

- 2.8 (i) Let $V(P) = \max_Q \pi(P, Q) = \max_Q TR(P, Q) - TC(Q)$. Then the envelope theorem establishes that

$$\begin{aligned} V'(P) &= \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial P} (PQ - TC(Q)) \right]_{Q=Q(P)} \\ &= [Q]_{Q=Q(P)} \\ &= Q(P). \end{aligned}$$

It is not possible to use the envelope theorem to calculate the marginal revenue of a price increase (but it is possible with the chain rule – it is $Q(P) + PQ'(P)$).

- (ii) The marginal profit, $V'(P)$, can also be calculated with the chain rule:

$$V'(P) = \left[\frac{\partial \pi(P, Q)}{\partial P} + \frac{\partial \pi(P, Q)}{\partial Q} Q'(P) \right]_{Q=Q(P)}$$

The first term on the right is the “direct effect” – i.e. the extra revenue from the products that were previously sold. The second term on the right is the “indirect effect” – i.e. the extra revenue from the extra products that are sold after the price increase. The second term is zero.

- 2.10 (i) Let k be the knowledge the firm is endowed with. It chooses how much labour l and silicon s to buy at prices w and r , and sells $f(k, l, s)$ solar cells at price p . The firm’s profit function is

$$\pi(k, p, w, r) = \max_{l, s} pf(k, l, s) - wl - rs. \quad (\text{H.1})$$

- (ii) Applying the envelope theorem, we calculate that

$$\frac{\partial \pi(k, p, w, r)}{\partial k} = \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial k} (pf(k, l, s) - wl - rs) \right]_{l=l(k, p, w, r), s=s(k, p, w, r)} \quad (\text{H.2})$$

$$= [pf_k(k, l, s)]_{l=l(k, p, w, r), s=s(k, p, w, r)} \quad (\text{H.3})$$

$$= pf_k(k, l(k, p, w, r), s(k, p, w, r)). \quad (\text{H.4})$$

C.1 No. For example, consider the two functions, $f(x) = 0$ and

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 1, \\ 1 & \text{if } x = 1. \end{cases}$$

Now, $d(f, g) = 0$ but $f \neq g$. This violates the first property of metric spaces.



Therefore, $x_n + y_n \rightarrow x^* + y^*$, as required.

This last step requires a proof: if $x_n \rightarrow x^*$ and $y_n \rightarrow y^*$, then we must prove that $x_n + y_n \rightarrow x^* + y^*$. Fix any $r > 0$. By the two conditions, there must be N_x and N_y such that

- $d_2(x_n, x^*) < r/2$ for all $n > N_x$, and
- $d_2(y_n, y^*) < r/2$ for all $n > N_y$.

Let $N = \max\{N_x, N_y\}$. Then, $|x_n - x^*| + |y_n - y^*| < r/2 + r/2$ for all $n > N$. We conclude that $|(x_n + y_n) - (x^* + y^*)| < r$ for all $n > N$.

C.33 Note that $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$; we will measure distances in the co-domain with d_1 (although it turns out that $d_1 = d_2$ for \mathbb{R}^1 , so this is a purely cosmetic assumption). Fix any x_0 . Then for all $x \in X$, the triangle inequality implies that

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, x_0) &\leq d(x, x^*) + d(x^*, x_0) \\ d(x^*, x_0) &\leq d(x, x^*) + d(x, x_0). \end{aligned}$$

Rearranging gives

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, x_0) - d(x^*, x_0) &\leq d(x, x^*) \\ d(x^*, x_0) - d(x, x_0) &\leq d(x, x^*). \end{aligned}$$

Putting these together, we deduce that

$$|f(x) - f(x^*)| = d_1(f(x), f(x^*)) \leq d(x, x^*).$$

Suppose $x_n \in X$ converges to x^* . Then $d_1(f(x_n), f(x^*)) \leq d(x_n, x^*) \rightarrow 0$. So $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x^*)$.

C.34 Consider the function $f : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow (0, 1)$ defined by $f(x) = \frac{x}{1+x}$, where the domain and co-domain use the Euclidean metric. Now, f is continuous, the domain is complete, but the co-domain is not complete.

C.35 Suppose $a_n \in A$ is a Cauchy sequence. Then a_n is also a Cauchy sequence in (X, d) . Since (X, d) is complete, there is some point $a^* \in X$ such that $a_n \rightarrow a^*$. Since A is a closed set in (X, d) , it follows that $a^* \in A$. We conclude that $a_n \rightarrow a^*$ in (A, d) .

C.36 Suppose $z_n = (x_n, y_n)$ is a Cauchy sequence in (Z, d_Z) . Then for all $r > 0$, there exists some N such that

- $d_Z(x_n, y_n; x_m, y_m) < r$ for all $n, m > N$,

not complete
 $f: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow (0, 1)$
 $f(x) = \frac{x}{1+x}$

$[0, 1)$

$\text{in } (A, d)$

C.34 $X = \mathbb{R}_+$ is complete
 $Y = [0, 1)$ is not complete

(using d_2 in both cases)

$y_n = 1 - \frac{1}{n}$ is Cauchy, but not convergent.

