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Answer 1

- (a) The statement is true. Let's consider $m = 4$ points in the set C . Let's denote the 4 points as x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 and their corresponding weights as $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \lambda_4$ such that $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 = 1$ and $\lambda_i \geq 0$.

Linear combination of 4 points:

$$\lambda_1 x_1 + \lambda_2 x_2 + \lambda_3 x_3 + \lambda_4 x_4$$

Which is equal to:

$$\lambda_1 x_1 + \lambda_2 x_2 + \lambda_3 x_3 + \lambda_4 x_4 = \lambda_1 x_1 + \lambda_2 x_2 + (\lambda_3 + \lambda_4) \left(\frac{\lambda_3}{\lambda_3 + \lambda_4} x_3 + \frac{\lambda_4}{\lambda_3 + \lambda_4} x_4 \right)$$

The term in the bracket is a convex combination of x_3 and x_4 because $\frac{\lambda_3}{\lambda_3 + \lambda_4} + \frac{\lambda_4}{\lambda_3 + \lambda_4} = 1$ and both coefficients are non-negative. Since C is a convex set, this combination is in C .

This technique can be performed again until a convex combination of two points is obtained. This combination is also in C because C is a convex set. As a result, each linear combination of four points in set C is likewise a part of set C . This argument can be generalized to any number of points. Thus, the statement is true.

- (b) The statement is false. Let's consider two convex functions $f(x) = -x$ and $g(x) = x^2$. Both functions are convex. However, the composition of these two functions $(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = -(x^2)$ is not convex. Actually it is concave.

Therefore, the composition of two convex functions is not always a convex function.

- (c) Let $x, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be such that $x + tv \in S$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$, and let $g(t) = f(x + tv)$. Then, for any $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ and any $\lambda \in [0, 1]$, we have

$$g(\lambda t_1 + (1 - \lambda)t_2) =$$

$$f(x + (\lambda t_1 + (1 - \lambda)t_2)v) =$$

$$f(\lambda(x + t_1 v) + (1 - \lambda)(x + t_2 v)) \leq \lambda f(x + t_1 v) + (1 - \lambda)f(x + t_2 v) = \lambda g(t_1) + (1 - \lambda)g(t_2).$$

This shows that $g(t)$ is a convex function on \mathbb{R} .

Suppose that S is a convex set and $g(t) = f(x + tv)$ is a convex function on \mathbb{R} for all $x, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $x + tv \in S$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Then, for any $x, y \in S$ and any $t \in [0, 1]$, we have

$$f(tx + (1 - t)y) = f(x + t(y - x)) = g(t),$$

where $g(t) = f(x + t(y - x))$. Since $g(t)$ is convex, we have

$$g(t) \leq tg(1) + (1-t)g(0) = tf(x + (y-x)) + (1-t)f(x) = tf(y) + (1-t)f(x).$$

This shows that $f(\cdot)$ is a convex function. So; the statement is true.

Answer 2

(a) This set is **not** a σ -algebra on X .

- The first property is satisfied. This is because X is in the set, since $X - X$ is \emptyset , which is finite.
- The second property is also satisfied. If U is in the set, then $X - U$ is either finite or is \emptyset . So, $X - (X - U)$ is in the set, and the set is closed under complementation.
- The third property is **not** satisfied, because there exist some subsets of X that are in the set, but their union is not in the set. Let X be the set of natural numbers, and U_n be the set n for each $n \in X$. Then U_n is in the set, since $X - U_n$ is finite. However, the union of all U_n is X and is not in the set, since $X - X$ is not finite which is \emptyset . Therefore, the set is not closed under countable unions.

(b) This set is a σ -algebra on X .

- The first property is satisfied. X is in the set, because $X - X$ is all of X .
- The second property is satisfied. If U is in the set, then $X - U$ is either countable or is all of X . Therefore, the complement of U , which is $X - (X - U)$, is either countable or is \emptyset . In either case, it is in the set. Hence, the set is closed under complementation.
- The third property is satisfied, since if A_1, A_2, \dots are in the set, then $X - A_1, X - A_2, \dots$ are either countable or are all of X . Therefore, A (the union of A_1, A_2, \dots , which is) is the complement of $X - A$ (the intersection of $X - A_1, X - A_2, \dots$). We know that $X - A$ is either countable or is all of X since the intersection of countable sets is countable and the intersection of all of X with any set is that set. Hence, A is in the set. Therefore, this set is closed under countable unions.

