

Math 713 HW#2

#1. Let X be a finite set and \mathcal{D} a collection of subsets of X . Prove or find a counter example to the claim that \mathcal{D} must be a monotone class.

The claim is true. There is a proof.

Let M be the number of elements in X .

Let $A_n \in \mathcal{D}$ be such that $A_n \subseteq A_{n+1}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Claim that the sequence A_n is eventually constant. If it were not then for each $N \geq 0$ there is $n \geq N$ such that $A_n \neq A_{n+1}$.

In particular, if the sequence were not eventually constant then there would be a subsequence i_k such that $A_{n_k} \neq A_{n_{k+1}}$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Let N_k be the number of elements in A_{n_k} .

Claim $N_k \geq k - 1$.

We prove this by induction.

Clearly the number of elements in A_n is greater than or equal zero. Thus $N_k \geq 0$ and the induction hypothesis is satisfied for $k=1$.

Now suppose, for induction, that $N_k \geq k-1$. To complete the induction we need show that $N_{k+1} \geq k$.

Since $A_{N_k} \subseteq A_{N_{k+1}}$ then $N_{k+1} \geq N_k$.

Since $A_{N_k} \neq A_{N_{k+1}}$ then $N_{k+1} \neq N_k$.

Therefore $N_{k+1} > N_k$, which implies

$$N_{k+1} \geq N_k + 1 \geq k-1 + 1 = k$$

and completes the induction proving the claim.

Since $A_{N_k} \subseteq D$ then $N_k \in \mathbb{N}$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

But since $N_k \geq k-1$ this is a contradiction.

Therefore A_n is eventually constant.

Let N be so large that $A_n = A_N$ for $n \geq N$.

Then

$$\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = A_N \in D.$$

Therefore the union of monotone increasing sequences in D are contained in D .

Now let $A_n \in D$ be such that $A_n \supseteq A_{n+1}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Again claim that the sequence is constant.

If $\{A_n\}$ were not constant then there would be a subsequence $\{n_k\}$ such that $A_{n_k} \neq A_{n_{k+1}}$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Claim $N_k \leq M-k+1$.

We prove this by induction.

Clearly when $k=1$ then $N_1 \leq M-1+1=M$ since $A_{n_1} \in X$ and there are only M elements in X .

Suppose, for induction, that $N_k \leq M-k+1$.

Since $A_{n_k} \geq A_{n_{k+1}}$ then $N_k \geq N_{k+1}$.

Since $A_{n_k} \neq A_{n_{k+1}}$ then $N_k \neq N_{k+1}$.

Therefore $N_k > N_{k+1}$, which implies

$$N_{k+1} \leq N_k - 1 \leq M-k+1-1 = M-(k+1)+1$$

and completes the induction.

Since there can be no fewer than zero elements in a set then $N_k \geq 0$.

But since $N_k \leq M-k+1$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$ this is a contradiction. Therefore $\{A_n\}$ is eventually constant. Then for some N large enough

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = A_N \in \mathcal{D}$$

This proves \mathcal{D} is a monotone class.

#2. For two sets A and B show that the following statements are equivalent:

- (a) $A \subseteq B$
- (b) $A \cup B = B$
- (c) $A \cap B = A$.

"(a) \Rightarrow (b)" Suppose $A \subseteq B$ claim $A \cup B = B$.

Obviously $B \subseteq A \cup B$.

Therefore it is enough to show $A \cup B \subseteq B$.

Let $x \in A \cup B$. If $x \in B$ we are done
otherwise $x \in A$. Since $A \subseteq B$ this
implies $x \in B$. Therefore $A \cup B \subseteq B$.

It follows that $A \cup B = B$.

"(a) \Rightarrow (c)" Suppose $A \subseteq B$ claim $A \cap B = A$,

Obviously $A \cap B \subseteq A$.

Therefore it is enough to show $A \subseteq A \cap B$.

Let $x \in A$. Since $A \subseteq B$ then this
implies $x \in B$. Therefore $x \in A \cap B$.

It follows that $A \cap B = A$.

