

## HOMEWORK 10

**Exercise 1.** Let  $F \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be a closed set bounded above. Prove that the least upper bound of  $F$  belongs to  $F$ .

**Exercise 2.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. Prove that a set  $F \subseteq X$  is closed if and only if every convergent sequence in  $F$  has the property that its limit belongs to  $F$ .

**Exercise 3.** Consider the metric space  $(X, d) = (\mathbb{R}, |\cdot|)$ . For each of the following subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$  decide if they are open, closed, or not open and not closed, connected or not connected. Also, in each case write down the set of accumulation points. Justify your answers.

- 1)  $A = \mathbb{Q}$ .
- 2)  $A = \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1]$ .
- 3)  $A = \{(-1)^n(1 + \frac{1}{n})\}$ .
- 4)  $A = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} [n, n + \frac{1}{n}]$ .
- 5)  $A = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} [\frac{1}{2^{n+1}}, \frac{1}{2^n}]$ .

**Exercise 4.** Assume that the sets  $A$  and  $B$  are separated and let  $A_1 \subseteq A$  and  $B_1 \subseteq B$ . Prove that  $A_1$  and  $B_1$  are separated.

**Exercise 5.** Assume that the sets  $A$  and  $B$  are separated and that the sets  $A$  and  $C$  are separated. Prove that the sets  $A$  and  $B \cup C$  are separated.

**Exercise 6.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are closed sets, prove that  $A \setminus B$  and  $B \setminus A$  are separated.

**Exercise 7.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a connected metric space and let  $A$  be a connected subset of  $X$ . Assume that the complement of  $A$  is the union of two separated sets  $B$  and  $C$ . Prove that  $A \cup B$  and  $A \cup C$  are connected. Prove also that if  $A$  is closed, then so are  $A \cup B$  and  $A \cup C$ .

**Exercise 8.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and let  $A, B$  be two closed subsets of  $X$  such that  $A \cup B$  and  $A \cap B$  are connected. Prove that  $A$  is connected.

**Exercise 9.** Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a family of connected sets such that one set of the family intersects all the others. Prove that  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  is connected.

**Exercise 10.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and let  $A, B$  be two subsets of  $X$  such that  $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$  and  $B \setminus A \neq \emptyset$ . Assume also that  $B$  is connected. Prove that  $Fr(A) \cap B \neq \emptyset$ . Deduce that if  $X$  is connected, then every subset of  $X$ , other than  $\emptyset$  or  $X$ , has at least one frontier point.