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The space  $R^{\infty}$  is complete.

*Proof.* Let  $\{x^n\}$  be a Cauchy sequence in  $R^{\infty}$ , where  $x^n=(x_1^n,x_2^n,\dots)$ . Our goal is to find an  $x=(x_1,x_2,\dots)\in R^{\infty}$  such that  $x^n\to x$ . Let  $\varepsilon>0$ . Because each  $x^n$  is Cauchy, we have  $\exists N>0$  such that  $d(x^n,x^m)<\varepsilon, \forall n,m>N$ . Therefore, for all i and all n,m>N, we have  $|x_i^n-x_i^m|<\varepsilon$ . Furthermore, this means, for each i we have  $(x_i^1,x_i^2,\dots)$  a Cauchy sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Since  $\mathbb{R}$  is complete, we have a limit  $x_i$ :  $x_i=\lim_{n\to\infty}x_i^n$ .

Now, choose  $\varepsilon > 0$  and replace  $\varepsilon$  above with  $\frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ . Again, we can find an N > 0 such that  $|x_i^n - x_i^m| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ , for all k and n, m > N. Now take the limit as  $m \to \infty$ , we have  $|x_i^n - x_i| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ . If we take supremum, we have  $\sup_{k=1}^{\infty} |x_i^n - x_i| \le \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ . This implies  $d(x^n - x) \le \frac{\varepsilon}{2} < \varepsilon$  and thus  $x^n$  converges to x.