

# FUNCTIONAL ANALYSIS 1

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PROBLEMS TO CHAPTER V

## PROBLEMS TO SECTION V.1 – LOCALLY CONVEX TOPOLOGIES AND THEIR GENERATION

**Problem 1.** Let  $X$  be a vector space. Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be the family of all the absolutely convex absorbing subsets of  $X$ .

- (1) Show that  $\mathcal{U}$  is a base of neighborhoods of zero in a Hausdorff locally convex topology  $\mathcal{T}$  on  $X$ .
- (2) Show that this topology  $\mathcal{T}$  is the strongest locally convex topology on  $X$ .
- (3) Show that any convergent sequence in  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is contained in a finite-dimensional subspace.
- (4) Show that  $\mathcal{T}$  is generated by the family of all seminorms on  $X$ .

*Hint:* (3) Suppose it is not the case. Then there exists a linearly independent sequence  $(x_n)$  which converges to zero. Complete this sequence to an algebraic basis of  $X$ . Describe an absolutely convex absorbing set, not containing any of the vectors  $x_n$ .

**Problem 2.** (1) Show that the convex hull of a balanced subset of a vector space is again balanced, and hence absolutely convex.  
(2) Show that the balanced hull of a convex set need not be convex.

*Hint:* (2) Consider a suitable segment in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

**Problem 3.** Let  $X$  be a LCS and let  $A \subset X$  be a balanced set with nonempty interior.  
(1) Show that  $\text{int } A$  is balanced if and only if  $0 \in \text{int } A$ .  
(2) Show on a counterexample that  $\text{int } A$  need not be balanced.

**Problem 4.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a LCS and let  $A \subset X$  be nonempty. Show that

$$\bar{A} = \bigcap \{A + U; U \in \mathcal{T}(0)\}.$$

**Problem 5.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a non-Hausdorff LCS.

- (1) Denote  $Z = \overline{\{\mathbf{o}\}} = \bigcap \mathcal{T}(0)$ . Show that  $Z$  is a vector subspace of  $X$ .
- (2) Let  $Y = X/Z$  be the quotient vector space and let  $q : X \rightarrow Y$  be the canonical quotient mapping. Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be the quotient topology on  $Y$  (i.e.,  $\mathcal{R} = \{U \subset Y; q^{-1}(U) \in \mathcal{T}\}$ ). Show that  $(Y, \mathcal{R})$  is a HLCS.

## PROBLEMS TO SECTION V.2 – BOUNDED SETS, CONTINUOUS LINEAR MAPPINGS

**Problem 6.** Let  $X$  be a LCS and let  $A \subset X$ . Show that  $A$  is bounded if and only if each countable subset of  $A$  is bounded.

**Problem 7.** Let  $X$  be a LVS and let  $A, B \subset X$  be bounded sets. Show that the sets  $A \cup B, A + B, \bar{A}, b(A), \text{co } A$  and  $\text{aco } A$  are bounded as well.

**Problem 8.** Let  $X$  be a normed linear space and  $A \subset X$ . Show that  $A$  is bounded as a subspace of the LCS  $X$  if and only if it is bounded in the metric generated by the norm.

**Problem 9.** Let  $X$  be a LCS whose topology is generated by a translation invariant metric  $\rho$ .

- (1) Show that any set  $A \subset X$  bounded in  $X$  is bounded in the metric  $\rho$  as well.
- (2) Show that a set  $A \subset X$  bounded in the metric  $\rho$  need not be bounded in the TVS  $X$ .

*Hint: (2) The metric  $\rho$  itself may be bounded.*

**Problem 10.** Consider the space  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  from Problem 1. Show that any linear functional  $L : X \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$  is continuous.

**Problem 11.** Let  $X = \mathbb{F}^\Gamma$  and let  $A \subset X$ . Show that  $A$  is bounded in  $X$  if and only if it is „pointwise bounded“, i.e., if and only if the set  $\{x(\gamma); x \in A\}$  is bounded in  $\mathbb{F}$  for each  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ .

**Problem 12.** Let  $X$  be a LCS and let  $(x_n)$  be a sequence of elements of  $X$ . Show that the sequence  $(x_n)$  is bounded in  $X$  if and only if for any sequence  $(\lambda_n)$  in  $\mathbb{F}$  one has  $\lambda_n \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_n x_n \rightarrow \mathbf{o}$ .