Since this set satisfies all three properties of σ -algebra, it is a σ -algebra on X .

(c) This set is **not** a σ -algebra on X .

- The first property is satisfied, since X is in the set, because $X - X$ is all of X .
- The second property is **not** satisfied. Let X be the set of natural numbers, and let U be the set of even numbers. Since $X - U$ is infinite, U is in the set. However, $X - U$ is not in the set, since $U - X$ is \emptyset . It is not infinite. Therefore, the set is not closed under complementation.
- The third property is **not** satisfied. Let X be the set of natural numbers, and let U_n be the set of multiples of n for each $n \in X$. Then U_n is in the set since $X - U_n$ is infinite. However, the union of all U_n is not in the set, since $X - (U_1 \cup U_2 \cup \dots)$ is \emptyset , which is not infinite. Therefore, the set is not closed under countable unions.

Answer 3

- (a) Assume that there is no solution for x in the equation $ax \equiv b \pmod{p}$, that is b is not divisible by $\gcd(a, p)$.

If there is no solution for x in the equation $ax \equiv b \pmod{p}$, then there is no integer k such that $ax - b = kp$. This implies that b is not a multiple of p , and hence $b \pmod{p}$ is not zero.

Now, by a result called Bezout's identity, there are integers s and t such that $as + pt = \gcd(a, p)$. If we take both sides modulo p , $\gcd(a, p) \equiv \gcd(a, p) \pmod{p}$. Since $b \pmod{p}$ is not zero, we cannot have $as \equiv b \pmod{p}$ for any s . Therefore, $\gcd(a, p) \nmid b$, as required.

On the other hand, if we assume that b is not divisible by $\gcd(a, p)$, then we can use the same reasoning in reverse to show that there is no solution for x in the equation $ax \equiv b \pmod{p}$. Therefore, the statement is true by contraposition.

- (b) Assume that $\gcd(p_1, p_2) = 1$, and show that this implies that the pair of congruences has a solution for x .

If $\gcd(p_1, p_2) = 1$, then there exist integers s and t such that $p_1s + p_2t = 1$ by Bezout's identity. Multiply both sides by x , $p_1sx + p_2tx = x$. Take both sides modulo p_1 , $p_2tx \equiv x \pmod{p_1}$. Similarly, take both sides modulo p_2 , $p_1sx \equiv x \pmod{p_2}$.

Therefore, if we can find an x that satisfies both $p_2tx \equiv x \pmod{p_1}$ and $p_1sx \equiv x \pmod{p_2}$, then we have a solution for the original pair of congruences. So, the statement is true.

- (c) We can use the induction method. Assume that the statement is true for $k = 1$ and $k = 2$ and show that this leads to the statement being true for $k + 1$. If $k = 1$, then the congruences reduce to a single congruence

$$a_1x \equiv b_1 \pmod{p_1}$$

which has a solution for x of the form $x \equiv c \pmod{p_1}$, where c is any integer that makes the equation true.

If $k = 2$, which is already shown to have a solution for x of the form $x \equiv c \pmod{p_1p_2}$, where c is determined by the Chinese Remainder Theorem.

Let's say the statement is true for k , and consider the system of congruences for $k + 1$. Then;

$$a_1x \equiv b_1 \pmod{p_1} \dots a_kx \equiv b_k \pmod{p_k} \quad a_{k+1}x \equiv b_{k+1} \pmod{p_{k+1}}$$

By the induction, the first k congruences have a solution for x of the form $x \equiv c \pmod{\Pi}$, where $\Pi = p_1p_2 \dots p_k$ and c is determined by the Chinese Remainder Theorem. The new congruence:

$$x \equiv c \pmod{\Pi}$$

and combine it with the last congruence

$$x \equiv b_{k+1} \pmod{p_{k+1}}$$

to form a new system of two congruences. If Π and p_{k+1} are coprime, then we can apply the Chinese Remainder Theorem to find a solution for x of the form $x \equiv m \pmod{\Pi p_{k+1}}$, where m is determined by the theorem. This completes the induction step.

Therefore, the statement is true for any k by induction.

Answer 4

- (a) $\prod_{i \in \mathbb{Z}^+} X$ means the Cartesian product of X with itself infinitely many times, which results in a set of all possible endless strings of letters from X , such as (a, b, c, \dots) , (k, h, n, \dots) , (t, r, s, \dots) , etc.

