## Functional Analysis Assignment 1

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Questions

**Problem 1:** Show that the real line is a metric space.

**Solution 1: Claim:** For real line, the metric space can be defined as  $(\mathbb{R}, d)$ . Where d(x, y) = |x - y|. Let's see if the following distance metric follows all the properties:-

- 1. as d(x, y) = |x y|, it is an absolute function therefore the value should be **non-negative**, also as domain is  $\mathbb{R}$  it is **real valued** and it is **finite** as distance between two "well defined, non-infinite" numbers x and y should be finite (or the limit must exist).
- 2. Let d(x,y) = 0, therefore, |x y| = 0 this is true only when x = y.
- 3. as |x-y| = |(-1)\*(y-x)| = |-1||y-x| = |y-x| hence d(x,y) = d(y,x)
- 4. Triangle Inequality, Let

$$|x - y| = |x - z + y - z|$$

$$|x - y|^2 = |x - z + y - z|^2 \text{ by taking square on both sides}$$

$$|x - y|^2 = |x - z|^2 + |y - z|^2 + 2(x - z)(y - z)$$

$$|x - y|^2 \le |x - z|^2 + |y - z|^2 + 2|x - z||y - z| \text{ (as } x \le |x|)$$

$$|x - y|^2 \le (|x - z| + |y - z|)^2$$

$$|x - y| \le |x - z| + |y - z|$$

$$d(x, y) \le d(x, z) + d(z, y)$$

Hence Proved.

**Problem 2:** Does  $d(x,y) = (x-y)^2$  define a metric on the set of all the real numbers?

Solution 2: To be defined as a distance metric it should follow these properties:

1. as  $d(x,y) = (x-y)^2$ , it is a square function therefore the value should be **non-negative**, also as domain is  $\mathbb{R}$  it is **real valued** and it is **finite** as distance between two "well defined, non-infinite" numbers x and y should be finite (or the limit must exist).

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2. Let d(x,y) = 0, therefore,  $(x-y)^2 = 0$  this is true only when x = y.

3. as 
$$(x-y)^2 = ((-1)*(y-x))^2 = (-1)^2(y-x)^2 = (y-x)^2$$
 hence  $d(x,y) = d(y,x)$ 

4. Triangle Inequality,

$$(x-y)^2 = (x-z+y-z)^2$$
  

$$(x-y)^2 = (x-z)^2 + (y-z)^2 + 2(x-z)(y-z)$$
  

$$d(x,y) = d(x,z) + d(z,y) + 2(x-z)(y-z)$$

Now  $d(x,y) \le d(x,z) + d(z,y)$  only when  $2(x-z)(y-z) \le 0$  but let's say z > y & z > x, then in that case 2(x-z)(y-z) > 0 and hence the given distance function can not be defined as a metric on the set of all the real numbers.

**Problem 3:** Show that  $d(x,y) = \sqrt{|x-y|}$  defines a metric on the set of all real numbers.

Solution 3: To be defined as a distance metric it should follow these properties:-

- 1. as  $d(x,y) = \sqrt{|x-y|}$ , it has an absolute function therefore the value should be **non-negative**, also as domain is  $\mathbb{R}$  it is **real valued** and it is **finite** as distance between two "well defined, non-infinite" numbers x and y should be finite (or the limit must exist).
- 2. Let d(x,y) = 0, therefore,  $\sqrt{|x-y|} = 0$  or |x-y| = 0 this is true only when x = y.
- 3. as  $\sqrt{|x-y|} = \sqrt{|(-1)(y-x)|} = \sqrt{|y-x|}$  hence d(x,y) = d(y,x)
- 4. Triangle Inequality, As proved in (Problem 1)

$$\begin{split} |x-y| & \leq |x-z| + |y-z| \\ (\sqrt{|x-y|})^2 & \leq (\sqrt{|x-z|})^2 + (\sqrt{|y-z|})^2 \\ (\sqrt{|x-y|})^2 & \leq (\sqrt{|x-z|})^2 + (\sqrt{|y-z|})^2 + 2*\sqrt{|x-z|}\sqrt{|y-z|} \text{ as it is a non-negative quantity} \\ (\sqrt{|x-y|})^2 & \leq (\sqrt{|x-z|} + \sqrt{|y-z|})^2 \end{split}$$

Taking square-root both sides,

$$\sqrt{|x-y|} \le \sqrt{|x-z|} + \sqrt{|y-z|}$$
$$d(x,y) \le d(x,z) + d(z,y)$$

Hence Proved.

