NOTE ON MMAT 5010: LINEAR ANALYSIS (2017 1ST TERM)

CHI-WAI LEUNG

1. Lecture 1: Normed spaces

Throughout this note, we always denote \mathbb{K} by the real field \mathbb{R} or the complex field \mathbb{C} . Let \mathbb{N} be the set of all natural numbers. Also, we write a sequence of numbers as a function $x:\{1,2,\ldots\}\to\mathbb{K}$.

Definition 1.1. Let X be a vector space over the field \mathbb{K} . A function $\|\cdot\|: X \to \mathbb{R}$ is called a norm on X if it satisfies the following conditions.

- (i) $||x|| \ge 0$ for all $x \in X$ and ||x|| = 0 if and only if x = 0.
- (ii) $\|\alpha x\| = |\alpha| \|x\|$ for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}$ and $x \in X$.
- (iii) $||x + y|| \le ||x|| + ||y||$ for all $x, y \in X$.

In this case, the pair $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ is called a normed space.

Also, the distance between the elements x and y in X is defined by ||x - y||.

The following examples are important classes in the study of functional analysis.

Example 1.2. Consider $X = \mathbb{K}^n$. Put

$$||x||_p := \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p\right)^{1/p}$$
 and $||x||_{\infty} := \max_{i=1,\dots,n} |x_i|$

for $1 \le p < \infty$ and $x = (x_1, ..., x_n) \in \mathbb{K}^n$.

Then $\|\cdot\|_p$ (called the usual norm as p=2) and $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ (called the sup-norm) all are norms on \mathbb{K}^n .

Example 1.3. Put

$$c_0 := \{(x(i)) : x(i) \in \mathbb{K}, \ \lim |x(i)| = 0\}$$
 (called the null sequence space)

and

$$\ell^\infty:=\{(x(i)): x(i)\in\mathbb{K},\ \sup|x(i)|<\infty\}.$$

Then c_0 is a subspace of ℓ^{∞} . The sup-norm $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ on ℓ^{∞} is defined by

$$||x||_{\infty} := \sup_{i} |x(i)|$$

for $x \in \ell^{\infty}$. Let

 $c_{00} := \{(x(i)) : \text{ there are only finitly many } x(i) \text{ 's are non-zero} \}.$

Also, c_{00} is endowed with the sup-norm defined above and is called the finite sequence space.

Example 1.4. For $1 \le p < \infty$, put

$$\ell^p := \{ (x(i)) : x(i) \in \mathbb{K}, \ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x(i)|^p < \infty \}.$$

Also, ℓ^p is equipped with the norm

$$||x||_p := (\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x(i)|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

Date: October 15, 2017.

for $x \in \ell^p$. Then $\|\cdot\|_p$ is a norm on ℓ^p (see [2, Section 9.1]).

Example 1.5. Let $C^b(\mathbb{R})$ be the space of all bounded continuous \mathbb{R} -valued functions f on \mathbb{R} . Now $C^b(\mathbb{R})$ is endowed with the sup-norm, that is,

$$||f||_{\infty} = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |f(x)|$$

for every $f \in C^b(\mathbb{R})$. Then $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ is a norm on $C^b(\mathbb{R})$.

Also, we consider the following subspaces of $C^b(X)$.

Let $C_0(\mathbb{R})$ (resp. $C_c(\mathbb{R})$) be the space of all continuous \mathbb{R} -valued functions f on \mathbb{R} which vanish at infinity (resp. have compact supports), that is, for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a K > 0 such that $|f(x)| < \varepsilon$ (resp. $f(x) \equiv 0$) for all |x| > K.

It is clear that we have $C_c(\mathbb{R}) \subseteq C_0(\mathbb{R}) \subseteq C^b(\mathbb{R})$.

Now $C_0(\mathbb{R})$ and $C_c(\mathbb{R})$ are endowed with the sup-norm $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$.

Notation 1.6. From now on, $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ always denotes a normed space over a field \mathbb{K} . For r > 0 and $x \in X$, let

- (i) $B(x,r) := \{ y \in X : ||x-y|| < r \}$ (called an open ball with the center at x of radius r) and $B^*(x,r) := \{ y \in X : 0 < ||x-y|| < r \}$
- (ii) $B(x,r) := \{y \in X : ||x-y|| \le r\}$ (called a closed ball with the center at x of radius r).

Put $B_X := \{x \in X : ||x|| \le 1\}$ and $S_X := \{x \in X : ||x|| = 1\}$ the closed unit ball and the unit sphere of X respectively.

Definition 1.7. Let A be a subset of X.

- (i) A point $a \in A$ is called an interior point of A if there is r > 0 such that $B(a,r) \subseteq A$. Write int(A) for the set of all interior points of A.
- (ii) A is called an open subset of X if int(A) = A.

Example 1.8. We keep the notation as above.

- (i) Let \mathbb{Z} and \mathbb{Q} denote the set of all integers and rational numbers respectively If \mathbb{Z} and \mathbb{Q} both are viewed as the subsets of \mathbb{R} , then $int(\mathbb{Z})$ and $int(\mathbb{Q})$ both are empty.
- (ii) The open interval (0,1) is an open subset of \mathbb{R} but it is not an open subset of \mathbb{R}^2 . In fact, int(0,1)=(0,1) if (0,1) is considered as a subset of \mathbb{R} but $int(0,1)=\emptyset$ while (0,1) is viewed as a subset of \mathbb{R}^2 .
- (iii) Every open ball is an open subset of X (Check!!).

Definition 1.9. We say that a sequence (x_n) in X converges to an element $a \in X$ if $\lim ||x_n - a|| = 0$, that is, for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there is $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $||x_n - a|| < \varepsilon$ for all $n \ge N$. In this case, (x_n) is said to be convergent and a is called a limit of the sequence (x_n) .

Remark 1.10.

(i) If (x_n) is a convergence sequence in X, then its limit is unique. In fact, if a and b both are the limits of (x_n) , then we have $||a-b|| \le ||a-x_n|| + ||x_n-b|| \to 0$. So, ||a-b|| = 0 which implies that a = b.

From now on, we write $\lim x_n$ for the limit of (x_n) provided the limit exists.

(ii) The definition of a convergent sequence (x_n) depends on the underling space where the sequence (x_n) sits in. For example, for each n = 1, 2..., let $x_n(i) := 1/i$ as $1 \le i \le n$ and $x_n(i) = 0$ as i > n. Then (x_n) is a convergent sequence in ℓ^{∞} but it is not convergent in c_{00} .

Definition 1.11. Let A be a subset of X.

- (i) A point $z \in X$ is called a limit point of A if for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there is an element $a \in A$ such that $0 < ||z a|| < \varepsilon$, that is, $B^*(z, \varepsilon) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for all $\varepsilon > 0$.
 - Furthermore, if A contains the set of all its limit points, then A is said to be closed in X.
- (ii) The closure of A, write \overline{A} , is defined by

$$\overline{A} := A \cup \{z \in X : z \text{ is a limit point of } A\}.$$

Remark 1.12. With the notation as above, it is clear that a point $z \in \overline{A}$ if and only if $B(z,r) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for all r > 0. This is also equivalent to saying that there is a sequence (x_n) in A such that $x_n \to a$. In fact, this can be shown by considering $r = \frac{1}{n}$ for n = 1, 2, ...

Proposition 1.13. With the notation as before, we have the following assertions.

- (i) A is closed in X if and only if its complement $X \setminus A$ is open in X.
- (ii) The closure \overline{A} is the smallest closed subset of X containing A. The "smallest" in here means that if F is a closed subset containing A, then $\overline{A} \subseteq F$. Consequently, A is closed if and only if $\overline{A} = A$.

