MA 515-001, Fall 2017, Homework 3

Due: Mon Oct 9, 2017, in-class.

Problem 1. Check if the following are normed spaces. In the negative case, identify which of the properties (i)-(iii) fails.

(a) Let $X = \mathbb{R}$ with

$$||x|| = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \ge 0 \\ -2x & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$$

(b) Fix $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, let X be the space of all continuous function $f:[0,+\infty[\to\mathbb{R}]]$ such that

$$||f|| = \sup_{t>0} e^{\lambda t} \cdot |f(t)| < +\infty.$$

(c) Let $X = \mathbb{R}^2$. Given $p \ge 1$, define

$$||x|| = (|x_1|^p + |x_2|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$
 $\forall x = (x_1, x_2).$

(d) Let $X = \mathbb{R}^2$. Given $p \in (0,1)$, define

$$||x|| = (|x_1|^p + |x_2|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$
 $\forall x = (x_1, x_2).$

Problem 2. Let $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ and $(Y, \|\cdot\|_Y)$ be Banach spaces. Prove that the Cartersian product

$$X\times Y \ = \ \{(x,y) \mid x\in X, y\in Y\}$$

is also a Banach space, with norm

$$||(x,y)|| = \max\{||x||_X, ||y||_Y\} \quad \forall (x,y) \in X \times Y.$$

Problem 3. Let $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ be Banach spaces. Let $f: [0, +\infty) \to [0, +\infty)$ be an increasing continuous function such that

(i) f(0) = 0, f(s) > 0 $\forall s > 0$;

(ii)
$$f(s+t) \leq f(s) + f(t) \quad \forall s, t \geq 0$$
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Denote by

$$d_f(x,y) = f(||x - y||_X) \qquad x, y \in X.$$

(a) Show that (X, d_f) is a *complete* metric space.

(b) In addition, assume that

$$f(\lambda \cdot t) \leq \lambda \cdot f(t) \quad \forall \lambda, t > 0.$$

Show that the unit ball

$$B_f(0,1) = \{x \in X \mid d_f(0,x) < 1\}$$

is convex.

Problem 4. Prove that a norm space $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ is complete if and only if every absolutely convergent series has a sum

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ||x_n|| < \infty \quad \text{implies that} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n = \lim_{k \to \infty} \sum_{n=1}^{k} x_n \text{ exists.}$$

Problem 5. Fixed $p \ge 1$, recalling that

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

and

$$||x||_p = \left[\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x_i|^p\right]^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

Let $e_k = \{x_i^k\}_{i \ge 1}$ be such that

$$x_k^k = 1$$
 and $x_i^k = 0$ $\forall i \neq k$.

Show that the set

$$V \doteq span\{e_1, e_2, \dots\} = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \cdot e_{n_i} \mid n, n_i \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \alpha_i \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

is dense in l^p .

Problem 6. Let $X = \mathbb{R}$ be a metric space and

$$C(X) \ = \ \left\{ f: X \to \mathbb{R} \ \big| \ f \text{ is continuous and } \sup_{x \in X} |f(x)| < +\infty \right\} \,.$$

Let $\{f_n\}_{n\geq 1}$ be a sequence in C(X) that converges to $f\in C(X)$ uniformly, i.e.,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup_{x \in X} |f_n(x) - f(x)| = 0.$$

Show that the sequence $\{f_n\}_{n\geq 1}$ is equicontinuous on X.

Problem 7. Given $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ and a < b, consider the set of Hölder continuous of order $\alpha \in (0,1)$

$$C^{\alpha}([a,b]) = \left\{ f: [a,b] \to \mathbb{R} \mid \frac{|f(x)| - f(y)|}{|x - y|^{\alpha}} \leq C \qquad \forall x \neq y \in [a,b] \text{ for some constant } C \right\}.$$

For every $f \in C^{\alpha}([a,b])$, denote by

$$||f||_{\alpha} = \max \left\{ |f(x)| + \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{|x - y|^{\alpha}} \quad \forall x \neq y \in [a, b] \right\}.$$

- (a) Show that $(C^{\alpha}([a,b]), \|\cdot\|_{\alpha})$ is a normed vector space.
- (b) Consider the unit ball in $(C^{\alpha}([a,b]), \|\cdot\|_{\alpha})$

$$\overline{B}_{\alpha}(0,1) = \left\{ f \in C^{\alpha}([a,b]) \mid ||f||_{\alpha} \le 1 \right\}.$$

Using Arzelà Ascoli theorem to prove that the closure of $\overline{B}_{\alpha}(0,1)$ has compact closure as a subset of $(C([a,b]), \|\cdot\|_{\infty})$.

Problem 8. Let (X,d) be a *compact* metric space and a map $T:X\to X$ such that

$$d(T(x), T(y)) < d(x, y) \quad \forall x, y \in X.$$

Show that T has a fixed point.

Problem 9. Let $f: \mathbb{R} \to [0,1]$ be a contractive map. Using Banach contraction principle to show that the equation

$$e^{f(x)} = 4x$$

has a unique solution.

Problem 10. Let $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ be a normed vector space and let $\{e_1, e_2, ..., e_n\} \subset X$ be linear independent unique vector. Show that

(i) There exists $\beta_2 > 0$ such that

$$\|\lambda_1 \cdot e_1 + \lambda_2 \cdot e_2\| \ge \beta_2 \cdot (|\lambda_1| + |\lambda_2|) \quad \forall \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

(ii) There exists $\beta_n > 0$ such that

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_i \cdot e_i \right\| \geq \beta_n \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{n} |\lambda_i| \qquad \forall \lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}.$$