

You are expected to do the following problems to a high standard (i.e., at least well enough to be published in a textbook) for full credit. Five of these problems will be selected (by Jon) for grading, with each worth 4 points.

1. [Baker 6.1.7] Let \mathbb{R} have the usual topology. Show (directly from the definition) that an open interval (a, b) is not compact.
2. [Baker 6.1.18] Give an example of a topology \mathcal{T} on \mathbb{R} for which there is a closed and bounded subset A of \mathbb{R} that is not compact.
3. [Baker 6.1.18] Give an example of a topology \mathcal{S} on \mathbb{R} for which there is a compact subset A of \mathbb{R} that is neither closed nor bounded.
4. [Baker 6.2.5] Let X be a compact topological space and let Y be a Hausdorff topological space. Show that if $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a continuous function, then the inverse image of each compact subset of Y is a compact subset of X .
5. [Baker 6.2.8] Prove that compactness is a topological property.