



# The Logic of Topology

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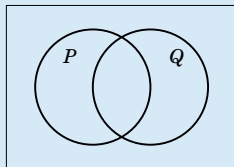
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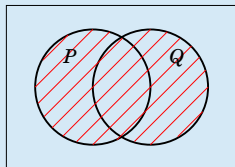




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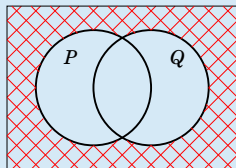


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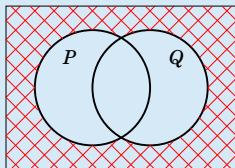


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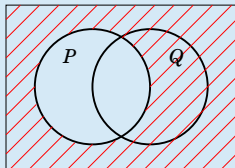
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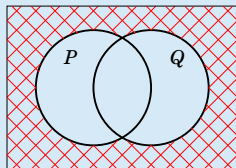


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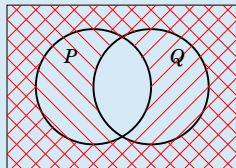
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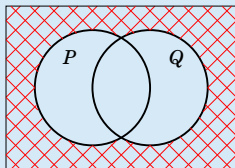


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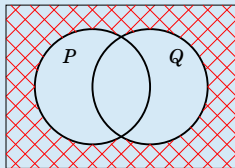
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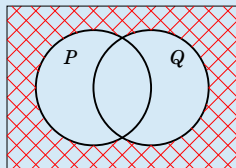


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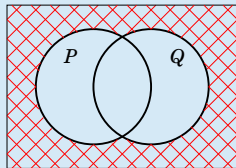
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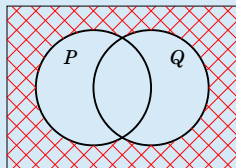
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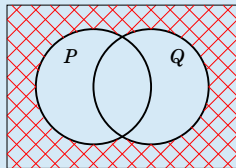
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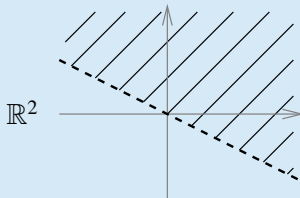
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The language with quantifiers is very expressive but **undecidable**.

## Compromise: modality

The classical logic is extended with an operator  $\Box$ .

Interpretations of  $\Box$ :

- ▶ is known
- ▶ is provable
- ▶ is computable
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- ▶ will be true tomorrow
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**Corollary.** The modal logic (with operations  $\wedge, \vee, \neg, \rightarrow, \Box$ ) does not distinguish  $\mathbb{R}^n$ 's for different  $n$ .



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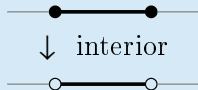
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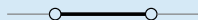
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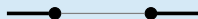
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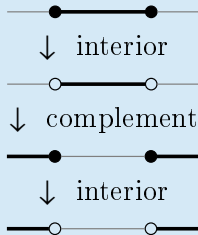


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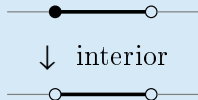
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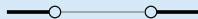
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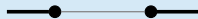
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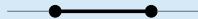
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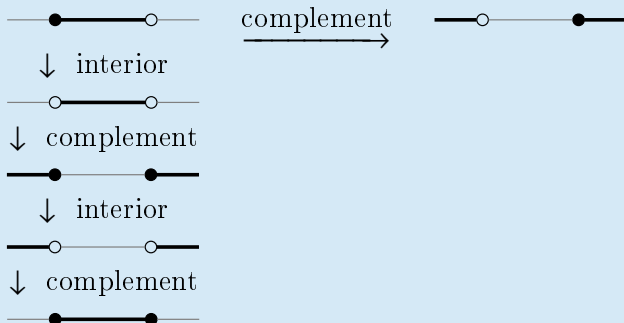
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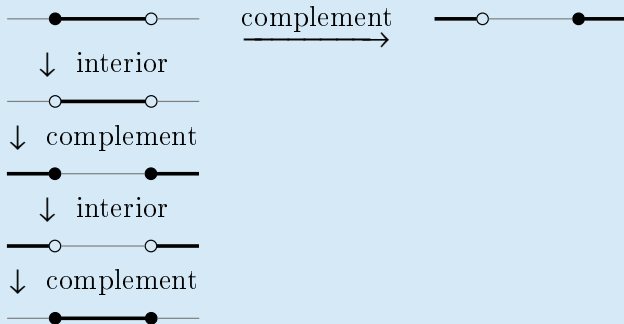
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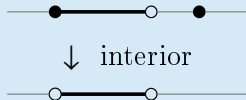




