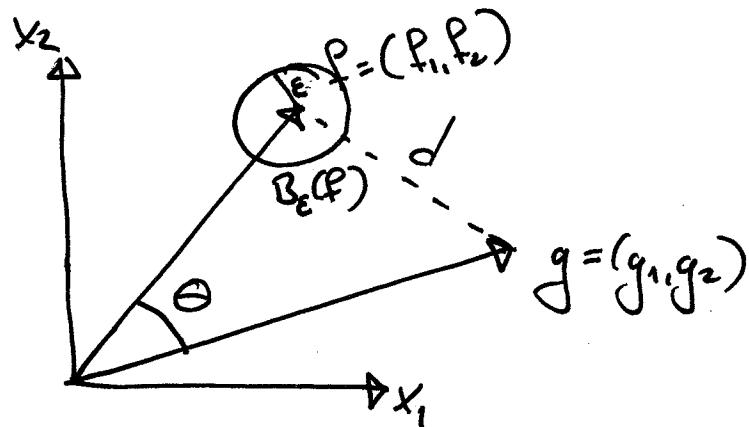


## INTRO LECTURE

Explain how geometric concepts from  $\mathbb{R}^d$  can be generalized to ~~not~~ infinite dimensional spaces, in particular to function spaces.

Mention both similarities and the fundamentally new phenomena that arise in infinite dimensional spaces.

Recall  $\mathbb{R}^d$ :

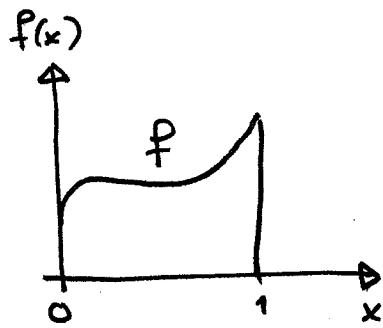


$$d = d(f, g) = \sqrt{(f-g, f-g)} = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^d |f_j - g_j|^2}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{(f, g)}{\|f\| \|g\|} \quad \|f\| = d(f, 0)$$

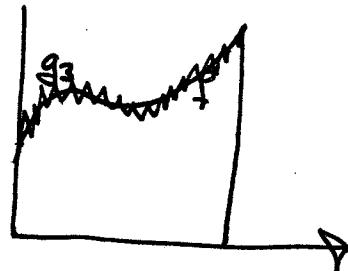
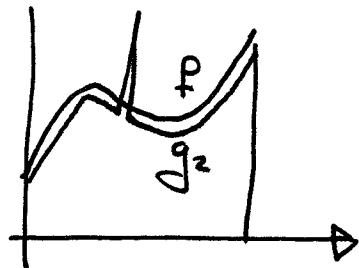
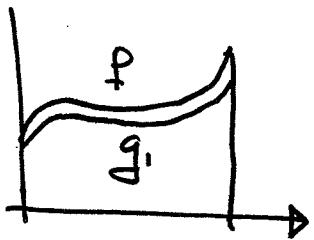
In contrast, in a function space, "vectors" are functions.

Example  $I = [0, 1]$   $\mathcal{X}$  = "Functions from  $I$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ "  
 (this has to be put in precise terms later!)



$f \in \mathcal{X}$  is a point in  $\mathcal{X}$ .

What functions are "close" to  $f$ ?



Example  $L^2(I)$  = Functions on  $I$  s.t.  $\int |f(x)|^2 dx < \infty$   
 $(f, g) = \int f(x)g(x)dx$        $\|f\| = \left( \int |f(x)|^2 dx \right)^{1/2}$

$g_1, g_2, g_3$  are all close to  $f$ .

Example  $p \in [1, \infty)$ ,  $L^p(I)$  = Functions s.t.  $(\int |f(x)|^p dx)^{1/p} < \infty$   
 No inner product.  
 Local deviations penalized if  $p$  is large

Extreme case is  $L^\infty(I)$ ,  $\|f\| = \sup_{x \in I} |f(x)|$

Example  $H^1(I)$   $(f, g) = \int (f(x)g(x) + f'(x)g'(x))dx$

Only  $g_1$  is close to  $f$ !

What is the derivative here?

Must functions in  $H^1$  be continuous?  $C^1$ ?

Example  $C(I)$  - closely related to  $L^\infty(I)$ .  
 but  $C(I)$  has only continuous functions.  
 $\|f\| = \sup_x |f(x)|$

$$C^1(I) : \|f\| = \sup (|f(x)| + |f'(x)|)$$

What is relationship between  $C^1$  &  $H^1$ ?

Can these norms be derived from  
 an inner product?

We will study a hierarchy of more and more general spaces:

- \* Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^d$ :  $\langle f, g \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^d f_j g_j$      $\left. \begin{array}{l} \|f\| = \sqrt{\langle f, f \rangle} \\ d(f, g) = \|f - g\| \\ \|f\| = \sqrt{\langle f, f \rangle} \end{array} \right\}$
- \* Inner product spaces  
 (Hilbert spaces)  
 $L^2(I)$        $H^1(I)$
- \* Normed linear spaces  
 (Banach spaces)

$$d(f, g) = \|f - g\|$$

No inner product

- \* Metric spaces - distance is not necessarily given by a norm.

Examples: \* Riemannian manifolds (curved spaces)

Think of a sphere, with  $d(f, g) =$  shortest "flying distance" between  $f$  and  $g$ .

- \* Schwartz space  $d(f, g) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |x^{1/j}| \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right)^{n-j} (fg)(x)$
- \* Topological Spaces - no distance function.  
 We have...

## Metric Spaces

Def' Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a non-empty set, and suppose that  $d$  is a function

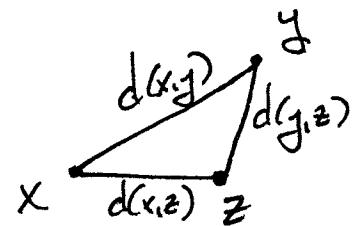
$$d: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$$

such that

$$(i) \quad d(x, y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = y$$

$$(ii) \quad d(x, y) = d(y, x) \quad \forall x, y \in \mathcal{X}$$

$$(iii) \quad d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y) \quad \forall x, y, z \in \mathcal{X}$$



Then  $(\mathcal{X}, d)$  is called a METRIC SPACE with the METRIC  $d$ .

