

MATH 5210, HW III
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1) Let (Y, d) be a complete metric space and X a dense subset of Y . The set X is also a metric space with respect to the same metric. Let X^* be the completion of X . Recall that X^* is the set of equivalence classes of Cauchy sequences (x_n) in X . Since Y is complete, $\lim_n x_n$ exists in Y . Equivalent Cauchy sequences have the same limit, hence $f((x_n)) = \lim_n x_n$ is a well defined map $f : X^* \rightarrow Y$. Show that f is an isomorphism of metric spaces.

2) Let $V = C([0, 1])$ be the space of continuous functions on $[0, 1]$. Prove that the set of piecewise linear function (i.e. whose graphs are obtained by connecting the dots in the plane) is dense in V , with respect to the sup norm, that is, for every $f \in V$ and every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a piece-wise linear function g such that $|f(x) - g(x)| < \epsilon$ for all $x \in [0, 1]$. Hint: use uniform continuity of f .

3) Fix $K(x, y)$, a continuous function on $[0, 1]^2$. Let $f(x)$ be a continuous function on $[0, 1]$. Let

$$g(x) = \int_0^1 K(x, y)f(y) dy.$$

Prove that $g(x)$ is a continuous function on $[0, 1]$. Hint: K is uniformly continuous, why? Let $V = C([0, 1])$ be the space of continuous functions on $[0, 1]$. Consider V as a normed space with the sup norm. Let $T : V \rightarrow V$, $T(f) = g$ for every $f \in V$, as above. Prove that T is bounded.

4) Let U be a dense subspace of a normed space V . Let $g : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a bounded linear functional i.e. there exists $C \geq 0$ such that

$$|g(x)| \leq C\|x\|$$

for all $x \in U$. Then g can be extended (uniquely) to a linear functional $f : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying the same bound. Hint: any $x \in V$ is a limit of a Cauchy sequence (x_n) in U .

5) Recall the normed space $\ell^2(\mathbb{N})$, the set of all infinite tuples of real numbers $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$ such that $\|x\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i^2 < \infty$, with the norm $\|x\|$ so defined. Let $S \subset \ell^2(\mathbb{N})$ be the subset of all x with $x_i \in \mathbb{Q}$ and almost all $x_i = 0$. This is a countable set. Prove that S is dense.

6) Let V be a normed space, and $A, B \subset V$ two open sets. Prove that

$$A + B = \{x + y \mid x \in A, y \in B\}$$

is open.

7) Perhaps you have seen the formula

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}.$$

Where does this come from? The purpose of this exercise is to derive this formula as a special case of the Parseval's identity. Let $X = (-1/2, 1/2]$. Let $f(x) = x$ on X . Compute $\|f\|^2$, the square of $L^2(X)$ norm of f . Then Fourier expand f and then compute $\|f\|^2$ using the Parseval's identity. (Be careful, the norm of $\sin(2\pi nx)$ is not 1). Deduce the identity.

8) Let $M \geq 0$. Let c_n be a sequence of real numbers such that $|c_n| \leq M/n^2$ for all n . Then the series

$$f(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sin(2\pi nt)$$

converges uniformly, for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Hence f is a periodic and continuous function f . Prove that the series converges to f in $L^2((-1/2, 1/2])$ that is

$$\lim_n \|f - f_n\| = 0$$

where f_n is the sequence of partial sums, and $\|\cdot\|$ the L^2 -norm. Hint: use Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem.

9) Let V be a Hilbert space. Let $W \subset V$ be a closed subspace. Prove that W contains a dense countable set, so it is also a Hilbert space. Hint: consider the projection $P : V \rightarrow W$.