

Homework 3

Instructions

Complete the exercises on this page and upload your work to Gradescope by **12:29pm on February 19**.

Be sure to **acknowledge your collaborators**.

Exercises

- Textbook exercise 4.5
- Consider the partition \bar{X} of the plane $X = \mathbb{R}^2$ consisting of all subsets $A \subset X$ of the form

$$A = \{(x, y), (-x, y)\},$$

for some $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. Note that if $x = 0$, then A contains a single element. Let \bar{d}_{euc} be the quotient semi-metric on \bar{X} induced by the Euclidean metric d_{euc} of $X = \mathbb{R}^2$. We will analyze $(\bar{X}, \bar{d}_{\text{euc}})$.

- Show that \bar{X} is a partition of $X = \mathbb{R}^2$.
- Let $X_+ = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x \geq 0\}$ and consider the map $\varphi: X_+ \rightarrow \bar{X}$ which associates to each point $P \in X_+$ the subset $\varphi(P) = \bar{P} \in \bar{X}$ which contains it. Show that φ is bijective.
- For any $P = (x, y)$ and $Q = (u, v)$ in \mathbb{R}^2 , let $P' = (|x|, y)$ and $Q' = (|u|, v)$ in X_+ . Show that $d_{\text{euc}}(P', Q') \leq d_{\text{euc}}(P, Q)$.
- For $P, Q \in X_+$, consider a discrete walk w from \bar{P} to \bar{Q} consisting of the points

$$P = P_1, Q_1 \sim P_2, Q_2 \sim P_3, \dots, Q_{n-1} \sim P_n, Q_n = Q$$

of X . Show that there is another discrete walk w' consisting of points

$$P = P'_1, Q'_1 = P'_2, Q'_2 = P'_3, \dots, Q'_{n-1} = P'_n, Q'_n = Q$$

such that $\ell_{d_{\text{euc}}}(w') \leq \ell_{d_{\text{euc}}}(w)$.

Note: The use of $=$ rather than \sim in w' is not a typo. Part (c) should be helpful.

- For the discrete walk w' of part (d), show that $\ell_{d_{\text{euc}}}(w') \geq d_{\text{euc}}(P, Q)$.
 - Show that $\bar{d}_{\text{euc}}(\bar{P}, \bar{Q}) = d_{\text{euc}}(P, Q)$ for every $P, Q \in X_+$. Conclude that the map $\varphi: X_+ \rightarrow \bar{X}$ constructed above is an isometry from (X_+, d_{euc}) to $(\bar{X}, \bar{d}_{\text{euc}})$.
- Textbook exercise 4.7. (You may use the results of exercises 4.4 and 4.5 without actually doing them.)
 - Textbook exercise 5.1.
 - Textbook exercise 5.3.
 - Textbook exercise 5.4.