Example  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with  $d(x, y) = \|x - y\|$

Example  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with  $d(x, y) = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} |x_j - y_j| \quad x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

Proof (i) & (ii) are obvious.

For (iii) we find

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, y) &= \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} |x_j - y_j| = \max \{ |(x_j - z_j) + (z_j - y_j)| \leq \\ &\leq \max (|x_j - z_j| + |z_j - y_j|) \leq \max |x_j - z_j| + \max |z_j - y_j| \\ &= d(x, z) + d(z, y) \end{aligned}$$

Example Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be any set.

$$\text{Define } d(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = y \\ 1 & \text{if } x \neq y \end{cases}$$

Claim Let  $(\mathbb{X}, d)$  be a metric space.

Let  $\mathbb{Y}$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{X}$ .

Then  $(\mathbb{Y}, d)$  is a metric space.

We call  $(\mathbb{Y}, d)$  a subspace of  $(\mathbb{X}, d)$ .

Example  $\mathbb{X} = \mathbb{R}$   $d(x, y) = |x - y|$

Then  $(\mathbb{Q}, d)$  is a subspace of  $(\mathbb{R}, d)$

Def<sup>n</sup>

Let  $F$  be a scalar field ( $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ ).

Then a set  $\mathbb{X}$  is called a VECTOR FIELD over  $F$  (or a LINEAR SPACE) if there exist operations "+" and "-" such that

$\mathbb{X}$  is a commutative group w.r.t. +  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{(i)} \quad x+y=y+x \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{X} \\ \text{(ii)} \quad (x+y)+z=x+(y+z) \quad \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{X} \\ \text{(iii)} \quad \exists 0 \in \mathbb{X} \text{ such that } x+0=x \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{X} \\ \text{(iv)} \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{X} \quad \exists \text{ an element } "-x" \in \mathbb{X} \text{ s.t. } x+(-x)=0 \end{array} \right.$

Conditions on scalar multiplication  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{(v)} \quad 1 \cdot x = x \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{X} \\ \text{(vi)} \quad (\lambda+\mu)x = \lambda x + \mu x \quad \forall \lambda, \mu \in F \quad x \in \mathbb{X} \\ \text{(vii)} \quad \lambda(\mu x) = (\lambda\mu)x \\ \text{(viii)} \quad \lambda(x+y) = \lambda x + \lambda y \quad \overline{\text{-- --}} \quad \forall \lambda \in F \quad x, y \in \mathbb{X} \end{array} \right.$

Def<sup>n</sup> A linear space  $\mathcal{X}$  (over  $F$ ) is called a NORMED LINEAR SPACE if there exists a map  $\|\cdot\| : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that

- (i)  $\|\lambda x\| = |\lambda| \|x\|$
- (ii)  $\|x+y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$
- (iii)  $\|x\|=0 \Leftrightarrow x=0$

Claim A normed linear space is a metric space with the metric  $d(x, y) = \|x-y\|$ .

Example  $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}^n$   $\|x\|_p = \left( \sum_{j=1}^d |x_j|^p \right)^{1/p}$  for  $p \neq \infty$   
 $\|x\|_\infty = \sup_{1 \leq j \leq n} |x_j| \left( \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|x\|_p \right)$

Claim  $(\mathcal{X}, \|\cdot\|_p)$  is a NLS when  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$

Proof (i) & (iii) are trivial

(ii) is a little bit of work unless  $p=1, 2, \infty$   
Homework!

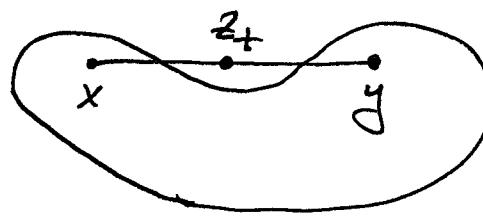
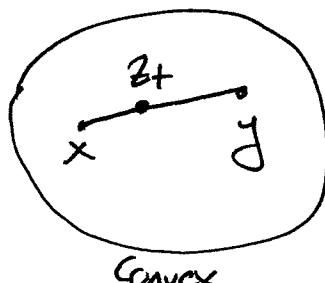
What about the case  $p < 1$ ? Let's take a detour:

Def<sup>n</sup> Let  $A$  be a subset of a NLS,  $\mathcal{X}$ .

We say that  $A$  is CONVEX if  $\forall x, y \in A \ \& t \in [0, 1]$ ,

$$z_t = tx + (1-t)y \in A$$

Examples



Not convex

Lemma Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a NLS and set

$$\mathcal{B} = \{x \in \mathcal{X} : \|x\| \leq 1\} \Leftarrow \text{"Closed unit ball"}$$

Then  $\mathcal{B}$  is convex

Proof

Prct  $x, y \in \mathcal{B}$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ . Then

$$\|z_t\| = \|tx + (1-t)y\| \leq \|tx\| + \|(1-t)y\| = t\|x\| + (1-t)\|y\| \leq 1$$

So  $z_t \in \mathcal{B}$ .

Claim

$(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_p)$  is NOT a NLS ~~when~~ when  $p < 1$ .

Proof

We will prove that the unit ball is not convex.

