please to any desired position. S, as well as its multiples  $\theta^k S$ , is measure inducing since  $\lim_{\ell} (\log_{\theta}(t)/t) = 0$ . Hence  $\mu(\theta^k S \cap N) = \theta^k \mu(\theta^k S \cap \theta^k N)$  =  $\theta^k \mu(\theta^k (S \cap N)) = \mu(S \cap N)$ , the final equality following because  $\mu \in S_0$ . Let  $P^{(k)} = \theta^k S \cap N$ , a set of integers which corresponds to the arc  $U^{(k)}$ , all  $P^{(k)}$  having the same measure with respect to  $\mu$ . Now consider  $p, q \in N$  such that  $(p/q) < \lambda(U)$ . By a simple geometric argument this implies that we can find q arcs  $U^{(k)}$ ,  $k \in A$ , such that every point of C belongs to at least p of them. Correspondingly every  $m \in N$  belongs to at least p of the q sets  $P^{(k)}$ ,  $k \in A$ . For  $n \in N$  let  $B_n$  be the set of  $m \in N$  which belong to exactly n of the  $P^{(k)}$ ,  $k \in A$ . Then we have

$$q\mu(P^{(0)}) = \sum_{k \in A} \mu(P^{(k)}) = \sum_{n \geqslant p} n\mu(B_n) \geqslant p$$
.

Thus  $(p/q) \leq \mu(P^{(0)})$ . Proceeding in exactly the same way we can show that if  $\lambda(U) < (p/q)$ , then  $\mu(P^{(0)}) \leq (p/q)$ . If we combine these results, we see that  $\mu(S \cap N) = \mu(P^{(0)}) = \lambda(U)$ . q.e.d.

COROLLARY. If  $P_n$  is the set of natural numbers whose first significant digit lies between 1 and n,  $1 \le n \le 9$ , and  $\mu \in S$  (in fact to any  $S_0$  where  $\log_{10} \theta$  is irrational), then  $\mu(P_n) = \log_{10}(n+1)$ .

Proof. For we can describe  $P_n = S_n \cap N$  where  $S_n$  is the set of all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^+$  such that  $0 \le e(\log_{10} x) \le \log_{10} (n+1)$ . q.e.d.

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## Metrizability of trees \*

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Introduction. It is a well-known result that dendrites (acyclic Peano continua) can be alternatively defined as metrizable continua in which each pair of points can be separated by a third point. L. E. Ward, in [6], generalized the notion of dendrite by removing the metrizability condition in the second definition, and called such objects trees. He then showed that many properties of dendrites carry over to trees. In this paper we shall be concerned with establishing properties of trees which yield metrizability theorems. The principal results in this connection are I.6, III.1, III.2, and III.5.

I. Separable trees are metrizable. By a continuum we mean a compact connected Hausdorff space. A continuum is hereditarily unicoherent provided the intersection of any two of its subcontinua is connected. A tree is a locally connected hereditarily unicoherent continuum. An arc is a continuum with precisely two non-cutpoints.

In Whyburn [7], pp. 88-89, several properties of metric trees ( $\equiv$  dendrites) are established. L. E. Ward showed in [6] that a number of these properties carry over to the nonmetric case.

For the rest of this section X will denote a tree. Proposition I.1 is due to Ward.

I.1. Proposition. For each x and y in X,  $[x, y] = \bigcap \{C | x, y \in C\}$  and C is a subcontinuum of X is an arc with endpoints x and y.

Proof. It follows from the hereditary unicoherence of X that [x, y] is the only subcontinuum of X irreducible between x and y. Suppose  $z \in (x, y) = [x, y] \setminus \{x, y\}$ . If  $[x, y] \setminus z$  were connected, then x and y would lie in the same component of  $X \setminus z$ . But this is impossible since the components of open sets in locally connected continua are continuum-wise connected ([1], p. 110). Hence [x, y] is an arc.

I.2. PROPOSITION. If C is a component of  $X \setminus p$ , then  $[x, p] = [x, p] \setminus p \subset C$  for each x in C.

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Proof. This follows from the fact that  $C^*$ , the closure of C, is  $C \cup \{p\}$ . A point p in X is called a branch point of X provided  $X \setminus p$  has more than two components. It follows readily from I.2 that p is a branchpoint of X iff there are at least three arcs in X with p as a common endpoint which are pairwise disjoint except for p. Let B denote the branchpoints of X.

