

III Functional Analysis

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0 Introduction

Allen has good notes.

Books include Bollobás, Rudin, S.J. Taylor (measure theory), Rudin again and Murphy.

0.1 Overview

The course is structured as follows.

Chapter 1. Hahn-Banach extension theorems.

Chapter 2. Dual spaces of $L_p(\mu)$ and $C(K)$.

Chapter 3. Weak topologies.

Chapter 4. Convexity and Krein-Milman theorem.

Chapter 5. Banach algebras.

Chapter 6. Holomorphic functional calculus.

Chapter 7. C^* -algebras.

Chapter 8. Borel functional calculus and spectral theory.

1 Hahn-Banach Extension Theorems

Let X be a normed space. The *dual space* X^* of X is

$$X^* = \{f : X \rightarrow \text{scalars} \mid f \text{ linear, continuous (or bounded)}\}.$$

This is a normed space in the operator norm. For $f \in X^*$,

$$\|f\| = \sup\{|f(x)| \mid x \in B_X\},$$

where B_X is the unit ball in X , i.e. $\{x \in X \mid \|x\| \leq 1\}$. We also have $S_X = \{x \in X \mid \|x\| = 1\}$, the unit sphere.

Recall that X^* is a Banach space.

Example 1.1.

$\ell_p^* \cong \ell_q$, for $1 \leq p < \infty$, $1 < q \leq \infty$, and $1/p + 1/q = 1$.

We also have $c_0^* \cong \ell_1$.

Also if H is a Hilbert space, then $H^* \cong H$, by the Riesz representation theorem. This is conjugate linear in the complex case.

Definition 1.1. We write $X \sim Y$ if NVS's X and Y are isomorphic, so there exists a linear bijection $T : X \rightarrow Y$ where T and T^{-1} are bounded.

If X, Y are both Banach spaces, and $T : X \rightarrow Y$ is a continuous linear bijection, then T^{-1} is continuous by the open mapping theorem.

Write $X \cong Y$ if X and Y are isometrically isomorphic, i.e. there exists a surjective linear map $T : X \rightarrow Y$ such that T is isometric, i.e. $\|Tx\| = \|x\|$.

Note this automatically implies T is a linear bijection, and T^{-1} is isometric.

For a normed space X , and $x \in X$, $f \in X^*$ we write

$$\langle x, f \rangle = f(x).$$

This is bilinear, and $|\langle x, f \rangle| = |f(x)| \leq \|f\| \cdot \|x\|$. When X is a Hilbert space, X^* is identified with X , and $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is the inner product.

Definition 1.2. Let X be a real vector space. A functional $p : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is:

- (i) *positive homogeneous* if $p(tx) = tp(x)$ for all $x \in X$, $t \geq 0$.
- (ii) *subadditive* if $p(x + y) \leq p(x) + p(y)$.

Theorem 1.1 (Hahn-Banach). *Let X be a real vector space, and $p : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a positive homogeneous, subadditive functional on X . Let Y be a subspace of X , and $g : Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be linear such that $g(y) \leq p(y)$ for all $y \in Y$.*

Then there exists linear $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $f|_Y = g$, and $f(x) \leq p(x)$ for all $x \in X$.

To prove this, we need Zorn's lemma, and the theory of posets. Let (P, \leq) be a poset.

For $A \subseteq P$, $x \in P$, say x is an *upper bound* for A if $a \leq x$ for all $a \in A$. For $C \subseteq P$, say C is a *chain* if \leq is a linear order on C . Say $x \in P$ is a *maximal element* if, for all $y \in P$, $x \leq y$ implies $y = x$.

Theorem 1.2 (Zorn's lemma). *If P is a non-empty poset and every non-empty chain in P has an upper bound, then P has a maximal element.*

Proof: Consider the poset given by pairs (Z, h) , where Z is a subspace of X containing Y , and $h : Z \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ linear, with $h|_Y = g$, and $h(z) \leq p(z)$.

Here $(Z_1, h_1) \leq (Z_2, h_2)$ if $Z_1 \subseteq Z_2$ and $h_2|_{Z_1} = h_1$. This can be checked to be a partial order.

Now we check our conditions. First $P \neq \emptyset$ as $(Y, g) \in P$. Moreover, given a non-empty chain $C = \{(Z_i, h_i) \mid i \in I\}$ in P , we can set $Z = \bigcup_{i \in I} Z_i$, and define $h : Z \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $h|_{Z_i} = h_i$. Then $(Z, h) \in P$ and is an upper bound for C .

Thus by Zorn's, P has a maximal element (W, f) . Now we need to show that $W = X$, and we will be done.

Assume not. Fix $z \in X \setminus W$, and a real number $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. Define $f_1 : W_1 = W + \mathbb{R} \cdot z \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$f_1(w + \lambda z) = f(w) + \lambda \alpha.$$

Then f_1 is linear, and $f_1|_W = f$. To be done, we need to choose α so that $f_1(w_1) \leq p(w_1)$ for all $w_1 \in W_1$.

Thus we need

$$\begin{aligned} f(w) + \lambda \alpha &\leq p(w + \lambda z) \\ \iff f(w) + \alpha &\leq p(w + z) \\ f(w) - \alpha &\leq p(w - z), \end{aligned}$$

for all $w \in W$. This means

$$f(x) - p(x - z) \leq \alpha \leq p(y + z) - f(y),$$

which is true if and only if

$$f(x) - p(x - z) \leq p(y + z) - f(y),$$

for all $x, y \in W$, by taking α to be the supremum of the left hand side as x ranges over W . But this is true as

$$f(x) + f(y) = f(x + y) \leq p(x + y) = p(x - z + y + z) \leq p(x - z) + p(y + z),$$

for all $x, y \in W$.

Definition 1.3. A *seminorm* on a real or complex vector space X is a functional $p : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that:

- (i) $p(x) \geq 0$, for all $x \in X$.
- (ii) $p(\lambda x) = |\lambda|p(x)$, for all scalars λ , and for all $x \in X$.
- (iii) $p(x + y) \leq p(x) + p(y)$ for all $x, y \in X$.

This is the definition of the norm, without requiring $p(x) = 0 \implies x = 0$.

Of course, any seminorm is positive heterogeneous, and subadditive.

Theorem 1.3 (Hahn-Banach). *Let X be a real or complex vector space, and p a seminorm on X . Let Y be a subspace of X , and g be a linear functional on Y such that $|g(y)| \leq p(y)$, for all $y \in Y$.*

Then there exists linear functional f on X , such that $f|_Y = g$, and $|f(x)| \leq p(x)$ for all $x \in X$.

Proof: We split into two cases, the real and the complex case.

In the real case, we have $g(y) \leq |g(y)| \leq p(y)$ for all $y \in Y$, so by the first version of Hahn-Banach, there exists a linear map $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $f|_Y = g$ and $f(x) \leq p(x)$.

We are almost done, except we need $|f(x)| \leq p(x)$. Here we use the fact that p is a seminorm, so

$$-f(x) = f(-x) \leq p(-x) = p(x).$$

Hence $|f(x)| \leq p(x)$.