Proof. If A is empty, then the assertions (i) and (ii) both are obvious. Now assume that $A \neq \emptyset$. For part (i), let $C = X \setminus A$ and $b \in C$. Suppose that A is closed in X. If there exists an element $b \in C \setminus int(C)$, then $B(b,r) \nsubseteq C$ for all r > 0. This implies that $B(b,r) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for all r > 0 and hence, b is a limit point of A since $b \notin A$. It contradicts to the closeness of A. So, A = int(A) and thus, A is open.

For the converse of (i), assume that C is open in X. Assume that A has a limit point z but $z \notin A$. Since $z \notin A$, $z \in C = int(C)$ because C is open. Hence, we can find r > 0 such that $B(z,r) \subseteq C$. This gives $B(z,r) \cap A = \emptyset$. This contradicts to the assumption of z being a limit point of A. So, A must contain all of its limit points and hence, it is closed.

For part (ii), we first claim that \overline{A} is closed. Let z be a limit point of \overline{A} . Let r > 0. Then there is $w \in B^*(z,r) \cap \overline{A}$. Choose $0 < r_1 < r$ small enough such that $B(w,r_1) \subseteq B^*(z,r)$. Since w is a limit point of A, we have $\emptyset \neq B^*(w,r_1) \cap A \subseteq B^*(z,r) \cap A$. So, z is a limit point of A. Thus, $z \in \overline{A}$ as required. This implies that \overline{A} is closed.

It is clear that \overline{A} is the smallest closed set containing A.

The last assertion follows from the minimality of the closed sets containing A immediately. The proof is finished.

Example 1.14. Retains all notation as above. We have $\overline{c_{00}} = c_0 \subseteq \ell^{\infty}$. Consequently, c_0 is a closed subspace of ℓ^{∞} but c_{00} is not.

Proof. We first claim that $\overline{c_{00}} \subseteq c_0$. Let $z \in \ell^{\infty}$. It suffices to show that if $z \in \overline{c_{00}}$, then $z \in c_0$, that is, $\lim_{i \to \infty} z(i) = 0$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then there is $x \in B(z, \varepsilon) \cap c_{00}$ and hence, we have $|x(i) - z(i)| < \varepsilon$ for all $i = 1, 2, \ldots$. Since $x \in c_{00}$, there is $i_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that x(i) = 0 for all $i \geq i_0$. Therefore, we have $|z(i)| = |z(i) - x(i)| < \varepsilon$ for all $i \geq i_0$. So, $z \in c_0$ as desired.

For the reverse inclusion, let $w \in c_0$. It needs to show that $B(w,r) \cap c_{00} \neq \emptyset$ for all r > 0. Let r > 0. Since $w \in c_0$, there is i_0 such that |w(i)| < r for all $i \ge i_0$. If we let x(i) = w(i) for $1 \le i < i_0$ and x(i) = 0 for $i \ge i_0$, then $x \in c_{00}$ and $||x - w||_{\infty} := \sup_{i=1,2...} |x(i) - w(i)| < r$ as required. \square

2. Lecture 2: Banach Spaces

A sequence (x_n) in X is called a **Cauchy sequence** if for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there is $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $||x_m - x_n|| < \varepsilon$ for all $m, n \ge N$. We have the following simple observation.

Lemma 2.1. Every convergent sequence in X is a Cauchy sequence.

The following notation plays an important role in mathematics.

Definition 2.2. A subset A of X is said to be complete if if every Cauchy sequence in A is convergent.

X is called a Banach space if X is a complete normed space.

Example 2.3. With the notation as above, we have the following examples of Banach spaces.

- (i) If \mathbb{K}^n is equipped with the usual norm, then \mathbb{K}^n is a Banach space.
- (ii) ℓ^{∞} is a Banach space. In fact, if (x_n) is a Cauchy sequence in ℓ^{∞} , then for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there is $N \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$|x_n(i) - x_m(i)| \le ||x_n - x_m||_{\infty} < \varepsilon$$

for all $m, n \geq N$ and i = 1, 2, ... Thus, if we fix i = 1, 2, ..., then $(x_n(i))_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a Cauchy sequence in \mathbb{K} . Since \mathbb{K} is complete, the limit $\lim_n x_n(i)$ exists in \mathbb{K} for all i = 1, 2, ... Nor for each i = 1, 2, ..., we put $z(i) := \lim_n x_n(i) \in \mathbb{K}$. Then we have $z \in \ell^{\infty}$ and $||z - x_n||_{\infty} \to 0$. So, $\lim_n x_n = z \in \ell^{\infty}$ (Check !!!!). Thus ℓ^{∞} is a Banach space.

- (iii) ℓ^p is a Banach space for $1 \leq p < \infty$. The proof is similar to the case of ℓ^{∞} .
- (iv) C[a,b] is a Banach space.
- (v) Let $C_0(\mathbb{R})$ be the space of all continuous \mathbb{R} -valued functions f on \mathbb{R} which are vanish at infinity, that is, for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a M > 0 such that $|f(x)| < \varepsilon$ for all |x| > M. Now $C_0(\mathbb{R})$ is endowed with the sup-norm, that is,

$$||f||_{\infty} = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |f(x)|$$

for every $f \in C_0(\mathbb{R})$. Then $C_0(\mathbb{R})$ is a Banach space.

Proposition 2.4. Let Y be a subspace of a Banach space X. Then Y is a Banach space if and only if Y is closed in X.

Proof. For the necessary condition, we assume that Y is a Banach space. Let $z \in \overline{Y}$. Then there is a convergent sequence (y_n) in Y such that $y_n \to z$. Since (y_n) is convergent, it is also a Cauchy sequence in Y. Then (y_n) is also a convergent sequence in Y because Y is a Banach space. So, $z \in Y$. This implies that $\overline{Y} = Y$ and hence, Y is closed.

For the converse statement, assume that Y is closed. Let (z_n) be a Cauchy sequence in Y. Then it is also a Cauchy sequence in X. Since X is complete, $z := \lim z_n$ exists in X. Note that $z \in Y$ because Y is closed. So, (z_n) is convergent in Y. Thus, Y is complete as desired.

Corollary 2.5. c_0 is a Banach space but the finite sequence c_{00} is not.

Proposition 2.6. Let $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ be a normed space. Then there is a normed space $(X_0, \|\cdot\|_0)$, together with a linear map $i: X \to X_0$, satisfy the following condition.

- (i) X_0 is a Banach space.
- (ii) The map i is an isometry, that is, $||i(x)||_0 = ||x||$ for all $x \in X$.
- (iii) the image i(X) is dense in X_0 , that is, $i(X) = X_0$.

Moreover, such pair (X_0, i) is unique up to isometric isomorphism in the following sense: if $(W, \| \cdot \| \cdot \|)$ is a Banach space and an isometry $j: X \to W$ is an isometry such that $\overline{j(X)} = W$, then there is an isometric isomorphism ψ from X_0 onto W such that

$$j = \psi \circ i : X \to X_0 \to W.$$

In this case, the pair (X_0, i) is called the completion of X.

Example 2.7. Proposition 2.6 cannot give an explicit form of the completion of a given normed space. The following examples are basically due to the uniqueness of the completion.

- (i) If X is a Banach space, then the completion of X is itself.
- (ii) By Corollary 2.5, the completion of the finite sequence space c_{00} is the null sequence space c_{0} .
- (iii) The completion of $C_c(\mathbb{R})$ is $C_0(\mathbb{R})$.

