

Solution for problems

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1 Prove ostrowski's theorem.

A proof can be found here: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ostrowski%27s_theorem.

$$2 \quad ||_{\alpha} \sim ||_{\beta} \iff \exists c \quad ||_{\alpha}^c = ||_{\beta}.$$

Assume that $||_{\alpha} \sim ||_{\beta}$, And let $|x|_{\alpha} < 1$. Note that a sequence $x_n \xrightarrow{||_{\alpha}} x \iff x_n \xrightarrow{||_{\beta}} x$.

And: $|x^n|_{\alpha} \rightarrow 0$ Thus: $|x^n|_{\beta} \rightarrow 0$. Meaning: $|x|_{\beta} < 1$ as well.

So we got: $|x|_{\alpha} < 1 \iff |x|_{\beta} < 1$.

Let a be s.t. $|a|_{\alpha} \neq 0, 1$. If $|a|_{\alpha} < 1$ then also $|a|_{\beta} < 1$ and if $|a|_{\alpha} > 1$ then so is $|a|_{\beta}$ (because we can look at $|a^{-1}|_{\alpha} < 1$).

So there exists c s.t. $|a|_{\alpha} = |a|_{\beta}^c$. Now for arbitrary x s.t. $|x|_{\alpha} \neq 0, 1$ there exists $t \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t.:

$$|x|_{\alpha} = |a|_{\alpha}^t$$

Suppose $m/n \in \mathbb{Q}$ s.t. $m/n < t$ then:

$$|a|_{\alpha}^{m/n} < |x|_{\alpha} \Rightarrow |a|_{\alpha}^m < |x^n|_{\alpha} \Rightarrow \left| \frac{a^m}{x^n} \right|_{\alpha} < 1$$

So by what we've shown:

$$\left| \frac{a^m}{x^n} \right|_{\beta} < 1$$

So we've got:

$$|a|_{\beta}^{m/n} < |x|_{\beta}$$

Similarly, with $m'/n' > t$ we can show that: $|a|_{\beta}^{m'/n'} > |x|_{\beta}$.

Because the absolute value is continuous we get that:

$$|a|_{\beta}^{m/n} < |x|_{\beta} < |a|_{\beta}^{m'/n'}$$

So: $|x|_{\beta} = |a|_{\beta}^t$. Thus:

$$|x|_{\alpha} = |a|_{\alpha}^t = |a|_{\beta}^{ct} = |x|_{\beta}^c$$

As required.

Let $i \in \{\alpha, \beta\}$ and $B_{r,i}(x) = \{y \mid |y - x|_i < r\}$ be the open r -ball.

Note that:

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_{r,\beta}(x) &= \{y \mid |y-x|_\beta < r\} \\
 &= \{y \mid |y-x|_\alpha^{1/c} < r\} \\
 &= \{y \mid |y-x|_\alpha < r^c\} \\
 &= B_{r^c,\alpha}(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

So, let U be an open set w.r.t $|\cdot|_\alpha$, and let $x \in U$. Then for some $r > 0$, $B_{r,\alpha}(x) \subseteq U$. So, from the above computation: $B_{r^{1/c},\beta} \subseteq U$.

Thus U is open w.r.t $|\cdot|_\beta$.

$$3 \quad \mathbb{Q}_p = \{\dots x_{-n} \dots x_0.x_1 \dots x_k \mid x_i \in \{0, \dots, p-1\}\}.$$

It's clear that $A = \{\dots x_{-n} \dots x_0.x_1 \dots x_k \mid x_i \in \{0, \dots, p-1\}\} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Q}_p$, by:

$$\varphi(x) = \sum x_n p^{-n}$$

This is a infinite sum, but only from one side. It is converge because $x_n p^{-n} \rightarrow 0$ (see next question).

Now we will build $\mathbb{Q}_p \hookrightarrow A$. We will do that by taking $\pmod p$ on the number and divide it by p every time.

$$4 \quad \exists x \sum x_n \rightarrow x \iff |x_n|_p \rightarrow 0.$$

It's clear that if $\sum x_n$ converges then $|x_n|_p \rightarrow 0$.

We want to the other direction.

Suppose $x_n \rightarrow 0$, Let $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. for $n > N$, $|x_n|_p < \varepsilon$.

Denote:

$$S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n x_n$$

Thus, for $n, m > N$ we get:

$$|S_n - S_m|_p = \left| \sum_{i=\min(m,n)+1}^{i=\max(m,n)} x_n \right|_p \leq \max_{i>N} |x_n|_p < \varepsilon$$

so the partial sums are Cauchy and consequently converge.

$$5 \quad \forall y \in B_r(x) \quad B_r(x) = B_r(y).$$

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Let $y \in B_r(x)$. Note that:

$$B_r(x) = \{z \mid |z-x|_p < r\}$$

Assume exists $z \in B_r(x)$ s.t. $z \notin B_r(y)$, Then: $|z-y|_p > r$ and $|z-x|_p < r$.

