

# lecture 3

- Further Examples - Function Spaces
- Metric Subspaces
- Open and Closed Balls



We move on with an important (in what follows) "category" of examples:

Example :  $X$  is a set of functions

For  $V \neq \emptyset$  consider  $\underline{BC(V, \mathbb{R})}$  and let

$d_{\text{sup}}$  :  $BC(X, \mathbb{R}) \times BC(X, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by:  $f, g \in BC(X, \mathbb{R})$ ,  $d_{\text{sup}}(f, g) := \sup_{x \in V} |f(x) - g(x)|$

\*  $d_{\text{sup}}$  is termed Uniform Metric

Notice that  $\underline{d_{\text{sup}}(f, g)}$  is is innermost value + absolute of sup

$$\begin{aligned} * \quad & \sup_{x \in V} |f(x) - g(x)| \leq \sup_{x \in V} (|f(x)| + |g(x)|) \\ & \leq \sup_{x \in V} |f(x)| + \sup_{x \in V} |g(x)| < +\infty \\ & f, g \in BC(X, \mathbb{R}) \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $d_{\text{sup}}$  is a well defined real function.

\* Obviously  $\sup_{x \in V} |f(x) - g(x)| \geq 0 \quad \forall f, g$

Hence p.d. holds ✓

\*  $D = d_{\text{sup}}(f, g) \Leftrightarrow D = \sup_{x \in V} |f(x) - g(x)|$   
 $\Leftrightarrow |f(x) - g(x)| = D \quad \forall x \in V \quad \Leftrightarrow f(x) = g(x) \quad \forall x \in V$

$\Leftarrow$   $f = g$  hence separation holds

$$* \text{dsep}(g, f) = \sup_{x \in V} |g(x) - f(x)| = \sup_{x \in V} |f(x) - g(x)|$$

Symmetry  
of  $| \cdot - \cdot |$

$$= \text{dsep}(f, g), \text{ hence symmetry holds.}$$

$* \text{if } f, g, h \in BCV(\mathbb{R})$

$$\text{dsep}(f, g) = \sup_{x \in V} |f(x) - g(x)| = \sup_{x \in V} |f(x) + h(x) - g(x)|$$

$$= \sup_{x \in V} |(f(x) - h(x)) + (h(x) - g(x))| \leq \sup_{x \in V} |f(x) - h(x)| +$$

$$+ |h(x) - g(x)| \leq \sup_{x \in V} |f(x) - h(x)| + \sup_{x \in V} |h(x) - g(x)|$$

$$= \text{dsep}(f, h) + \text{dsep}(h, g) \text{ hence the triangle inequality holds. } \blacksquare$$

\* The above is quite general and important in what follows. Some further sub-examples

\* (Sub)-Example: It is possible to

$$\text{arbitrarily close in } \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

perceive  $(\mathbb{R}^n, d_{\max})$  as a special case of  $(B(V, \mathbb{R}), d_{\text{exp}})$  for a suitable choice of  $V$ :

- Let  $V = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and function  $f: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

can be represented by the  $n$ -vector

$(f^{(1)}_{\mathbb{R}}, f^{(2)}_{\mathbb{R}}, \dots, f^{(n)}_{\mathbb{R}})$ . Inversely if  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

then it defines a function  $f: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$f(i) = x_i, i=1, \dots, n$ . Hence there exists a bijective correspondence between  $\{f: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

- Furthermore any  $f: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is bounded since

$V$  is finite (remember the first lecture - its image in  $\mathbb{R}$  is finite). Hence  $B(V, \mathbb{R}) \cong \mathbb{R}^n$ .

- If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $d_{\max}(x, y) = \max_{i=1, \dots, n} |x_i - y_i|$

$$= \max_{i=1, \dots, n} |f(i) - g(i)| = \max_{i \in V} |f(i) - g(i)|$$

↑  
f: V → ℝ  
represents x      ↓  
g: V → ℝ  
represents y

Max exists ⇒ equals sup

$$= \sup_{i \in V} |f(i) - g(i)|$$

$$= d_{\sup}(f, g).$$

Hence  $d_{\max}$  "is essentially"  $d_{\sup}$  and thus

$$(\mathbb{R}^n, d_{\max}) \approx (B(\{1, 2, \dots, n\}, \mathbb{R}), d_{\sup}). \quad \square$$

### \* (Sub-Example) - Bounded real sequences

- A real sequence is an "infinite dimensional vector", of the form  $(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n, \dots)$ ,  $x_i \in \mathbb{R}, i \in \mathbb{N}$