Definition 2.8. A subset A of a normed space X is said to be nowhere dense in X if $int(\overline{A}) = \emptyset$.

Example 2.9.

- (i) The set of all integers \mathbb{Z} is a nowhere dense subset of \mathbb{R} .
- (ii) The set (0,1) is a nowhere dense subset of \mathbb{R}^2 but it is not a nowhere dense subset of \mathbb{R} .
- (iii) Let $A := \{x \in c_{00} : x(n) \ge 0, \text{ for all } n = 1, 2...\}$. Notice that A is a closed subset of c_{00} . We claim that $int(A) = \emptyset$. In fact, let $a \in A$ and r > 0. Since $a \in c_{00}$, there is N such that a(n) = 0 for all $n \ge N$. Now define $z \in c_{00}$ by z(n) = x(n) for $n \ne N$ and $z(N) := \frac{-r}{2}$. Then $z \in c_{00} \setminus A$ and $||z a||_{\infty} < r$. So, $int(A) = \emptyset$ and thus, A is a nowhere dense subset of c_{00} .

Lemma 2.10. Let X be a Banach space. We have the following assertions.

- (i) A subset A of X is nowhere dense in X if and only if the complement of \overline{A} is an open dense subset of X.
- (ii) If (W_n) is a sequence of open dense subsets of X, then $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} W_n \neq \emptyset$.

Proof. For (i), let $z \in X$ and r > 0. It is clear that we have $B(z,r) \nsubseteq \overline{A}$ if and For (ii), we first fix an element $x_1 \in W_1$. Since W_1 is open, then there is $r_1 > 0$ such that $B(x_1, r_1) \subseteq W_1$. Notice that since W_2 is open dense in X, we can find an element $x_2 \in B(x_1, r_1) \cap W_2$ and $0 < r_2 < r_1/2$ such that $\overline{B(x_2, r_2)} \subseteq B(x_1, r_1) \cap W_2$. To repeat the same step, we can get a sequence of element (x_n) in X and a sequence of positive numbers (r_n) such that

- (a) $r_{k+1} < r_k/2$, and
- $\overline{B(x_{k+1}, r_{k+1})} \subseteq B(x_k, r_k) \cap W_{k+1}$

for all k = 1, 2,

From this, we see that (x_k) is a Cauchy sequence in X. Then by the completeness of X, $\lim x_k = a$ exists in X. It remains to show that $a \in \bigcap W_k$. Fix N. Note that by the condition (b) above, we see that $x_k \in \overline{B(x_N, r_N)} \subseteq B(x_{N-1}, r_{N-1}) \cap W_N$ for all k > N. Since $\overline{B(x_N, r_N)}$ is closed, we see that $a = \lim x_k \in \overline{B(x_N, r_N)}$. This implies that $a \in W_N$. Therefore, $\bigcap W_k$ is non-empty as required.

Theorem 2.11. Baire Category Theorem: Let X be a Banach space. Suppose that $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$ for a sequence of subsets (A_n) of X. Then there is A_{n_0} not nowhere dense in X.

Proof. Suppose that each A_n is nowhere dense in X. If we put $W_n := \overline{A}_n^c$, then each W_n is an open dense subset of X by Lemma 2.10 (i). Lemma 2.10 (ii) implies that $\bigcap W_n \neq \emptyset$. This gives

$$X \supseteq \left(\bigcap W_n\right)^c = \bigcup W_n^c = \bigcup \overline{A}_n \supseteq \bigcup A_n = X.$$

This leads to a contradiction. The proof is finished.

3. Lecture 3: Series in normed spaces

Throughout this section, let X be a normed space.

Let (x_n) be a sequence elements in X. Now for each n = 1, 2, ..., put $s_n = x_1 + \cdots + x_n$ and call the n-th partial sum of a formal series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$.

Definition 3.1. With the notation as above, we say that a series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$ is convergent in X if the sequence of the sequence of partial sums (s_n) is convergent in X. In this case, we also write

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n := \lim_n s_n \in X.$$

Moreover, we say that a series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$ is absolutely convergent in X if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ||x_n|| < \infty$.

Lemma 3.2. Let (x_n) be a Cauchy sequence in a normed space X. If (x_n) has a convergent subsequence in X, then (x_n) itself is convergent too.

Proof. Let (x_{n_k}) be a convergent subsequence of (x_n) and let $L := \lim_k x_{n_k} \in X$. We are going to show that $\lim_n x_n = L$.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Since (x_n) is a Cauchy sequence, there is $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $||x_m - x_n|| < \varepsilon$ for all $m, n \geq N$. On the other hand, since $\lim_k x_{n_k} = L$, there is $K \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n_K \geq N$ and $||L - x_{n_K}|| < \varepsilon$. Thus, if $n \geq n_K$, we see that $||x_n - L|| \leq ||x_n - x_{n_K}|| + ||x_{n_K} - L|| < 2\varepsilon$. The proof is finished.

Proposition 3.3. Let X be a normed space. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (i) X is a Banach space.
- (ii) Every absolutely convergent series in X is convergent.

Proof. For showing $(i) \Rightarrow (ii)$, assume that X is a Banach space and let $\sum x_k$ be an absolutely convergent series in X. Put $s_n := \sum_{k=1}^n x_k$ the n-th partial sum of $\sum x_k$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Since the series $\sum_k x_k$ is absolutely convergent, there is $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\sum_{n+1 \leq k \leq n+p} \|x_k\| < \varepsilon$ for all $n \geq N$

and p = 1, 2... This gives $||s_{n+p} - s_n|| \le \sum_{n+1 \le k \le n+p} ||x_k|| < \varepsilon$ for all $n \ge N$ and p = 1, 2... Thus,

 (s_n) is a Cauchy sequence in X. Then by the completeness of X, we see that the series $\sum x_k$ is convergent in X as desired.

Now suppose that the condition (ii) holds. Let (x_n) be a Cauchy sequence in X. Notice that by the definition of a Cauchy sequence, we can find a subsequence (x_{n_k}) of (x_n) such that $||x_{n_{k+1}} - x_{n_k}|| < 1/2^k$ for all $k = 1, 2, \ldots$ From this, we see that the series $\sum_k (x_{n_{k+1}} - x_{n_k})$ is absolutely convergent in X. Then the condition (ii) tells us that the series $\sum_k (x_{n_{k+1}} - x_{n_k})$ is convergent in X. Notice that

 $x_{n_m} = x_{n_1} + \sum_{k=1}^m (x_{n_{k+1}} - x_{n_k})$ for all m = 1, 2, ... Therefore, $(x_{n_k})_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a convergent subsequence of (x_n) . Then by Lemma 3.2, we see that (x_n) is convergent in X. The proof is finished.

Recall that a basis of a vector space V over \mathbb{K} is a collection of vectors in V, say $(v_i)_{i\in I}$, such that for each element $x\in V$, we have a unique expression

$$x = \sum_{i \in I} \alpha_i v_i$$

for some $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{K}$ and all $\alpha_i = 0$ except finitely many.

One of fundamental properties of a vector space is that **every vector space must have a basis.** The proof of this assertion is due to the *Zorn's lemma*.

Definition 3.4. A sequence (x_n) is called a Schauder basis for a normed space X if for each element $x \in X$, there is a unique sequence (α_n) in \mathbb{K} such that

$$(3.1) x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n x_n.$$

Remark 3.5.

