

**AMath/PMath 331**  
**Assignment 2**  
**Due Monday October 3**

1. (a) For each of the following sets, provide a sketch. State whether it is open, closed or neither. If it is *not closed*, identify a limit point of the set which is not in the set. If it is *not open*, identify a point in the set which is a limit point of the complement.
  - (i)  $A = \{(e^{-x} \cos x, e^{-x} \sin x) : x \geq 0\} \cup \{(x, 0) : 0 \leq x < 1\}$ .
  - (ii)  $B = \{(r, s) : r, s \in \mathbb{Q}, r^2 + s^{-2} < 1\}$ .
  - (iii)  $C = \{(x, \sin y) : x^2 < 4, y > 0\}$ .
  - (iv)  $D = \{(x, y) : x \neq 0, |y| < x^{-1}\}$ .(b) Find the closure of each set, and decide whether this closure is compact.
2. (a) Prove that if  $U$  and  $V$  are open subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $W = U \cap V$  is also open.  
(b) Prove that if  $\{U_i : i \in I\}$  is a (possibly infinite) collection of open sets, then the union  $U = \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$  is open.
3. If  $(\mathbf{x}_k)$  is a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{x}_k = \mathbf{x}$ , prove that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|\mathbf{x}_k\| = \|\mathbf{x}\|$ .
4. Suppose that  $(\mathbf{x}_k)$  is a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|x_{k+1} - x_k\| < \infty$ .  
Prove that  $(\mathbf{x}_k)$  is a Cauchy sequence.  
**Hint:** if  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is an  $N$  so that  $\sum_{k=N}^{\infty} \|x_{k+1} - x_k\| < \varepsilon$ .
5. Show that if  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $B \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  are compact sets, then
$$A \times B = \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^{m+n} : a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$$
is compact. **Hint:** take a sequence in  $A \times B$ , find a subsequence based on the first coordinate, and then find a sub-subsequence based on the second coordinate.