

Ch3 The Contraction Mapping Principle

§3.1 Complete Metric Space

Def: Let (X, d) be a metric space.

(1) A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in (X, d) is a Cauchy sequence if $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists n_0$ s.t. $d(x_n, x_m) < \epsilon, \forall n, m \geq n_0$.

(2) (X, d) is complete if every Cauchy sequence in (X, d) converges.

(3) A subset E is complete if the induced metric subspace (E, d) is complete. (i.e. $d = d|_{E \times E}$)
i.e. every Cauchy sequence in E converges with limit in E .

Note: Convergent sequence is a Cauchy sequence (Ex!)

Prop 3.1 Let (X, d) be a metric space.

(a) Every complete set in X is closed.

(b) If X is complete, then every closed set in X is complete.

Pf: (a) Let $E \subset X$, & E complete.

Suppose $\{x_n\} \subset E$ with $x_n \rightarrow x$ in X .

By note, $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy seq. in E

Then completeness of $E \Rightarrow x_n \rightarrow z \in E$.

Uniqueness of limit $\Rightarrow x = z \in E$

$\therefore E$ is closed.

(b) Let (X, d) be complete & E is closed in X .

Then every Cauchy seq. $\{x_n\}$ in E is a Cauchy

seq in X . Completeness of $X \Rightarrow \exists x \in X$,

s.t. $x_n \rightarrow x$. Since E is closed, $x \in E$.

$\therefore E$ is complete.

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egz. 1 : • $(\mathbb{R}, \text{standard})$ is complete

• $[a, b]$, $(-\infty, b]$, $[a, \infty)$ complete

• $[a, b)$ (b finite) not complete ($\because x_n = b - \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow b \notin [a, b)$)

• \mathbb{Q} is not complete.

eg 3.2 $(X = C[a, b], d_\infty)$ is complete:

Cauchy seq $\{f_n\}$ in d_∞ -metric

$\Leftrightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists n_0$ s.t.

$$\max_{[a, b]} |f_n(x) - f_m(x)| < \varepsilon, \quad \forall n, m \geq n_0$$

$\therefore f_n(x) \rightarrow f(x)$ uniformly for some $f \in C[a, b]$ ~~*~~

eg let $P = \{f \in C[a, b] : f(x) = p(x) \text{ on } [a, b] \text{ for some polynomial } p(x)\}$.

Then P is not complete (in d_∞ -metric):

$$h_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{x^k}{k!} \in P$$

but $h_n(x) \rightarrow e^x$ uniformly (in d_∞ -metric)

$$\& e^x \notin P.$$

3.5 Appendix: Completion of a Metric Space

Def: A metric space (X, d) is said to be isometrically embedded in metric space (Y, ρ) if

\exists a mapping $\Phi: X \rightarrow Y$ s.t.

$$d(x, y) = \rho(\Phi(x), \Phi(y)).$$

Notes: (i) Φ is called an isometric embedding from (X, d) into (Y, ρ) . And sometime called a metric preserving map.

(ii) Φ must be one-to-one and continuous.

Def: Let (X, d) and (Y, ρ) be metric spaces.

We call (Y, ρ) a completion of (X, d)

if (1) (Y, ρ) is complete.

(2) \exists isometric embedding $\Phi: (X, d) \rightarrow (Y, \rho)$
such that the closure $\overline{\Phi(X)} = Y$.

eg: $(Y, \rho) = (\mathbb{R}, \text{standard}), \quad X = \mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{R}$

$(Z, d) = (\mathbb{Q}, \text{induced metric})$

Then $(\mathbb{R}, \text{standard})$ is complete;

• $\Phi = (\mathbb{Q}, \text{induced metric}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \text{standard})$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{Q} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathbb{R} \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{Q} & & \mathbb{R} \end{array}$$

• $\overline{\mathbb{Q}} = \mathbb{R}$ (\mathbb{Q} is dense in \mathbb{R})

$\frac{\mathbb{R}}{\Phi(\mathbb{Q})}$

Thm 3.2 Every metric space has a completion.

