

## I.6 F-spaces and Fréchet spaces

**Definition.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a TVS.

- The space  $X$  is said to be an **F-space** if  $\mathcal{T}$  is generated by a complete translation invariant metric.
- A Locally convex F-space is said to be a **Fréchet space**.

**Examples 26.**

- (1) Any Banach space is a Fréchet space as well.
- (2) The space  $L^p(\mu)$  for  $p \in (0, 1)$  is an F-space.
- (3) The spaces  $\mathbb{F}^{\mathbb{N}}$ ,  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{F})$ ,  $H(\Omega)$ ,  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and  $\mathcal{D}_K(\Omega)$  mentioned in Examples 1 are Fréchet spaces.

**Proposition 27.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be an F-space. Then any translation invariant metric generating the topology  $\mathcal{T}$  is complete.

**Proposition 28.** Let  $X$  be an F-space. Then a set  $A \subset X$  is compact if and only if it is totally bounded and closed.

**Proposition 29.** Let  $X$  be a LCS and let  $A \subset X$  be totally bounded. Then  $\text{aco } A$  is totally bounded as well.

**Corollary 30.** Let  $X$  be a Fréchet space and let  $A \subset X$  be a compact subset. Then  $\overline{\text{aco } A}$  is compact as well.

**Theorem 31** (Banach-Steinhaus). Let  $X$  be a Fréchet space and let  $Y$  be a LCS. Let  $(T_n)$  be a sequence of continuous linear mappings  $T_n : X \rightarrow Y$ . Suppose that the limit  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n x$  exists in  $Y$  for each  $x \in X$ . Then the mapping  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  defined by the formula  $Tx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n x$ ,  $x \in X$ , is continuous.

**Remark:** Theorem 30 holds true under weaker assumptions – that  $X$  is an F-space and  $Y$  is a TVS. The proof is similar, but uses a more advanced notion of equicontinuity.

**Theorem 32** (open mapping theorem). Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be F-spaces and let  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  be a continuous linear mapping of  $X$  onto  $Y$ . Then  $T$  is an open mapping. In particular, if  $T$  is moreover one-to-one,  $T^{-1}$  is continuous, i.e.,  $T$  is an isomorphism of  $X$  onto  $Y$ .