Now we start with the complex case. Splitting into real and imaginary parts does not work, as f, g real linear does not imply $f + ig$ complex linear. To do this, we show the following claim:

Claim: For any real-linear $h_1 : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, there is a unique complex linear $h : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ such that $\Re(h) = h_1$.

We start with uniqueness. If $h_1 = \Re(h)$, then for $x \in X$,

$$\begin{aligned} h(x) &= h_1(x) + i\Im(h(x)) \\ &= -ih(ix) = -i(h_1(ix) + i\Im(h(ix))). \end{aligned}$$

So, $\Im(h(x)) = -h_1(ix)$, and thus

$$h(x) = h_1(x) - ih_1(ix).$$

For existence, we just check this h defined above works, and it does (clearly real-linear, just need to check multiplication by i is correct).

We return back to our proof. Let $g_1 = \Re(g) : Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, which is real-linear. For $y \in Y$, note

$$|g_1(y)| \leq |g(y)| \leq p(y).$$

By the real case, there exists a real linear $f_1 : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $f_1|_Y = g_1$, and $|f_1(x)| \leq p(x)$ for all $x \in X$.

By the claim, $f_1 = \Re(f)$ for unique complex-linear functions $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, and note

$$\Re(f|_Y) = f_1|_Y = g_1 = \Re(g).$$

Therefore by uniqueness, $f|_Y = g$. We are almost done apart from domination. Note that for $x \in X$, $|f(x)| = \lambda f(x)$, for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, $|\lambda| = 1$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x)| &= f(\lambda x) = f_1(\lambda x) + i\Im(f(\lambda x)) \\ &= f_1(\lambda x) \leq p(\lambda x) = |\lambda|p(x) = p(x). \end{aligned}$$

Remark. For a complex vector space X , let $X_{\mathbb{R}}$ be the real vector space obtained from X by restricting scalar multiplication to the reals.

If X is a complex normed space, then $f \mapsto \Re(f)$ on $(X^*)_{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow (X_{\mathbb{R}})^*$ is an isometric isomorphism.

Corollary 1.1. *Let X be a real or complex vector space, and let p be a seminorm*

on X . Then for any $x_0 \in X$, there exists a linear functional f on X such that $f(x_0) = p(x_0)$, and $|f(x)| \leq p(x)$, for all $x \in X$.

Proof: Let $Y = \text{span}\{x_0\}$, and define g on Y be

$$g(\lambda x_0) = \lambda p(x_0).$$

Then g is linear on Y , and

$$|g(\lambda x_0)| = |\lambda| p(x_0) = p(\lambda x_0),$$

for all scalars λ . Thus by Hahn-Banach, there exists a linear functional f on X such that $f|_Y = g$, and $|f(x)| \leq p(x)$. So $f(x_0) = g(x_0) = p(x_0)$.

Theorem 1.4 (Hahn-Banach). *Let X be a real or complex normed space.*

- (i) *Given a subspace Y of X and $g \in Y^*$, there exists $f \in X^*$ such that $f|_Y = g$, and $\|f\| = \|g\|$.*
- (ii) *For $x_0 \in X \setminus \{0\}$, there exists $f \in S_{X^*}$ such that $f(x_0) = \|x_0\|$.*

Proof:

- (i) Apply previous Hahn-Banach with $p(x) = \|g\| \|x\|$. Then for $y \in Y$,

$$|g(y)| \leq \|g\| \cdot \|y\| = p(y).$$

Hence there exists a linear functional f on X such that $f|_Y = g$, and

$$|f(x)| \leq p(x) = \|g\| \cdot \|x\|.$$

Therefore, $f \in X^*$, and $\|f\| = \|g\|$. Since f extends g , $\|f\| = \|g\|$.

- (ii) Let $p = \|\cdot\|$. By the previous corollary, there exists a linear functional f on X such that $f(x_0) = \|x_0\|$, and $|f(x)| \leq \|x\|$.

So $f \in X^*$, $\|f\| \leq 1$, but by equality at x_0 , $\|f\| = 1$.

Remark.

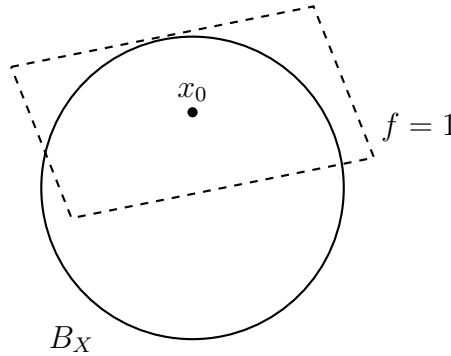
1. We can think of this as a linear version of Tietze's extension theorem. Recall:

If L is a closed subset of a compact Hausdorff space K and $g : L \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} is continuous, then there exists continuous $f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} such that $f|_L = g$, and $\|f\|_\infty = \|g\|_\infty$.

2. Part (ii) implies that X^* separates points of X , i.e. if $x \neq y$ in X , then there exists $f \in X^*$ such that $f(x) \neq f(y)$, by taking $x_0 = x - y$.
3. The f in (ii) is called the *norming functional* at x_0 . Therefore,

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

Another name is the *support functional* at x_0 . We can think of where $f = 1$ as the “tangent plane at x_0 ”.



1.1 Bidual

Let X be a normed space. Then $X^{**} = (X^*)^*$ is the *bidual* or *second dual* of X .

For $x \in X$, define \hat{x} on X^* by $f \mapsto f(x)$, i.e. evaluation at x .

Then \hat{x} is linear, and

$$|\hat{x}(f)| = |f(x)| \leq \|f\| \|x\|,$$

for all $f \in X^*$. So $\hat{x} \in X^{**}$, and $\|\hat{x}\| \leq \|x\|$. The map $x \mapsto \hat{x}$ is the *canonical embedding* of X into X^{**} .

Theorem 1.5. *The canonical embedding is an isometric isomorphism of X into X^{**} .*

Proof: Linearity: note

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{\lambda x + \mu y}(f) &= f(\lambda x + \mu y) = \lambda f(x) + \mu f(y) \\ &= (\lambda \hat{x} + \mu \hat{y})(f). \end{aligned}$$

Isometric: for $x \in X$,

$$\|\hat{x}\| = \sup\{|f(x)| \mid f \in B_{X^*}\} = \|x\|,$$

by Hahn-Banach.

Remark.

1. Note that

$$\langle f, \hat{x} \rangle = \langle x, f \rangle,$$

for $x \in X, f \in X^*$.

2. $\hat{X} = \{\hat{x} \mid x \in X\} \cong X$. Therefore,

$$\hat{X} \text{ is closed in } X^{**} \iff X \text{ is complete.}$$

3. In general, the closure in X^{**} of \hat{X} is a Banach space containing an isometric copy of X as a dense subspace.

Definition 1.4. A normed space X is *reflexive* if the canonical embedding $X \rightarrow X^{**}$ is surjective.

Example 1.2.

1. Any finite-dimensional space is reflexive.
2. ℓ_p for $1 < p < \infty$ is reflexive.
3. Any Hilbert space is reflexive.
4. $L_p(\mu)$ for $1 < p < \infty$ is reflexive.
5. $c_0, \ell_1, \ell_\infty, L_1([0, 1])$ are not reflexive.

