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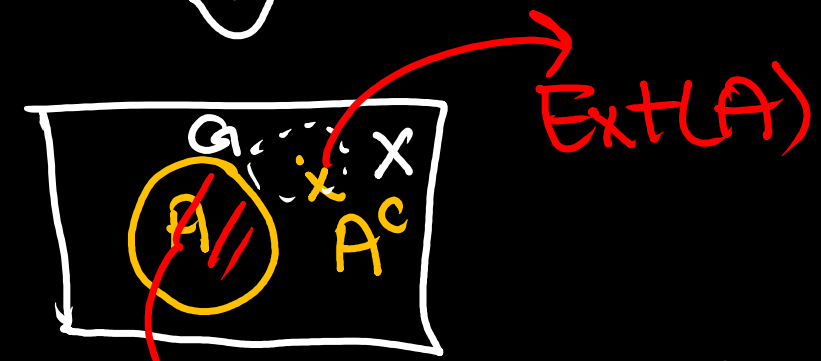
$$\text{Ext}(A) = \text{Int}(A^c)$$

interior of complement of A.

$$\text{Ext}(A^c) = \text{Int}A$$

EXTERIOR POINT

(x, τ)
 $A \subseteq X$



then any pt.
 $x \in X$ then
 \exists open set G
s.t
 $x \in G \subseteq A^c$

$\text{Int}(A)$

$$x \in G \subseteq A^c$$

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$Bd(A)$ does not belong to A and A^c

(X, τ) , $A \subseteq X$
any $x \in X$ is $bd(A)$ if $\exists G$ containing x
 $x \in G \cap A \neq \emptyset$ and $x \in G \cap A^c \neq \emptyset$

BOUNDARY POINT

Frontier point

Set of points which do not belong to A and A^c

$Bd(A) / Fr(A) / S(A)$



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Example 5.1: Consider the four intervals $[a, b]$, (a, b) , $[a, b)$ and $(a, b]$ whose endpoints are a and b . The interior of each is the open interval (a, b) and the boundary of each is the set of endpoints, i.e. $\{a, b\}$.

$$A = [a, b]$$

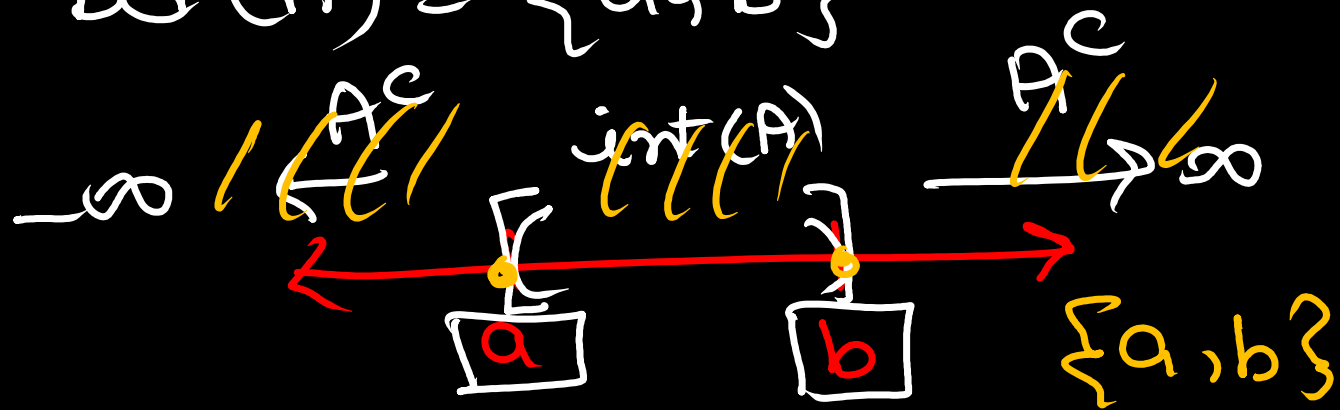
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$$\text{int}(A) = (a, b)$$

$$\text{Bd}(A) = \{a, b\}$$



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$$\text{int}(A) \rightarrow x \in A$$

