

Homework 2

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Problem 1

1. Show that f_n converges to 0 pointwisely

Proof: For all x in $(0, 1)$, for all real $\epsilon > 0$ there exists an integer $N = \lceil \log_x \epsilon \rceil$ such that for all integers $n > N$ we have $d(x^n, 0) < \epsilon$. \square

2. Does f_n converge to 0 uniformly?

Proof: No. Suppose to the contrary that $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly. Then $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $n > N$ implies $\forall x \in X, d(f_n(x), 0) < \epsilon$. But there exists ϵ in $(0, 1)$ such that $\forall N \in \mathbb{Z}$, there exists $x_n = \epsilon^{1/(n+1)}$ with $n > 0, N$ such that $(x_n)^n > \epsilon$. \square

Problem 2

Let Y be a subspace of X and let S be a subset of Y . show that the closure of S in Y coincides with $\bar{S} \cap Y$ where \bar{S} is the closure of S in X .

Proof: Suppose y is in the closure of S in Y . Then for all $r > 0$ there exists $B(y, r) \cap S \neq \emptyset$. Then a sequence $\{y_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ exists with $y_n \in Y$ such that $\forall r > 0$ there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n > N$ implies $d(y_n, y) < r$. Therefore $\{y_n\}$ is a sequence in Y which converges to y and following theorem 1.11, because $y \in X$ this implies $y \in \bar{S} \cap Y$, which is logically equivalent to $y \in \bar{S} \cap Y$. \square

Problem 3

A sequence $\{x_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$ in a metric space (X, d) is a fast Cauchy sequence if

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} d(x_k, x_{k+1}) < \infty.$$

Show that a fast Cauchy sequence is a Cauchy sequence.

Proof: If $\{x_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$ a fast sequence then the sum of all x_k is a finite real number. Then there exists $a \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a > 0$, and $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$a - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n d(x_k, x_{k+1}) = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$a - \sum_{k=1}^N d(x_k, x_{k+1}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{N+1}^n d(x_k, x_{k+1}). \quad (2)$$

It follows from the definition of a metric that for $l, m \in \mathbb{N}$ with $l, m > N$

$$a - \sum_{k=1}^N d(x_k, x_{k+1}) \geq d(x_l, x_m). \quad (3)$$

Following equation one, we can establish that for all $\epsilon > 0$, with $\epsilon > a - \sum_{k=1}^N d(x_k, x_{k+1})$, there exists N such that $l, m > N$ implies $d(x_l, x_m) < \epsilon$, and thus $\{x_k\}$ is Cauchy. \square