

Seminar 1 / Metric Spaces

1. Are the terms $d(x, y)$ metric functions?

a) $d(x, y) = \sin^2(x - y); \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}^1$

b) $d(x, y) = \sqrt{|x - y|}; \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}^1$

c) $d(x, y) = |\arctan(x - y)|; \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}^1$

d) $d(x, y) = |x_1 - y_1|; \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}^2, \quad x = (x_1, x_2)^T, \quad y = (y_1, y_2)^T$

2. Verify the inequality:

$$\frac{|a + b|}{1 + |a + b|} \leq \frac{|a|}{1 + |a|} + \frac{|b|}{1 + |b|}; \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}^1$$

Tip: Use the monotony of the function $f(x) = \frac{x}{1 + x}$.

3. Prove by using the inequality of number 2 that the set of all real sequences with the following function $d(x, y)$ is a metric space:

$$d(x, y) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k} \frac{|x_k - y_k|}{1 + |x_k - y_k|}; \quad x = \{x_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}; \quad y = \{y_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$$

4. Verify that the following two axioms are equivalent to the axioms of the metric space:

a) $d(x, y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = y$

b) $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(y, z) \quad \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{X}$

5. Prove that the metric function is continuous, i.e.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y \text{ imply } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n) = d(x, y).$$

6. Let M be the set of all n -digit binary words $x = x_1x_2\dots x_n$.

The HEMMING - distance d_H of such two binary words x, y is given by the number of digits which are different between x and y .

Verify that

a) $d_H(x, y) = \sum_{k=1}^n [(x_k + y_k) \bmod 2]$

b) (M, d_H) is a metric space.

7. Let M be the set of all sequences of natural numbers. The distance between two different elements $x = \{x_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ and $y = \{y_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is defined by $1/\lambda$ such that λ is the smallest natural number satisfying $x_\lambda \neq y_\lambda$. Further $d(x, x) = 0$.

Verify that (M, d) is a metric space. (It is an example of BAIRE Space.)

8. Let (\mathbb{X}_1, d_1) and (\mathbb{X}_2, d_2) be metric spaces. For any $x, y \in \mathbb{X}_1 \times \mathbb{X}_2$,

$$x = (x_1, x_2), \quad y = (y_1, y_2) \text{ the metric } d \text{ is given by } d(x, y) = \max(d_1(x_1, y_1), d_2(x_2, y_2)).$$

Verify that $(\mathbb{X}_1 \times \mathbb{X}_2, d)$ is a metric space.

Seminar 2 / Open and Closed Sets

1. Let (\mathbb{X}, d) be a metric space. A and B are proper subsets of \mathbb{X} : $A \subset \mathbb{X}, B \subset \mathbb{X}$.
Prove that $A \subset B$ implies $A^+ \subseteq B^+$ and $\overline{A} \subseteq \overline{B}$.
2. Let (\mathbb{X}, d) be a metric space. A and B are proper subsets of \mathbb{X} : $A \subset \mathbb{X}, B \subset \mathbb{X}$.
Verify that: $\overline{A \cap B} \subseteq \overline{A} \cap \overline{B}$ and $\overline{A \cup B} = \overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$.
But $\overline{A \cap B} = \overline{A} \cap \overline{B}$ is not valid. Give a counterexample!
3. Give an example for the following facts:
 - a) The intersection of an infinite collection of open sets must not be open.
 - b) The union of an infinite collection of closed sets must not be closed.
4. Let (\mathbb{X}, d) be a metric space. A and B are proper subsets of \mathbb{X} : $A \subset \mathbb{X}, B \subset \mathbb{X}$. Further let A be an open set and B a closed set. Verify that $A \setminus B$ is open and $B \setminus A$ is closed.
5. Write down the (derived) set A^+ , the set of all interior points $\overset{\circ}{A}$ and the closure \overline{A} of the following sets $A \subset \mathbb{R}$:
 - a) $A = \left\{ \frac{(-1)^n n^2}{1+n} \mid n \in \mathbb{N} \right\}$
 - b) $A = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[-\frac{1}{n}; 1 + \frac{1}{n} \right]$
 - c) $A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[n - \frac{1}{n}; n + \frac{1}{2n} \right]$
 - d) $A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2^n - 1}{2^n}; \frac{2^{n+1} - 1}{2^{n+1}} \right)$
6. Let E be the set $E = \{0; \frac{1}{n}; \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{m} \mid n, m \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset \mathbb{R}$ What is the (derived) set E^+ ?
7. Let (\mathbb{X}, d) be a metric space. F_1 and F_2 are closed proper subsets of \mathbb{X} : $F_1 \subset \mathbb{X}, F_2 \subset \mathbb{X}$ such that $F_1 \cap F_2 = \emptyset$. Prove that there exist open sets G_1 and G_2 such that $F_1 \subset G_1$, $F_2 \subset G_2$ and $G_1 \cap G_2 = \emptyset$.
8. Let (\mathbb{X}, d) be a metric space. A is a proper subset of \mathbb{X} : $A \subset \mathbb{X}$, \overline{A} is the closure of A . Let x be an interior point of \overline{A} . Do this imply that x is an interior point of A too?
9. ** Look for an example of a metric space \mathbb{X} with the property, that there are more sets than the space \mathbb{X} and the empty set which are both open and closed.

