

Math 450
Homework 1
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1. Let $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{R}^n$. Prove that $|\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle| = \|\mathbf{x}\| \|\mathbf{y}\|$ if and only if $\mathbf{y} = r\mathbf{x}$ for some $r \in \mathbf{R}$.
2. Let $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{R}^n$ be nonzero. Prove that $\|\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{y}\|^2$ if and only if \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} are orthogonal.
3. Let $\mathbf{x} = (1, 1, \dots, 1)$ and $\mathbf{y} = (1, 2, \dots, n)$ in \mathbf{R}^n . Let θ_n be the angle between \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} in \mathbf{R}^n . Find $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \theta_n$.
4. (\square) Decide if the following subsets of \mathbf{R}^n are open and/or closed. (Draw pictures, and give answers. No proofs necessary.)
 - (a) $\{(x, y) : xy = 0\} \subset \mathbf{R}^2$
 - (b) $\{(x, y) : xy \neq 0\} \subset \mathbf{R}^2$
 - (c) $\{(x, y, z) : x^2 + y^2 < 1 \text{ and } z = 0\} \subset \mathbf{R}^3$
 - (d) $\{(x, y, z) : x^2 + y^2 < 1\} \subset \mathbf{R}^3$
 - (e) $\{(x_1, \dots, x_n) : \text{each } x_i \in \mathbf{Q}\} \subset \mathbf{R}^n$
5. (\square) Let S be an $(n - 1)$ -dimensional vector subspace of \mathbf{R}^n . Prove that S is not an open set.
6. (\square) Let $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$, $r \geq 0$, and define $\overline{B}(x, r) = \{y \in \mathbf{R}^n : \|x - y\| \leq r\}$. Prove that $\overline{B}(x, r)$ is closed.
7.
 - (a) Prove that \mathbf{R}^n is an open set.
 - (b) Let $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Gamma}$ be a collection of an arbitrary number of open sets in \mathbf{R}^n . Prove that $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Gamma} U_\alpha$ is an open set.
 - (c) Let U_1 and U_2 be open sets in \mathbf{R}^n . Prove that $U_1 \cap U_2$ is open.
8. Let $\{C_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Gamma}$ be a collection of an arbitrary number of closed sets in \mathbf{R}^n .
 - (a) Prove that $\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Gamma} C_\alpha$ is a closed set.
 - (b) Professor Doofus writes that in addition $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Gamma} C_\alpha$ is a closed set. Give an example which shows that Doofus is wrong.