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Problem 1

Let $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ and $(Y, \|\cdot\|_Y)$ be (non-zero) normed vector spaces over \mathbb{K} , where $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} .

(a)

Let $T : X \rightarrow Y$ be a linear map. Set $\|x\|_0 = \|x\|_X + \|Tx\|_Y$, for all $x \in X$. Show that $\|\cdot\|_0$ is a norm on X . Show next that the two norms $\|\cdot\|_X$ and $\|\cdot\|_0$ are equivalent if and only if T is bounded.

First note that since $\|\cdot\|_X$ and $\|\cdot\|_Y$ are norms we have that $\|\cdot\|_X : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ and $\|\cdot\|_Y : Y \rightarrow [0, \infty)$, so clearly $\|\cdot\|_0 : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$.

Now let $x, y \in X$. Since T is linear and $\|\cdot\|_X$ and $\|\cdot\|_Y$ are norms we have that

$$\begin{aligned}\|x + y\|_0 &= \|x + y\|_X + \|T(x + y)\|_Y \\ &= \|x + y\|_X + \|Tx + Ty\|_Y \\ &\leq \|x\|_X + \|y\|_X + \|Tx\|_Y + \|Ty\|_Y \\ &= \|x\|_0 + \|y\|_0\end{aligned}$$

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Further for $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}$ and $x \in X$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\|\alpha x\|_0 &= \|\alpha x\|_X + \|T(\alpha x)\|_Y \\ &= \|\alpha x\|_X + \|\alpha T(x)\|_Y \\ &= |\alpha| \|x\|_X + |\alpha| \|T(x)\|_Y \\ &= |\alpha| \|x\|_0\end{aligned}$$

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Again we have used that T is linear and $\|\cdot\|_X$ and $\|\cdot\|_Y$ are norms.

We will show that $\|x\|_0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0, \forall x \in X$.

So suppose $\|x\|_0 = 0$ for some $x \in X$, then $\|x\|_X + \|Tx\|_Y = 0$, so $\|x\|_X = -\|Tx\|_Y$. Now since both of $\|\cdot\|_X$ and $\|\cdot\|_Y$ maps into $[0, \infty)$ this is true if and only if $\|x\|_X = -\|Tx\|_Y = 0$. Now since $\|\cdot\|_X, \|\cdot\|_Y$ are norms and T is linear this holds if and only if $x = 0$. So $\|x\|_0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0, \forall x \in X$.

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In conclusion $\|\cdot\|_X$ is a norm on X .


Now we will show that $\|\cdot\|_X$ and $\|\cdot\|_0$ are equivalent if and only if T is bounded.

" \Rightarrow " Suppose $\|\cdot\|_X$ and $\|\cdot\|_0$ are equivalent. By definition 1.4 this means there exists constants $0 < C_1 \leq C_2 < \infty$ such that for all $x \in X$,

$$C_1\|x\|_X \leq \|x\|_0 \leq C_2\|x\|_X,$$

which is equivalent to

$$C_1\|x\|_X \leq \|x\|_X + \|Tx\|_Y \leq C_2\|x\|_X$$

Notice that $\|Tx\|_Y \leq \|x\|_X + \|Tx\|_Y$ for all $x \in X$, which implies that $\|Tx\|_Y \leq C_2\|x\|_X$. So by proposition 1.10 then T is bounded. 

" \Leftarrow " Assume T is bounded. Then by proposition 1.10 there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that

$$\|Tx\|_Y \leq C\|x\|_X, \quad \forall x \in X$$

Now we see that for all $x \in X$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x\|_X &\leq \|x\|_0 \\ &= \|x\|_X + \|Tx\|_Y \\ &\leq \|x\|_X + C\|x\|_X \\ &= (1+C)\|x\|_X \end{aligned}$$


Thus $\|\cdot\|_X$ and $\|\cdot\|_0$ are equivalent. 

(b)

Show that any linear map $T : X \rightarrow Y$ is bounded, if X is finite dimensional.

