

Function spaces

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Let (X, d_X) and (Y, d_Y) be metric spaces. Let

$$F = \{ \text{functions } f: X \rightarrow Y \}$$

Define $d_\infty: F \times F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \cup \{\infty\}$ by

$$d_\infty(f, g) = \sup \{ d_Y(f(x), g(x)) \mid x \in X \}$$

Let f_1, f_2, \dots be a sequence of functions. Let $f \in F$.

The sequence (f_1, f_2, \dots) converges pointwise to f if f_1, f_2, \dots satisfy:

$$\text{if } x \in X \text{ then } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_Y(f_n(x), f(x)) = 0.$$

The sequence (f_1, f_2, \dots) converges uniformly to f if f_1, f_2, \dots satisfy:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_\infty(f_n, f) = 0.$$

Function spaces that are normed vector spaces

Let X be a set and

$$F = \{ \text{functions } f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \}$$

with

$$\|f\|_\infty = \sup \{ |f(x)| \mid x \in X \}$$

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Then F is a \mathbb{F} vector space with (2)

$$f+g \text{ given by } (f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$$

$$cf \text{ given by } (cf)(x) = cf(x)$$

Special cases: $X = \mathbb{Z}_{\{1, \dots, n\}}$ and $X = \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$.

$$\mathbb{R}^n = \{ \text{functions } f: \mathbb{Z}_{\{1, \dots, n\}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \}$$

$$= \{ \text{functions } x: \{1, 2, \dots, n\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 1 \longrightarrow x_1 \\ 2 \longrightarrow x_2 \\ \vdots \end{array}$$

$$= \{ x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \mid x_i \in \mathbb{R} \} = \mathbb{R}^n$$

and $\|x\|_\infty = \sup \{ |x_1|, \dots, |x_n| \}$.

$$\ell^\infty = \{ \text{functions } f: \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \|f\|_\infty < \infty \}$$

$$= \left\{ (x_1, x_2, \dots) \mid x_i \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } \sup \{ |x_1|, |x_2|, \dots \} < \infty \right\}$$

ℓ^p -spaces Let $p \in \mathbb{R}, p \geq 1$

For $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$ define

$$\|x\|_p = (|x_1|^p + |x_2|^p + \dots)^{1/p} = \left(\sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}} |x_i|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

$$\ell^p = \{ x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) \mid x_i \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } \|x\|_p < \infty \}$$

Exercise: Show that the $\mathcal{L}P$ are normed vector spaces

$B(V, W)$, bounded linear transformations

Let $(V, \|\cdot\|_V)$ and $(W, \|\cdot\|_W)$ be normed vector spaces. Let

$T: V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation.

Define

$$\|T\| = \sup \left\{ \frac{\|Tv\|_W}{\|v\|_V} \mid v \in V \text{ and } v \neq 0 \right\}$$

Exercise: Show that the space $B(V, W)$ of bounded linear transformations from V to W

$$B(V, W) = \left\{ T: V \rightarrow W \mid T \text{ is a linear transformation and } \|T\| < \infty \right\}$$

is a normed vector space.

Dual spaces

$(\mathbb{R}, \|\cdot\|)$ is a normed vector space.

Let $(V, \|\cdot\|_V)$ be a normed vector space.

The dual of V is

$$\begin{aligned} V^* &= B(V, \mathbb{R}) = \left\{ T: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid T \text{ is linear trans. and } \|T\| < \infty \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \varphi: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \varphi \text{ is a linear transformation and } \|\varphi\| < \infty \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Elements of V^* are bounded linear functionals on V .

$(V^*, \|\cdot\|)$ is a normed vector space.