

# Functional Analysis Assignment VI

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**Problem 1.** Show that a normed linear space  $X$  is finite dimensional iff its dual  $X'$  is finite dimensional

*Proof.* Show a stronger one:  $\dim X = \dim X'$  for finite dimensional  $X (\Rightarrow)$  or  $X' (\Leftarrow)$ .

$(\Rightarrow)$  Since  $X$  is of finite dimension, it has basis  $\{x_j\}$ . For arbitrary  $x \in X$ ,  $x = \sum_1^n a_j x_j$ . Define  $f_j \in X'$  as

$$f_j(x) = a_j$$

By this definition we also have  $f_j(x_j) = \delta_{ij}$ . And we obtain another vector  $(f_1, \dots, f_n)$ .

*Claim:* It is a basis of  $X'$ .

*Proof of Claim:* First, for all  $f \in X'$ ,  $f(\cdot) = \left(\sum_{j=1}^n f(x_j) f_j\right)(\cdot)$ , in the sense that  $\forall x \in X$ ,

$$f(x) = f\left(\sum_{j=1}^n a_j x_j\right) = \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_j) a_j = \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_j) f_j(x) = \left(\sum_{j=1}^n f(x_j) f_j\right)(x)$$

Implies that  $\text{span}\{f_j\} = X'$ . Moreover 0 is a linear functional in  $X'$  with  $0(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in X$ . So if given

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j f_j &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j f_j\right)(x_j) &= 0(x_j) \\ \Rightarrow \lambda_j &= 0 \text{ for all } 1 \leq j \leq n \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

We conclude that  $\{f_j\}$  is the basis of  $X'$ .

For another direction  $(\Leftarrow)$ , just define a vector in  $X$  as  $f(x_j) = (\sum_1^n \lambda_i f_i)(x_j) = \lambda_j$ , for  $\{f_j\}$  be the basis of  $X'$ , then show  $\{x_j\}$  is basis of  $X$  in the same fashion.  $\square$

**Problem 2.** Let  $C[0, 1]$  be the Banach space of all real-valued continuous functions  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , with norm  $\|f\| = \max_{x \in [0, 1]} |f(x)|$ .

- Show  $X = \{f \in C[0, 1]; f(0) = 0\}$  is a closed subspace of  $C[0, 1]$ , hence a Banach space.
- Show that the map  $f \mapsto \ell(f) = \int_0^1 f(x) dx$  is a continuous linear functional on  $X$ . Compute the norm

$$\|\ell\| = \sup_{\|f\| \leq 1, f \in X} |\ell(f)|$$

Is this supremum over closed ball actually as maximum?

*Proof.* (a) Let  $\{f_n\} \subset X$  be a convergent sequence. I.e  $\|f_n - f\| \rightarrow 0$ . Hence  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ , exists  $N$ , such that for  $n > N$

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_n - f\| &= \max_{x \in [0, 1]} |f_n(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon \\ \Rightarrow |(f_n - f)(0)| &= |f(0)| \leq \|f_n - f\| < \epsilon \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Since  $\epsilon$  is arbitrary, we let it goes to 0, and obtain  $|f(0)| = 0$ . Hence  $f \in X \Rightarrow X$  is closed.

Since  $X$  is closed,  $X \subset C[0, 1]$ , a Banach space. So  $X$  is also a Banach space.

(b) Since  $f$  is continuous function on compact set  $[0, 1]$ , it is bounded and attains maximum/minimum. Which implies  $|f(x)| \leq \|f\| < C$  for all  $x \in [0, 1]$ . So  $\ell(f) = \int_0^1 |f| \leq C$  is also bounded, hence continuous.

$$\|\ell\| = \sup_{\|f\| \leq 1, f \in X} |\ell(f)| = \sup_{\|f\| \leq 1, f \in X} \left| \int_0^1 f(x) \right| \quad (3)$$

The supremum is clearly 1, when  $f(x)$  approaches 1 at every  $x > 0$ . The supremum is not attainable. Because  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f$  is continuous. That is,  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ , exists  $\delta$ , such that  $|f(x)| < \epsilon$  whenever  $0 \leq x \leq \delta$ . Hence

$$\left| \int_0^1 f(x) \right| \leq (1 - \delta) + \delta\epsilon = 1 - \delta(1 - \epsilon) < 1 \quad (4)$$

□

**Problem 3.** In Banach space  $X = L^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ , consider the subspace  $V$  consisting of all bounded continuous functions.

- Show that there exists a bounded linear functional  $\Lambda : L^\infty(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $\|\Lambda\| = 1$  such that  $\Lambda f = f(0)$  for every bounded continuous function  $f$ . However, show that there exists no function  $g \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $\Lambda f = \int f g dx$  for every  $f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ .
- Conclude that the dual space of  $L^\infty(\mathbb{R})$  cannot be identified with  $L^1(\mathbb{R})$ .