**Problem 4:** Find all metrics on a set X consisting of two points. Consisting of one point.

## Solution 4:

1. **Two Points.** For this, as d(x,y) = 0 only when x = y, therefore  $d(p_i, p_i) = 0$  and  $d(p_1, p_2) = d(p_2, p_1) = C$  where C is a real value, finite and positive (i.e. greater than 0).

It follows triangle inequality too, as  $d(p_1, p_x) + d(p_2, p_x) = C + 0$  or 0 + C which is greater than equal to  $d(p_1, p_2) = C$ .

- 2. One Point. d(p,p) = 0, as there is only one point and distance metric d is 0 for two same elements (therefore d(p,p) = 0). It is **non-negative**, **real valued and finite**. As  $0 \le 0$  therefore  $d(x,x) \le d(x,x) + d(x,x)$  (Triangle inequality). And **reflexive property is trivial**.
- **1.1-7 Function space** C[a,b]. As a set X we take the set of all real-valued functions x, y, ... which are functions of an independent real variable t and are defined and continuous on a given closed interval J = [a,b]. Choosing the metric defined by

$$d(x,y) = \max_{t \in J} |x(t) - y(t)|, \tag{1}$$

where max denoted the maximum, we obtain a metric space which is denoted by C[a, b]. (The letter C suggests "continuous.") This is a function space because every point of C[a, b] is function.

**Problem 5:** Show that another metric  $\tilde{d}$  on the set X in 1.1-7 is define by

$$\tilde{d}(x,y) = \int_{a}^{b} |x(t) - y(t)| dt$$

**Solution 5:** To be defined as a distance metric it should follow these properties:-

- 1. as  $\tilde{d}(x,y) = \int_a^b |x(t) y(t)| dt$ , as only positive quantities are added therefore the value should be **non-negative**, it is **real valued** as the functions are real valued and it is **finite** as distance between two "well defined, non-infinite" real-valued functions x and y should be finite (or the integral is).
- 2. Let d(x,y)=0, therefore,  $\int_a^b |x(t)-y(t)|dt$  this means for every real value in interval [a,b], |x(t)-y(t)|=0 which in turn means that  $x(t)=y(t) \ \forall \ t \in [a,b]$ , or both functions are same i.e. x=y.
- 3. as  $d(x,y) = \int_a^b |x(t) y(t)| dt = \int_a^b |(-1)| |y(t) x(t)| dt = \int_a^b |y(t) x(t)| dt = d(y,x)$  hence d(x,y) = d(y,x)
- 4. Triangle Inequality As proved in (Problem 1) where  $x_1, y_1, z_1$  are real-valued.

$$|x_1 - y_1| \le |x_1 - z_1| + |y_1 - z_1|$$
  
 $|x(t) - y(t)| \le |x(t) - z(t)| + |y(t) - z(t)|$ 

As x(t), y(t), z(t) where  $t \in [a, b]$  are real-valued and can replace  $x_1, y_1, z_1$ . Taking integral (continuous sum) from a to b on both side.

$$\int_{a}^{b} |x(t) - y(t)| dt \le \int_{a}^{b} |x(t) - z(t)| dt + \int_{a}^{b} |y(t) - z(t)| dt \tag{2}$$

$$d(x,y) \le d(x,z) + d(z,y) \tag{3}$$

Hence Proved.

