

Math 70100: Functions of a Real Variable I
Homework 2, due Wednesday, September 17th.

1. (*Modified from Folland 4.1.13*) Suppose X is a topological space and $A \subset X$ is dense. Prove that if $U \subset X$ is open, then $\bar{U} = \overline{U \cap A}$, where $\bar{\cdot}$ denotes closure.
2. (From Zakeri's Homework 2) Give a direct proof that the interval $[0, 1]$ is compact. (*Hint: Let \mathcal{U} be an open cover. Define*

$$S = \{x \in [0, 1] : [0, x] \text{ is covered by finitely many } U \in \mathcal{U}\}.$$

Prove that $S = [0, 1]$.)

3. (*Modified from Lang II.5.1a*) Let X and Y be compact Hausdorff topological spaces. Prove that $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous if and only if its graph is closed in $X \times Y$. (The *graph* of f is the set

$$\Gamma = \{(x, y) \in X \times Y : y = f(x)\}.$$

(*Remark: More generally, the result is true if X is just a topological space and Y is a compact Hausdorff space. This is the *closed graph theorem*.)*

4. (*Modified from Lang II.5.1b*) A function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ between metric spaces is *uniformly continuous* if for all $\epsilon > 0$, there is a $\delta > 0$ so that $d_X(x_1, x_2) < \delta$ implies $d_Y(f(x_1), f(x_2)) < \epsilon$ for all $x_1, x_2 \in X$.

Let Y be a complete metric space and X be a metric space. Let $A \subset X$. Let $f : A \rightarrow Y$ be uniformly continuous, and let $\bar{A} \subset X$ denote the closure of A . Show that there exists a unique extension of f to a continuous map $\bar{f} : \bar{A} \rightarrow Y$, and show that \bar{f} is uniformly continuous. (You may assume that X and Y are subsets of Banach spaces if you wish, in order to write the distance function in terms of the absolute value sign.)

5. (*Lang II.5.12*) Let U be an open subset of a normed vector space. Show that U is connected if and only if U is path (or arcwise) connected. (Recall that if a topological space is path connected, then it is connected. See Proposition 2.7. You do not need to prove this.) (*Hint: define the notion of a path-component, which is analogous to the notion of connected component*.)
6. The closed topologist's sine curve is

$$T = \left\{ \left(x, \sin \frac{\pi}{x} \right) : 0 < x \leq 1 \right\} \cup \{ (0, y) : y \in [-1, 1] \}.$$

Show that T is connected but not path connected.