"(b) \Rightarrow (c)" Suppose $A \cup B = B$, claim $A \cap B = A$.

$$\begin{aligned}A \supseteq A \cap B &= A \cap (A \cup B) = (A \cap A) \cup (A \cap B) \\&= A \cup (A \cap B) \supseteq A\end{aligned}$$

Therefore $A \subseteq A \cap B$:

"(c) \Rightarrow (b)" Suppose $A \cap B = A$. Claim $A \cup B = B$,

$$\begin{aligned}B \subseteq A \cup B &= (A \cap B) \cup B = (A \cup B) \cap (B \cup B) \\&= (A \cup B) \cap B \subseteq B\end{aligned}$$

Therefore $B = A \cup B$.

"(b) \Rightarrow (a)" Suppose $A \cup B = B$. Claim $A \subseteq B$.

$$A \subseteq A \cup B = B$$

"(c) \Rightarrow (a)" Suppose $A \cap B = A$. Claim $A \subseteq B$

$$B \supseteq A \cap B = A$$

#3. Let A be an uncountable set and B be a countable subset of A . Show $A \sim A \setminus B$.

Let $I \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ be a countable set and

$$b_n : I \rightarrow B.$$

be a bijection. Thus $B = \{b_n : n \in I\}$.

Since A is uncountable and B countable there is a subset $C \subseteq A \setminus B$ that is countably infinite.

Let

$$c_n : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow C$$

be a bijection. Thus $C = \{c_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$.

Define $f : A \rightarrow A \setminus B$ by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} c_n & \text{if } x = b_n \text{ for some } n \in I \\ c_{n+1} & \text{if } x = c_n \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N} \\ x & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Since $C \cap B = \emptyset$ this map is well defined.

Claim f is one-to-one.

Lemma: Suppose $f_n: X_n \rightarrow Y_n$ are injective and $X_n \cap X_m = \emptyset$ and $Y_n \cap Y_m = \emptyset$ for $n \neq m$. Let $X = \bigcup X_n$ and $Y = \bigcup Y_n$. Then the piecewise defined function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ defined by

$$f(x) = f_n(x) \text{ for } x \in X_n$$

is injective.

Proof: Let $a, b \in X$ with $a \neq b$. Then there is n, m such that $a \in X_n$ and $b \in X_m$.

Case $n=m$: Since $f_n: X_n \rightarrow Y_n$ is injective then

$$f(a) = f_n(a) \neq f_n(b) = f(b)$$

implies $f(a) \neq f(b)$.

Case $n \neq m$: Then

$$f(a) = f_n(a) \in Y_n \quad f(b) = f_m(b) \in Y_m$$

and $Y_n \cap Y_m = \emptyset$ implies $f(a) \neq f(b)$

In both cases $f(a) \neq f(b)$ therefore f is injective.

Returning to problem 3 define

$$X_1 = B \quad Y_1 = \{c_{2n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

$$X_2 = C \quad Y_2 = \{c_{2n+1} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

$$X_3 = A \setminus (B \cup C) \quad Y_3 = A \setminus (B \cup C)$$

and $f_1: b_n \rightarrow c_{2n}$, $f_2: c_n \rightarrow c_{2n+1}$ and $f_3: x \rightarrow x$,

The functions f_1 and f_2 are injective because $n \rightarrow c_n$ is injective. Therefore the hypothesis of the lemma are satisfied and f is injective.

Define $g: A \setminus B \rightarrow A$ by $g(x) = x$,

Clearly g is injective.

Thus we have found two injective functions

$$f: A \rightarrow A \setminus B \quad \text{and} \quad g: A \setminus B \rightarrow A$$

By the Schroeder-Berstein theorem it follows
that $A \sim A \setminus B$.

#5 Let \mathcal{D} be a collection of open sets. Then there is a countable subcollection $\{O_1, O_2, \dots\}$ of \mathcal{D} such that $\bigcup_{O \in \mathcal{D}} O = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} O_n$.