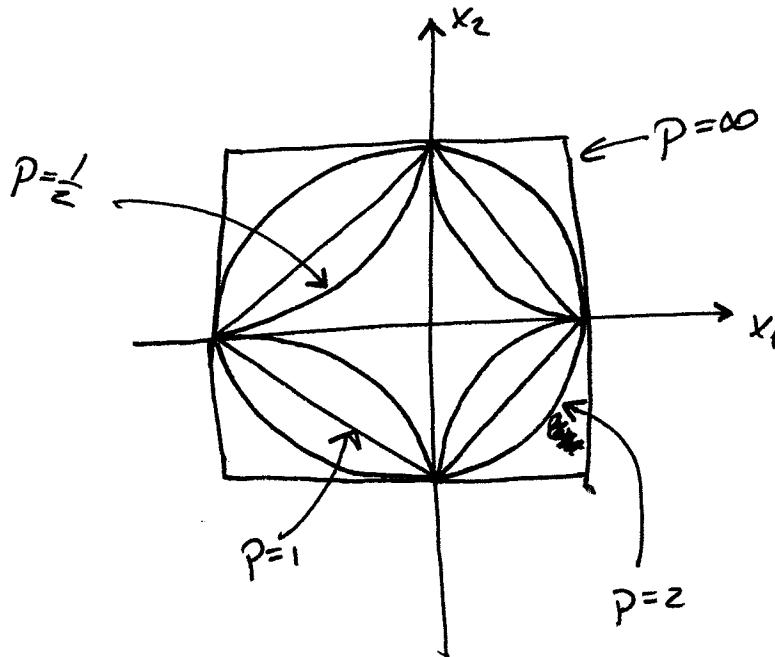
Set  $e^{(1)} = [1, 0, \dots, 0]$ ,  $e^{(2)} = [0, 1, 0, \dots, 0]$ , then  $e^{(1)}, e^{(2)} \in \mathcal{B}$ .

$$z_{1/2} = [\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0, 0, \dots, 0].$$

$$\|z_{1/2}\|_p = (\frac{1}{2^p} + \frac{1}{2^p})^{1/p} = (2 \cdot 2^{-p})^{1/p} = 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1} > 1 \quad \text{if } p < 1$$

so  $z_{1/2} \notin \mathcal{B}$ .

In  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , we find that the unit ball has the following shapes:



CONVERGENCE, COMPLETENESS

Def' Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space, and let  $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence in  $X$ .

- \* We say that  $x_n \rightarrow x$  if  $d(x_n, x) \rightarrow 0$ . CONVERGENCE
- \* We say that  $(x_n)$  is CAUCHY if  $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N$  such that  $m, n \geq N \Rightarrow d(x_n, x_m) < \epsilon$
- \* We say that  $X$  is COMPLETE if every cauchy sequence in  $X$  has a limit point in  $X$ .

Note: Every convergent sequence is necessarily Cauchy.

Thm:  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a complete metric space. ← Important.

Example  $X = (0, 1)$ . Is  $X$  complete? No:  $x_n = \frac{1}{n}$  is Cauchy.

Example Every closed subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a complete metric space.  
(We will return to the question of when a set is "closed" shortly.)

Example  $\mathbb{Q}$  with the usual metric is not complete.

For a counterexample, pick for any integer  $n$  a rational ~~irrational~~ number  $q_n \in (\sqrt{2} - \frac{1}{n}, \sqrt{2} + \frac{1}{n})$

Then  $(q_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is Cauchy, but ~~not~~ does not converge to a point in  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

UPPER & LOWER BOUNDS

Def' Let  $A$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

- \* If  $M$  is a number such that  $x \leq M \quad \forall x \in A$ , then  $M$  is an UPPER BOUND of  $A$ .
- \* If  $M$  is an upper bound of  $A$ , and there is no smaller upper bound then we say that  $M$  is the LEAST UPPER BOUND of  $A$ .  $M = \sup A$
- \* If  $A$  does not have an upper bound, set  $\sup A = \infty$
- \* Analogously, define LOWER BOUND, GREATEST LOWER BOUND,  $\inf A$ .
- \* For the empty set, define  $\sup \emptyset = -\infty$
- \* If  $M = \sup A \in A$ , set  $M = \max A$

Thm Every subset of the real numbers has a unique supremum and infimum in the reals.

Note that this is not true for max/min.

Nor is it true for subsets of  $\mathbb{Q}$ , example:  $S_2 = \{q \in \mathbb{Q} : q^2 < 2\}$

Def' A sequence  $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is MONOTONE INCREASING if  $x_n \leq x_{n+1} \quad \forall n$

DECREASING if  $x_n \geq x_{n+1} \quad \forall n$

Every monotone sequence "converges" (possibly to  $\pm\infty$ ),

if  $(x_n)$  is monotone increasing, then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \sup \{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$

Not every sequence has a limit.

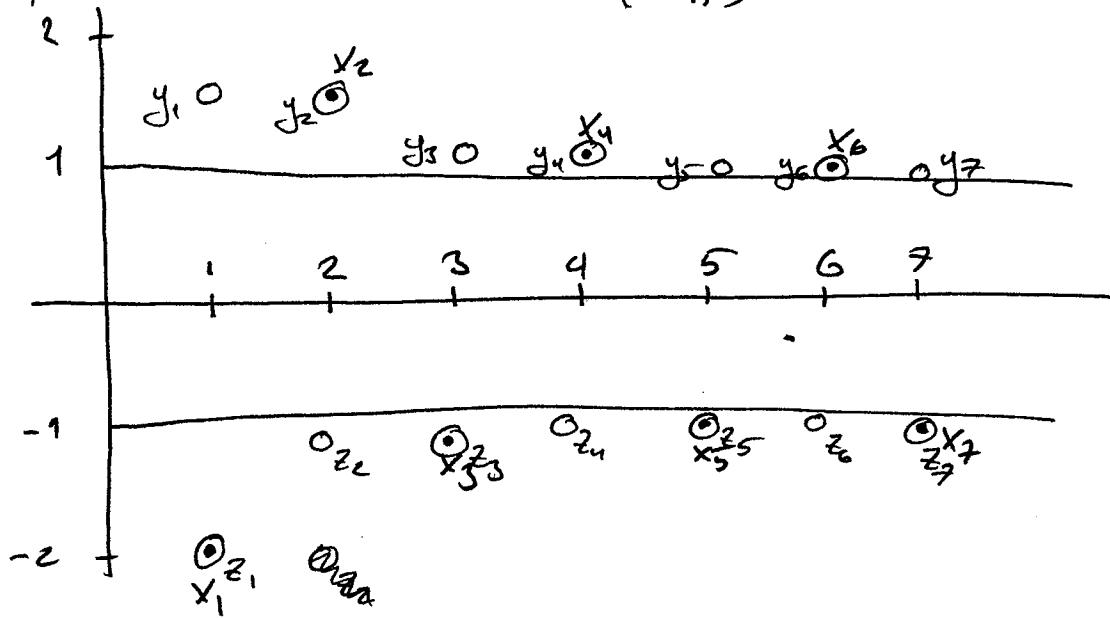
However, every sequence has what we call limsup & liminf.