$\underbrace{(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n, \dots)}$

initial element      ↓      no final element  
as many elements as the elements of  $\mathbb{N}$

- E.g. a.  $(0, 1, 2, \dots, n, \dots)$  ✓    g.  $(1, 1, 1, \dots, \frac{1}{n}, \dots)$  ✓
- b.  $(1, \frac{1}{2}, \dots, \frac{1}{n+1}, \dots)$  ✓

- Equivalently a real sequence  $(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n, \dots)$

is represented by a function  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  since:

-  $(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n, \dots)$  defines  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with

$$f(n) := x_n$$

-  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defines the vector

$$(f(0), f(1), \dots, f(n), \dots)$$

a.  $f(n) = n$ , b.  $f(n) = \frac{1}{n+1}$

- A real sequence is bounded iff the  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that represents it is a bounded real function

$$\Leftrightarrow \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} |f(n)| < \infty \Leftrightarrow \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} |x_n| < \infty$$

a.  $\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} |n| = \infty$  Not bounded

b.  $\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} |\frac{1}{n+1}| = 1 < \infty$  bounded.

- Hence  $(B(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{R}), d_{\sup})$  is the space of bounded real sequences equipped with

the uniform metric.

e.g. c.  $x_n = 1 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$f(x) = 1 \rightarrow$$

$(1, 1, \dots, 1, \dots)$

$\hookrightarrow B(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{R})$

$$\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} |x_n| = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} 1 = 1 < \infty$$

$$d_{\sup} \left( \underbrace{(1, 1, \dots, 1, \dots)}_{n+L}, \underbrace{(1, 1, \dots, 1, \dots)}_{n+L} \right)$$

$$= \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \left| \frac{1}{n+L} - 1 \right| = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \left| \frac{1}{n+L} \right| = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{n+L}$$

why? since  $\frac{1}{n+L} \underset{n \rightarrow \infty}{\rightarrow} 0$   $\Rightarrow$

\* (Sub)-Example

$X = [0, 1]$ , and consider  $B([0, 1], \mathbb{R})$ .

Notice that  $B([0, 1], \mathbb{R}) \neq \emptyset$  since it contains

the constant functions  $f_c(x) = c, \forall x \in [0, 1], c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Consider also  $\underline{\delta} > 0$ , and the set

$$A_L := \{f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : f(0) = 0, \forall x, y \in [0, 1]$$

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq L |x - y| \}$$

$$\left| \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(x) \right| = \frac{L}{e} e^x$$

Notice that  $A_L \neq \emptyset$  since for example

$$g(x) := \frac{L}{e}(e^x - 1) \in A_L :$$

$$g(0) = \frac{L}{e}(e^0 - 1) = 0$$

$$\text{if } x, y \in [0, L], |g(x) - g(y)| = \frac{L}{e} |e^x - e^y|$$

$$\leq \frac{L}{e} \sup_{x \in [0, L]} e^x |x-y| = \frac{L}{e} |x-y|$$

MVT  $\frac{e^x - e^y}{x-y}$

$$g(x) = g(y) + \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(y^*) (x-y)$$

$$|g(x) - g(y)| = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(y^*) (x-y)$$

$y^*$  between  $x, y$

$$|g(x) - g(y)|$$

$$= \left| \frac{\partial g(s^*)}{\partial x} \right| |x-y|$$

$$\leq \sup_{y^* \in [0, L]} \left| \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(y^*) \right| |x-y|$$

Furthermore if  $f \in A_L$  we have that

$$\sup_{x \in [0, L]} |f(x)| = \sup_{x \in [0, L]} |f(x) - f(0)| \leq \sup_{x \in [0, L]} L |x-0|$$

$$= L \sup_{x \in [0, L]} |x| = L < \infty \text{ hence } f \in B([0, L], \mathbb{R})$$

Therefore  $\phi \neq A_L \subseteq B([0, L], \mathbb{R})$

$\hookrightarrow$  is an example of a uniformly Lipschitz set of functions  
 [to be defined...]

Hence  $B([0, L], \mathbb{R})$  does not only contains constant

functions.

Another family of functions inside  $B([0,1], \mathbb{R})$  is

$$A_{\mathbb{N}} = \left\{ g_n : [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} , g_n(x) := nx, n \in \mathbb{N} \right\} \text{ since}$$
$$\sup_{x \in [0,1]} |g_n(x)| = \sup_{x \in [0,1]} |nx| = \sup_{x \in [0,1]} nx = \sup_{n \geq 0} \underbrace{nx}_{x \in [0,1]} = n \cdot 1 = n$$

hence  $g_n \in B([0,1], \mathbb{R}) \Rightarrow A_{\mathbb{N}} \subseteq B([0,1], \mathbb{R})$ .