- (i) Notice that a Schauder basis must be linearly independent vectors. So, it is clear that every Schauder basis is a vector basis for a finite dimensional vector space. However, a Schauder basis need not be a vector basis for a normed space in general. For example, if we consider the sequence (e_n) in c_0 given by $e_n(n) = 1$; otherwise, $e_n(i) = 0$, then (e_n) is a Schauder basis for c_0 but it it is not a vector basis.
- (ii) In the Definition 3.4, the expression 3.1 depends on the order of (x_n) . More precise, if $\sigma: \{1, 2...\} \to \{1, 2...\}$ is a bijection, then the Eq 3.1 CANNOT assure that we still have the expression $x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_{\sigma(n)} x_{\sigma(n)}$ for each $x \in X$.
- **Example 3.6.** (i) If X is of finite dimension, then the vector bases are the same as the Schauder bases.
 - (ii) Let e_n be a sequence defined as in Remark 3.5(i), then the sequence (e_n) is a Schauder basis for the spaces c_0 and ℓ^p for $1 \le p < \infty$.

Definition 3.7. A normed space X is said to be separable if there is a countable dense subset of X.

- **Example 3.8.** (i) The space \mathbb{C}^n is separable. In fact, it is clear that $(\mathbb{Q} + i\mathbb{Q})^n$ is a countable dense subset of \mathbb{C}^n .
 - (ii) The space ℓ^{∞} is an important example of nonseparable Banach space. In fact, if we put $D:=\{x\in\ell^{\infty}:x(i)=0\ or\ 1\}$, then D is an uncountable subset of ℓ^{∞} . Moreover, we have $\|x-y\|_{\infty}=1$ for any $x,y\in D$ with $x\neq y$. Thus, $\{B(x,1/2):x\in D\}$ is an uncountable family of disjoint open balls of ℓ^{∞} . So, if C is a countable dense subset of ℓ^{∞} , then $C\cap B(x,1/2)\neq\emptyset$ for all $x\in D$. Also, for each element $z\in C$, there is a unique element $x\in D$ such that $z\in B(x,1/2)$. It leads to a contradiction since D is uncountable. Therefore, ℓ^{∞} is nonseparable.

Proposition 3.9. Let X be a normed space. Then X is separable if and only if there is a countable subset A of X such that the linear span of A is dense in X, that is, for any element $x \in X$ and $\varepsilon > 0$, there are finite many elements $x_1, ..., x_N$ in A such that $\|x - \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k x_k\| < \varepsilon$ for some scalars $\alpha_1, ..., \alpha_N$.

Consequently, if X has a Schauder basis, then X is separable.

Proof. The necessary condition is clear.

We are now going to prove the converse statement. Suppose that X is the closed linear span of a countable subset A. Now let D be the linear span of A over the field $\mathbb{Q}+i\mathbb{Q}$. Since \mathbb{Q} is a countable dense subset of \mathbb{R} , this implies that D is a countable dense subset of X. Thus, X is separable. The last statement is clearly follows from the definition of a Schauder basis at once.

•

By Proposition 3.9, we have the following important examples of separable Banach spaces at once.

Corollary 3.10. The spaces c_0 and ℓ^p for $1 \le p < \infty$ all are separable.

Remark 3.11. Proposition 3.9 leads to the following natural question which was first raised by Banach (1932).

The Basis Problem: Does every separable Banach space have a Schauder basis? The answer is "No".

This problem was completely solved by P. Enflo in 1973.

4. Lecture 4: Compact sets and finite dimensional normed spaces

Throughout this section, let (x_n) be a sequence in a normed space X. Recall that a subsequence $(x_{n_k})_{k=1}^{\infty}$ of (x_n) means that $(n_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of positive integers satisfying $n_1 < n_2 < \cdots < n_k < n_{k+1} < \cdots$, that is, such sequence (n_k) can be viewed as a strictly increasing function $\mathbf{n}: k \in \{1, 2, ...\} \mapsto n_k \in \{1, 2, ...\}$.

In this case, note that for each positive integer N, there is $K \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n_K \geq N$ and thus we have $n_k \geq N$ for all $k \geq K$.

Definition 4.1. A subset A of a normed space X is said to be compact (more precise, sequentially compact) if every sequence in A has a convergent subsequence with the limit in A.

Recall that a subset A is closed in X if and only if every convergent sequence (x_n) in A implies that $\lim x_n \in A$.

Proposition 4.2. If A is a compact subset of X, then A is closed and bounded.

Proof. It is clear that the result follows if $A = \emptyset$. So, we assume that A is non-empty. Assume that A is compact.

We first claim that A is closed. Let (x_n) be a sequence in A. Then by the compactness of A, there is a convergent subsequence (x_{n_k}) of (x_n) with $\lim_k x_{n_k} \in A$. So, if (x_n) is convergent, then $\lim_n x_n = \lim_k x_{n_k} \in A$. Therefore, A is closed.

Next, we are going to show the boundedness of A. Suppose that A is not bounded. Fix an element $x_1 \in A$. Since A is not bounded, we can find an element $x_2 \in A$ such that $||x_2 - x_1|| > 1$. Similarly, there is an element $x_3 \in A$ such that $||x_3 - x_k|| > 1$ for k = 1, 2. To repeat the same step, we can obtain a sequence (x_n) in A such that $||x_n - x_m|| > 1$ for $m \neq n$. From this, we see that the sequence (x_n) does not have a convergent subsequence. In fact, if (x_n) has a convergent subsequence (x_{n_k}) . Therefore, $(x_{n_k})_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X. Then we can find a pair of sufficient large positive integers p and p with $p \neq q$ such that $||x_{n_p} - x_{n_q}|| < 1/2$. It leads to a contradiction because $||x_{n_p} - x_{n_q}|| > 1$ by the choice of the sequence (x_n) . Thus, p is bounded.

The following is an important characterization of a compact set in the tase $X = \mathbb{R}$. Warning: this result is not true for a general normed space X.

Let us first recall the following important theorem in real line.

Theorem 4.3. (Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem) Every bounded sequence in \mathbb{R} has a convergent subsequence.

Proof. See [1, Theorem 3.4.8].

Theorem 4.4. Let A be a closed subset of \mathbb{R} . Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (i) A is compact.
- (ii) A is closed and bounded.

Proof. Part $(i) \Rightarrow (ii)$ follows from Proposition 4.2 immediately.

It remains to show $(ii) \Rightarrow (i)$. Suppose that A is closed and bounded.

Let (x_n) be a sequence in A. Thus, (x_n) . Then the Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem assures that there is a convergent subsequence (x_{n_k}) . Then by the closeness of A, $\lim_k x_{n_k} \in A$. Thus A is compact.

The proof is finished.

Definition 4.5. We say that two norms $\|\cdot\|$ and $\|\cdot\|'$ on a vector space X are equivalent, write $\|\cdot\| \sim \|\cdot\|'$, if there are positive numbers c_1 and c_2 such that $c_1\|\cdot\| \leq \|\cdot\|' \leq c_2\|\cdot\|$ on X.

Example 4.6. Consider the norms $\|\cdot\|_1$ and $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ on ℓ^1 . We are going to show that $\|\cdot\|_1$ and $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ are not equivalent. In fact, if we put $x_n(i):=(1,1/2,...,1/n,0,0,...)$ for n,i=1,2... Then $x_n \in \ell^1$ for all n. Notice that (x_n) is a Cauchy sequence with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ but it is not a Cauchy sequence with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|_1$. Hence $\|\cdot\|_1 \nsim \|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ on ℓ^1 .

Proposition 4.7. All norms on a finite dimensional vector space are equivalent.

