

EXAMINATION 3

(1) Consider the topological vector space

$$X = \left\{ u : [0, 1] \mapsto \mathbb{C}, u(x) \neq 0 \text{ only in a finite number of points} \right\},$$

with the topology inherited by the product space $\mathbb{C}^{\mathbb{N}}$.

- Write explicitly a local base \mathcal{B} of X .
- A sequence $\{u_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence if

$$\forall V \in \mathcal{B} \text{ there is } N \text{ such that } n, m > N \implies x_n - x_m \in V.$$

Show that X can be continuously embedded into a “complete” topological vector space \tilde{X} (i.e. a topological vector space in which every Cauchy sequence has a limit). Find an explicit representation of \tilde{X} .

- Prove that every continuous functional on X is of the form

$$f(u) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i u(x_i).$$

(2) Consider the Banach space

$$\ell^\infty = \left\{ u : \mathbb{N} \mapsto \mathbb{C}, \|u\|_{\ell^\infty} = \sup_n |u_n| < \infty \right\}.$$

- Show that the family of functional

$$\ell^1 = \left\{ v : \mathbb{N} \mapsto \mathbb{C}, \|v\|_{\ell^1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |v_n| < \infty \right\}.$$

is separating on X , and thus generates a vector topology τ .

- By means of the Hahn-Banach theorem, extend to ℓ^∞ the functional

$$\ell u = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} u_n,$$

defined on the sequences u which has limit. Thus there are linear continuous functionals on ℓ^∞ which are not in ℓ^1 . Denote this extended functional by LIM.

- Consider the set

$$K = \left\{ u : |\text{LIM}u| \leq 1 \right\}.$$

Show that K is absorbing, however its interior is \emptyset w.r.t. to the vector topology τ .

(3) For $p \in (0, \infty)$, let ℓ^p be the space

$$\ell^p = \left\{ u : \mathbb{N} \mapsto \mathbb{C} : \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} |u(n)|^p < \infty \right\}.$$

If $p \geq 1$, define the norm

$$\|u\|_p = \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |u(n)|^p \right)^{1/p}.$$

For $p = \infty$, define

$$\ell^p = \left\{ u : \mathbb{N} \mapsto \mathbb{C} : \|u\|_\infty = \sup_n |u(n)| < \infty \right\}.$$

- Prove that ℓ^p , $p \in [1, \infty]$ is a Banach space, and ℓ^p , $p \in (0, 1)$ is an F space with the metric

$$\Delta(u, v) = \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} |u(n) - v(n)|.$$

- Prove that for $p \in [1, \infty)$, the dual space of ℓ^p is ℓ^q , with

$$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1.$$

In particular ℓ^p , $p \in (1, \infty)$, is reflexive.

- Show by the Hahn Banach theorem that the dual of ℓ^∞ is strictly larger than ℓ^1 .
- Prove that for $p \in (1, \infty)$ there are sequences which converges weakly but not strongly.
- Show that in ℓ^1 every weak convergent sequence is strongly convergent.
- Prove that ℓ^p , $p \in (0, 1)$ is not locally convex, but $(\ell^p)^* = \ell^\infty$ separates points on ℓ^p . In particular the set

$$\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} |u(n)| < 1 \right\}$$

is not bounded for the original topology, but it is weakly bounded.

- (4) Let X be a Fréchet space with invariant metric d , X^* its dual. Define the family of seminorms on X^* by

$$p_n(\ell) = \sup \left\{ |\ell x| : d(x, 0) < n^{-1} \right\}.$$

- Show that the family of seminorms is separating, hence generates a metrizable topology, which makes X^* a Fréchet space. This is the *strong topology* of X^* .
 - Prove that the strong topology is stronger than the weak* topology.
 - Prove that weakly bounded sets are strongly bounded in X .
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 - Show that if X is normed, then the strong topology coincides with the norm topology of X^* , and show with an example that the second dual X^{**} of the Fréchet space X may not coincide with X .
- (5) Let $(X, (\cdot, \cdot))$ be a separable Hilbert space with a complete orthonormal base $\{e_n\}_n$. Define

$$\|x\|^2 = (x, x), \quad |x| = \sum_n \frac{1}{n} |(x, e_n)|.$$

- Prove that $|\cdot|$ is a norm on X , but X is not complete.
- Show that $\{x_k\}_k$ converges weakly in H if and only if $\|x_k\|$ is bounded and $|x_k - x| \rightarrow 0$.
- Prove that $\{\|x\| < 1\}$ is compact for $(X, |\cdot|)$.