Exe.  $\text{d}_{\text{sep}}(\frac{1}{e}(e^x - 1), nx), \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$(B([0,1], \mathbb{R}), \text{d}_{\text{sep}})$  is the resulting metric space when equipped with the uniform metric.  $\square$

## B. Metric Subspaces

Definition. Suppose that  $(X, d)$  is a metric space and  $\emptyset \neq V \subseteq X$ . Let  $d_V$  denote the restriction of  $d$  on  $V \times V$  (i.e. consider  $d$  restricted only to pairs of elements of  $V$ ). Obviously

$d_V$  is a well-defined metric (why?) that can equip  $V$ , and the metric space  $(V, d_V)$  is termed a metric subspace of  $(X, d)$ .

Examples:

-  $(\mathbb{R}^n, d_{11})$ ,  $V = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x_i = 0 \text{ or } 1, i=1, \dots, n\}$

(obviously  $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ ). If  $x, y \in V$  then

$$d_{11}(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - y_i| = \sum_{i=1}^n \begin{cases} 1, & x_i \neq y_i \\ 0, & x_i = y_i \end{cases}$$

$$= \#\{i=1, 2, \dots, n : x_i \neq y_i\} = d_H(x, y)$$

Hence when  $d_{11}$  is restricted on  $V$  it reduces to

$d_H$ . Then  $(V, d_H)$  is a metric subspace

of  $(\mathbb{R}^n, d_{11})$  [Does this hold for  $d_2, d_{\max}$ ?]

-  $(A_L, d_{\text{cap}}), (A_{IN}, d_{\text{cap}})$  are metric subspaces of  $(B([0, 1], \mathbb{R}), d_{\text{cap}})$ .

- abuse of notation
- $([0,1], d_u)$ ,  $([0,1], d_e)$  are metric subspaces of  $(\mathbb{R}, d_u)$  and  $(\mathbb{R}, d_e)$  respectively.
  - etc. (we will see more examples as the course progresses)

[The notion of the Metric Subspace is an example of the construction of a metric space from a given one. We will later on see further examples, like product spaces, etc.]

### C. Open and Closed Balls.

The notions of open and closed balls in a metric space is fundamental. It generalizes the notion of open and closed (bounded) intervals in  $\mathbb{R}$ , thus systems of such balls represent a lot of information about the metric space:

Definition: let  $\underline{(X,d)}$  a metric space,  $\underline{x} \in X$  and  $\underline{\epsilon} > 0$ . The open ball of  $(X,d)$  centred at  $\underline{x}$ , with radius  $\underline{\epsilon}$  is

$$O_d(x, \underline{\varepsilon}) := \{y \in X : d(x, y) < \underline{\varepsilon}\}$$

Respectively the closed ball of  $(X, d)$  centered at  $x$  with radius  $\underline{\varepsilon}$  is

$$\underline{O_d(x, \underline{\varepsilon})} := \{y \in X : d(x, y) \leq \underline{\varepsilon}\}. \quad \square$$

- \*  $\forall x \in X, \underline{\varepsilon} > 0$ ,  $x \in O_d(x, \underline{\varepsilon})$  and  $x \in \underline{O_d(x, \underline{\varepsilon})}$   
since due to (2)  $d(x, x) = 0 \leq \underline{\varepsilon}$ .  $\forall y \in \underline{O_d(x, \underline{\varepsilon})}$
- \* if  $y \in X$  and  $d(x, y) < \underline{\varepsilon} \Rightarrow d(x, y) \leq \underline{\varepsilon}$  hence  
 $\forall x \in X, \underline{\varepsilon} > 0 \quad O_d(x, \underline{\varepsilon}) \subseteq \underline{O_d(x, \underline{\varepsilon})}$   
 $y \in O_d(x, \underline{\varepsilon}) \quad \text{Not necessarily strict} \quad \forall y \in \underline{O_d(x, \underline{\varepsilon})}$
- \* if  $S > \underline{\varepsilon}$  then if  $d(x, y) < \underline{\varepsilon} \Rightarrow d(x, y) \leq S$  hence  
 $O_d(x, \underline{\varepsilon}) \subseteq O_d(x, S) \quad \forall y \in O_d(x, \underline{\varepsilon})$   
 $\text{or } \underline{\varepsilon} \leq S$

