

1. Proof: Warning:  $A$  is infinite, it might be impossible to list all its elements out explicitly.

Since  $(A \cup B) \supseteq A$ ,  $|A \cup B| \geq |A|$ .

Since  $A$  is infinite,  $\exists C$ -countable set,  $C \subset A$ .

$C = \{c_1, c_2, \dots\}$  - list all elements out.

①  $B = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  - finite.

Define  $\varphi: A \cup B \rightarrow A$

Clearly,  $\varphi$  is well-defined.

Suppose  $\varphi(x) = \varphi(y)$ .

$\Rightarrow x=y=x_i$  for some  $i \in [1, n]$ ,

or  $x=y=c_i$  for some  $i \in \mathbb{N} \setminus [1, n]$ .

or  $x=y$  for  $x, y \in (A \cup B) \setminus (B \cup C)$ .

$$\varphi(x) = \begin{cases} c_i, & \text{if } x=x_i, i \in [1, n]. \\ c_{i+n}, & \text{if } x=c_i, i \in \mathbb{N} \setminus [1, n]. \\ x, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow x \neq y \Rightarrow \varphi$ : injective.

$\Rightarrow |A \cup B| \leq |A|$ .

②  $B = \{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$  - countable.

Define  $\chi: A \cup B \rightarrow A$ .  $\chi(x) = \begin{cases} c_{2i-1} & \text{if } x=x_i \text{ for } i \in \mathbb{N}. \\ c_{2i} & \text{if } x=c_i \text{ for } i \in \mathbb{N}. \\ x & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Also,  $\chi$  is well-defined.

Suppose  $\chi(x) = \chi(y)$ .

$\Rightarrow x=y=x_i$  for some  $i \in \mathbb{N}$

or  $x=y=c_i$  for some  $i \in \mathbb{N}$

or  $x=y$  for  $x, y \in (A \cup B) \setminus (B \cup C)$

$\Rightarrow x \neq y \Rightarrow \chi$ : injective.

$\Rightarrow |A \cup B| \leq |A|$ .

Combining ① and ②,  $|A \cup B| \leq |A|$ .

Since  $A \cup B \supseteq A$  also, we have  $|A \cup B| = |A|$ .

□.

2. Proof:  $|\mathbb{R}^2| = |\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}| = |2^\mathbb{N} \times 2^\mathbb{N}| = |2^\mathbb{N}| = |\mathbb{R}| \Rightarrow |2^{\mathbb{R}^2}| = |2^{\mathbb{R}}|$ .

Define  $\psi: 2^\mathbb{N} \times 2^\mathbb{N} \rightarrow 2^\mathbb{N}$

$A \times B \mapsto \{2n: n \in A\} \cup \{2n+1: n \in B\}$ .

Then  $\psi^{-1}: 2^\mathbb{N} \rightarrow 2^\mathbb{N} \times 2^\mathbb{N}$

$C \mapsto \{n: 2n \in C\} \times \{n: 2n+1 \in C\}$ .  $\psi \circ \psi^{-1} = \text{Id}$ .

Since  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is an element of  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$ , we have  $|\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})| \leq |\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}))| = |\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})|^2$ .

Since  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$  can be viewed as all the func. from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\{0, 1\}$ ,

we have  $|\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})| \leq |\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})|$ .

Thus,  $|\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})| = |\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})| = |\{\text{all func. from } \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}|$ .  $\square$

3. Proof: WTS:  $|\bigcup_{a \in A} R_a| = |\mathbb{R}|$ , where  $A$  is an at most countable set,  $R_a$ : continual,  $\forall a \in A$ .

Step 1: We deduce it holds for  $A$ : finite. Enough by induction to show that it holds for  $\mathcal{P}$  continual sets' union.

Claim:  $\forall$  sets  $A, B$ , it holds  $|A \cup B| \leq |A \times B|$  if  $A \neq \emptyset$ ,  $|B| \geq 2$ .

Indeed consider  $\varphi: A \cup B \rightarrow A \times B$

$$x \mapsto \begin{cases} (x, b_1), & \text{if } x \in A \setminus B, \\ (a, x), & \text{if } x \in B \setminus A, \\ (x, b_2), & \text{if } x \in A \cap B. \end{cases}$$

where  $a \in A$ ,  $b_1, b_2 \in B$  are fixed ( $b_1 \neq b_2$ ).

