

21 Problem List: Spaces

21.1 The Cauchy-Schwarz and triangle inequalities

1. (Cauchy-Schwarz and the triangle inequality) Let $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be a positive definite inner product space. The *length norm* on V is the function

$$\begin{array}{l} V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \\ v \mapsto \|v\| \end{array} \quad \text{given by} \quad \|v\|^2 = \langle v, v \rangle.$$

Show that

- (a) If $x, y \in V$ then $|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \cdot \|y\|$.
 (b) If $x, y \in V$ then $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$.

2. (Pythagorean theorem) Let $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be a positive definite inner product space. The *length norm* on V is the function

$$\begin{array}{l} V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \\ v \mapsto \|v\| \end{array} \quad \text{given by} \quad \|v\|^2 = \langle v, v \rangle.$$

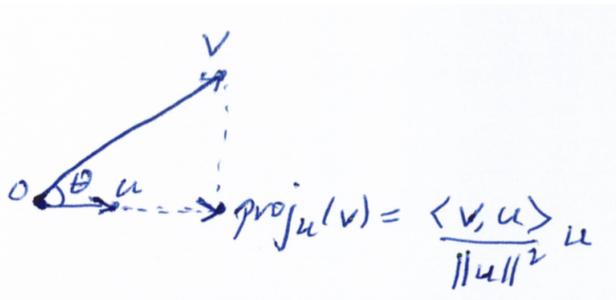
Show that

$$\text{if } x, y \in V \text{ and } \langle x, y \rangle = 0 \quad \text{then} \quad \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 = \|x + y\|^2.$$

3. (angles and projections) Let $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be a inner product space and let $u, v \in V$. The *angle between v and u* is $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$ defined by

$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{\langle v, u \rangle}{\|v\| \|u\|} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{proj}_u(v) = \langle v, \frac{u}{\|u\|} \rangle \frac{u}{\|u\|}.$$

is the *orthogonal projection of v onto u* .



- (a) Use the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality to show that $0 \leq \cos(\theta) < 1$ and show that $\|\text{proj}_u(v)\| = \cos(\theta) \cdot \|v\|$.
 (b) Let W be a finite dimensional subspace of V and let $\{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$ be an orthonormal basis of W . The *orthogonal projection of v onto the subspace W* is

$$\text{proj}_W(v) = \langle v, u_1 \rangle u_1 + \dots + \langle v, u_k \rangle u_k.$$

Show that $\text{proj}_W(v)$ is independent of the choice of orthonormal basis.

4. Let (V, \langle, \rangle) be a positive definite inner product space. The *length norm* on V is the function

$$\begin{array}{l} V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \\ v \mapsto \|v\| \end{array} \quad \text{given by} \quad \|v\|^2 = \langle v, v \rangle.$$

- (a) (The Cauchy-Schwarz inequality) Show that if $x, y \in V$ then $|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \cdot \|y\|$.
- (b) (The triangle inequality) Show that if $x, y \in V$ then $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$.
- (c) (The Pythagorean theorem) Show that

$$\text{if } x, y \in V \text{ and } \langle x, y \rangle = 0 \quad \text{then} \quad \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 = \|x + y\|^2.$$

(d) (The parallelogram law) Show that

$$\text{if } x, y \in V \text{ then } \|x + y\|^2 + \|x - y\|^2 = 2\|x\|^2 + 2\|y\|^2.$$

(e) Show that if $(V, \| \cdot \|)$ is a normed vector space over \mathbb{R} such that $\| \cdot \|: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ satisfies

$$\text{if } x, y \in V \text{ then } \|x + y\|^2 + \|x - y\|^2 = 2\|x\|^2 + 2\|y\|^2,$$

then (V, \langle, \rangle) with $\langle, \rangle: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \frac{1}{2}(\|x + y\|^2 - \|x\|^2 - \|y\|^2) = \frac{1}{4}(\|x + y\|^2 - \|x - y\|^2)$$

is a positive definite symmetric inner product space such that $\|v\|^2 = \langle v, v \rangle$. To prove that $\langle x_1 + x_2, y \rangle = \langle x_1, y \rangle + \langle x_2, y \rangle$, first establish the identity

$$\|x_1 + x_2 + y\|^2 = \|x_1\|^2 + \|x_2\|^2 + \|x_1 + y\|^2 + \|x_2 + y\|^2 - \frac{1}{2}\|x_1 + y - x_2\|^2 - \frac{1}{2}\|x_2 + y - x_1\|^2.$$

To prove that $\langle cx, y \rangle = \lambda \langle x, y \rangle$, first show that this identity holds when $c \in \mathbb{Z}$, then for $c \in \mathbb{Q}$, and finally by continuity for every $c \in \mathbb{R}$.

