

Before we get to the problem, recall Proposition 1 and 2:

Proposition 1. S is locally closed in $X \iff S = A \cap F$, where A is open in X , and F is closed in X (proof in lecture).

Proposition 2. Let X locally compact Hausdorff, $S \subset X$ locally closed $\implies S$ is locally compact (proof in problem set 4).

Problem Set 4, Problem 17: Let X be locally compact Hausdorff.

(i) **Closed subsets of X are locally compact.**

Let S be closed in X . Note that $S = X \cap S$. Since X is open in X , and S is closed, Proposition 1 implies S is locally closed in X . Since X is locally compact Hausdorff, Proposition 2 implies S is locally compact.

(ii) **Open subsets of X are locally compact.** (Original proof from class)

Let S be open in X . The proof is same as part (i) when we note $S = S \cap X$, since S is open in X and X is closed in X .

(ii) **Open subsets of X are locally compact.** (Alternative Proof)

Let S be open in X . Let $x \in S$. Since S is open, and X is regular (locally compact Hausdorff spaces are regular), there exists an open neighborhood $V \subset X$ containing x such that $\overline{V} \subset S$ (the overline represents closure in X). Local compactness of X implies x has a local basis of precompact neighborhoods. Since $x \in V$, there exists some precompact basis element $B \subset V$. Thus, we have

$$\overline{B} \subset \overline{V} \subset S,$$

so the closure of B in S is \overline{B} , which is compact in X . Clearly, \overline{B} is compact in S since every open cover of \overline{B} in S is also an open cover of \overline{B} in X , which has a finite subcover. Thus, $x \in S$ admits a precompact open neighborhood, which implies S is locally compact.

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