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This problem set consists of 6 pages.

Appendices: None

Permitted aids: Any

Please make sure that your copy of the problem set is complete before you attempt to answer anything.

Note: There are in total 10 sub-problems, and you can get up to 10 points for each sub-problem, for a total of 100 points.

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Problem 1. (10 points)

Let (X, d) be the metric space $X = (0, 1]$, $d(x, y) = |x - y|$, and let $T: X \rightarrow X$ be given by $T(x) = x/2$.

Show that T is a contraction. Does T have a fixed point? Justify your answer.

Solution: $d(T(x), T(y)) = |x/2 - y/2| = |x - y|/2 = d(x, y)/2$, so T is a contraction with contraction constant $1/2$.

T does not have a fixed point. If X were complete then we could apply Banach's fixed point theorem, but X isn't complete. The only solution to $x = T(x)$ is $x = 0$, but $0 \notin X$, so T does not have a fixed point.

Problem 2. (10 points)

Let (X, d) be a metric space and let $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be closed. We define the metric space $C_b(X, A) = \{\text{all continuous, bounded } f: X \rightarrow A\}$, equipped with the supremum metric

$$\rho(f, g) = \sup_{x \in X} |f(x) - g(x)|. \quad (1)$$

(You do not need to show that this is a metric space.) Show that $C_b(X, A)$ is a closed subset of $C_b(X, \mathbb{R})$.

Solution: Let $\{f_n\}_n$ be a sequence in $C_b(X, A)$ converging to some $f \in C_b(X, \mathbb{R})$. We claim that $f \in C_b(X, A)$, that is, that $f(t) \in A$ for every $t \in X$. Indeed, for every $t \in X$, the sequence $\{f_n(t)\}_n$ is a convergent sequence in the closed set A , to the limit $f(t)$ also lies in A . This concludes the proof.

Alternatively: Let $f \in \partial C_b(X, A)$. We want to show that $f(t) \in A$ for every $t \in X$. Let $t \in X$. Since $f \in \partial C_b(X, A)$, there are for every

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$\varepsilon > 0$ functions $g \in B(f; \varepsilon) \cap C_b(X, A)$ and $h \in B(f; \varepsilon) \setminus C_b(X, A)$. In particular, $g(t) \in A$ and $|f(t) - g(t)| \leq \rho(f, g) < \varepsilon$. Hence, for every $\varepsilon > 0$, the set $B_{\mathbb{R}}(f(t); \varepsilon) \cap A$ is nonempty (since it contains the number $g(t)$), so $f(t) \in \bar{A}$. But A is closed, so $\bar{A} = A$, and $f(t) \in A$.

Problem 3. (20 points)

Let (X, d) be a metric space, and for every nonempty $E \subseteq X$ and $x \in X$, define

$$\text{dist}(x, E) = \inf\{d(x, y) : y \in E\}. \quad (2)$$

(a) Show that if E is compact and nonempty, then there is some $z \in E$ such that $\text{dist}(x, E) = d(x, z)$.

(b) Give an example of a metric space (X, d) , a point $x \in X$ and a nonempty subset $E \subseteq X$ for which there is no such point $z \in E$.

Solution:

(a) Let $\{y_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq E$ be a minimizing sequence: $d(x, y_n) \rightarrow \text{dist}(x, E)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Since E is compact, there is some $z \in E$ and a subsequence $\{y_{n(k)}\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $y_{n(k)} \rightarrow z$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$. But then

$$\text{dist}(x, E) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x, y_n)$$

(if a sequence converges, then so does any subsequence)

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} d(x, y_{n(k)})$$

(if a sequence converges, then so does its distance from a fixed point)

$$= d(x, z)$$

Alternatively: Let $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the function $f(y) = d(x, y)$. Then f is a continuous function on a compact set, so by the extreme value theorem it attains a minimum: there is a point $z \in E$ where $d(x, z) \leq d(x, y)$ for all $y \in E$, so $d(x, z) = \inf\{d(x, y) : y \in E\}$.

(b) Let $X = \mathbb{R}$, $E = (0, 1)$ and $x = 2$. Then $\text{dist}(x, E) = \lim_{y \rightarrow 1} d(x, y) = 1$, but $d(x, z) > 1$ for every $z \in E$.