$$\text{ext}(A) \cup \text{Bd}(A) \rightarrow x \in X$$

$$a \in \{a\} \subseteq A^c$$

Example 5.2: Consider the topology

$$\mathcal{T} = \{X, \emptyset, \{a\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d, e\}\}$$

on $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ and the subset $A = \{b, c, d\}$ of X . The points c and d are each interior points of A since

$$c, d \in \{c, d\} \subset A$$

where $\{c, d\}$ is an open set. The point $b \in A$ is not an interior point of A ; so $\text{int}(A) = \{c, d\}$. Only the point $a \in X$ is exterior to A , i.e. interior to the complement $A^c = \{a, e\}$ of A ; hence $\text{int}(A^c) = \{a\}$. Accordingly the boundary of A consists of the points b and e , i.e. $\text{Bd}(A) = \{b, e\}$.

$\text{int}(A)$
 $\{c, d\} \subset A$

$$X = \{a, b, c, d, e\} \quad A = \{b, c, d\}$$

$$A^c = \{a, e\}$$

$$b \in \{b, c, d, e\} \not\subseteq \{b, c, d\}$$

$$b \in X \not\subseteq \{b, c, d\}$$

b is not interior A

$$\checkmark c \in \{c, d\} \subseteq \{b, c, d\} \quad c \text{ is int}(A)$$

$$c \in \{a, c, d\} \not\subseteq \{b, c, d\}$$

$$c \in \{b, c, d, e\} \not\subseteq \{b, c, d\} \quad c \in X \not\subseteq \{b, c, d\}$$

d is also $\text{int}(A)$

$$\text{int}(A) = \{c, d\}$$

$$\text{ext}(A) = \{a\}$$

$\text{Bd}(A) =$ pts does not belong $\text{Int} A$
and $\text{ext}(A)$

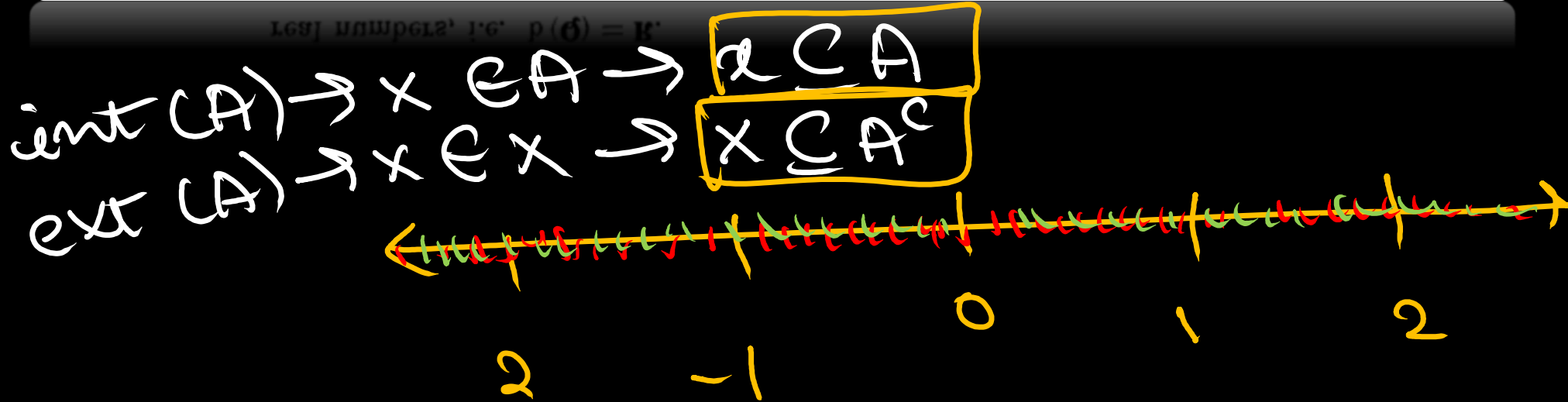
$$\text{Bd}(A) = \{b, e\}$$

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Solved problem finished!