Suppose X is finite dimensional. Given a linear map $T : X \rightarrow Y$, define the function $\|\cdot\|_0 : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ by

$$\|x\|_0 = \|x\|_X + \|Tx\|_Y, \quad \forall x \in X.$$

This is a norm by (a). Now by Theorem 1.6, since X is finite dimensional, then any two norms on X are equivalent. So in particular $\|\cdot\|_X$ and $\|\cdot\|_0$ are equivalent. Hence T must be bounded by (a). 

(c)

Suppose that X is infinite dimensional. Show that there exists a linear map $T : X \rightarrow Y$, which is not bounded.

We consider a Hamel basis $\{e_i\}_{i \in I}$ where $\|e_i\| = 1$ for each $i \in I$. Since X is infinite dimensional there exists an infinite countable subset $\{e_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq \{e_i\}_{i \in I}$. *Caution with the notation.*

Now we define the linear map $T : X \rightarrow Y$ for all $e_i \in \{e_i\}_{i \in I}$ by


$$T(e_i) = \begin{cases} iy' & \text{for } e_i \in \{e_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \\ 0 & \text{for } e_i \notin \{e_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \end{cases}$$

for some element $y' \in Y$ with unit norm, which exists since $(Y, \|\cdot\|_Y)$ is non-zero. Hence

$$\|Te_i\| = \|iy'\| = i\|y'\| = i, \quad \forall e_i \in \{e_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}.$$

Now for every constant $C > 0$, there exists some $i > C$ satisfying

$$\|Te_i\| = i > C = C\|e_i\|.$$

So by proposition 1.10 the linear map T is not bounded. 

(d)


Suppose again that X is infinite dimensional. Argue that there exists a norm $\|\cdot\|_0$ on X , which is not equivalent to the given norm $\|\cdot\|_X$, and which satisfies $\|x\|_X \leq \|x\|_0$, for all $x \in X$. Conclude that $(X, \|\cdot\|_0)$ is not complete if $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ is a Banach space.

Assume X is infinite dimensional. Then let $T : X \rightarrow Y$ be a linear map which is not bounded. We know that such a map exists by (c). Now define the norm $\|\cdot\|_0 : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$, by

$$\|x\|_0 = \|x\|_X + \|Tx\|_Y, \quad \forall x \in X$$

which is a norm by (a). Then we have from (a) that $\|\cdot\|_0$ and $\|\cdot\|_X$ are not equivalent, since T is not bounded. Notice that for all $x \in X$ these satisfies

$$\|x\|_X \leq \|x\|_X + \|Tx\|_Y = \|x\|_0.$$

Now if $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ is a Banach space, it is complete with respect to $\|\cdot\|_X$. Then assume to reach a contradiction that $(X, \|\cdot\|_0)$ is complete. Then since X is complete with respect to both norms and $\|x\|_X \leq \|x\|_0$ for all $x \in X$, we get by Homework 3, problem 1 that $\|\cdot\|_0$ and $\|\cdot\|_X$ are equivalent. But this is a contradiction, so $(X, \|\cdot\|_0)$ is not complete. 

(e)

Give an example of a vector space X equipped with two inequivalent norms $\|\cdot\|$ and $\|\cdot\|'$ satisfying $\|x\|' \leq \|x\|$, for all $x \in X$, such that $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ is complete, while $(X, \|\cdot\|')$ is not.

Consider the vector space $\ell_1(\mathbb{N})$ equipped with the 1-norm. We know that $(\ell_1(\mathbb{N}), \|\cdot\|_1)$ is indeed a Banach space. Now we wish to show that $(\ell_1(\mathbb{N}), \|\cdot\|_\infty)$ is not complete, where $\|x\|_\infty = \sup\{|x_n| : n \geq 1\}$. First notice that these norms satisfies $\|x\|_\infty \leq \|x\|_1$, since for all $x \in \ell_1(\mathbb{N})$ we have that

$$\|x\|_\infty = \sup\{|x_n| : n \geq 1\} \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_n| = \|x\|_1$$

