

Homework 4

Due Friday Feb 27

1. (Ch 2, Question 10.) Let X be an infinite set. For $p, q \in X$ define:

$$d(p, q) = \begin{cases} 1 & (\text{if } p \neq q) \\ 0 & (\text{if } p = q) \end{cases}$$

Prove that this is a metric. Which subsets of the resulting metric space are open? Which are closed? Which are compact? Prove your assertions.

2. Let $E \subset \mathbb{R}$ be given by $E = \{\frac{1}{n} \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. Show that E is not compact.
3. Show that the union of a finite number of compact subsets of a metric space is compact.
4. (Ch 2, Question 19.)
- (a) If A and B are disjoint closed sets in some metric space X prove that they are separated.
 - (b) Prove the same for disjoint open sets.
 - (c) Fix $p \in X, \delta > 0$, define $A = \{q \in X \mid d(p, q) < \delta\}$, $B = \{q \in X \mid d(p, q) > \delta\}$. Prove that A and B are separated.
 - (d) Prove that every connected metric space with at least two points is uncountable.
Hint: Use (c), and the fact that intervals of \mathbb{R} are uncountable.
5. (Ch 3, Question 1.) Prove that convergence of $\{s_n\}$ implies convergence of $\{|s_n|\}$. Is the converse true?