

4. For A and B in $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z}_+)$ (the power set of \mathbb{Z}_+ , consisting of all sets of positive integers) define $d(A, B)$ as follows: If $A = B$, $d(A, B) = 0$. If $A \neq B$ and if m is the smallest positive integer that is in A or B but not both, $d(A, B) = \frac{1}{m}$.

(a) Show that d is a metric on $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z}_+)$.

Solution:

Denote the set of all elements in A or B but not both, i.e. $(A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B) = (A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus A)$, as $A \Delta B$.

- i) By definition, $d(A, A) = 0$. On the other hand, if $d(A, B) \neq 0$, then there exists an element $m \in A \Delta B = (A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus A)$, and thus $A \neq B$.
- ii) By symmetry of \cup and \cap , d is also symmetric.
- iii) Suppose $d(A, C) > d(A, B) + d(B, C)$, then $d(A, C) > d(A, B)$ and $d(B, C)$. If $x = \min A \Delta C$, then $x < \min A \Delta B$ and $x < \min B \Delta C$, hence $x \in (A \Delta B)^c = (A \cup B)^c \cup (A \cap B)$ and $x \in (B \Delta C)^c = (B \cup C)^c \cup (B \cap C)$. If $x \in B$, then $x \in A \cup B$ and $B \cup C$, hence x must be in $A \cap B \cap C \subseteq A \cap C$, a contradiction. Yet, if $x \notin B$ $x \in B$, then $x \in (A \cup B)^c = A^c \cap B^c$ and $x \in (B \cup C)^c = B^c \cap C^c$ implies $x \notin (A \cup C) \subseteq A \Delta C$ also a contradiction.

□

(b) If $\{A_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}$ is a sequence of subsets of $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z}_+)$ satisfying $A_n \subseteq A_{n+1}$ for all n and if $A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$, show that $A_n \rightarrow A$ in the metric space $(\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z}_+), d)$.

Solution:

Note that $A \Delta A_n = A \setminus A_n$ since $A_n \subseteq A$. If there exists an m such that $A_m = A_n$ for all $n \geq m$, then $d(A, A_n) = d(A, A) = 0$ since $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = A$ and proof is done.

Now, assume otherwise, i.e. for each $m > 0$, there exists $n > m$ such that $A_n \setminus A_m \neq \emptyset$, and since the sequence is nested, $A \setminus A_m \neq \emptyset$ for all m . Moreover, if $m < n$ then $A \setminus A_n \subseteq A \setminus A_m$ implies $\min A \setminus A_m \leq \min A \setminus A_n$ which implies $d(A, A_n) \leq d(A, A_m)$. Hence, the sequence defined by $a_n = d(A, A_n)$ is decreasing.

So $a_n = (\min A \setminus A_n)^{-1}$ for all n . Since A is the union of all A_n , there exists $(a_{n_1})^{-1} \in A_{n_1}$ and $(a_{n_1})^{-1} \notin A_1$. Proceed inductively to define a subsequence so that $(a_{n_{k-1}})^{-1} \notin A_{n_k}$. Hence, $(a_{n_k})^{-1} = \min A_{n_k} < \min A_{n_{k-1}} = (a_{n_{k-1}})^{-1}$. Hence a_{n_k} is strictly decreasing sequence of positive integers and thus converges to 0, and since a_n is monotone decreasing a_n converges to zero. Hence $d(A_n, A)$ can be made arbitrarily small and the proof is complete.

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Show that the metric space $(\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z}_+), d)$ is compact.

Solution:

Since this is a metric space, it suffices to prove that it is complete and totally bounded. We first show completeness. Let A_n be a given Cauchy sequence. Then, for sufficiently large $m > n$, we have

$$d(A_n, A_m) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Let

$$B_n = \bigcap_{k=n}^{\infty} A_k.$$

and note that B_n is nested as in part (b). So $B_n \rightarrow B = \bigcup B_n$ in this space. Note $A_n \supseteq B_n$ so $A_n \triangle B_n = A_n \setminus B_n$. Moreover, if

$$J = \min A_n \setminus B_n = \min A_n \setminus \bigcap_{k=n}^{\infty} A_k$$

then $J \in A_n$ and there exists an $m \geq n$ such that $J \notin A_m$. Hence $J \in (A_n \cup A_m) \setminus (A_n \cap A_m) = A_n \triangle A_m$. So

$$J \geq \min A_n \triangle A_m > \frac{2}{\varepsilon} \iff d(A_n, B_n) = \frac{1}{J} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Finally, using the converges of B_n and the above inequality, we have

$$d(A_n, B) \leq d(A_n, B_n) + d(B, B_n) < \varepsilon$$

So A_n converges to B in this space.