Now we wish to find a sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ that is cauchy with respect to $\|\cdot\|_\infty$, which does not converge in $\ell_1(\mathbb{N})$. Let $(x_n)_{n \geq 1}$ be the sequence of sequences in $\ell_1(\mathbb{N})$ defined by $x_n^{(k)} = \frac{1}{k}$ if $k \leq n$ and $x_n^{(k)} = 0$ otherwise, i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= (1, 0, 0, \dots) \\ x_2 &= (1, 1/2, 0, 0, \dots) \\ x_3 &= (1, 1/2, 1/3, 0, 0, \dots) \\ &\vdots \\ x_n &= (1, 1/2, 1/3, \dots, 1/n, 0, 0, \dots) \end{aligned}$$

Now to show this is cauchy, we first note that for $m > n$, then

$$\|x_n - x_m\|_\infty = \sup\{(0, \dots, 0, \frac{1}{n+1}, \frac{1}{n+2}, \dots, \frac{1}{m}, 0, \dots)\} = \frac{1}{n+1}$$

Now let $N := \frac{1}{\varepsilon} - 1$, then for all $n, m > N$, we have

$$\|x_n - x_m\|_\infty = \frac{1}{\min\{n, m\} + 1} \leq \frac{1}{N + 1} = \varepsilon.$$

So $(x_n)_{n \geq 1}$ is cauchy. Now this sequence of sequences converges to $x = (\frac{1}{n})_{n \geq 1}$, but

$$\|x\|_1 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{1}{n} \right| = \infty,$$

so $x \notin \ell_1(\mathbb{N})$, which is exactly what we wanted.

The fact that $(x_n)_{n \geq 1}$ converges to $x = (\frac{1}{n})_{n \geq 1}$ is easily seen by choosing N as before, since

$$\|x_n - x\|_{\infty} = \frac{1}{n+1} \leq \frac{1}{N+1} = \varepsilon, \quad \forall n \geq N.$$

Hence $x_n \rightarrow x$, when $n \rightarrow \infty$ with respect to $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$. In conclusion $(\ell_1(\mathbb{N}), \|\cdot\|_{\infty})$ is not complete. ✓

From the above and by Homework 3, Problem 1 we also note that $\|\cdot\|_1$ and $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ are not equivalent.

Problem 2

Let $1 \leq p < \infty$ be fixed, and consider the subspace M of the Banach space $(\ell_p(\mathbb{N}), \|\cdot\|_p)$, considered as a vector space over \mathbb{C} , given by

$$M = \{(a, b, 0, 0, \dots) : a, b \in \mathbb{C}\}.$$

Let $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be given by $f(a, b, 0, 0, \dots) = a + b$, for all $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$.

(a)

Show that f is bounded on $(M, \|\cdot\|_p)$ and compute $\|f\|$.

Let $(x_n)_{n \geq 1} = (x_1, x_2, 0, 0, \dots)$ and $(y_n)_{n \geq 1} = (1, 1, 0, 0, \dots)$ be sequences in M .

Suppose $1 < p < \infty$ and notice that $y \in \left(\ell_{\frac{p}{p-1}}, \|\cdot\|_{\frac{p}{p-1}}\right)$. As $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{\frac{p}{p-1}} = 1$, we obtain by using Hölders inequality the following

$$\begin{aligned} |fx| &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_n y_n| \\ &\leq \|x\|_p \|y\|_{\frac{p}{p-1}} \\ &= \|x\|_p \left(|1|^{\frac{p}{p-1}} + |1|^{\frac{p}{p-1}} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \\ &= 2^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \|x\|_p \end{aligned}$$

Assume $p = 1$, then $y \in (\ell_{\infty}, \|\cdot\|_{\infty})$. So by Hölders inequality

$$|fx| \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_n y_n| \leq \|x\|_1 \|y\|_{\infty} = \|x\|_1$$

Thus for $1 \leq p < \infty$ we have that $|fx| \leq 2^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \|x\|_p$, for all $x \in M$. Hence f is bounded on $(M, \|\cdot\|_p)$. ✓

Now we will compute $\|f\|$.