Proof. Let X be a finite dimensional vector space and let $\{e_1,...,e_N\}$ be a vector base of X. For each $x = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i e_i$ for $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{K}$, define $\|x\|_0 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} |\alpha_i|$. Then $\|\cdot\|_0$ is a norm X. The result is obtained by showing that all norms $\|\cdot\|$ on X are equivalent to $\|\cdot\|_0$. Notice that for each $x = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i e_i \in X$, we have $\|x\| \leq (\max_{1 \leq i \leq N} \|e_i\|) \|x\|_0$. It remains to find

c>0 such that $c\|\cdot\|_0\leq\|\cdot\|$. In fact, let \mathbb{K}^N be equipped with the sup-norm $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$, that is $\|(\alpha_1,...,\alpha_N)\|_{\infty} = \max_{1\leq 1\leq N} |\alpha_i|$. Define a real-valued function f on the unit sphere $S_{\mathbb{K}^N}$ of \mathbb{K}^N

$$f: (\alpha_1, ..., \alpha_N) \in S_{\mathbb{K}^N} \mapsto \|\alpha_1 e_1 + \dots + \alpha_n e_N\|.$$

Notice that the map f is continuous and f > 0. It is clear that $S_{\mathbb{K}^N}$ is compact with respect to the sup-norm $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ on \mathbb{K}^N . Hence, there is c>0 such that $f(\alpha)\geq c>0$ for all $\alpha\in S_{\mathbb{K}^N}$. This gives $||x|| \ge c||x||_0$ for all $x \in X$ as desired. The proof is finished.

The following result is clear. The proof is omitted here.

Lemma 4.8. Let X be a normed space. Then the closed unit ball B_X is compact if and only if every bounded sequence in X has a convergent subsequence.

Proposition 4.9. We have the following assertions.

- (i) All finite dimensional normed spaces are Banach spaces. Consequently, any finite dimensional subspace of a normed space must be closed.
- (ii) The closed unit ball of any finite dimensional normed space is compact.

Proof. Let $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ be a finite dimensional normed space. With the notation as in the proof of Proposition 4.7 above, we see that $\|\cdot\|$ must be equivalent to the norm $\|\cdot\|_0$. It is clear that X is complete with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|_0$ and so is complete in the original norm $\|\cdot\|$. The Part (i)follows.

For Part (ii), by using Lemma 4.8, we need to show that any bounded sequence has a convergent subsequence. Let (x_n) be a bounded sequence in X. Since all norms on a finite dimensional normed space are equivalent, it suffices to show that (x_n) has a convergent subsequence with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|_0$.

Using the notation as in Proposition 4.7, for each x_n , put $x_n = \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_{n,k} e_k$, n = 1,2... Then by the definition of the norm $\|\cdot\|_0$, we see that $(\alpha_{n,k})_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a bounded sequence in \mathbb{K} for each k=1,2...,N. Then by the Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem, for each k=1,...,N, we can find a convergent subsequence $(\alpha_{n_j,k})_{j=1}^{\infty}$ of $(\alpha_{n,k})_{n=1}^{\infty}$. Put $\gamma_k := \lim_{j \to \infty} \alpha_{n_j,k} \in \mathbb{K}$, for k = 1, ..., N. Put $x := \sum_{k=1}^{N} \gamma_k e_k$. Then by the definition of the norm $\|\cdot\|_0$, we see that $\|x_{n_j} - x\|_0 \to 0$ as $j \to \infty$. Thus, (x_n) has a convergent subsequence as desired. The proof is complete.

In the rest of this section, we are going to show the converse of Proposition 4.9 (ii) also holds. Before showing the main theorem in this section, we need the following useful result.

Lemma 4.10. Riesz's Lemma: Let Y be a closed proper subspace of a normed space X. Then for each $\theta \in (0,1)$, there is an element $x_0 \in S_X$ such that $d(x_0,Y) := \inf\{\|x_0 - y\| : y \in Y\} \ge \theta$.

Proof. Let $u \in X - Y$ and $d := \inf\{\|u - y\| : y \in Y\}$. Notice that since Y is closed, d > 0 and hence, we have $0 < d < \frac{d}{\theta}$ because $0 < \theta < 1$. This implies that there is $y_0 \in Y$ such that $0 < d \le \|u - y_0\| < \frac{d}{\theta}$. Now put $x_0 := \frac{u - y_0}{\|u - y_0\|} \in S_X$. We are going to show that x_0 is as desired. Indeed, let $y \in Y$. Since $y_0 + \|u - y_0\| y \in Y$, we have

$$||x_0 - y|| = \frac{1}{||u - y_0||} ||u - (y_0 + ||u - y_0||y)|| \ge d/||u - y_0|| > \theta.$$

So, $d(x_0, Y) \ge \theta$.

Remark 4.11. The Riesz's lemma does not hold when $\theta = 1$.

Theorem 4.12. Let X be a normed space. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (i) X is a finite dimensional normed space.
- (ii) The closed unit ball B_X of X is compact.
- (iii) Every bounded sequence in X has convergent subsequence.

Proof. The implication $(i) \Rightarrow (ii)$ follows from Proposition 4.9 (ii) at once.

Lemma 4.8 gives the implication $(ii) \Rightarrow (iii)$.

Finally, for the implication $(iii) \Rightarrow (i)$, assume that X is of infinite dimension. Fix an element $x_1 \in S_X$. Let $Y_1 = \mathbb{K}x_1$. Then Y_1 is a proper closed subspace of X. The Riesz's lemma gives an element $x_2 \in S_X$ such that $||x_1 - x_2|| \ge 1/2$. Now consider $Y_2 = span\{x_1, x_2\}$. Then Y_2 is a proper closed subspace of X since dim $X = \infty$. To apply the Riesz's Lemma again, there is $x_3 \in S_X$ such that $||x_3 - x_k|| \ge 1/2$ for k = 1, 2. To repeat the same step, there is a sequence $(x_n) \in S_X$ such that $||x_m - x_n|| \ge 1/2$ for all $n \ne m$. Thus, (x_n) is a bounded sequence but it has no convergent subsequence by using the similar argument as in Proposition 4.2. So, the condition (iii) does not hold if dim $X = \infty$. The proof is finished.

5. Lecture 5: Bounded Linear Operators

Proposition 5.1. Let T be a linear operator from a normed space X into a normed space Y. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (i) T is continuous on X.
- (ii) T is continuous at $0 \in X$.
- (iii) $\sup\{||Tx||: x \in B_X\} < \infty$.

In this case, let $||T|| = \sup\{||Tx|| : x \in B_X\}$ and T is said to be bounded.

Proof. $(i) \Rightarrow (ii)$ is obvious.

For $(ii) \Rightarrow (i)$, suppose that T is continuous at 0. Let $x_0 \in X$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then there is $\delta > 0$ such that $||Tw|| < \varepsilon$ for all $w \in X$ with $||w|| < \delta$. Therefore, we have $||Tx - Tx_0|| = ||T(x - x_0)|| < \varepsilon$ for any $x \in X$ with $||x - x_0|| < \delta$. So, (i) follows.

For $(ii) \Rightarrow (iii)$, since T is continuous at 0, there is $\delta > 0$ such that ||Tx|| < 1 for any $x \in X$ with $||x|| < \delta$. Now for any $x \in B_X$ with $x \neq 0$, we have $||\frac{\delta}{2}x|| < \delta$. So, we see have $||T(\frac{\delta}{2}x)|| < 1$ and hence, we have $||Tx|| < 2/\delta$. So, (iii) follows.

Finally, it remains to show $(iii) \Rightarrow (ii)$. Notice that by the assumption of (iii), there is M > 0 such that $||Tx|| \leq M$ for all $x \in B_X$. So, for each $x \in X$, we have $||Tx|| \leq M||x||$. This implies that T is continuous at 0. The proof is complete.