Remark. If X is reflexive, then X is a Banach space, and $X \cong X^{**}$.

However, there exists a Banach space X such that $X \cong X^{**}$, but X is not reflexive. So even though $\ell_p^{**} \cong \ell_q^* \cong \ell_p$, this is not enough to show ℓ_p is reflexive.

1.2 Dual Operators

Let X, Y be normed spaces. Then,

$$\mathcal{B}(X, Y) = \{T : X \rightarrow Y \mid T \text{ linear, bounded}\}.$$

Recall that $\mathcal{B}(X, Y)$ is a normed space with the operator norm:

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

If Y is complete, then $\mathcal{B}(X, Y)$ is complete.

For $T \in \mathcal{B}(X, Y)$, its *dual operator* $T^* : Y^* \rightarrow X^*$ is given by

$$T^*(g) = g \circ T.$$

This is well-defined, and in the bracket notation

$$\langle x, T^*g \rangle = \langle Tx, g \rangle.$$

It is easy to see that T^* is linear, and moreover it is bounded. Note

$$\begin{aligned} \|T^*\| &= \sup_{g \in B_{Y^*}} \|T^*g\| = \sup_{g \in B_{Y^*}} \sup_{x \in B_X} |\langle x, T^*g \rangle| = \sup_{x \in B_X} \sup_{g \in B_{Y^*}} |\langle Tx, g \rangle| \\ &\stackrel{HB}{=} \sup_{x \in B_X} \|Tx\| = \|T\|. \end{aligned}$$

Remark. If X, Y are Hilbert spaces, and we identify X, Y with X^*, Y^* respectively, then T^* becomes the *adjoint* of T .

Example 1.3.

If $1 \leq p < \infty$, and $R : \ell_p \rightarrow \ell_p$ is the right-shift, then $R^* : \ell_q \rightarrow \ell_q$ is the left-shift.

We have the following properties:

- $(\text{id}_X)^* = \text{id}_{X^*}$.
- $(\lambda S + \mu T)^* = \lambda S^* + \mu T^*$.
- $(ST)^* = T^*S^*$.
- $T \mapsto T^* : \mathcal{B}(X, Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(Y^*, X^*)$ is an into isometric isomorphism.
- The following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{T} & Y \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X^{**} & \xrightarrow{T^{**}} & Y^{**} \end{array}$$

In other words $\widehat{Tx} = T^{**}\hat{x}$, for all $x \in X$.

Indeed, for all $x \in X, g \in Y^*$,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle g, T^{**}\hat{x} \rangle &= \langle T^*g, \hat{x} \rangle = \langle x, T^*g \rangle \\ &= \langle Tx, g \rangle = \langle g, \widehat{Tx} \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

1.3 Quotient spaces

Let X be a NVS and Y be a closed subspace. Then X/Y is a normed space in the *quotient norm*:

$$\|x + Y\| = \inf\{\|x + y\| \mid y \in Y\} = d(x, Y).$$

Here closed is important, so that $\|x + Y\| = 0 \implies x \in Y$.

The quotient map $q : X \rightarrow X/Y$ is linear, surjective and bounded with $\|q\| = 1$, since for $x \in X$

$$\|q(x)\| \leq \|x\|.$$

Letting D_X be the open unit ball of X , we can show $q(D_X) = D_{X/Y}$. Indeed if $x \in D_X$, then $\|q(x)\| \leq \|x\| < 1$. If $\|x + Y\| < 1$, then there exists $y \in Y$ with $\|x + y\| < 1$. So $x + y \in D_X$ and $q(x + y) = x + Y$.

So $\|q\| = 1$, unless $Y = X$. Also, q is an open map.

Assume $T : X \rightarrow Z$ is a bounded linear map, and $Y \subseteq \ker T$. Then there exists a unique map $\tilde{T} : X/Y \rightarrow Z$ such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{T} & Z \\ & \searrow q \quad \nearrow \tilde{T} & \\ & X/Y & \end{array}$$

Moreover, \tilde{T} is linear and bounded, and $\|\tilde{T}\| = \|T\|$, since

$$\tilde{T}(D_{X/Y}) = \tilde{T}(q(D_X)) = T(D_X).$$

Theorem 1.6. *Let X be a normed space. If X^* is separable, then so is X .*

Remark. The converse is false in general, by taking $X = \ell_1$, then $X^* = \ell_\infty$.

Proof: Since X^* is separable, so is S_{X^*} . Let (f_n) be a dense sequence in S_{X^*} . For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, choose $x_n \in B_X$ such that $|f_n(x_n)| > 1/2$.

Set $Y = \overline{\text{span}}\{x_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$, the closed linear span of x_n . Then we claim $Y = X$.

Assume not. Then we first find $f \in S_{X^*}$ such that $f|_Y = 0$. Since $X/Y \neq \{0\}$, we have $(X/Y)^* \neq \{0\}$, by Hahn-Banach. Choose any $g \in S_{(X/Y)^*}$.

Let $f = g \circ q$. Then $\|f\| = \|g\| = 1$, so $f \in S_{X^*}$, and $f|_Y = 0$.

Choose $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\|f - f_n\| < 1/10$. Now,

$$\frac{1}{2} < |f_n(x_n)| = |(f_n - f)(x_n)| \leq \|f_n - f\| \cdot \|x_n\| < \frac{1}{10},$$

a contradiction.

Theorem 1.7. *Let X be a separable normed space. Then X is isometrically isomorphic to a subspace of ℓ_∞ .*

Consider a map $T : X \rightarrow \ell_\infty$. The n 'th coordinate is then a linear function of x , that is bounded, hence is a functional. So we can think of

$$Tx = (f_n(x)).$$

We also want $\|Tx\|_\infty = \|x\|$, which we can do by choosing a norming functional (or an appropriate approximate).

Proof: Let (x_n) be a dense sequence in X . For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, choose $f_n \in S_{X^*}$ such that $f_n(x_n) = \|x_n\|$.

Define $T : X \rightarrow \ell_\infty$ by

$$T(x) = (f_1(x), f_2(x), \dots).$$

Note that $|f_n(x)| \leq \|x\|$, so T is well-defined, linear and bounded with norm at most 1.

But for each n ,

$$\|Tx_n\|_\infty \geq |f_n(x_n)| = \|x_n\|,$$

so $\|Tx_n\|_\infty = \|x_n\|$. Since (x_n) is dense, and continuity of T , we have $\|Tx\| = \|x\|$ for all $x \in X$.

Remark. We say that ℓ_∞ is *isometrically universal* for the class \mathcal{SB} of all separable Banach spaces.

Theorem 1.8 (Vector-valued Liouville's Theorem). *Let X be a complex Banach space, and $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow X$ bounded and holomorphic. Then f is constant.*

Proof: Since f is bounded, there is $M \in \mathbb{R}$ such that for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$, $\|f(z)\| \leq M$.

f is holomorphic means that

$$\lim_{w \rightarrow z} \frac{f(w) - f(z)}{w - z}$$

exists, and is denoted by $f'(z)$, for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$.