Since $|fx| \leq 2^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \|x\|_p$, for all $x \in M$ we have that

$$\|f\| = \inf\{C > 0 : |fx| \leq C \|x\|_p\} \leq 2^{\frac{p-1}{p}}.$$

Now let z be the sequence

$$z = \left(\frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{p}}}, \frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{p}}}, 0, 0, \dots \right) \in M.$$

Then we have


$$\|z\|_p = \left(\left| \frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{p}}} \right|^p + \left| \frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{p}}} \right|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = 1^{\frac{1}{p}} = 1.$$

Thus since

$$|fz| = \left| \frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{p}}} + \frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{p}}} \right| = \frac{2}{2^{\frac{1}{p}}} = 2^{1-\frac{1}{p}} = 2^{\frac{p-1}{p}},$$

we get that

$$\|f\| = \sup\{|fx| : \|x\|_p = 1\} \geq 2^{\frac{p-1}{p}}.$$

Hence $\|f\| = 2^{\frac{p-1}{p}}$ for $1 \leq p < \infty$. 

(b)

Show that if $1 < p < \infty$, then there is a unique linear functional F on $\ell_p(\mathbb{N})$ extending f and satisfying $\|F\| = \|f\|$.

Since $f \in M^*$ corollary 2.6 implies the existence of such a linear functional $F \in (\ell_p(\mathbb{N}))^*$ extending f and satisfying $\|F\| = \|f\|$. Now define F as $F(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = x_1 + x_2$, then it is clear that $F|_M = f$ and that $\|F\| = \|f\|$. Note by Homework 1, problem 5 we know that $(\ell_p(\mathbb{N}))^*$ is isometrically isomorphic to $\ell_q(\mathbb{N})$ for $1 < p < \infty$, when $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$. To satisfy this property we let $q = \frac{p}{p-1}$.

Then we can write $F(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n y_n$, where $y = (y_n)_{n \geq 1} \in \ell_q(\mathbb{N})$ and $x = (x_n)_{n \geq 1} \in \ell_p(\mathbb{N})$. Now since $F(x)$ must satisfy $F|_M = f$, we get that the sequence $(y_n)_{n \geq 1}$ is on the form

$$(y_n)_{n \geq 1} = (1, 1, x_3, x_4, \dots).$$

Actually since $\|F\| = \|f\|$ it must be on the form $(y_n)_{n \geq 1} = (1, 1, 0, 0, \dots)$, which we will see is the only possibility for $(y_n)_{n \geq 1}$ and thus that F is determined uniquely.

So assume to reach a contradiction that there exists another linear functional $F' \in (\ell_p(\mathbb{N}))^*$ such that $F'|_M = f$ and $\|F'\| = \|f\|$, defined by $F'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n y'_n$ with $y = (y_n)_{n \geq 1}$, $x = (x_n)_{n \geq 1}$, where $|y'_n| \neq 0$ for some $n \neq 1, 2$, meaning $y' \neq (1, 1, 0, \dots)$.

Since we know there is an isometric isomorphism $F' \mapsto y' \in \ell_q(\mathbb{N})$ we see that

$$\|F'\| = \|y'\|_q = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |y'_i|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \stackrel{\text{should be } \geq ?}{=} (|1|^q + |1|^q + |y'_n|^q)^{\frac{1}{q}} = \left(2 + |y'_n|^{\frac{p}{p-1}} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{p}} > \|f\|$$

Hence we reach a contradiction since $\|F'\| = \|f\|$, so such an F' doesn't exist, thus F is unique. 

(c)

Show that if $p = 1$, then there are infinitely many linear functionals F on $\ell_1(\mathbb{N})$ extending f and satisfying $\|F\| = \|f\|$.

Suppose that $p = 1$. Then we know that there exists a linear functional F on $\ell_1(\mathbb{N})$ satisfying $F|_M = f$ and $\|F\| = \|f\|$ by corollary 2.6.

Define $F \in \ell_1(\mathbb{N})$ as in (b) such that $F(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n y_n$ and F satisfies $F|_M = f$ and $\|F\| = \|f\|$ for some $(y_n)_{n \geq 1} \in \ell_{\infty}(\mathbb{N})$ and $(x_n)_{n \geq 1} \in \ell_1(\mathbb{N})$.

Note that $\|f\| = 2^{\frac{1-1}{1}} = 2^0 = 1$.

