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Assignment I

1. Let $\mathcal{V}$ be a vector space over the field $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$ or $\mathbb{C}$. A *seminorm* on $\mathcal{V}$ is a map $\rho : \mathcal{V} \to \mathbb{R}$ satisfying

(i) $\rho(v) \geq 0$ for all $v \in \mathcal{V}$
(ii) $\rho(\alpha v) = |\alpha|\rho(v)$ for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}$ and $v \in \mathcal{V}$.
(iii) $\rho(v+w) \leq \rho(v) + \rho(w)$ for all $v, w \in \mathcal{V}$.

Let φ be a continuous function $[0,1] \to \mathbb{R}$.

For $f \in C[0,1]$ define $\rho(f) = \int_0^1 |f(x)|\varphi(x)\,dx$. What conditions must φ satisfy so that ρ is a seminorm? What conditions must φ satisfy so that ρ is a norm?

2. Let $C^1[0,1]$ denote the vector space of functions defined on the interval $[0,1]$ which have continuous derivatives. (The derivative at an endpoint is the one-sided derivative.) For $f \in C^1[0,1]$, let $\rho(f) = \max_{0\leq x\leq 1} |f'(x)|$. Is ρ a norm? Is it a seminorm?

3, Determine which of the following formulas define a metric.

(i) On $\mathbb{R}$, $d(x,y) = \sqrt{|x-y|}$
(ii) On $\mathbb{R}$, $d(x,y) = (x-y)^2$
(iii) On $\mathbb{R}^+ = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > 0\}$, $d(x,y) = |\log(y/x)|$

4. Do exercises 1, 2, and 4 in section 2.1, p. 27

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Assignment II

1. In $(\mathbb{Q}, |\cdot|)$, let $a \in \mathbb{Q}$, describe

(i) $\partial B_r(a)$ if $r \in \mathbb{Q}$, $r > 0$.
(ii) $\partial B_r(a)$ if $r \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$, $r > 0$.

2. Do problems 1, 2, 4, and 5 in Sec. 2.2, p. 34.

3. Do problems 1 and 3 in Sec. 2.3, p. 40.

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Assignment III

1. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & \text{if } x \text{ is rational} \\ x^2, & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational} \end{cases}$$

Using the definition of continuity (i.e., involving convergent sequences), verify that f is continuous at $x = 0$ and at $x = 1$.

Show that for $0 < \epsilon < 1$, $f^{-1}(B_\epsilon(1))$ is a neighborhood of 1, but it is not an open neighborhood.

Recall the notation: $B_\epsilon(1) = (1 - \epsilon, 1 + \epsilon)$.

2. Let (X, d) be a metric space.

(i) If $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ is a convergent sequence with $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_n = x_0$, then the sequence $x_1, x_0, x_2, x_0, x_3, x_0, \ldots$ is Cauchy.
(ii) If $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ is a sequence, and the sequence $x_1, x_0, x_2, x_0, x_3, x_0, \ldots$ is Cauchy, then $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_n = x_0$.
(iii) If $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ is a Cauchy sequence, and $x_0 \in X$ is such that $x_n = x_0$ for infinitely many $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_n = x_0$.

3. Let d, d' be two metrics on a (non-empty) set X. The metrics d, d' are *equivalent* if they satisfy the condition of Definition 2.3.12 in our text. We say the metrics d, d' are *Cauchy equivalent* if whenever a sequence $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy in one of the metrics, it is Cauchy in the other. We say that the metrics d, d' are *strongly equivalent* if there exist positive constants m, M such that, for $x, y \in X$,

$$m\, d(x, y) \le d'(x, y) \le M\, d(x, y)$$

(i) Show that each of these definitions gives an equivalence relation on the set of all metrics on the space X.
(ii) Show that d, d' strongly equivalent implies d, d' Cauchy equivalent.
(iii) Show that d, d' Cauchy equivalent implies d, d' equivalent.
(iv) Show that on $X = \mathbb{R}_+$, the positive reals, the metrix $d(x, y) = |y - x|$ and $d'(x, y) = |\log(y/x)|$ are equivalent metrics, but not Cauchy equivalent.
(v) On $X = \mathbb{R}$, let $d(x, y) = |y - x|$ and $d'(x, y) = \sqrt{|y - x|}$. Show that the two metrics are Cauchy equivalent but not strongly equivalent.

Recall, an *equivalence relation* $\sim$ on a set S is a relation which satisfies

(1) $s \sim s\ \forall s \in S$
(2) If $s \sim t$ then $t \sim s$

(3) If $s \sim t$ and $t \sim u$ then $s \sim u$

Apply this definition to the set S of all metrics on a space X.

4. Do problem 6 in Sec. 2.3, p. 40.

5. Do problems 2 and 4 in Sec. 2.4, p. 51.

Hint: For problem 2, show that $d(x_{n+1}, x_n) \leq \theta^{n-1} d(x_2, x_1)$. Use this to estimate $d(x_m, x_n)$.

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Assignment IV

1. The space $X = C_b(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ is equipped with the metric D given by

$$D(f, g) = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |f(x) - g(x)|$$

Which of the following subspaces Y is a complete metric space?

(i) $Y = \{f \in X : \lim_{x \to \infty} f(x) = 0\}$
(ii) $Y = \{f \in X : f \text{ is differentiable}\}$
(iii) $Y = \{f \in X : \int_0^1 f(x)\, dx = 0\}$

2. Let $X = \mathbb{R}_+$, the set of positive real numbers, equipped with the metrics $d(x, y) = |y - x|$ and $d'(x, y) = |\log(y/x)|$. Show that these two metrics are equivalent, but not Cauchy equivalent.

3. Let $X = \mathbb{R}_+$, the set of positive real numbers, equipped with the metrics $d(x, y) = |y - x| + |1/y - 1/x|$ and $d'(x, y) = |\log(y/x)|$. Show that these metrics are Cauchy equivalent, and in fact $\mathbb{R}_+$ is complete in both metrics. Show furthermore that the metrics are not strongly equivalent.

4. Let (X, d_X), (Y, d_Y) be metric space, and suppose (X, d_X) is complete. Further suppose that there is a continuous surjection $f : X \to Y$. Does it follow that (Y, d_Y) is complete? Either prove, or give a counterexample.

5. Consider the following sequence of functions $f_n : [0, 1] \to \mathbb{R}$, defined by

$$f_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x = 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational}, \\ \frac{1}{q} & \text{if } x = \frac{p}{q}, \text{ with } q \leq n, \\ 0, & \text{if } x = \frac{p}{q}, \text{ with } q > n \end{cases}$$

where when we write $x = \frac{p}{q}$ we mean that the p, q have no common divisor greater than 1.

It is clear that the sequence $\{f_n\}$ converges *pointwise* to a function $f : [0,1] \to \mathbb{R}$. Does the sequence $\{f_n\}$ converge uniformly to f, in other words, does $||f_n - f||_\infty \to 0$?

At what points is the function f continuous?

6. Do problems 5 and 7(all parts) in Sec. 2.4

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