Given a sequence  $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ , set  $y_n = \sup\{x_k : k \geq n\}$   
 $z_n = \inf\{x_k : k \geq n\}$

Then  $y_n$  is monotone decreasing  $\Rightarrow \lim y_n$  exists set  $\lim y_n = \text{limsup}$

$z_n$  is monotone increasing  $\Rightarrow \lim z_n$  exists. Set  $\text{limsup } x_n = \lim z_n$

Example:  $x_n = (-1)^n \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)$



$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim y_n = 1 \quad \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim z_n = -1$$

Equivalent definitions:

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup\{x_k : k \geq n\}$$

$$= \inf \{ \alpha : \text{Only finitely many } x_n \text{ are larger than } \alpha \}$$

$$= \sup \{ \alpha : \text{there exists a subseq } (x_{n_j})_{j=1}^{\infty} \text{ such that } \alpha = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_j} \}$$

Lemma For any sequence  $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ :

- \*  $\limsup x_n$  and  $\liminf x_n$  exist (but may equal  $\pm\infty$ )
- \*  $\liminf x_n \leq \limsup x_n$
- \*  $(x_n)$  is convergent  $\Leftrightarrow \limsup x_n = \liminf x_n$   
In this case,  $\lim x_n = \limsup x_n = \liminf x_n$ , of course.

### CONTINUITY

Def' Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be metric spaces, and suppose  $f: X \rightarrow Y$ .

- \* We say that  $f$  is continuous at  $x$  if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$   
such that  $d_X(x, x') < \delta \Rightarrow d_Y(f(x), f(x')) < \varepsilon$ .
- \* We say that  $f$  is continuous if it is cont. at every  $x \in X$ .
- \* We say that  $f$  is sequentially continuous at  $x$  if  
for every seq.  $(x_n)$  s.t.  $x_n \rightarrow x$ , we have  $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x)$ .
- \* We say that  $f$  is 'sequentially continuous' if  $f$  is  
seq. cont. at every  $x \in X$ .

Note: We will soon prove that seq. cont  $\Leftrightarrow$  cont.

Example Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be metric spaces.

Suppose that  $X$  has the discrete metric,  $d_X(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x=y \\ 1 & \text{if } x \neq y \end{cases}$

Then any function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is seq. cont.

Proof: Suppose  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $X$ . We need to prove that  $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x)$  in  $Y$ .  
But if  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $X$ ,  $\exists N$  s.t.  $n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n = x$ .

Then for  $n \geq N$ ,  $f(x_n) = f(x)$  so  $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x)$ .

## OPEN & CLOSED SETS

Def<sup>n</sup> Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space.

- \* For  $c \in X$ ,  $r \in [0, \infty)$ , define  $B_r(c) = \{x \in X : d(x, c) < r\}$  ← "open ball"
- ~~\* For  $c \in X$ ,  $r \in (0, \infty)$ , define  $\overline{B}_r(c) = \{x \in X : d(x, c) \leq r\}$~~
- \* A set  $G \subseteq X$  is OPEN if  $\forall x \in G \exists r > 0$  s.t.  $B_r(x) \subseteq G$
- \* A set  $F \subseteq X$  is CLOSED if  $F^c = X \setminus F$  is open.
- \* The BOUNDARY of a set  $S \subseteq X$  is the set of all points  $x \in X$  such that for any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $B_\epsilon(x)$  contains points in both  $S$  and  $S^c$ .

Prop<sup>n</sup> Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space.

- (i)  $X$  and  $\emptyset$  are both open and closed.
- (ii) A finite intersection of open sets is open.
- (iii) Any union of open sets is open.
- (iv) A finite union of closed sets is closed.
- (v) Any intersection of closed sets is closed.

Note that the requirements of finiteness above is necessary.

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (-\frac{1}{n}, 1) = [0, 1)$$

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (-\frac{1}{n}, 1 + \frac{1}{n}) = [0, 1]$$

$$\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} [\frac{1}{n}, 1 - \frac{1}{n}] = (0, 1)$$

Proof of (iii): Let  $\{G_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  be a collection of open sets and set  $G = \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} G_\alpha$ .

Fix an  $x \in G$ .  $\exists \alpha \in A$  s.t.  $x \in G_\alpha$ .

Since  $G_\alpha$  is open,  $\exists \epsilon > 0$  s.t.  $B_\epsilon(x) \subseteq G_\alpha$ .

Since  $G_\alpha \subseteq G$ , it follows that  $B_\epsilon(x) \subseteq G$ .

Proof of (v): Let  $\{F_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  be a collection of closed sets and set  $F = \bigcap_{\alpha \in A} F_\alpha$ .

That  $F$  is closed follows immediately from (iii) since

~~Defn Prop~~  $F^c = \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} F_\alpha^c$  and all  $F_\alpha^c$  are open.  
~~Defn Prop~~ Let  $X \& Y$  be metric spaces.  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is "open-set continuous" if  $G$  open in  $Y \Rightarrow f^{-1}(G)$  open in  $X$ .

~~Defn Prop~~ Let  $X \& Y$  be metric spaces, and let  $f$  map  $X$  to  $Y$ .

TFAE: (a) \*  $f$  is  $\epsilon$ - $\delta$ -cont.

(b) \*  $f$  is seq. cont.

(c)  $f$  is open-set cont.

