

Solution to Homework 2, MMAT5000

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1. Solution:

(a) For any $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta = \min\{\frac{\varepsilon}{16}, 1\}$ such that if

$$\|(x, y) - (1, -4)\| = \sqrt{(x-1)^2 + (y+4)^2} < \delta,$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} |x^2y + 4| &= |x^2y - y + y + 4| \\ &\leq |x^2y - y| + |y + 4| \\ &\leq |x + 1| \cdot |y| \cdot |x - 1| + |y + 4| \end{aligned}$$

Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} |x - 1| &\leq \sqrt{(x-1)^2 + (y+4)^2} < \delta, \\ |y + 4| &\leq \sqrt{(x-1)^2 + (y+4)^2} < \delta, \\ |x + 1| &\leq |x - 1| + 2 \leq \delta + 2, \\ |y| &\leq |y + 4| + 4 \leq \delta + 4. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$|x^2y + 4| \leq (\delta + 2)(\delta + 4)\delta + \delta = (\delta^2 + 6\delta + 9)\delta \leq 16\delta \leq \varepsilon.$$

Therefore

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,-4)} x^2y = -4.$$

(b) **Claim:** $\left| \frac{\sin t}{t} - 1 \right| \leq |t|$, for all $t \in \mathbb{R} - \{0\}$.

Proof of Claim: Let $f(t) = \sin t - t + t^2$, $t \in [0, +\infty)$.

$$f'(t) = \cos t - 1 + 2t, \quad f'(0) = 0,$$

and

$$f''(t) = -\sin t + 2 > 0.$$

So $f'(t) > 0$ in $(0, +\infty)$ and hence $f(t) \geq 0$ on $[0, +\infty)$ due to $f(0) = 0$.

Therefore, $t - t^2 \leq \sin t$, $t \in (0, +\infty)$.

Similarly, let $g(t) = \sin t - t - t^2$, $t \in [0, +\infty)$.

$$g'(t) = \cos t - 1 - 2t, \quad g'(0) = 0,$$

and

$$g''(t) = -\sin t - 2 < 0.$$

So $g'(t) < 0$ in $(0, +\infty)$ and hence $g(x) \leq 0$ on $[0, +\infty)$ due to $g(0) = 0$.
Therefore, $\sin t \leq t + t^2$, $t \in (0, +\infty)$.

$$\begin{aligned} t - t^2 &\leq \sin t \leq t + t^2, \quad t \in (0, +\infty), \\ -t &\leq \frac{\sin t}{t} - 1 \leq t, \quad t \in (0, +\infty), \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$\left| \frac{\sin t}{t} - 1 \right| \leq |t|, \quad t \in \mathbb{R} - \{0\}.$$

For any $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta = \min\{\frac{\varepsilon}{23}, 1\}$ such that if

$$\|(x, y) - (-2, 3)\| = \sqrt{(x+2)^2 + (y-3)^2} < \delta,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{\sin(9x + 2y^2)}{9x + 2y^2} - 1 \right| &\leq |9x + 2y^2| \\ &= |9(x+2) + 2(y-3)^2 + 12(y-3)| \\ &\leq 9|x+2| + 2|y-3|^2 + 12|y-3| \\ &\leq 9\delta + 2\delta^2 + 12\delta \\ &= \delta(2\delta + 21) \\ &\leq 23\delta \\ &\leq \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Here we used the fact that

$$\begin{aligned} |x+2| &\leq \sqrt{(x+2)^2 + (y-3)^2} < \delta, \\ |y-3| &\leq \sqrt{(x+2)^2 + (y-3)^2} < \delta. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (-2,3)} \frac{\sin(9x + 2y^2)}{9x + 2y^2} = 1.$$

2. Solution:

(a) If we take the limits through the path $x = 0$,

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} g(0, y) = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{0 + y^2}{0 + 3y^2} = \frac{1}{3};$$

While taking the limits through the path $y = 0$ leads to

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g(x, 0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^3 + 0}{2x^4 + 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2x} \rightarrow \begin{cases} +\infty, & x \rightarrow 0^+, \\ -\infty, & x \rightarrow 0^-. \end{cases}$$

Therefore, $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} g(x, y)$ does not exist.

(b) If we take the limits through the path $x = y^5 - y^2$,

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} h(y^5 - y^2, y) = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{(y^5 - y^2)^2 y}{y^5 - y^2 + y^2} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} (1 + y^6 - 2y^3) = 1;$$

While taking the limits through the path $x = 2y^5 - y^2$ leads to

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} h(2y^5 - y^2, y) = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{(2y^5 - y^2)^2 y}{2y^5 - y^2 + y^2} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{2} + 2y^6 - 2y^3\right) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Therefore, $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} g(x, y)$ does not exist.

Remark: However, we have

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0^+, 0)} h(x, y) = 0.$$

We will show it by $\varepsilon - \delta$ definition: For any $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta = \sqrt{\varepsilon} > 0$ such that if

$$x > 0, \quad \|(x, y) - (0, 0)\| = \sqrt{(x)^2 + (y)^2} < \delta,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{x^2 y}{x + y^2} - 0 \right| &\leq \left| \frac{x^2 y}{x} \right| \\ &= |xy| \\ &\leq |x| \cdot |y| \\ &\leq \delta^2 \\ &\leq \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Here we used the fact that

$$|x| \leq \sqrt{(x)^2 + (y)^2} < \delta,$$

$$|y| \leq \sqrt{(x)^2 + (y)^2} < \delta.$$

Therefore

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0^+, 0)} h(x, y) = 0.$$

3. Solution: For each $(x, y) \in U$, we have

$$3x^2 + 5y^2 > 7.$$

Set $A(x, y) \stackrel{def}{=} 3x^2 + 5y^2 - 7 > 0$.

