

Metric Space Q Practice

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1 Questions from Simmons section 9

Proof. Q2

Given, $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(y, z)$

Put $x=y$, then $0 \leq 2d(y, z)$, Therefore $d(y, z) \geq 0$

Since y, z are arbitrary variables, $d(x, y) \geq 0$.

Put $x=z$, then $d(z, y) \leq 0 + d(y, z)$, Therefore $d(z, y) \leq d(y, z)$

Again using the triangle inequality we can write $d(y, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(x, z)$ and if $x=z$ then we have $d(y, z) \leq d(z, y)$, therefore using the above inequality, $d(z, y) = d(y, z)$

Therefore the given metric d is a metric on X .

Proof. Q 3

X, d satisfy the three conditions: $d(x, y) \geq 0$ and $x = y \implies d(x, y) = 0$, $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ and $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$

This is a pseudo metric, example of a pseudo metric which is not a metric?

Example $d(x, y) = 0 \forall x$ and y

Part 2: *doubt*

Proof. Q 6

$I \subseteq R$ Given: I is an interval To show: it is non empty and contains all points between any two of its points.

If I is empty then it has no points and hence is not an interval.

Proof. Q 7.

X is a metric space with metric d .

$x \in X$ and $A \subseteq X$

To prove: if $A \neq \phi$, $d(x, A) \geq 0$ and $d(x, A) = \infty \iff A = \phi$

(i) To prove If $d(x, A) = \infty$ then A is empty

Since by definition $d(x, y) \geq 0$ therefore, $d(x, A) \geq 0$

By definition, $d(x, A) = \inf\{d(x, a) : a \in A\}$

We know that $\inf(A)$ is ∞ when A is empty, therefore $d(x,A)$ is empty which only means that the domain of the function $d(x,A)$ is empty.

(ii) To Prove: When A is empty then $d(x,A) = \infty$
This is trivially true from the fact that $\inf(A)$ is ∞ when A is empty, therefore $d(x,A)$ is empty. This is possible only when the domain of $d(x,A)$ is empty. Since x is a given point, A is empty.

Proof. Q 8

X is a metric space with metric d and A is a subset of X .

To prove : if A is non empty, $d(A)$ is a non-negative extended real number.

By definition $d(A) \geq 0$ since it is a metric.

(ii) (a) To prove: $d(A) = -\infty$ then A is empty
By definition $d(A) = \sup \{ d(x,y) \mid x,y \in A \}$
We know that $\sup A$ where A is any set is $-\infty$ when A is empty. Therefore $d(x,y)$ is empty. This is possible when there are no points in A , hence A is empty.

(b) To prove: A is empty then $d(A) = -\infty$
When A is empty the domain of $d(x,y)$ is empty and since $\sup(A)$ is $-\infty$ when A is empty therefore $d(A)$ is $-\infty$.

2 Questions From Section 10

Proof. Q1

To prove: if x and y are distinct points in X then \exists a disjoint pair of open spheres each of which is centered on one of the points.

Open sphere: $S_r(x) = \{x : d(x, x') < r\}$

Since two points, let x and y are distinct $d(x, y) > 0$. Therefore we can define a radius

$2r_o < d(x, y)$ and make two open spheres :

$$S_{r_o}(x) = \{x : d(x, x') < r_o\} \text{ and } S_{r_o}(y) = \{y : d(y, y'') < r_o\}$$

Therefore making two disjoint open spheres \square

Proof. Q2

To Prove: If $\{x\}$ is a singleton subset of X then show that $\{x\}'$ is open (ii)
Show that A' is open if A is any finite subset of X

Open set: $\forall x \in A, \exists S_r(x) = \{x : d(x, x') < r\} \subseteq A$

$x' = X - x$

Open set: $\forall x \in X - x, \exists S_r(x) = \{x : d(x, x') < r\} \subseteq X - x$

doubt

Proof. Q3

To prove: A is a subset of X with diameter less than r which intersects with $S_r(x)$. Prove that A is a subset of $S_{2r}(x)$

Let an element $a \in A \cap S_{2r}(x)$

Since the radius of the open circle is r we can say that $\sup d(a, x) \leq r$

Also, if $z \in A$ then $d(a, z) < r$

By triangle inequality:

$$d(x, z) \geq d(x, a) + d(a, z)$$

$$d(x, z) < r + r \text{ Since } d(a, z) < r$$

$$d(x, z) < 2r$$

Therefore for an open circle $S_{2r}(x)$ with center x , $A \subseteq S_{2r}(x)$ \square

Proof. Q.7.

To Prove: $Y \subseteq X$ and $A \subseteq Y$ Show A is open as a subset of Y it is the intersection with Y of a set which is open in X .

Proof: (i) given A is open as subset of Y then it is the intersection of Y with an open subset of X .

For every point x in A there exists an open sphere with radius r such that $S_r(x) \subseteq A$

Proof. Q8.

1. $\text{Int}(A) = \{x : x \in A \text{ and } S_r(x) \subseteq A \text{ for some } r\}$

Since by a previous theorem we know that an open set is a union of open spheres. Since the open sets are subsets of A they must be unions of open spheres of A. But, $\text{Int}(A)$ is precisely the set of all points at which we can define an open sphere. Therefore all the open subsets of A are subsets of $\text{Int}(A)$.

2. (i) A is open then $\forall x \in A, \exists r : S_r(x) \subseteq A$

And since $\text{Int}(A)$ is the set of all points of A at which an open sphere can be defined, $\text{Int}(A) = A$ since for A at every point an open sphere can be defined.

(ii) If $A = \text{Int}(A)$ then since $\text{Int}(A)$ is open, A is open

3. From (i) \square

Proof. Q.10.

A and B \subseteq X

(a) $\text{Int}(A) \cup \text{Int}(B) \subseteq \text{Int}(A \cup B)$

(b) $\text{Int}(A) \cap \text{Int}(B) = \text{Int}(A \cap B)$

(a)Proof: $\text{Int}(A)$ and $\text{Int}(B)$ are open sets.

Union of open sets are open hence $\text{Int}(A) \cup \text{Int}(B)$ is open. Since it is open we can define an open sphere at every point of this set. This will be nothing but all the points of the set $A \cup B$ at which an open sphere can be defined.

That is if $z \in \text{Int}(A) \cup \text{Int}(B)$ then $z \in \text{Int}(A \cup B)$

Therefore: $\text{Int}(A) \cup \text{Int}(B) \subseteq \text{Int}(A \cup B)$

(b)Proof: Since the intersection of finite open sets is open, $\text{Int}(A) \cap \text{Int}(B)$ is also open. $\text{Int}(A)$ is set of all the points at which an open sphere can be defined. Therefore $\text{Int}(A) \cap \text{Int}(B)$ is the set of all the common points of A and B at which an open sphere can be defined hence:

$z \in \text{Int}(A) \cap \text{Int}(B)$ then $z \in \text{Int}(A \cap B)$

Therefore: $\text{Int}(A) \cap \text{Int}(B) \subseteq \text{Int}(A \cap B)$

(ii) Similarly if $z \in \text{Int}(A \cap B)$ then $z \in \text{Int}(A) \cap \text{Int}(B)$

Therefore, $\text{Int}(A \cap B) \subseteq \text{Int}(A) \cap \text{Int}(B)$

Hence: $\text{Int}(A \cap B) = \text{Int}(A) \cap \text{Int}(B)$