

**Topology I**  
Exercise 4, spring 2012

1 (4:5). Suppose  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  are Lipschitz-functions with L-constants  $M$  and  $N$ . Show that the composition function  $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$  is  $MN$ -Lipschitz.

2. The function  $f : [-2, 2] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is defined by  $f(x) = x^2/2 - x^3/3$ . By using the mean value theorem determine  $M \geq 0$  such that  $f$  is  $M$ -Lipschitz.

3. Let  $(E, |\cdot|)$  be a norm space, and let fix two points  $x$  and  $y$  in  $E$ . The equality

$$h(t) = (1-t)x + ty \quad \text{for } t \in [0, 1]$$

defines a function  $h : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$ , the graph of which is the line segment connecting  $x$  ja  $y$  in  $E$ . Show that  $h$  is continuous.

4. (4:4, about). Suppose  $E = C([0, 1], \mathbf{R})$  is equipped with the supnorm and the metric defined by that. For every  $f \in E$  the equality

$$\alpha(f)(x) = 5xf(x) \quad \text{for } x \in [0, 1]$$

defines a function  $\alpha(f) : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ .

(a) Show that  $\alpha(f)$  is continuous, i.e.  $\alpha(f) \in E$ .

(b) From part (a) it follows that we have a mapping  $\alpha : E \rightarrow E$ ,  $f \mapsto \alpha(f)$ . Show that  $\alpha$  is continuous.

(c) Show that  $\alpha$  is Lipschitz.

A tip. In part (a) Chapter 5 in Väisälä.

5. Consider the subset

$$A = \{(x, y) \in \mathbf{R}^2 \mid x^2 - x < y < 2x\}$$

in the Euclidean  $\mathbf{R}^2$ . Show that  $A$  is an open set.

A tip. Recall continuous functions and Chapter 5.

6. Suppose  $f, g : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  are continuous functions. Show that then also

(a) the maximum function  $h : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , where  $x \mapsto h(x) = \max\{f(x), g(x)\}$ , is continuous,

(b) the absolute value function  $|f| : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , where  $x \mapsto |f|(x) = |f(x)|$ , is continuous.

Tips. (a) Fix  $a \in X$ , when you can suppose  $h(a) = f(a)$ , and you get a neighbourhood of  $a$  needed as an intersection of two neighbourhoods. (b) Use (a).