

*The assignment is due at the beginning of class on May 3, 2010.*

**Problem 1 (10 points)** Given a set  $S$  and  $x \in S$ ,  $x$  is called an *interior point* of  $S$  if there is a neighborhood of  $x$  that is contained in  $S$ . Show that the set

$$T = \{x \in S \mid x \text{ is an interior point of } S\}$$

is an open set.

Moreover, show: If  $U$  is an open set contained in  $S$ , then  $U$  is also contained in  $T$ .

**Problem 2 (15 points)** Use the **definition** of compactness to show the following:

1. The union of finitely many compact sets is compact.
2. Let  $A$  be a non-empty set. If  $\{C_\alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$  is a collection of compact sets, then  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} C_\alpha$  is compact.

**Problem 3 (15 points)** Show: If  $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is open **and** closed, then  $X = \mathbb{R}$  or  $X = \emptyset$ .

**Problem 4 (10 points)** Let  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  be a continuous function. Show that there is an  $x \in [0, 1]$  such that  $f(x) = x$ .