

7. Notes on Topological Spaces. I. A Theorem on Uniform Spaces

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The object of this Note is to give a formulation of a theorem on metric space. We suppose that *all spaces considered are separated*.

Let X be a uniform space. The space X is called an *absolute closed* if whenever X is topologically imbedded in a uniform space Y , then X is a closed in Y .

We can easily obtain the following

Theorem 1. A uniform space is absolutely closed if and only if it is complete in sense of uniform structure.

Proof. Let X be an absolutely closed uniform space, and \hat{X} the completion of X . Then $X \subset \hat{X}$ and X is closed in \hat{X} . Therefore, by a well-known proposition (N. Bourbaki [1], p. 149, Prop. 6, or G. Nöbeling [2], p. 200, 26.4), X is complete.

Conversely, let X be a complete uniform space, and suppose that X is imbedded in a uniform space Y . Since the same proposition 6 of N. Bourbaki stated in the first part of proof, and Y is separated, X is closed. Therefore X is absolutely closed.

From Theorem 1, we can reduce the following interesting

Theorem 2. Let X be a uniform space and Z any uniform space containing X . If there is a complete uniform space Y containing X and X is a G_δ -set in Y , then X is the intersection of a closed set and a G_δ -set of Z .

Proof. Let Y be a complete uniform space satisfying the condition of Theorem 2. Let Z be any uniform space containing X . Since X is a G_δ -set in Y , there are countable closed sets F_n of Y such that $X = Y - \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n$. By Theorem 1, Y is absolutely closed. On the other hand, if we let $Y \cup Z$ be a uniform space, Y is closed in $Y \cup Z$. Hence each closed set F_n is closed in $Y \cup Z$ and therefore F_n and Y are closed in Z .

The identity

$$X = Y \cap \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (Z - F_n)$$

implies that X is the intersection of a closed set and a G_δ -set of Z .
Q.E.D.

Conversely, we have easily seen the following

Theorem 3. Let X be a uniform space. If, for every uniform space Z containing X , X is the intersection of a closed set and a G_δ -set in Z , there is a complete uniform space Y containing X and X is a G_δ -set in Y .

Let Y be the completion of X , then the uniform space Y has the desired property.

Definition 1. A uniform space X is said to be *uniformly complete* if there is a complete uniform space Y such that X is a G_δ -set in Y .

Then we have the

Theorem 4. A uniform space is uniformly complete if and only if it is a G_δ -set in the completion.

Proof. If a uniform space X is a G_δ -set in the completion \hat{X} , then X is uniform complete, since \hat{X} is complete. Let X be a uniformly complete space. Then there is a complete space Y such that X is a G_δ -set in Y . Let \bar{X} be the closure of X in Y . Then \bar{X} is a complete space containing X and X is dense in \bar{X} and a G_δ -set in \bar{X} . Let \hat{X} be the completion of X . Consider the identity mapping i on X , then i is a uniformly continuous mapping from X to \bar{X} . Since X is dense in \hat{X} , the identity mapping i can be continuously extended on \hat{X} to \bar{X} .

Hence, X is a G_δ -set in \hat{X} , since X is a G_δ -set in \bar{X} . This completes the proof.

Therefore, by Theorem 2, we have the following

Theorem 5. A uniform space X is uniformly complete, if and only if X is the intersection of a closed set and a G_δ -set in every uniform space containing X .

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