

Q.1 Let X be a set and let $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined as

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

Show that d is a metric on X (which we call the discrete metric).

Show in addition that if X is a non-trivial vector space, the discrete metric can't be induced by a norm. In other words, show that there exists no norm on X , $\|\cdot\|$, such that

$$d(x, y) = \|x - y\|.$$

Q.2 (Assignment sheet 2 problem 3) In the space $C([a, b])$ of continuous functions defined on a closed interval $[a, b]$ (for $a < b$), let

$$d_1(f, g) := \int_a^b |f(t) - g(t)| dt.$$

Show that d_1 is a metric on $C([a, b])$.

Q.3 (*Assignment sheet 2 problem 7*)

- (i) *Show that in any metric space (X, d) the set $\{x\}$, consisting of a single point $x \in X$, is closed.*
- (ii) *Show that in any metric space (X, d) the closed ball $\overline{B}_r(x) := \{y \in X : d(y, x) \leq r\}$, of radius $r > 0$ centred at $x \in X$, is closed.*

Q.4 (*Assignment sheet 2 problem 13*) Give an example of a metric space X and an $x \in X$ such that $\overline{B_1(x)} \neq B_1(x)$; that is, the closure of the open ball is not necessarily the closed ball!!