I.3. PROPOSITION. Suppose D that is a dense subset of X which contains B. Let C be the collection of all components of  $X \setminus d$  as d ranges over D. Then C is a subbasis for the topology of X.

Proof. Let  $x \in X$  and U a connected open set containing x. Let  $\mathfrak V$  be the collection of all components of  $X \setminus d$  which fail to contain x as d ranges over  $(U \cap D) \setminus x$ . We show that  $\mathfrak V$  covers  $X \setminus U$ . Let  $y \in X \setminus U$  and choose  $z \in (x, y) \cap U$ . Then  $[y, z] \subset U$ . Let  $p \in (z, x)$  and V a connected open set containing p which does not contain x and y. Suppose  $q \in V \setminus (x, y)$ . Then  $[p, q] \cap [x, z]$  is an arc [p, r] lying in (x, y) and the point r is a branchpoint of X. Hence (x, z) contains a branchpoint of X or (x, z) is open. In both cases, we conclude that  $(x, z) \cap D \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $d \in (x, z) \cap D$ . Then the component of  $X \setminus d$  which contains y does not contain x. We conclude that  $\mathfrak V$  covers  $X \setminus U$ . Consequently there exist  $d_1, d_2, \ldots, d_n$  in  $(U \cap D) \setminus x$  such that every point of  $X \setminus U$  lies in a component of  $X \setminus d_i$  not containing x for some i. Let  $C_i$  be the component of  $X \setminus d_i$  which contains x. Then  $W = \bigcap_{i=1}^n C_i$  is an open set containing x. Furthermore, if  $y \in X \setminus U$ , then for some i, y lies in a component of  $x \setminus d_i$  which does not contain x and hence  $y \notin C_i$ . Thus  $W \subset U$  and the proof is complete.

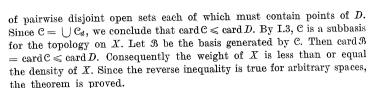
I.4. Proposition. Suppose that D is a dense subset of X. Then card  $B \leq \operatorname{card} D$ , and hence  $\operatorname{card} B \cup D = \operatorname{card} D$ .

Proof. Fix  $b \in B$ . Define a function  $f \colon D \times D \to B$  by f(x,y) = b if  $y \in [x,b]$  or  $x \in [y,b]$  or  $[x,b] \cap [y,b] = b$  and f(x,y) = b' if  $[x,b] \cap [y,b] = [b',b]$ , where  $b' \neq b$ . If  $b' \in B$ , then there are two components  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  of  $X \setminus b'$  which do not contain b. Since  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are open, they must contain points  $d_1$  and  $d_2 \in D$  respectively. Hence  $f(d_1,d_2) = b'$  by I.2. We conclude that  $\operatorname{card} D = \operatorname{card} D \times D \geqslant \operatorname{card} B$ .

The weight of a space is the smallest cardinal such that there is a basis for the space with that cardinal. The density of a space is the smallest cardinal such that there is a dense subset of the space with that cardinal ([4], p. 50).

I.5. Theorem. The weight of X equals the density of X.

Proof. Let D be a dense subset of X whose cardinal is the density of X. By I.4, we may assume that  $B \subset D$ . Let C be the collection of components of  $X \setminus d$  as d ranges over D. For each  $d \in D$ , let  $C_d$  be the collection of components of  $X \setminus d$ . Then  $\operatorname{card} C_d \leq \operatorname{card} D$ , because  $C_d$  is a collection



The following corollary can also be obtained from 6.6 of [2].

I.6. COROLLARY. X is metrizable iff X is separable.

Proof. A compact Hausdorff space is metrizable iff it has a countable base.

11.  $G_{\delta}$  and  $F_{\sigma}$  sets of endpoints. As in section I, X will denote a tree. A point p of X is an *endpoint* of X provided  $X \setminus p$  is connected. It follows quickly from I.2 that p is an endpoint of X iff p is an endpoint of each subarc of X which contains it. Denote the set of endpoints of X by E. We shall investigate the relationships between E and B, the branch-points of X.

II.1. PROPOSITION. If  $e \in E$  is a limit point of E, then e is a limit point of B.