$f: X \rightarrow Y$ defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{1+x}$$

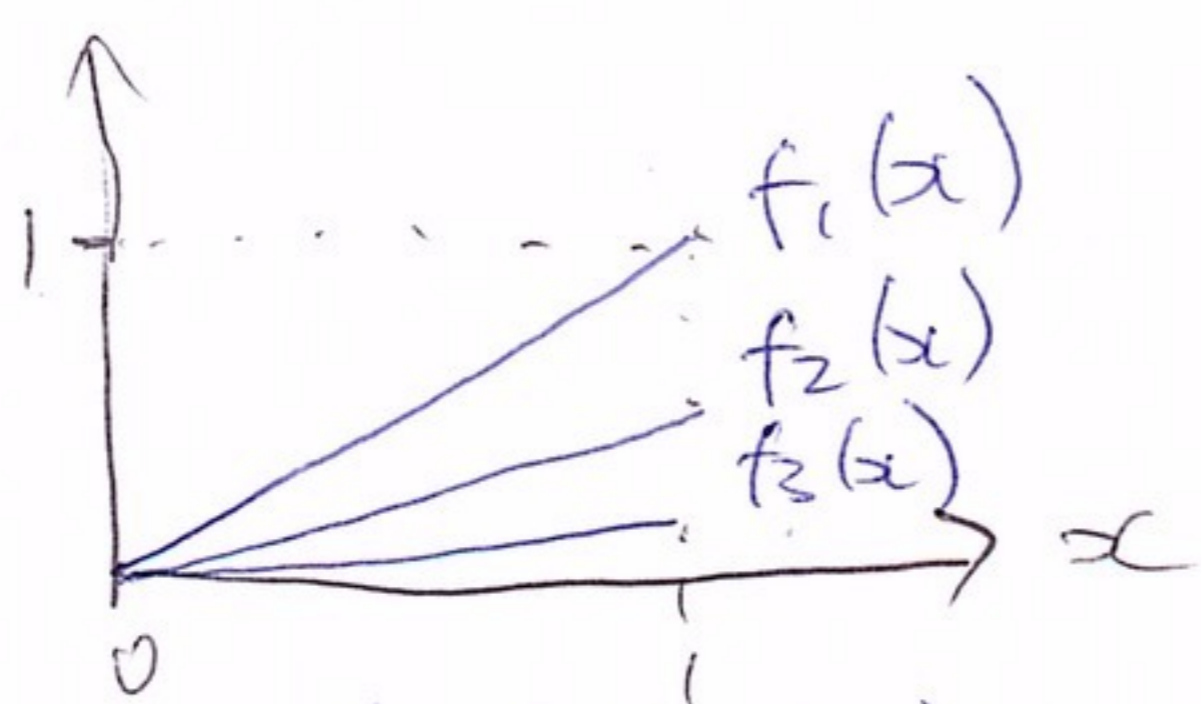
$f(x) \in Y: f(0) = 0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 1$,
 so $1 \notin f(X)$.

f is continuous.

Common mistakes:

* $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow (0, 1)$, and $f(x) = x$, or $f(x) = \frac{1}{x} \neq f(0)$?

C.37



$f_1, f_2, f_3 \in X$
 $f_n(x) = \frac{x}{n}$

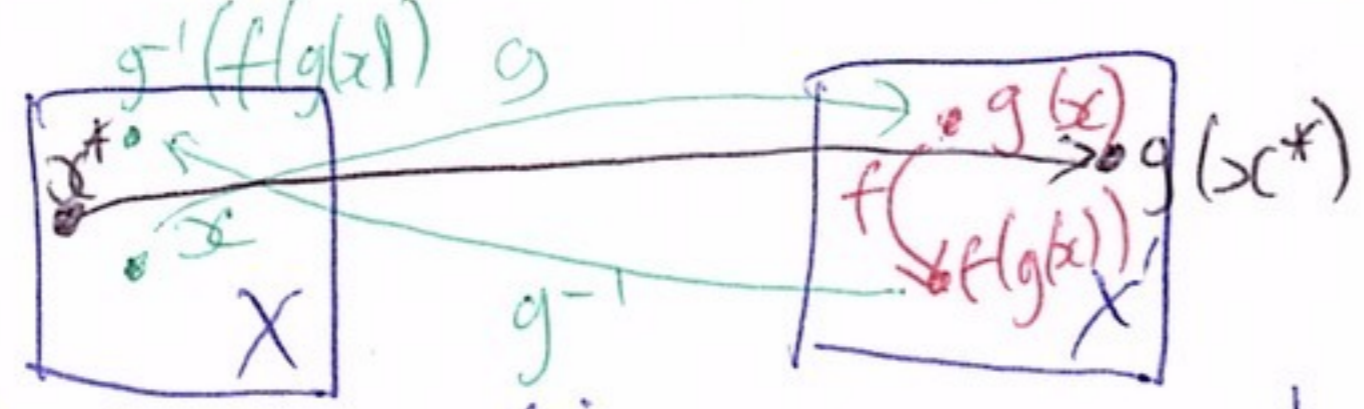
$f^*(x) = 0$

Inside $(B(X), d_\infty)$, $f_n \rightarrow f^*$ where ~~$f^*(x) = 0$~~
 But $f^* \in X$. So f_n is not convergent.