Fix $\phi \in X^*$. Since ϕ is linear and continuous,

$$\lim_{w \rightarrow z} \frac{\phi(f(w)) - \phi(f(z))}{w - z} = \phi \left(\lim_{w \rightarrow z} \frac{f(w) - f(z)}{w - z} \right).$$

So $\phi \circ f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is entire.

Also, for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$, $|\phi(f(z))| \leq \|\phi\| \cdot \|f(z)\| \leq M\|\phi\|$. So by Liouville, $\phi \circ f$ is constant, hence $\phi(f(z)) = \phi(f(0))$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$.

Fix $z \in \mathbb{C}$. Since X^* separates the points of X , $f(z) = f(0)$.

1.4 Locally Convex Spaces

Definition 1.5. A *locally convex space* (LCS) is a pair (X, \mathcal{P}) where X is a real or complex vector space, and \mathcal{P} is a family of seminorms on X such that \mathcal{P} separates the points of X , i.e. for all $x \in X \setminus \{0\}$, there exists $p \in \mathcal{P}$ with $p(x) \neq 0$.

The family \mathcal{P} defines a topology on X as follows: $U \subseteq X$ is open if and only if, for all $x \in U$, there are seminorms $p_1, \dots, p_n \in \mathcal{P}$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ such that

$$\{y \in X \mid p_k(y - x) < \varepsilon \text{ for } k = 1, \dots, n\} \subseteq U.$$

So the open balls form a base of the topology.

Remark.

1. Addition and scalar multiplication are continuous.
2. This is Hausdorff, as \mathcal{P} separates the points.
3. $x_n \rightarrow x$ in X if and only if $p(x_n - x) \rightarrow 0$ for all $p \in \mathcal{P}$.
4. Let Y be a subspace of X . Let $\mathcal{P}_Y = \{p|_Y \mid p \in \mathcal{P}\}$. Then (Y, \mathcal{P}_Y) is a LCS, and the topology of (Y, \mathcal{P}_Y) is the subspace topology induced by the topology of the LCS (X, \mathcal{P}) .
5. Let \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q} be two families of seminorms on X , both separating points of X . Say \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q} are *equivalent*, and we write $\mathcal{P} \sim \mathcal{Q}$, if they generate the same topology on X .

The topology of a LCS (X, \mathcal{P}) is metrizable if and only if there is a countable $Q \sim P$.

Definition 1.6. A *Fréchet space* is a complete metrizable LCS.

Example 1.4.

1. A normed space $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ is a LCS with $\mathcal{P} = \{\|\cdot\|\}$.
2. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be a non-empty open set, and

$$\mathcal{O}(U) = \{f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid f \text{ holomorphic}\}.$$

For $K \subseteq U$, K compact, let

$$p_K(f) = \sup_{z \in K} |f(z)|,$$

for $f \in \mathcal{O}(U)$. Let $\mathcal{P} = \{p_K \mid K \subseteq U, K \text{ compact}\}$. Then $(\mathcal{O}(U), \mathcal{P})$ is a LCS. The topology is the topology of local uniform convergence.

Note that there exists (K_n) of compact subsets of U such that $K_n \subseteq \text{int} K_{n+1}$ for all n , and $\bigcup K_n = U$, and

$$\{p_{K_n} \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\} \sim \mathcal{P}.$$

So $(\mathcal{O}(U), \mathcal{P})$ is metrizable, and in fact a Fréchet space. This topology is not normable, i.e. there is no norm on $\mathcal{O}(U)$ inducing the same topology (can use Montel's theorem).

3. Take $d \in \mathbb{N}$, and $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ non-empty and open. Take

$$C^\infty(\Omega) = \{f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ infinitely differentiable}\}.$$

For a multiindex $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$, we have a differential operator D^α given by

$$D^\alpha f = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}\right)^{\alpha_1} \cdots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^n}\right)^{\alpha_n}.$$

For $\alpha \in (\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0})^d$, $K \subseteq \Omega$ compact, define

$$p_{K,\alpha}(f) = \sup\{|(D^\alpha)f(x)| \mid x \in K\}.$$

Let $\mathcal{P} = \{p_{K,\alpha} \mid \alpha \text{ multiindex}, K \text{ compact}\}$. Then $(C^\infty(\Omega), \mathcal{P})$ is a LCS, which is a Fréchet space that is not normable.

Lemma 1.1. *Let (X, \mathcal{P}) and (Y, \mathcal{Q}) be LCS, and $T : X \rightarrow Y$ a linear map. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i) T is continuous.
- (ii) T is continuous at 0.
- (iii) For all $q \in \mathcal{Q}$, there are seminorms $p_1, \dots, p_n \in \mathcal{P}$ and $C \geq 0$ such that for all x ,

$$q(Tx) \leq C \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} p_k(x).$$

Proof: It is easy to see (i) \iff (ii), since translations are a homeomorphism.

We show (ii) \implies (iii). Let $q \in \mathcal{Q}$, and $V = \{y \in Y \mid q(y) < 1\}$ a neighbourhood of 0 in Y . As T is continuous at 0, there exists a neighbourhood of 0 in X such that $T(U) \subseteq V$. Without loss of generality,

$$U = \{x \in X \mid p_k(x) \leq \varepsilon, k = 1, \dots, n\}$$

for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and $p_1, \dots, p_n \in \mathcal{P}$, $\varepsilon > 0$.

Let $p(x) = \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} p_k(x)$. We show that $q(Tx) \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon} p(x)$ for all $x \in X$. Let $x \in X$. If $p(x) \neq 0$, then

$$p\left(\frac{\varepsilon x}{p(x)}\right) = \varepsilon,$$

so

$$\frac{\varepsilon x}{p(x)} \in U \implies T\left(\frac{\varepsilon x}{p(x)}\right) \in V.$$

Therefore,

$$q\left(T\left(\frac{\varepsilon x}{p(x)}\right)\right) < 1 \implies q(Tx) \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon} p(x).$$

If $p(x) = 0$, then $\lambda x \in U$ for all scalars λ , hence $q(T(\lambda x)) < 1$ for all λ . So $q(Tx) = 0$.

Now we show (iii) \implies (ii). Let V be an open neighbourhood of 0 in Y . We seek a neighbourhood U of 0 in X such that $T(U) \subseteq V$. Without loss of generality,

$$V = \{y \in Y \mid q_k(y) < \varepsilon, k = 1, \dots, m\}.$$

For each $k = 1, \dots, m$, there exist seminorms $p_{k,1}, \dots, p_{k,n_k} \in \mathcal{P}$ and $C_k > 0$ such that for all $x \in X$,

$$q_k(Tx) \leq C_k \max_{1 \leq j \leq n_k} p_{k,j}(x).$$

Then,

$$U = \{x \in X \mid p_{k,j}(x) \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{C_k}, k = 1, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, n_k\}$$

is a neighbourhood of 0 in X , and for each $x \in U$,

$$q_k(Tx) \leq C_k \max_{1 \leq j \leq n_k} p_{k,j}(x) < \varepsilon$$

for each $k = 1, \dots, m$, so $Tx \in V$,

Definition 1.7. The *dual space* of a LCS (X, \mathcal{P}) is the space X^* of all linear functional of X which are continuous with respect to the topology of X .

