



Uniform spaces

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Abstract :-

This paper deals with the concepts in the theory of uniform spaces. We also observe that the neighbourhood system of X for each U in the uniformity and consequently the family of all sets $U[X]$ for U in \mathcal{U} is the base for the neighbourhood. Since again we conclude that the uniformity is inherited by subsets of a uniform space by restriction.

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Introduction :-

In the mathematical field of topology a uniform space is a set with a uniform structure. A uniform structure on a non-empty set X was first defined by A. Weil (1937) in terms of subsets of $X \times X$. J.W. Tukey (1940) later provided an alternative description of a uniform structure using covers of X .

Basic concepts in the theory of uniform spaces:

Let X be a non-empty set. For arbitrary subsets U and V of $X \times X$, we write $V^{-1} = \{(y, x) : (x, y) \in V\}$ and $U \circ V = \{(x, y) : \exists z \in X \text{ such that } (x, z) \in V \text{ and } (z, y) \in U\}$. It follows easily that $U \circ (V \circ W) = (U \circ V) \circ W$ and $(U \circ V)^{-1} = V^{-1} \circ U^{-1}$. We shall write U^2 for $U \circ U$. The diagonal of $X \times X$ which is denoted by Δ (or simply Δ) defined as the set $\{(x, x) : x \in X\}$. For each subset A of X the set $U[A]$ is defined to be $\{y : (x, y) \in U \text{ for some } x \text{ in } A\}$. We write $U[x]$ for $U[\{x\}]$ if x is a point in X . For each U and V and each A it is true that $(U \circ V)[A] = U[V[A]]$. Clearly $(U^{-1})^{-1} = U$, U is said to be symmetric if $U^{-1} = U$.

Definition:

A uniformity or uniform structure for a set X is a non-empty family \mathcal{U} of subsets of $X \times X$ which satisfy the following conditions:

- (i) Each member of \mathcal{U} contains the diagonal Δ ;
- (ii) if $U \in \mathcal{U}$, then $U^{-1} \in \mathcal{U}$;
- (iii) If $U \in \mathcal{U}$, then $\exists V \in \mathcal{U}$ such that $V^2 \subseteq U$;
- (iv) If $U \in \mathcal{U}$ and $U \subseteq V \subseteq X \times X$, then $V \in \mathcal{U}$ and

(v) If U and V are members of \mathcal{U} , then $\bigcup \bigcap V \in \mathcal{U}$; Elements of \mathcal{U} are said to be vicinities. A uniform space is a set together with a uniformity for it. Thus the pair (X, \mathcal{U}) is a uniform space.

Definition:

- (i) A subfamily \mathcal{B} for a uniformity \mathcal{U} is a base for \mathcal{U} , iff each member of \mathcal{U} contains a member of \mathcal{B} .
- (ii) If \mathcal{B} is a base for \mathcal{U} ; then \mathcal{B} determines \mathcal{U} entirely, for a subsets U of $X \times X$ belongs to \mathcal{U} if U contains a member of \mathcal{B} .

Definition:

- (i) A subfamily \mathcal{B} is a subbase for \mathcal{U} if the family of finite intersections
- (ii) of members of \mathcal{B} is a base for \mathcal{U} .
- (iii) We now state the following theorem, the proof of which is simple.

Theorem :

A non-empty family \mathcal{B} of subsets of $X \times X$ is a base for some uniformity for X if and only if

- (i) Each member of \mathcal{B} contains the diagonal Δ ;
- (ii) If $U \in \mathcal{B}$, then $\exists V \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $V \subseteq U^{-1}$;
- (iii) If $U \in \mathcal{B}$, then $\exists V \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $V^2 \subseteq U$;
- (iv) If $U, V \in \mathcal{B}$ then $\exists W \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $W \subseteq U \cap V$.

Theorem:

A family \mathcal{b} of subsets of $X \times X$ is a subbase for some uniformity for X if

- (i) each member of \mathcal{b} contains the diagonal Δ ;
- (ii) for each $U \in \mathcal{b}$, $\exists V \in \mathcal{b}$ such that $V^2 \subseteq U^{-1}$.
- (iii) for each $U \in \mathcal{b}$, $\exists V \in \mathcal{b}$ such that $V^2 \subseteq U$.

In particular, the union of any collection of uniformities for X is the subbase for a uniformity for X .

Proof:

We have to show that the family \mathcal{B} of finite intersections of member of \mathcal{b} satisfies the condition of theorem (5.1).

If U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n and V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n are subsets of $X \times X$ all belonging to \mathcal{b} and if $U = \bigcap_{i=1}^n U_i$ and

$V = \bigcap_{i=1}^n V_i$ then $V \subseteq U^{-1}$ (or $V^2 \subseteq U$) whenever $V_i \subseteq U_i^{-1}$ (respectively, $V_i^2 \subseteq U_i$) for each i . From this

observation the proof of this theorem follows.

Definition:

If (X, \mathcal{U}) is a uniform space the topology J of the uniformity \mathcal{U} , or the uniform topology is the family of all subsets T of X such that for each $x \in T$ there is $U \in \mathcal{U}$ such that $U[x] \subseteq T$.

To verify that J is a topology is simple. In fact the union of members of J is surely a member of J . If T and S are members of J and $x \in T \cap S$, there are U and V in \mathcal{U} such that $U[x] \subseteq T$ and $V[x] \subseteq S$, and hence $U \cap V[x] \subseteq T \cap S$ consequently $T \cap S \in J$ and J is a topology.

Theorem:

The interior of a subset A of X relative to the uniform topology is the set of all points X such that $U[X] \subseteq A$ for some U in \mathcal{U} .

Proof:

To prove the theorem it is sufficient to prove that the set $B = \{X : U[X] \subseteq A \text{ for some } U \text{ in } \mathcal{U}\}$ is open relative to the uniform topology, for B surely contains every open subset of A and, if B is open, then $\exists U \in \mathcal{U}$ such that $U[X] \subseteq A$ and again $\exists V \in \mathcal{U}$ such that $V^2 \subseteq U$. If $y \in V[X]$ then $V[y] \subseteq V^2[X] \subseteq U[X] \subseteq A$ and $y \in B$. hence $V[X] \subseteq B$ and B is open.

This completes the proof.

Remark:

It follows immediately that $U[X]_x$ is a neighbourhood system of x for each U in the uniformity \mathcal{U} , and consequently the family of all sets $U[X]$ for U in \mathcal{U} is a base for the neighbourhood system of x (the family is actually identical with the neighbourhood system). The following theorem is then clear.

Theorem:

If \mathcal{B} is a base (or subbase) for the uniformity \mathcal{U} , then for each x the family of sets $U[X]$ for U in \mathcal{B} is a base (subbase respectively) for the neighbourhood system of x .

Remark (2) :

A uniformity is inherited by subsets of a uniform space by restriction.

If X is a uniform space for a uniformity \mathcal{U} , and Y is a subset of X , then Y is a uniform space (called subspace) under the induced (relative) uniformity

$$Y_u = \{Y \cap Y \cup U : U \in \mathcal{U} \text{ for } Y\}.$$

If \mathcal{B} is a base for \mathcal{U} , then $Y_B = \{Y \cap Y \cup U : U \in \mathcal{B}\}$ is a base for Y . It can be verified that the topology of the relative uniformity \mathcal{G} is the relativized topology for Y .

Conclusion: Hence, the interior of a subset A of X relative to the uniform topology is the set of all points X such that $U[X] \subseteq A$ for some U in \mathcal{U} and also a uniformity is inherited by subsets of uniform space by restriction.

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