We now show that the space is totally bounded. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be a given radius. There exists an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\frac{1}{N} \leq \varepsilon$. Consider the collection of balls

$$\left\{ B(\varepsilon, D) : D \in \mathcal{P}(\{1, \dots, N\}) \right\}.$$

Now, for any $A \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$, the set $D_0 = \{x \in A : x \leq N\} \in \mathcal{P}(\{1, \dots, N\})$. Observe $A \triangle D_0 = A \setminus D_0 = \{x \in A : x > N\}$ implies $d(A, D_0) < \frac{1}{N} \leq \varepsilon$. Hence, A is covered in the collection above, and since it is indexed by the finite set $\mathcal{P}(\{1, \dots, N\})$, the cover is as desired and the space is totally bounded.

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6. The *diameter* of a nonempty set E in a metric space (X, d) is defined to be

$$\text{diam}(E) = \sup\{d(x, y) : x, y \in E\}.$$

Show that if $\{E_k : k \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}$ is a decreasing sequence of non-empty closed subsets of (X, d) whose diameters tend to 0 and if (X, d) is complete, the $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k$ is a singleton (i.e., consists of a single point).

Solution:

Let $x_k \in E_k$, and we show that $\{x_k\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given, then there exists an $N > 0$ such that $\text{diam} E_N < \varepsilon$. Note that $E_n \subseteq E_m \subseteq E_N$ for $n > m \geq N$ since E_k are decreasing. Hence $x_n, x_m \in E_N$ and $d(x_n, x_m) < \varepsilon$.

Since $\{x_n\}$ was shown to be Cauchy, there exists a unique limit, say x , that they converge to.

We now show $x \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k$. Fix an arbitrary k , then $E_k \supseteq E_n$ for each $n \geq k$ since the sets are decreasing. The subsequence $\{x_n\}_{n=k}^{\infty}$ converges to x , and since E_k is closed, $x \in E_k$. Since k was arbitrarily chosen, $x \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k$.

It remains to show that $\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k$ is a singleton. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given, then there exists a n such that $\text{diam} E_n < \varepsilon$. Since $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k \subseteq E_n$, we have $\text{diam} \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k \leq \text{diam} E_n < \varepsilon$. Hence $\text{diam} \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k = 0$. This implies $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k$ has only one element, for if otherwise then it has two distinct elements for which $d(x, y) > 0$.

□

7. Let (X, d) be a complete metric space and suppose that $T : X \rightarrow X$ is a continuous mapping such that

$$d(T(x), T(y)) \leq \alpha[d(T(x), x) + d(T(y), y) + d(x, y)]$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and for α independent of x and y satisfying $0 < \alpha < 1/3$. Prove that f has a unique fixed point.

Solution:

Let x_0 be some fixed element in X and $x_n = T(x_{n-1})$. We will show that this sequence is Cauchy. Observe, first

$$\begin{aligned} d(T(x_n), T(x_n)) &\leq \alpha[d(T(x_n), x_n) + d(T(x_{n-1}), x_{n-1}) + d(x_n, x_{n-1})] \\ d(x_{n+1}, x_n) &\leq \alpha[d(x_{n+1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x_{n-1}) + d(x_n, x_{n-1})] \\ (1 - \alpha)d(x_{n+1}, x_n) &\leq 2\alpha d(x_n, x_{n-1}) \\ d(x_{n+1}, x_n) &\leq \frac{2\alpha}{1 - \alpha} d(x_n, x_{n-1}) \\ d(x_{n+1}, x_n) &\leq \beta^n d(x_1, x_0) \end{aligned}$$

where $\beta = \frac{2\alpha}{1 - \alpha} < \frac{2/3}{1 - 1/3} = 1$. Now, for $n > m$

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_m) &\leq d(x_n, x_{n-1}) + d(x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}) + \cdots + d(x_{m+1}, x_m) \\ &\leq \beta^{n-1} d(x_1, x_0) + \beta^{n-2} d(x_1, x_0) + \cdots + \beta^m d(x_1, x_0) \\ &= d(x_1, x_0) \frac{\beta^m - \beta^n}{1 - \beta} \end{aligned}$$

which can be made arbitrarily small by making $n > m \geq \log_{\beta} \frac{d(x_1, x_0)}{\varepsilon(1 - \beta)}$ for an arbitrary $\varepsilon > 0$.

