## MATH 4324 CONTINUOUS MAPS

## Hand in Friday, March 15.

1. Suppose that X and Y are topological spaces, that  $A \subset X$ , and that f and g are continuous maps from X to Y that satisfy, for all  $x \in A$ , f(x) = g(x). If Y is Hausdorff, show that, for all z in the closure of A, f(z) = g(z).

Proof. Assume X and Y are topological spaces, that  $A \subset X$ , and that f and g are continuous maps from X to Y that satisfy, for all  $x \in A$ , f(x) = g(x). Assuming Y is Hausdorff and that there there exists some point z in the closure of A where  $f(z) \neq g(z)$ . Then as Y is Hausdorff we have two neighborhoods  $U_f$  of f(z) and  $U_g$  of g(z) where  $U_f \cap U_g = \emptyset$ . As f, g are continuous we have that  $f^{-1}(U_f)$  and  $g^{-1}(U_g)$  are both open. We have that  $z \in f^{-1}(U_f) \cap g^{-1}(U_g)$  but we have that z is a limit point as if  $z \in A$  then that would be an immediate contraction on  $f(z) \neq g(z)$  hence we have  $A \cap f^{-1}(U_f) \cap g^{-1}(U_g) \setminus \{z\} \neq \emptyset$  hence we have for some  $a \in A \cap f^{-1}(U_f) \cap g^{-1}(U_g) \setminus \{z\}$  then we have a neighborhood  $U_a$  of a with  $U_a \subset f^{-1}(U_f) \cap g^{-1}(U_g)$  hence we have  $f(a) \in U_f \cap U_g$  which contradicts  $U_f$  and  $U_g$  being disjoint.

- **2.** Let  $f: X_1 \to Y_1$  and  $g: X_2 \to Y_2$  be continuous maps between topological spaces. Give the products  $X_1 \times X_2$  and  $Y_1 \times Y_2$  their product topologies. Show that the map  $H: X_1 \times X_2 \to Y_1 \times Y_2$  defined by  $H((x_1, x_2)) = (f(x_1), g(x_2))$  is continuous.
- **3.** An injective (one-to-one) continuous map  $f: X \to Y$  between topological spaces is a bijection from X to the image f(X). Give f(X) the subspace topology induced by Y's topology. We call such an f an imbedding if it is a homeomorphism from X to f(X).

In this context, let Y be  $X \times X$  with the product topology. Let  $x_0$  be an arbitrary element of X.

- **a.** Show that  $f: X \to X \times X$  defined by  $f(x) = (x, x_0)$  is an imbedding.
- **b.** Show that  $g: X \to X \times X$  defined by g(x) = (x, x) is an imbedding.
- **4.** Suppose that  $h: X \to Y$  is a homeomorphism of topological spaces. If Z is any other topological space and if  $g: Y \to Z$  is a continuous map, we know that the composition  $g \circ h$  is a continuous map from X to Z. Show that every continuous map  $f: X \to Z$  arises this way, i.e. for any continuous  $f: X \to Z$ , there exists a continuous  $G: Y \to Z$  for which  $f = G \circ h$ .
- **5. a.** Show that a linearly ordered set with the order topology is Hausdorff.
- **b.** Suppose that X is a topological space. Show that X is Hausdorff if and only if the diagonal subset  $\{(x,x):x\in X\}$  of the product  $X\times X$  is a closed subset of the product. Assume here that the topology on  $X\times X$  is the product topology.
- **6.** text p. 111-112, problem 8.