(f) Show that if $(V, \| \cdot \|)$ is a normed vector space over \mathbb{C} and $\| \cdot \|: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ satisfies

$$\text{if } x, y \in V \text{ then } \|x + y\|^2 + \|x - y\|^2 = 2\|x\|^2 + 2\|y\|^2,$$

then (V, \langle, \rangle) with $\langle, \rangle: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ given by

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \frac{1}{4}(\|x + y\|^2 - \|x - y\|^2 + i\|x + iy\|^2 - i\|x - iy\|^2)$$

is a positive definite Hermitian inner product space such that $\|v\|^2 = \langle v, v \rangle$.

21.2 Relating types of spaces

1. (positive definite inner product spaces are normed vector spaces) Let (V, \langle, \rangle) be a positive definite inner product space. The *length norm* on V is the function

$$\begin{array}{l} V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \\ v \mapsto \|v\| \end{array} \quad \text{given by} \quad \|v\|^2 = \langle v, v \rangle.$$

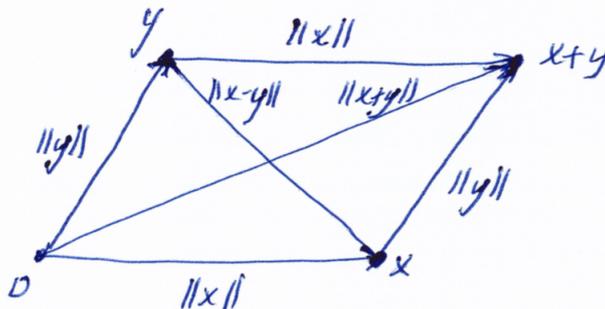
Show that $(V, \| \cdot \|)$ is a normed vector space.

2. (inner product spaces from normed vector spaces: the parallelogram law)

- (a) Let (V, \langle, \rangle) be an inner product space and let $\| \cdot \|: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ be given by $\|v\|^2 = \langle v, v \rangle$. Show that

$$\text{if } x, y \in V \text{ then } \|x + y\|^2 + \|x - y\|^2 = 2\|x\|^2 + 2\|y\|^2$$

(the sum of the squared lengths of the edges is the sum of the squared lengths of the diagonals).



- (b) Show that if $(V, \| \cdot \|)$ is a normed vector space over \mathbb{R} such that $\| \cdot \|: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ satisfies

$$\text{if } x, y \in V \text{ then } \|x + y\|^2 + \|x - y\|^2 = 2\|x\|^2 + 2\|y\|^2,$$

then (V, \langle, \rangle) with $\langle, \rangle: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$ given by

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \frac{1}{2}(\|x + y\|^2 - \|x\|^2 - \|y\|^2) = \frac{1}{4}(\|x + y\|^2 - \|x - y\|^2)$$

is a positive definite symmetric inner product space such that $\|v\|^2 = \langle v, v \rangle$. To prove that $\langle x_1 + x_2, y \rangle = \langle x_1, y \rangle + \langle x_2, y \rangle$, first establish the identity

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_1 + x_2 + y\|^2 &= \|x_1\|^2 + \|x_2\|^2 + \|x_1 + y\|^2 + \|x_2 + y\|^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2}\|x_1 + y - x_2\|^2 - \frac{1}{2}\|x_2 + y - x_1\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

To prove that $\langle cx, y \rangle = c\langle x, y \rangle$, first show that this identity holds when $c \in \mathbb{Z}$, then for $c \in \mathbb{Q}$, and finally by continuity for every $c \in \mathbb{R}$. (See [Bre](#), Ch. 5 Ex. 3].)

- (c) Show that if $(V, \| \cdot \|)$ is a normed vector space over \mathbb{C} such that $\| \cdot \|: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ satisfies

$$\text{if } x, y \in V \text{ then } \|x + y\|^2 + \|x - y\|^2 = 2\|x\|^2 + 2\|y\|^2,$$

then (V, \langle, \rangle) with $\langle, \rangle: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ given by

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \frac{1}{4}(\|x + y\|^2 - \|x - y\|^2 + i\|x + iy\|^2 - i\|x - iy\|^2)$$

is a positive definite Hermitian inner product space such that $\|v\|^2 = \langle v, v \rangle$. (See [Ru](#), Ch. 4 Ex. 11].)

3. (normed vector spaces are metric spaces) Let $(V, \| \cdot \|)$ be a normed vector space. The *norm metric* on V is the function

$$d: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \quad \text{given by} \quad d(x, y) = \|x - y\|.$$

Show that (V, d) is a metric space.

