

### METRIC SPACES TUTORIAL 3

(1) Let  $X$  be a metric space with metric  $d$ , let  $C \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  be a non-negative real number and let  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be a function such that  $d(f(x), f(y)) \leq Cd(x, y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$  (in other words,  $f$  is *Lipschitz with constant  $C$* ). Show that  $f$  is continuous.

(2) Let  $X$  be a compact metric space and let  $C(X)$  be the set of continuous functions  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . For  $f, g \in C(X)$  define  $d(f, g) = \sup\{|f(x) - g(x)| \mid x \in X\}$ . Show that  $d$  defines a metric on  $C(X)$ .

(3) Let  $X$  be a compact metric space and let  $f_n \in C(X)$  be a sequence of functions. Let  $f \in C(X)$  be a function. Show that the following assertions are equivalent:

- (a) For each  $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  there is some  $N \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $|f(x) - f_n(x)| < \epsilon$  whenever  $n \geq N$  and  $x \in X$ .
- (b) The sequence  $f_n$  converges to  $f$  in the metric space  $C(X)$  (with the metric given by problem (2)).

[In (a) we have given the usual definition of *uniform convergence* of a sequence of functions.]

(4) Show that  $C(X)$  (with the metric given in problem (2)) is a complete metric space. [Note that this generalizes the fact proved in class that the set of continuous functions defined on a closed interval is complete.]

(5) Let  $F \subseteq C(X)$  be a set of functions on the compact metric space  $X$ . The set  $F$  is *pointwise bounded* if for each  $x \in X$  there is some  $M(x) \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $|f(x)| \leq M(x)$  for all  $f \in F$ . The set  $F$  is *equicontinuous* if for each  $x \in X$ , the following condition is satisfied: given  $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  there is some  $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  such that  $d(f(y), f(x)) < \epsilon$  whenever  $d(x, y) < \delta$  and  $f \in F$ . Show if  $F$  is compact (with  $C(X)$  regarded as a metric space as in problem (2)) then it is closed, pointwise bounded and equicontinuous.

(6) Let  $X$  be a compact metric space. Show that there is a countable dense subset of  $X$ . Proof outline: For each  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  there is  $n_m \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  and points  $x_{m,1}, \dots, x_{m,n_m} \in X$  with  $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{n_m} B(x_n, 1/m)$ . Show that the union

$$\bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} \{x_{m,1}, \dots, x_{m,n_m}\}$$

is dense in  $X$ .

(7) Prove the converse of problem (5): with notation as in (5) above, if  $F$  is closed, pointwise bounded, and equicontinuous then it is compact. Here are some hints:

- (a) Justify the following statement: It suffices to show that every sequence in  $F$  has a subsequence converging to a limit in  $C(X)$ .
- (b) Let  $Y$  be a countable dense subset of  $X$  (such a subset exists by problem (6)). Show that if  $\{f_n\}$  is a sequence of functions on  $X$ , then there it has a subsequence  $\{g_m\}$  such that  $g_m(y)$  converges (as a sequence of real numbers) for every  $y \in Y$ .
- (c) Show that  $g_n$  converges to a function  $g \in C(X)$  by showing that it is a Cauchy sequence and using exercise (4).

(8) Let  $X$  be a complete metric space and let  $\{U_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}}$  be a family of open dense subsets of  $X$  indexed by  $\mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ . Show that the intersection  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n$  is dense in  $X$ .

(9) Show that both hypotheses “open” and “dense” in problem (8) are necessary by giving examples to show that the conclusion fails if either is dropped.