

(Exercise sessions: 26.-27.1.2023) Hand-in due: Tue 31.1.2023 at 23:59

**Fill-in-the-blanks 1.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $(V, \|\cdot\|)$  a normed space. On  $V$ , we use the metric induced by the norm,  $d_V(u, v) = \|v - u\|$  for  $u, v \in V$ . Complete the proof of the following statement.

**Claim.** If  $f, g: X \rightarrow V$  are two continuous functions, then the function  $f + g: X \rightarrow V$  is also continuous.

*Remark:* The function  $f + g: X \rightarrow V$  is the pointwise sum of the vector valued functions  $f$  and  $g$ , defined by the formula  $(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$  (the right hand side is vector addition in vector space  $V$ ).

**Proof.** First fix  $x \in X$ . Let us show that  $f + g$  is continuous at the point  $x$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then also  $\frac{\varepsilon}{2} > 0$ , and since by assumption  $f$  is continuous at  $x$ , there exists a

\_\_\_\_\_ such that we have  $\|f(x') - f(x)\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$  whenever  $x' \in X$  and

\_\_\_\_\_.  
 Similarly, since  $g$  is also continuous at  $x$  by assumption, there exists a \_\_\_\_\_ such that \_\_\_\_\_.

Now let  $\delta = \_\_\_\_\_\_ > 0$ .

Then whenever  $x' \in X$  and  $d(x, x') < \delta$ , we have both

$$d(x, x') < \_\_\_\_\_\_ \quad \text{and} \quad d(x, x') < \_\_\_\_\_\_, \quad \text{so}$$

$$\|(f + g)(x') - (f + g)(x)\| = \_\_\_\_\_\_$$

$$\leq \_\_\_\_\_\_$$

$$< \_\_\_\_\_\_ = \varepsilon.$$

This implies that  $f + g$  is continuous at  $x$ . Since  $x \in X$  was arbitrary,  $f + g$  is therefore a continuous function.  $\square$

**Fill-in-the-blanks 2.** Consider the space  $\mathcal{C}([-1, 1])$  of continuous real-valued functions on the closed interval  $[-1, 1]$ , and its subspace

$$\mathcal{C}^1([-1, 1]) = \left\{ x \in \mathcal{C}([-1, 1]) \mid x' \text{ exists and is continuous } [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

of continuously differentiable functions. Equip  $\mathcal{C}([-1, 1])$  with the sup-norm and its induced metric, and equip  $\mathcal{C}^1([-1, 1]) \subset \mathcal{C}([-1, 1])$  with the metric it inherits as a subset. Taking the derivative is a function  $D: \mathcal{C}^1([-1, 1]) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}([-1, 1])$ ; concretely,  $D(x) = x'$  for  $x \in \mathcal{C}^1([-1, 1])$ . Complete the proof of the following claim:

**Claim.** The function  $D: \mathcal{C}^1([-1, 1]) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}([-1, 1])$  is not Lipschitz.

**Proof.** Let us argue by contradiction: suppose instead that  $D$  is  $M$ -Lipschitz for some  $M \geq 0$ . With such an  $M$  fixed, define a function  $x: [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$x(t) = \sin((M+1)t) \quad \text{for } t \in [-1, 1].$$

We have

$$|x(t)| = |\sin((M+1)t)| \leq \text{_____} \quad \text{for all } t \in [-1, 1],$$

so for the sup-norm of  $x$  we get

$$\|x\|_\infty = \sup_{t \in [-1, 1]} \text{_____} \leq \text{_____}.$$

The function  $x$  is continuously differentiable, with derivative given by

$$x'(t) = \text{_____} \quad \text{for } t \in [-1, 1].$$

In particular we get the following inequality for the sup-norm of the derivative  $x'$ :

$$\|x'\|_\infty = \sup_{t \in [-1, 1]} |x'(t)| \text{ _____ } |x'(0)| = \text{_____}.$$

Now let us consider the distance of  $D$  evaluated at the two arguments  $x \in \mathcal{C}^1([-1, 1])$  and  $0 \in \mathcal{C}^1([-1, 1])$ . The previous observation yields

$$d(D(0), D(x)) = \|D(x) - D(0)\|_\infty = \|x' - 0\|_\infty \geq \text{_____}.$$

This, however, is a contradiction with the assumed  $M$ -Lipschitz property of  $D$ , because that property says

$$d(D(0), D(x)) \leq M d(0, x) = M \|x - 0\|_\infty \leq \text{_____},$$

where the last inequality follows by an earlier observation. The contradiction shows that  $D$  cannot be  $M$ -Lipschitz for any  $M \geq 0$ , which completes the proof of the claim.  $\square$