Proof: We will prove that (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b)  $\Rightarrow$  (c)  $\Rightarrow$  (c)

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (b) Suppose that  $f$  is  $\epsilon$ - $\delta$ -cont.

We need to prove that if  $x_n \rightarrow x$ , then  $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x)$ .

Suppose that  $x_n \rightarrow x$ . Fix  $\epsilon > 0$ .

$f$  is  $\epsilon$ - $\delta$  cont at  $x \Rightarrow \exists \delta$  s.t.  $f(B_\delta(x)) \subseteq B_\epsilon(f(x))$ .

Since  $x_n \rightarrow x$ ,  $\exists N$  s.t.  $n \geq N \Rightarrow x_n \in B_\delta(x)$ .

Then for  $n \geq N$ ,  $f(x_n) \in B_\epsilon(f(x))$ .

Note: The prop<sup>n</sup> says that in a metric space, the three notions of continuity are equivalent. Henceforth, we will simply say "continuous".

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (c) Suppose that  $f$  is NOT open-set cont.

We will construct a seq  $(x_n)$  s.t.  $x_n \rightarrow x$  for some  $x$ , but  $f(x_n) \not\rightarrow f(x)$ .

Since  $f$  is not open-set cont,  $\exists$  an open set  $G \subseteq \mathbb{Y}$  s.t.  $H = f^{-1}(G)$  is not open.

Since  $H$  is not open,  $\exists x \in H$  s.t.  $B_\varepsilon(x) \cap H^c$  is non-empty for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

For  $n=1,2,3,\dots$  pick  $x_n \in B_{y_n}(x) \cap H^c$ .

Then  $x_n \rightarrow x$ .

However, since  $f(x) \in G$ , and  $G$  is open,  $\exists \varepsilon$  s.t.  $B_\varepsilon(f(x)) \subseteq G$ .

Since  $f(x_n) \notin G$ , it follows that  $d(f(x_n), f(x)) > \varepsilon \quad \forall n$  and so  $f(x_n)$  cannot converge to  $f(x)$ .

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (c) Suppose that  $f$  is open-set cont.

We will prove that  $f$  is  $\varepsilon$ - $\delta$ -cont. Fix an  $x \in \mathbb{X}$ .

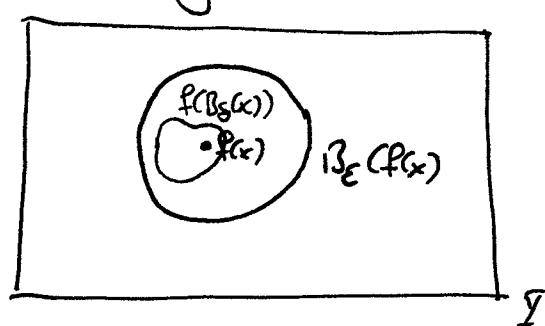
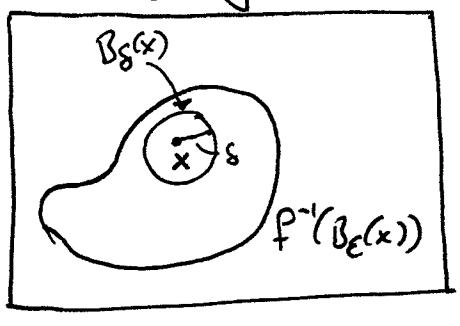
Pick any  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

Since  $B_\varepsilon(f(x))$  is open in  $\mathbb{Y}$ ,  $f^{-1}(B_\varepsilon(f(x)))$  is open in  $\mathbb{X}$ .

Since  $x \in f^{-1}(B_\varepsilon(f(x)))$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $B_\delta(x) \subseteq f^{-1}(B_\varepsilon(f(x)))$

But then  $f(B_\delta(x)) \subseteq B_\varepsilon(f(x))$ .

Note: Drawing figures for the proof is a good idea. For instance,  $(c) \Rightarrow (c)$



Def<sup>n</sup> Suppose that  $\Omega$  is a subset of a metric space  $X$ . AAB (12)

The closure of  $\Omega$  is the set  $\bar{\Omega} = \{x \in X : \exists (x_n) \subset \Omega \text{ s.t. } x_n \rightarrow x\}$ .

Claim Letting  $\partial\Omega$  denote the boundary of  $\Omega$ , we have  $\bar{\Omega} = \Omega \cup \partial\Omega$ .

Claim  $\bar{\Omega}$  = the intersection of all closed sets containing  $\Omega$ .

Claim  $\Omega$  is closed  $\Leftrightarrow \Omega = \bar{\Omega}$ .

Example Let  $X$  denote the metric space  $\mathbb{R}$  with the usual metric.

Let  $\Omega = \mathbb{Q}$ . Then  $\bar{\Omega} = \mathbb{R} = X$ .

Example Let  $X$  denote the set  $\mathbb{R}$  and let  $d(x,y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x=y \\ 1 & \text{if } x \neq y. \end{cases}$

Let  $\Omega$  be any subset of  $X$ . Then  $\bar{\Omega} = \Omega$ .

(Note that in the discrete metric, ANY set is closed.)

Def<sup>n</sup> Let  $X$  be a metric space.

A subset  $\Omega$  is said to be dense in  $X$  if  $\bar{\Omega} = X$ .

Example Under #

Def<sup>n</sup> If a metric space has a dense countable subset, ~~is~~  
then we say that the metric space is separable.

Example  $\mathbb{R}$  equipped with the usual metric is separable since  $\mathbb{Q}$  is dense.

Example  $\mathbb{R}$  equipped with the discrete metric is NOT separable since  
no ~~sup~~ subset is dense (except  $\mathbb{R}$  itself).

Example Let  $\mathcal{X}$  denote the set of all sequences  $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots)$  such that (i)  $x_n \in \mathbb{Q} \forall n$ , and (ii) only finitely many  $x_n$ 's are non-zero. Define for  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$  &  $y = (y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots)$  the metric  $d(x, y) = \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_n - y_n|^2 \right)^{1/2}$ .