PF (Sketch of Proof)

Let (X, d) be metric space.

Let $\mathcal{C} = \{ \{x_n\} \subset X = \{x_n\} \text{ Cauchy sequence} \}$

Define equivalent relation \sim on \mathcal{C} by

$\{x_n\} \sim \{y_n\} \iff d(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$

Let $\tilde{\mathcal{C}} = \mathcal{C} / \sim$ the quotient space.

Define $\tilde{d} = \tilde{\mathcal{E}} \times \tilde{\mathcal{E}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by the following:

$$\forall \tilde{x} = \text{equiv. class } [\{x_n\}]$$

$$\tilde{y} = \text{equiv. class } [\{y_n\}],$$

$$\tilde{d}(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n)$$

Then \tilde{d} is well-defined and is a metric on $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}$.

One then proves $(\tilde{\mathcal{E}}, \tilde{d})$ is complete.

$$\Phi = (\mathcal{X}, d) \rightarrow (\tilde{\mathcal{E}}, \tilde{d}) \text{ defined by}$$
$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$
$$x \longmapsto [\{x, x, x, \dots\}]$$

is an isometric embedding.

And one can show that

$$\overline{\Phi(\mathcal{X})}^{\text{closure in } (\tilde{\mathcal{E}}, \tilde{d})} = \tilde{\mathcal{E}}$$

Def: Two metric spaces (\mathcal{X}, d) , (\mathcal{X}', d') are called isometric if \exists bijjective isometric embedding from (\mathcal{X}, d) onto (\mathcal{X}', d') .

- Notes :
- (i) the inverse of the bijective isometric embedding is also an isometric embedding,
 - (ii) Two metric spaces will be regarded as the same if they are isometric.

Thm : If (Y, ρ) & (Y', ρ') are completions of a metric space (X, d) . Then (Y, ρ) and (Y', ρ') are isometric.

i.e. Completion is unique up to isometry.

§3.2 The Contraction Mapping Principle

Def: (1) Let (X, d) be a metric space. A map $T: (X, d) \rightarrow (X, d)$ is called a contraction if \exists constant $\gamma \in (0, 1)$, such that $d(Tx, Ty) \leq \gamma d(x, y), \forall x, y \in X$.

(2) A point $x \in X$ is called a fixed point of T if $Tx = x$.

(Usually we write Tx instead of $T(x)$.)

Thm 3.3 (Contraction Mapping Principle)

Every contraction in a complete metric space admit a unique fixed point.

(This is also called the Banach Fixed Point Thm)

Pf: Uniqueness: Suppose x & y are fixed pts. of T . Then

$$d(x, y) = d(Tx, Ty) \quad (x, y \text{ are fixed by } T) \\ \leq \gamma d(x, y) \quad \text{for some } \gamma \in (0, 1). \\ (\text{ } T \text{ contraction})$$

$$\Rightarrow d(x, y) = 0 \Rightarrow x = y.$$

Existence: Let $x_0 \in X$.

Define $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ by $x_n = Tx_{n-1}$, for $n=1, 2, \dots$

$$\text{Then } x_n = Tx_{n-1} = T(Tx_{n-2}) = T^2 x_{n-2} \\ = \dots = T^n x_0.$$

For any $n \geq N$,

$$d(x_n, x_N) = d(T^n x_0, T^N x_0) = d(T^{(n-N)+N} x_0, T^N x_0) \\ = d(T(T^{(n-N)+N-1} x_0), T(T^{N-1} x_0)) \\ \leq \gamma d(T^{(n-N)+N-1} x_0, T^{N-1} x_0)$$

(where $\gamma \in (0, 1)$ is the constant s.t. $d(Tx, Ty) \leq \gamma d(x, y)$, $\forall x, y \in X$)