**Problem 6 (Axioms of a metric):** (M1) to (M4) could be replaced by other axioms (without changing the definition). For instance, show that (M3) and (M4) could be obtained from (M2) and

$$d(x,y) \le d(z,x) + d(z,y)$$

**Solution 6:** Given that  $d(x,y) \leq d(z,x) + d(z,y)$  - (1) is correct and d(x,y) = 0 iff x = y (M2).

To prove: d(x,y) = d(y,x) and  $d(x,y) \le d(x,z) + d(z,y)$ 

**Proof:** 

1. Let z = y in equation (1)

$$d(x,y) \le d(y,x) + d(y,y)$$
  
 $d(x,y) \le d(y,x) + 0$  as  $d(y,y) = 0$  (M2)  
 $d(x,y) \le d(y,x)$  – equation 2

Also in –equation (1) we can switch the positions of x and y, and take z = x

$$d(y, x) \le d(x, y) + d(x, x)$$
  
 $d(y, x) \le d(x, y) + 0$  as  $d(y, y) = 0$  (M2)  
 $d(y, x) \le d(x, y)$  – equation 3

Combining equation 2 & 3 gives d(x, y) = d(y, x) (M3).

2. now using result from (point 1) i.e. d(x,y) = d(y,x), d(z,x) = d(x,z) and this can be replaced in equation 1.

$$d(x,y) \leq d(z,x) + d(z,y)$$
 
$$d(x,y) \leq d(x,z) + d(z,y) \text{ which is (M4)}$$

**Problem 7:** Show that non-negativity of a metric follows from (M2) to (M4).

**Solution 7:** Given (M2), (M3) and (M4). Let's substitute y = x in (M4),

$$\begin{aligned} d(x,x) & \leq d(x,z) + d(z,x) \\ 0 & \leq d(x,z) + d(x,z) \text{ using (M2)} \\ 0 & \leq d(x,z) + d(x,z) \text{ using (M3)} \\ 0 & \leq 2*d(x,z) \\ 0 & \leq d(x,z) \end{aligned}$$

Hence distance metric d is non-negative.

**Problem 8:** Using (6), show that the geometric mean of two positive numbers does not exceed the arithmetic mean.

Solution 8: As referenced from book, (6) refers to Young's Inequality i.e.  $\alpha\beta \leq \frac{\alpha^p}{p} + \frac{\beta^q}{q}$  where  $\begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{p}+\frac{1}{q}=1. \\ \text{Putting } p=q=2 \text{ in the equation,} \end{array}$ 

$$\alpha\beta \le \frac{\alpha^2}{2} + \frac{\beta^2}{2}$$
$$2\alpha\beta \le \alpha^2 + \beta^2$$

adding  $2\alpha\beta$  on both sides,

$$4\alpha\beta \le \alpha^2 + \beta^2 + 2\alpha\beta$$
$$4\alpha\beta \le (\alpha + \beta)^2$$

Taking square-root both sides (as  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are positive it is possible),

$$\begin{split} & 2\sqrt{\alpha\beta} \leq |\alpha+\beta| \\ & \sqrt{\alpha\beta} \leq \frac{|\alpha+\beta|}{2} \\ & \sqrt{\alpha\beta} \leq \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2} \text{ as } |x| = x \text{ if } x > 0 \end{split}$$

Geometric Mean  $\leq$  Arithmetic Mean

Problem 9: Show that the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality (11) implies

$$(|\xi_1| + \dots + |\xi_n|)^2 \le n(|\xi_1|^2 + \dots + |\xi_n|^2) \tag{4}$$

Solution 9: Cauchy-Schwarz inequality:-

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\xi_i \eta_i| \le \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\xi_i|^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\eta_i|^2}$$
 (5)

Substituting  $\xi_{n+1} = \xi_{n+2} = \dots = 0$ ,  $\eta_1 = \dots = \eta_n = 1$  and  $\eta_{n+1} = \eta_{n+2} = \dots = 0$ 

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} |\xi_i| \le \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} |\xi_i|^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} 1}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} |\xi_i| \le \sqrt{n \sum_{i=1}^{n} |\xi_i|^2}$$

Taking square on both sides,

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} |\xi_i|\right)^2 \le n \sum_{i=1}^{n} |\xi_i|^2$$
$$(|\xi_1| + \dots + |\xi_n|)^2 \le n(|\xi_1|^2 + \dots + |\xi_n|^2)$$

Hence Proved.