~~Then  $\mathcal{X}$  is~~

Note that  $\mathcal{X}$  is countable (to see this, note that  $\mathcal{X} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{X}_n$ , where  $\mathcal{X}_n$  is the set of all sequences  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, 0, 0, 0, \dots)$  where  $x_j \in \mathbb{Q} \forall j \geq n$ , then each  $\mathcal{X}_n$  is countable since it can be identified with  $\mathbb{Q}^n$ , and thus  $\mathcal{X}$  is a countable union of countable sets).

Next ~~let~~ let  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$  denote the set of all sequences  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$  such that  $x_n \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_n|^2 < \infty$ . Equip  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$  with the same metric as  $\mathcal{X}$ .

~~Note that~~  $\mathcal{X}$  is dense in  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$ . To prove this, fix any  $x \in \tilde{\mathcal{X}}$ .  
 Fix a  $\epsilon \stackrel{\text{set } \epsilon = \frac{1}{j}}{=} 0$ . Pick  $N_j$  s.t.  $\sum_{n=N_j+1}^{\infty} |x_n|^2 < \frac{\epsilon^2}{2}$ .

Next, pick for  $n=1, 2, \dots, N_j$  numbers  $x_n^{(j)} \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $|x_n - x_n^{(j)}| < \frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{2N_j}}$ , and set  $x^{(j)} = (x_1^{(j)}, \dots, x_{N_j}^{(j)}, 0, 0, \dots)$ . Then  $x^{(j)} \in \mathcal{X}$ , and  $d(x, x^{(j)}) = \left( \underbrace{\sum_{n=1}^{N_j} |x_n - x_n^{(j)}|^2}_{< \epsilon^2/2} + \underbrace{\sum_{n=N_j+1}^{\infty} |x_n|^2}_{< \epsilon^2/2} \right)^{1/2} < \epsilon = \frac{1}{j}$ . Thus  $x^{(j)} \rightarrow x$ . ~~and so~~  $x$

## COMPLETION OF A METRIC SPACE

It sometimes happens that we define a set  $\mathcal{X}$  and a metric  $d$  and find that the resulting space  $(\mathcal{X}, d)$  is not complete. This is highly inconvenient.

It turns out to be possible to "add the missing elements" and obtain a new space  $(\tilde{\mathcal{X}}, \tilde{d})$  that is complete. This space is called the **completion** of  $(\mathcal{X}, d)$ .

- It is in a certain sense unique.

Example: The set of real numbers  $\mathbb{R}$  can be defined by first defining the rational numbers  $\mathbb{Q}$  and then form the completion of  $\mathbb{Q}$  w.r.t. the metric  $d(x, y) = |x - y|$ .

Example: The spaces  $\mathcal{X}$  &  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$  on page 13.

Example: The homework problem where  $I = [0, 1]$  and  $\mathcal{X}$  = the space of all continuous functions on  $I$ , and  $d(f, g) = \left( \int_I |f(x) - g(x)|^2 dx \right)^{1/2}$ .

Then  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}} = L^2(I)$  = the space of all Lebesgue-measurable functions  $f$  s.t.  $\int_0^1 |f(x)|^2 dx < \infty$ .

Caveat: In  $L^2(I)$ , two functions  $f$  and  $g$  are considered identical if  $\int_0^1 |f(x) - g(x)|^2 dx = 0$ . To be precise, an element in  $L^2(I)$  is an equivalence class of functions.

Def<sup>n</sup> Let  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  be metric spaces. AAb (15)

A map  $i: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  is called an isometry if

$$d_{\mathcal{X}}(x, y) = d_{\mathcal{Y}}(i(x), i(y)) \quad \forall x, y \in \mathcal{X}.$$

If  $i$  is also onto, then  $i$  is ~~an~~ a metric space isomorphism.

Note 1: Any isometry is necessarily one-to-one

(~~Ex~~ If  $i(x) = i(y)$ , then  $d(x, y) = d(i(x), i(y)) = 0 \Rightarrow x = y$ )

Note 2: If two spaces  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  are isomorphic, i.e. if there exists an isomorphism from  $\mathcal{X}$  to  $\mathcal{Y}$ , then mathematically speaking,  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  are identical, they differ only in how the elements are labelled.

The concept of an isomorphism can be defined for metric space, NLS, inner-product spaces, Lie-algebras, etc, etc.

In each case, the isomorphism must preserve all the relevant structure.

Example  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $\mathbb{C}$  are isomorphic metric spaces  $i: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}: \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \mapsto x_1 + ix_2$

Example  $\mathcal{X} = L^2(\mathbb{R})$  = the space of "all" real-valued functions s.t.  $\int |f|^2 < \infty$ .

$\mathcal{Y} = l^2(\mathbb{Z})$  = the space of all sequences  $(..., \alpha_{-2}, \alpha_{-1}, \alpha_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2, ...)$  such that  $\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\alpha_j|^2 < \infty$ ,  $\alpha_j \in \mathbb{C}$ .

$$d(\alpha, \beta) = \left( \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\alpha_j - \beta_j|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

The Fourier transform  $F: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  is an isometry defined by

$$F: f \mapsto (\dots, \alpha_{-1}, \alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots) \text{ where } \alpha_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-inx} f(x) dx$$

Parseval's equality states that  $\int |f(x)|^2 dx = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |\alpha_n|^2$ .

It follows that  $F$  is an isometry.

However  $F$  is not an isomorphism from  $L^2(I, \mathbb{R})$  to  $l^2(\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{C})$  since, if  $(\alpha_n) = FF$ , then  $\overline{\alpha_n} = \alpha_{-n}$  (in other words,  $F$  is not onto).

However,  $F$  is an isomorphism from  $L^2(I, \mathbb{C})$  - the set of all Lebesgue measurable square-integrable complex-valued functions to  $l^2(\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{C})$ . Its inverse is given by

$$[F^{-1}(\alpha_n)](x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha_n \frac{e^{inx}}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

- Def' A metric space  $(\tilde{X}, \tilde{d})$  is a completion of the metric space  $(X, d)$  if
- (a) There is an isometric embedding  $i: X \rightarrow \tilde{X}$ .
  - (b)  $i(X)$  is dense in  $\tilde{X}$ .
  - (c) The space  $(\tilde{X}, \tilde{d})$  is complete.