4. (uniformity of a pseudometric) Let X be a set. A *pseudometric on X* is a function $f: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \cup \{\infty\}$ such that

- (a) If $x \in X$ then $d(x, x) = 0$,
- (b) If $x, y \in X$ then $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$,
- (c) If $x, y, z \in X$ then $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$.

Show that the sets

$$B_\epsilon = \{(x, y) \in X \times X \mid d(x, y) < \epsilon\}, \quad \text{for } \epsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{>0},$$

generate a uniformity \mathcal{X}_d on X . (See [Bou] Top. Ch. IX §1 no. 2].)

5. (every uniformity comes from a family of pseudometrics) Let (X, \mathcal{X}) be a uniform space. Show that there exists a set \mathcal{D} of pseudometrics on X such that \mathcal{X} is the least upper bound of the set $\{\mathcal{X}_d \mid d \in \mathcal{D}\}$ of uniformities \mathcal{X}_d defined by the pseudometrics $d \in \mathcal{D}$. (See [Bou] Top. Ch. IX §1 no. 4 Theorem 1].)
6. (The neighborhood filter of a uniform space) Let (X, \mathcal{X}) be a uniform space. Let $x \in X$ and let $\mathcal{N}(x)$ be the neighborhood filter of x . Show that

$$\mathcal{N}(x) = \{B_V(x) \mid V \in \mathcal{X}\}.$$

7. (The uniform space topology is a topology) Let (X, \mathcal{X}) be a uniform space. Let

$$B_V(x) = \{y \in X \mid (x, y) \in V\} \quad \text{for } V \in \mathcal{X} \text{ and } x \in X, \quad \text{and let}$$

$$\mathcal{N}(x) = \{B_V(x) \mid V \in \mathcal{X}\} \quad \text{for } x \in X.$$

- (a) Show that $\mathcal{T} = \{U \subseteq X \mid \text{if } x \in U \text{ then } U \in \mathcal{N}(x)\}$ is a topology on X .
- (b) Show that if \mathcal{U} is a topology on X and $\mathcal{U} \supseteq \{B_V(x) \mid V \in \mathcal{X}\}$ then $\mathcal{U} \supseteq \mathcal{T}$.

8. (The metric space topology is a topology) Let (X, d) be a metric space. Let

$$B_\epsilon(x) = \{y \in X \mid d(y, x) < \epsilon\} \quad \text{for } \epsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{>0} \text{ and } x \in X.$$

Let $\mathcal{B} = \{B_\epsilon(x) \mid \epsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}, x \in X\}$.

- (a) Show that $\mathcal{T} = \{\text{unions of sets in } \mathcal{B}\}$ is a topology on X .
- (b) Show that if \mathcal{U} is a topology on X and $\mathcal{U} \supseteq \mathcal{B}$ then $\mathcal{U} = \mathcal{T}$.

9. (warning on relating the metric space uniformity and the metric space topology) Let (X, d) be a metric space, \mathcal{X} the metric space uniformity on X and \mathcal{T} the metric space topology on X .

- a) Show that if X is discrete then $\mathcal{T} = \{\text{unions of } B_v(x)\}$ and

$$\{B_V(x) \mid V \in \mathcal{X}, x \in X\} = \{B_\epsilon(x) \mid \epsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}, x \in X\}.$$

(b) Show that if X is not discrete then

$$\{B_V(x) \mid V \in \mathcal{X}, x \in X\} \text{ is not equal to } \{B_\epsilon(x) \mid \epsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}, x \in X\}.$$

(c) Give an example to show that if X is not discrete then

$$\mathcal{T} \text{ is not equal to } \{\text{unions of } B_V(x)\}.$$

10. (Example of a topological space that is not a uniform space) Let $X = \{0, 1\}$ and let $\mathcal{T} = \{\emptyset, \{0\}, X\}$. Show that \mathcal{T} is a topology on X and that there does not exist a uniformity on X such that \mathcal{T} is the uniform space topology on X .
11. (Example of a topological space that is not a metric space) Let $X = \{0, 1\}$ and let $\mathcal{T} = \{\emptyset, \{0\}, X\}$. Show that \mathcal{T} is a topology on X and that there does not exist a metric $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ such that \mathcal{T} is the metric space topology on X . (Show that \mathcal{T} is not Hausdorff.)
12. (Example of a uniform space that is not a metric space) Let $X = \{0, 1\}$ and let $\mathcal{X} = \{X \times X\}$. Show that \mathcal{X} is a uniformity on X and that there does not exist a metric $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ such that \mathcal{X} is the metric space uniformity on X . (Show that the uniform space topology of X is not Hausdorff.)
13. (consistency of metric space topology, uniform space topology and metric space uniformity) Let (X, d) be a metric space and let \mathcal{X} be the metric space uniformity on X . Show that the uniform space topology of (X, \mathcal{X}) is the same as the metric space topology on (X, d) .
14. (necessary and sufficient condition for a topology to be a uniform space topology) Let (X, \mathcal{T}) be a topological space. Show that there exists a uniformity \mathcal{X} on X such that \mathcal{T} is the uniform space topology on (X, \mathcal{X}) if and only if (X, \mathcal{T}) satisfies

