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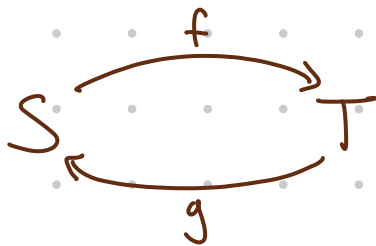
topologically equivalent

Definition: Two topological spaces S and T are said to be **homeomorphic** if there are continuous maps $f: S \rightarrow T$ and $g: T \rightarrow S$ such that

$$(f \circ g) = id_T \quad \text{and} \quad (g \circ f) = id_S.$$

$\uparrow$ identity on T $\uparrow$ identity on S

The maps f and g are then **homeomorphisms**. These maps are inverse to each other, so we may write f^{-1} in place of g and g^{-1} in place of f . If S and T are homeomorphic, then we write $S \cong T$.



f and g are inverses
 $f = g^{-1}$ and $g = f^{-1}$

$\nwarrow$ "cong" "congruent"

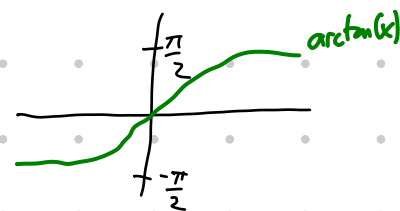
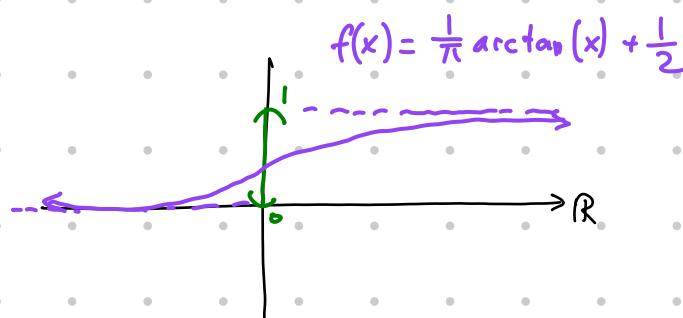
id_T : for any $x \in T$, $id_T(x) = x$

An identity map takes any point to itself.

In other words, S and T are **homeomorphic** if there exists a continuous bijection $f: S \rightarrow T$ with a continuous inverse.

Moreover, S and T are homeomorphic if you can continuously map both points and open sets from one to the other.

$(0,1) \cong \mathbb{R}$



Homeomorphisms

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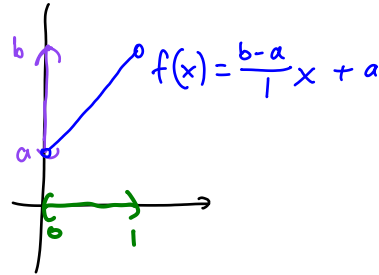
1. Which of the following spaces do you think we should regard as topologically *the same*? What should "topologically the same" mean?

- (a) $(0, 1)$
- (b) $[0, 1]$
- (c) $(0, 1]$
- (d) S^1
- (e) $\mathbb{R}$
- (f) $[0, 2\pi)$
- (g) $\mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$
- (h) (a, b) for any $a < b \in \mathbb{R}$
- (i) $[a, b]$ for any $a < b \in \mathbb{R}$

What is the topology?

EXAMPLES OF HOMEOMORPHISMS

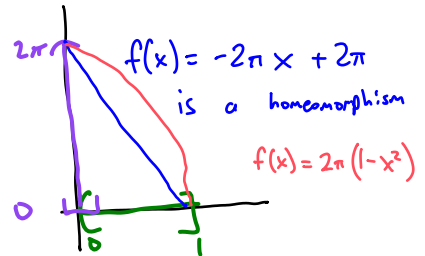
- $f: (0, 1) \rightarrow (a, b)$ continuous, bijective, continuous inverse



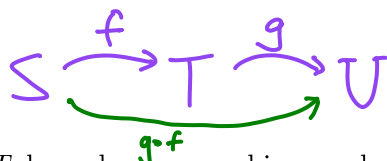
$$(0, 1) \cong (a, b)$$

- Similarly, $[0, 1] \cong [a, b]$

- $(0, 1] \cong [0, 2\pi)$



2. Find three different topologies on the three-point set $\{a, b, c\}$, each consisting of five open sets, such that two of the topologies are homeomorphic, but the third is not homeomorphic to the other two.



3. Let $f : S \rightarrow T$ be a homeomorphism and $g : T \rightarrow U$ be another homeomorphism. Show that $g \circ f : S \rightarrow U$ is a homeomorphism.

↳ Need to show that $g \circ f$ is continuous with a continuous inverse.

First, composition of continuous maps is continuous. (Prop. 3.10)

Second, since f and g are homeomorphisms, $f^{-1} : T \rightarrow S$ and $g^{-1} : U \rightarrow T$ are continuous.

So $f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}$, the inverse of $g \circ f$, is also continuous.

Third, the composition of bijections is bijective, so $g \circ f$ is bijective.

4. Let S and T be homeomorphic spaces. Prove each of the following:

(a) If S is connected, then so is T .

(b) If S is compact, then so is T .

(c) If S is Hausdorff, then so is T .

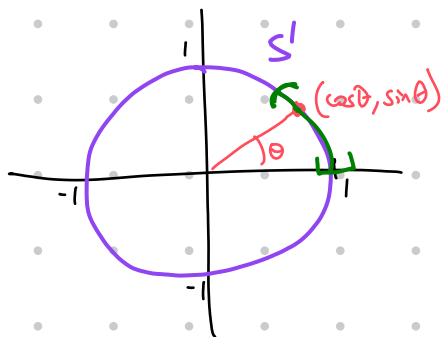
This is Proposition 5.16
in the text.

5. Suppose $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a continuous bijective function. Is f^{-1} necessarily continuous?

No. See below.

Is S^1 homeomorphic to $[0, 2\pi)$?

subspace topology from standard topology on $\mathbb{R}$



$$\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$$

$$f: [0, 2\pi) \rightarrow S^1$$

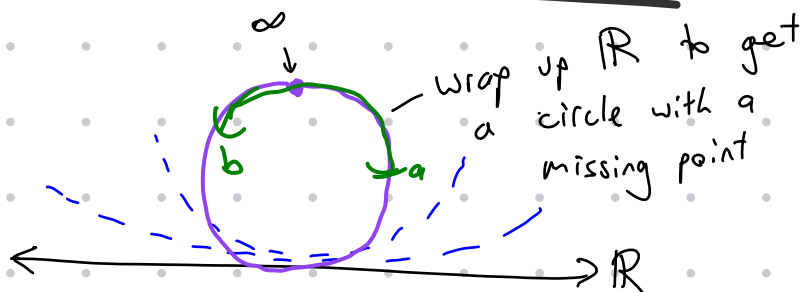
$f(\theta) = (\cos(\theta), \sin(\theta))$ is a bijection
is continuous

Is its inverse continuous? No.

consider $f([0, \frac{1}{2})) =$ , which is not open in S^1 .

$$\mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$$

"point at infinity"



With a certain topology, $\mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\} \cong S^1$

basis: open intervals in $\mathbb{R}$

and sets of the form $(a, \infty) \cup \{\infty\} \cup (-\infty, b)$

See Example 5.7 in the text.