*Proof.*

□

**Problem 4.** Given a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in Hilbert space  $H$ , show that the strong convergence  $\|x_n - x\| \rightarrow 0$  holds if and only if

$$\|x_n\| \rightarrow \|x\| \quad \text{and} \quad x_n \rightharpoonup x$$

*Proof.*  $(\Rightarrow)$  is clear, since strong convergence implies weak convergence and the convergence of norm.

$(\Leftarrow)$  Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_n - x\|^2 &= \|x_n\|^2 + \|x\|^2 - 2\langle x_n, x \rangle \\ \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x\|^2 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n\|^2 + \|x\|^2 - 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ell(x_n) \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Where we denote  $\ell(\cdot) = \langle \cdot, x \rangle$ , clearly  $\ell \in H'$ . By weak convergence:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ell(x_n) = \ell(x) = \langle x, x \rangle = \|x\|^2$ .

By another condition  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n\| = \|x\|$ . So RHS =  $2\|x\|^2 - 2\|x\|^2 = 0$ .

$\Rightarrow x_n \rightarrow x$  strongly, finished the proof.

□

**Problem 5.** Consider a bounded sequence of functions  $f_n \in L^2[0, T]$ . As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , show that the weak convergence  $f_n \rightharpoonup f$  holds iff

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^b f_n(x) dx = \int_0^b f(x) dx \quad \text{For every } b \in [0, T] \quad (\dagger)$$

*Proof.*  $(\Rightarrow)$  if  $f_n \rightharpoonup f$ , since  $L^2$  is hilbert space, there is linear functional  $\ell \in (L^2)'$ , where

$$\ell(f_n) = \langle \mathbb{1}_{[0, b]}, f_n \rangle = \int_0^b f_n \quad (6)$$

For all  $b \in [0, T]$ . So due to weak convergence we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^b f_n = \langle \mathbb{1}_{[0, b]}, f \rangle = \int_0^b f$ .

$(\Leftarrow)$  Since  $b$  is arbitrary,  $(\dagger)$  actually implies that  $\int \mathbb{1}_D f_n \rightarrow \int \mathbb{1}_D f$  for any compact  $D = [a, b] \subseteq [0, T]$ , since  $\int \mathbb{1}_{[a, b]} f = \int (\mathbb{1}_{[0, b]} - \mathbb{1}_{[0, a]}) f$ , and  $\int |\mathbb{1}_{[a, b]} f| \leq C(b - a)$  by boundedness of  $f$ .

Then we follow the real-analysis type construction.

- By linearity,  $\int \phi f_n \rightarrow \int \phi f$ ,  $\phi$  is simple function.
- By monotone convergence thm, this  $\int g^\pm f_n \rightarrow \int g^\pm f$ ,  $g^\pm$  are positive.

· For arbitrary  $g \in L^2$ , let  $g = g^+ - g^-$ , since  $g$  is bounded:  $\int g f_n \rightarrow \int g f$ .  
All linear functionals on  $L^2$  have such form, so we finish the proof.  $\square$

**Problem 6.** Suppose  $\Omega$  is Lebesgue measurable set and  $p \in (1, \infty)$ . If  $f_n \rightharpoonup f$  in  $L^p(\Omega)$  and

$$\|f_n\|_{L^p} \rightarrow \|f\|_{L^p}$$

Then show that  $f_n \rightarrow f$  strongly in  $L^p(\Omega)$ . How about  $p = 1$ ?

*Proof.* (a) (**Radon-Riesz**) We first state a lemma

*lemma.* Assume  $X$  is a uniformly convex Banach space,  $x_n \rightharpoonup x$  and

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n\| \leq \|x\|$$

Then  $x_n \rightarrow x$  strongly.

*Proof of lemma.* If  $x = 0$  we are done. Assume  $x \neq 0$ . Define

$$\lambda_n := \max\{\|x_n\|, \|x\|\} \quad y_n := \frac{x_n}{\lambda_n}, \quad y := \frac{x}{\|x\|}$$

So we get  $\lambda_n \rightarrow \|x\|$  by the limit sup condition. And for linear functional  $\ell \in X'$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ell(y_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ell\left(\frac{x_n}{\lambda_n}\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \ell(x_n) = \frac{\ell(x)}{\|x\|} = \ell\left(\frac{x}{\|x\|}\right) \quad (7)$$

That is,  $y_n \rightharpoonup y$ . In fact we use  $\frac{y_n + y}{2} \rightharpoonup y$  and by theorem

$$\|y\| \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{y_n + y}{2} \right\| \leq \left\| \frac{y_n + 1}{2} \right\| \quad (8)$$