Example 5.3: Consider the set \mathbb{Q} of rational numbers. Since every open subset of \mathbb{R} contains both rational and irrational points, there are no interior or exterior points of \mathbb{Q} ; so $\text{int}(\mathbb{Q}) = \emptyset$ and $\text{int}(\mathbb{Q}^c) = \emptyset$. Hence the boundary of \mathbb{Q} is the entire set of real numbers, i.e. $\text{bd}(\mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{R}$.



$$\text{int}(\mathbb{Q}) = \text{int}\mathbb{Q} = \text{ext}(\mathbb{Q}) = \text{ext}(\mathbb{Q}^c) = \emptyset$$

$$\text{bd}(\mathbb{Q}) = \text{bd}(\mathbb{Q}^c) = \mathbb{R}$$

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always remember that

$\begin{matrix} \rightarrow \emptyset \\ \rightarrow \text{whole } X \\ \text{space } X \end{matrix}$

32. Let A be a non-empty proper subset of an indiscrete space X . Find the interior, exterior and boundary of A .

$$(X, \tau) = \tau = \{ \emptyset, X \}$$

$$A \neq X$$

proper subset of $A = \emptyset$

$$\text{int}(A) = \emptyset$$

$$\text{ext}(A) = \emptyset$$

$$\text{bd}(A) = X$$

both open and closed

↓
clopen set.

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Solution:

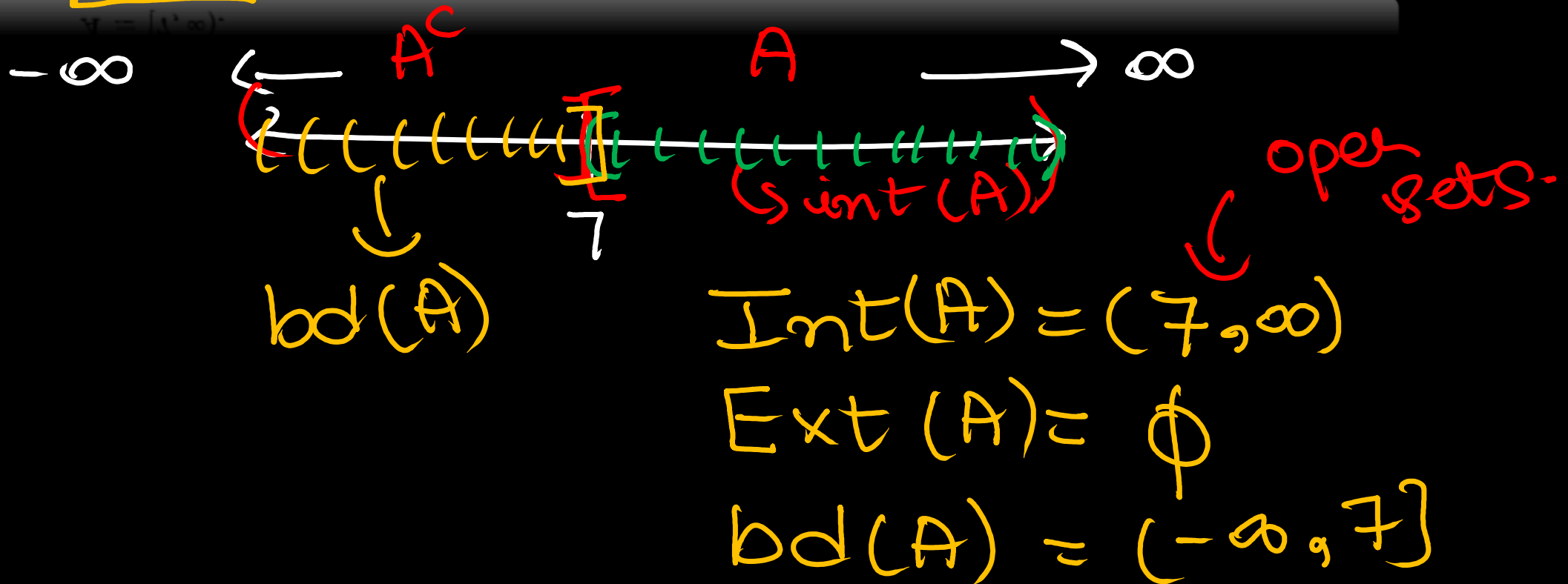
X and \emptyset are the only open subsets of X . Since $X \neq A$, \emptyset is the only open subset of A ; hence $\text{int}(A) = \emptyset$. Similarly, $\text{int}(A^c) = \emptyset$, i.e. the exterior of A is empty. Thus $\text{b}(A) = X$.