**Problem 10 (Space**  $l^p$ ): Find a sequence which converges to 0, but is not in any space  $l^p$ , where  $1 \le p < +\infty$ .

**Solution 10:** Consider the sequence:  $x_i = \frac{1}{\ln(i+1)}$ . As  $n \to \infty$  this sequence converges to 0. But it's sum  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x_i|^p$  diverges hence it does not belong to any space  $l^p$ , where  $1 \le p < +\infty$ .

Proof.

$$|\ln(k+1)| < |k+1|$$

$$0 < \frac{1}{|k+1|} < \frac{1}{|\ln(k+1)|}$$

$$\frac{1}{|k+1|} < \frac{1}{|\ln(k+1)|} < |\frac{1}{\ln(k+1)}|^p$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k+1} < \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\frac{1}{\ln(k+1)}|^p$$

As the left side is divergent therefore the series sum limit does not exists (or is divergent).  $\Box$ 

Hence Proved.

**Problem 11:** Find a sequence x which is in  $l^p$  with p > 1 but  $x \notin l^1$ .

**Solution 11:** Let's consider a sequence: "1,  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{3}$ , ...,  $\frac{1}{n}$ , ...". But to qualify to belong to a space  $l^p$ , where 1 < p 1 +  $\frac{1}{2}$  +  $\frac{1}{3}$  + ... should diverge.

*Proof.* Now, any number is less than the perfect power of two which comes first after that number for example, 3 < 4 and 11 < 16.

$$1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} > 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \dots$$
 (6)

$$1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} > 1 + 1 + 1 + \dots \log(n) \text{ times}$$
 (7)

$$1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} > \log(n) \tag{8}$$

Taking  $n \to \infty$  both sides,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{i} > \lim_{n \to \infty} \log(n) \tag{9}$$

This clearly shows, the series diverges and hence cannot be a part of  $l^1$ . But there exists a proof that this sequence exists in  $l^p$  where p > 1 for example the sum of series for p = 2 is  $\frac{\pi^2}{6}$ .

Hence Proved.

**Problem 12:** Let X be the space of all ordered n-tuples  $x = (\xi_1, ..., \xi_n)$  of real numbers and

$$d(x,y) = \max_{i} |\xi_i - \eta_i|$$

where  $y = (\eta_i)$ . Show that (X, d) is complete.

**Solution 12:** Consider a general cauchy sequence  $(x_k)$  where  $x_k = (\xi_1^k, \xi_2^k, ..., \xi_n^k)$ . Then as the sequence is cauchy, for all  $\epsilon \exists$  an N such that  $d(x_m, x_n) < \epsilon$  and m, n > N. From this:

$$d(x_m, x_n) = \max_{i} |\xi_i^m - \xi_i^n| < \epsilon$$
$$|\xi_i^m - \xi_i^n| < \epsilon \ \forall \ i, n, m \text{ with } n, m > N$$

Which states that  $\xi_i^1, \xi_i^2, ..., \xi_i^p, ...$  is a cauchy sequence for all i in  $\mathbb{R}$  and using as  $\mathbb{R}$  is complete it converges, let's say to  $\xi_i$  as  $p \to \infty$ . Therefore,

$$|\xi_i^n - \xi_i| < \epsilon \ \forall \ i, n, m \text{ with } n, m > N$$

and let's define  $x = (\xi_1, ..., \xi_n)$ , where  $\xi_i$  are the individual limits. Then,

$$\max_{i} |\xi_{i}^{n} - \xi_{i}| < \epsilon \ \forall \ i, n, m \text{ with } n, m > N$$
 
$$d(x_{i}, x) < \epsilon$$

Hence the given cauchy sequence converges to x. As an arbitary cauchy sequence was taken, it shows that any cauchy sequence in X converges which proves that (X, d) is complete.

