

11th Lecture

Chapter Four

التراص في الفضاءات التبولوجية

Compactness in Topological Spaces

Definition (4.1): Let E be a subset in a topological space (X, τ)

- (i) We say that the family $\{G_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ is a **cover** for E iff $E \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} G_\alpha$.
(ii) We say that the subfamily of $\{G_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ (say $\{G_{\alpha_i}\}_{\alpha_i \in \Lambda}$ is a **subcover** of E) iff

$$E \subset \bigcup_{\alpha_i \in \Lambda} G_{\alpha_i}.$$

- (iii) We say that the family $\{G_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ is an **open cover** of E iff $E \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} G_\alpha$ and

$$G_\alpha \in \tau, \forall \alpha \in \Lambda.$$

- (iv) We say that $\{G_{\alpha_i}\}_{i=1}^n$ is an **open finite subcover** of E iff $E \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n G_{\alpha_i}$, where

$$G_{\alpha_i} \in \tau.$$

Definition (4.2): If E is a subset in (X, τ) . We say that E is **compact** iff for every open cover $\{G_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ of E , there exists a finite subcover of E (say $\{G_{\alpha_i}\}_{i=1}^n$).

In other word: $(E \text{ compact}) \Leftrightarrow \left[\left(E \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} G_\alpha \right) \Rightarrow \left(E \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n G_{\alpha_i} \right) \right]$

Example (4.1): If $E = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n\}$ is finite (X, τ) . Then E compact.

Proof: Let $\{G_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ be an open cover of E

$$\Rightarrow E \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} G_\alpha \Rightarrow \exists G_{\alpha_i}, x_i \in G_{\alpha_i}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 \in G_{\alpha_1}, x_2 \in G_{\alpha_2}, \dots, x_n \in G_{\alpha_n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \{x_1\} \subset G_{\alpha_1}, \{x_2\} \subset G_{\alpha_2}, \dots, \{x_n\} \subset G_{\alpha_n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bigcup_{i=1}^n \{x_i\} \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n G_{\alpha_i}$$

$$\Rightarrow E \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n G_{\alpha_i}$$

$$\Rightarrow \{G_{\alpha_i}\}_{i=1}^n \text{ is a finite subcover of } E.$$

$$\Rightarrow E \text{ is compact.}$$

Example (4.2): Determine whether $E = (0,1)$ is compact or not in (R, τ) .

Proof: Let $\{G_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $G_n = (\frac{1}{n+1}, 1)$ be an open cover of E .

$$\Rightarrow E \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} (\frac{1}{n+1}, 1)$$

Let $(a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2), \dots, (a_n, b_n)$ be a finite subfamily of $\{(\frac{1}{n+1}, 1)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$

Put $\varepsilon = \min(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m)$

$$\Rightarrow \bigcup_{i=1}^m (a_i, b_i) = (\varepsilon, b_m)$$

Let $b_m = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \bigcup_{i=1}^m (a_i, b_i) = (\varepsilon, 1)$$

Now $(0,1) \not\subset (\varepsilon, 1)$, for $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\Rightarrow (0,1) \not\subset \bigcup_{i=1}^m (a_i, b_i)$$

There is no finite subcovering for E

$$\Rightarrow E \text{ is not compact.}$$

Theorem (4.1): Let (X^*, τ^*) be a topological subspace of (X, τ) and $E \subset X^*$. Then E is τ^* -compact iff E is τ -compact.

Proof: Suppose that E is τ^* -compact

We need to prove that E is τ -compact

Let $\{G_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ be an open cover of E

$$\Rightarrow E \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} G_\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow E \cap X^* \subset (\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} G_\alpha) \cap X^*$$

$$\Rightarrow E \cap X^* \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} (G_\alpha \cap X^*)$$

$$\Rightarrow E \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} G_\alpha^* \Rightarrow \{G_\alpha^*\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \text{ is an open cover for } E$$

But E is τ^* -compact

$$\Rightarrow \exists \{G_{\alpha_i}^*\}_{i=1}^n \text{ finite subcover for } E$$

$$\Rightarrow E \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n G_{\alpha_i}^*$$

$$\Rightarrow E \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n (G_{\alpha_i} \cap X^*)$$

$$\Rightarrow E \subset (\bigcup_{i=1}^n G_{\alpha_i}) \cap X^*$$

$$\Rightarrow E \subset (\bigcup_{i=1}^n G_{\alpha_i})$$

$$\therefore \left(E \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} G_\alpha \right) \Rightarrow \left(E \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n G_{\alpha_i} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow E \text{ is } \tau\text{-compact}$$

Conversely: Suppose (\Leftarrow) E is τ -compact

We need to prove that E is τ^* -compact

Let $\{G_\alpha^*\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ be an open cover for E

$$\Rightarrow E \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} G_\alpha^*$$

$$\Rightarrow E \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} (G_\alpha \cap X^*)$$

$$\Rightarrow E \subset \left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} G_\alpha \right) \cap X^* \subset \left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} G_\alpha \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow E \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} G_\alpha$$

But E is τ -compact

$$\Rightarrow E \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^m G_{\alpha_i}$$

$$\Rightarrow E \cap X^* \subset (\bigcup_{i=1}^m G_{\alpha_i}) \cap X^*$$

$$\Rightarrow E \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^m G_{\alpha_i}^*$$

$$\therefore \left(E \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} G_\alpha^* \right) \Rightarrow \left(E \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^m G_{\alpha_i}^* \right) \Rightarrow E \text{ is } \tau^*\text{-compact.}$$