**Problem 13.** Let  $X$  be a metrizable LCS and let  $(x_n)$  be a sequence of elements of  $X$ . Show that there exists a sequence of strictly positive numbers  $(\lambda_n)$  such that  $\lambda_n x_n \rightarrow \mathbf{o}$ .

*Hint: Let  $\rho$  be a metric generating the topology on  $X$ . Show and then use that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \rho(\mathbf{o}, tx) = 0$  for each  $x \in X$ .*

**Problem 14.** Is the assertion from Problem 13 true also for non-metrizable LCS?

*Hint: Consider the space from Problem 1.*

**Problem 15.** Let  $X$  be a LCS, whose topology is generated by a translation invariant metric  $\rho$ . Let  $(x_n)$  be a sequence of elements  $X$  converging to zero. Show that there exists a sequence of positive numbers  $(\lambda_n)$  such that  $\lambda_n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\lambda_n x_n \rightarrow \mathbf{o}$ .

*Hint: By the translation invariance of  $\rho$  it follows  $\rho(\mathbf{o}, nx) \leq n\rho(\mathbf{o}, x)$  for  $x \in X$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .*

**Problem 16.** Is the assertion from the previous problem valid for a general LCS?

*Hint: Consider, e.g.,  $X = c_0$  or  $X = \ell^p$  for  $p \in (1, \infty)$  with the weak topology (see Section VI.1), let  $(x_n)$  be the sequence of canonical unit vectors.*

### PROBLEMS TO SECTION V.3 – FINITE-DIMENSIONAL AND INFINITE-DIMENSIONAL SPACES

**Problem 17.** Let  $X$  be a metrizable LCS of infinite dimension. Show that there exists a discontinuous linear functional on  $X$ .

*Hint: Use an algebraic basis of  $X$  and Problem 13.*

**Problem 18.** Is there a discontinuous linear functional on each infinite-dimensional HLCS?

*Hint: Use Problem 10.*

PROBLEMS TO SECTION V.4 – METRIZABILITY OF TVS

**Problem 19.** Show that the space  $\mathbb{F}^\Gamma$  is metrizable if and only if  $\Gamma$  is countable.

*Hint:* To prove the ‘if part’, use Proposition V.21. To prove the ‘only if part’ assume that  $\Gamma$  is uncountable and show that there does not exist a countable base of neighborhoods of zero. To this end use the definition of product topology, in particular the fact that a basic neighborhood of zero is defined using a finite number of coordinates.

**Problem 20.** Show that the space  $\mathbb{F}^\Gamma$  is normable if and only if  $\Gamma$  is finite.

*Hint:* To prove the ‘only if part’ assume that  $\Gamma$  is infinite and prove that no neighborhood of zero is bounded. To this end use the definition of product topology, in particular the fact that a basic neighborhood of zero is defined using a finite number of coordinates.

**Problem 21.** Show that the space  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{F})$  from Example V.1(3) is not normable.

*Hint:* Prove that no neighborhood of zero is bounded. To this end use the seminorms from Example V.6(3).

**Problem 22.** Show that the space  $H(\Omega)$  from Example V.1(4) is not normable.

*Hint:* Proceed similarly as in the previous problem.

**Problem 23.** Consider the space  $\mathcal{C}(T, \mathbb{F})$  of continuous functions on a Tychonoff space  $T$  equipped with the topology of uniform convergence on compact subsets of  $T$  (see Example V.6(4)).

- (1) Show that the space  $\mathcal{C}(T, \mathbb{F})$  is metrizable if and only if there is a sequence  $(K_n)$  of compact subsets of  $T$  such that for any compact set  $K \subset T$  there is  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $K \subset K_n$ .
- (2) Assume that  $T$  is not  $\sigma$ -compact. Show that  $\mathcal{C}(T, \mathbb{F})$  is not metrizable.
- (3) Assume that  $T$  is locally compact. Show that  $\mathcal{C}(T, \mathbb{F})$  is metrizable if and only if  $T$  is  $\sigma$ -compact.
- (4) Let  $T = \mathbb{Q}$  (with the topology inherited from  $\mathbb{R}$ ). Show that  $T$  is  $\sigma$ -compact but  $\mathcal{C}(T, \mathbb{F})$  is not metrizable.

