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Metrics, Norms, Inner Products
and Operator Theory: ERRATA

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1. p. 20, Item (4) of Definition 1.10.1: Replace “for all $x, y \in V$ ” with “for all $x, y, z \in V$ ”.
2. p. 60, line 2. Replace “This implies that $d(x, x_n) > r$ for every n ,” with “This implies that $d(x, x_n) \geq r$ for every n .”
3. p. 70, 6 lines from bottom (last displayed equation of the proof of Theorem 2.6.8). Replace

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} < 1 \quad \text{with} \quad \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1.$$

4. p. 71, part (b) of Problem 2.6.14. Not exactly a typo—the problem statement is correct, but it is also possible for equality to fail if the index set I is finite.
5. p. 73, Problem 2.6.23. Change the definition of the set G_r from “ $G_r(E) = \{x \in E : \text{dist}(x, E) < r\}$ ” to “ $G_r(E) = \{x \in X : \text{dist}(x, E) < r\}$.”
6. p. 81. Last two lines of the proof of the implication (c) \Rightarrow (b). Replace “ E ” with “ K ”.
7. p. 85. The proof of the implication “(c) \Rightarrow (a)” of Lemma 2.9.4 contains an error. It is not sufficient to consider any point $x \in f^{-1}(V)$. Instead, we must use the assumption that $f^{-1}(V)$ is not open to select the appropriate point x to consider. Here is a corrected version of the proof of this implication.

(c) \Rightarrow (a). Suppose that statement (c) holds, and let V be any open subset of Y . Suppose that $f^{-1}(V)$ were not open in X . Then there is some point $x \in f^{-1}(V)$ such that there is no radius $r > 0$ for which the

open ball $B_r(x)$ is a subset of $f^{-1}(V)$. In particular, for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ the ball $B_{1/n}(x)$ is not contained in $f^{-1}(V)$, and therefore there is some point $x_n \in B_{1/n}(x)$ such that $x_n \notin f^{-1}(V)$. As a consequence, $d(x, x_n) < 1/n$ for every n , but $f(x_n) \notin V$ for any n .

Now, $x \in f^{-1}(V)$, so $f(x)$ does belong to V . Since V is open, there is some open ball centered at $f(x)$ that is entirely contained in V . That is, there is some radius $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $B_\varepsilon(f(x)) \subseteq V$.

On the other hand, we have $x_n \rightarrow x$, so by applying statement (c) we must have $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x)$. Consequently, there is some $N > 0$ such that $d(f(x), f(x_n)) < \varepsilon$ for all $n \geq N$. But then

$$f(x_N) \in B_\varepsilon(f(x)) \subseteq V,$$

which contradicts the fact that $f(x_N) \notin V$. Therefore $f^{-1}(V)$ must be open, and hence f is continuous.

8. p. 90, statement (a) of Problem 2.9.22. Change “for all $x, y \in X$ ” to “for all $x \neq y$ in X ”.
9. p. 118, 4 lines after Figure 3.3. Replace “also have $f_m(t) = f_n(t) = 0$ for” with “also have $f_m(t) = f_n(t)$ for”.
10. p. 125, line 8 of the proof of Theorem 3.5.9. Change “satisfies $|x - y| < \delta$, then” to “satisfies $d(x, y) < \delta$, then”.
11. p. 194, Theorem 5.2.3. Remove extra comma in: “for all $x, y, \in H$.”
12. p. 231, Figure 5.4. Change “ $\cos(3t)$ ” to “ $\cos(5t)$ ”.
13. p. 235, Part (c) of Problem 5.10.12. Replace

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^4} = \frac{\pi^4}{96} \quad \text{with} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^4} = \frac{\pi^4}{96}.$$

14. p. 236, Problem 5.10.14. Replace

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^6} = \frac{\pi^6}{960} \quad \text{with} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^6} = \frac{\pi^6}{960}.$$

15. p. 250, Problem 6.2.5. Change “parts (b)–(c)” to “parts (b)–(d)”.

16. p. 261, 12 lines from bottom. Replace " $Ax_n \rightarrow y$ " with " $A_n x \rightarrow y$ ".
17. p. 266, line 7 of Example 6.6.6. In the definition of Tx , change " $x \in \ell^2$ " to " $x \in H$ ".
18. p. 281, last line on the page. Replace " $\bar{c}T_y$ " with " $\bar{c}T(y)$ ".
19. p. 282, Problem 6.8.5, part (a). Change "from A to ℓ^2 " to "from H to ℓ^2 ".
20. p. 288, line 11. Change " \diamond " symbol to the end-of-proof symbol " \square ".
21. p. 289, 2 lines from bottom of page. Replace " $y \in \ell^p$ " with " $y \in \ell^{p'}$ ".
22. p. 295. In the statement of Problem 7.1.5, change "for all $x, y \in H$ " to "for all $x \in H$ and $y \in K$ ".
23. p. 302, line 5 of the proof of Theorem 7.2.7. Change "for every $z \in H$ " to "for every $z \in K$ ".