Math 436 (Spring 2020) - Homework 2

- 1. Chapter 2: 13, 14
- 2. Prove the following statements:
 - (a) The set \mathbb{Z} of all integers is closed but not open in \mathbb{R} .
 - (b) The set \mathbb{Q} of all rational numbers is neither closed nor open in \mathbb{R} .
- 3. Let X and Y be two topological spaces. If $f: X \to Y$ is a constant map (that is, f maps all points in X to the same point in Y), then f is continuous.
- 4. Let X be a discrete topological space (that is, every subset of X is open). Given any topological space Y, show that any map $f: X \to Y$ is continuous.
- 5. Let X be the subspace $[0,1] \bigcup [3,4]$ of \mathbb{R} . Show that the map $f: X \to \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \in [0, 1] \\ 1 & \text{if } x \in [3, 4] \end{cases}$$

is continuous.