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$$x \in X \in G \subseteq A^c \quad \xrightarrow{\text{open sets}} \quad \infty$$

33. Let \mathcal{T} be the topology on \mathbf{R} consisting of \mathbf{R} , \emptyset and all open infinite intervals $E_a = (a, \infty)$ where $a \in \mathbf{R}$. Find the interior, exterior and boundary of the closed infinite interval $A = [7, \infty)$.



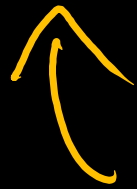
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Solution:

Since the interior of A is the largest open subset of A , $\text{int}(A) = (7, \infty)$. Note that $A^c = (-\infty, 7)$ contains no open set except \emptyset ; so $\text{int}(A^c) = \text{ext}(A) = \emptyset$. The boundary consists of those points which do not belong to $\text{int}(A)$ or $\text{ext}(A)$; hence $\text{b}(A) = (-\infty, 7]$.



Supplementary

problems

finished!

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INTERIOR, EXTERIOR, BOUNDARY

75. Let X be a discrete space and let $A \subset X$. Find (i) $\text{int}(A)$, (ii) $\text{ext}(A)$, and (iii) $b(A)$.

$$X = P(X)$$

$$A \subset X$$

$$\text{int}(A) = A$$

$$\text{ext}(A) = A^c$$

$$b(A) = \emptyset$$

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$A \subseteq X$, A is closed
iff

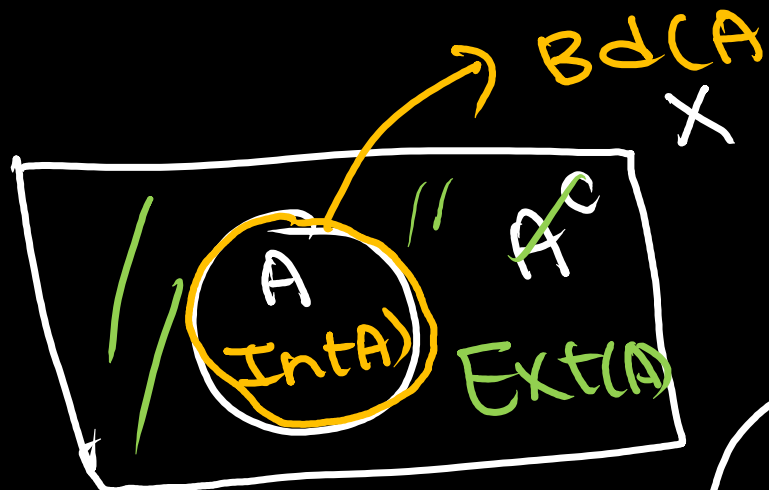
$$\text{Bd}(A) \subseteq A$$

$\text{Bd}(A)$ does

not contained
in A and A^c

$$\text{Bd}(A) \cap A \neq \emptyset$$

$$\text{Bd}(A) \cap A^c \neq \emptyset$$



$A \subseteq X$, A
is open then
 $A \cap \text{Bd}(A) = \emptyset$

IMPORTANT RESULTS

$\text{Bd}(A) = \emptyset$
iff A is

both
open
and
closed

$$\# A^\circ \cup \text{Ext}(A) \cup \text{Bd}(A) = X$$

$$\# A \cap \text{Ext}(A) \cap \text{Bd}(A) = \emptyset$$

$$\# A \cap \text{Ext}(A^c) = \emptyset$$

$$\# A \cap \text{Bd}(A) = \emptyset$$

$$\# \text{Ext}(A^c) \cap \text{Bd}(A) = \emptyset$$