

10.1. Before proposition
 Let $G \cup H$ be a disconnection of A and let B be a connected subset of A . Then either $B \cap H = \emptyset$ or $B \cap G = \emptyset$ and so either $B \subset G$ or $B \subset H$.

proof:

Now $B \subset A$ and so

$$A \cap G \cup H \Rightarrow B \cap G \cup H \text{ and } G \cap H \subset A^c \Rightarrow G \cap H \subset B^c$$

Thus if both $B \cap G$ and $B \cap H$ are nonempty, then $G \cup H$ forms a disconnection of B . But B is connected hence the conclusion follows

Lemma 10.2: If A and B are connected sets which are not separated, then $A \cup B$ is connected.

proof: suppose $A \cup B$ is disconnected and suppose $G \cup H$ is disconnection of $A \cup B$. Since A is connected subset of $A \cup B$, either $A \subset G$ or $A \subset H$ (By lemma 10.1).

Since similarly, either $B \subset G$ or $B \subset H$.

Now, if $A \subset G$ and $B \subset H$ (or $B \subset G$ and $A \subset H$) (since $G \cup H$ is disconnection for $A \cup B$)

$(A \cup B) \cap G = A$ and $(A \cup B) \cap H = B$
 are separated sets. But this contradiction
 $\Rightarrow A \cup B$ is connected.

$\nRightarrow (A \cup B) \cap G \cap ((A \cup B) \cap H) = A \cap B = \emptyset$ since $G \cup H$ is disconnection of $A \cup B$

and if p is accumulation of $(A \cup B) \cap G$ and $p \in (A \cup B)$

$\Rightarrow H$ contain another point of $(A \cup B) \cap G$ since

H is open $\Rightarrow ((A \cup B) \cap G) \cap ((A \cup B) \cap H) \neq \emptyset$

is path and arcwise is connected set?

10.1: A path is connected set

Let $f: I \rightarrow X$ be any path in top. space X . $I = [0, 1]$ in usual topology is connected set. Then by theorem 9.10. $f(I)$ is connected

Theorem 10.2: Every arcwise connected set A is connected

Proof: If A is empty, then A is connected. Suppose A is not empty; say, $p \in A$. Now A is arcwise connected and so, for each $a \in A$, there is a path $f_a: I \rightarrow A$ from p to a . Furthermore, $a \in f_a[I] \subset A$ and so $A = \cup \{f_a[I] : a \in A\}$. But $p \in f_a[I]$, for every $a \in A$; hence $\cap \{f_a[I] : a \in A\}$ is non-empty. Moreover, each $f_a[I]$ is connected and A is connected. ~~If A is disconnected then we can divide A into parts G and H such that $A = G \cup H$ and $G \cap H = \emptyset$. Since $f_a[I] \cap f_b[I] \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow A$ is connected. by prop. 10.2.~~

Example 10.4: consider the following subsets of the plane \mathbb{R}^2

$$A = \{ \langle x, y \rangle : 0 \leq x \leq 1, y = \frac{x}{n}, n \in \mathbb{N} \}$$

$$B = \{ \langle x, 0 \rangle : \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1 \}$$

Here A consists of the points on the line segments joining the origin $\langle 0, 0 \rangle$ to the points $(1, \frac{1}{n}), n \in \mathbb{N}$ and B consists of the points on the x -axis between $\frac{1}{2}$ and 1 . Now A and B are both arcwise connected