Lemma 1.2. Let f be a linear functional on a LCS X . Then,

$$f \in X^* \iff \ker f \text{ is closed.}$$

Proof: One way is obvious: if f is continuous, then $\ker f = f^{-1}(\{0\})$ must be closed.

Now consider the other direction. We can assume without loss of generality that $f \neq 0$. Fix $x_0 \in X \setminus \ker f$. Since $\ker f$ is closed, there is a neighbourhood U of 0 in X , such that $x_0 + U$ is disjoint from $\ker f$.

Without loss of generality,

$$U = \{x \in X \mid p_k(x) < \varepsilon, k = 1, \dots, n\}$$

for seminorms $p_1, \dots, p_n \in \mathcal{P}$.

Note that U is convex and *balanced* (if $x \in U$, $|\lambda| = 1$ a scalar then $\lambda x \in U$) since p_i are seminorms.

As f is linear, $f(U)$ is also convex and balanced. Hence it is an interval or a disc.

But since $-f(x_0) \notin f(U)$, otherwise $0 \in f(x_0 + U)$, $f(U)$ is bounded. Hence

$$f(U) \subseteq \{\lambda \text{ a scalar} \mid |\lambda| < M\}.$$

Hence for any $\delta > 0$,

$$f\left(\frac{\delta}{M}U\right) \subseteq \{\lambda \text{ a scalar} \mid |\lambda| < \delta\},$$

and $\frac{\delta}{M}U$ is a neighbourhood of 0. Thus f is continuous at 0.

Theorem 1.9 (Hahn-Banach). *Let (X, \mathcal{P}) be a LCS.*

- (i) *If Y is a subspace of X and $g \in Y^*$, then there exists $f \in X^*$ such that $f|_Y = g$.*
- (ii) *If Y is a closed subspace of X and $x_0 \in X \setminus Y$, then there exists $f \in X^*$ such that $f|_Y = 0$, and $f(x_0) \neq 0$.*

Proof:

(i) By lemma 1.1, there exists $p_1, \dots, p_n \in \mathcal{P}$, and $C \geq 0$ such that for all $y \in Y$,

$$|g(y)| \leq C \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} p_k(y).$$

Define $p : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$p(x) = C \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} p_k(x).$$

Then p is a seminorm on X , and on Y $|g(y)| \leq p(y)$ for all $y \in Y$.

By Hahn-Banach on seminorms, there exists a linear functional f on X such that $f|_Y = g$ and for all $x \in X$, $|f(x)| \leq p(x)$. Lemma 1.1 gives us that f is continuous.

(ii) Let $Z = \text{span}(Y \cup \{x_0\})$. Define a linear functional g on Z by

$$g(y + \lambda x_0) = \lambda$$

for $y \in Y$, λ a scalar. Notice that $\ker g = Y$ is closed by supposition, so g is continuous, i.e. $g \in Z^*$. Then applying (i), we find $f \in X^*$ satisfying $f|_Z = g$, so in particular $f|_Y = 0$ and $f(x_0) = g(x_0) = 1$.

Remark. X^* separates the points of X : given $x \neq y$, apply (ii) to $Y = \{0\}$, and $x_0 = x - y$.

2 Dual Spaces of $L_p(\mu)$ and $C(K)$

Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ be a measure space, and let $1 \leq p < \infty$. Recall

$$L_p(\mu) = \left\{ f : \Omega \rightarrow \text{scalars} \mid f \text{ measurable, } \int_{\Omega} |f|^p d\mu < \infty \right\}.$$

This is a normed space in the L_p -norm,

$$\|f\|_p = \left(\int_{\Omega} |f|^p d\mu \right)^{1/p}.$$

We identify functions f, g if $f = g$ almost everywhere. If $p = \infty$, then

$$L_{\infty}(\mu) = \{f : \Omega \rightarrow \text{scalars} \mid f \text{ measurable, essentially bounded}\}.$$

Essentially bounded means f is bounded, up to a null set. This is a normed space in the L_{∞} norm:

$$\|f\|_{\infty} = \text{ess sup } |f| = \inf \left\{ \sup_{\Omega \setminus N} |f| \mid N \in \mathcal{F}, \mu(N) = 0 \right\}.$$

The infimum can be attained by taking N_i that limit to the infimum, and then taking their union.

Remark. If $\|\cdot\|$ is a seminorm on a vector space X , then

$$N = \{x \in X \mid \|x\| = 0\}$$

is a subspace of X , and $\|x + N\| = \|x\|$ defines a norm on the quotient.

We will not think like this for L_p .

Theorem 2.1. $L_p(\mu)$ is a Banach space for $1 \leq p \leq \infty$.

Our aim is to describe $L_p(\mu)^*$.

2.1 Complex Measures

Let Ω be a set, and \mathcal{F} be a σ -algebra on Ω . A *complex measure* on \mathcal{F} is a countably additive set function $\nu : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$.

The *total variation measure* of ν , denoted by $|\nu|$, is defined as follows: for $A \in \mathcal{F}$,

$$|\nu|(A) = \sup \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^n |\nu(A_k)| \mid A = \bigcup_{k=1}^n A_k \text{ is a measurable partition of } A \right\}.$$

Then $|\nu| : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ is a positive measure, and is the smallest measure such that for all $A \in \mathcal{F}$,

$$|\nu(A)| \leq |\nu|(A).$$

In other words, if μ is a positive measure on \mathcal{F} and for all $A \in \mathcal{F}$, $|\nu(A)| \leq \mu(A)$, then $|\nu|(A) \leq \mu(A)$.

The *total variation* of ν is

$$\|\nu\|_1 = |\nu|(\Omega).$$

As currently defined this could be infinite, but we will see that this is always finite.

ν satisfies the two continuity conditions:

- If $A_n \subseteq A_{n+1}$, then

$$\nu \left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \nu(A_n).$$

- If $A_n \supseteq A_{n+1}$, then

$$\nu \left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \nu(A_n).$$

Signed measures are complex measures that take real values, i.e. countably additive set functions $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Theorem 2.2. *Let (Ω, \mathcal{F}) be as before, and ν a signed measure on \mathcal{F} .*

Then there exists a measurable partition $\Omega = P \cup N$ of Ω such that for all $A \in \mathcal{F}$ and $A \subseteq P$, then $\nu(A) \geq 0$, and if $A \subseteq N$ then $\nu(A) \leq 0$.

Remark.

1. $\Omega = P \cup N$ is the *Hahn decomposition* of Ω (or of ν).
2. Let $\nu^+(A) = \nu(A \cap P)$ and $\nu^-(A) = -\nu(A \cap N)$ for $A \in \mathcal{F}$.

Then ν^+ , ν^- are finite positive measures such that $\nu = \nu^+ - \nu^-$, and $|\nu| = \nu^+ + \nu^-$.

These properties determine ν^+ and ν^- uniquely. This decomposition $\nu = \nu^+ - \nu^-$ is the *Jordan decomposition* of ν .

