

## Math 4431 - Fall 2016

### Homework 4

Work all these problems and talk to me if you have any questions on them, but carefully write up and turn in **only** problems 1, 2, 5, 7, 10 and 12. **Due: November 2**

1) Show a compact metric space is second countable and separable.

Hint: Think totally bounded.

This actually follows immediately from Problem 7) on the previous homework assignment, but do not use this. Come up with an argument using total boundedness of a compact metric space.

2) Let  $(X, d)$  be a compact metric space. If every bounded closed subset of  $C(X, \mathbb{R})$  is compact, then show that  $X$  consists of a finite number of points.

Hint: In every infinite metric space there is an infinite sequence such that no point of the sequence is a limit point of the sequence (you need to prove this). Now think about the Tietze extension theorem.

3) Let  $X$  be a compact space. Show that any metric on  $X$  that induces the topology on  $X$  is complete.

4) Show that if  $X$  is a non-compact metrizable space, then there is a metric on  $X$  inducing the given topology that is not complete.

5) Let  $X$  be a compact metric space and  $Y$  a Hausdorff space. If there is a surjective continuous map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  then  $Y$  is also a compact metric space.

Hint: Try to find a countable basis for  $Y$ .

6) Show any regular connected space has uncountably many points.

Hint: Show that a countable regular space is not connected. It might be good to know that a regular Lindelöf space is normal (this is problem 6 on the last homework, while you should try to prove this you don't have to when you write up the solution to this problem).

7) Let  $A$  be an open subset of the complete metric space  $(X, d)$ . Show that there is some metric on  $A$  inducing the subspace topology on  $A$  that is complete.

Hint: There is a continuous function  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $f(x) = \frac{1}{d(x, X-A)}$  and the map  $F : A \rightarrow X \times \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $F(x) = (x, f(x))$ .

A subset  $A$  of a space  $X$  is called  $G_\delta$  if there is a countable collection  $\{U_i\}_{i=1}^\infty$  of open sets such that  $A = \bigcap_{i=1}^\infty U_i$ .

8) Show that a set  $A$  in a complete metric space  $(X, d)$  is a complete metric space (possibly with a new metric inducing its subspace topology) if it is a  $G_\delta$  set in  $X$ . Conclude that the topology on the irrational numbers as a subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  can be given a complete metric.

Hint: Consider a function  $f_i(x)$  as in problem 7) for each  $U_i$ . Show any sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $A$  that is Cauchy in  $d$  and for which  $\{f_i(x_n)\}$  is a bounded sequence for each  $i$  converges to a point in  $A$ . Now consider  $d'(x, y) = d(x, y) + \sum_{i=1}^\infty \frac{1}{2^i} \min\{1, |f_i(x) - f_i(y)|\}$ .

9) A closed set in a metric space is  $G_\delta$ .

10) If  $X$  is compact then show that for every topological space  $Y$  the projection map  $\pi : X \times Y \rightarrow Y$  is a closed map (that is takes closed sets to closed sets).

11) The projection map  $\pi : X \times Y \rightarrow Y$  is a closed map if and only if for all open sets  $U$  in  $X \times Y$  the set  $\{y \in Y : X \times \{y\} \subset U\}$  is open in  $Y$ .

12) Show that if for every topological space  $Y$  the projection map  $\pi : X \times Y \rightarrow Y$  is a closed map then  $X$  is compact.

Hint: Given an open cover  $\mathcal{O}$  let  $\mathcal{O}'$  be  $\mathcal{O}$  together with all finite unions of open sets in  $\mathcal{O}$ . So  $\mathcal{O}'$  is closed under finite unions and  $\mathcal{O}$  has a finite subcover if and only if  $X \in \mathcal{O}'$ . Let  $Y$  be the space whose points are open sets in  $X$  and the open sets in  $Y$  are collections of open sets  $\mathcal{C}$  such that (1) if  $U \in \mathcal{C}$  and  $U \subset V$  with  $V$  open in  $X$  then  $V \in \mathcal{C}$  and (2)  $\mathcal{C} \cap \mathcal{O}' \neq \emptyset$  unless  $\mathcal{C} = \emptyset$ . Show this gives  $Y$  a topology. Use  $Y$  to show  $\mathcal{O}$  has a finite subcover (consider the set  $\{(x, U) \in X \times Y : x \in U\}$  and use problem 11)).

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15) Let  $X$  be a compact metric space. Show that  $X$  is a Cantor set if and only if  $X$  satisfies the following properties:

- a.  $X$  has at least one non-empty compact open subset and  $X$  has at least one non-compact open subset,
- b. any two non-empty compact open subsets are homeomorphic, and
- c. any two non-compact open subsets are homeomorphic.

Hint: You might need to know that any compact connected metric space has non-cut points (we say a point  $x$  in a connected set  $X$  is a cut point if  $X - \{x\}$  is disconnected). You also might like to try to prove this.