if $x \in X$ and V is a neighborhood of x
then there exists a continuous function $f: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$

$$\text{with } f(x) = 0 \text{ and } f(V^c) = \{1\}.$$

(See [Bou](#), Top. Ch. IX §1 no. 5 Theorem 2.)

15. (necessary conditions for a topology to be a metric space topology) Let (X, \mathcal{T}) be a topological space.
- (X, \mathcal{T}) is *Hausdorff* if X satisfies: if $x, y \in X$ and $x \neq y$ then there exist open sets U and V in X such that

$$x \in U, \quad y \in V \quad \text{and} \quad U \cap V = \emptyset.$$

- (X, \mathcal{T}) is *normal* if X satisfies: if A and B are closed sets in X and $A \cap B = \emptyset$ then there exist open sets U and V in X such that

$$A \subseteq U, \quad B \subseteq V \quad \text{and} \quad U \cap V = \emptyset.$$

- (X, \mathcal{T}) is *first countable* if $\mathcal{N}(a)$ is countably generated for each $a \in X$,
i.e. (X, \mathcal{T}) is *first countable* if X satisfies: if $a \in X$ then

there exist $N_1, N_2, \dots \in \mathcal{N}(a)$ such that
if $N \in \mathcal{N}(a)$ then there exists $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ such that $N \supseteq N_r$.

Let (X, d) be a metric space and let \mathcal{T} be the metric space topology on X . Show that

- (a) (X, \mathcal{T}) is Hausdorff,
- (b) (X, \mathcal{T}) is normal,
- (c) (X, \mathcal{T}) is first countable.

16. (sufficient condition for a topology to be a metric space topology) A topological space (X, \mathcal{T}) is *regular* if (X, \mathcal{T}) is Hausdorff and

if $x \in X$ then $\{C \subseteq X \mid C \text{ is closed and } x \in C\}$
is a fundamental system of neighborhoods of x .

Let (X, \mathcal{T}) be a topological space. Show that

if (X, \mathcal{T}) is regular and \mathcal{T} has a countable base

then there exists a metric $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ on X such that \mathcal{T} is the metric space topology of (X, d) . (See [Bou, Top. Ch. IX §4 Ex. 22].)

17. (necessary and sufficient condition for a topology to be a metric space topology) Let (X, \mathcal{T}) be a topological space. There exists a metric $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ on X such that \mathcal{T} is the metric space topology of (X, d) if and only if

- (a) (X, \mathcal{T}) is regular and
- (b) there exists a sequence $(\mathcal{B}_1, \mathcal{B}_2, \dots)$ of locally finite families of open subsets of X such that $\mathcal{B} = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}} \mathcal{B}_n$ is a base of the topology \mathcal{T} .

(See [Bou, Top. Ch. IX §4 Ex. 22].)

18. (necessary and sufficient condition for a uniformity to be a metric space uniformity) Let (X, \mathcal{X}) be a uniform space and let \mathcal{T} be the uniform space topology of (X, \mathcal{X}) .

There exists a metric $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$

on X such that \mathcal{X} is the metric space uniformity of (X, d) if and only if

- (a) (X, \mathcal{T}) is Hausdorff and
- (b) there exists a countable subset \mathcal{B} of \mathcal{X} such that

$\mathcal{X} = \{V \subseteq X \times X \mid V \text{ contains a set in } \mathcal{B}\}$.

(See [Bou, Top. Ch. IX §5 no. 4 Theorem 1].)

21.3 The poset of topologies

1. (union generating set of a topology) Let (X, \mathcal{T}) be a topological space.

A *union generating set*, or *base*, of \mathcal{T} is a collection \mathcal{B} of subsets of X such that

$$\mathcal{T} = \{\text{unions of sets in } \mathcal{B}\}.$$

Show that \mathcal{B} is a base of the topology \mathcal{T} if and only if \mathcal{B} satisfies

- (a) (intersection covering) If $B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B}$ and $x \in B_1 \cap B_2$ then

there exists $B \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $x \in B$ and $B \subseteq B_1 \cap B_2$.