Corollary 5.2. Let $T: X \to Y$ be a bounded linear map. Then we have

$$\sup\{\|Tx\| : x \in B_X\} = \sup\{\|Tx\| : x \in S_X\} = \inf\{M > 0 : \|Tx\| \le M\|x\|, \ \forall x \in X\}.$$

Proof. Let $a = \sup\{\|Tx\| : x \in B_X\}$, $b = \sup\{\|Tx\| : x \in S_X\}$ and $c = \inf\{M > 0 : \|Tx\| \le M\|x\|$, $\forall x \in X\}$.

It is clear that $b \leq a$. Now for each $x \in B_X$ with $x \neq 0$, then we have $b \geq ||T(x/||x||)|| = (1/||x||)||Tx|| \geq ||Tx||$. So, we have $b \geq a$ and thus, a = b.

Now if M > 0 satisfies $||Tx|| \le M||x||$, $\forall x \in X$, then we have $||Tw|| \le M$ for all $w \in S_X$. So, we have $b \le M$ for all such M. So, we have $b \le c$. Finally, it remains to show $c \le b$. Notice that by the definition of b, we have $||Tx|| \le b||x||$ for all $x \in X$. So, $c \le b$.

Proposition 5.3. Let X and Y be normed spaces. Let B(X,Y) be the set of all bounded linear maps from X into Y. For each element $T \in B(X,Y)$, let

$$||T|| = \sup\{||Tx|| : x \in B_X\}.$$

be defined as in Proposition 5.1.

Then $(B(X,Y), \|\cdot\|)$ becomes a normed space.

Furthermore, if Y is a Banach space, then so is B(X,Y).

In particular, if $Y = \mathbb{K}$, then $B(X, \mathbb{K})$ is a Banach space. In this case, put $X^* := B(X, \mathbb{K})$ and call it the dual space of X.

Proof. One can directly check that B(X,Y) is a normed space (**Do It By Yourself!**).

We are going to show that B(X,Y) is complete if Y is a Banach space. Let (T_n) be a Cauchy sequence in L(X,Y). Then for each $x \in X$, it is easy to see that (T_nx) is also a Cauchy sequence in Y. So, $\lim T_nx$ exists in Y for each $x \in X$ because Y is complete. Hence, one can define a map $Tx := \lim T_nx \in Y$ for each $x \in X$. It is clear that T is a linear map from X into Y.

It needs to show that $T \in L(X,Y)$ and $||T-T_n|| \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Since (T_n) is a Cauchy sequence in L(X,Y), there is a positive integer N such that $||T_m - T_n|| < \varepsilon$ for all $m, n \ge N$. So, we have $||(T_m - T_n)(x)|| < \varepsilon$ for all $x \in B_X$ and $m, n \ge N$. Taking $m \to \infty$, we have $||Tx - T_nx|| \le \varepsilon$ for all $n \ge N$ and $x \in B_X$. Therefore, we have $||T - T_n|| \le \varepsilon$ for all $n \ge N$. From this, we see that $T - T_N \in B(X,Y)$ and thus, $T = T_N + (T - T_N) \in B(X,Y)$ and $||T - T_n|| \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$. Therefore, $\lim_n T_n = T$ exists in B(X,Y).

Proposition 5.4. Let X and Y be normed spaces. Suppose that X is of finite dimension n. Then we have the following assertions.

- (i) Any linear operator from X into Y must be bounded.
- (ii) If $T_k: X \to Y$ is a sequence of linear operators such that $T_k x \to 0$ for all $x \in X$, then $||T_k|| \to 0$.

Proof. Using Proposition 4.7 and the notation as in the proof, then there is c > 0 such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} |\alpha_i| \le c \|\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i e_i\|$$

for all scalars $\alpha_1, ..., \alpha_n$. Therefore, for any linear map T from X to Y, we have

$$||Tx|| \le \left(\max_{1 \le i \le n} ||Te_i||\right) c||x||$$

for all $x \in X$. This gives the assertions (i) and (ii) immediately.

Proposition 5.5. Let Y be a closed subspace of X and X/Y be the quotient space. For each element $x \in X$, put $\bar{x} := x + Y \in X/Y$ the corresponding element in X/Y. Define

$$\|\bar{x}\| = \inf\{\|x + y\| : y \in Y\}.$$

If we let $\pi: X \to X/Y$ be the natural projection, that is $\pi(x) = \bar{x}$ for all $x \in X$, then $(X/Y, \|\cdot\|)$ is a normed space and π is bounded with $\|\pi\| \le 1$. In particular, $\|\pi\| = 1$ as Y is a proper closed subspace.

Furthermore, if X is a Banach space, then so is X/Y.

In this case, we call $\|\cdot\|$ in (5.1) the quotient norm on X/Y.

Proof. Notice that since Y is closed, one can directly check that $\|\bar{x}\| = 0$ if and only is $x \in Y$, that is, $\bar{x} = \bar{0} \in X/Y$. It is easy to check the other conditions of the definition of a norm. So, X/Y is a normed space. Also, it is clear that π is bounded with $\|\pi\| \le 1$ by the definition of the quotient norm on X/Y.

Furthermore, if $Y \subsetneq X$, then by using the Riesz's Lemma 4.10, we see that $||\pi|| = 1$ at once. We are going to show the last assertion. Suppose that X is a Banach space. Let (\bar{x}_n) be a Cauchy sequence in X/Y. It suffices to show that (\bar{x}_n) has a convergent subsequence in X/Y by using Lemma 3.2.

Indeed, since (\bar{x}_n) is a Cauchy sequence, we can find a subsequence (\bar{x}_{n_k}) of (\bar{x}_n) such that

$$\|\bar{x}_{n_{k+1}} - \bar{x}_{n_k}\| < 1/2^k$$

for all k=1,2... Then by the definition of quotient norm, there is an element $y_1 \in Y$ such that $||x_{n_2}-x_{n_1}+y_1||<1/2$. Notice that we have, $\overline{x_{n_1}-y_1}=\bar{x}_{n_1}$ in X/Y. So, there is $y_2 \in Y$ such that $||x_{n_2}-y_2-(x_{n_1}-y_1)||<1/2$ by the definition of quotient norm again. Also, we have $\overline{x_{n_2}-y_2}=\bar{x}_{n_2}$. Then we also have an element $y_3 \in Y$ such that $||x_{n_3}-y_3-(x_{n_2}-y_2)||<1/2^2$. To repeat the same step, we can obtain a sequence (y_k) in Y such that

$$||x_{n_{k+1}} - y_{k+1} - (x_{n_k} - y_k)|| < 1/2^k$$

for all k=1,2... Therefore, $(x_{n_k}-y_k)$ is a Cauchy sequence in X and thus, $\lim_k (x_{n_k}-y_k)$ exists in X while X is a Banach space. Set $x=\lim_k (x_{n_k}-y_k)$. On the other hand, notice that we have $\pi(x_{n_k}-y_k)=\pi(x_{n_k})$ for all k=1,2,... This tells us that $\lim_k \pi(x_{n_k})=\lim_k \pi(x_{n_k}-y_k)=\pi(x)\in X/Y$ since π is bounded. So, (\bar{x}_{n_k}) is a convergent subsequence of (\bar{x}_n) in X/Y. The proof is complete.

Corollary 5.6. Let $T: X \to Y$ be a linear map. Suppose that Y is of finite dimension. Then T is bounded if and only if $\ker T := \{x \in X : Tx = 0\}$, the kernel of T, is closed.

