

1. A compact set  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is bounded.

*Proof.* By contrapositive, suppose  $E$  is not bounded. This means that  $E$  is not covered by any ball of finite radius. However, all of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and thus  $E$ , will be covered by the sequence of open balls

$$B_n := \{x : |x| < n\}.$$

Any union of a finite subset of these open balls will be an open ball of finite radius, and thus will not cover  $E$ . Therefore  $E$  is not compact.  $\square$

2. A compact set  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is closed.

*Proof.* We will prove that the complement of  $E$  is open. Consider a point  $x \in \setminus E$  and a collection of sets

$$G_k := \{y : |y - x| > \frac{1}{k}\}.$$

We can see that  $\cup_{k=1}^{\infty} G_k = \mathbb{R}^n / x$ . Since  $x \notin E$ ,  $E \subset \cup G_k$ , which means  $G_k$  is an open cover  $E$ . We know that  $E$  is compact so it can be covered by finitely many of the  $G_k$ . The  $G_k$  are ordered by containment ( $G_k \subset G_{k+1}$ ) so  $E$  can be covered by exactly one of the  $G_k$ , call this set  $G_l$ . Now, all of the  $G_k$  with indices strictly greater than  $l$  have complements that are disjoint from  $E$  ( $\setminus G_{k+1} \subset \setminus G_k$ ). The interiors of the complements of the  $G_k$  are the open balls  $B(x, \frac{1}{k})$ . This sequence of open balls for all  $k > l$  contains the point  $x$  and does not intersect  $E$ . The point  $x$  was arbitrarily chosen in  $\setminus E$ . Therefore  $\setminus E$  is open, and  $E$  by definition is closed.  $\square$

3. Let  $[a_j, b_j]$  be a nested sequence of nonempty closed intervals in  $\mathbb{R} : [a_j, b_j] \supset [a_{j+1}, b_{j+1}]$  for all  $j$ . Then  $\cap_{j=1}^{\infty} [a_j, b_j]$  is non-empty.

*Proof.*

4. Let  $[\mathbf{a}_j, \mathbf{b}_j]$  be a nested sequence of nonempty closed n-cells in  $\mathbb{R}^n : [\mathbf{a}_j, \mathbf{b}_j] \supset [\mathbf{a}_{j+1}, \mathbf{b}_{j+1}]$  for all  $j$ . Then  $\cap_{j=1}^{\infty} [\mathbf{a}_j, \mathbf{b}_j]$  is nonempty.

*Proof.*

5. Any closed n-cell is compact.

*Proof.*

6. A closed subset  $F$  of a compact set  $K$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is compact.

*Proof.*