Then, since $(\ell_1(\mathbb{N}))^* \cong \ell_{\infty}(\mathbb{N})$ (isometrically isomorphism) we have that

$$\|F\| = \|y\|_{\infty} = \sup\{|y_n| : n \geq 1\}.$$

Now take any sequence

$$y' = (y'_n)_{n \geq 1} = (1, 1, y_3, y_4, \dots) \in \ell_{\infty}(\mathbb{N}) \text{ where } |y'_n| \leq 1 \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N},$$

then we have

$$\|y'\|_{\infty} = \max\{|1|, |1|, |y_3|, |y_4|, \dots\} = 1 = \|f\|$$

Hence every $F(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n y'_n$ satisfies the wanted conditions. Now since there are infinitely many sequences y'_n , we get infinitely many linear functionals F which extends f and satisfies $\|F\| = \|f\|$.

Problem 3

Let X be an infinite dimensional normed vector space over \mathbb{K} , where $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} .

(a)

Let $n \geq 1$ be an integer. Show that no linear map $F : X \rightarrow \mathbb{K}^n$ is injective.

Assume to reach a contradiction that some linear map $F : X \rightarrow \mathbb{K}^n$ is injective. Now we know that $F : X \rightarrow \text{Im}(F)$ is surjective, hence there is a bijection between X and the image of F . Since $\text{Im}(F)$ is a subspace of \mathbb{K}^n there is in fact an isomorphism of vector spaces. But $\text{Im}(F) \subseteq \mathbb{K}^n$ so we must have $\dim(\text{Im}(F)) \leq n$. But since X is infinite dimensional, there cannot be an isomorphism between these vector spaces. So we reach a contradiction, hence F cannot be injective.

(b)

Let $n \geq 1$ be an integer and let $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \in X^*$. Show that $\bigcap_{j=1}^n \ker(f_j) \neq \{0\}$.

Let $F : X \rightarrow \mathbb{K}^n$ be given by $F(x) = (f_1(x), f_2(x), \dots, f_n(x))$, $x \in X$. Linearity of F follows from linearity of $f_i \in X^*$, $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. By (a) we know that F is not injective, i.e. $\ker F \neq \{0\}$, meaning there exists some $x_1 \neq 0$ such that $F(x_1) = 0$. Notice that

$$F(x_1) = F(f_1(x_1), f_2(x_1), \dots, f_n(x_1)) = (0, 0, \dots, 0),$$

implies that $f_1(x_1) = 0, f_2(x_1) = 0, \dots, f_n(x_1) = 0$, so $x_1 \in \ker(f_j)$ for $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. Hence $\bigcap_{j=1}^n \ker(f_j) \neq \{0\}$ since $x_1 \neq 0$.

(c)

Let $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$. Show that there exists $y \in X$ such that $\|y\| = 1$ and $\|y - x_j\| \geq \|x_j\|$ for all $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$

Note that if $x_1, \dots, x_n = 0$ we can easily choose any y with $\|y\| = 1$, such that $\|y - x_j\| = \|y\| \geq \|x_j\| = 0$.

So assume $x_1, \dots, x_n \neq 0$. Then for every $x_i, i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ we can use Theorem 2.7(b), so there exists $f_i \in X^*$ such that $\|f_i\| = 1$ and $f_i(x_i) = \|x_i\|$.

Now define $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{K}^n$ by $F(x) = (f_1(x), f_2(x), \dots)$ for $x \in X$, which is linear since $f_i \in X^*$. Hence by (a) and (b) this map is injective. So $\ker F \neq \{0\}$, i.e. there exists some $0 \neq \xi \in X$ such that

$$\text{not } F(\xi) = (f_1(\xi), f_2(\xi), \dots) = (0, 0, \dots).$$

Then choose $y = \frac{\xi}{\|\xi\|}$, such that $\|y\| = 1$. Notice that since $f_j(y) = \frac{1}{\|\xi\|} f_j(\xi) = 0$ and $\|x_j\| = f_j(x_j)$ for each $j = 1, \dots, n$ we get that

