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Module: CAF  
Metric spaces - Normed vector spaces

**Exercise 1.** Let  $\ell^\infty = \{x = (\xi_i)_{i=1}^\infty, \xi_i \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s. t. } \sup_i |\xi_i| < \infty\}$ . It is recalled that  $\ell^\infty$  equipped with the norm  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$  is a Banach space. We consider the following sets:

$$c = \text{set of real convergent sequences,} \quad (1)$$

$$c_0 = \text{set of real sequences converging to 0,} \quad (2)$$

$$c_{00} = \text{set of real sequences with a finite number of nonzero terms.} \quad (3)$$

1. Verify that  $c$ ,  $c_0$ , and  $c_{00}$  are vector subspaces of  $\ell^\infty$ .
2. Are the spaces  $c$ ,  $c_0$ , and  $c_{00}$  Banach spaces? Justify.
3. Show that  $c_{00}$  is dense in  $c_0$ .

**Exercise 2.** Given a normed vector space  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ . The set  $e_n, n \geq 1$  is called a **Schauder basis** for  $X$  if for every  $x \in X$ , there exist unique  $\alpha_n \in \mathbb{K}$  such that  $\|x - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i e_i\| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ . The series  $\sum_{i=1}^\infty \alpha_i e_i$  is called the expansion of  $x$  with respect to the basis  $e_n, n \geq 1$ , and we write  $x = \sum_{i=1}^\infty \alpha_i e_i$ .

1. Show that  $e_n = (\delta_{in})_{i \geq 1}, n \geq 1$  is a Schauder basis in  $\ell^p$ , where  $p \geq 1$ .
2. Show that if  $X$  has a Schauder basis, then  $X$  is separable.
3. Conclude that  $\ell^\infty$  does not have a Schauder basis.

**Exercise 3.** 1. Construct the unit balls in  $(\mathbb{R}^2, \|\cdot\|_p)$  corresponding to  $p = 1, 2, \infty$ .

2. Show that  $N(\xi_1, \xi_2) = \sqrt{\xi_1^2 + 2\xi_1\xi_2 + 5\xi_2^2}, \xi_1, \xi_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  defines a norm on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Construct its unit ball.

**Exercise 4.** Let  $X$  be a vector space, and let  $N : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function satisfying the following properties for all  $x \in X$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ :

- $N(x) \geq 0$ , and  $N(x) = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$ .
- $N(\alpha x) = |\alpha|N(x)$ .

Show the equivalence of the following statements:

1.  $N$  is a norm on  $X$ .
2.  $N$  is convex.
3. The set  $\{x \in X \mid N(x) \leq 1\}$  is convex.

**Exercise 5.** Let  $Y$  be a closed subspace of a normed vector space  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ .

1. Show that the function  $\|\cdot\|_0 : X/Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $\|\hat{x}\|_0 = \inf\{\|x\| \mid x \in \hat{x}\}$  defines a norm on  $X/Y$ .

2. Prove that if  $X$  is complete, then  $X/Y$  is a Banach space.

**Exercise 6.** Let  $C$  be a compact convex set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , such that  $0$  belongs to the interior of this compact convex set. The gauge of this convex set (or the Minkowski functional of the convex set) is the function  $j : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  defined as

$$j(x) = \inf\{t > 0 \mid \frac{x}{t} \in C\}. \quad (4)$$

Show that for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\alpha > 0$ :

1.  $j(x) = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$ .
2.  $j(\alpha x) = \alpha j(x)$ .
3.  $j(x + y) \leq j(x) + j(y)$ .
4. If  $C$  is symmetric with respect to the origin, the gauge  $j$  defines a norm on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  whose closed unit ball is the compact set  $C$ .

**Exercise 7.** Let  $X$  be a normed vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$ .  $X$  is called **uniformly convex** if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta(\varepsilon) > 0$  such that

$$\|x\| = \|y\| = 1 \text{ and } \|x - y\| \geq \varepsilon \text{ imply } \left\| \frac{x + y}{2} \right\| \leq 1 - \delta(\varepsilon). \quad (5)$$

1. Verify that  $(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_p)$ , for  $1 < p < \infty$ , are uniformly convex.
2. Are the spaces  $(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_1)$  and  $(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_\infty)$  uniformly convex?