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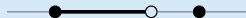
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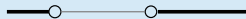
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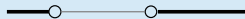
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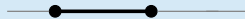
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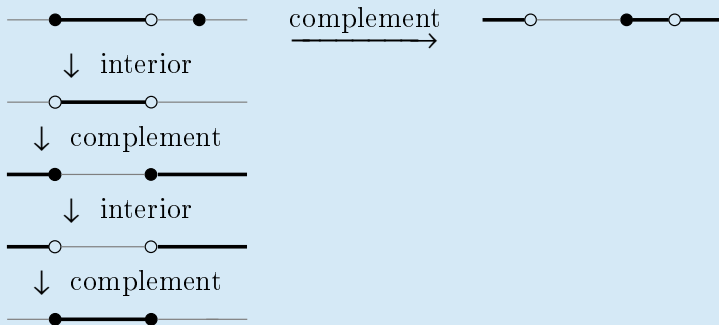
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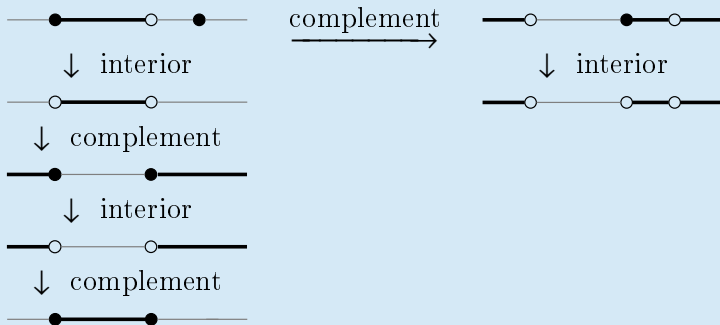
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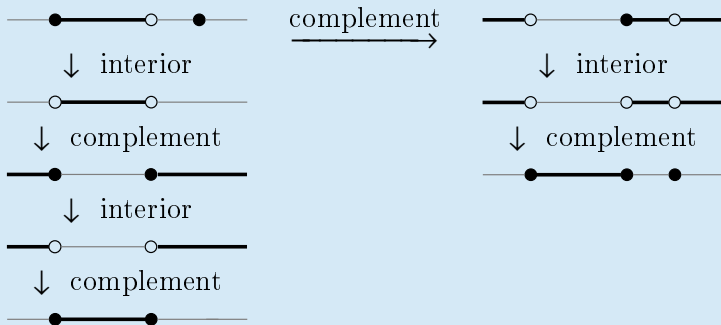
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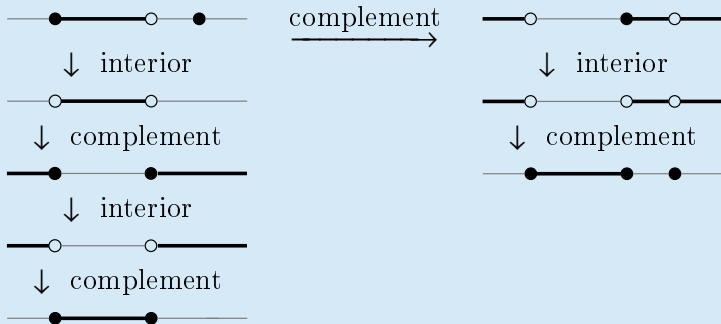


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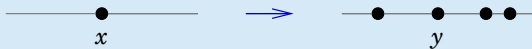
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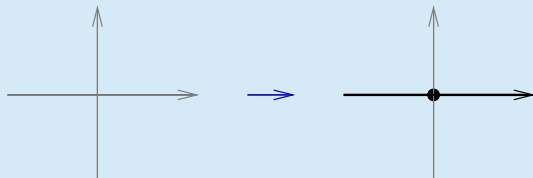
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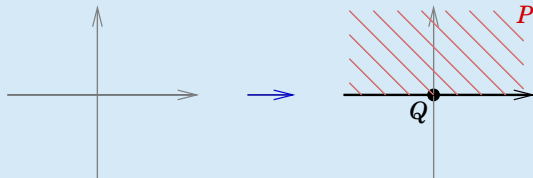
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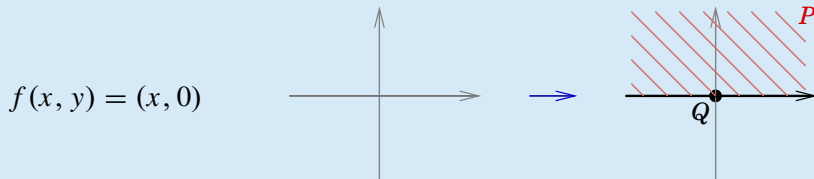
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