$\Rightarrow \varphi$  is injective since  $A \cup B$  are mapped to 3 distinct "categories":  $(\cdot, b_1)$ ,  $(a, \cdot)$  and  $(\cdot, b_2)$ .

Thus,  $|R_a \cup R_b| \leq |R_a \times R_b| = |\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}| = |\mathbb{R}|$

by prob. 2.

Also,  $|R_a \cup R_b| \geq |R_a| = |\mathbb{R}|$ .  $\Rightarrow |R_a \cup R_b| = |\mathbb{R}|$ .  $\checkmark$

Step 2: prove  $|\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} R_n| = |\mathbb{R}|$ .

It's obvious that  $|\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} R_n| \geq |\mathbb{R}|$ .

Switch from  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty}$  to  $\bigsqcup_{n=1}^{\infty}$ : let  $A_1 = R_1$ ,  $A_2 = R_2 \setminus R_1$ ,  $A_3 = R_3 \setminus (R_1 \cup R_2)$ ,  $\dots$

$\Rightarrow$  Only need to show  $|\bigsqcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n| \leq |\mathbb{R}|$ ,  $A_n$ : at most countable.

The proof for  $A_n$ : finite follows Step 1.

Since union of a continual set and a finite set is still continual, we only care about  $|\bigsqcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n| \neq |\mathbb{R}|$ ,  $A_n$ : all continual.

Since  $|A_n| = |(0,1)|$ ,  $\exists$  a bijection  $\gamma_n: A_n \rightarrow (0,1)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Define  $\tilde{\Phi}: \bigsqcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \times (0,1)$ .

$$\forall n: a \in A_n \mapsto (n, \gamma_n(a))$$

$\downarrow$   
extract information.

Clearly,  $\tilde{\Phi}$  is injective.

$$\Rightarrow \left| \bigsqcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \right| \leq |\mathbb{N} \times (0,1)| \leq |\mathbb{R} \times (0,1)| = |\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}| = |\mathbb{R}|.$$

by prob. 2.

$$\text{Thus, } \left| \bigsqcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \right| = |\mathbb{R}|.$$

□.

4. NO!

A counter example:  $p(x,y) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \neq y \\ 1, & x = y. \end{cases}$

Then,  $B_{\frac{1}{2}}(x) \subset B_{\frac{1}{3}}(x)$  since the two balls degenerate to singletons.

$$\text{BUT: } r = \frac{1}{2} > \frac{1}{3} = R.$$

5. Proof: Define  $\mathcal{B} := \{\text{all open balls in } \mathbb{R}^n \text{ with centre in } \mathbb{Q}^n \text{ and radius in } \mathbb{Q}^+\}$ . It's a family of balls in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , which is a base for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , i.e.  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \exists$  a rational ball  $B_x$  in  $\mathcal{B}$  st  $x \in B$ .

$$|\mathbb{N}| \leq |\mathcal{B}| = |\mathbb{Q}^n \times \mathbb{Q}^+| = |\mathbb{N}^n \times \mathbb{N}| = |\mathbb{N}^{n+1}| = |\mathbb{N}|. \Rightarrow |\mathcal{B}| = |\mathbb{N}|.$$

$\uparrow$   
Since  $|\mathbb{Q}| = |\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}| = |\mathbb{N}|$ .

Let  $x \in A \setminus A'$ ,  $x$  must be isolated.

i.e.  $\exists$  ball  $B'_x \ni x$ ,  $B'_x \cap A = \{x\}$ .

Otherwise  $x$  will be an accumulation pt.

More precisely, there exists a rational ball  $U_x \subset B'_x$  st  $x \in U_x$ .

Now, define:  $\varphi: A \setminus A' \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ .

$$x \mapsto U_x.$$

$\varphi$  is well-defined since the selection's possibility is guaranteed above.

$\psi$  is injective since  $U_x \neq U_y$  for  $x \neq y$  because  $\begin{cases} x \in U_x \\ y \notin U_x \end{cases}$  and  $\begin{cases} x \notin U_y \\ y \in U_y \end{cases}$ .