**Problem 13:** Let X be the set of all positive integers and  $d(m,n) = |m^{-1} - n^{-1}|$ . Show that (X,d) is not complete.

**Solution 13:** Consider a sequence 1, 2, 3, ... surely it is a cauchy sequence as  $n, m \to \infty$   $d(x_m, x_n)$  becomes lesser and lesser, i.e. we can use any  $\epsilon$  and it's associated N exists. But for any positive integer k,  $\lim_{x\to\infty} d(x,k) = k^{-1}$  hence the given sequence does not converge in X, that in turn proves that (X,d) is **not complete.** 

**Problem 14:** (Space C[a,b]) Show that the subspace  $Y \subset C[a,b]$  consisting of all  $x \in C[a,b]$  such that x(a) = x(b) is complete.

**Solution 14:** As a subspace M of a complete metric space X is itself complete if and only if the set M is closed in X. So, in this problem given  $Y \subset C[a,b]$  consisting of all  $x \in C[a,b]$  such that x(a) = x(b) if we are able to prove it is closed then the given Y is complete.

*Proof.* Let's consider a sequence of functions belonging to Y such that these functions,  $f_n \to f$  in C[a, b]. Therefore, if limit exists, then for any  $\epsilon$  there exists N such that n > N.

$$d(f_n, f) = \max_{t \in [a, b]} |f_n(t) - f(t)| < \epsilon$$
$$|f_n(t) - f(t)| < \epsilon$$

for all t. Therefore  $f_n(t)$  converges to f(t) for all  $t \in [a, b]$ . Also limit function f is continuous on [a, b] because  $f_n$  are continuous functions. Now according to triangle inequality,

$$|f(a) - f(b)| \le |f(a) - f_n(a)| + |f_n(a) - f_n(b)| + |f_n(b) - f(b)|$$

$$|f(a) - f(b)| \le |f(a) - f_n(a)| + |f_n(b) - f(b)|$$

$$\le 2 \max_{t \in [a,b]} |f_n(t) - f(t)|$$

$$= 2d(f_n, f)$$

which approaches to 0 as  $n \to \infty$ , hence  $|f(a) - f(b)| \le 0$  or |f(a) - f(b)| = 0 hence the  $f \in Y$  or it is closed. Hence, it is complete subspace.

**1.2-1 Sequence Space s.** This space consists of the set of all (bounded or unbounded) sequences of complex numbers and the metric d denoted by

$$d(x,y) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^j} \frac{|\xi_i - \eta_i|}{1 + |\xi_i - \eta_i|}$$
(10)

where  $x = (\xi_j)$  and  $y = (\eta_j)$ 

**Problem 15:** (Space s) Show that in the space s (cf. 1.2-1) we have  $x_n \to x$  if and only if  $\xi_j^{(n)} \to \xi_j$  for all j = 1, 2, ..., where  $x_n = (\xi_j^{(n)})$  and  $x = (\xi_j)$ 

**Solution 15:** Let's consider  $x_n \to x$  to be true where  $x_n = (\xi_1, \xi_2, ...)$ , then  $\lim_{n \to \infty} d(x_n, x) = 0$  or for any  $\epsilon$  there exists an N such that for all n > N,