Thm Every metric space  $(X, d)$  has a completion  $(\tilde{X}, \tilde{d})$ .

If  $(\tilde{X}_1, \tilde{d}_1)$  and  $(\tilde{X}_2, \tilde{d}_2)$  are both completions of  $(X, d)$ , then  $(\tilde{X}_1, \tilde{d}_1)$  and  $(\tilde{X}_2, \tilde{d}_2)$  are isomorphic.

In order to prove the thm, we need the following lemma:

Lemma Let  $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a Cauchy seq. Then  $(x_n)$  has a subsequence  $(y_j)_{j=1}^{\infty}$  s.t.  $y_0 = x_{n_1}$  and  $m, n \geq N \Rightarrow d(y_m, y_n) \leq \frac{1}{N}$

Proof Let  $n_1$  be s.t.  $m, n \geq n_1 \Rightarrow d(x_m, x_n) \leq \frac{1}{1}$

Let  $n_2$  be s.t.  $m, n \geq n_2 \Rightarrow d(x_m, x_n) \leq \frac{1}{2}$  (and  $n_2 \geq n_1$ )

Let  $n_3$  be s.t.  $m, n \geq n_3 \Rightarrow d(x_m, x_n) \leq \frac{1}{3}$  (and  $n_3 \geq n_2$ )

Etc

Then  $y_0 = x_{n_1}$  satisfies the criteria.

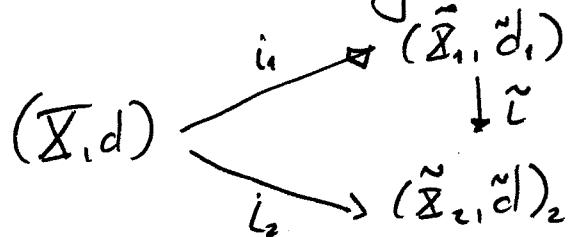
# Proof of thm

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## Step 1: Prove uniqueness

Let  $(\tilde{X}_1, \tilde{d}_1)$  &  $(\tilde{X}_2, \tilde{d}_2)$  be completions, with isometries  $i_1$  &  $i_2$ .

First we define an isometry  $\tilde{i}: \tilde{X}_1 \rightarrow \tilde{X}_2$



For  $\tilde{x} \in \tilde{X}_1$ , pick  $x_n \in X$  s.t.  $i_1(x_n) \rightarrow \tilde{x}$  (possible since  $i_1(X)$  is dense in  $\tilde{X}_1$ )

$(i_1(x_n))$  is Cauchy  $\Rightarrow (x_n)$  is Cauchy  $\Rightarrow (i_2(x_n))$  is Cauchy

$i_1$  is an isometry  $\uparrow$   $i_2$  is an isometry  $\uparrow$

Since  $\tilde{X}_2$  is complete  $\exists \tilde{y} \in \tilde{X}_2$  s.t.  $i_2(x_n) \rightarrow \tilde{y}$ .

The element  $\tilde{y}$  does not depend on the choice of sequence  $(x_n)$ ;

in fact, if  $i_1(z_n) \rightarrow \tilde{x}$ , then  $\tilde{d}_2(i_2(z_n), i_2(x_n)) = \tilde{d}_1(i_1(z_n), i_1(x_n)) \rightarrow 0$

so  $i_2(z) \rightarrow \tilde{y}$  as well. Therefore, we can define  $\tilde{i}(\tilde{x}) = \tilde{y}$ .

\* We need to prove that  $\tilde{i}$  is an isometry:

Pick  $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y} \in \tilde{X}_1$  and  $x_n, y_n \in X$  s.t.  $i_1(x_n) \rightarrow \tilde{x}$  &  $i_1(y_n) \rightarrow \tilde{y}$ . Then

$$\tilde{d}_2(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) = \lim \tilde{d}_1(i_1(x_n), i_1(y_n)) = \lim d(x_n, y_n) = \lim \tilde{d}_2(i_2(x_n), i_2(y_n)) = \tilde{d}_2(\tilde{i}(\tilde{x}), \tilde{i}(\tilde{y})).$$

\* We need to prove that  $\tilde{i}(i_1(X)) = i_2(X)$ .

Simply use constant sequences!

\* We need to prove that  $\tilde{i}$  is onto.

Fix any  $\tilde{x} \in \tilde{X}_2$ . Since  $i_2(X)$  is dense in  $\tilde{X}_2$ ,  $\exists x_n \in X$

s.t.  $i_2(x_n) \rightarrow \tilde{x}$ . Then  $(i_2(x_n))$  is Cauchy in  $\tilde{X}_2 \Rightarrow$

$\Rightarrow (x_n)$  is Cauchy in  $X \Rightarrow (i_1(x_n))$  is Cauchy in  $\tilde{X}_1$ .

Since  $\tilde{X}_1$  is complete,  $\exists \tilde{x} \in \tilde{X}_1$  s.t.  $i_1(x_n) \rightarrow \tilde{x}$ .

But then  $\tilde{i}(\tilde{x}) = \tilde{x}$  by defn.

Step 2: Construct the completion

We define  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$  as a set of equivalence classes on the set of all Cauchy sequences on  $\mathcal{X}$ .

Suppose that  $(x_n)$  &  $(y_n)$  are Cauchy seq's in  $\mathcal{X}$ .

We say that  $(x_n) \sim (y_n)$  if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n) = 0$  (this limit always exists)

This equivalence relation defines a set of equivalence classes which we label  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$ . Given an equivalence class  ~~$\tilde{x}$~~   $\tilde{x} \in \tilde{\mathcal{X}}$ , we say that a seq  $(x_n) \in \tilde{x}$  is a representative of  $\tilde{x}$ .