Define $U = \bigcup_{O \in \mathcal{D}} O$. For each $x \in U$ there is $O_x \in \mathcal{D}$ such that $x \in O_x$. Since O_x is open there is $r_x > 0$ such that $(x-r_x, x+r_x) \subseteq O_x$. Choose rational numbers $\alpha_x, \beta_x \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $x-r_x < \alpha_x < x < \beta_x < x+r_x$. Then

$$x \in (\alpha_x, \beta_x) \subseteq (x-r_x, x+r_x) \subseteq O_x \text{ for each } x \in U.$$

Define

$$\mathcal{C} = \{(\alpha_x, \beta_x) : x \in U\}.$$

Since $\mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$ is countable then \mathcal{C} is countable. Thus

$$\mathcal{C} = \{I_1, I_2, I_3, \dots\}.$$

For each I_n there is some $x_n \in U$, such that $I_n \subseteq O_{x_n}$.
Therefore

$$U = \bigcup_{x \in U} \{x\} \subseteq \bigcup_{x \in U} (\alpha_x, \beta_x) = \bigcup I_n \subseteq \bigcup O_{x_n} \subseteq U$$

implies

$$\bigcup_{O \in \mathcal{D}} O = \bigcup O_{x_n}.$$

#6 Suppose $f: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous and $c \in (0,1)$.

- (a) If $f(c) > 0$ show there is $h > 0$ such that $f(x) > 0$ for every x with $|x - c| < h$.

Let $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2}f(c)$. Then there is $\delta > 0$ such that $x \in [0,1]$ and $|x - c| < \delta$ implies $|f(x) - f(c)| < \varepsilon = \frac{1}{2}f(c)$

Choose $h = \min(\delta, c, 1-c)$. Then $|x - c| < h$ implies $x \in [0,1]$ so $|f(x) - f(c)| < \varepsilon = \frac{1}{2}f(c)$.

Therefore $|x - c| < h$ implies

$$\begin{aligned}\delta(x) &= f(c) + f(x) - f(c) \\ &\geq f(c) - |f(x) - f(c)| \\ &\geq f(c) - \frac{1}{2}f(c) = \frac{1}{2}f(c) > 0\end{aligned}$$

which proves part (a).

Note that we have actually found $h > 0$ such that $f(x) > \frac{1}{2}f(c)$ for all $|x - c| < h$.

(b) If $\int_0^1 (f(x))^2 dx = 0$ then $f = 0$.

Since f is continuous it is enough to show that $f(x) = 0$ for every $x \in (0,1)$.

Suppose not. Then there is some $c \in (0,1)$ such that $f(c) \neq 0$.

If $f(c) > 0$ then by part (a) we have $h > 0$
such that $f(x) > \frac{1}{2}f(c)$ for all $|x - c| < h$.

Let $I = (c-h, c+h)$ and define g

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{2}f(c)\chi_I(x)$$

Claim $(f(x))^2 \geq (g(x))^2$ for all $x \in [0, 1]$.

Case $x \in I$ then $f(x) > \frac{1}{2}f(c) = g(x) > 0$ and
therefore $(f(x))^2 > (g(x))^2$

Case $x \notin I$ then $(f(x))^2 \geq 0 = (g(x))^2$.

These two cases finish the proof of the claim.

Since $(f(x))^2 \geq (g(x))^2$ for all $x \in [0, 1]$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 (f(x))^2 dx &= \int_0^1 (g(x))^2 dx \\ &= \int_{c-h}^{c+h} \frac{1}{4}(f(c))^2 dx \\ &= \frac{h}{2}(f(c))^2 > 0 \end{aligned}$$

Contradicting that $\int_0^1 (f(x))^2 dx = 0$. Therefore
there is no point $c \in (0, 1)$ such that $f(c) > 0$,

If $f(c) < 0$ then repeat the above argument for $g(x) = -f(x)$. It follows that

$$\int_0^1 (f(x))^2 dx = \int_0^1 (g(x))^2 dx > 0$$

again contradicting that $\int_0^1 (f(x))^2 dx = 0$. Therefore there is no point $c \in (0,1)$ such that $f(c) > 0$.

We have shown that $f(x) = 0$ for $x \in (0,1)$. Since f is continuous

$$f(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = 0$$

$$f(1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = 0$$

and so $f(x) = 0$ for all $x \in [0,1]$ as required.