

Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$. Let Y be compact Hausdorff.
Then f is continuous iff

$$G_f = \{x \times f(x) \mid x \in X\} \text{ is closed in } X \times Y.$$

Hint: If G_f is closed and V is a neighborhood of $f(x_0)$, then the intersection of G_f and $X \times (Y - V)$ is closed. Apply exercise 7.

" \Rightarrow " let $x \times y \in G_f^c$ that is $f(x) \neq y$
let y_0 s.t. $f(x) = y_0$ consider disjoint neighborhoods
 V_0 of y_0 , V of y , $f^{-1}(V_0) \cap f^{-1}(V) = \emptyset$
 $x \in f^{-1}(V_0)$, $f^{-1}(V_0) \times V \subset G_f^c$ is open so
 G_f is closed

" \Leftarrow " $X \times (Y \setminus V)$ is closed (V is open)

$\rightarrow X \times (Y \setminus V) \cap G_f$ is closed

$$= \{x \times f(x) : f(x) \notin V\}$$

$$\pi_1(X \times (Y \setminus V) \cap G_f) = \{x : f(x) \notin V\} = f^{-1}(V^c)$$

is closed so $f^{-1}(V)$ is open, as x_0, V
are arbitrary this is true for any basis
element so f is continuous.