$$\|x_j\| = f_j(x_j) = f_j(x_j) - f_j(y) = f_j(x_j - y),$$

since f_j is linear. Then we have that

$$\frac{\|x_j\|}{\|x_j - y\|} = \frac{f_j(x_j - y)}{\|x_j - y\|}, \quad \forall j = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Now recall that the operator norm is defined as

$$\|x_j - y\| = \sup\{|f_j(x_j - y)| : \|x_j - y\| \leq 1\},$$

hence

$$\frac{\|x_j\|}{\|x_j - y\|} = \frac{f_j(x_j - y)}{\|x_j - y\|} \leq 1, \quad \forall j = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

so we obtain the inequality

$$\|x_j\| \leq \|x_j - y\| = \|y - x_j\|, \quad \forall j = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

(d)

Show that one cannot cover the unit sphere $S = \{x \in X : \|x\| = 1\}$ with a finite family of closed balls in X such that none of the balls contains 0.

Assume there is an arbitrary finite family of closed balls B_1, \dots, B_n in X which covers S , where B_i have centrum c_i and radius r_i . We will show that at least one of the balls must have radius large enough, such that 0 is contained in the ball.

Consider the centrum of the balls $c_1, \dots, c_n \in X$.

By (c) we get that there exists $y \in X$ such that $\|y\| = 1$ and

$$\|y - c_i\| \geq \|c_i\|, \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n.$$

Now since y has unit norm it must be contained in the unit sphere, so $y \in S$. But then y also lies in one of the closed balls covering S . So $y \in B_k$ for some $k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$.

Notice that both y and c_k lies in B_k , and that $\|y - c_k\| \geq \|c_k\|$.

Since $\|c_k\|$ is the distance from 0 to the centrum c_k , we have that the radius r_k of B_k must satisfy

$$r_k \geq \|y - c_k\| \geq \|c_k\| = \|c_k - 0\|$$

Hence 0 must be contained in B_k . So there is no finite family of closed balls in X which covers S and where none of the balls contains 0.

(e)

Show that S is non-compact and deduce further that the closed unit ball in X is non-compact.

Assume to reach a contradiction that S is compact. Then each of its open covers has a finite subcover. Now consider the open cover $\cup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} B_i$, defined by taking an open ball with radius $\frac{1}{2}$ around each $x_i \in S$, such that for every $x_i \in S$, we have a ball $B_i(x_i, 1/2) = \{x \in X : \|x - x_i\| < 1/2\}$. Now since S is compact we know that there is a finite subcover, so there exists some finite set $K \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ such that $\{B_i\}_{i \in K} \subseteq \{B_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ and

$$S \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in K} B_i$$

But then S must also be contained in the union of the closed balls, so we have that

$$S \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in K} \bar{B}_i,$$

where $\bar{B}_i(x_i, 1/2) = \{x \in X : \|x - x_i\| \leq 1/2\}$. Hence $\cup_{i \in K} \bar{B}_i$ is a finite closed covering of S . Now note that since S is the unit sphere and the closed balls \bar{B}_i , $i \in K$ have radius $1/2$, then 0 is clearly not contained in any of the balls. So we have a finite cover of closed balls in X which does not contain 0 , but this contradicts (d). So S is not compact. ✓

For the second part, assume that the closed unit ball is compact. We consider the closed unit ball $U = \{x \in X : \|x\| = 1\}$ equipped with the subspace topology. Then since the complement of S in U is the open unit ball $\{x \in X : \|x\| < 1\}$, which is clearly open, then S is closed in U . Now every closed subset of a compact space is again compact, so S is compact. Hence we reach a contradiction, so the closed unit ball is non-compact. ✓

Problem 4

Let $L_1([0, 1], m)$ and $L_3([0, 1], m)$ be the Lebesgue spaces on $[0, 1]$.

Recall from HW2 that $L_3([0, 1], m) \subsetneq (L_1([0, 1], m))$. For $n \geq 1$, define

$$E_n := \left\{ f \in L_1([0, 1], m) : \int_{[0, 1]} |f|^3 dm \leq n. \right\}$$

(a)

Given $n \geq 1$, is the set $E_n \subset L_1([0, 1], m)$ absorbing?