Seminar 3 / Completeness of Metric Spaces

- Verify that the following spaces are complete:
 - $\mathbb{X} = m$: space of all real bounded sequences such that $d(x, y) = \sup_i |x_i - y_i|$, $\sup_i |x_i| < \infty$, $\sup_i |y_i| < \infty$.
 - $\mathbb{X} = c$: space of all convergent real sequences such that $d(x, y) = \sup_i |x_i - y_i|$.
 - $\mathbb{X} = c_0$: space of all real null sequences such that $d(x, y) = \sup_i |x_i - y_i|$.
- Is the set of all natural numbers together with the following metric a complete metric space?
 - $d_1(m, n) = \frac{|m-n|}{m \cdot n}$
 - $d_2(m, n) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } m = n \\ 1 + \frac{1}{m+n} & \text{for } m \neq n \end{cases}$
- Consider \mathbb{R}^n with the metric $d(x, y) = \max_i |x_i - y_i|$. Prove:
 - (\mathbb{R}^n, d) is a metric space.
 - (\mathbb{R}^n, d) is complete.
- Consider a metric space (\mathbb{X}, d) and a proper subset $M \subset \mathbb{X}$. Let d_0 be the restriction of the metric d onto M . Prove:
 - (M, d_0) is a metric space.
 - If (M, d_0) is complete, then M is closed in \mathbb{X} .
 - If (\mathbb{X}, d) is complete, then follows:
 (M, d_0) is complete $\Leftrightarrow M$ is closed.
- Consider a metric space (\mathbb{X}, d) and a compact proper subset $A \subset \mathbb{X}$. Let f be a continuous mapping $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Prove:
 - $f(A)$ is a compact set.
 - The function f has an absolute maximum and an absolute minimum on A .
- *Let $C^1[a, b]$ be the set of all continuously differentiable functions with respect to $[a, b]$. For any $x(t), y(t) \in C^1[a, b]$ we define

$$d(x, y) = \max_{a \leq t \leq b} |x(t) - y(t)| + \max_{a \leq t \leq b} |x'(t) - y'(t)|.$$

- Verify that $C^1[a, b]$ is a complete metric space.
- Consider $C^m[a, b]$, the set of all m times continuously differentiable functions with respect to $[a, b]$. How can we define an analogous metric there?

Seminar 4 /Fix Point Theorem

1. Verify that the function $f : [0, \frac{1}{2}] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $f(x) = x^3$ is a contractive mapping in the metric space $X = \mathbb{R}$ with $d(x, y) = |x - y|$.
2. Verify that the function $f : [a, b] \rightarrow [c, d]$ such that $[c, d] \subseteq [a, b]$ and $|f'(x)| \leq \alpha < 1$ in $[a, b]$ is a contractive mapping in the metric space $X = \mathbb{R}$ with $d(x, y) = |x - y|$.
3. Look for the numbers $\lambda \in (0; 4]$ such that the mapping $f(x) = \lambda x(1 - x)$ with $0 \leq x \leq 1$ is a contractive mapping in the metric space $X = \mathbb{R}$ with $d(x, y) = |x - y|$.
4. Let $a_{ik} \in \mathbb{C}$, $i, k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ be the coefficients of the following system of linear equations

$$x_i - \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} x_k = b_i \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n \quad \text{with}$$
$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \sum_{k=1}^n |a_{ik}| \leq q < 1.$$

Show that this system of linear equations has a unique solution for every $b_1, \dots, b_n \in \mathbb{C}$.