$\leq \dots$

$$\leq \gamma^N d(T^{(n-N)}x_0, x_0)$$

$$\leq \gamma^N \left[d(T^{(n-N)}x_0, T^{(n-N)-1}x_0) + d(T^{(n-N)-1}x_0, T^{(n-N)-2}x_0) \right. \\ \left. + \dots + d(Tx_0, x_0) \right]$$

$$\leq \gamma^N \left[d(Tx_0, x_0) + \gamma d(Tx_0, x_0) + \dots \right. \\ \left. + \gamma^{(n-N)-2} d(Tx_0, x_0) + \gamma^{(n-N)-1} d(Tx_0, x_0) \right]$$

$$= \gamma^N \left[1 + \gamma + \dots + \gamma^{(n-N)-1} \right] d(Tx_0, x_0)$$

$$< \frac{\gamma^N}{1-\gamma} d(Tx_0, x_0)$$

Therefore, $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, if $N > 0$ is chosen s.t.

$$\frac{\gamma^N}{1-\gamma} d(Tx_0, x_0) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2},$$

we have $\forall n, m \geq N$,

$$d(x_n, x_m) \leq d(x_n, x_N) + d(x_N, x_m)$$

$$< \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon.$$

$\therefore \{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy seq. in (X, d) .

By completeness of (X, d) , $\exists x \in X$ s.t.

$$x_n \rightarrow x.$$

Note that a contraction is always continuous (Ex!)

we have

$$x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T x_{n-1} = T \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{n-1} = T x.$$

$\therefore x$ is a fixed point of T . ~~✗~~

eg 3.3

$$T: (0, 1] \rightarrow (0, 1] \quad (\text{Caution: } (0, 1] \text{ is not complete})$$
$$x \mapsto \frac{x}{2}.$$

Clearly $|Tx - Ty| = \frac{1}{2}|x - y|$ $\gamma = \frac{1}{2} < 1$

$\therefore T$ is a contraction.

However, if $x \in (0, 1]$ is a fixed point of T ,

then $Tx = x \Leftrightarrow \frac{x}{2} = x \Leftrightarrow x = 0 \notin (0, 1]$.

$\therefore T$ has no fixed point on $(0, 1]$.

This example shows that "completeness" is necessary in the Contraction Mapping Principle.

eg 3.4: $S: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ $(\mathbb{R} \text{ is complete})$
 $x \mapsto x - \log(1+e^x)$.

Then $\frac{dS}{dx} = 1 - \frac{e^x}{1+e^x} = \frac{1}{1+e^x} > 0$

$$\Rightarrow |Sx - Sy| = \left| \frac{dS}{dx}(c) \right| |x - y| < |x - y|$$

(But there is no constant $\delta < 1$ such that
 $|Sx - Sy| \leq \delta |x - y|$ (Ex!))

Since $-\log(1+e^x) \neq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$, $Sx \neq x \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$
no fixed point

This example shows that $\delta < 1$ cannot be replaced by $\delta \leq 1$ ~~##~~

§3.3 The Inverse Function Theorem

Notation: let $F = U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be differentiable at a point p in an open set U of \mathbb{R}^n . We

write

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} f^1 \\ \vdots \\ f^m \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^m,$$

where $f^i = f^i(x_1, \dots, x_n) : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \forall i=1, \dots, m$.

Then F differentiable at $p_0 = \begin{pmatrix} x_0^1 \\ \vdots \\ x_0^n \end{pmatrix} \in U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$

\Rightarrow

$$F(p_0 + z) - F(p_0) = DF(p_0)z + o(z)$$

$\forall z = \begin{pmatrix} z^1 \\ \vdots \\ z^n \end{pmatrix}$ sufficiently small,
($|z|$ small)

where

$$DF(p_0) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f^1}{\partial x^1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f^1}{\partial x^n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f^m}{\partial x^1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f^m}{\partial x^n} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{or } \begin{pmatrix} f^1 & \cdots & f^1 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ f^m & \cdots & f^m \end{pmatrix}$$

i.e. $\left(DF(p_0)z \right)^i = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial f^i}{\partial x^j}(p_0) z^j \quad \forall i=1, \dots, m.$