We know from HW2 that $L_3([0, 1], m)$ is a proper subspace of $L_1([0, 1], m)$, so there exists some measurable function $0 \neq f \in L_1([0, 1], m) \setminus L_3([0, 1], m)$. Since $f \notin L_3([0, 1], m)$ then

$$\left(\int_{[0, 1]} |f|^3 dm \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = \infty, \quad \text{hence} \quad \int_{[0, 1]} |f|^3 dm = \infty$$

Thus for all $t > 0$ we have that

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{[0,1]} |t^{-1}f|^3 dm &= \int_{[0,1]} (t^{-1})^3 |f|^3 dm \\ &= (t^{-1})^3 \int_{[0,1]} |f|^3 dm = \infty\end{aligned}$$

So $t^{-1}f \notin E_n$. This proves E_n is not absorbing.

(b)

Show that E_n has empty interior in $L_1([0, 1], m)$, for all $n \geq 1$.

First note that if E_n has empty interior in $L_1([0, 1], m)$, then E_n contains no open sets of $L_1([0, 1], m)$, other than the empty set. Assume to reach a contradiction that there is an open ball around some $f \in E_n$. We define the open ball for some $r > 0$ by

$$B(f, r) = \{g \in L_1([0, 1], m) : \|f - g\|_3 < r\} \subseteq E_n$$

Now take an arbitrary $0 \neq y \in L_1([0, 1], m)$, then we wish to reach a contradiction by showing that y also belongs to $L_3([0, 1], m)$.

First we construct g as

$$g = f + \frac{r}{2} \cdot \frac{y}{\|y\|} \in L_1([0, 1], m)$$

such that $g \in B(f, r)$ since

$$\|f - g\|_3 = \left\| \frac{r}{2} \cdot \frac{y}{\|y\|} \right\|_3 = \frac{r}{2} \cdot \frac{\|y\|}{\|y\|} = \frac{r}{2}.$$

Now we see that y must be on the form

$$y = (g - f) \frac{2}{r} \|y\|.$$

Then since $E_n \subseteq L_3([0, 1], m)$ we have that $f, g \in L_3([0, 1], m)$. Hence we must have that $y \in L_3([0, 1], m)$. So $L_1([0, 1], m) \subseteq L_3([0, 1], m)$, but this contradicts the fact that $L_3([0, 1], m)$ is a proper subspace of $L_1([0, 1], m)$. Thus for every $f \in E_n$ and every $r > 0$, there exist no open ball $B(f, r)$ which is non-empty. In conclusion, E_n has an empty interior.

(c)

Show that E_n is closed in $L_1([0, 1], m)$, for all $n \geq 1$.

Let $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence in E_n with limit f , i.e.

$$\|f_n - f\|_1 \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{when } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

In order for E_n to be closed we will show that $f \in E_n$.

First notice that by Corollary 12.8 in Schilling there exists a subsequence $(f_{n(k)})_{k \geq 1}$ that converges pointwise almost everywhere to f , i.e.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_{n(k)} - f\|_1 = 0 \quad \text{almost everywhere}$$

Now by Fatous Lemma we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{[0,1]} |f(x)|^3 dm &= \int_{[0,1]} \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} |f_{n(k)}(x)|^3 dm \\ &\leq \liminf \int_{[0,1]} |f_{n(k)}(x)|^3 dm \\ &\leq n\end{aligned}$$

Thus $f \in E_n$, so E_n is closed.

(d)

Conclude from (b) and (c) that $L_3([0, 1], m)$ is of first category in $L_1([0, 1], m)$.

Since E_n is closed and has empty interior by (a) and (b), the sequence $(E_n)_{n \geq 1}$ has nowhere dense subsets by definition 3.12(i). Further we see that $L_3([0, 1], m) = \cup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$.

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$L_3([0, 1], m) \subseteq \cup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$:

Let $f \in L_3([0, 1], m)$, then $\left(\int_{[0,1]} |f|^3 dm\right)^{1/3} < \infty$, hence $\left(\int_{[0,1]} |f|^3 dm\right)^{1/3} = r$, for some $r \in \mathbb{R}$. Choose n as the first integer greater than r^3 , this means there exists an $n \geq 1$ such that $\int_{[0,1]} |f|^3 dm \leq n$, thus $f \in E_n$.

