1046-Z1-1218William Goldbloom Bloch\* (bbloch@wheatoncollege.edu), Department of Mathematics,<br/>Wheaton College, Norton, MA 02492. Discontinuous open maps from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  onto  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Let X and Y be topological spaces. Recall that a map  $f: X \to Y$  is an open map if for all open sets  $A \subset X$ , it is the case that f(A) is open in Y. We provide two interesting examples. The first is an independent rediscovery of a discontinuous open map from  $\mathbb{R}$  onto  $\mathbb{R}$ . The second is a new simple example of a discontinuous open map from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  onto  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . We'll also state—and, time permitting, sketch the proof—of a minor proposition showing that a bijective open map from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  onto  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is continuous. (Received September 15, 2008)