

Math 113
Homework Assignment Number Two
Due Wednesday, January 20th

INSTRUCTIONS: As usual, for the “true/false” questions, just circle the correct answer. No justifications are required, but don’t guess. Your score is based on #right minus #wrong.

1. **TRUE or FALSE:** Every finite dimensional normed vector space is a Banach space.
2. **TRUE or FALSE:** Every compact Hausdorff space is a normal topological space.
3. **TRUE or FALSE:** If W is a closed subspace of a normed vector space V , then the quotient map $q : V \rightarrow V/W$ has norm one provided $W \neq V$.
4. **TRUE or FALSE:** Suppose that V and W are normed vector spaces and that $T : V \rightarrow W$ is linear. If V is finite dimensional, then T is bounded.
5. **TRUE or FALSE:** Let $C_{\mathbf{R}}^1([0, 1])$ be the set of real-valued functions on $[0, 1]$ with a continuous derivative on $[0, 1]$. Let $\|f\| := \|f\|_{\infty} + \|f'\|_{\infty}$. Then $C_{\mathbf{R}}^1([0, 1])$ is a Banach space with respect to $\|\cdot\|$.¹
6. Work E.1.2.9 in the text.
7. Work E.2.1.1 in the text.
8. Define two norms $\|\cdot\|_1$ and $\|\cdot\|_2$ on a vector space V to be equivalent if they determine the same topology on V . Prove that $\|\cdot\|_1$ and $\|\cdot\|_2$ are equivalent if and only if there are nonzero positive constants c and d such that

$$c\|v\|_1 \leq \|v\|_2 \leq d\|v\|_1 \quad \text{for all } v \in V.$$

9. (After Monday’s lecture): Suppose that X is a locally compact Hausdorff space. Show that $C_0(X)$ is closed in $C^b(X)$ and that $C_c(X)$ is dense in $C_0(X)$.

¹You may want to use the result that if $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on $[0, 1]$ and each f_n is differentiable with $f'_n \rightarrow g$ uniformly on $[0, 1]$, then f is differentiable and $f' = g$. A proof of this statement follows easily from Theorem 7.17 of Rudin’s *Principles of Real Analysis*.

10. Let X be a normed vector space and let $B = \{x \in X : \|x\| \leq 1\}$ be the *unit ball*. Show that if B is compact, then X is finite dimensional.² Since this is E.2.1.3 in the text, I was embarrassed not to be able to give a “quick” proof. You can either follow my steps below, or provide a better proof yourself.³

- (a) Let $V = \{x \in X : \|x\| < 1\}$ be the open unit ball. Show that there is a finite set $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \subset X$ such that

$$B \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n x_i + \frac{1}{2}V.$$

- (b) Let $Y = \text{span}\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ and conclude that

$$V \subset Y + \frac{1}{2}V$$

- (c) Let

$$Z := \bigcap_n (Y + \frac{1}{2^n}V).$$

Observe that $V \subset Z$ and prove that $Z = Y$.

- (d) Conclude that $Y = X$.

Remark. *I thought E.2.1.6, E.2.1.8, E.2.1.9 and E.2.1.10 all illustrated some interesting examples of Banach spaces, but I couldn't bear the thought of more to grade.*

²It is easy to go from here to showing that any normed vector space that is locally compact is necessarily finite dimensional.

³In fact, the “steps below” aren't my original ones. A student in the 2007 instance of this course, Chor Lam, came up with the “improved” version here. Can you find a better one?