Putting the above together,  $\forall x \in X, \underline{\varepsilon}, \underline{S} > 0, \underline{\varepsilon} < \underline{S}$

$$* \quad O_d(x, \underline{\varepsilon}) \subseteq O_d(x, \underline{\varepsilon}) \subseteq O_d(x, \underline{S}) \subseteq O_d(x, \underline{S})$$

Not necessarily strict inclusions

Examples:

$$d_2(x,y) = \begin{cases} 0, & x=y \\ 1, & x \neq y \end{cases}$$

- $(X, d_1)$  discrete space

We have that (why?)

$$O_d(x, \varepsilon) = \begin{cases} \{x\}, & \varepsilon \leq 1 \\ X, & \varepsilon > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$O_d[x, \varepsilon] = \begin{cases} \{x\}, & \varepsilon < 1 \\ \underline{x}, & \varepsilon \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

→ A peculiar example - balls are either singletons at the centers or the whole space!

- $(\mathbb{R}, d_u)$

We have that

$$O_d(x, \varepsilon) = (x - \varepsilon, x + \varepsilon)$$

$$O_d[x, \varepsilon] = [x - \varepsilon, x + \varepsilon]$$

the "usual" intervals.

-  $(\mathbb{R}, d_e)$  [remember  $d_e(x,y) = |e^x - e^y|$ ]

Notice that  $d_e(x,y) \leq \varepsilon \Leftrightarrow |e^x - e^y| \leq \varepsilon \Leftrightarrow$

$$-\varepsilon \leq e^x - e^y \leq \varepsilon \Leftrightarrow e^x - \varepsilon \leq e^y \leq e^x + \varepsilon \quad \checkmark$$

$\Leftrightarrow y \in (k, \ln(e^x + \varepsilon))$  with  $k = \begin{cases} \ln(e^x - \varepsilon), & e^x > \varepsilon \\ -\infty, & e^x \leq \varepsilon \end{cases}$

$y \in [\ln(e^x - \varepsilon), \ln(e^x + \varepsilon)]$ ,  $k > -\infty$

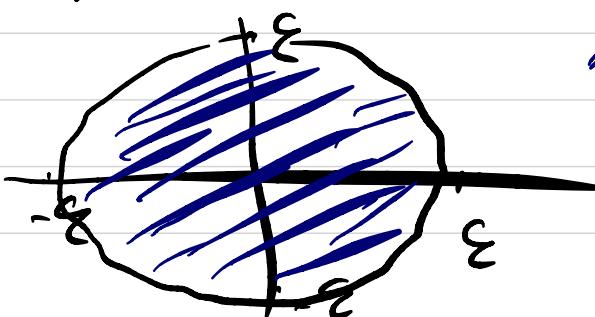
$(-\infty, \ln(e^x + \varepsilon)]$ ,  $k = -\infty$

Hence in  $(\mathbb{R}, d_e)$  intervals of the form  $(-\infty, c)$

or  $(-\infty, c]$  are considered of finite radius

something that is obviously not the case in  $(\mathbb{R}, d_u)$ .

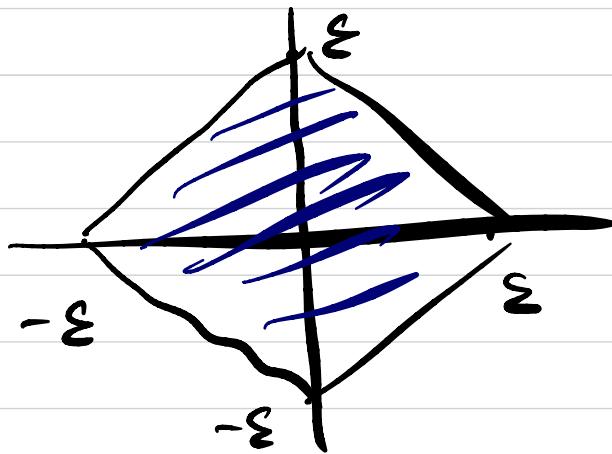
-  $(\mathbb{R}^2, d_I)$ ,  $x = O_{2 \times 1}$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$



