

*Read:* Rudin, Chapter 2, pages 41–43.

1. Regard  $\mathbb{Q}$ , the set of all rational numbers, as a metric space with  $d(p, q) = |p - q|$ . Let  $E$  be the set of all  $p \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $2 < p^2 < 3$ . Show that  $E$  is closed and bounded in  $\mathbb{Q}$ , but that  $E$  is not compact. Is  $E$  open in  $\mathbb{Q}$ ? [*Hint:* Use Theorems 2.30 and 2.33 in Rudin.]
2. Let  $E$  be the set of all  $x \in [0, 1]$  whose decimal expansion contains only the digits 4 and 7. Is  $E$  countable? Is  $E$  dense in  $[0, 1]$ ? Is  $E$  compact? Is  $E$  perfect? Prove all of your claims. [A set  $E$  is *perfect* if it is closed, and every point is a limit point of  $E$ .]
3. Consider the set  $S = \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1]$ , which we know is countable, Enumerate  $S$  via a function  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ , so that  $S = \{f(1), f(2), \dots\}$ . Define the set  $P \subset S$

$$P = \{0.d_1d_2d_3 \dots \in S : d_i \neq f(n)_n\},$$

where  $0.d_1d_2d_3 \dots$  is the base-10 decimal representation of a number (assuming it does not end in an infinite string of 9s), and  $f(n)_n$  is the  $n^{\text{th}}$  digit of the decimal representation of  $f(n)$ . By construction,  $P \cap \mathbb{Q} = \emptyset$ . Prove that  $P$  is perfect, and deduce that there are nonempty perfect sets in  $\mathbb{R}$  that contain no rational number?

4. Let  $X$  be a metric space.
  - (a) If  $A$  and  $B$  are disjoint closed sets in  $X$ , prove that they are separated.
  - (b) Prove the same for disjoint open sets.
  - (c) Fix  $p \in X$ ,  $\delta > 0$ , and define  $A$  to be the set of all  $q \in X$  for which  $d(p, q) < \delta$ . Define  $B$  similarly, but with  $>$  in place of  $<$ . Prove that  $A$  and  $B$  are separated.
  - (d) Prove that every connected metric space with at least two points is uncountable. [*Hint:* Use (c).]
5. Are closures and interiors of connected sets always connected? Prove or disprove each assertion.