

in X . This defines a topology on Y , called the quotient topology of Y (with respect to the map f).

Problem: Prove the following lemma.

$f : X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous; and a map $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ is continuous $\Leftrightarrow g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$ is continuous.

Example: Let X be a topological space, and $A \subset X$ a subset. Let Y be the set obtained by collapsing A into a point, i.e. Y consists of $\{A\}$ (which forms a single point in Y) and of the points of $X - A$. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be the map which leaves the points in $X - A$ unchanged and which maps each point $x \in A$ into the point $\{A\} \in Y$. Then Y with the quotient topology is denoted by X/A .

F. Euclidean space

Throughout this section n is a natural number. We denote by

$$\mathbb{R}^n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mid \forall_{i \leq n} x_i \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

the set of all ordered sequences of n real numbers. In \mathbb{R}^n we have an addition, a multiplication with real numbers and a scalar product: if $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ and $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$ are points in \mathbb{R}^n and $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, we define:

$$x + y = (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2, \dots, x_n + y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\lambda \cdot x = (\lambda x_1, \lambda x_2, \dots, \lambda x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$(x, y) = (x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \dots + x_n y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\|x\| = \sqrt{(x, x)} = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2}$$

We have the following "Schwarz inequality":

$$|(x, y)| \leq \|x\| \cdot \|y\|$$

Therefore, if $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n - \{0\}$, $\frac{(x, y)}{\|x\| \cdot \|y\|}$ lies between -1 and