MATH20122 Cheat Sheet

1 Definitions and Examples

metric space: a **metric space** (X, d) consists of a non-empty set X and a non-negative real valued **metric** $(distance\ function)\ d: X \times X \to \mathbb{R}^{\geq}$ which satisfies the following axioms:

(i) $d(x,y) = 0 \iff x = y \text{ for all } x, y \in X$

(ii) d(x, y) = d(y, x) for all $x, y \in X$

(iii) $d(x, z) \le d(x, y) + d(y, z)$ for all $x, y, z \in X$ (the triangle inequality)

subspace: given any subset $W \subseteq X$, the restriction of d to W determines the subspace $(W, d := d|_W)$ of (X, d)

open ball: for any metric space (X, d), the open ball of radius r > 0 around any $x \in X$ is $B_r(x) := \{y : d(y, x) < r\}$

closed ball: for any metric space (X, d), the open ball of radius r > 0 around any $x \in X$ is $\bar{B}_r(x) := \{y : d(y, x) \le r\}$

euclidean n-space: (\mathbb{R}^n, d_2) consists of all real n-dimensional vectors $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$, equipped with the euclidean metric $d_2(x, y) = ((x_1 - y_1)^2 + \dots + (x_n - y_n)^2)^{1/2}$ where the positive square root is understood

taxicab metric: d_1 is given on \mathbb{R}^n is given by $d_1(x,y) = |x_1 - y_1| + \cdots + |x_n - y_n|$

discrete metric:
$$d(x,y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = y \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

isometry: for any two metric spaces (X, d_X) and (Y, d_Y) , a bijection $f: X \to Y$ is an isometry whenever $d_X(x, y) = d_Y(f(x), f(y))$ for all $x, y \in X$

standard metric: $d_{\mathbb{C}}$ on the complex numbers \mathbb{C} is given by $d_{\mathbb{C}}(z,z')=|z-z'|$

graph: $\Gamma := (V, E)$ consists of a set V of vertices and a set E of edges

complete graph: K_n is a complete graph if it contains n vertices and one edge between every pair

path: a path in Γ from u to w is a finite sequence of edges $\pi(u, w) = (uv_1, v_1v_2, \dots, v_{n-2}v_{v-1}, v_{n-1}w)$ with length n

path connected: a graph is path connected whenever there is a path joining any pair of vertices

edge metric: e on the vertex set V of a path connected graph is defined by $e(u, w) = min_{\pi(u, w)} l(\pi(u, w))$

alphabet: a finite set A of letters and a finite sequence of letters is a word in A, the vertex set W of the associated word graph $\Gamma(A)$ consists of all possible words in A, word w_1 and w_2 are joined by an edge iff they differ by one of (i) inserting or deleting a letter (ii) swapping two adjacent letters (iii) replacing one letter with another

word metric: d_w on W is the edge metric on the associated word graph

binary sequences: $X = \{0,1\}^{\infty}$ is the set of all infinite binary sequences $x = x_0 x_1 \dots$ where $x_n = 0$ or 1 for all $n \ge 0$

$$d_{min}(x,y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = y \\ 1/2^n & \text{if } n = min\{m : x_m \neq y_m\} \end{cases}$$
$$d^*(x,y) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{|x_j - y_j|}{2^j}$$

bounded: a real valued function f on a closed interval $[a,b] \subset \mathbb{R}$ is bounded whenever $\exists K, |f(x)| \leq K, \forall x \in [a,b]$

let X denote the set of all bounded $f:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$ then

$$d_{sup}(f,g) = \sup_{x \in [a,b]} |f(x) - g(x)| \text{ with } (X,d_{sup}) \text{ denoted by } \mathcal{B}[a,b]$$

let Y denote the set of all continuous $f:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$ then

$$d_1(f,g) = \int_a^b |f(t) - g(t)| dt$$
 with (Y,d_1) denoted by $\mathcal{L}_1[0,1]$

let X denote the set of all closed intervals [a, b] in the euclidean line

interval metric: d_H on X is given by $d_H([a,b],[r,s]) = max\{|r-a|,|s-b|\}$

$$d_{\infty}((x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2)) = \max\{|x_1 - y_1|, |x_2 - y_2|\}$$

let X be the set of infinite sequences $(a_i : i \ge 0)$ of reals, such that $\sum_i a_i$ is absolutely convergent

$$d_1((a_i),(b_i)) = \sum_{i>0} |a_i - b_i|$$

cartesian product: of two metric spaces (X, d) and (X', d') is the set $X \times X'$ with one of the metrics