- (b) (cover) $\bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{B}} B = X$.

2. (The metric space topology) Let (X, d) be a metric space. Show that

$$\mathcal{B} = \{B_\epsilon(x) \mid \epsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}, x \in X\}$$

is a union generating set of the metric space topology on X .

3. (The discrete topology) Let X be a set. The *power set of X* , or the *discrete topology on X* , is

$$\text{the set } \mathcal{P}(X) = \{A \subseteq X\} \text{ of all subsets of } X.$$

Show that $\mathcal{P}(X)$ is a topology on X .

4. (The cofinite topology) A topological space (X, \mathcal{T}) is *Hausdorff* if it satisfies: if $x, y \in X$ and $x \neq y$ then there exist open sets U and V in X such that

$$x \in U, \quad y \in V \quad \text{and} \quad U \cap V = \emptyset.$$

A topological space (X, \mathcal{T}) is *normal* if it satisfies: if A and B are closed sets in X and $A \cap B = \emptyset$ then there exist open sets U and V in X such that

$$A \subseteq U, \quad B \subseteq V \quad \text{and} \quad U \cap V = \emptyset.$$

A topological space (X, \mathcal{T}) is *first countable* if it satisfies

if $a \in X$ then there exists a countable collection of neighborhoods of a which generates the neighborhood filter $\mathcal{N}(a)$ of a .

In other words, a topological space (X, \mathcal{T}) is first countable if it satisfies: if $a \in X$ then there exists $N_1, N_2, \dots \in \mathcal{N}(a)$ such that if $N \in \mathcal{N}(a)$ then there exists $i \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ such that $N \supseteq N_i$.

Let X be a set and let \mathcal{T} be the topology such that the closed sets are the finite subsets of X .

- (a) Show that if X is finite then \mathcal{T} is the discrete topology on X .
 (b) Show that if X is infinite then (X, \mathcal{T}) is not Hausdorff and not normal.
 (c) Show that if X is uncountable then (X, \mathcal{T}) is not first countable.

5. (The poset of topologies on X) Let X be a set and let $\mathcal{P}(X) = \{A \subseteq X\}$ be the power set of X . Show that \subseteq is a partial order on the set $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(X))$ of all subsets of $\mathcal{P}(X)$. Let $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{P}(X))$ be the set of all topologies on X . Show that $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{P}(X))$ is a subset of $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(X))$.
6. (topologies and uniformities on a 2 element set) Let X be a set with 2 elements. Show that there are four possible topologies on X and two possible uniformities on X . Determine the uniform space topology of each uniformity on X .
7. (topologies on a 3 element set) Let X be a set with 3 elements. Determine all possible topologies on X .
8. (the order topology) Give an example of a poset X such that the collection $\mathcal{T} = \{\text{unions of open intervals}\}$ is not a topology. (Instead one should take the topology generated by the set of open intervals in X .) See [Bou](#) Top. Ch. I §1 Ex. 2 and §2 Ex. 5].

21.4 Topologically equivalent metric spaces

1. (Lipschitz equivalence implies topological equivalence) Let X be a set and let

$$d_1: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \quad \text{and} \quad d_2: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \quad \text{be metrics on } X.$$

The metrics d_1 and d_2 are *topologically equivalent* if

the metric space topology on (X, d_1) and on (X, d_2) are the same.

The metrics d_1 and d_2 are *Lipschitz equivalent* if there exist $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ such that

$$\text{if } x, y \in X \quad \text{then} \quad c_1 d_2(x, y) \leq d_1(x, y) \leq c_2 d_1(x, y).$$

Show that if d_1 and d_2 are Lipschitz equivalent then d_1 and d_2 are topologically equivalent.

2. (every metric space is topologically equivalent to a bounded metric space) A metric space (X, d) is *bounded* if it satisfies

$$\text{there exists } M \in \mathbb{R}_{>0} \text{ such that if } x_1, x_2 \in X \text{ then } d(x_1, x_2) < M.$$

Let (X, d) be a metric space and define $b: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ by

$$b(x, y) = \frac{d(x, y)}{1 + d(x, y)}.$$

- (a) Show that $b: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ is a metric on X .
- (b) Show that the metric space topology of (X, b) and the metric space topology on (X, d) are the same.
- (c) Show that (X, b) is a bounded metric space.

3. (boundedness is not a topological property) A metric space (X, d) is *bounded* if it satisfies

there exists $M \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ such that if $x_1, x_2 \in X$ then $d(x_1, x_2) < M$.

