

Chapter 9: Metric Spaces (General Properties)

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Abstract

This document contains a summary of all the key definitions, results, and theorems from class. There are probably typos, and so I would be grateful if you brought those to my attention :-).

Syllabus: L^p space, duality, weak convergence, Young, Holder, and Minkowski inequalities, point-set topology, topological space, dense sets, completeness, compactness, connectedness, path-connectedness, separability, Tychonoff theorem, Stone-Weierstrass Theorem, Arzela-Ascoli, Baire category theorem, open mapping theorem, closed graph theorem, uniform boundedness principle, Hahn Banach theorem.

9.1. EXAMPLES OF METRIC SPACES

Definition 1 (Metric Space). Let X be a non-empty set. A function $\rho : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called a **metric** if $\forall x, y \in X$:

- (i) $\rho(x, y) \geq 0$
- (ii) $\rho(x, y) = 0 \iff x = y$
- (iii) $\rho(x, y) = \rho(y, x)$
- (iv) $\rho(x, z) \leq \rho(x, y) + \rho(y, z)$ (**Triangle Inequality**).

A non-empty set together with a metric, denoted (X, ρ) is called a **metric space**.

Definition 2 (Discrete Metric). For any non-empty set X , the **discrete metric** ρ is defined by setting $\rho(x, y) = 0$ if $x = y$ and $\rho(x, y) = 1$ if $x \neq y$.

Definition 3 (Metric Subspace). For any metric space (X, ρ) , let $Y \subseteq X$ be non-empty. Then, the restriction of ρ to $Y \times Y$ defines a metric on Y . We define this induced metric space as a **metric subspace**.