- 1. $d_a((x, x'), (y, y')) = d(x, y) + d'(x', y')$
- 2. $d_b((x,x'),(y,y')) = (d(x,y)^2 + d'(x',y')^2)^{1/2}$
- 3. $d_c((x, x'), (y, y')) = max\{d(x, y), d'(x', y')\}$

lipschitz equivalent: two metrics d and e on a given set X are lipschitz equivalent whenever there exists positive constants $h, k \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $he(x, y) \leq d(x, y) \leq ke(x, y)$ for every $x, y \in X$

theorem: the metrics d_a, d_b, d_c on $X \times X'$ are lipschitz equivalent

2 Open and Closed Sets

in this section, let (X, d) be a any metric space and $U \subseteq X$

interior point: $u \in U$ such that $\exists \varepsilon > 0, B_{\varepsilon}(u) \subseteq U$, the **interior** of U is the subset $U^{\circ} \subseteq U$ of all interior points and if $U^{\circ} = U$, then U is **open** in X

proposition: every open ball $B_r(x)$ is open in X

theorem: given any two subsets $U, V \subseteq X$, the following hold:

 \bullet $U \subseteq V \implies U^{\circ} \subseteq V^{\circ}$

• U° is open in X

• $(U^{\circ})^{\circ} = U^{\circ}$

• U° is the largest subset of U, open in X

theorem: the sets X and \emptyset are open in X, so are an arbitrary union $U = \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$ of open sets U_i , and a finite intersection $U' = U'_1 \cap \cdots \cap U'_m$ of open sets U'_j

closure point: $x \in X$ is a closure point of $U \subseteq X$ if $B_{\varepsilon}(x) \cap U$ is non-empty for every $\varepsilon > 0$, the **closure** of U is the superset $\overline{U} \supseteq U$ of all closure points and if $\overline{U} = U$, then U is **closed** in X

proposition: a set V is closed in X iff its complement $U := X \setminus V$ is open

corollary: every closed ball $\overline{B}_r(x)$ is closed in X

partially open ball: in X is a set $P_r(x) := B_r(x) \cup P$, where P is a proper subset of $\{p : d(x, p) = r\}$

theorem: given any two subsets $U, V \subseteq X$, the following hold:

• $U \subseteq V \implies \overline{U} \subseteq \overline{V}$

• \overline{V} is closed in X

• $\overline{\overline{V}} = \overline{V}$

• \overline{V} is the smallest set containing V, closed in X

theorem: the sets X and \emptyset are closed in X, so are an arbitrary intersection $V = \bigcap_{i \in I} V_i$ of closed sets V_i and a finite union $V' = V'_1 \cup \cdots \cup V'_m$ of closed sets V'_j

sequence: a sequence in X is a function $s: \mathbb{N} \to X$ and it is standard practise to write s(n) as x_n and display the sequence as $(x_n : n \ge 1)$

converges: a sequence (x_n) converges to the point $x \in X$ whenever $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$, such that $n \geq N \implies d(x, x_n) < \varepsilon$ and in this situation, we say that x is the **limit** of (x_n)

theorem: in any metric space (X, d), the limit of a convergent sequence is unique

theorem: suppose that $Y \subseteq X$ and $y \in X$, then y lies in \overline{Y} iff there exists a sequence (y_n) in Y such that $y_n \to y$ as $n \to \infty$

cauchy sequence: in any metric space (X,d), a cauchy sequence (x_n) satisfies $\forall \varepsilon < 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$, such that $m, n \geq N \implies d(x_n, x_m) < \varepsilon$

dense: a subset Y is dense in (X, d) whenever $\overline{Y} = X$

bounded: a subset A of the metric space (X,d) is bounded whenever there exists $x_0 \in X$ and $M \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $d(x,x_0) \leq M$ for every $x \in A$. a function $f: S \to X$ is bounded whenever its image $f(S) \subset X$ is a bounded, for any set

diameter: the diameter, diam(A) of a bounded non-empty set $A \subseteq X$ is the real number $sup\{d(x,y): x,y \in A\}$

eucildean (n - 1)-sphere of radius r: $\{x : |x| = r\}$

boundary point: $x \in X$ of A is one for which every open ball $B_{\varepsilon}(x)$ meets both A and $X \setminus A$, the **boundary** δA of A is the set of all such boundary points

theorem: any subset A of (X, d) satisfies:

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$$A \setminus \delta A = \overline{A} \setminus \delta A = A^{\circ}$$

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$$\delta A = \delta(X \setminus A)$$

• δA is closed in X

3 Uniform Convergence

in this section, the functions under consideration are of the form $f:D\to\mathbb{R}$, where $D\subseteq\mathbb{R}$ denotes a generic **domain** in the Euclidean line (usually D is a interval)

pointwise convergence: a sequence $(f_n : n \ge 1)$ of functions converges pointwise to f on D whenever the sequence of real numbers $(f_n(x))$ converges to f(x) in \mathbb{R} for every $x \in D$

uniform convergence: a sequence $(f_n:n\geq 1)$ of functions converges uniformly to f on D whenever $\forall \varepsilon>0, \exists N(\varepsilon)\in\mathbb{N}$ such that $n\geq N(\varepsilon)\implies |f_n(x)-f(x)|<\varepsilon$ for every $x\in D$

proposition: let f and $f_n: D \to \mathbb{R}$ be functions on the domain D, then $f_n \to f$ uniformly on D iff $\sup_{x \in D} |f_n(x) - f(x)|$ exists for sufficiently large n, and tends to 0 and $n \to \infty$

theorem: if $f_n : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ is continuous for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and $f_n \to f$ uniformly on [a, b], then f is continuous on [a, b]

corollary: suppose that $f_n : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ is continuous for every $n \in N$ and that the pointwise limit of the sequence (f_n) is discontinuous on [a, b], then the convergence cannot be uniform

theorem: if $f_n:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$ is integrable on [a,b] for every $n\in N$ and (f_n) converges uniformly on [a,b] then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \int_a^b f_n(t) \ dt = \int_a^b \lim_{n \to \infty} \int_a^b f_n(t) \ dt$$

4 Continuous Functions

continuous at x_0 **in X**: given metric spaces (X, d_X) and (Y, d_Y) , a function $f: X \to Y$ is continuous at x_0 in X whenever $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ such that $d_X(x, x_0) < \delta \implies d_Y(f(x), f(x_0)) < \varepsilon$

continuous: if f is continuous at every $x_0 \in X$, then f is continuous. a continuous function is often called a map

theorem: the function $f: X \to Y$ is continuous at w in X iff (w_n) converges to w in $X \implies f(w_n)$ converges to f(w) in Y

corollary: the function $f: X \to Y$ is continuous iff (w_n) converges to w in $X \implies f(w_n)$ converges to f(w) in Y for every $w \in X$

inverse image: for any function $f: X \to Y$ and any subset $U \subseteq Y$, the inverse image $f^{-1}(U)$ is the subset $\{x: f(x) \in U\}$. this notation does *not* imply that f is invertible, or a bijection - although it sometimes may be!

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theorem: given metric spaces (X, d_X) and (Y, d_Y) , a function $f: X \to Y$ is continuous iff V closed in $Y \Longrightarrow f^{-1}(V)$ closed in X

theorem: if $f: X \to Y$ and $g: Y \to Z$ are continuous functions defined on the metric spaces $(X, d_X), (Y, d_Y),$ and (Z, d_Z) , then the composition $g \cdot f: X \to Z$ is also continuous

lipschitz equivalence: for any two metric spaces (X, d_X) and (Y, d_Y) , a bijection $f: X \to Y$ is a lipschitz equivalence whenever there exists positive constants $h, k \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $hd_Y(f(w), f(x)) \le d_X(w, x) \le kd_Y(f(w), f(x))$

homeomorphism: a bijection $f: X \to Y$ is a homeomorphism whenever f and f^{-1} are both continuous

proposition: the identity map 1_X is an isometry iff d = e, it is a lipschitz equivalence iff d and e are lipschitz equivalent (in the sense of section 1 definition)

topologically equivalent: two metrics d and e on a set X are topologically equivalent whenever the identity function 1_X is a homemorphism

proposition: two metrics d and e on X are topologically equivalent iff they give rise to precisely the same open sets

path connected: a metric space X is path connected if every two points $x_0, x_1 \in X$ admit a continuous function $\sigma : [0,1] \to X$ such that $\sigma(0) = x_0$ and $\sigma(1) = x_1$. then σ is a path from x_0 to x_1 in X.

proposition: if $f: X \to Y$ is a homeomorphism, then X is path connected iff Y is path connected

corollary: as subspaces of the euclidean plane, the interval [0,1] and the unit circle S_1 are not homoemorphic