By definition,  $\|y_n\| \leq 1$  and  $\|y\| = 1$ . So actually  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{y_n + y}{2} \right\| = 1$ . By uniform convexity  $\Rightarrow \|y_n - y\| \rightarrow 0$ , that is  $\|x_n - x\| \rightarrow 0$ , finished the proof.  $\blacksquare$

In our previous result (HW4 problem 3), we have already shown that  $L^p$  is uniformly convex for  $p \geq 2$ . And now that  $\|f_n\|_{L^p} \rightarrow \|f\|_{L^p}$ , we have

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n\|_{L^p} = \|f\|_{L^p} \leq \|f\|_{L^p}$$

Apply the lemma, we obtain the desired result.

(b) It is not the case for  $p = 1$ . We let  $\Omega = [0, 2\pi]$ ,  $f_n := \sin(nx) + 1$ . Then clearly  $f_n \rightharpoonup 1$ ;

$$\|f_n\|_{L^1} = \int_0^{2\pi} |\sin(nx) + 1| = 2\pi$$

but

$$\|f_n - 1\|_{L^1} = \int_0^{2\pi} |\sin(nx)| = 4$$

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$\square$

**Problem 7.** Exercise 1. Show

$$y_K = \sum_{k=1}^K x_{n_k}(t) < 4$$

Exercise 2. If a sequence  $\{x_n\} \subset \ell^1$  converges weakly, then it converges strongly.

Exercise 3. If a sequence of points  $\{x_n\}$  in normed linear space satisfies

1.  $\{x_n\}$  are uniformly bounded, i.e.  $|x_n| \leq c$ .
2.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ell(x_n) = \ell(x)$  for a set of  $\ell$  dense in  $X'$ .

Then  $x_n \rightharpoonup x$ .

*Proof.* (Ex.1) Draw a plot of  $x_n(t)$ , since  $n_{k+1} > 2n_k$ , for any  $t \in [0, 1]$ , there exists an  $M > 0$  such that  $\frac{1}{n_M} < t < \frac{2}{n_M}$ , hence  $t > \frac{1}{n_M} > \frac{2}{n_{M+1}}$ . So

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{k=1}^K x_{n_k}(t) &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\max\{M, K\}} x_{n_k}(t) \\
&= \left( \sum_{k=1}^M + \sum_{k=M}^{\max\{M, K\}} \right) x_{n_k}(t) \\
&= 2 - n_M t + \sum_{k=1}^{M-1} n_k t \\
&< 2 - n_M \frac{1}{n_M} + \sum_{k=1}^{M-1} \frac{n_M}{2^{M-1-k}} \frac{2}{n_M} \\
&= 1 + \frac{4}{2^M} \sum_{k=1}^{M-1} 2^k = 5 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2^M} \right) < 5
\end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

(Well...I didn't work out 4, but the purpose of this is just deducing an upper bound of  $y_K$ , so I think 5 is just fine.)  $\square$

*Proof.* (Ex.2) Let  $\{\mathbf{y}^{[n]}\} \subset \ell^1$  be a sequence that converges weakly. WLOG  $\mathbf{y}^{[n]} \rightharpoonup 0$ . We argue by contradiction.

Assume  $\mathbf{y}^{[n]}$  does not converge to 0 in norm, i.e.  $\exists \epsilon > 0$ , such that

$$\|\mathbf{y}^{[n]} - 0\| \geq 5\epsilon$$

By previous result we have known  $(\ell^1)' = \ell^\infty$ .

We consider  $\mathbf{y}^{[0]} = (y_1^{[0]}, y_2^{[0]}, \dots) \in \ell^1$ , there exists  $n_0$  s.t.  $\sum_{k \geq n_0+1} |y_k^{[0]}| < \epsilon$ ; which implies that  $\sum_{k=0}^{n_0} |y_k^{[0]}| > 3\epsilon - \epsilon = 4\epsilon$ .

Now for this fixed  $n_0$ , pick  $\mathbf{y}^{[1]} = (y_1^{[1]}, y_2^{[1]}, \dots) \in \ell^1$ , s.t.  $\sum_{k=0}^{n_0} |y_k^{[1]}| < \epsilon$ . Moreover, there exists  $n_1 > n_0$  such that  $\sum_{k \geq n_1+1} |y_k^{[1]}| < \epsilon$ . Hence

$$\sum_{k=n_0+1}^{n_1} |y_k^{[1]}| = \|\mathbf{y}^{[1]}\| - \sum_{k=0}^{n_0} |y_k^{[1]}| - \sum_{k \geq n_1} |y_k^{[1]}| \geq 5\epsilon - \epsilon - \epsilon = 3\epsilon$$