Proof. Let U be a connected open set containing e. Then U contains two endpoints  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  distinct from e. Since X is locally connected,  $[e_1, e] \cup [e_2, e] \subset U$ . Now  $[e_1, e] \cap [e_2, e]$  is a proper subarc of  $[e_1, e]$  and  $[e_2, e]$ , and the endpoint of this arc different from e is a branchpoint of X.

II.2. PROPOSITION. If  $x \in X$  is a limit point of B, then x is a limit point of E.

Proof. Let U be an open set containing x and choose V connected and open so that  $x \in V \subset V^* \subset U$ . Since the components of  $X \setminus V^*$  form a cover of  $X \setminus U$  by pairwise disjoint open sets, there must be only a finite number of them which meet  $X \setminus U$ . Label those which do meet  $X \setminus U$ ,  $\{C_i\}_{i=1}^n$ . Now the boundary of each  $C_i$  is a single point  $e_i$ . (To see this, let y and z be in  $C_i^* \setminus C_i$  and  $w \in C_i$ . Then by I.2, [y, w] and [z, w] lie, except for y and z respectively, entirely in  $C_i$ . Since  $([y,w] \cup [z,w]) \cap$  $f(x) = \{y, z\}$  is connected, we have z = y.) For each  $e_i, e_i$  with  $i \neq j$ consider  $[e_i, x] \cap [e_j, x]$ . This intersection is either x or an arc  $[x, b_{ij}]$ where  $b_{ij}$  is a branchpoint of X. Since there are at most a finite number of  $b_{ij}$ , there is a branchpoint b in V different from each of them. Let  $K_1, K_2$ , and  $K_3$  be distinct components of  $X \setminus b$ . At most one of these contains xand at most one of the others contains an e<sub>i</sub>. Consequently one of them contains neither x nor an  $e_i$ . Assume that  $K_1$  has this property. Then  $K_1 \subset U$  and any one of its noncut points is an endpoint of X. This completes the proof.

II.3. THEOREM. If E is closed, then B is countable.

Proof. Fix a branchpoint p. For each branchpoint  $b \neq p$ , we assert that  $[b, p] \cap B$  is finite. For if not, then some x in [b, p] is a limit point of B. Hence by II.2, x is a limit point of E, and since E is closed by assumption,  $x \in E$ . This is an impossibility since b and p are branchpoints.

Now let o(b) denote the number of points in  $[b, p] \cap B$ , and let  $B_n = \{b \in B \mid o(b) = n\}$  for n = 2, 3, ... and let  $B_1 = \{p\}$ . If  $B_n$  is infinite for some n, then  $B_n$  has a limit point x, which by II.2 must also be a limit point of E, hence an element of E. Now on the arc [x, p] there are an infinite number of branchpoints; in fact, for each z in (x, p) there is a branchpoint in (z, x). To see this, pick an endpoint e other than xin the component C of  $X \setminus z$  which contains x. Then, by I.2, [e, z] and [z,x] lie except for z entirely in C. Now  $[e,z] \cap [x,z]$  is a proper subarc of each of [e, z] and [x, z] since e and x are endpoints. Thus the endpoint of this arc different from z is a branchpoint lying in (z, x).

Thus  $[x, p] \cap B$  is infinite. Choose b in  $[x, p] \cap B$  so that o(b) > n. Let C be the component of  $X \setminus b$  containing x. Then  $b \in [y, p]$  for each  $y \in C$ , and hence  $B_n \cap C = \emptyset$ , a contradiction. Thus each  $B_n$  is finite. We have already shown that  $B = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n$ , and therefore B is countable.

II. 4. Proposition. If A and B are connected subsets of X, then  $A \cap B$  is connected.

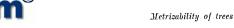
Proof. Let x and y be in  $A \cap B$ . We show that  $[x, y] \subset A \cap B$ . Suppose that some point z of [x, y] is not in  $A \cap B$ . Assume  $z \notin A$ . Let C be the component of  $X \setminus z$  containing x. Note  $y \notin C$ . Thus  $A = (C \cap A) \cup C$  $\cup ((X \setminus C^*) \cap A)$  is not connected, a contradiction.

II.5. COROLLARY. Each subcontinuum of X is a tree.

Proof. It follows from II.4 that each subcontinuum of X is locally connected.

II.6. THEOREM. If E is an  $F_{\sigma}$  set in X then B is countable.

