MA 515-001, Fall 2017, Homework 1

Due: Mon Sep 11, 2017, in-class.

Problem 1. Let $X = \mathbb{R}$ be the set of all real number. For any $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, define

$$d(x,y) \doteq \sqrt{|x-y|}$$
.

Show that (X, d) is a metric space.

Problem 2. Given $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ and a < b, consider the set of all continuous real function on [a, b]

$$X \doteq C([a,b],\mathbb{R}) = \left\{ f: [a,b] \to \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is continuous} \right\}.$$

Let $d: X \times X \to [0, +\infty)$ be such that

$$d(f,g) = \int_a^b |g(t) - f(t)| + \sqrt{|g(t) - f(t)|} dt \quad \forall f, g \in X.$$

Is (X, d) a metric space? If Yes, prove it.

Problem 3. Let (X, d) be a metric space. Prove that

(a) For any $x, y, z, w \in X$, it holds

$$|d(x,y) - d(z,w)| \le d(x,z) + d(y,w).$$

(b) For any $x, y, z \in X$, it holds

$$|d(x,z) - d(y,z)| \le d(x,y).$$

Problem 4. Recalling that for any p > 1,

$$l^p = \left\{ x = \{x_i\}_{i \ge 1} \mid \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} |x_i|^p < +\infty \right\}.$$

- (a). Find a sequence which converges to 0 but is not in l^2 .
- (b). Find a sequence $x=\{x_i\}_{i\geq 1}$ such that $x\in l^3$ but $x\notin l^2$.

Problem 5. Recalling that

$$l^{\infty} = \left\{ x = \{x_i\}_{i \ge 1} \mid x \text{ is a bounded sequence} \right\}$$

and

$$d(x,y) \doteq \sup_{i>1} |x_i - y_i| \quad \forall x, y \in l^{\infty}.$$

Show that $l^p \subset l^{+\infty}$ for all p > 1.

Problem 6. Let (X,d) be a metric space. Consider an *increasing* function $f:[0,+\infty)\to [0,+\infty)$ be such that

- (i) f(0) = 0 and f(s) > 0 for all s > 0
- (ii) (Supper-additivity) $f(s+r) \leq f(s) + f(r)$ for all $s, r \in [0, +\infty)$.

Denote by

$$d_f(x,y) = f \circ (d(x,y)) \quad \forall x, y \in X.$$

- (a). Show that (X, d_f) is a metric space.
- (b). Using (a) to prove that

$$\tilde{d}(x,y) \doteq \frac{d(x,y)}{1+d(x,y)} \quad \forall x,y \in X$$

is a metric.

Problem 7. (Product metric space) Let (X_1, d_1) and (X_2, d_2) be metric spaces. Consider the Cartesian product

$$X = X_1 \times X_2 \doteq \{(x_1, x_2) \mid x_1 \in X_1 \text{ and } x_2 \in X_2\}.$$

Show that

(a) a metric d is defined by

$$d(x,y) = d_1(x_1,y_1) + d_2(x_2,y_2) \quad \forall x = (x_1,x_2), y = (y_1,y_2) \in X;$$

(b) a metric \tilde{d} is defined by

$$\tilde{d}(x,y) = \sqrt{d_1^2(x_1,y_1) + d_2^2(x_2,y_2)} \quad \forall x = (x_1,x_2), y = (y_1,y_2) \in X.$$

Problem 8. Given a metric space (X, d) and a nonempty subset B if X, the distance from a point $x \in X$ to K is defined as

$$d_K(x) = \inf_{w \in K} d(x, w).$$

Show that d_K is a Lipschitz function with a Lipschitz constant 1, i.e.,

$$|d_K(x) - d_K(y)| \le d(x, y) \quad \forall x, y \in X.$$