But:

$$|z-x|_p = |(z-y) + (y-x)|_p = \max(|y-x|_p, |z-y|_p) > r$$

A contradiction. (The other direction is similar).

6 \mathbb{Z}_p is homeomorphic to the cantor set.

We will show it for \mathbb{Z}_2 :

The elements of each of these sets can be denoted by sequences (x_n) with each $x_i \in \{0, 1\}$, In particular, each 2-adic integer can be represented in canonical form as $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x_n 2^n$.

If two sequences in this representation, (x_n) and (y_n) , differ in the j th term and no other term before j , the distance between them is:

$$|(x_n) - (y_n)|_2 = \left| \sum_{k=j}^{\infty} (x_k - y_k) 2^k \right| = 2^{-j}$$

If two elements of the Cantor set under this representation differ in the j th term but no earlier term, then the distance between them is bounded:

$$|(x_n) - (y_n)|_{\infty} = \left| \sum_{k=j}^{\infty} \frac{2(x_k - y_k)}{10^k} \right|_{\infty} \leq \sum_{k=j}^{\infty} \left| \frac{2(x_k - y_k)}{10^k} \right|_{\infty} \leq \sum_{k=j}^{\infty} \left| \frac{2}{10^k} \right|_{\infty} = \frac{2}{9} \cdot 10^{-j} < \infty$$

We can define a bijection $\varphi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2$ such that φ sends an element determined by the sequence (x_n) in the Cantor set to the element determined by the same sequence in \mathbb{Z}_2 . ince each element of each set is uniquely expressible in this way, this mapping is clearly a bijection. We prove that it is also continuous using the metric definition of continuity. Fix some $x \in \mathcal{C}$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$$2^{-(N+1)} < \varepsilon \leq 2^{-N}$$

We can choose $\delta = \frac{2}{9} \cdot 10^{-N}$ s.t.:

$$|x - y|_{\infty} < \delta \Rightarrow |\varphi(x) - \varphi(y)|_2 < \varepsilon$$

For any $y \in \mathcal{C}$. In particular, this δ implies that x and y have at least the first $N + 1$ terms of their representative equences in common, forcing $|x - y|_2 < 2^{-N+1} < \varepsilon$. Thus φ is continous.

Remains to show that φ^{-1} is continous. Fix $x \in \mathbb{Z}_2$, Let $\varepsilon > 0$ we can find N s.t.

$$\frac{2}{9} 10^{-N} < \varepsilon \leq \frac{2}{9} 10^{-N+1}$$

Choose $\delta = 2^{-(N+1)}$ and we get:

$$|x - y|_2 < \delta \Rightarrow |\varphi^{-1}(x) - \varphi^{-1}(y)|_{\infty} < \infty$$

So φ^{-1} is also continous.

Thus \mathbb{Z}_2 and \mathcal{C} are homeomorphic as required.

Now we will prove the following lemma:

Lemma 6.1

\mathbb{Q}_p is totally disonnected.

Proof: Let $a \in \mathbb{Q}_p$. The connected component C_a of a is eqaul to $\{a\}$.

Let a be arbitrary and suppose $C_a \supsetneq \{a\}$, therefore there exists $n \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $B_{(a,p^{-n})} \cap C_a \neq C_a$, But then:

$$C_a = (B_{(a,p^{-n})} \cap C_a) \cup ((\mathbb{Q}_p \setminus B_{(a,p^{-n})}) \cap C_a)$$

which is the disjoint union of two open subsets. Therefore C_a os mpt cpmnected. which is a contradiction. ■

Theorem 6.2

Any compact perfect totally disconnected subset E of the real line is homeomorphic to the Cantor set.

Proof: Denote $m = \inf E$ and $M = \sup E$.

We will build $F : [m, M] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ s.t. F maps E homeomorphic on \mathcal{C} .

We will build F on the complements $[m, M] \setminus E \rightarrow [0, 1] \setminus \mathcal{C}$, and by continuity to a map $F : [m, M] \rightarrow [0, 1]$.

$[m, M] \setminus E$ is the disjoint union of countably many open intervals, and the same is true for $[0, 1] \setminus \mathcal{C}$. Let \mathcal{I} be the collection of the intervals whose union is $[m, M]$ and let \mathcal{J} be the collection whose union is $[0, 1] \setminus \mathcal{C}$. We shall build a bijection: $\Theta : \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathcal{J}$.