- (a) Let $X = \mathbb{R}$ and let $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ and $b: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ be the metrics on \mathbb{R} given by

$$d(x, y) = |x - y| \quad \text{and} \quad b(x, y) = \frac{|x - y|}{1 + |x - y|}.$$

Show that (X, d) and (X, b) have the same topology, that (X, d) is unbounded, and (X, b) is bounded.

- (b) Let $X = \mathbb{R}^2$ and let $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ and $b: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ be the metrics on \mathbb{R} given by

$$d(x, y) = |x - y| \quad \text{and} \quad b(x, y) = \frac{|x - y|}{1 + |x - y|}.$$

Draw pictures of the open balls $B_{\frac{1}{2}}(0)$, $B_{\frac{3}{4}}(0)$, $B_{\frac{9}{10}}(0)$ and $B_{\frac{99}{100}}(0)$ for the metric $b: \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$.

4. Let (X, d) be a metric space. Show that the metric $d': X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by

$$d'(x, y) = \frac{d(x, y)}{1 + d(x, y)}$$

is topologically equivalent to d .

5. Let (X, d) be a metric space. Show that (X, d') is a bounded metric space, where

$$d'(x, y) = \frac{d(x, y)}{1 + d(x, y)}.$$

6. Give an example of X and two metrics d and d' on X such that d is topologically equivalent to d' and (X, d) is not bounded and (X, d') is bounded.

7. Let $(X_1, d_1), \dots, (X_\ell, d_\ell)$ be metric spaces and let $(X_1 \times \dots \times X_\ell, d)$ be the product metric space. Let $\sigma: (X_1 \times \dots \times X_\ell) \times (X_1 \times \dots \times X_\ell) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be given by

$$\sigma(x, y) = \max\{d_i(x_i, y_i) \mid 1 \leq i \leq \ell\}.$$

Show that σ is a metric on $X_1 \times \dots \times X_\ell$ and d is topologically equivalent to σ .

8. Let $(X_1, d_1), \dots, (X_\ell, d_\ell)$ be metric spaces and let $(X_1 \times \dots \times X_\ell, d)$ be the product metric space. Let $\rho: (X_1 \times \dots \times X_\ell) \times (X_1 \times \dots \times X_\ell) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be given by

$$\rho(x, y) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\ell} d_i(x_i, y_i)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Show that ρ is a metric on $X_1 \times \dots \times X_\ell$ and d is topologically equivalent to ρ .

9. Let X be a set and let d and d' be metrics on X . Show that d and d' are topologically equivalent if d and d' satisfy the condition

$$\text{if } x, y \in X \text{ then there exist } k, k' \in \mathbb{R} \text{ such that } d(x, y) \leq kd'(x, y) \leq k'd(x, y).$$

10. Let X be a set. Metrics d and \bar{d} defined on X are *Lipschitz equivalent* if there exist $m, M \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ such that

$$\text{if } x, y \in X \text{ then } md(x, y) \leq \bar{d}(x, y) \leq Md(x, y)$$

- (a) Show that if d and \bar{d} are Lipschitz equivalent, then they are topologically equivalent.
 (b) Give an example of X and two topologically equivalent metrics on X which are not Lipschitz equivalent.
 (c) For $p \geq 1$ and $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the l^p metric is defined by

$$d_p(x, y) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - y_i|^p \right)^{1/p} = \|x - y\|_p.$$

Show that if $p, q \geq 1$, then d_p and d_q are Lipschitz equivalent. (Hint: compare these with $d_\infty(x, y) = \max(|x_1 - y_1|, \dots, |x_n - y_n|)$.)

11. (limit definition of topological equivalence) PUT THIS IN

21.5 Favourite examples of metric and normed spaces

1. (example of a nonHausdorff space) Let $X = \{(x, 1) \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\} \cup \{(0, 2)\}$ with

$$d((x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)) = |x_1 - x_2| \quad \text{and topology } \mathcal{T} = \{\text{unions of sets in } \mathcal{B}\},$$

where $\mathcal{B} = \{B_\epsilon(x, y) \mid \epsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}, (x, y) \in X\}$ and

$$B_\epsilon(x, y) = \{(a, b) \in X \mid d((a, b), (x, y)) < \epsilon\}.$$

Show that X is a non Hausdorff topological space.

