

**Exercise 12.5.**

- (a) Show that the sum of two continuous functions with the same domain is a continuous function.
- (b) Show that the product of two scalar valued functions is continuous.
- (c) Show that the composition of two continuous functions is a continuous function.

**Exercise 12.6.**

- (a) Consider the **projection functions**  $\pi_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\pi_i(\mathbf{x}) = x_i$ , where  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ , and  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Show that all the projection functions are continuous. What is the philosophical reason behind this result?
- (b) Every function  $f : S \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  can be written as  $f(\mathbf{x}) = (f_1(\mathbf{x}), f_2(\mathbf{x}), \dots, f_n(\mathbf{x}))$ , where  $f_i = \pi_i \circ f$  is the  $i^{\text{th}}$  **coordinate of  $f$** . Show that  $f$  is continuous if and only if all the  $f_i$ 's are continuous.

**Exercise 12.7.** Consider metric spaces  $X$  and  $Y$ , and a continuous function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . Show that for every compact subset  $C$  of  $X$ , its image under  $f$ ,  $f(C)$ , is compact in  $Y$ .

**Exercise 12.8.** Consider metric spaces  $X$  and  $Y$ , and a continuous function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . If  $C$  is compact in  $Y$ , must  $f^{-1}(C)$  be compact?