$\Rightarrow |A \setminus A'| \leq |\mathcal{B}| = |N|$ .  $\square$ .

6. Proof: Prove by contradiction.

Suppose  $X \setminus G$  is not nowhere dense in  $X$ , i.e.  $X \setminus G$  is somewhere dense. i.e.  $\exists B_\delta(a)$ , s.t.  $(X \setminus G) \cap B_\delta(a)$  is dense in  $B_\delta(a)$ .

$\Rightarrow \forall B_\varepsilon(b) \subset B_\delta(a)$ ,  $B_\varepsilon(b) \cap ((X \setminus G) \cap B_\delta(a)) \neq \emptyset$ .  $\dots$  (\*)

Since  $G$  is dense,  $B_\delta(a) \cap G \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x \in B_\delta(a) \cap G$ .

Since  $G$  is open,  $B_\delta(a) \cap G$  is still open.

$\Rightarrow \exists B_r(x)$ ,  $B_r(x) \subset (B_\delta(a) \cap G)$ .

Note that  $B_r(x) \subset B_\delta(a)$ , thus by (\*)  $B_r(x) \cap (X \setminus G) \cap B_\delta(a) \neq \emptyset$ .

$\Rightarrow B_r(x) \cap (X \setminus G) \neq \emptyset$ .

But  $B_r(x) \subset G$ .  $\Rightarrow B_r(x) \cap (X \setminus G) = \emptyset$ .  $\Rightarrow$  a contradiction.  $\square$ .

7. Proof:  $\forall B_\varepsilon(a) \subset X$ , Since  $G_1$  is dense,  $\exists x_1 \in B_\varepsilon(a) \cap G_1$ .

Since  $G_1$ ,  $B_\varepsilon(a)$  open  $\Rightarrow B_\varepsilon(a) \cap G_1$  is open.

$\Rightarrow \exists \bar{B}_1 \subset B_\varepsilon(a) \cap G_1$ , s.t.  $\bar{B}_1 \ni x_1$  and  $\text{diam}(\bar{B}_1) < \frac{1}{2}$ .

Since  $G_2$  is dense,  $\bar{B}_1 \cap G_2 \neq \emptyset$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Similarly,  $\exists \bar{B}_2 \subset (\bar{B}_1 \cap G_2) \subset (B_\varepsilon(a) \cap G_1 \cap G_2)$  and  $\text{diam}(\bar{B}_2) < \frac{1}{2^2}$ .

Repeat this process, we get a sequence of nested balls:

$\bar{B}_1 \supset \bar{B}_2 \supset \bar{B}_3 \supset \dots$ . s.t.  $\bar{B}_n \subset (B_\varepsilon(a) \cap \bigcap_{i=1}^n G_i)$  and  $\text{diam}(\bar{B}_n) < \frac{1}{2^n}$ .

Now, by the Cantor intersection property for nested balls,

there exists unique  $x \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bar{B}_n$ . Note that,  $x \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n$  and

$x \in B_\varepsilon(a)$ .  $\Rightarrow \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n$  is dense.  $\square$ .

8. Proof: To prove "can be attained", we need to find the  $x^* \in E$  s.t we attain inf.

(i) if  $E$  is cpt.

Fix  $a$ . Define  $f(x) := d(x, a)$ .

Since  $|d(x, a) - d(y, a)| \leq d(x, y)$ ,  $f(a)$  is 1-Lipschitz

$\Rightarrow f(x)$  is continuous on  $X$ .

Since  $E$  is cpt,  $f$  is cts. on  $E$ .  $f \in C(E)$

$\Rightarrow \exists x^* \in E$  s.t  $f(x^*) = \min_{x \in E} f(x) = T_E(a)$ .

(ii) if  $E$  is merely closed,  $X = \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Now,  $d(x, a) = \|x - a\|$ . Define  $f(x) := \|x - a\|$ .

Since the set  $E$  is not "nicer" enough, we define  $K := E \cap \overline{B}_{(T_E(a)+1)}^{(a)}$

$\Rightarrow K$  is closed and bdd.

Since  $K \subset X = \mathbb{R}^n \Rightarrow K$  is cpt.