2. (the two point space) Let X be a set.
- (a) Carefully define a “topology on X ” and a “uniformity on X ”.
- (b) Let (X, d) be a metric space. Carefully define the “metric space topology on X ” and the “metric space uniformity on X ”.
- (c) Determine all the topologies on the set $X = \{0, 1\}$.
- (d) Determine all the uniformities on $X = \{0, 1\}$.
- (e) For each of the uniformities you gave in part (d), compute the uniform space topology.
3. Define the standard metric on \mathbb{C} and show that \mathbb{C} , with this metric, is a metric space.

4. Let d be the standard metric on \mathbb{C} . Show that \mathbb{R} is a metric subspace of (\mathbb{C}, d) .
5. Let X be a set. Define the standard metric on X and show that X , with this metric, is a metric space.
6. Let $(X_1, d_1), \dots, (X_n, d_n)$ be metric spaces. Define the product metric d on $X_1 \times X_2 \times \dots \times X_n$ and show that $(X_1 \times \dots \times X_n, d)$ is a metric space.
7. Let $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ be a normed vector space. Define the standard metric on X and show that X , with this metric, is a metric space.
8. Define the standard metric on \mathbb{R}^n and show that \mathbb{R}^n , with this metric, is a metric space.
9. Define the standard norm on \mathbb{R}^n and show that \mathbb{R}^n , with this norm, is a normed vector space.
10. Define the norm $\|\cdot\|_p$ on \mathbb{R}^n and show that $(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_p)$ is a normed vector space.
11. Let X be a nonempty set. Define the set of bounded functions $B(X, \mathbb{R})$ and the sup norm on $B(X, \mathbb{R})$. Show that $B(X, \mathbb{R})$, with this norm, is a normed vector space.
12. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$. Define the set of continuous functions $C([a, b], \mathbb{R})$ and the L^1 -norm on $C([a, b], \mathbb{R})$. Show that $C([a, b], \mathbb{R})$, with this norm, is a normed vector space.
13. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$. Show that the set $C_{\text{bd}}([a, b], \mathbb{R})$ of bounded continuous functions is a metric subspace of $C([a, b], \mathbb{R})$ with the L^1 -norm.
14. Let (X, d) be a metric space. Define the metric space topology on X and show that it is a topology on X .
15. Let X be a set and let d be the discrete metric on X . Determine which subsets of X are in the metric space topology on X .
16. Give two metrics d and d' on \mathbb{R} such that \mathbb{Q} is open in the metric space topology on (\mathbb{R}, d) and \mathbb{Q} is not open in the metric space topology on (\mathbb{R}, d') .
17. Let $X = \{0, 1\}$ and let $\mathcal{T} = \{\emptyset, X, \{0\}\}$.
 - (a) Show that \mathcal{T} is a topology on X .
 - (b) Show that there does not exist a metric $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ such that \mathcal{T} is the metric space topology of (X, d) .

18. Check if the following functions are metrics on X .

- (a) $X = \mathbb{R}$ and $d(x, y) = |x^2 - y^2|$.
- (b) $X = (-\infty, 0]$ and $d(x, y) = |x^2 - y^2|$.
- (c) $X = \mathbb{R}$ and $d(x, y) = |\arctan x - \arctan y|$.

19. (The French railroad metric) Let $X = \mathbb{R}^2$ and let d be the usual metric. Let $\mathbf{0} = (0, 0)$ and define

$$d_{\mathbf{0}}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x = y; \\ d(x, \mathbf{0}) + d(\mathbf{0}, y), & \text{if } x \neq y. \end{cases}$$

Verify that $d_{\mathbf{0}}$ is a metric on X . (Paris is at the origin $\mathbf{0}$.)

20. Let $X = \mathbb{R}^2$. For $x = (x_1, x_2)$ and $y = (y_1, y_2)$ define

$$d(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1/2, & \text{if } x_1 = y_1 \text{ and } x_2 \neq y_2 \text{ or if } x_1 \neq y_1 \text{ and } x_2 = y_2; \\ 1, & \text{if } x_1 \neq y_1 \text{ and } x_2 \neq y_2; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Verify that d is a metric and that two congruent rectangles, one with base parallel to the x -axis and the other at 45° to the x -axis, have different “area” if d is used to measure the length of sides.

21. Let (X, d) be a metric space. Let $f: \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ be a function such that

- (a) If $0 \leq a < b$ then $f(a) \leq f(b)$,
- (b) $f(x) = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$, and
- (c) $f(a + b) \leq f(a) + f(b)$.

Define $d_f: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ by

$$d_f(x, y) = f(d(x, y)).$$

Show that d_f is a metric. Let $k \in \mathbb{R}_{> 0}$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}_{(0,1]}$. Show that the functions

$$f(t) = kt, \quad f(t) = t^\alpha \quad \text{and} \quad f(t) = \frac{t}{1+t},$$

have properties (a), (b) and (c).

