

The problems are due on Thursday, September 20.

**For all students:**

**Problem 1** Let  $A$  be a set in a metric space  $(X, d)$ , and let  $x \notin A$ . Show that  $x$  is an accumulation point of  $A$  if and only if there is a sequence  $(x_n)$  of elements in  $A$  converging to  $x$ .

**Problem 2** Let  $A_n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , be a collection of non-empty subsets of a metric space  $(M, d)$  satisfying  $A_{n+1} \subseteq A_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and such that  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = \emptyset$ . Show that all points in  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} cl(A_n)$  are accumulation points of  $A_1$ .

**Problem 3** Let  $(x_n)$  and  $(y_n)$  be two Cauchy sequences in a metric space  $(X, d)$ . Show that the sequence  $(d(x_n, y_n))$  converges.

**Problem 4** Let  $X$  be the vector space consisting of all real-valued sequences that are absolutely summing:

$$X = \{(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \mid \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_n| < \infty\}.$$

1. Show that  $\|(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}\| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_n|$  defines a norm on  $X$ .
2. For  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  define  $P_k : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $P_k((x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}) = x_k$ . Find a sequence  $(\mathbf{x}_i)_{i=1}^{\infty}$  of elements in  $X$  such that  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} P_k(\mathbf{x}_i)$  exists for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , but such that the sequence  $(\mathbf{x}_i)_{i=1}^{\infty}$  itself fails to be a Cauchy sequence.

**For graduate students:**

**Problem 5** Consider the following two binary operations on  $(0, 1]$ :

$$d(x, y) = |x - y| \text{ for all } x, y \in (0, 1],$$

$$d^*(x, y) = \left| \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} \right| \text{ for all } x, y \in (0, 1].$$

1. Show that  $d^*$  defines a metric on  $(0, 1]$ .
2. Show that a set is open in the metric space  $((0, 1], d)$  if and only if it is open in  $((0, 1], d^*)$ . Conclude that a sequence converges in the metric space  $((0, 1], d)$  if and only if it converges in  $((0, 1], d^*)$ .
3. Show that the metric space  $((0, 1], d^*)$  is complete, while the metric space  $((0, 1], d)$  is *not* complete.