: U open conn $\subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$, show U is path conn

A1: U is locally path connected, use theorem 25.

A2: \square Fix $x_0 \in U$. $C = \{ x \in U \mid \exists \text{ path in } U \text{ from } x_0 \text{ to } x \}$

Then C is both open & closed in U .

Indeed, if $x \in C$, $\exists B(x, \epsilon) \subseteq U$, but C is path conn & $B(x, \epsilon)$ is path conn & $C \cap B(x, \epsilon) \neq \emptyset$,

so 24.8(2) $\Rightarrow B(x, \epsilon) \cup C$ is path conn $\Rightarrow B(x, \epsilon) \subseteq C$

$\Rightarrow C$ is open. Assume

4 Assume $y \notin C$. Then $\exists B(y, \epsilon) \subseteq U$ & $B(y, \epsilon) \cap C = \emptyset$. If not there would be a path from x_0 to $x \in B(y, \epsilon) \cap C$ & a path from x to y , contradicting $y \notin C$. Hence C^c is open, so C is open & closed, so $C = U$, since U is conn.

25.4 Q: X locally path conn. Show \forall conn. open set in X is path conn.

A: Let U be open, conn $\subseteq X$. Let $x_0 \in U$, $C = \{x \in U \mid \exists \text{ path from } x_0 \text{ to } x\}$.

Similar to 24.10

C is open, since if $x \in C \exists V \subseteq U, x \in V$

V is open & path conn $\Rightarrow V \subseteq C$.

C^c is open, since if $x \notin C \exists V \subseteq U, x \in V$

V is open & path conn $\Rightarrow V \cap C = \emptyset$.

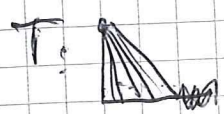
Hence C is open & closed in U , hence $C = U$.

25.5 Q: Let $X = \mathbb{Q} \times 0 \cap [0, 1] \times 0 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$. Let $T =$ Union of all line segments from $0 \times 1 = p$ to points of X

(a) Show T is not connected, but is locally connected only at p .

A: T is the union of ^{a collection of} path connected spaces with a point p in common. Exercise

24.8(d) imply T is ^{path} connected.



Show any connected open neighbourhood of x must contain p , as was done in the lecture. Clearly not all open neighbourhoods of x contains p . Argue as on the next page, but replace $B(x, \epsilon)$ by your neighbourhood which does not contain p .

5 Then $x \notin x' := (1-x) \cdot 0 \cdot 1 + x(y + \frac{1}{n} \cdot x \cdot 0)$ (depending on $\epsilon = 0 \cdot 1$)
 where $\frac{1}{n} < \epsilon < y$

lie in different components of $B(x, \epsilon) \cap T$.
 Indeed, $B(x, \epsilon) \cap T \cap C_1, B(x, \epsilon) \cap T \cap C_2$ is a separation where C_1, C_2 are the two components of $\mathbb{R} - \ell$, where ℓ is a line from $y' \cdot x \cdot 0$ to $0 \cdot x \cdot 1$, where y' is an irrational number between y & $y + \frac{1}{n}$.
 Any ball $B(x', \epsilon) \cap T$ is connected, by the same argument as T is path connected.

(b) Q: Find a subset of \mathbb{R}^2 that is path conn, but locally conn. at no point.

A: ~~Consider~~ Let T_n be $\{ \begin{matrix} x \times (y + \frac{1}{n}) \\ x \times y \in T \end{matrix} \}$

Define $F := \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} T_n$. Then F is path connected, but not locally connected at any point.

25.6 Q: X weakly locally connected at $x \in X$ iff $\forall U$ open nbhd of $x \exists V' \text{ conn} \subseteq U, s.t. \exists V \text{ open} \subseteq V' s.t. x \in V$.

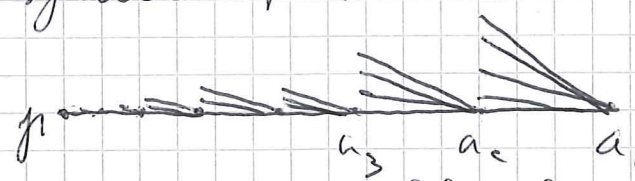
Show X is locally conn iff X is weakly locally conn at all its points.

A: We use Theorem 25.3: X is locally conn iff $\forall U \subseteq X$ each component of U is open. So give C a component of U , consider $x \in C$. Assumption $\Rightarrow \exists x \in V' \text{ conn} \subseteq U \Rightarrow V' \subseteq C$, but $\exists x \in V \text{ open} \subseteq V' \subseteq C \Rightarrow \exists$ open nbhd around any point of $C \Rightarrow C$ is open.



25.7 Q: Let X be the infinite broom.

X is made inductively from by taking all lines from $\frac{1}{n} \times 0$ to $\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^+} \{ \frac{1}{n+k} \times \frac{1}{n+k} \} \cup \{ \frac{1}{n+k} \times 0 \}$ and doing this for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. Then you add $p = 0 \times 0$. X is considered as a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 . Note $a_n = \frac{1}{n} \times 0$.



Show X is weakly locally connected at p , but not locally connected at p .

A: Let U be a connected nbhd of p .

Then $\exists k$ s.t. $a_k \in U$. Assume $\exists n$ s.t. $a_{n+1} \in U$, $a_n \notin U$. Since U is open $\exists B(a_{n+1}, \epsilon) \subseteq U$. Then $B(a_{n+1}, \epsilon)$ intersects a line from a_n to $a_{n+k} \times \frac{1}{n+k}$ for some k . Then a_{n+1} & $\frac{1}{n+k} \times \frac{1}{n+k}$ cannot be in the same component of U , indeed, they are separated by $C_1 \cap U, C_2 \cap U$ where C_1, C_2 are the two components of $\mathbb{R}^2 - l$, where l is the line through a_n & $\frac{1}{n+k} \times \frac{1}{n+k}$.

This contradicts U being connected, so U must contain all a_n . Obviously not all nbhds of p contains all a_n , so X is not locally connected at p .

To prove U is weakly locally connected at p , observe that the closed ball $\overline{B}(a_{n+1}, \epsilon) \cap X$ contains

$\cap X$ is connected (path connected), and contains the open ball $B(a_{n+1}, \frac{\epsilon}{n}) \cap X$.