For any $(s, t) \in B_r((x, y))$, we have

$$\sqrt{(s - x)^2 + (t - y)^2} < r,$$

$$|s - x| < r, \quad |t - y| < r,$$

$$|s + x| \leq |s - x| + |2x| \leq r + 2|x|,$$

$$|t + y| \leq |t - y| + |2y| \leq r + 2|y|.$$

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned}
3s^2 + 5t^2 - 7 &= 3(s^2 - x^2) + 5(t^2 - y^2) + 3x^2 + 5y^2 - 7 \\
&= 3(s+x)(s-x) + 5(t+y)(t-y) + A(x, y) \\
&\geq -3|s+x| \cdot |s-x| - 5|t+y| \cdot |t-y| + A(x, y) \\
&\geq -3(r+2|x|)r - 5(r+2|y|)r + A(x, y) \\
&= -8r^2 - (6|x| + 10|y|)r + A(x, y)
\end{aligned}$$

Notice that

$$-8r^2 - (6|x| + 10|y|)r + A(x, y) > 0$$

provided

$$r \in \left(0, \frac{\sqrt{(3|x| + 5|y|)^2 + 8A(x, y)} - (3|x| + 5|y|)}{8} \right).$$

Therefore, for each $(x, y) \in U$, the ball $B_r((x, y)) \subset U$ provided

$$r \in \left(0, \frac{\sqrt{(3|x| + 5|y|)^2 + 8A(x, y)} - (3|x| + 5|y|)}{8} \right), \text{ with } A(x, y) = 3x^2 + 5y^2 - 7.$$

4. **Solution:** Given a linear normed space $(X, \|\cdot\|)$, define $\rho : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$\rho(x, y) = \|x - y\|, \quad \forall x, y \in X.$$

It is easy to check that ρ is a metric. In fact, ρ satisfies

- (1) $\rho(x, y) = \|x - y\| > 0$ if $x \neq y$ and $\rho(x, x) = \|x - x\| = 0$.
- (2) $\rho(x, y) = \|x - y\| = \|(-1)(y - x)\| = |-1|\|y - x\| = \rho(y, x)$.
- (3) $\rho(x, y) + \rho(y, z) = \|x - y\| + \|y - z\| \geq \|x - y + y - z\| = \|x - z\| = \rho(x, z)$.

Moreover, ρ satisfies

- (i) $\rho(ax, ay) = \|ax - ay\| = |a|\|x - y\| = |a|\rho(x, y)$, $\forall a \in \mathbb{F}$ (homogeneity)
- (ii) $\rho(x+z, y+z) = \|x+z - (y+z)\| = \|x - y\| = \rho(x, y)$, $\forall z \in X$ (translation invariance)

Conversely, if a metric ρ on a vector space X satisfies the properties

- (i) $\rho(ax, ay) = |a|\rho(x, y)$, $\forall a \in \mathbb{F}$ (homogeneity)
- (ii) $\rho(x+z, y+z) = \rho(x, y)$, $\forall z \in X$ (translation invariance)

then we could define a norm on X by

$$\|x\| = \rho(x, 0), \quad \forall x \in X.$$

we will prove that $\|\cdot\|$ is a norm. In fact,

- (1) $\|x\| = \rho(x, 0) \geq 0$ for all $x \in X$, and the equality holds if and only if $x = 0$.
- (2) $\|ax\| = \rho(ax, 0) = |a|\rho(x, 0) = |a|\|x\|$ for all $x \in X$, $a \in \mathbb{F}$.
- (3) $\|x + y\| = \rho(x + y, 0) \leq \rho(x + y, y) + \rho(y, 0) = \rho(x, 0) + \rho(y, 0) = \|x\| + \|y\|$ for all $x, y \in X$.

5. **Solution:** Let X be a non-empty set. Define $\rho : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$\rho(x, y) = 1, \text{ if } x \neq y;$$

$$\rho(x, y) = 0, \text{ if } x = y.$$

It is easy to check that ρ is a metric. In fact, ρ satisfies

(1) $\rho(x, y) = 1 > 0$ if $x \neq y$ and $\rho(x, x) = 0$.

(2) $\rho(x, y) = \rho(y, x)$.

(3) For any $x, y, z \in X$,

* If x, y, z are all distinct, then $\rho(x, y) + \rho(y, z) = 1 + 1 \geq 1 = \rho(x, z)$;

* If exactly two of x, y, z are the same, then $\rho(x, y) + \rho(y, z) \geq 1 + 0 = 1 \geq \rho(x, z)$;

* If $x = y = z$, then we have $\rho(x, y) + \rho(y, z) = 0 + 0 = 0 = \rho(x, z)$.

In all, $\rho(x, y) + \rho(y, z) \geq \rho(x, z)$ for all $x, y, z \in X$.

If a sequence $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in (X, ρ) is convergent, then there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for $\forall \varepsilon \in (0, 1)$, we have

$$\rho(a_n, a_m) < \varepsilon, \text{ whenever } n, m \geq N.$$

Since $\varepsilon < 1$, by the definition of the metric ρ , we have

$$a_n = a_m, \quad \forall n, m \geq N.$$

Hence there exists $l \in X$ such that $a_n = l$ for all $n > N$. Moreover, $l \in X$, so (X, ρ) is complete.