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FunctionalAnalysis 12

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PROBLEM I \mathcal{X} is a linear space on \mathbb{C} . p is a seminorm on \mathcal{X} . $p(x_0) \neq 0, x_0 \in \mathcal{X}$. Prove: $\exists f$ is a linear functional on \mathcal{X} such that

1. $f(x_0) = 1$
2. $|f(x)| \leq \frac{p(x)}{p(x_0)}, \forall x \in \mathcal{X}$.

SOLUTION. Consider $p^* : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, x \mapsto \frac{p(x)}{p(x_0)}$. Obviously p^* is a seminorm on \mathcal{X} . Let $\mathcal{X}_0 := \text{Span}\{x_0\} \subset \mathcal{X}$ is a subspace of \mathcal{X} . $f : \mathcal{X}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \alpha x_0 \mapsto \alpha f(x_0)$, where $f(x_0) = 1$. So f is a linear functional on \mathcal{X}_0 . And $\forall x \in \mathcal{X}_0, x = \alpha x_0, |f(x)| = |\alpha| |f(x_0)| \leq |\alpha| = \frac{p(\alpha x_0)}{p(x_0)} = p^*(x)$. Thus, by Hahn-Banach theorem, $\exists \tilde{f} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a linear functional on \mathcal{X} such that

1. $\tilde{f}(x) = f(x), \forall x \in \mathcal{X}_0$.
2. $|\tilde{f}(x)| \leq p^*(x) = \frac{p(x)}{p(x_0)}, \forall x \in \mathcal{X}$.

So $\tilde{f}(x_0) = f(x_0)$. □

PROBLEM II \mathcal{X} is a B^* space, $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty \subset \mathcal{X}$ such that $\forall f \in \mathcal{X}^*, \{f(x_n)\}_{n=1}^\infty$ is bounded. Prove that $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ is bounded.

SOLUTION. Since there is an embedding map from $\mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}^{**}$, which keeps norm. Regard $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ as subset of \mathcal{X}^{**} . And $\mathcal{X}^{**} = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}^*, \mathbb{K}), \mathcal{X}^* = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}, \mathbb{K})$. \mathbb{K} is complete, so \mathcal{X}^* is a B space. Besides, $\forall f \in \mathcal{X}^*, \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}_+} |x_n(f)| = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}_+} |f(x_n)| < \infty$. By Banach-Steinhaus theorem, $\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}_+} \|x_n\| < \infty$. □

PROBLEM III \mathcal{X} is a B^* space, \mathcal{X}_0 is a closed subspace of \mathcal{X} . Prove that $\forall x \in \mathcal{X}, \inf_{y \in \mathcal{X}_0} \|x - y\| = \sup\{|f(x)| : f \in \mathcal{X}^*, \|f\| = 1, f|_{\mathcal{X}_0} = 0\}$.

Lemma 1. \mathcal{X} is a B^* space, let $H_f^\lambda := \{x \in \mathcal{X} : f(x) = \lambda\}$ where f is a linear functional on \mathcal{X} . If $\|f\| = 1$, then $|f(x)| = d(x, H_f^0), \forall x \in \mathcal{X}$, where $d(x, H_f^0) := \inf_{z \in H_f^0} \|x - z\|$.

证明. Since $\|f\| = 1$, then $\exists z \notin H_f^0$. And $x \in H_f^0, f(x) = 0$, let $z = x$, then $\|x - z\| = 0$. Next consider $x \notin H_f^0$:

1. $|f(x)| \leq d(x, H_f^0)$: Since $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists y \in H_f^0$ such that $\|x - y\| \leq d(x, H_f^0) + \varepsilon$. And $|f(x)| = |f(x - y)| \leq \|f\| \|x - y\| \leq d(x, H_f^0) + \varepsilon \rightarrow d(x, H_f^0), \varepsilon \rightarrow 0$.
2. $|f(x)| \geq d(x, H_f^0)$: $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists y \in x$

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SOLUTION. By Lemma 1, we have that $\inf_{y \in \mathcal{X}_0} \|x - y\| \geq \sup\{|f(x)| : f \in \mathcal{X}^*, \|f\| = 1, f|_{\mathcal{X}_0} = 0\}$. Consider $\mathcal{X}_0 = \mathcal{X}$ is possible, we define: $\sup \emptyset = 0$.

1. $\mathcal{X}_0 = \mathcal{X}$: $f(x) = 0, \forall x \in \mathcal{X}$, so $\nexists f : \|f\| = 1$, so $\sup\{|f(x)| : f \in \mathcal{X}^*, \|f\| = 1, f|_{\mathcal{X}_0} = 0\} = \sup \emptyset$. Obviously, the conclusion is true.
2. $\mathcal{X}_0 \subsetneq \mathcal{X}$:

- (a) If $x \notin \mathcal{X}_0$, since \mathcal{X}_0 is closed, then $d := \inf_{y \in \mathcal{X}_0} \|x - y\| > 0$, by Hahn-Banach theorem, $\exists f \in \mathcal{X}^*$ such that $\|f\| = 1, f|_{\mathcal{X}_0} = 0, f(x) = d$. Thus, $\sup\{|f(x)| : f \in \mathcal{X}^*, \|f\| = 1, f|_{\mathcal{X}_0} = 0\} = |f(x)|$. So $\inf_{y \in \mathcal{X}_0} \|x - y\| = |f(x)| = \sup\{|f(x)| : f \in \mathcal{X}^*, \|f\| = 1, f|_{\mathcal{X}_0} = 0\}$.
- (b) If $y \in \mathcal{X}_0$, take $x \notin \mathcal{X}_0$, f such that $\sup\{|f(x)| : f \in \mathcal{X}^*, \|f\| = 1, f|_{\mathcal{X}_0} = 0\} = |f(x)|$. So $f(y) = 0$, then $\{|f(y)| : f \in \mathcal{X}^*, \|f\| = 1, f|_{\mathcal{X}_0} = 0\}$ is not empty. And $\forall f \in \mathcal{X}^*$ such that $\|f\| = 1, f|_{\mathcal{X}_0} = 0$, then $f(y) = 0$. Thus, $\sup\{|f(x)| : f \in \mathcal{X}^*, \|f\| = 1, f|_{\mathcal{X}_0} = 0\} = 0 = \inf_{y \in \mathcal{X}_0} \|x - y\|$.

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