$\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n \subseteq L_3([0, 1], m)$:

Let $f \in \cup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$, then $f \in E_n$, for some $n \geq 1$. So $\int_{[0,1]} |f|^3 dm \leq n$, hence $\left(\int_{[0,1]} |f|^3 dm\right)^{1/3} < \infty$, thus $f \in L_3([0, 1], m)$.

By definition 3.12(ii) then $L_3([0, 1], m)$ is of first category in $L_1([0, 1], m)$.

Problem 5

Let H be an infinite dimensional separable Hilbert space with associated norm $\|\cdot\|$, let $(x_n)_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence in H , and let $x \in H$.

(a)

Suppose that $x_n \rightarrow x$ in norm, as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Does it follow that $\|x_n\| \rightarrow \|x\|$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$?

We wish to prove the above statement. Assume that x_n converges to x in norm, i.e.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x\| = 0.$$

Then we get from the reversed triangle inequality that

$$|\|x_n\| - \|x\|| \leq \|x_n - x\| \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{when } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

So $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\|x_n\| - \|x\|| = 0$, hence we have $\|x_n\| \rightarrow \|x\|$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

(b)

Suppose that $x_n \rightarrow x$ weakly, as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Does it follow that $\|x_n\| \rightarrow \|x\|$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$?

We will give a counterexample for the above statement. Since H is an infinite dimensional separable Hilbert space we can consider the countable orthonormal basis $(e_n)_{n \geq 1}$ (Lecture 8, p.44). We wish to show that the sequence $(e_n)_{n \geq 1}$ converges weakly to 0. From Homework 4, problem 2 we know that the sequence $(e_n)_{n \geq 1}$ in H converges to 0 in the weak topology τ_ω on X if and only if the net $(f(e_n))_{n \geq 1}$ converges to $f(0)$ when $n \rightarrow \infty$, for every $f \in H^*$.

Now since H is a Hilbert space, then by Riesz representation theorem every $f \in H^*$ is on the form $f(y) = \langle y, x \rangle$, for every $x \in H$ and some $y \in H$. So we want to show that the inner product $\langle e_n, x \rangle$ converges to $\langle 0, x \rangle$ for some $x \in H$. all.

It follows from Bessels inequality that for an orthonormal basis $(e_n)_{n \geq 1}$ then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \langle e_n, x \rangle^2 \leq \|x\|^2, \quad \text{for any } x \in H.$$

should be $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\langle e_n, x \rangle|^2 \leq \|x\|^2$

So since $\|x\|^2 < \infty$ the series above converges. Now a series converges if the terms goes to zero, so we must have that $\langle e_n, x \rangle^2 \rightarrow 0$, when $n \rightarrow \infty$. This implies that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle e_n, x \rangle = 0 = \langle 0, x \rangle.$$

Hence $(e_n)_{n \geq 1} \xrightarrow{\omega} 0$ by HW4.

Now notice that $\|e_n\| = 1$ for every $n \geq 1$. But the norm of 0 is always zero, so $\|e_n\|$ does not converge to $\|0\|$. Hence it does not follow that $\|x_n\| \rightarrow \|x\|$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, when $x_n \rightarrow x$, $n \rightarrow \infty$. ✓

(c)

Suppose that $\|x_n\| \leq 1$, for all $n \geq 1$, and that $x_n \rightarrow x$ weakly, as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Is it true that $\|x\| \leq 1$?

We will prove this statement. Assume $(x_n)_{n \geq 1}$ in H converges weakly to $x \in H$ and that $\|x_n\| \leq 1$.

If $x = 0$, it is clear that $\|x\| \leq 1$.

Suppose $x \neq 0$, then since H is a normed vector space, we get from Theorem 2.7(b) that there exists $f \in X^*$ such that $\|f\| = 1$ and $f(x) = \|x\|$. Note that from Homework 4, problem 2 we have that

$$f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n)$$

Hence we get that

$$\|x\| = f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |f(x_n)| \leq \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \|x_n\| \leq 1$$

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