Problem 4. (20 points)

For this problem, recall that a bounded linear operator A is *invertible* if it is bijective and its inverse A^{-1} is bounded.

Let $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ be a normed vector space and let $A: X \rightarrow X$ be an invertible bounded linear operator. Define $\|x\|_A = \|Ax\|$ for every $x \in X$.

(a) Show that $\|\cdot\|_A$ is a norm on X .

(b) Show that a sequence $\{x_n\}_n$ in X converges in the norm $\|\cdot\|$ if and only if it converges in the norm $\|\cdot\|_A$.

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Solution:

(a) Denote $C = \|A\|_{\mathcal{L}}$, so that $\|Ax\| \leq C\|x\|$ for all $x \in X$.

Well-defined $\|x\|_A = \|Ax\|$ is a well-defined number for every $x \in X$, so the function $\|\cdot\|_A$ is well-defined.

Positivity It is clear that $\|x\|_A = \|Ax\| \geq 0$ for all $x \in X$, and that $\|0\|_A = 0$ (since A is linear). If $\|x\|_A = 0$ then $\|Ax\| = 0$, so $Ax = 0$. Since A is bijective and A^{-1} is linear, we get $x = A^{-1}0 = 0$.

Homogeneity If $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ then $\|\alpha x\|_A = \|A(\alpha x)\| = \|\alpha Ax\| = |\alpha|\|Ax\| = |\alpha|\|x\|_A$, where we first used homogeneity of A and then homogeneity of $\|\cdot\|$.

Triangle inequality If $x, y \in X$ then $\|x + y\|_A = \|A(x + y)\| = \|Ax + Ay\| \leq \|Ax\| + \|Ay\| = \|x\|_A + \|y\|_A$, where we used additivity of A and then the triangle inequality for $\|\cdot\|$.

(b) If $\|x_n - x\| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ then

$$\|x_n - x\|_A = \|A(x_n - x)\| \leq \|A\|_{\mathcal{L}}\|x_n - x\| \rightarrow 0$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Conversely, if $\|x_n - x\|_A \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ then

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_n - x\| &= \|A^{-1}(A(x_n - x))\| \leq \|A^{-1}\|_{\mathcal{L}}\|A(x_n - x)\| \\ &= \|A^{-1}\|_{\mathcal{L}}\|x_n - x\|_A \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Alternatively: If the two norms are equivalent then convergence in one norm is equivalent to convergence in the other. We have for every $x \in X$ that

$$\|x\|_A = \|Ax\| \leq \|A\|_{\mathcal{L}}\|x\|$$

and

$$\|x\| = \|A^{-1}Ax\| \leq \|A^{-1}\|_{\mathcal{L}}\|Ax\| = \|A^{-1}\|_{\mathcal{L}}\|x\|_A.$$

In other words, there are constants $c, C > 0$ such that $c\|x\| \leq \|x\|_A \leq C\|x\|$, so the norms are equivalent.

Problem 5. (10 points)

Let f be given by the series

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n(x-1)^n, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (3)$$

Determine the set $D = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(x) \text{ converges}\}$. Compute the derivative f' , and determine the corresponding set D' of points where the series for f' converges.

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Solution: We compute the series' radius of convergence:

$$R^{-1} = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{1/n} = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{\log n/n} = 1.$$

Hence, the series converges pointwise at all $x \in (1 - R, 1 + R) = (0, 2)$. At $x = 2$ the series diverges: $f(2) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n = \infty$. At $x = 0$ we get

$$f(0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n(-1)^n.$$

The partial sums of this series is

$$\sum_{n=1}^N n(-1)^n = \begin{cases} N/2 & \text{if } N \text{ is even} \\ (-N - 1)/2 & \text{if } N \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

which clearly does not converge. Hence,

$$D = (0, 2).$$

By the theory of power series, f is real analytic in $(0, 2)$, so in particular the series consisting of derivatives of each summand converges for all $x \in (0, 2)$, and

$$f'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2(x-1)^{n-1} = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+1)^2(x-1)^n.$$

In particular, the set D' certainly contains $(0, 2)$ as a subset. If $x = 0$ then the series reads $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} n^2$, which does not converge, and if $x = 2$ then we get $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 = \infty$. Hence,

$$D' = (0, 2).$$

Problem 6. (10 points)

Let $f, g: [-\pi, \pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be continuous functions satisfying

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)e^{inx} dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(x)e^{inx} dx \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}. \quad (4)$$

Show that $f = g$.

