

Homework 3

Topology, Math 441, Spring 2020

Topic: Continuous functions and Topological Spaces

Due: Monday March 2nd, 2020



Reading: Pages 19-26 from Chapter 2 of the text book.

Problems:

- Let (X, d) be a metric space. Show that the following functions are continuous.
 - Identity function on X i.e. $f : X \rightarrow X$ defined as $f(x) = x$.
 - Fix $a \in X$. The function $f_a : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f_a(x) = d(a, x)$.
- Let $X = \text{Bdd}([0, 1], \mathbb{R})$ be the metric space of bounded functions with metric defined in the book (see page 16). Let $F : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by $F(f) = f(1)$. Show that F is continuous assuming \mathbb{R} has the standard metric.
- Prove or disprove that the following collection of open sets form a topology on X .
 - (Particular point topology) Fix $p \in X$. U is open iff $U = \phi$ or $p \in U$.
 - (Excluded point topology) Fix $p \in X$. U is open iff $U = X$ or $p \notin U$.
 - $X = \mathbb{R}$. U is open iff $U = \phi$ or $U = \mathbb{R}$ or $U = [x, \infty)$ for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
- Let (X, \mathcal{T}_{dis}) be the discrete topology on X and let Y be any topological space. Show that every function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous.
- Let $(Y, \mathcal{T}_{trivial})$ and let X be any topological space. Show that every function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous.

Handin: 1b, 2, 3ab, 4