3. Let ν be a complex measure. Then $\Re(\nu)$ and $\Im(\nu)$ are signed measures with Jordan decompositions $\nu_1 - \nu_2$ and $\nu_3 - \nu_4$. Then,

$$\nu = \nu_1 - \nu_2 + i(\nu_3 - \nu_4).$$

This is the *Jordan decomposition* of ν . Note that $\nu_k \leq |\nu|$, and

$$|\nu| \leq \nu_1 + \nu_2 + \nu_3 + \nu_4.$$

So $|\nu|$ is a finite measure since $\nu_1, \nu_2, \nu_3, \nu_4$ are all finite, so $\|\nu\|_1 < \infty$.

4. Suppose the signed measure ν has Hahn decomposition $\Omega = P \cup N$ and Jordan decomposition $\nu^+ - \nu^-$. For $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$ with $B \subseteq A$,

$$\nu^+(A) \geq \nu^+(B) \geq \nu(B),$$

and $\nu^+(A) = \nu(B)$ if $B = P \cap A$. So,

$$\nu^+(A) = \sup\{\nu(B) \mid B \in \mathcal{F}, B \subseteq A\}.$$

Proof: This is a non-examinable sketch.

Define

$$\nu^+(A) = \sup\{\nu(B) \mid B \in \mathcal{F}, B \subseteq A\} \geq 0,$$

since we may always take $B = \emptyset$. It is clear that $\nu^+(\emptyset) = 0$, and ν^+ is finitely additive.

The main claim is that $\nu^+(\Omega) < \infty$. Assume not. Inductively construct $(A_n), (B_n)$ in \mathcal{F} such that $A_0 = \Omega$, and if $\nu^+(A_{n-1}) = \infty$, pick $B_n \subseteq A_{n-1}$, with $\nu(B_n) > n$.

Then pick either $A_n = B_n$ or $A_{n-1} \setminus B_n$ such that $\nu^+(A_n) = \infty$.

We can then use continuity of ν to get a contradiction, by condition on whether $A_n = B_n$ eventually, or $A_n = A_{n-1} \setminus B_n$ infinitely often.

The next claim is that the supremum is achieved, so there exists $P \in \mathcal{F}$ such that

$$\nu^+(\Omega) = \nu(P).$$

Choose $A_n \in \mathcal{F}$, with $\nu(A_n) > \nu^+(\Omega) - 2^{-n}$, and we can check

$$P = \bigcup_m \bigcap_{n \geq m} A_n$$

works. Then letting $N = \Omega \setminus P$, we can check this works as a partition.

Definition 2.1. Fix a measure space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$. A complex measure $\nu : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is *absolutely continuous* with respect to μ , written $\nu \ll \mu$, if for all $A \in \mathcal{F}$,

$$\mu(A) = 0 \implies \nu(A) = 0.$$

Remark.

1. If $\nu \ll \mu$, then $|\nu| \ll \mu$. It follows that if $\nu = \nu_1 - \nu_2 + i\nu_3 - i\nu_4$ is the Jordan decomposition of ν_1 , then

$$\nu \ll \mu \iff \nu_k \ll \mu$$

for all k (note that ν_1, ν_2 are non-zero on different subsets of \mathcal{F}).

2. If $\nu \ll \mu$, then for all $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that for any $A \in \mathcal{F}$,

$$\mu(A) < \delta \implies |\nu(A)| < \varepsilon.$$

Example 2.1.

If $f \in L_1(\mu)$, then

$$\nu(A) = \int_A f \, d\mu,$$

for $A \in \mathcal{F}$, defines a complex measure on \mathcal{F} (by dominated convergence), and $\nu \ll \mu$.

Definition 2.2. A set $A \in \mathcal{F}$ is σ -finite with respect to μ if there exists (A_n) in \mathcal{F} such that

$$A = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n, \quad \mu(A_n) < \infty.$$

We say that μ is σ -finite if Ω is a σ -finite set (so every $A \in \mathcal{F}$ is σ -finite).

Theorem 2.3 (Radon-Nikodym Theorem). *Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ be a σ -finite measure and $\nu : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a complex measure such that $\nu \ll \mu$.*

Then there exists a unique $f \in L_1(\mu)$ such that

$$\nu(A) = \int_A f \, d\mu,$$

for all $A \in \mathcal{F}$. Moreover f takes values in \mathbb{C} or \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{R}^+ depending on whether ν is a complex/signed/positive measure.

Proof: This is a non-examinable sketch.

First we show uniqueness. This follows as if $f \in L_1(\mu)$ and $\int_A f \, d\mu = 0$, then $f = 0$ almost everywhere.

For existence, first assume ν is a finite positive measure, by taking the Jordan

decomposition.

We can also assume μ is finite: for each partition A_i we have function f_i , which we can glue together; this extends by monotone convergence, since we first assumed ν is finite and positive.

Now let

$$\mathcal{H} = \left\{ h : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \mid \int_A h \, d\mu \leq \nu(A) \text{ for all } A \in \mathcal{F} \right\}.$$

Note $0 \in \mathcal{H}$, $h_1, h_2 \in \mathcal{H} \implies h_1 \vee h_2 \in \mathcal{H}$, and if $h_n \in \mathcal{H}$, then $h_n \uparrow h \implies h \in \mathcal{H}$. Let

$$\mathcal{L} = \sup \left\{ \int_\Omega h \, d\mu \mid h \in \mathcal{H} \right\}.$$

This sup is attained (by monotone convergence). Hence there exists $f \in \mathcal{H}$ which attains \mathcal{L} . We show that

$$\int_A f \, d\mu = \nu(A),$$

for all $A \in \mathcal{F}$. The idea is that if there exists A with

$$\int_A f \, d\mu < \nu(A),$$

then $f + \delta \mathbb{1}_A$ should be in \mathcal{H} for some $\delta > 0$, contradicting the maximality. However this doesn't quite work as we may fail the condition for $B \subseteq A$.

For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, define

$$\nu_n(A) = \nu(A) - \int_A f \, d\mu - \frac{1}{n} \mu(A) = \nu(A) - \int_A \left(f + \frac{1}{n} \right) d\mu,$$

for all $A \in \mathcal{F}$. Now ν_n is a signed measure, so we get a Hahn decomposition

$$\Omega = P_n \cup N_n.$$

Then, $f + \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{1}_{P_n} \in \mathcal{H}$, so $\mu(P_n) = 0$ to not contradict maximality.

Let $P = \bigcup P_n$. Then $\mu(P) = 0$, so $\nu(P) = 0$ by absolute continuity.

Set $N = \bigcap N_n$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \nu(A) &= \nu(A \cap N) = \nu_n(A \cap N) + \int_{A \cap N} f \, d\mu + \frac{1}{n} \mu(A \cap N) \\ &\leq \int_A f \, d\mu + \frac{1}{n} \mu(A \cap N). \end{aligned}$$

Then we let $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Remark.