$$\equiv = O_{d_I}(O_{2 \times 1}, \varepsilon)$$

$$\equiv O = O_{d_I}[O_{2 \times 1}, \varepsilon]$$

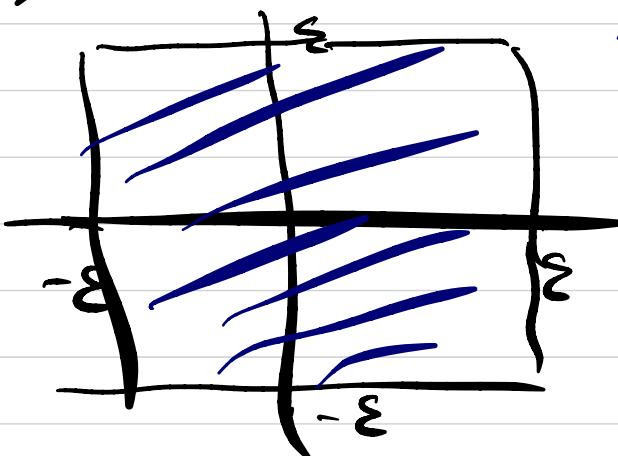
$-(\mathbb{R}^2, d_{11})$        $x = O_{2xL}, \quad \varepsilon > 0$



$$\Xi = D_{d_{11}}(O_{2xL}, \varepsilon)$$

$$\Xi \cup \square = D_{d_{11}}[O_{2xL}, \varepsilon]$$

$-(\mathbb{R}^2, d_{\max})$        $x = O_{2xL}, \quad \varepsilon > 0$



$$\Xi = D_{d_{\max}}(O_{2xL}, \varepsilon)$$

$$\Xi \cup \square = D_{d_{\max}}[O_{2xL}, \varepsilon]$$

Hence different metrics can attribute different geometric objects as balls on the same carrier set.

**Exercise:** Consider  $(B([0,1], \mathbb{R}), d_{\text{sup}})$ . Let  $f(x) = L$  for  $x \in [0,1]$ . "Draw",  $O_d(f, L)$  and  $O_{d_{\text{sup}}}(f, L)$ .

$O_{d_{\text{sup}}}[f, L]$ .  $\square$

C<sub>I</sub>. An initial Property of Separation via Balls.

**Lemma [Separation].** Let  $x, y \in X$ . Then  $x \neq y \Leftrightarrow \exists \varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 > 0 : O_d(x, \varepsilon_1) \cap O_d(y, \varepsilon_2) = \emptyset$ .

**Proof.** ( $\Leftarrow$ ) obvious from that  $x \in O_d(x, \varepsilon_1), y \in O_d(y, \varepsilon_2)$  and disjointness.

( $\Rightarrow$ )  $x \neq y \stackrel{(Q)}{\Leftrightarrow} d(x, y) := \underline{\varepsilon} > 0$ . Let  $\varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon_2 = \underline{\varepsilon}/2$

Consider  $O_d(x, \underline{\varepsilon}/2), O_d(y, \underline{\varepsilon}/2)$  and suppose that

$z \in O_d(x, \underline{\varepsilon}/2) \cap O_d(y, \underline{\varepsilon}/2)$ . Hence  $d(x, z) < \underline{\varepsilon}/2$  and  $d(y, z) < \underline{\varepsilon}/2$ . Then  $\underline{\varepsilon} = d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(y, z) < \underline{\varepsilon}/2 + \underline{\varepsilon}/2$

+ symmetry  $= \underline{\varepsilon}$  impossible  $\square$

Exercise: Does something analogous hold for closed balls? (obviously yes)

Hence balls separate points

[We could generalize in the obvious way the construction of balls for pseudo-metrics. Would such a separation result hold generally then?]

## (II). Balls and dominance

Consider  $(X, d_1), (X, d_2)$ ,  $x \in X$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$  and

$O_{d_1}(x, \varepsilon)$ ,  $O_{d_2}(x, \varepsilon)$ . Suppose that  $\exists c > 0$ :

$d_1 \leq c d_2$  [functional inequality]

Let  $y \in O_{d_2}(x, \varepsilon) \Leftrightarrow d_2(x, y) < \varepsilon \stackrel{d_1 \leq c d_2}{\Leftrightarrow} c d_2(x, y) < c \varepsilon$   
Hence  $d_1(x, y) \leq c \varepsilon \Rightarrow O_{d_2}(x, \varepsilon) \subseteq O_{d_1}(x, c \varepsilon)$ .

Hence  $\forall x \in X, \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $d_1 \leq c d_2 \Rightarrow O_{d_2}(x, \varepsilon) \subseteq O_{d_1}(x, c \varepsilon)$

Quantitative transformation.