$\Rightarrow$  Similarly, following (i),  $\exists x^* \in K$  s.t  $f(x^*) = \min_{x \in K} f(x)$

For  $x \in E \setminus K$ ,  $x \notin B_{(T_E(a)+1)}^{(a)} \Rightarrow f(x) \geq T_E(a) + 1 > T_E(a)$ .

But  $x^* \in K \subset E \Rightarrow f(x^*) \leq T_E(a) \Rightarrow f(x^*) = \min_{x \in E} f(x)$ .

□.

9. Proof: So now we fix  $E \subset X$ .  $\bar{E} = E$

$\forall f, g: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $|f(x) - g(x)| \geq -|f(x) - g(x)|$ .

$\Rightarrow \inf f - \inf g \geq \inf(-|f-g|) \Rightarrow \inf f - \inf g \geq -\sup |f-g|$ .

Similarly,  $\inf g - \inf f \geq -\sup |f-g|$

$\Rightarrow -\sup |f-g| \leq \inf f - \inf g \leq \sup |f-g|$

$\Rightarrow |\inf f - \inf g| \leq \sup |f-g|$ .

$\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta = \varepsilon$ , s.t  $\forall a, b \in X$ , with  $d(a, b) < \delta$ .

$$|T_E(a) - T_E(b)| = |\inf_{x \in E} d(x, a) - \inf_{y \in E} d(y, b)|$$

$$\leq \sup_{x \in E} |d(x, a) - d(x, b)| = \sup_{x \in E} d(a, b) = d(a, b) < \varepsilon$$

$\Rightarrow T_E(a)$  is continuous in  $a$  on  $X$ .

□.

10. Proof: Since  $K$  is cpt. in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $K$  is closed and bdd.

Since  $f \in C(K)$ ,  $f$  is bdd on  $K$ .  $\Rightarrow G_f$  is bdd.

Only need to show  $G_f$  is closed.

We prove  $G_f$  contains all its accumulation pts.

Let  $(x_k, f(x_k)) \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} (x, y)$  with  $x_k \in K$ .

Then, by  $f$ 's continuity,  $y = f(x)$ .  $\Rightarrow (x, y) = (x, f(x)) \in G_f$ .

□.

11. Proof: Since  $K$  is cpt.  $\Rightarrow K$  is separable.

Pick a countable dense subset  $D = \{x_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty} \subset K$ .

Define  $T_{x_i}(a) := T_{x_i}(a) = \inf_{\{x_i\}} d(x, a) = d(x_i, a)$ .

Claim:  $\{T_{x_i}(a)\}$  separates pts.

$\forall a \neq b \in K$ .  $\exists$  subseq.  $x_{i_k} \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} a$ .

$\Rightarrow T_{x_{i_k}}(a) = d(x_{i_k}, a) \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} 0$ . but  $T_{x_{i_k}}(b) = d(x_{i_k}, b) \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} d(a, b) > 0$

$\Rightarrow T_{x_{i_k}}(a) \neq T_{x_{i_k}}(b)$  for large  $k$ . ✓.

Let  $A$  be the (real) algebra generated by const func 1 and  $\{T_{x_i}\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ .

By Stone-Weierstrass Thm,  $\bar{A} = C(K)$ .

Let  $A_{\mathbb{Q}}$  be the subalgebra of  $A$  consisted of all polys with rational coefficients in finitely many generators from  $\{T_{x_i}\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  and 1.

$\Rightarrow A_{\mathbb{Q}}$  is countable.

Since rational coeffs approximate real ones,  $\overline{A_{\mathbb{Q}}}$  is the same as  $\bar{A}$ .  $\Rightarrow \overline{A_{\mathbb{Q}}} = C(K)$ .  $\Rightarrow C(K)$  is separable.

□.

12. Proof:  $X = C(K, \mathbb{C})$ .

$A \subset X$  is a complex algebra.

For  $f = u + iv \in A$ , with  $u, v$  being real-valuedcts. func.  $u, v \in A$ .

$\bar{f} = u - iv \in A \Rightarrow A$  is closed under conjugation.

Define  $A_{\mathbb{R}} = A \cap C(K, \mathbb{R})$ .

