

1. Is the open unit ball in \mathbb{R}^3 compact? Prove your answer.
 2. (a) Prove that the union of two compact subsets of a topological space is compact.
(b) Prove that the union of infinitely many compact subsets of a topological space does not necessarily have to be compact.
 3. *Definition* A subset A of a metric space X is **bounded** iff for some positive real number r and for some point $x \in X$, $A \subset B_r(x)$.
Prove that every compact subset of a nonempty metric space is bounded.
Hint: Let A be a compact subset of a metric space (X, d) . Let x be an arbitrary point in X . Then $F = \{B_k(x) \mid k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ covers A (why?). Does F have a finite subcover?
 4. *Definition* We say a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$, where X and Y are metric spaces, is **bounded** iff its image $f(X)$ is a bounded subset of Y .
(a) Let I denote the closed unit interval, $[0, 1] \subset \mathbb{R}$. Prove that a continuous function $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ cannot get arbitrarily large in magnitude; i.e, $f(I)$ must be bounded. (Hint: Use the Heine-Borel Theorem, and another theorem about the continuous image of compact sets.)
(b) Give an example of a continuous function $f : (0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that gets arbitrarily large in magnitude.
 5. Prove the following theorem: The continuous image of a compact set is compact.
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