$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{2^{i}} \frac{|\xi_{i}^{n} - \xi_{i}|}{1 + |\xi_{i}^{n} - \xi_{i}|} \leq d(x_{n}, x) < \frac{1}{2^{i}} \frac{\epsilon}{1 + \epsilon} \\ &\frac{1}{2^{i}} \frac{|\xi_{i}^{n} - \xi_{i}|}{1 + |\xi_{i}^{n} - \xi_{i}|} < \frac{1}{2^{i}} \frac{\epsilon}{1 + \epsilon} \\ &\frac{|\xi_{i}^{n} - \xi_{i}|}{1 + |\xi_{i}^{n} - \xi_{i}|} < \frac{\epsilon}{1 + \epsilon} \\ &|\xi_{i}^{n} - \xi_{i}|(1 + \epsilon) < \epsilon(1 + |\xi_{i}^{n} - \xi_{i}|) \\ &|\xi_{i}^{n} - \xi_{i}| < \epsilon \end{split}$$

Therefore  $\xi_i^n \to \xi_i$  as  $n \to \infty$ . And conversely, if  $\xi_i^n \to \xi_i$  for all i then, according to the definition of convergent sequence,  $x_n = (\xi_j^{(n)})$  must approach  $x = (\xi_j)$  using second property i.e. if  $x_n \to x$  and  $y_m \to y$  then  $d(x_n, y_m) \to d(x, y)$ .

**Problem 16:** Using problem 11 (problem 15 in this assignment), show that the sequence space s in 1.2-1 is complete.

**Solution 16:** Consider any cauchy sequence  $(x_n)$  such that  $x_n = \xi_i^{(n)}$ , as it is cauchy for any  $\epsilon$  there exists N such that n, m > N,

$$\frac{1}{2^i} \frac{|\xi_i^n - \xi_i|}{1 + |\xi_i^n - \xi_i|} \le d(x_n, x) < \frac{1}{2^i} \frac{\epsilon}{1 + \epsilon}$$
(11)

which is equivalent to  $|\xi_i^n - \xi_i^m| < \epsilon$  (as shown in solution to problem 15), which shows that for all  $i, (\xi_i^1, \xi_i^2, ...$  is a cauchy sequence but as the elements of this sequence are in  $\mathbb{R}$  therefore it must converge. Now using (problem 15 solution) we can state that, the original cauchy sequence  $(x_n)$  also converges i.e.  $(x_n) \to (x)$  therefore as an arbitrary cauchy sequence was considered it proves that all cauchy sequence converges. Hence, the sequence space is complete.

**Problem 17:** Let X be the metric space of all real sequences  $x = (\xi_i)$  each of which has only finitely many non-zero terms, and  $d(x,y) = \sum |\xi_j - \eta_j|$ , where  $y = (\eta_j)$ . Note that this is a finite sum but the number of terms depends on x and y. Show that  $(x_n)$  with  $x_n = (\xi_j^{(n)})$ ,

$$\xi_j^{(n)} = j^{-2} \text{ for } j = 1, ..., n \text{ and } \xi_j^{(n)} = 0 \text{ for } j > n$$
 (12)

is Cauchy but does not converge.

## Solution 17:

**First:** To prove that it is a cauchy sequence. Consider the series  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i^2}$ , this series converges and have a finite sum that is  $\frac{\pi^2}{6}$ . Therefore as the series converges, we can say that for every  $\epsilon$  there exists N such that for n > N,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i^2} < \epsilon \tag{13}$$

now consider the distance function for two real sequences  $x_n, x_m$  where n > m > N

$$d(x_n, x_m) = \sum_{i=m+1}^{n} \frac{1}{i^2} \le \sum_{i=m+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i^2} \le \sum_{i=N+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i^2} < \epsilon$$

therefore, such sequence is a cauchy sequence.

**Second:** To prove that it does not converge, consider the distance between  $x_m$  and x, where in m < N and  $x_i = 0$  for i > n. Therefore,

$$d(x_m, x) = |xi_1 - 1| + |xi_2 - \frac{1}{4}| + \dots + |xi_m - \frac{1}{m^2}| + \frac{1}{(1+N)^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n^2}$$
(14)

This will not approach to 0 when  $n \to \infty$ , even if all the modulo terms becomes 0. Hence, the given sequence is cauchy but not converge.