$\forall f \in A$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(f) = \frac{1}{2}(f + \bar{f}) \in A$ ,  $\operatorname{Im}(f) = \frac{1}{2i}(f - \bar{f}) \in A$ .

$A_{\mathbb{R}}$  inherits its identity of an algebra from  $A$ .

$1 \in A$ ,  $1 \in C(K, \mathbb{R}) \Rightarrow 1 \in A_{\mathbb{R}}$ .

$\forall x \neq y$ ,  $\exists f \in A$ ,  $f(x) \neq f(y)$ .  $f(x) - f(y) \in \mathbb{C}$ . write  $f(x) - f(y) = r \cdot e^{i\theta}$ .  $r \neq 0$ .

$\Rightarrow (f(x) - f(y)) \cdot e^{-i\theta} = r \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ .

$\Rightarrow u := \operatorname{Re}(e^{-i\theta} \cdot f) \in A_{\mathbb{R}}$ . and  $u(x) - u(y) = (f(x) - f(y)) \cdot e^{-i\theta} \neq 0$ .

$\Rightarrow A_{\mathbb{R}}$  also separates pts.

By the real Stone-Weierstrass Thm,  $\overline{A}_{\mathbb{R}} = C(K, \mathbb{R})$ .

Now,  $\forall f = u + iv \in C(K, \mathbb{C})$ , with  $u, v \in C(K, \mathbb{R})$ .

$\exists u_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} u$ ,  $v_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} v$  in  $A_{\mathbb{R}}$ . Define  $f_n = u_n + iv_n \in A$ .

$\Rightarrow \sup_{x \in K} |f_n(x) - f(x)| \leq \sup_{x \in K} |u_n(x) - u(x)| + \sup_{x \in K} |v_n(x) - v(x)| \rightarrow 0$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$\Rightarrow A$  is dense in  $C(K, \mathbb{C})$ . i.e.  $\overline{A} = C(K, \mathbb{C}) = X$  □

13. NOT precompact!

Proof: By Arzelà-Ascoli Thm:

$A \subset C([0, 1])$  is precompact  $\Leftrightarrow A$  is bdd and equicontin.

① bdd:  $\forall f \in A$ ,  $|f| \leq x^2 \leq 1$ . ✓.

② equicontin: We propose a counter example:

Define  $f_n(x) = x^2 \sin(nx)$ . Apparently,  $|f_n(x)| \leq x^2$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

for fixed  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\forall \delta > 0$ , choose  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  large enough. s.t.  $\frac{\pi}{N} < \delta$

Now, we evaluate  $\{f_n(x), n \geq N, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .

Choose  $x=1$ ,  $y=1-\frac{\pi}{n}$ .  $|x-y|=\frac{\pi}{n} < \delta$ .

$$\begin{aligned}|f_n(x) - f_n(y)| &= |\sin n - (1-\frac{\pi}{n})^2 \sin(n-\pi)| \\&= |\sin n + (1-\frac{\pi}{n})^2 \sin n| \\&= |\sin n| \cdot \left|2 + \frac{\pi^2}{n^2} - \frac{2\pi}{n}\right| = |\sin n| \cdot \left|2 + \frac{\pi}{n}(\frac{\pi}{n} - 2)\right|\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\left|2 + \frac{\pi^2}{n^2} - \frac{2\pi}{n}\right| \rightarrow 2$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ),  $\exists N' > 0$ , s.t.  $\left|2 + \frac{\pi^2}{n^2} - \frac{2\pi}{n}\right| > 1$ ,  $\forall n \geq N'$ .

Now, for  $\{f_n(x), n \geq \max\{N, N'\}, n \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .

We further narrow down to  $\{f_n(x), n = \frac{\pi}{2} + 2k\pi, k \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq \max\{N, N'\}\}$ .

$$\Rightarrow |f_n(x) - f_n(y)| > |\sin n| = 1 = \varepsilon.$$

$\Rightarrow A$  is not equiconti.

Thus,  $A$  is not precompact.  $\square$ .

14.

