

1. (a) Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . If  $|x| < 1$ , then  $x$  is contained in the unit open ball, which is a subset of  $A_1$ . If  $|x| = 1$ , then every open ball centered at  $x$  intersects both  $A_1$  and  $A_1^C$ . If  $|x| > 1$ , then  $x$  is contained in the open ball centered at  $x$  of radius  $|x| - 1$ , which is disjoint from  $A_1$ . Hence, the interior of  $A_1$  is  $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid |x| < 1\}$ , the exterior of  $A_1$  is  $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid |x| > 1\}$ , and the boundary of  $A_1$  is  $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid |x| = 1\}$ .
- (b) Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . If  $|x| < 1$ , then  $x$  is contained in the unit open ball, which is disjoint from  $A_2$ . If  $|x| = 1$ , then every open ball centered at  $x$  intersects both  $A_2$  and  $A_2^C$ . If  $|x| > 1$ , then  $x$  is contained in the open ball centered at  $x$  of radius  $|x| - 1$ , which is disjoint from  $A_2$ . Hence, the interior of  $A_2$  is  $\emptyset$ , the exterior of  $A_2$  is  $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid |x| \neq 1\}$ , and the boundary of  $A_2$  is itself.
- (c) Every open ball in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  intersects both  $A_3$  and  $A_3^C$ , so the boundary of  $A_3$  is  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and the interior and exterior are  $\emptyset$ .
2. (a)  $A$  is closed, so  $A^C$  is open, and there exists an open ball  $B_r(p) = \{q \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid |q - p| < r\}$  such that  $x \in B_r(p)$  and  $B_r(p) \subset A^C$ . Let  $d = r - |x - p|$ . Then  $d > 0$ , and for all  $y \in A$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |y - x| &\geq |y - p| - |x - p| \quad (\text{The triangle inequality}) \\ &\geq r - |x - p| \quad (y \notin B_r(p)) \\ &= d. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) By (a), for every  $y \in B$ , there exists  $d_y > 0$  such that  $|y - x| \geq d_y$  for all  $x \in A$ . The collection of open balls  $\{B_{d_y/2}(y) \mid y \in B\}$  covers  $B$ , so by compactness there exist  $y_1, \dots, y_m \in B$  ( $m \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ ) such that  $\{B_{d_{y_1}/2}(y_1), \dots, B_{d_{y_m}/2}(y_m)\}$  covers  $B$ . Let  $d = \min_{i=1}^m \{d_{y_i}/2\} \in \mathbb{R}_+$ . Let  $y \in B$ . Then there is some  $i$  such that  $y \in B_{d_{y_i}/2}(y_i)$ . For all  $x \in A$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |y - x| &\geq |y_i - x| - |y - y_i| \\ &> d_{y_i} - d_{y_i}/2 \\ &= d_{y_i}/2 \\ &\geq d. \end{aligned}$$

- (c) Let  $A = \mathbb{R} \times \{0\}$ ,  $B = \{(x, 1/x) \mid x \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ .  $A$  and  $B$  are closed; also, they are unbounded and thus not compact. For every  $d > 0$ , if  $x > 1/d$  then the points  $(x, 0)$  and  $(x, 1/x)$  are in  $A$  and  $B$  respectively, but their distance is  $1/x < d$ .
3. If  $C = \emptyset$ , we can take  $D = \emptyset$ . Assume  $C \neq \emptyset$ .

Since  $U^C$  is closed and  $C \subset U$  is compact, it follows from Q2 (b) that there is some  $d > 0$  such that  $|y - x| \geq d$  for all  $x \in U^C$  and  $y \in C$ , i.e.  $B_d(y) \subset U$  for all  $y \in C$ .

Since  $C$  is compact and the collection of open balls  $\{B_{d/2}(y) \mid y \in C\}$  covers  $C$ , there exist  $y_1, \dots, y_m \in C$  ( $m \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ ) such that  $\{B_{d/2}(y_1), \dots, B_{d/2}(y_m)\}$  covers  $C$ . Let  $D = \bigcup_{i=1}^m \bar{B}_{d/2}(y_i)$ . (Let  $\bar{B}_r(p)$ , where  $p \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $r \in \mathbb{R}_+$ , denote the closed ball centered at  $p$  with radius  $r$ .)