Proof. Write  $E = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$ , where  $E_n$  is a closed subset of X and  $E_n \subset E_{n+1}$ . Let  $X_n$  be the intersection of all subcontinua of X which contain  $E_n$ . It follows from the hereditary unicoherence of X that  $X_n$ is a continuum. Thus  $X_n$  is a tree by II.5. We assert that the endpoints of  $X_n$  consist precisely of the set  $E_n$ . That each element of  $E_n$  is an endpoint of  $X_n$  is clear. Suppose that x is an endpoint of  $X_n$ , and let y be some other point in  $X_n$ . For each z in [y, x] let  $C_z$  be the component of  $X_n \setminus z$  which contains x. These form a base for the topology at x. Further, each  $C_z$  must contain a point of  $E_n$  (otherwise  $X_n \setminus C_z$  would be a smaller continuum containing  $E_n$ ). Therefore x is a limit point of  $E_n$  or x is in  $E_n$ . We conclude that  $x \in E_n$ . بأنكنا



Let  $B_n$  be the set of branchpoints of  $X_n$ . Clearly  $B = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n$ . By II.3,  $B_n$  is countable for each n; hence B is countable. This completes the proof.

II.7. THEOREM. Let A be a closed set of endpoints of X. Let A1 be the set of isolated points of A and  $A_2 = A \setminus A_1$ . Then

- (1) A<sub>1</sub> is countable.
- (2)  $A_2$  is a  $G_\delta$  set in X. and
- (3) if X is first countable at each point of  $A_1$ , then A is a  $G_\delta$  set in X.

**Proof.** Let  $X_1$  be the intersection of all subcontinua of X containing A. Then by previous arguments  $X_1$  is a tree whose set of endpoints is precisely A. Let  $B_1$  denote the branchpoints of  $X_1$ . Choose  $p \in B_1$  and define for each  $x \in X$ , the order of x, o(x), as the number of points in  $[x, p] \cap B_1$ . We claim that o(x) is infinite iff  $x \in A_2$ . To prove this, suppose that  $[x, p] \cap B_1$  is infinite. Then some point z of [x, p] is a limit point of  $B_1$ . By II.2, z is a limit point of A. Since A is closed, z must be in A, and therefore z = x. Since x is not isolated in A,  $x \in A_2$ . Conversely, suppose that  $[x, p] \cap B_1$  is finite. Then there is a z in (x, p) such that  $(x, z) \cap B_1$ is void. Let C denote the component of  $X \setminus z$  which contains x. If  $x \in A_2$ then C contains a point y of A distinct from x. Since (x, z) contains no points of  $B_1$ , we have  $x \in [y, z]$ , a contradiction.

Proof of (1): Let  $A_{1n} = \{a \in A \mid o(a) = n\}$ . If  $A_{1n}$  is infinite for some n, then some a in A is a limit point of  $A_{1n}$ . Note that  $a \in A_2$ . Hence  $[a, p] \cap B_1$  is infinite. Choose b in  $B_1 \cap [a, p]$  so that o(b) > n. Then the component of  $X \setminus b$  which contains a must contain a point a' of  $A_{1n}$ . But since  $b \in [a, p]$ , and o(b) > n,  $a' \notin A_{1n}$ . Hence  $A_{1n}$  is finite for each nSince  $A_1 = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_{1n}$ ,  $A_1$  is countable.

Proof of (2): Let  $B_{1n}=\{b \in B_1 | o(b)=n\}$ . Let  $U_n=\{x \in X | (x,p) \cap B_1\}$  $\cap B_{1n} \neq \emptyset$ }. We claim that  $U_n$  is open and  $A_2 = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n$ . To prove this, suppose  $x \in U_n$ . Then  $(x, p) \cap B_{1n} \neq \emptyset$ . Let b be the branchpoint of X in (x, p) such that o(b) = n. Then clearly the component of  $X \setminus B$  which contains x lies in  $U_n$ . Thus  $U_n$  is open. Now since  $x \in A_2$  iff  $[x, p] \cap B$ is infinite, we see that  $x \in A_2$  iff  $[x, p] \cap B_{1n} \neq \emptyset$  for each n. From this we conclude that  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n = A_2$ . Thus  $A_2$  is a  $G_{\delta}$  set in X.