\* Def<sup>n</sup> of  $\tilde{d}$ : Given  $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y} \in \tilde{\mathcal{X}}$ , pick  $(x_n) \in \tilde{x}$  &  $(y_n) \in \tilde{y}$  and set  $\tilde{d}(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n)$

We need to prove that  $\tilde{d}(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})$  does not depend on the choice of representative.

Suppose  $(x'_n) \in \tilde{x}$  &  $(y'_n) \in \tilde{y}$ .

$$\text{Then } d(x_n, y_n) \leq d(x_n, x'_n) + d(x'_n, y'_n) + d(y'_n, y_n)$$

$$\text{So } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x'_n, y'_n)$$

$$\text{Analogously, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x'_n, y'_n) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n).$$

The proof that  $\tilde{d}$  is a metric is left as a homework.

\* Construct the embedding  $i: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{X}}$ . Given an  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ ,

set for  $n=1, 2, 3, \dots$   $x_n = x$ . Then  $(x_n)$  is a Cauchy seq.

Define  $i(x)$  as the equivalence class containing this seq.

Step 3: Prove that  $i(\mathcal{X})$  is dense in  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$

Fix any  $\tilde{x} \in \tilde{\mathcal{X}}$ .

Pick a representative  $(x_n) \in \tilde{x}$ .

For  $n=1, 2, 3, \dots$  let  $\tilde{x}^{(n)}$  denote the equivalence class

that contains the constant sequence  ~~$(x_n, x_n, x_n, \dots)$~~   $(x_n, x_n, x_n, \dots)$ .

Then clearly,  $\tilde{x}^{(n)} \in i(\mathcal{X})$ .

Moreover,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{d}(\tilde{x}^{(n)}, \tilde{x}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} d(x_j^{(n)}, x_j) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, x_j) = 0$ ,

so  $\tilde{x}^{(n)} \rightarrow \tilde{x}$  in  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$ .

Step 4 - Prove that  $\tilde{X}$  is complete

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Let  $(\tilde{x}^{(n)})$  be a Cauchy seq in  $\tilde{X}$ .

Let  $(\tilde{y}^{(n)})$  be a subseq of  $(\tilde{x}^{(n)})$  s.t.  $d(\tilde{y}^{(n)}, \tilde{y}^{(m)}) \leq \frac{1}{N}$  when  $m, n \geq N$

For each  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  pick a representative  $(j_t^{(n)})_{t=1}^{\infty} \in \tilde{y}^{(n)}$ .

We can pick the representative so that  $d(j_t^{(n)}, j_i^{(n)}) \leq \frac{1}{N}$  when  $t, i \geq N$ .

Then  $(j_t^{(n)})_{t=1}^{\infty}$  is a Cauchy seq in  $X$ . ~~in  $\tilde{X}$~~

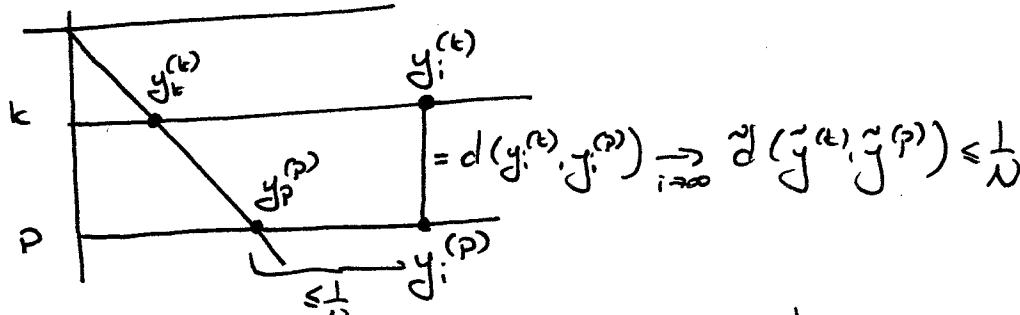
To prove this we first note that for any  $i = 1, 2, \dots$

$$d(j_t^{(k)}, j_p^{(p)}) \leq d(j_t^{(k)}, j_i^{(t)}) + d(j_i^{(t)}, j_i^{(p)}) + d(j_i^{(p)}, j_p^{(p)})$$

Suppose that  $k, p \geq N$  and take the limit as  $i \rightarrow \infty$ :

$$\begin{aligned} d(j_t^{(k)}, j_p^{(p)}) &\leq \underbrace{\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} d(j_t^{(k)}, j_i^{(t)})}_{\leq \frac{1}{N}} + \underbrace{\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} d(j_i^{(t)}, j_i^{(1)})}_{= \tilde{d}(\tilde{y}^{(t)}, \tilde{y}^{(1)})} + \underbrace{\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} d(j_i^{(1)}, j_p^{(p)})}_{\leq \frac{1}{N}} \leq \frac{1}{N} \end{aligned}$$

so  $k, p \geq N \Rightarrow d(j_t^{(k)}, j_p^{(p)}) \leq \frac{3}{N}$  which means that  $(j_t^{(k)})$  is Cauchy.



Let  $\tilde{x}$  denote the equivalence class containing  $(j_t^{(k)})_{t=1}^{\infty}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{d}(\tilde{y}^{(n)}, \tilde{x}) &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} d(y_k^{(n)}, j_k^{(k)}) \leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} (d(j_k^{(n)}, j_i^{(n)}) + d(j_i^{(n)}, j_i^{(t)}) + d(j_i^{(t)}, j_k^{(k)})) \leq \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\min(k, i)} \leq \frac{1}{\min(n, k)} \\ &\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{k} + \underbrace{\tilde{d}(\tilde{y}^{(n)}, \tilde{y}^{(t)})}_{\leq \frac{1}{\min(n, t)}} + \frac{1}{k} \right) = \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

This proves that  $\tilde{y}^{(n)} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{x}$  in  $\tilde{X}$ ; and since  $\tilde{y}^{(n)}$  is a subseq of the Cauchy seq.  $(\tilde{x}^{(n)})$ , it follows that  $\tilde{x}^{(n)} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{x}$ .