

1. OPEN AND CLOSED SETS IN SUBSETS OF  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Let  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ . A subset  $X \subset A$  is called open if for any  $x \in X$  there is an  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that for any  $y \in A$  such that  $|y - x| < \varepsilon$  one has  $y \in X$ . A set  $X \subset A$  is called closed if  $A \setminus X$  is open. A map  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is called continuous if for any open set  $X \subset B$  its full preimage  $f^{-1}(X) = \{u \in A \mid f(u) \in X\}$  is open. A map  $f$  is called a homeomorphism if it is one-to-one, and both  $f$  and  $f^{-1}$  are continuous.

**Problem 1.** Let  $\iota : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  be a map defined as  $\iota(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (x_1, \dots, x_n, 0)$ . Prove that  $\iota$  is a homeomorphism.

**Problem 2.** Prove or disprove all the statements like “an open/closed subset of an open/closed set is open/closed”.

**Problem 3.** Prove that (a) a union of any collection of open sets is open; (b) an intersection of a finite collection of open sets is open; (c) an intersection of any collection of closed sets is closed; (d) a union of a finite collection of closed sets is closed. (e) Show that one cannot remove finiteness condition from 3(b) and 3(d).

**Problem 4.** (a) Prove that a set  $X \subset A$  is closed if and only if the limit of any convergent (in  $A$ ) sequence of points  $x_1, x_2, \dots \in X$  also belongs to  $X$ . (b) Prove that the map is continuous if and only if for any convergent sequence  $a_1, a_2, \dots \in A$  the sequence  $f(a_1), f(a_2), \dots \in B$  is also convergent and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(a_n) = f(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n)$ .

**Problem 5.** Prove or disprove all the statements like “an image/preimage of an open/closed subset under a continuous mapping is open/closed”.

**Problem 6.** A subset  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is called discrete if all its subsets are open in it. Describe continuous maps from and to a discrete set into  $\mathbb{R}$ . Prove that a set is discrete if and only if every its point  $a$  is isolated: for some  $\varepsilon > 0$  one has  $A \cap \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid |x - a| < \varepsilon\} = \{a\}$ .