

Math 320-2: Midterm 2
Northwestern University, Winter 2015

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1. (10 points) Give an example of each of the following. You do not have to justify your answer.
- (a) A nonempty subset of $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ which is both closed and open in $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$.
 - (b) A Cauchy sequence in $C[0, 1]$ relative to the sup metric.
 - (c) A metric on \mathbb{Q} relative to which \mathbb{Q} is complete.
 - (d) A dense subset of \mathbb{R} whose boundary consists of a single point.

Note: in parts (a) and (d) we are considering the standard absolute value metric.

2. (10 points) Suppose that X is a metric space and $S = \{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$ is a finite subset of X . Show, using only the definition of open, that the complement of S in X is open. (In other words, you cannot use the fact that S is closed in X and the complement of a closed set is open.)

3. (10 points) Consider \mathbb{R}^2 and let $D = \{(x, x^2) \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ be the subset consisting of all points satisfying $y = x^2$. Show that D is complete with respect to whichever of the Euclidean, taxicab, or box metrics you prefer.

4. (10 points) Let $C_b[0, \pi]$ denote the space of bounded real-valued functions on $[0, \pi]$ equipped with the sup metric. For each of the following functions, determine with justification whether or not it belongs to the *open* ball of radius π^2 centered at the function $f \in C_b[0, \pi]$ defined by $f(x) = x$.

$$g(x) = x \sin(2x) \quad \text{and} \quad h(x) = \begin{cases} x - x^2 & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ x & \text{if } x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$$

5. (10 points) Suppose that A is a dense subset of a metric space X and let $p \in A^c$ be an element of its complement in X . Show that any open ball around p contains *infinitely* many points of A . (Careful: a sequence converging to p does not necessarily consist of infinitely many *distinct* points.)