1. The proof shows that every complex measure $\nu : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ has a decomposition $\nu = \nu_1 + \nu_2$, where $\nu_1 \ll \mu$ and $\nu_2 \perp \mu$. This is the *Lebesgue decomposition* of ν .
2. The unique $f \in L_1(\mu)$ in the Radon-Nikodym theorem is the *Radon-Nikodym derivative* of ν with respect to μ , denoted by $d\nu/d\mu$. For measurable g , then g is ν -integrable if and only if $g \cdot d\nu/d\mu$ is μ -integrable, and

$$\int_{\Omega} g d\nu = \int_{\Omega} g \frac{d\nu}{d\mu} d\mu.$$

2.2 Duals of L_p

Fix a measure space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$, and let $1 \leq p < \infty$. Let q be the conjugate index of p , and for $g \in L_q = L_q(\mu)$, define ϕ_g on L_p by

$$\phi_g(f) = \int_{\Omega} fg d\mu.$$

By Hölder's, $fg \in L_1$, and

$$|\phi_g(f)| \leq \|f\|_p \|g\|_q.$$

So $\phi_g \in L_p^*$, and $\|\phi_g\| \leq \|g\|_q$. So $\phi : L_q \rightarrow L_p^*$ exists, given by $g \mapsto \phi_g$. This is linear and bounded, with $\|\phi\| \leq 1$.

Theorem 2.4. *Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$, and p, q, ϕ be as above.*

- (i) *If $1 < p < \infty$, then ϕ is an isometric isomorphism, so $L_p^* \cong L_q$.*
- (ii) *If $p = 1$ and μ is σ -finite, then $L_1^* \cong L_{\infty}$.*

Proof: What remains is to check that ϕ is isometric and onto. Fix $g \in L_q$. We need to check that $\|\phi_g\| = \|g\|_q$.

Let $\lambda : \Omega \rightarrow \text{scalars}$ be measurable, with $|\lambda| = 1$ and $\lambda \cdot g = |g|$, i.e. let $\lambda = \text{sign}(g)$.

For $1 < p < \infty$, let $f = \lambda|g|^{q-1}$. Then,

$$\int_{\Omega} |f|^p d\mu = \int_{\Omega} |g|^{pq-p} d\mu = \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu < \infty,$$

so $f \in L_p$, and

$$\|f\|_p = \|g\|_q^{q/p} = \|g\|_q^{q-1}.$$

Then notice

$$\phi_g(f) = \int \lambda g |g|^{q-1} d\mu = \|g\|_q^q = \|f\|_p \cdot \|g\|_q,$$

so $\|\phi_g\| \geq \|g\|_q$.

For $p = 1$, let $s < \|g\|_\infty$. Then $\mu(\{|g| > s\}) > 0$. Since \mathcal{F} is σ -finite, there exists measurable $A \subseteq \{|g| > s\}$, such that $0 < \mu(A) < \infty$. Then $f = \lambda \mathbb{1}_A \in L_1$, and $\|f\|_1 = \mu(A)$. Now,

$$\|\phi_g\| \cdot \mu(A) \geq \phi_g(f) = \int_A |g| d\mu \geq s\mu(A).$$

So $\|\phi_g\| \geq s$, and so $\|\phi_g\| \geq \|g\|_\infty$.

The hard part is showing ϕ is onto. Fix $\psi \in L_p^*$. We seek $g \in L_q$ such that $\psi = \phi_g$.

The idea is as follows: let $\psi(\mathbb{1}_A) = \int_A g d\mu$. Then we can define $\nu(A) = \psi(\mathbb{1}_A)$ for $A \in \mathcal{F}$, with $\nu \ll \mu$, and apply Radon-Nikodym. But we have to split into cases to make this work.

First, consider when μ is finite. For $A \in \mathcal{F}$, $\mathbb{1}_A \in L_p$, so we can define $\nu(A) = \psi(\mathbb{1}_A)$. This is a measure, as if $A = \bigcup A_n$ is a measurable partition, then

$$\sum_{n=1}^N \mathbb{1}_{A_n} \rightarrow \mathbb{1}_A$$

in L_p , by DCT. So,

$$\sum_{n=1}^N \nu(A_n) = \psi \left(\sum_{n=1}^N \mathbb{1}_{A_n} \right) \rightarrow \psi(\mathbb{1}_A) = \nu(A).$$

So ν is a complex/signed measure. If $\mu(A) = 0$, then $\mathbb{1}_A = 0$ almost everywhere, so $\nu(A) = \psi(\mathbb{1}_A) = 0$. Thus $\nu \ll \mu$. Hence by Radon-Nikodym, there exists $g \in L_1(\mu)$ such that

$$\nu(A) = \int_A g d\mu,$$

for all $A \in \mathcal{F}$. We show that $g \in L_q(\mu)$ and $\psi = \phi_g$, i.e.

$$\psi(f) = \int_\Omega f g d\mu$$

for all $f \in L_p$. We have

$$\psi(\mathbb{1}_A) = \nu(A) = \int_A g \, d\mu = \int_{\Omega} \mathbb{1}_A g \, d\mu,$$

hence

$$\psi(f) = \int_{\Omega} f g \, d\mu$$

for all simple functions f . Given $f \in L_{\infty}$, there is a sequence (f_n) of simple functions such that $f_n \rightarrow f$ in L_{∞} . Then $f_n g \rightarrow f g$ in L_1 by dominated convergence, and $f_n \rightarrow f$ in L_p , as μ is finite. Thus

$$\psi(f) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi(f_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\Omega} f_n g \, d\mu = \int_{\Omega} f g \, d\mu.$$

Next we deduce that $g \in L_q$. Fix a measurable function λ such that $|\lambda| = 1$ and $\lambda g = |g|$.

Split into cases. For $p \neq 1$, let $A_n = \{|g| \leq n\}$. Then $f = \lambda \mathbb{1}_{A_n} |g|^{q-1} \in L_{\infty}$, and

$$\int_{A_n} |g|^q \, d\mu = \int_{\Omega} f g \, d\mu = \psi(f) \leq \|\psi\| \cdot \|f\| = \|\psi\| \left(\int_{A_n} |g|^q \, d\mu \right)^{1/p},$$

so

$$\left(\int_{A_n} |g|^q \, d\mu \right)^{1/q} \leq \|\psi\|.$$

Let $n \rightarrow \infty$, and use monotone convergence to get $g \in L_q$.

For $p = 1$, fix $s > \|\psi\|$ and let $A = \{|g| > s\}$. Then $f = \lambda \mathbb{1}_A \in L_{\infty}$, so

$$s\mu(A) = \int_A |g| \, d\mu = \int_{\Omega} f g \, d\mu = \psi(f) \leq \|\psi\| \|f\|_1 = \|\psi\| \mu(A).$$

The only way is if $\mu(A) = 0$, so $g \in L_{\infty}$.

Hence, ψ and ϕ_g are both in L_p^* , and $\psi = \phi_g$, on L_{∞} . Since L_{∞} is dense in L_p , we get $\psi = \phi_g$.

Before we continue to our next cases when μ may not be finite, we need a few pieces notation.

Fix $A \in \mathcal{F}$. Then,

$$\mathcal{F}_A = \{B \in \mathcal{F} \mid B \subseteq A\}$$

is a σ -algebra on A . Define $\mu_A = \mu|_{\mathcal{F}_A}$. Then $(A, \mathcal{F}_A, \mu_A)$ is a measure space, with $L_p(\mu_A) \subseteq L_p(\mu)$. Let

$$\psi_A = \psi|_{L_p(\mu_A)}.$$

Let's continue.

