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Answer 1

(a) Let x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m be m points in \mathbb{C} , and let $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m$ be non-negative coefficients summing up to 1 ($\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i = 1$). Consider the linear combination

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i x_i.$$

Since \mathbb{C} is convex, any convex combination of points in \mathbb{C} is also in \mathbb{C} . Therefore,

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i x_i \in \mathbb{C}.$$

(b) counterexample to illustrate that the composition of convex functions is not always convex:

Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined as $f(x) = x^2$, which is a convex function.

Let $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined as $g(x) = x^2 - 1$, which is also convex.

Then we have $h = f \circ g$, where $h(x) = f(g(x))$ be defined as $h(x) = x^4 - 2x^2 + 1$.

Since $h(x) = x^4 - 2x^2 + 1$ is not convex, we cannot say $f \circ g$ is convex if g and f are convex functions.

(c) **Implication 1:**

Assume $f()$ is a convex function. We should show that S is a convex set, and $g(t) = f(x + tv)$ is convex for all t such that $x + tv \in S$.

1. **Convexity of S :** Since $f()$ is defined on S , and $f()$ is convex, it implies that S must be a convex set. This is because the domain of a convex function is always convex.
2. **Convexity of $g(t) = f(x + tv)$:** Let $y_1 = x + t_1v$ and $y_2 = x + t_2v$ be two points in S where t_1, t_2 are such that $x + t_1v, x + t_2v \in S$.
Now, consider $z = \lambda y_1 + (1 - \lambda)y_2$, where λ is a convex combination coefficient ($0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$).
 $z = \lambda(x + t_1v) + (1 - \lambda)(x + t_2v)$ and $z = x + (\lambda t_1 + (1 - \lambda)t_2)v$.
Since S is convex, $x + (\lambda t_1 + (1 - \lambda)t_2)v \in S$, and by the convexity of $f()$, $g(t) = f(x + tv)$ is convex.

Therefore, the first implication holds.

Implication 2:

Assume S is a convex set, and $g(t) = f(x + tv)$ is convex for all t such that $x + tv \in S$. We want to show that $f()$ is a convex function.

To show that $f()$ is convex, we need to consider two arbitrary points x_1, x_2 in the domain of $f()$ and show that $f(\lambda x_1 + (1 - \lambda)x_2) \leq \lambda f(x_1) + (1 - \lambda)f(x_2)$ for all λ in $[0, 1]$.

Consider x_1, x_2 in the domain of $f()$. Let λ be a convex combination coefficient ($0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$). Now, consider $z = \lambda x_1 + (1 - \lambda)x_2$. Since S is convex, z is also in S . Therefore, we can use the convexity of $g(t) = f(x + tv)$ for t such that $x + tv = z$.

$$g(t) = f(x + tv) = f(\lambda x_1 + (1 - \lambda)x_2)$$

By the convexity of $g(t)$:

$$f(\lambda x_1 + (1 - \lambda)x_2) \leq \lambda f(x_1) + (1 - \lambda)f(x_2)$$

Therefore, the second implication holds.

Since both implications hold, we can conclude that a function $f()$ is convex if and only if S is a convex set, and the function $g(t) = f(x + tv)$ is convex for all t such that $x + tv \in S$.

Answer 2

(a)

(i) **if X is uncountable** The set of all $U \subseteq X$ is not a σ -algebra on X

Let's show a counterexample:

Let $X = \mathbb{R}$ and $U_1 = \mathbb{R} - \{1\}$.

Since $X - U_1 = \{1\}$ satisfies the condition U_1 must be in this set where $U \subseteq X$.

If this set is denoted by Σ , then from property (2) $X - U_1 = U_2$ must be in this set.

However, since $X - U_2 = \mathbb{R} - \{1\}$, which is infinite, U_2 cannot be in this set. This leads to a contradiction.

Therefore, if X is an uncountable infinite set, the set of all $U \subseteq X$ such that $X - U$ is either finite or is \emptyset is **not** a σ -algebra on X .

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Therefore, if X is an countable infinite set, the set of all $U \subseteq X$ such that $X - U$ is either finite or is \emptyset is **not** a σ -algebra on X .

(iii) if X is finite

The set in question must contain the empty set \emptyset . This property is satisfied because $X - X = \emptyset$, and \emptyset itself is also part of the set.

Since every U is finite where all $U \subseteq X$, $X - U$ is also finite and this satisfies the condiciton.

Therefore, if this set is denoted by Σ , then $X - U$ must be in this set.

Since $X - (X - U) = U$ is finite, this satisfies the condiciton.