Let $I_1 \in \mathcal{I}$ be an interval of maximal length and define:

$$\Theta(I_1) = (1/3, 2/3)$$

Next, choose intervals $I_{2,1}$ and $I_{2,2}$ to the left and right of I_1 s.t they have maximal length and define:

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta(I_{2,1}) &= (1/9, 2/9) \\ \Theta(I_{1,2}) &= (7/9, 8/9)\end{aligned}$$

Continuing this process defines Θ on the whole set \mathcal{I} . Since \mathcal{I} contains only finitely many sets of length greater than some fixed $\varepsilon > 0$, and since two intervals in \mathcal{I} or in \mathcal{J} have different endpoints (as E and \mathcal{C} are perfect). It is clear from the construction that Θ is bijective and order preserving.

Define F as follows:

For $I \in \mathcal{I}$: $F|_I : I \rightarrow \Theta(I)$ is a unique linear increasing map. Because E and \mathcal{C} are totally disconnected, they are nowhere dense. Thus there exists at most one continuation $F : [m, M] \rightarrow [0, 1]$. Now, From our construction of Θ :

$$F(x) = \sup \{F(y) : y \notin E, y \leq x\}$$

Let $f : F|_E$. Note that $f : E \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ is a monotone increasing, continuous bijection and we need to show that $g := f^{-1}$ is continuous.

Note that g is again monotone increasing. Let $x \in \mathcal{C}$ and $x_n \rightarrow x$. This sequence contains a monotone subsequence and thus we may assume, wlog, that the sequence x_n is monotone increasing.

Clearly

$$y = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(x_n) = \sup_{n \geq 1} g(x_n) \leq g(x)$$

Assume $y < g(x)$, since E is closed, we have $y \in E$ and $g^{-1}(y) < x$. This implies that $y < x_n$ for large n and by monotonicity $y < g(x_n)$. A contradiction to the definition of y . Thus g is continuous. ■

The same type of proof will work for all \mathbb{Z}_p showing it is homeomorphic to $\mathcal{C}^{(p)}$ defined by:

$$\mathcal{C}_n^{(p)} := \mathcal{C}_{n-1}^{(p)} \cap \left((2p-1)^{-n} \left(\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} [2k, 2k+1] \right) \right)$$

And define:

$$\mathcal{C}^{(p)} := \bigcap_{n \geq 0} \mathcal{C}_n^{(p)}$$

Note that $\mathcal{C}^{(p)}$ is perfect for every p , thus \mathbb{Z}_p is perfect for every p , and by the theorem, because it is also totally disconnected, \mathbb{Z}_p is homeomorphic to the Cantor set as required.

$$\mathbf{7} \quad \mathbb{Z}_p \cong \varprojlim \mathbb{Z}/p^n \mathbb{Z}$$

Note that $\mathbb{Z}_p/p^n \mathbb{Z}_p \cong \mathbb{Z}/p^n \mathbb{Z}$

So we got $\mathbb{Z}_p \mapsto \varprojlim \mathbb{Z}/p^n \mathbb{Z}$, We will build another map from $\varprojlim \mathbb{Z}/p^n \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p$.

8 $\mathbb{Q}_p \cong \mathcal{C} \setminus \{1\}$.

Note that \mathbb{Q}_p is a countable union of Cantor sets by taking $\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p$, and so it is trivial that it is homeomorphic to $\mathcal{C} \setminus \{1\}$.

9 Haar theorem for \mathbb{Q}_p

Define μ s.t. : $\mu(B_1(0)) = 1$, Note that for every ball $B_p(0)$ we can cover it with distinctively p unit balls.

Because μ need to be σ -additive and invariant to translations, we get that $\mu(B_p(0)) = p\mu(B_1(0)) = p$.

Now note that the definition of $\mu(B_1(0))$ defines μ , hence every other haar measure is only a differ by a constant multiplication.

10 $\alpha(a) = |a|_p$

Define $\alpha(a) = \frac{\mu_a}{\mu}$, We want to show that this is $|a|_p$. Because we know that μ_a is haar measure, then we want to know what is the value on the unit ball, Note that $|ax| = |a||x|$:

$$\frac{\mu(a \cdot B(0, 1))}{\mu(B(0, 1))} = \frac{\mu(B(0, a))}{\mu(B(0, 1))} = |a|$$

Because there are p^n unit balls inside a ball with radius p^n .

11 find a l-space X which is countable at ∞ and an open subset $U \subset X$ that is not countable at ∞ .

Take a look at $\{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{R}}$, It is compact because of Tichonof thm. But if we exclude 0, it is not countable at ∞ .

12 Every l-space metrizable and countable at ∞ space X , is isomorphic to 1 of the 3 spaces, cantor set, cantor set- $\{1\}$ and discrete set.

Follows from the theorem at question 6, as l-spaces are totally disconnected