

Definition: A **subbasis**  $\mathcal{S}$  for a topology on  $X$  is a collection of subsets of  $X$  whose union equals  $X$ .

Lemma: If  $\mathcal{S}$  is a subbasis for a topology on  $X$ , then  $\mathcal{B} = \{\cap_{i=1}^n S_i \mid S_i \in \mathcal{S}\}$  is a basis for a topology.

Note that  $\mathcal{B}$  is a collection of subsets of  $X$  ( $S_i \subset X$  implies  $\cap_{i=1}^n S_i \subset X$ ).

(1) Show for each  $x \in X$ , there is at least one basis element  $B$  containing  $x$ .

Proof: Take  $x \in X$ . Find  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $x \in B$ .

We will first show that  $\mathcal{S} \subset \mathcal{B}$ : Suppose that  $S_1 \in \mathcal{S}$ . Then  $S_1 = \cap_{n=1}^1 S_1$ . Thus  $S_1$  is a finite intersection of elements of  $\mathcal{S}$  since 1 is a finite number. Hence  $S_1 \in \mathcal{B}$ .

Since  $\mathcal{S}$  is a collection of subsets of  $X$  whose union equals  $X$ , there exists an  $S \in \mathcal{S} \subset \mathcal{B}$  such that  $x \in S$ . Hence, there is at least one basis element  $B$  containing  $x$ .

(2) Show that if  $x \in B_1 \cap B_2$  where  $B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B}$ , then there exists  $B_3 \in \mathcal{B}$  such that

$$x \in B_3 \subset B_1 \cap B_2.$$

The topology  $\mathcal{T}$  generated by a basis  $\mathcal{B}$  is defined as follows:  $U$  is open if and only if for all  $x \in U$ , there exists  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $x \in B \subset U$ .

Negation:

$U$  is **NOT** open in  $\mathcal{T}$  iff the following is false: for all  $x \in U$ , there exists  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $x \in B \subset U$ .

$U$  is **NOT** open in  $\mathcal{T}$  iff there exists an  $x \in U$ , such that the following is false: there exists  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $x \in B \subset U$ .

$U$  is **NOT** open in  $\mathcal{T}$  iff there exists an  $x \in U$ , such that for all  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  the following is false:  $x \in B \subset U$ .

$U$  is **NOT** open in  $\mathcal{T}$  iff there exists an  $x \in U$ , such that for all  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  the following is false:  $x \in B$  and  $B \subset U$ .

$U$  is **NOT** open in  $\mathcal{T}$  iff there exists an  $x \in U$ , such that for all  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  either  $x \notin B$  **OR**  $B \not\subset U$ .

$U$  is **NOT** open in  $\mathcal{T}$  iff there exists an  $x \in U$ , such that for all  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ ,  $x \in B$  implies  $B \not\subset U$ .