Proof. The necessary part is clear.

Now assume that $\ker T$ is closed. Then by Proposition 5.5, $X/\ker T$ becomes a normed space. Also, it is known that there is a linear injection $\widetilde{T}:X/\ker T\to Y$ such that $T=\widetilde{T}\circ\pi$, where $\pi:X\to X/\ker T$ is the natural projection. Since $\dim Y<\infty$ and \widetilde{T} is injective, $\dim X/\ker T<\infty$. This implies that \widetilde{T} is bounded by Proposition 5.4. Hence T is bounded because $T=\widetilde{T}\circ\pi$ and π is bounded.

Remark 5.7. The converse of Corollary 5.6 does not hold when Y is of infinite dimension. For example, let $X := \{x \in \ell^2 : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 |x(n)|^2 < \infty\}$ (notice that X is a vector space **Why?**) and $Y = \ell^2$. Both X and Y are endowed with $\|\cdot\|_2$ -norm.

Define $T: X \to Y$ by Tx(n) = nx(n) for $x \in X$ and n = 1, 2... Then T is an unbounded operator (**Check !!**). Notice that $\ker T = \{0\}$ and hence, $\ker T$ is closed. So, the closeness of $\ker T$ does not imply the boundedness of T in general.

We say that two normed spaces X and Y are said to be isomorphic (resp. isometric isomorphic) if there is a bi-continuous linear isomorphism (resp. isometric) between X and Y. We also write X = Y if X and Y are isometric isomorphic.

Remark 5.8. Notice that the inverse of a bounded linear isomorphism may not be bounded.

Example 5.9. Let $X: \{f \in C^{\infty}(-1,1): f^{(n)} \in C^b(-1,1) \text{ for all } n=0,1,2...\}$ and $Y:=\{f \in X: f(0)=0\}$. Also, X and Y both are equipped with the sup-norm $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$. Define an operator $S: X \to Y$ by

$$Sf(x) := \int_0^x f(t)dt$$

for $f \in X$ and $x \in (-1,1)$. Then S is a bounded linear isomorphism but its inverse S^{-1} is unbounded. In fact, the inverse $S^{-1}: Y \to X$ is given by

$$S^{-1}g := g'$$

for $g \in Y$.

6. Lecture 6: Dual Spaces I

All spaces X, Y, Z... are normed spaces over the field \mathbb{K} throughout this section. By Proposition 5.3, we have the following assertion at once.

Proposition 6.1. Let X be a normed space. Put $X^* = B(X, \mathbb{K})$. Then X^* is a Banach space and is called the dual space of X.

Example 6.2. Let $X = \mathbb{K}^N$. Consider the usual Euclidean norm on X, that is, $\|(x_1,...,x_N)\| := \sqrt{|x_1|^2 + \cdots + |x_N|^2}$. Define $\theta : \mathbb{K}^N \to (\mathbb{K}^N)^*$ by $\theta x(y) = x_1 y_1 + \cdots + x_N y_N$ for $x = (x_1,...,x_N)$ and $y = (y_1,...,y_N) \in \mathbb{K}^N$. Notice that $\theta x(y) = \langle x,y \rangle$, the usual inner product on \mathbb{K}^N . Then by the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, it is easy to see that θ is an isometric isomorphism. Therefore, we have $\mathbb{K}^N = (\mathbb{K}^N)^*$.

Example 6.3. Define a map $T: \ell^1 \to c_0^*$ by

$$(Tx)(\eta) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x(i)\eta(i)$$

for $x \in \ell^1$ and $\eta \in c_0$.

Then T is isometric isomorphism and hence, $c_0^* = \ell^1$.

Proof. The proof is divided into the following steps.

Step 1. $Tx \in c_0^*$ for all $x \in \ell^1$.

In fact, let $\eta \in c_0$. Then

$$|Tx(\eta)| \le |\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x(i)\eta(i)| \le \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x(i)||\eta(i)| \le ||x||_1 ||\eta||_{\infty}.$$

So, Step 1 follows.

Step 2. T is an isometry.

Notice that by Step 1, we have $||Tx|| \le ||x||_1$ for all $x \in \ell^1$. It needs to show that $||Tx|| \ge ||x||_1$ for all $x \in \ell^1$. Fix $x \in \ell^1$. Now for each k = 1, 2..., consider the polar form $x(k) = |x(k)|e^{i\theta_k}$. Notice that $\eta_n := (e^{-i\theta_1}, ..., e^{-i\theta_n}, 0, 0,) \in c_0$ for all n = 1, 2.... Then we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} |x(k)| = \sum_{k=1}^{n} x(k)\eta_n(k) = Tx(\eta_n) = |Tx(\eta_n)| \le ||Tx||$$

for all n = 1, 2... So, we have $||x||_1 \le ||Tx||$.

Step 3. T is a surjection.

Let $\phi \in c_0^*$ and let $e_k \in c_0$ be given by $e_k(j) = 1$ if j = k, otherwise, is equal to 0. Put $x(k) := \phi(e_k)$ for k=1,2... and consider the polar form $x(k)=|x(k)|e^{i\theta_k}$ as above. Then we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} |x(k)| = \phi(\sum_{k=1}^{n} e^{-i\theta_k} e_k) \le \|\phi\| \|\sum_{k=1}^{n} e^{-i\theta_k} e_k\|_{\infty} = \|\phi\|$$

for all n = 1, 2... Therefore, $x \in \ell^1$.

Finally, we need to show that $Tx = \phi$ and thus, T is surjective. In fact, if $\eta = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \eta(k) e_k \in c_0$, then we have

$$\phi(\eta) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \eta(k)\phi(e_k) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \eta(k)x_k = Tx(\eta).$$

So, the proof is finished by the Steps 1-3 above.

Example 6.4. We have the other important examples of the dual spaces.

- (i) $(\ell^1)^* = \ell^{\infty}$.
- (ii) For $1 , <math>(\ell^p)^* = \ell^q$, where $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$. (iii) For a locally compact Hausdorff space X, $C_0(X)^* = M(X)$, where M(X) denotes the space of all regular Borel measures on X.

Parts (i) and (ii) can be obtained by the similar argument as in Example 6.3 (see also in [3, Chapter 8). Part (iii) is known as the Riesz representation Theorem which is referred to [3, Section 21.5] for the details.

In the rest of this section, we are going to show the Hahn-Banach Theorem which is a very important Theorem in mathematics. Before showing this theorem, we need the following lemma first.

Lemma 6.5. Let Y be a subspace of X and $v \in X \setminus Y$. Let $Z = Y \oplus \mathbb{K}v$ be the linear span of Y and v in X. If $f \in Y^*$, then there is an extension $F \in Z^*$ of f such that ||F|| = ||f||.

Proof. We may assume that ||f|| = 1 by considering the normalization f/||f|| if $f \neq 0$. Case $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$:

We first note that since ||f|| = 1, we have $|f(x) - f(y)| \le ||(x+v) - (y+v)||$ for all $x, y \in Y$. This implies that $-f(x) - ||x + v|| \le -f(y) + ||y + v||$ for all $x, y \in Y$. Now let $\gamma = \sup\{-f(x) - ||x + v|| : x \le 1\}$ $x \in X$. This implies that γ exists and

$$(6.1) -f(y) - ||y+v|| \le \gamma \le -f(y) + ||y+v||$$

for all $y \in Y$. We define $F: Z \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $F(y + \alpha v) := f(y) + \alpha \gamma$. It is clear that $F|_Y = f$. For showing $F \in \mathbb{Z}^*$ with ||F|| = 1, since $F|_Y = f$ on Y and ||f|| = 1, it needs to show $|F(y + \alpha v)| \le f$ $||y + \alpha v||$ for all $y \in Y$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$.