- $D$  is closed because it is a finite union of closed sets.

By compactness,  $|y| \leq M$  for all  $y \in C$  for some  $M \in \mathbb{R}_+$ . Let  $p \in D$ . Then there is some  $i$  such that  $p \in \bar{B}_{d/2}(y_i)$ , so  $|p| \leq |p - y_i| + |y_i| \leq d/2 + M$ . Therefore,  $D$  is bounded.

Since  $D$  is closed and bounded, it follows that  $D$  is compact.

- Let  $y \in C$ . Then there is some  $i$  such that  $y \in B_{d/2}(y_i)$ . Since  $B_{d/2}(y_i) \subset D$ , it follows that  $y \in \text{Int } D$ . Hence,  $C \subset \text{Int } D$ .

- For all  $i$ ,  $\bar{B}_{d/2}(y_i) \subset B_d(y_i) \subset U$ , so  $D \subset U$ .

4. By Assignment 1 Q3, there is some  $M \in \mathbb{R}_+$  such that  $|Tv| \leq M|v|$  for all  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Let  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}_+$  be given. Take  $\delta = \epsilon/M$ . Then for all  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $|u - v| < \delta$ , we have  $|Tu - Tv| = |T(u - v)| \leq M|u - v| < \epsilon$ . Therefore,  $T$  is continuous.

5. Let  $\epsilon = 1$ . Let  $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_+$ . Define  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $y \mapsto y^2 + y - \delta^2/4$ . Since  $g$  is continuous and  $g(0) = -\delta^2/4 < 0$ , there is some  $y_0 > 0$  such that  $g(y_0) < 0$ . Then  $\delta^2/4 - y_0^2 > y_0 > 0$ . Let  $x_0 = \sqrt{\delta^2/4 - y_0^2}$ . Then  $|(x_0, y_0)| = \delta/2$ ,  $x_0 > 0$ , and  $y_0 < \delta^2/4 - y_0^2 = x_0^2$ . Hence,  $|(x_0, y_0) - (0, 0)| < \delta$  but  $|f(x_0, y_0) - f(0, 0)| = 1 = \epsilon$ . This implies that  $f$  is not continuous at  $(0, 0)$ .

Let  $L$  be a straight line through  $(0, 0)$ .

- If  $L$  is the  $y$ -axis or the slope of  $L$  is nonpositive, then  $y \leq 0$  for all  $(x, y) \in L$  such that  $x > 0$ , so  $f|_L = 0$  and thus  $f|_L$  is continuous at  $(0, 0)$ .

- Let  $k \in \mathbb{R}_+$  be the slope of  $L$ . Then for  $(x, y) \in L$  such that  $|(x, y) - (0, 0)| < k\sqrt{1 + k^2}$ ,
  - if  $x \leq 0$ , then surely  $f(x, y) = 0$ ;
  - if  $x > 0$ , then since  $\sqrt{x^2 + (kx)^2} < k\sqrt{1 + k^2}$ , we have  $0 < x < k$ , so  $y = kx > x^2$ , which implies  $f(x, y) = 0$ .

Hence,  $f|_L(x, y) = 0$  for all  $(x, y) \in L$  such that  $|(x, y) - (0, 0)| < k\sqrt{1 + k^2}$ , so  $f|_L$  is continuous at  $(0, 0)$ .

6. Since  $A$  is not closed, there is some  $x_0 \in A^c$  such that every open ball centered at  $x_0$  intersects  $A$ . For all  $x \in A$ , define  $f(x) = 1/|x - x_0|$ .

$f$  is the composition of the function  $A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ ,  $x \mapsto |x - x_0|$  and the continuous function  $\mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \mapsto 1/x$ . Let  $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}_+$  be given. Take  $\delta = \epsilon$ . Then for all  $x, x' \in A$ , if  $|x' - x| < \delta$ , then  $||x' - x_0| - |x - x_0|| \leq |x' - x| < \epsilon$ , so the former is also continuous. Hence,  $f$  is continuous.

Let  $M \in \mathbb{R}_+$  be given. By our choice of  $x_0$ , the open ball  $B_{1/M}(x_0)$  intersects  $A$ , so there is some  $x \in A$  such that  $|x - x_0| < 1/M$  and thus  $f(x) > M$ . Hence,  $f$  is unbounded.