Solution: Let $h = f - g$, so that $\int h(x)e^{inx} dx = 0$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, that is, the Fourier coefficients of h are all 0. Since h is continuous on $[-\pi, \pi]$, it follows from Féjer's theorem that the partial Fourier series of h converges to h uniformly in Césaro mean. But the partial Fourier series of h is 0, so h must be 0, that is, $f = g$.

Alternatively: Let $h = f - g$, so that $\int h(x)e^{inx} dx = 0$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, that is, the Fourier coefficients of h are all 0. Since h is continuous on $[-\pi, \pi]$, it follows the theory of Fourier series that the partial Fourier series converges to h in L^2 . But the partial Fourier series of h is 0, so h

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must be 0, that is, $f = g$.

Problem 7. (20 points)

Let $X = C_b(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$, equipped with the supremum norm $\|f\|_\infty = \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} |f(t)|$. Define

$$F: X \rightarrow X, \quad F(f)(t) = 2f(t)^2 - e^{f(t)-t^2} \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (5)$$

(a) Prove that F is Fréchet differentiable and show that $F'(f) = A$ for $f \in X$, where $A: X \rightarrow X$ is given by

$$A(r)(t) = 4r(t)f(t) - r(t)e^{f(t)-t^2} \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}, r \in X. \quad (6)$$

Hint: You might need the fact that $|e^s - 1 - s| \leq \frac{e}{2}s^2$ for every number $|s| \leq 1$. This follows from Taylor expansion of the exponential function.

(b) Let $\mathbb{1}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the constant function $\mathbb{1}(t) = 1$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Prove that F is bijective in a neighbourhood of $\mathbb{1}$. Compute $(F^{-1})'(F(\mathbb{1}))$.

Solution:

(a) It is clear that A is linear. Moreover,

$$\|A(r)\|_\infty \leq 4\|r\|_\infty\|f\|_\infty + \|r\|_\infty e^{\|f\|_\infty} < \infty.$$

It is bounded by the above estimate, with $\|A\|_{\mathcal{L}} \leq 4\|f\|_\infty^2 + e^{\|f\|_\infty}$.

We have, for every $f, r \in X$ with $\|r\|_\infty \leq 1$, that

$$\begin{aligned} |(F(f+r) - F(f) - A(r))(t)| &= \left| 2r(t)^2 - e^{f(t)-t^2}(e^{r(t)} - 1 - r(t)) \right| \\ &\leq 2|r(t)|^2 + e^{f(t)}|e^{r(t)} - 1 - r(t)| \\ &\leq 2\|r\|_\infty^2 + e^{\|f\|_\infty} \frac{e}{2}\|r\|_\infty^2. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\frac{\|F(f+r) - F(f) - A(r)\|_\infty}{\|r\|_\infty} \leq \|r\|_\infty \left(2 + \frac{1}{2}e^{1+\|f\|_\infty}\right) \rightarrow 0$$

as $r \rightarrow 0$. This proves the claim.

(b) The Fréchet derivative F' is continuous everywhere and $F'(\mathbb{1})(r)(t) = r(t)(4 - e^{1-t^2})$. If $s \in X$ then $F'(\mathbb{1})(r) = s$ if and only if $r(t) = \frac{s(t)}{4 - e^{1-t^2}}$, which is a continuous, bounded function. Hence, $F'(\mathbb{1})$ is bijective, and

$$\|F'(\mathbb{1})^{-1}(s)\|_\infty = \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \frac{|s(t)|}{|4 - e^{1-t^2}|} \leq \frac{1}{4 - e} \|s\|_\infty,$$

so $F'(\mathbb{1})^{-1}$ is also bounded, with $\|F'(\mathbb{1})^{-1}\|_{\mathcal{L}} \leq \frac{1}{4-e} < \infty$. Hence, by the inverse function theorem, there are neighbourhoods U of $\mathbb{1}$ and V

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of $F(\mathbb{1})$ such that $F: U \rightarrow V$ is bijective. Moreover,

$$(F^{-1})'(F(\mathbb{1}))(s)(t) = F'(\mathbb{1})^{-1}(s)(t) = \frac{s(t)}{4 - e^{1-t^2}} \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}, s \in X.$$