Since each U where $U \subseteq X$ satisfies the condiciton, the set of all $U \subseteq X$ is $P(X)$.

Since $\Sigma \subseteq P(X)$, Therefore, if X is an uncountable infinite set, the set of all $U \subseteq X$ such that $X - U$ is either finite or is \emptyset is a σ -algebra on X .

(b)

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(ii) if X is countable infinite

The set in question must contain X . This property is satisfied because $X - \emptyset = X$, and X itself is also part of the set.

Since every U is countable where $U \subseteq X$, $X - U$ is also uncountable and this satisfies the condition.

Therefore, if this set is denoted by Σ , then $X - U$ must be in this set.

Since $X - (X - U) = U$ is countable, this satisfies the condition.

Since each U where $U \subseteq X$ satisfies the condition, the set of all $U \subseteq X$ is $P(X)$.

Since $\Sigma \subseteq P(X)$, Therefore, if X is a countable infinite set, the set of all $U \subseteq X$ such that $X - U$ is either countable or is all of X is a σ -algebra on X .

(iii) if X is finite X is in Σ :

Since $X - X = \emptyset$ (the empty set) is finite, X is in Σ .

Σ is closed under complementation:

If U is in Σ , then $X - U$ is finite or all of X . The complement of U is $X - U$. If $X - U$ is finite, then U is in Σ . If $X - U$ is all of X , then U is also in Σ . Therefore, Σ is closed under complementation.

Σ is closed under finite unions:

Let A_1, A_2, \dots be sets in Σ . This means that for each A_i , $X - A_i$ is either finite or all of X .

Consider the union $A = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots$. The complement of A is

$$X - A = (X - A_1) \cap (X - A_2) \cap \dots$$

If for each i , $X - A_i$ is finite, then $X - A$ is also finite (finite union of finite sets is finite). If for each i , $X - A_i$ is all of X , then $X - A$ is also all of X .

Therefore, Σ is closed under finite unions.

Since the set Σ satisfies all three properties, it is a σ -algebra on the finite set X .

(c)

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(iii) if X is finite

Answer 3

(a) Let's consider the congruence $ax \equiv b \pmod{p}$. If there exists an integer solution $x = x_0$, then $ax_0 \equiv b \pmod{p}$. So $ax_0 - b$ is divisible by p . This implies there exists $y \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $ax_0 - yp = b$.

Let $d = \gcd(a, p)$ (by Bezout's identity, there exist integers x_1 and y_1 such that $ax_1 + py_1 = d$). This implies:

$$\left(\frac{b}{d}\right) ax_1 + \left(\frac{b}{d}\right) py_1 = b$$

Then, we have:

$$ax + py = b$$

where x, y are integers. Since $d = \gcd(a, p)$ divides both p and a , it divides b too.

Therefore, $\gcd(a, p) \mid b$ is a must.

(b)

(c) The Chinese Remainder Theorem (CRT) asks for a (common) solution x to a system of congruences

$$x \equiv \begin{cases} a_1 & (\text{mod } p_1) \\ a_2 & (\text{mod } p_2) \\ a_3 & (\text{mod } p_3) \\ \vdots & \\ a_k & (\text{mod } p_k) \end{cases}$$

with $\gcd(p_i, p_j) = 1$ for $i \neq j$. The theorem states that there are infinitely many solutions, and any two differ by a multiple of $\text{lcm}(p_1, p_2, p_3, \dots, p_k)$.

Answer 4

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For a function g defined as $g(n) = (x_{n1}, x_{n2}, \dots, x_{nn}, \dots)$ where each x_{ij} belongs to the set $X = \{a, b, \dots, z\}$, consider the element $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots) \in X^\omega$ given by:

$$y_n = \begin{cases} x_{nn} & \text{if } x_{nn} \neq a \\ b & \text{if } x_{nn} = a \end{cases}$$

In other words, y is constructed such that it differs from each $g(n)$ by at least one coordinate. This means that y is not mapped to by g , and therefore, g cannot be surjective.

This argument generalizes to any countable product of a set X with $|X| > 1$. If X has $|X| = k$ elements, then there are $k^{\mathbb{N}}$ distinct sequences in the countable product X^ω , making it uncountable.

(b) Let $Y = \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} Y_i$.

The sets Y_i are countable; therefore, there exist surjective functions $f_i : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow Y_i$.

By Cantor's first diagonal argument, it is known that $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ is countable.

So let's define:

$$F : \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow Y$$

$$(i, x) \mapsto f_i(x)$$

Per the definition of the union, this mapping is surjective.

So, Y is indeed countable.