

Let (X, d) be a metric space. If $f: X \rightarrow X$ satisfies the condition

$$d(f(x), f(y)) = d(x, y)$$

for all $x, y \in X$, then f is called an isometry of X . Show that if f is an isometry and X is compact, then f is bijective and hence a homeomorphism.

if $x \neq y$ then $d(f(x), f(y)) > 0 \Leftrightarrow f(x) \neq f(y)$
so f is injective.

assume f is not surjective. f is continuous
thus $f(X)$ is compact and thus closed.

$f(X)^c$ is open pick $a \in f(X)^c$, $\varepsilon > 0$ s.t.

$$B(a, \varepsilon) \cap f(X) = \emptyset$$

$$\text{let } x_0 = a, \quad x_{n+1} = f(x_n) \quad \text{let } f_n = \underbrace{f \circ \dots \circ f}_n$$

$$\text{for } n > m \quad d(x_n, x_m) = d(f_{n-m}(a), f_m(a))$$

$= d(f_{n-m}(a), a) > \varepsilon$. thus there is no convergent subsequence so X is not compact \therefore

Thus f is bijective and a homeomorphism.