Def: $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is strictly increasing if
 whenever $a < b$, $f(a) < f(b)$.

C.61 Consider $f: X' \rightarrow X'$ where f is continuous. We want to prove that f has a fixed point, i.e. $y^* \in X'$ such that $y^* = f(y^*)$.

Let $h: X \rightarrow X$ defined by $h(x) = g^{-1}(f(g(x)))$.



Now, h is continuous, so h has a fixed point $x^* \in X$. Specifically,

$$x^* = h(x^*) = g^{-1}(f(g(x^*)))$$

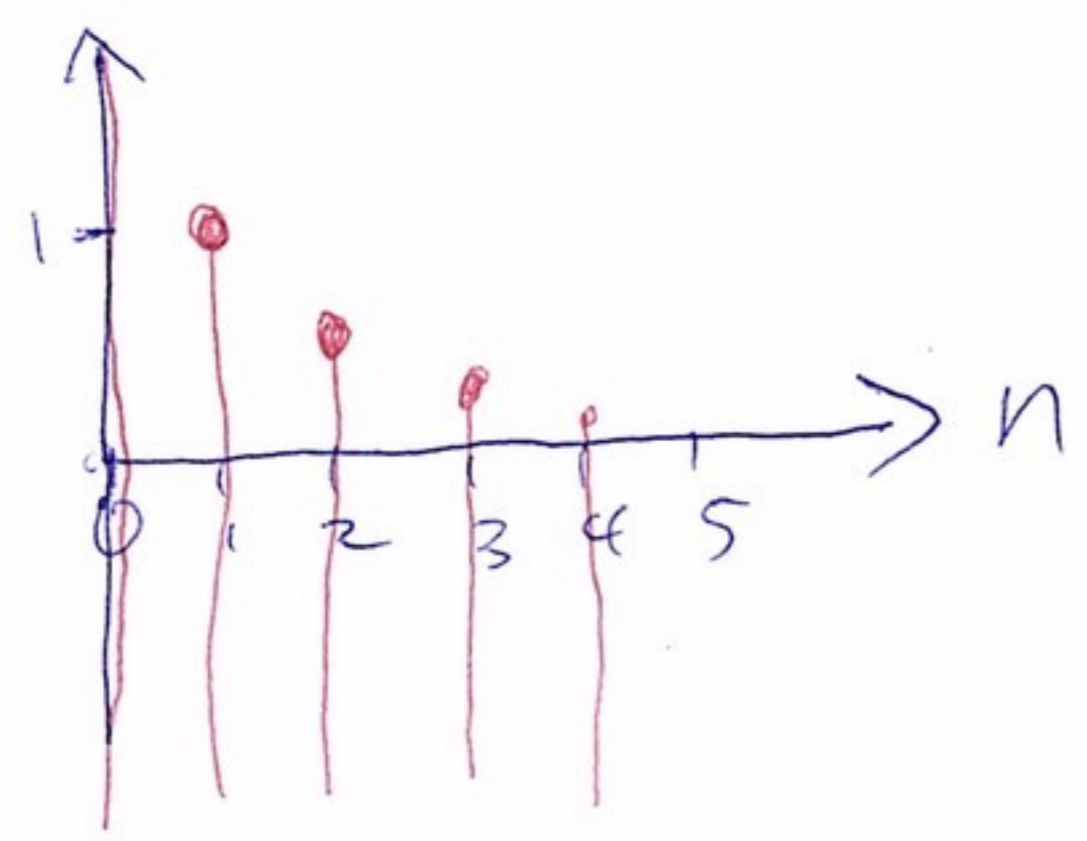
$$\boxed{g(x^*)} = g(h(x^*)) = g(g^{-1}(f(g(x^*)))) = f(\boxed{g(x^*)})$$

So $g(x^*)$ is a fixed point of f .

C.60 $X \subseteq B(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{R}) = \{f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f \text{ is bounded}\}$

eg: $x_n = 0 \dots (x_n) \in X$
 $x_n = \frac{1}{2} \dots (x_n) \notin X$
 because $x_3 = \frac{1}{2} \not\leq \frac{1}{3}$

range(f) is contained in an open ball



Yes, (X, d_∞) is complete. (Out of time)