The cartesian product of countably infinite, countable sets is countable. It can be shown by the diagonal argument.

Let the set $X = \{a, b, \dots, z\}$ that contains the letters of the Turkish alphabet. This set has 29 elements, so it is finite and countable. We can list the elements of X in any order. For example: a, b, c, \dots, z . We can also assign a number to each letter, for example: 1 - a , 2 - b , 3 - c , ..., 29 - z . This function is also bijective because no two different letters have the same number (injective) and every number from 1 to 29 is assigned to some letter (surjective).

Next, let's consider the Cartesian product of X with itself, denoted by $(X) \times (X)$. This set contains all ordered pairs of letters, for example: (a, a) , (a, b) , (a, c) , ..., (z, z) . This set has 841 elements, so it is also finite and countable. We can list the elements of $(X) \times (X)$ in a systematic way, for example: (a, a) , (a, b) , (a, c) , ..., (a, z) , (b, a) , (b, b) , (b, c) , ..., (b, z) , ..., (z, a) , (z, b) , (z, c) , ..., (z, z) . We can also assign a natural number to each pair of letters, for example; 1 - (a, a) , 2 - (a, b) , 3 - (a, c) , ..., $29^2 = 841$ - (z, z) . This function is also bijective.

We can generalize this process to any finite number of Cartesian products of X with itself. For example, the set $(X) \times (X) \times (X)$ contains all ordered triples of letters, for example: (a, a, a) , (a, a, b) , (a, a, c) , ..., (z, z, z) . This set has $29^3 = 24389$ elements, so it is also finite and countable. We can list the elements of $(X) \times (X) \times (X)$ in a systematic way, for example:

(a, a, a) , (a, a, b) , (a, a, c) , ..., (a, a, z) , (a, b, a) , (a, b, b) , (a, b, c) , ..., (a, b, z) , ..., (z, z, a) , (z, z, b) , (z, z, c) , ..., (z, z, z) .

We can also assign a natural number to each triple of letters, for example; 1 - (a, a, a) , 2 - (a, a, b) , 3 - (a, a, c) , ..., 24389 - (z, z, z) . This function is also bijective.

Finally, let's consider the infinite Cartesian product of X with itself, denoted by $\prod_{i \in \mathbb{Z}^+} X$. The set contains all infinite sequences of letters, for example: (a, a, a, a, \dots) , (a, a, a, b, \dots) , (a, a, a, c, \dots) , ..., (z, z, z, z, \dots) . This set is infinite and countable at the same time. We can list the elements of $\prod_{i \in \mathbb{Z}^+} X$ in a diagonal way, as shown in the following table:

1	2	3	4	...
a	a	a	a	...
b	a	a	a	...
c	a	a	a	...
...
a	b	a	a	...
b	b	a	a	...
c	b	a	a	...
...
a	c	a	a	...
b	c	a	a	...
c	c	a	a	...
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We can also assign a natural number to each infinite sequence of letters, for example: 1 - (a, a, a, a, ...), 2 - (b, a, a, a, ...), ..., 30 - (a, b, a, a, ...), ..., 60 - (b, c, a, a, ...), ...

Therefore, the set $\Pi i \in Z^+ X$ is countable, since the set can be listed and numbered in a one-to-one correspondence with the natural numbers.

- (b) Since each Y_i is countably infinite, there exists a surjective function $f_i: Z^+ \rightarrow Y_i$. Assume that each f_i is injective because we can always choose an injective function from $Z^+ \rightarrow Y_i$ by removing duplicates.

Consider the function $f: Z^+ \times Z^+ \rightarrow U_{i=1}^{\infty} Y_i$ defined by $f(n, m) = f_n(m)$, where f_n is the function associated with the set Y_n . In other words, f takes an ordered pair (n, m) and maps it to the m -th element in the n -th set.

Now, we claim that f is a surjective function. Given any element y in the union $U_{i=1}^{\infty} Y_i$, there exists an n such that y belongs to Y_n . Since f_n is surjective, there exists an m such that $f_n(m) = y$. Therefore, $f(n, m) = f_n(m) = y$, and f covers every element in the union.

Since we have constructed a surjective function from $Z^+ \times Z^+$ to $U_{i=1}^{\infty} Y_i$, and $Z^+ \times Z^+$ is countable, we can conclude that $U_{i=1}^{\infty} Y_i$ is countable.