Proof: Let $\psi_A = \psi|_{L_p(\mu_A)}$, the restriction onto a subset. Then $\psi_A \in L_p(\mu_A)^*$, and $\|\psi_A\| \leq \|\psi\|$.

Let $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$ with $A \cap B = \emptyset$. In the case $1 < p < \infty$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\psi_{A \cup B}\| &= \sup\{|\psi_{A \cup B}(h)| \mid h \in L_p(\mu_{A \cup B}), \|h\|_p \leq 1\} \\ &= \sup\{|\psi_A(f) + \psi_B(g)| \mid f \in L_p(\mu_A), g \in L_p(\mu_B), \|f\|_p^p + \|g\|_p^p \leq 1\} \\ &= \sup\{a|\psi_A(f)| + b|\psi_B(g)| \mid a, b \geq 0, a^p + b^p \leq 1, \\ &\quad f \in B_{L_p}(\mu_A), g \in B_{L_p}(\mu_B)\} \\ &= \sup\{a\|\psi_A\| + b\|\psi_B\| \mid a, b \geq 0, a^p + b^p \leq 1\} \\ &= (\|\psi_A\|^q + \|\psi_B\|^q)^{1/q}, \end{aligned}$$

since $(\ell_p^2)^* \cong \ell_q^2$.

The next case is when μ is σ -finite. We have a measurable partition $\Omega = \bigcup A_n$ of Ω , with $\mu(A_n) < \infty$ for all n . By the first case, there is $g_n \in L_q(\mu_{A_n})$ with

$$\psi_{A_n} = \phi_{g_n}.$$

Define g such that

$$g|_{A_n} = g_n.$$

When $p = 1$, then

$$\|g\|_\infty = \sup_n \|g_n\|_\infty = \sup_n \|\psi_{A_n}\| \leq \|\psi\|.$$

So $g \in L_q$. For $p \neq 1$, note

$$\sum_{n=1}^N \|g_n\|_q^q = \sum_{n=1}^N \|\psi_{A_n}\|^q = \|\psi_{A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_N}\|^q \leq \|\psi\|^q.$$

By monotone convergence, $g \in L_q$. In both cases, $g \in L_q$, so $\phi_g \in L_p(\mu)^*$, and so we have

$$\psi|_{L_p(\mu_{A_n})} = \psi_{A_n} = \phi_{g_n} = \phi_g|_{L_p(\mu_{A_n})}.$$

Since $\bigcup L_p(\mu_{A_n})$ has dense linear span in $L_p(\mu)$, we find that $\psi = \phi_g$ on $L_p(\mu)$.

The final case is for general μ , and $1 < p < \infty$. Choose (f_n) in B_{L_p} such that $\|\psi\| = \lim_n |\psi(f_n)|$. For all k, n , note that

$$\mu(|f_n| \geq 1/k) \leq k^p \|f_n\|_p^p < \infty,$$

by Markov's inequality. Hence

$$A = \bigcup_{n,k} \{|f_n| \geq 1/k\}$$

is σ -finite, and for all n , $f_n = 0$ on $\Omega \setminus A$. So $\|\psi_A\| = \|\psi\|$. So,

$$\|\psi_A\| = \|\psi\| = (\|\psi_A\|^q + \|\psi_{\Omega \setminus A}\|^q)^{1/q},$$

and hence $\psi_{\Omega \setminus A} = 0$. Hence we are done by case 2.

Corollary 2.1. *For $1 < p < \infty$, $L_p(\mu)$ is reflexive.*

Proof: Let $\phi \in L_p^{**}$. We seek $f \in L_p$ such that $\phi = \hat{f}$, i.e.

$$\phi(\psi) = \hat{f}(\psi) = \psi(f)$$

for all $\psi \in L_p^*$, i.e.

$$\phi(\phi_g) = \phi_g(f)$$

for all $g \in L_q$. The map $g \mapsto \phi(\phi_g)$ is in L_q^* , so by the previous theorem, there exists $f \in L_p$ such that

$$\phi(\phi_g) = \int_{\Omega} g f \, d\mu = \phi_g(f).$$

2.3 $C(K)$ Spaces

Throughout, we assume that K is a compact Hausdorff space. Here we make a distinction on our base field:

$$C(K) = \{f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid f \text{ continuous}\}.$$

This is a complex Banach space with the $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ norm. We also denote

$$C^{\mathbb{R}}(K) = \{f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ continuous}\},$$

and another important object is

$$C^+(K) = \{f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \mid f \text{ continuous}\},$$

which is a subset of $C^\mathbb{R}(K)$ (more specifically a cone). Let

$$M(K) = C(K)^* \{ \phi : C(K) \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid \phi \text{ linear, bounded} \},$$

and also we define

$$M^\mathbb{R}(K) = \{ \phi \in M(K) \mid \phi(f) \in \mathbb{R} \text{ for all } f \in C^\mathbb{R}(K) \}.$$

We do not define $M^\mathbb{R} = (C^\mathbb{R})^*$, however we will show this is true. Also define

$$M^+(K) = \{ \phi : C(K) \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid \phi \text{ linear, for all } f \in C^+(K), \phi(f) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \}.$$

We do not assume continuity, however we will show any $f \in M^+$ is continuous, so $M^+ \subseteq M^\mathbb{R}$. The members of this set are the *positive linear functionals*.

Our aim is to describe $M(K), M^\mathbb{R}(K)$. We will show that it is enough to describe $M^+(K)$.

Lemma 2.1.

(i) For all $\phi \in M(K)$, there is a unique $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in M^\mathbb{R}(K)$ such that

$$\phi = \phi_1 + i\phi_2.$$

(ii) The map $\phi \mapsto \phi|_{C^\mathbb{R}(K)}$, from $M^\mathbb{R} \rightarrow (C^\mathbb{R})^*$ is an isometric isomorphism.

(iii) $M^+(K) \subseteq M^\mathbb{R}(K)$ and

$$M^+(K) = \{ \phi \in M(K) \mid \|\phi\| = \phi(1_K) \}.$$

(iv) For all $\phi \in M^\mathbb{R}(K)$, there exists a unique ϕ^+, ϕ^- such that

$$\phi = \phi^+ - \phi^- \quad \text{and} \quad \|\phi\| = \|\phi^+\| + \|\phi^-\|.$$

Proof:

(i) Define $\bar{\phi} : C(K) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, by

$$\bar{\phi}(f) = \overline{\phi(\bar{f})}.$$

Then $\bar{\phi} \in M(K)$, and

$$\phi \in M^{\mathbb{R}}(K) \iff \phi = \bar{\phi}.$$

First we show uniqueness. If $\phi = \phi_1 + i\phi_2$, then $\bar{\phi} = \phi_1 - i\phi_2$, so

$$\phi_1 = \frac{\phi + \bar{\phi}}{2}, \quad \phi_2 = \frac{\phi - \bar{\phi}}{2i}.$$

This also shows existence, by defining ϕ_1, ϕ_2 in this way.

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