We keep doing this and obtain  $\{\mathbf{y}^{[j]}\}$ . Extract  $n_{j-1}$  to  $n_j$  elements from each  $\mathbf{y}^{[j]}$ , normalize to 1 and concatenate together: That is, we take

$$\mathbf{x} := \left( 0, \dots, 0, \frac{y_{n_0+1}^{[1]}}{|y_{n_0+1}^{[1]}|}, \dots, \frac{y_{n_1}^{[1]}}{|y_{n_1}^{[1]}|}, \frac{y_{n_1+1}^{[2]}}{|y_{n_1+1}^{[2]}|}, \dots, \frac{y_{n_2}^{[2]}}{|y_{n_2}^{[2]}|}, \dots \right)$$

$\mathbf{x} \in \ell^\infty$  and clearly  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty = 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
|\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}^{[j]} \rangle| &= \left| \sum_{k \geq 0} x_k y_k^{[j]} \right| \\
&\geq \left| \sum_{k=n_{j-1}+1}^{n_j} x_k y_k^{[j]} \right| - \left| \sum_{k \geq n_j+1} x_k y_k^{[j]} \right| - \left| \sum_{k=0}^{n_{j-1}} x_k y_k^{[j]} \right| \\
&\geq \sum_{k=n_{j-1}+1}^{n_j} |y_k^{[j]}| - \|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty \sum_{k \notin \{n_{j-1}+1, \dots, n_j\}} |y_k^{[j]}| \\
&\geq 3\epsilon - 1 \cdot (\epsilon + \epsilon) = \epsilon
\end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

Define  $\ell(\cdot) := \langle \mathbf{x}, \cdot \rangle$ . It is clear that  $\ell(\mathbf{y}^{[j]})$  does not converge to 0. But since  $\mathbf{y}^{[j]} \rightharpoonup \mathbf{0}$ , we should have  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \ell(\mathbf{y}^{[j]}) = \ell(\mathbf{0}) = 0$ , contradiction.  $\square$

*Proof.* (Ex.3) Suppose  $\|x_n\| < c$ . For any  $\epsilon > 0$ , for any  $f \in X'$ , we can choose  $\{\phi_j\} \in D$ ,  $D$  is dense in  $X'$  and such that for  $j$  large

$$\|f_j - f\| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{3c}$$

Due to weak convergence in  $D$ , for this  $\epsilon$ , exists  $N$ , for  $n > N$  we have  $|f_j(x_n) - f_j(x)| < \epsilon/3$  for any  $f_j \in D$ .

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x_n) - f(x)| &\leq |f(x_n) - f_j(x_n)| + |f_j(x_n) - f_j(x)| + |f_j(x) - f(x)| \\ &\leq |f_j(x_n) - f_j(x)| + 2\|f - f_j\| \cdot |x - x_n| \\ &\leq \frac{\epsilon}{3} + 2\frac{\epsilon}{3c} \cdot c = \epsilon \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

Which implies that  $x_n \rightharpoonup x$  in  $X'$ , finished the proof.  $\square$

**Problem 8.** Deduce thm 10.5 from 10.6 applied to balls centered at origin  $K = B_r : \{x : |x| \leq r\}$

*Proof.* The target is to show that if  $x_n \rightharpoonup x$ , then

$$\|x\| \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n\|$$

Denote  $a := \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n\|$ . Now given  $x_n \rightharpoonup x$ , the norm is bounded:  $\|x_n\| \leq c$  for some  $c$ . Further, we can pick  $x_{n_1} \in \{x_n\}$ , such that  $\|x_{n_1}\| \leq a$ . If  $\{x_n\} \in B_a(0)$  then we are done, just apply theorem 6 on  $B_a(0)$  yield the desired result.

Otherwise,  $\exists x_{n_2} \in \{x_n\}$ ,  $x_{n_2} \neq x_{n_1}$ , we have  $\{x_{n_1}, x_{n_2}\} \in B_{a_2}(0)$ . Where  $a_2 = \max\{a, \|x_{n_2}\|\}$ .

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Continue doing this we obtain a subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}$ ,  $x_{n_k} \rightharpoonup x$ , and  $\{x_{n_k}\} \subset B_{a_k}(0)$ .

So apply theorem 5 yields  $x \in B_{a_k}(0)$ ,  $\Rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} \|x\| &\leq a_k \\ \Rightarrow \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x\| &\leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \max\{a, \|x_{n_k}\|\} \\ &\Rightarrow \|x\| \leq \max\{a, \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_k}\|\} \\ &\Rightarrow \|x\| \leq \max\{a, a\} = a \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

Finished the proof.  $\square$