22. (the p -adic metric) Let X be a set. An *ultrametric on X* is a function $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ such that

$$d(x, z) \leq \max\{d(x, y), d(y, z)\}.$$

Let p be a prime number. Define the p -adic absolute value function $|\cdot|_p: \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}$ by

$$|x|_p = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x = 0, \\ p^{-k}, & \text{if } x = p^k \cdot \frac{m}{n}, \text{ with } m, n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\neq 0} \text{ not divisible by } p. \end{cases}$$

- (a) Show that if X is a set and d is an ultrametric on X then d is a metric on X .

(b) Show that if $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}$ then

$$|x + y|_p \leq \max\{|x|_p, |y|_p\}.$$

(c) Show that $d_p: \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ given by

$$d_p(x, y) = |x - y|_p \quad \text{is an ultrametric on } \mathbb{Q}.$$

23. (product metrics) Let $(X_1, d_1), \dots, (X_n, d_n)$ be metric spaces and let $X = X_1 \times \dots \times X_n$. Define

$$d(x, y) = (d_1(x_1, y_1) + \dots + d_n(x_n, y_n))^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

$$\bar{d}(x, y) = \max\{d_1(x_1, y_1), \dots, d_n(x_n, y_n)\},$$

where $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ and $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in X$. Verify that d and \bar{d} are metrics on X .

24. (Polynomials of degree $\leq n$ as a normed vector space) Fix a positive integer n . Denote by

$$\mathcal{P}_n = \{p(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0 \mid a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

For $p(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0 \in \mathcal{P}_n$ set

$$\|p\| = \max\{|a_0|, |a_1|, \dots, |a_n|\}.$$

Verify that $\|\cdot\|$ is a norm on \mathcal{P}_n .

25. (An infinite product space) Let $(X_1, d_1), (X_2, d_2), \dots$, be a sequence of metric spaces. Let

$$X = \left(\prod_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}} X_n \right) = \{x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) \mid x_n \in X_n\}.$$

For $x, y \in X$ let

$$d(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \left(\frac{d_n(x_n, y_n)}{1 + d_n(x_n, y_n)} \right).$$

Show that (X, d) is a metric space.

26. (the shape of product metrics) Sketch the open ball $B_1(0)$ in each of the metric spaces (\mathbb{R}^3, d_1) , (\mathbb{R}^3, d_2) , and (\mathbb{R}^3, d_∞) , where

$$d_1(x, y) = |x_1 - y_1| + |x_2 - y_2| + |x_3 - y_3|$$

$$d_2(x, y) = \sqrt{(x_1 - y_1)^2 + (x_2 - y_2)^2 + (x_3 - y_3)^2}$$

$$d_\infty(x, y) = \max\{|x_1 - y_1|, |x_2 - y_2|, |x_3 - y_3|\}.$$

for $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$ and $y = (y_1, y_2, y_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$.

27. (a metric on the positive integers) Define $d: \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \times \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ by

$$d(n, m) = \left| \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{m} \right|.$$

(a) Show that d is a metric.

(b) Let $P \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ be the set of positive even numbers. Find $\text{diam}(P)$ and $\text{diam}(\mathbb{Z}_{>0} \setminus P)$ in $(\mathbb{Z}_{>0}, d)$.

(c) Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$. Find all elements of $B_{\frac{1}{2n}}(2n)$ and $B_{\frac{1}{2n}}(n)$.

21.6 Distances and diameters

1. Let X be a non-empty set and let $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function such that

- (i) $d(x, y) = 0$ if and only if $x = y$,
- (ii) if $x, y, z \in X$ then $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(y, z)$.

Prove that d is a metric on X and show that $d(y, z) \geq |d(x, y) - d(x, z)|$.

2. Let A and B be bounded subsets of a metric space (X, d) such that $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$. Show that

$$\text{diam}(A \cup B) \leq \text{diam}(A) + \text{diam}(B).$$

What can you say if A and B are disjoint?

3. (diameter of an open ball) Let (X, d) be a metric space. Let $x_0 \in X$ and let $r \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$.

- (a) Show that $\text{diam}(B_r(x_0)) \leq 2r$.
- (b) Give an example showing that the strict inequality is possible.

4. Let (X, d) be a metric space.

- (a) Prove that if $x, x', y, y' \in X$ then

$$|d(x, y) - d(x', y')| \leq d(x, x') + d(y, y').$$

- (b) Let A be a non-empty compact subset of X . Prove that there exist $a, b \in A$ such that

$$d(a, b) = \sup\{d(x, y) \mid x, y \in A\}.$$