Seminar 5 / Normed Spaces

1. Let \mathbb{U} be a complete normed space and \mathbb{S} be a proper subspace. Prove: The closure $\overline{\mathbb{S}}$ of \mathbb{S} is a subspace of \mathbb{U} too.
2. Let $(\mathbb{U}_1, \|\cdot\|_1)$ and $(\mathbb{U}_2, \|\cdot\|_2)$ be normed spaces over the field \mathbb{K} . Verify:
 - a) $\mathbb{U}_1 \times \mathbb{U}_2$ is a normed space with $\|(x_1, x_2)\| = \|x_1\|_1 + \|x_2\|_2$ for every $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{U}_1 \times \mathbb{U}_2$.
 - b) If \mathbb{U}_1 and \mathbb{U}_2 are Banach spaces then $\mathbb{U}_1 \times \mathbb{U}_2$ is a Banach space too..
3. Let $C_b(I)$ be the linear space of all in $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ defined bounded functions $x(t)$ with $\|x\| = \sup_{t \in I} |x(t)|$. Prove that $(C_b(I), \|\cdot\|)$ is a Banach space.
4. A subset A of a linear normed space \mathbb{U} with $\|\cdot\|$ is called convex, if for any $x, y \in A$ the "connection line" $\alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y$; $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ belongs to A . Prove:
 - a) In a linear normed space the unit ball $E = \{x \in \mathbb{U} \mid \|x\| \leq 1\}$ is a convex set.
 - b) The closure \overline{A} of a convex set A is convex too.
5. Let $\mathbb{U} = C[a, b]$; $-\infty < a < b < \infty$ be a normed space with $\|x\| = \max_{a \leq t \leq b} |x(t)|$. Verify that:
 - a) $M = \{x \in \mathbb{U} \mid \int_a^b x(t)dt = 0\}$ is a closed subspace of \mathbb{U} . M is not dense in \mathbb{U} .
 - b) $M = \{x \in \mathbb{U} \mid x(a) = 1\}$ is closed and convex, but M is not a subspace of \mathbb{U} .
 - c) If φ is defined by $\varphi(x) = |x(a)|$ then φ is not a norm in \mathbb{U} .
 - d) If the norm is defined by $\|x(t)\|_1 = \int_a^b |x(t)|dt$, then $\|\cdot\|_1$ is a norm in \mathbb{U} , but \mathbb{U} is not a Banach space with respect to this norm. (advice: Construct a sequence of continuous functions which tends to a step function.)
 - e) The operators $A : \mathbb{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $B : \mathbb{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{U}$ are defined by

$$(Ax)(t) = x(a) \quad \text{and} \quad (Bx)(t) = \int_a^t x(s)ds.$$

Prove:

A and B are linear continuous operators with $\|A\| = 1$ and $\|B\| = b - a$.

f) Verify that the operator $Fx = \int_0^1 sx(s)ds$ is continuous.

g) Look for numbers $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ such that the operator

$(Ax)(t) = \alpha \int_a^t \sin x(s)ds + 1$; $A : \mathbb{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{U}$ is contractive.

Seminar 6 / Pre-Hilbert Spaces and Hilbert Spaces

1. Let $p(t)$ be a continuous positive function defined in $[0, 1]$. Prove:

$$(x, y) = \int_0^1 p(t)x(t)\overline{y(t)}dt, \quad \forall x(t), y(t) \in C[0, 1]$$

is an inner product in $C[0, 1]$ (with the weight $p(t)$).

2. Verify that in any spaces with inner product the following statements are satisfied:

a) $x \perp y \Leftrightarrow \|x + \alpha y\| = \|x - \alpha y\| \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathbf{K}$

b) $x \perp y \Leftrightarrow \|x\| \leq \|x - \alpha y\| \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathbf{K}$

3. Orthonormize the system of functions $1, t, t^2, \dots, t^n$ in $L_2[0, \infty)$ with the weighted inner product

$$(f, g) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} f(t)\overline{g(t)}dt.$$

4. Prove:

a) The Banach space $C[a, b]$; $-\infty < a < b < \infty$ with the maximum norm $\|x\| = \max_{a \leq t \leq b} |x(t)|$ is not a Hilbert space.

b) The Banach space \mathbb{R}^n with $\|x\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|$ is not a Hilbert space, but with $\|x\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2}$ it is.

5. Prove that the unit ball is not compact in separable infinite dimensional Hilbert spaces.

6. Let $\mathbb{X} = C[-1; 1]$ be a real space with the inner product

$$(x, y) = \int_{-1}^1 x(t)y(t)dt,$$

$$E = \{x \in \mathbb{X} \mid x(t) = 0; t \leq 0\}, F = \{x \in \mathbb{X} \mid x(t) = 0; t \geq 0\}.$$

Verify:

a) E, F are not closed subspaces of \mathbb{X} .

b) The set $E + F$ is not closed, too.

7. Calculate the best approximation of the function $f(t) = \sin t$ by the the polynoms $\phi_i(t) = t^{i-1}$; $i = 1, 2, \dots, 5$ in the space $L_2[-\frac{\pi}{2}; \frac{\pi}{2}]$.