Since X is complete, there exists a limit to this sequence, say x . Observe,

$$\begin{aligned} d(T(x), x) &\leq d(T(x), x_n) + d(x_n, x) \\ &\leq \alpha[d(T(x), x) + d(x_n, x_{n-1}) + d(x, x_{n-1})] + d(x_n, x) \\ d(T(x), x) &\leq (1 - \alpha)^{-1}[\alpha d(x_n, x_{n-1}) + \alpha d(x, x_{n-1}) + d(x_n, x)] \\ &\leq (1 - \alpha)^{-1}[(1 + \alpha)d(x_n, x) + 2\alpha d(x_{n-1}, x)]. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we need only choose N such that for each $n > N + 1$ implies $d(x_n, x) < (1 - \alpha)/(1 + \alpha)\varepsilon < \varepsilon$ since $\frac{2\alpha}{1 - \alpha} < 1$. So, $d(T(x), x) = 0$ and thus $T(x) = x$.

□

8. A function $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called *lower semicontinuous* if, for every sequence (z_n) in \mathbb{C} converging to z we have

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(z_n) \geq f(z).$$

Prove that a lower semicontinuous function $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which is bounded below and satisfies $\lim_{|z| \rightarrow \infty} f(z) = \infty$, has a minimum value.

Solution:

Since $f(z)$ is bounded below, $\inf\{f(z) : z \in \mathbb{C}\} = M > -\infty$. Also, for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, since $M - 1/n$ is not a lower bound, there exists z_n such that $M \leq f(z_n) < M + 1/n$. Since $\{f(z_n)\}$ converges, it is bounded. Thus $\{z_n\}$ is also bounded, otherwise $\{f(z_n)\}$ would be unbounded. Hence, there exists a subsequence z_{n_k} that converges to some $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$. Since $f(z_n) \rightarrow M$, it follows that $f(z_{n_k}) \rightarrow M$ also. Observe now

$$M = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(z_n) = \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} f(z_{n_k}) \geq f(z_0).$$

Hence, $f(z_0) = M$ since $M \leq f(z_0)$ as it is a lower bound.

□

9. Suppose f is analytic in the annulus $\{z : 1 \leq |z| \leq 2\}$. Suppose that $|f(z)| \leq 3$ if $|z| = 1$ and that $|f(z)| \leq 12$ if $|z| = 2$. Show that $|f(z)| \leq 3|z|^2$ for $1 \leq |z| \leq 2$.

Solution:

Consider the function $g(z) = \frac{f(z)}{z^2}$ which is analytic on the annulus $1 \leq |z| \leq 2$. By the maximum modulus principle, $|g(z)|$ is bounded on the boundary of the annulus, $|z| = 1$ or $|z| = 2$. When $|z| = 1$ then $|g(z)| \leq \frac{3}{1} = 3$ and when $|z| = 2$, $|g(z)| \leq \frac{12}{2^2} = 3$. In either case, $|g(z)| \leq 3$, and thus for all z in the annulus. Hence

$$\left| \frac{f(z)}{z^2} \right| \leq 3 \implies |f(z)| \leq 3|z|^2 = 3|z|^2.$$

□

10. Compute

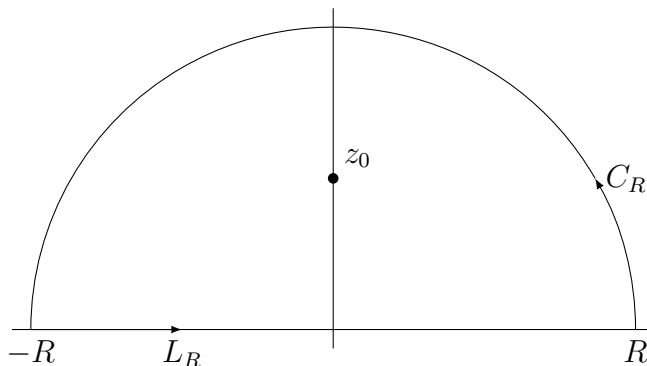
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos x}{(1+x^2)^2} dx.$$

