

**Exercises:** (§12 and §13)

1. Let  $X$  be a topological space and let  $A \subset X$  be a subset. Suppose that for all  $x \in A$ , there exists an open set  $U$  satisfying  $x \in U \subset A$ . Show that  $A$  is open.
2. Equip  $\mathbb{R}$  with the standard topology. Show that a set  $U \subset \mathbb{R}$  is open if and only if for all  $x \in U$  there exists  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $(x - \epsilon, x + \epsilon) \subset U$ .
3. Show that the collection  $\mathcal{B} = \{(a, b) : a, b \in \mathbb{Q}\}$  is a basis for the standard topology on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Conclude that standard topology on  $\mathbb{R}$  therefore has a countable basis.
4. Let  $X$  be a space.
  - (a) Let  $\{\mathcal{T}_i \mid i \in I\}$  be a non-empty collection topologies on  $X$  (indexed by some set  $I$ ). Show that  $\bigcap_{i \in I} \mathcal{T}_i$  is a topology on  $X$ .
  - (b) Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a basis for a topology  $\mathcal{T}$  on  $X$ . Show that  $\mathcal{T}$  is the intersection of all topologies on  $X$  that contain  $\mathcal{B}$ .
  - (c) Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be a subbasis for a topology  $\mathcal{T}$  on a space  $X$ . Suppose  $\mathcal{T}'$  is another topology on  $X$  that contains  $\mathcal{S}$ . Show that  $\mathcal{T}$  is coarser than  $\mathcal{T}'$ .
  - (d) Let  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$  be as in the previous part. Show that  $\mathcal{T}$  is the intersection of all topologies on  $X$  that contain  $\mathcal{S}$ .