

Weekly Homework 3

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Problem 1. An exercise on stalks

(a) Let F be a presheaf on X . Consider for each open U the canonical map

$$F(U) \xrightarrow{\prod_{x \in U} \text{germ}_x(U)} \prod_{x \in U} F_x.$$

Show that this map is injective if and only if F is separated.

(b) Show that if μ and λ are elements of $F(U)$, with F any presheaf, then the set

$$\{x \in U \mid \text{germ}_x \mu = \text{germ}_x \lambda\}$$

is open in U .

Problem 2. Local Homeomorphisms

Definition 1. A map $f : E \rightarrow X$ between topological spaces is said to be a local homeomorphism if for each point $e \in E$, there exists a neighborhood U of e in E such that f restricts to a homeomorphism of U onto a neighborhood of $f(e)$.

- (a) Prove that a continuous map $f : E \rightarrow X$ is a local homeomorphism if and only if f is open and the diagonal of f is open, where the diagonal of f is the canonically induced map

$$\Delta_f : E \rightarrow E \times_X E.$$

- (b) Show that a local homeomorphism is a homeomorphism if and only if it is bijective.
- (c) Show that if two sections of a local homeomorphism agree at a point, then they agree on a neighborhood of that point.
- (d) Show that if $f : E \rightarrow X$ is a local homeomorphism, and $p : Y \rightarrow X$ is any continuous map, that the induced map

$$Y \times_X E \rightarrow Y$$

is a local homeomorphism.

- (e) Prove that if

$$F \xrightarrow{f} E \xrightarrow{g} X$$

are continuous maps, then

- i) If f and g are local homeomorphisms, then so is gf
- ii) If g and gf are local homeomorphisms, then so is f .
- iii) If f and gf are local homeomorphisms, then so is g if f is surjective. Give a counterexample otherwise.