**Proof** of (3): Label the points of  $A_{1n} \{a_{ni}\}_{i=1}^{m(n)}$  for each n. Since X is the first countable at  $a_{ni}$ , we can find a monotonic sequence  $\{a_{nij}\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ on  $[p, a_{ni}]$  which converges to  $a_{ni}$ . Further we can choose  $a_{nii}$  so that the component of  $X \setminus a_{nii}$  which contains  $a_{ni}$  contains no other point of A. Now for each  $a_{nij}$ , let  $V_{nij}$  be the component of  $X \setminus a_{nij}$  containing  $a_{ni}$ . Define

$$V_n = \bigcup \{V_{kin}: k = 1, ..., n\}$$
 and  $W_n = U_n \cup V_n$ 

where  $U_n$  is the same as in the proof of (2). We observe that  $A_{1i} \cup A_{12} \cup \ldots \cup A_{1n} \subset V_n$  and that  $A_{1i} \subset U_n$  for i > n. Hence  $W_n$  is an open set containing A. Now suppose  $y \in X \setminus A$ . Then as in the proof of (2) there is an n such that  $y \notin U_n$ . For each  $a_{ki}$  where  $k = 1, \ldots, n$ , choose a j so that  $y \notin V_{kij}$ , and then choose m to be larger than n and all of the j's choosen above. Then we have  $y \notin \bigcup \{V_{kim} : k = 1, \ldots, n\} \subset V_m$ . Consequently  $y \notin W_m$ .

III. Metrizability of Souslin trees. Let X be a tree. We call X a Souslin tree provided (1) each arc in X is separable, and (2) there does not exist in X an uncountable family of pairwise disjoint open sets.

In this section we obtain some metrizability conditions for Souslin trees. The question of the existence of a non-metrizable Souslin tree is not answered by these results; however, they do indicate that it would be difficult to construct such an object. It seems to me that this question is equivalent to Souslin's question about linearly ordered spaces [5].

Throughout this section X will denote a Souslin tree with branchpoints B and endpoints E.

III.1. THEOREM. X is separable iff B is countable.

Proof. If X is separable, then B is countable by I.4. Suppose that B is countable. Consider  $X \setminus B^*$ . The components of this set form a collection of pairwise disjoint open sets. Hence there are only countably many of them. Label them  $C_1, C_2, \ldots$  It is seen that  $C_i^*$  is an arc for each i and hence has a countable dense subset  $D_i$ . Clearly  $D = B \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} D_i$  is a countable dense subset of X.

III.2. THEOREM. If E is an  $F_{\sigma}$  set in X, then X is separable.

Proof. This follows immediately from II.6 and III.1

III.3. Proposition. X is first countable.

Proof. Let  $x \in X$ . Note that there are only countably many components of  $X \setminus x$  since these form a collection of pairwise disjoint open sets. Choose a point  $y_i$  from each of these components and a sequence  $\{y_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  on  $[y_i, x]$  which is monotonically converging to x. Let  $C_{ij}$  denote the component of  $X \setminus y_{ij}$  which contains x and let  $U_n = \bigcap_{i=1}^n C_{in}$ . We need only show that  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n = x$ . Suppose  $y \in X/x$ . Then y lies in the same component of  $X \setminus x$  as some  $y_i$ . Furthermore,  $[y, y_i]$  lies in this component



and  $[y, y_i] \cap [y_i, x)$  is either  $y_i$  or an arc  $[y_i, z]$ . Choose n so that  $y_{in} \in (z, x)$ . Then clearly  $y \notin C_{in} \supset U_n$ , and thus  $x = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} U_n$ .

III.4. THEOREM. Each closed subset of X is  $G_b$  in X.

Proof. Let A be a closed subset of X. Then  $X \setminus A$  has only countably many components; label them  $C_i$ . It can be seen that  $C_i^*$  is a Souslin tree and that  $A_i = A \cap C_i^*$  is a closed subset of the endpoints of  $C_i^*$ . Thus if follows from II.4 and III.3 that  $A_i$  is  $G_{\delta}$  in  $C_i^*$ . Let  $\{U_{ij}\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$  be a collection of open sets in  $C_i^*$  such that  $A_i = \bigcap_{j=1}^{\infty} U_{ij}$ . Now define  $U_n = X \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} (C_i^* \setminus U_{in})$ . It is easily verified that  $U_n$  is open and that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} U_n = A$ . This completes the proof.