In fact, for $y \in Y$ and $\alpha > 0$, then by inequality 6.1, we have

(6.2)
$$|F(y + \alpha v)| = |f(y) + \alpha \gamma| \le ||y + \alpha v||.$$

Since y and α are arbitrary in inequality 6.2, we see that $|F(y+\alpha v)| \leq ||y+\alpha v||$ for all $y \in Y$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. Therefore the result holds when $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$.

Now for the complex case, let $h = \Re ef$ and $g = \Im mf$. Then f = h + ig and f, g both are real linear with $||h|| \le 1$. Note that since f(iy) = if(y) for all $y \in Y$, we have g(y) = -h(iy) for all $y \in Y$. This gives $f(\cdot) = h(\cdot) - ih(i\cdot)$ on Y. Then by the real case above, there is a real linear extension H on $Z := Y \oplus \mathbb{R}v \oplus i\mathbb{R}v$ of h such that ||H|| = ||h||. Now define $F : Z \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by $F(\cdot) := H(\cdot) - iH(i\cdot)$. Then $F \in Z^*$ and $F|_Y = f$. Thus it remains to show that ||F|| = ||f|| = 1. It needs to show that $||F(z)| \le ||z||$ for all $z \in Z$. Note for $z \in Z$, consider the polar form $F(z) = re^{i\theta}$. Then $F(e^{-i\theta}z) = r \in \mathbb{R}$ and thus $F(e^{-i\theta}z) = H(e^{-i\theta}z)$. This yields that

$$|F(z)| = r = |F(e^{-i\theta}z)| = |H(e^{-i\theta}z)| \le ||H|| ||e^{-i\theta}z|| \le ||z||.$$

The proof is finished.

Remark 6.6. Before completing the proof of the Hahn-Banach Theorem, Let us first recall one of super important results in mathematics, called *Zorn's Lemma*, a very humble name. Every mathematics student should know it.

Zorn's Lemma: Let \mathcal{X} be a non-empty set with a partially order " \leq ". Assume that every totally order subset \mathcal{C} of \mathcal{X} has an upper bound, i.e. there is an element $\mathfrak{z} \in \mathcal{X}$ such that $c \leq \mathfrak{z}$ for all $c \in \mathcal{C}$. Then \mathcal{X} must contain a maximal element \mathfrak{m} , that is, if $\mathfrak{m} \leq x$ for some $x \in \mathcal{X}$, then $\mathfrak{m} = x$.

The following is the typical argument of applying the Zorn's Lemma.

Theorem 6.7. Hahn-Banach Theorem: Let X be a normed space and let Y be a subspace of X. If $f \in Y^*$, then there exists a linear extension $F \in X^*$ of f such that ||F|| = ||f||.

Proof. Let \mathcal{X} be the collection of the pairs (Y_1, f_1) , where $Y \subseteq Y_1$ is a subspace of X and $f_1 \in Y_1^*$ such that $f_1|_Y = f$ and $||f_1||_{Y_1^*} = ||f||_{Y^*}$. Define a partial order \leq on \mathcal{X} by $(Y_1, f_1) \leq (Y_2, f_2)$ if $Y_1 \subseteq Y_2$ and $f_2|_{Y_1} = f_1$. Then by the Zorn's lemma, there is a maximal element (\widetilde{Y}, F) in \mathcal{X} . The maximality of (\widetilde{Y}, F) and Lemma 6.5 will give $\widetilde{Y} = X$. The proof is finished.

Proposition 6.8. Let X be a normed space and $x_0 \in X$. Then there is $f \in X^*$ with ||f|| = 1 such that $f(x_0) = ||x_0||$. Consequently, we have

$$||x_0|| = \sup\{|g(x)| : g \in B_{X^*}\}.$$

Also, if $x, y \in X$ with $x \neq y$, then there exists $f \in X^*$ such that $f(x) \neq f(y)$.

Proof. Let $Y = \mathbb{K}x_0$. Define $f_0: Y \to \mathbb{K}$ by $f_0(\alpha x_0) := \alpha ||x_0||$ for $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}$. Then $f_0 \in Y^*$ with $||f_0|| = ||x_0||$. So, the result follows from the Hahn-Banach Theorem at once.

Remark 6.9. Proposition 6.8 tells us that the dual space X^* of X must be non-zero. Indeed, the dual space X^* is very "Large" so that it can separate any pair of distinct points in X. Furthermore, for any normed space Y and any pair of points $x_1, x_2 \in X$ with $x_1 \neq x_2$, we can find an element $T \in B(X,Y)$ such that $Tx_1 \neq Tx_2$. In fact, fix a non-zero element $y \in Y$. Then by Proposition 6.8, there is $f \in X^*$ such that $f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$. So, if we define Tx = f(x)y, then $T \in B(X,Y)$ as desired.

Proposition 6.10. With the notation as above, if M is closed subspace and $v \in X \setminus M$, then there is $f \in X^*$ such that $f(M) \equiv 0$ and $f(v) \neq 0$.

Proof. Since M is a closed subspace of X, we can consider the quotient space X/M. Let $\pi: X \to X/M$ be the natural projection. Notice that $\bar{v} := \pi(v) \neq 0 \in X/M$ because $\bar{v} \in X \setminus M$. Then by Corollary 6.8, there is a non-zero element $\bar{f} \in (X/M)^*$ such that $\bar{f}(\bar{v}) \neq 0$. So, the linear functional $f := \bar{f} \circ \pi \in X^*$ is as desired.

Proposition 6.11. Using the notation as above, if X^* is separable, then X is separable.

Proof. Let $F := \{f_1, f_2....\}$ be a dense subset of X^* . Then there is a sequence (x_n) in X with $||x_n|| = 1$ and $|f_n(x_n)| \ge 1/2||f_n||$ for all n. Now let M be the closed linear span of x_n 's. Then M is a separable closed subspace of X. We are going to show that M = X.

Suppose not. Proposition 6.10 will give us a non-zero element $f \in X^*$ such that $f(M) \equiv 0$. From this, we first see that $f \neq f_m$ for all m = 1, 2... because $f(x_m) = 0$ and $f_m(x_m) \neq 0$ for all m = 1, 2...

Also, notice that $B(f,r) \cap F$ must be infinite for all r > 0. So, there is a subsequence (f_{n_k}) such that $||f_{n_k} - f|| \to 0$. This gives

$$\frac{1}{2}||f_{n_k}|| \le |f_{n_k}(x_{n_k})| = |f_{n_k}(x_{n_k}) - f(x_{n_k})| \le ||f_{n_k} - f|| \to 0$$

because $f(M) \equiv 0$. So $||f_{n_k}|| \to 0$ and hence f = 0. It leads to a contradiction again. Thus, we can conclude that M = X as desired.

Remark 6.12. The converse of Proposition 6.11 does not hold. For example, consider $X = \ell^1$. Then ℓ^1 is separable but the dual space $(\ell^1)^* = \ell^{\infty}$ is not.

References

- [1] R.G. Bartle and I.D. Sherbert, Introduction to Real Analysis, (4th ed), Wiley, (2011).
- [2] J. Muscat, Functional Analysis, Springer, (2014).
- [3] H. Royden and P. Fitzpatrick, Real analysis, fourth edition, Pearson, (2010).
- [4] W. Rudin. Functional analysis, second edition, McGraw-Hill Inc, (1991).