**Exercise 8.** Given  $X$  as a Banach space and  $K$  as a compact subset in  $X$ .

1. Show that for every  $x \in X$ , there exists  $y \in K$  such that  $\|x - y\| = \inf_{z \in K} \|x - z\|$ .
2. Show that if  $y$  is unique, then the map  $P_K : X \rightarrow K$  defined by  $\|x - P_K x\| = \inf_{z \in K} \|x - z\|$  is continuous.

**Exercise 9.** Let  $Y$  be a finite-dimensional subspace of a normed vector space  $X$ .

1. Show that for every  $x \in X$ , there exists  $y \in Y$  such that  $\|x - y\| = \inf_{z \in Y} \|x - z\|$ .
2. Show that if, in addition,  $X$  is uniformly convex, then  $y$  is unique.

**Exercise 10.** Show that the interior of a compact subset in an infinite-dimensional normed vector space is empty.

**Exercise 11.** Let  $X$  be a vector space,  $p : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a seminorm, and  $Y = \{x \in X \mid p(x) = 0\}$ . Consider  $X/Y = \{\hat{x} = x + Y \mid x \in X\}$ , the associated quotient space (composed of equivalence classes resulting from the equivalence relation  $x_1 \sim x_2$  if  $x_1 - x_2 \in Y$ ).

1. Verify that  $Y$  is a subspace of  $X$ .
2. Show that  $p(0) = 0$  and  $|p(x) - p(y)| \leq p(x - y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .
3. Conclude that  $\|\hat{x}\|_0 = p(x)$ , where  $x \in \hat{x}$ , is uniquely defined, and  $\|\cdot\|_0 : X/Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\|\hat{x}\|_0 = p(x)$ ,  $x \in \hat{x}$  defines a norm on the quotient space  $X/Y$ .

**Exercise 12.** Consider  $X$ , the vector space of  $C^1$  functions on  $[0, 1]$  such that  $f(0) = 0$ .

1. Define, for  $f \in X$ ,  $N(f) = \|f\|_\infty + \|f'\|_\infty$ . Show that  $N$  is a norm on  $X$ .
2. Show that for all  $f \in X$  and  $x \in [0, 1]$ ,  $f(x) = e^{-x} \int_0^x e^t (f(t) + f'(t)) dt$ .
3. Define, for  $f \in X$ ,  $N'(f) = \|f + f'\|_\infty$ . Show that  $N'$  is a norm on  $X$  and is equivalent to  $N$ .

**Exercise 13.** Let  $A$  be the set of continuous functions on  $[0, 1]$  such that  $f(x) \geq 0$  for all  $x \in [0, 1]$ .

1. Equip  $C[0, 1]$  with the norm  $\|f\|_\infty = \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |f(x)|$ . Show that  $A$  is closed and determine its interior.
2. Equip  $C[0, 1]$  with the norm  $\|f\|_1 = \int_0^1 |f(x)| dx$ . Show that the interior of  $A$  is empty and that  $A$  is closed.

**Exercise 14.** Consider  $X = C^1([a, b])$ .

1. Is  $X$  complete when equipped with the uniform norm  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ ?
2. Consider the norm  $N(f) = \sup_{t \in [a, b]} \|f(t)\| + \sup_{t \in [a, b]} \|f'(t)\|$ . Is the space  $(X, N)$  complete?

**Exercise 15.** Let  $A = \{x_n = (\delta_{in})_{i=1}^\infty \mid n = 1, 2, \dots\} \subset \ell^\infty$ .

1. Verify that

$$\|x_n\|_\infty = 1, \text{ for all } n \geq 1, \tag{6}$$

$$\|x_n - x_m\|_\infty = 1 - \delta_{nm}, \text{ for all } n, m \geq 1. \tag{7}$$

2. Conclude that  $A$  is closed and bounded.
3. Is  $A$  compact? Justify your answer.

**Exercise 16.** Let  $X$  be a uniform convex Banach space, and let  $K$  be a non-empty, convex, closed subset in  $X$ . Show that for every  $x \in X$ , there exists a unique  $y \in K$  such that  $\|x - y\| = \inf_{z \in K} \|x - z\|$ .