We now examine some implications of III.4 which we interpret to mean that a non-metrizable Souslin tree would be difficult to construct.

Define the core of X, K(X), to be the set of all x in X such that  $U \cap B$  is uncountable for each open set U containing x. We note that K(X) is closed.

III.5. COROLLARY. X is separable iff K(X) has a void interior.

Proof. If X is separable, then K(X) itself is void. Suppose that K(X) has a void interior. By III.4,  $K(X) = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n$ , where  $U_n$  is open in X. Furthermore by the normality of X we can assume  $U_{n+1}^* \subset U_n$ . Note that  $X \setminus U_n \cap B$  is countable for each n. Hence for each n, the closures of the components of  $X \setminus U_n^*$  are Souslin trees with only a countable number of branchpoints. Consequently they are separable. Since there are only a countable number of these components, we conclude that  $X \setminus U_n$  is separable. Let  $D_n$  be a countable dense subset of  $X \setminus U_n$ . Then  $D = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n$  is a countable dense subset of  $X \setminus U_n$ . Since we have assumed int  $K(X) = \emptyset$ . This completes the proof.

III.6. COROLLARY. If X is not separable, then there is a Souslin tree  $X_1 \subset X$  such that  $K(X_1) = X_1$ .

Proof. If X is not separable, then int K(X) is nonvoid. Let C be a component of int K(X) and let  $X_1 = C^*$ .

The author has recently become aware of a very nice metrizability theorem for trees which can be obtained quickly from a result of Isbell ([2], p. 629) and a result in [5], p. 426; namely, a tree is metrizable if and only if it is an absolute retract. As a consequence of this fact, the following question has a yes answer: Is every one-dimensional factor space of a Tychonoff cube metrizable? This question was the starting point of the work presented here.

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## A dense set of sewings of two crumpled cubes yields 8°

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I. Introduction. In 1963 Hosay [8] and Lininger [9] proved that the space obtained by sewing a crumpled cube to a 3-cell with a homeomorphism between their boundaries is actually  $S^3$ . At the Wisconsin Topology Seminar in 1965 Lininger asked several questions about sewings of one crumpled cube with another. The primary result of this paper is Theorem 1 which answers Question 7 of [10]; this result shows that, given a sewing of two crumpled cubes, there is another sewing near the first (in the metric sense) which yields  $S^3$ .

Results by Harrold and Moise [7], Ball [1], and Martin [12] indicate that not every sewing of two crumpled cubes yields S<sup>3</sup>. Neither Theorem 1 nor the techniques of its proof show which homeomorphisms do produce S<sup>3</sup>. Section 3 contains some information about this problem in certain cases. The strongest result is Theorem 2, which shows that any sewing matching the wild points of one crumpled cube with points of a tame Sierpiński curve in the other yields S<sup>3</sup>. Theorem 3 proves a necessary and sufficient condition that a sewing gives S<sup>3</sup> for special crumpled cubes.

A crumpled cube C is defined as a space homeomorphic to the closure of the interior of a topological 2-sphere in  $E^3$ . The boundary of C, denoted  $\operatorname{Bd} C$ , consists of the points where C fails to be a 3-manifold.

When two crumpled cubes  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are sewn together by a homeomorphism h of  $\operatorname{Bd} K_1$  to  $\operatorname{Bd} K_2$ , the resulting space S is obtained from the union (disjoint) of  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  by identifying each x in  $\operatorname{Bd} K_1$  with h(x) in  $\operatorname{Bd} K_2$ . The homeomorphism h is referred to as a sewing of  $K_1$  and  $K_2$ , and S is called the sum of  $K_1$  and  $K_2$ .

Suppose that C is a crumpled cube and p is a point in  $\operatorname{Bd} C$ . The statement that p is a piercing point of C means that there exists an embedding f of C in  $S^3$  so that  $f(\operatorname{Bd} C)$  can be pierced by a tame arc at f(p). Similarly, a Sierpiński curve X on  $\operatorname{Bd} C$  is tame if f(X) is tame under an embedding f of C into  $S^3$  so  $\operatorname{Cl}(S^3-f(C))$  is a 3-cell. It follows from Theorem 11 of [11] that a Sierpiński curve X on  $\operatorname{Bd} C$  is tame if and only if it is tame under some embedding of C in  $S^3$ .

The reader is referred to [2] for definition of other terms used in this paper.