Proof:  $f_a(x) = x^a \ln x$ .  $f'_a(x) = x^{a-1} + ax^{a-1} \ln x$

$$= x^{a-1}(1 + a \ln x).$$

$$f'_a(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = e^{-\frac{1}{a}}. \quad f_a(e^{-\frac{1}{a}}) = e^{-1}(-\frac{1}{a}) = -\frac{1}{ae}.$$

$$0 < x < e^{-\frac{1}{a}} : f'_a(x) < 0. \quad f_a(x) \downarrow$$

$$e^{-\frac{1}{a}} < x < 1 : f'_a(x) > 0. \quad f_a(x) \uparrow.$$

Note that  $f_a(x) < 0$  on  $(0, 1)$ . and  $f_a(0) = f_a(1) = 0$ .

$$\Rightarrow \|f_a\| = \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |f_a(x)| = |f_a(e^{-\frac{1}{a}})| = \frac{1}{ae}.$$

By Arzelà-Ascoli Thm:

$\{f_a(x)\}_{a>0} \subset C([0, 1])$  is precompact  $\Leftrightarrow \{f_a(x)\}_{a>0}$  is bdd and equiconti.

BUT: as  $a \uparrow 0$ ,  $\|f_a\|$  begins unbounded.  $\Rightarrow$  CANNOT be precompact.  $\square$ .

Rmk: the subfamily  $\{f_\alpha(x) : \alpha \geq \alpha_0\}$  with  $\alpha > 0$  is relatively cpt.

15. Proof: By Arzelà-Ascoli Thm:

$E \subset C([0, 1])$  is precompact  $\Leftrightarrow E$  is bdd and equiconti.

Since  $|f(x)| \leq 1$ ,  $E$  is bounded. Only need to show equicontinuity.  
 Since  $B$  is convex, we have:  $\forall x, y \in B$ , the line connecting  $x$  and  $y$  completely lie in  $B$ .

$\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta = \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\forall x, y$  with  $d(x, y) < \delta = \varepsilon$ ,

Define  $g(t) = f(x + t(y-x))$ ,  $t \in [0, 1]$ .  $\Rightarrow g'(t) = \nabla f(x + t(y-x)) \cdot (y-x)$

$$|f(x) - f(y)| = |g(0) - g(1)| \stackrel{\text{MVT.}}{\leq} |g'(t)| \cdot |1-0| \leq \|\nabla f\| \cdot d(x, y) \leq \varepsilon, \forall f \in E. \quad \square$$

16. Proof:  $d(m, n) = \begin{cases} 1 + \frac{1}{m+n}, & m \neq n \\ 0, & m = n. \end{cases}$

(i) Consider a Cauchy seq.  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  in  $N$ .

$\Rightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N \in N$ , s.t.  $d(a_m, a_n) < \varepsilon$ ,  $\forall m, n > N$ .

Specifically, for  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ ,  $d(a_m, a_n) < \varepsilon < 1$  means  $a_m = a_n$  for  $m \neq n$ .

$\Rightarrow \forall$  Cauchy seq. in  $N$ ,  $\exists N \in N$ , s.t.  $a_N = a_{N+1} = a_{N+2} = \dots$ .

Such a seq. clearly has a limit: just the value of  $a_N$ !

$\Rightarrow N$  with distance  $d(m, n)$  is a complete metric sp.

(ii). Note that  $d(m, n) = \begin{cases} 1 + \frac{1}{m+n}, & m \neq n \\ 0, & m = n. \end{cases}$

When one of  $(m, n)$  tends to very large  $m, n$  tends to be very "close" under such metric! (BUT they actually become far away from each other!).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Define } \overline{B}_{r_k}(k) &= \{x : d(x, k) \leq 1 + \frac{1}{2k}\} \quad \longrightarrow r_k = 1 + \frac{1}{2k} \\ &= \{x : 1 + \frac{1}{x+k} \leq 1 + \frac{1}{2k}\} \\ &= \{x : x \geq k\}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Then, } \overline{B}_{r_k}(k) = \{x : x \geq k\} \supset \{x : x \geq k+1\} = \overline{B}_{r_{k+1}}(k+1)$$

$\Rightarrow \{\overline{B}_{r_k}(k)\}$  are actually nested balls!

$$\text{Now, consider: } \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \overline{B_{r_k}(k)} = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \{x : x \geq k\} = \emptyset,$$

since no element in  $N$  is greater than any other elements!

$\Rightarrow$  The nested balls principle fails.

□.