

**GENERAL TOPOLOGY**  
**EXERCISES FOR SESSION 6 (WED 13.3)**

**Exercise 1.** Let  $a \in X$  and suppose that  $X \setminus U$  is compact whenever  $U$  is a neighbourhood of  $a$ . Prove that  $X$  is compact.

**Exercise 2.** Let  $X$  be compact,  $Y$  be Hausdorff, and  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be continuous. Use the properties of compactness proved in the lectures/notes to:

- Prove that  $f$  is closed (that the image of a closed set is closed under  $f$ ).
- Prove that if  $f$  is a bijection then it is a homeomorphism.

**Exercise 3.** Suppose that  $X$  is equipped with the cofinite topology ( $U \subset X$  is open if  $U = \emptyset$  or  $U^c$  is finite). Prove that every subspace  $A \subset X$  is compact.

**Exercise 4.** Prove Theorem 3.3 in the lecture notes.

**Exercise 5.** Suppose that  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis for the topology on  $X$ . Suppose that whenever  $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathcal{B}$  is a cover of  $X$ , it has a finite subcover. Prove that  $X$  is compact.

**Exercise 6.** Show that a closed subspace of a locally compact space is locally compact.

**Exercise 7.** Suppose that  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is a continuous function such that  $|f(x)| \rightarrow \infty$  as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ . Prove that  $f$  is a closed map.

**Exercise 8.** Let  $X \neq \emptyset$  be compact and Hausdorff. Given a continuous function  $f : X \rightarrow X$ , show that there exists a nonempty closed subset  $A \subset X$  such that  $f(A) = A$ .