

and is denoted by \mathbb{R}^n while the metric space in Example 9 is called the unitary n -space (or complex Euclidean n -space) and is denoted by \mathbb{C}^n .

10. Let $X = \mathbb{K}^n$ (\mathbb{R}^n or \mathbb{C}^n). Define

$$(i) \quad d_1(x, y) = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |x_i - y_i|$$

$$(ii) \quad d_2(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - y_i| \quad \text{for } x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \text{ and } y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$$

Then each of the spaces (X, d_1) and (X, d_2) is a metric space.

11. Let $X = \mathbb{K}^n$ (\mathbb{R}^n or \mathbb{C}^n). Define

$$d_p(x, y) = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - y_i|^p \right\}^{1/p}, \quad 1 \leq p < \infty; \quad x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \text{ and } y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$$

Then (X, d_p) is a metric space. We denote the metric space

(\mathbb{K}^n, d_p) by l_n^p .

Note: l_p^2 is the Euclidean metric n -space \mathbb{R}^n or Unitary n -space \mathbb{C}^n according as $X = \mathbb{R}^n$ or \mathbb{C}^n .

Let us now generalize \mathbb{R}^n (and \mathbb{C}^n), in Example 11 above to 'infinite tuples', which, in fact, are the sequences in \mathbb{K} . While doing so, we shall be putting suitable restrictions on the sequences to be considered so as to make them meaningful.

12. Let $1 \leq p < \infty$. Consider the set of sequences $\{x_n\}$ in \mathbb{K} such

$$\text{that} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_n|^p < \infty.$$

Denote this set by l^p . For $x = \{x_n\}$ and $y = \{y_n\}$ in l^p ,

$$\text{define} \quad d_p(x, y) = \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_n - y_n|^p \right\}^{1/p}. \quad \text{Then } (X, d_p) \text{ is a metric}$$

space where $X = l^p$

13. Let l^∞ be the set of all bounded sequences in \mathbb{K} ; i.e.,

$$l^\infty = \left\{ \{x_n\} : \{x_n\} \text{ is a sequence in } \mathbb{K} \text{ and } \sup_{1 \leq n < \infty} |x_n| < \infty \right\}$$

For $x = \{x_n\}$ and $y = \{y_n\}$ in l^∞ , define

$$d_\infty(x, y) = \sup_{1 \leq n < \infty} |x_n - y_n|$$

Then d_∞ defines a metric on l^∞

14. Let $B[a, b]$ be the set of all real valued functions defined and bounded on $[a, b]$. For $x, y \in B[a, b]$, define

$$d_\infty(x, y) = \sup_{t \in [a, b]} |x(t) - y(t)|$$

Then $(B[a, b], d_\infty)$ is a metric space.

15. Let $C[a, b]$ be the set of all real valued continuous functions defined on $[a, b]$. For $x, y \in C[a, b]$, define

$$d_\infty(x, y) = \max_{t \in [a, b]} |x(t) - y(t)|$$

Then $(C[a, b], d_\infty)$ is a metric space.

Note: The metric d_∞ defined on $B[a, b]$ and $C[a, b]$, in Examples 14 and 15, is called the uniform metric. This metric, in fact, corresponds to the uniform convergence of functions in the space $C[a, b]$.

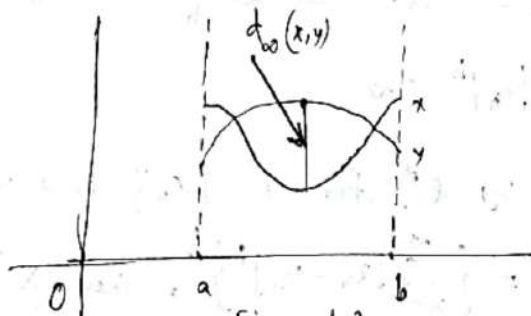


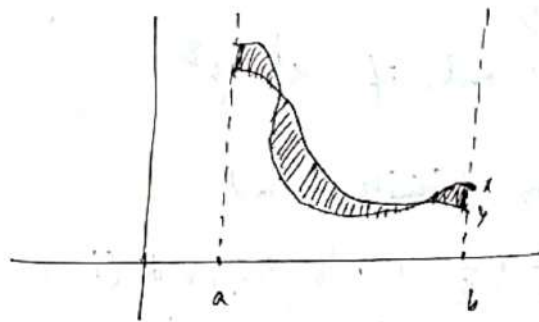
Figure 1.2

16. For $x, y \in C[a, b]$, define

$$d_1(x, y) = \int_a^b |x(t) - y(t)| dt$$

the integral, on the right being taken in the sense of Riemann which is possible since the functions x and y are continuous on $[a, b]$. Then $(C[a, b], d_1)$ is a metric space.

Note: $d_1(x, y)$ represents the absolute area between the functions x and y as a measure of the distance between two functions.



17. For $x, y \in C[a, b]$, define

$$d_p(x, y) = \left\{ \int_a^b |x(t) - y(t)|^p dt \right\}^{1/p}, \quad 1 \leq p < \infty$$

Then $(C[a, b], d_p)$ is a metric space.

18. Let $X = \mathbb{R}$, for $x, y \in X$, define

$$d(x, y) = |x^2 - y^2|$$

Then (X, d) is not a metric space.

19. Let $X = \mathbb{R}$. For $x, y \in X$, define

$$d(x, y) = |\sin(x - y)|$$

Then (X, d) is not a metric.

Exercises: Prove all the results stated in Example 1 to Example 19.

To prove the above results, you can use the following

inequalities: Here \mathbb{K} implies \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} .

Inequalities

1. The triangle inequality

Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{K}$. Then $|\alpha + \beta| \leq |\alpha| + |\beta|$

2. Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{K}$. Then

$$\frac{|\alpha + \beta|}{1 + |\alpha + \beta|} \leq \frac{|\alpha|}{1 + |\alpha|} + \frac{|\beta|}{1 + |\beta|}$$

3. Let $1 < p < \infty$ and $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$. If $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{K}$, then

$$|\alpha\beta| \leq \frac{|\alpha|^p}{p} + \frac{|\beta|^q}{q}$$

with equality if and only if $|\alpha|^p = |\beta|^q$

4. Holder's Inequality (finite form)

Let $1 < p < \infty$ and $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$. If $\alpha_i, \beta_i \in \mathbb{K}$ ($i=1, 2, \dots, n$)

$$\text{Then } \sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha_i \beta_i| \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha_i|^p \right)^{1/p} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\beta_i|^q \right)^{1/q}$$

$$\text{Also } \sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha_i \beta_i| \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha_i| \right) \cdot \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |\beta_i|$$

5. Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality (finite form)

Note the inequality 4 for the case when $p = q = 2$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha_i \beta_i| \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha_i|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\beta_i|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

6. Minkowski's inequality (finite form)

Let $1 \leq p < \infty$. If $\alpha_i, \beta_i \in \mathbb{K}$ ($i=1, 2, \dots, n$) then

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha_i + \beta_i|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha_i|^p \right)^{1/p} + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\beta_i|^p \right)^{1/p}$$