Solution:

Let

$$f(z) = \frac{e^{iz}}{(1+z^2)^2}$$

Let C_R be a contour whose image is the upper half circle of radius R centered at $z = 0$ oriented positively, and L_R be along the real axis from $-R$ to R . Note that $(1+z^2)^2$ is a fourth degree polynomial with two roots $\pm i$, both of order two. Hence f has exactly one isolated singularity in the interior of the closed contour $C_R + L_R$, which is a pole of order two at $z = i$. Thus



$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_R + L_R} \frac{f(z)}{(1+z^2)^2} = \operatorname{Res}_{z=i} f(z) = \left. \frac{d}{dz} \frac{e^{iz}}{(1+i)^2} \right|_{z=i} = \frac{(2i)^2 i e^{-1} - e^{-1} 2(2i)}{(2i)^4} = \frac{1}{2ie}.$$

Now, for $z = x + iy$,

$$\left| \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{(1+z^2)^2} dz \right| \leq \frac{e^{-y}}{R^4 - 2R^2 - 1} \cdot \pi R \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } R \rightarrow \infty.$$

Hence

$$\frac{\pi}{e} = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{C_R + L_R} f(z) dz = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{ix}}{(1+x^2)^2} dx$$

and equating real parts gives the desired result. □

11. Let $\omega = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i\sqrt{3}$.

(a) If g is an entire function such that $g(z) = g(\omega z)$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$, show that the power series expansion for g contains only powers of z with exponents divisible by 3.

Solution:

Since g is entire, for any $|z| > 0$ we can represent both $g(z)$ and $g(\omega z)$ as power series centered at 0, and thus

$$0 = g(z) - g(\omega z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k (\omega z)^k = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k z^k (1 - \omega^k).$$

By the uniqueness of power series representation, each $a_k z^k (1 - \omega^k) = 0$. Note that $\omega = e^{2\pi i/3}$ is a primitive third root of unity. So for each coefficient where 3 does not divide k , $a_k = 0$. □

(b) If f is an entire function, show that there exist entire functions g, h , and k such that

- $f(z) = g(z) + h(z) + k(z)$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$,
- $g(z) = g(\omega z)$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$,
- $h(\omega z) = \omega h(z)$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$, and
- $k(\bar{\omega} z) = \omega k(z)$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$.

Solution:

Let

$$g(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{3n} z^{3n}, \quad h(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{3n+1} z^{3n+1}, \quad k(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{3n+2} z^{3n+2}$$

Since g, h , and k are composed of the each of the terms of f counting by three, it is clear that their sum is f . Moreover, since f was assumed to be entire, each of the series above converges for all z since they have fewer terms. Calculating similarly to (a), $g(z) = g(\omega z)$. Moreover,

$$h(\omega z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{3n+1} (e^{2\pi i/3} z)^{3n+1} = \omega h(z)$$

and

$$g(\omega z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{3n+1} (e^{2\pi i/3} z)^{3n+2} = e^{4\pi i/3} h(z) = \bar{\omega} h(z)$$

since $e^{4\pi i/3} \cdot e^{2\pi i/3} = 1$.

□

12. Use complex numbers to find (and prove) a closed-form expression for

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \cos(k\theta).$$

Solution:

Well,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^n \cos(k\theta) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{e^{ik\theta} + e^{-ik\theta}}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{k=0}^n e^{ik\theta} + \sum_{k=0}^n e^{-ik\theta} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1 - e^{i\theta(n+1)}}{1 - e^{i\theta}} + \frac{1 - e^{-i\theta(n+1)}}{1 - e^{-i\theta}} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1 - e^{i\theta(n+1)} - e^{-i\theta} + e^{i\theta n} + 1 - e^{-i\theta(n+1)} - e^{i\theta} + e^{i\theta n}}{|1 - e^{i\theta}|^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1 - \cos(n+1)\theta - \cos\theta + \cos n\theta}{2 + 2\cos\theta} \end{aligned}$$

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