*Hint:* (1) To prove the ‘if part’, use Proposition V.21. To prove the ‘only if part’ assume that such a sequence  $(K_n)$  does not exist and show that there does not exist a countable base of neighborhoods of zero. This may be shown by contradiction. Assume  $(U_n)$  is a base of neighborhoods of zero, each  $U_n$  may be defined using a compact set  $K_n \subset T$ . Then there is  $K \subset T$  compact such that  $K \setminus K_n \neq \emptyset$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $V = \{f; \|f|_K\|_\infty < 1\}$ . Using complete regularity show that no  $U_n$  is contained in  $V$ . (3) Assume that  $T$  is locally compact and  $\sigma$ -compact. Show that there is a sequence  $(K_n)$  of compact subsets of  $T$  such that  $T = \bigcup_n K_n$  and  $K_n \subset \text{int } K_{n+1}$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and that this sequence satisfies the condition from (1). (4) Let  $(K_n)$  be a sequence of compact subsets of  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Using the fact that any compact subset of  $\mathbb{Q}$  is nowhere dense construct a sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $\mathbb{Q}$  such that  $x_n \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus K_n$  and  $(x_n)$  converges to 0.

**Problem 24.** Show that the space  $\mathcal{C}(T, \mathbb{F})$  with the topology of uniform convergence on compact subset of a Tychonoff space  $T$  (see Example V.6(4)) is normable if and only if  $T$  is compact.

*Hint:* Assume  $T$  is not compact. Let  $U$  be a neighborhood of zero defined using a compact set  $K \subset T$ . Let  $x \in T \setminus K$ . Show that  $f \mapsto |f(x)|$  is a continuous seminorm which is not bounded on  $U$ .

PROBLEMS TO SECTION V.5 - FRÉCHET SPACES, TOTALLY BOUNDED SETS

**Problem 25.** Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach space. Let  $(\|\cdot\|_k)$  be a sequence of functions  $X \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$  satisfying the following properties:

- $\|\mathbf{0}\|_k = 0$ ;
- $\forall x \in X \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}: \|\alpha x\|_k = |\alpha| \cdot \|x\|_k$ ;
- $\forall x, y \in X: \|x + y\|_k \leq \|x\|_k + \|y\|_k$ ;
- the function  $\|\cdot\|_k$  is lower semicontinuous, i.e. the set  $\{x \in X; \|x\|_k \leq c\}$  is closed for each  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ;
- $\forall x \in X: \|x\| \leq \|x\|_1 \leq \|x\|_2 \leq \|x\|_3 \leq \dots$

Set  $Y = \{x \in X; \forall k \in \mathbb{N}: \|x\|_k < +\infty\}$ .

- (1) Show that  $Y$  is a linear subspace of  $X$ .
- (2) Show that  $Y$  is a Fréchet space if it is equipped with the locally convex topology generated by the sequence of norms  $(\|\cdot\|_k)$ .

*Hint:* (2) Use Proposition V.21 and the method of proof of Proposition I.5 to each of the norms  $\|\cdot\|_k$ .

**Problem 26.** Let  $(X_n, \|\cdot\|_n)$  be a sequence of Banach spaces and for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  a quotient mapping  $P_n: X_{n+1} \rightarrow X_n$  is given Set

$$Y = \{(x_n); \forall n \in \mathbb{N}: (x_n \in X_n \ \& \ x_n = P_n(x_{n+1}))\}.$$

Show that  $Y$  is a Fréchet space if equipped by the sequence of seminorms  $(p_k)$  defined by

$$p_k((x_n)) = \|x_k\|_k, \quad (x_n) \in Y.$$

*Hint:* Use Proposition V.21.

**Problem 27.** Using Problem 26 show that the spaces  $C(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{F})$  and  $H(\Omega)$  (se Example V.1(3,4)) are Fréchet spaces.

**Problem 28.** Let  $X$  be a LCS and let  $A, B \subset X$  be totally bounded subsets. Show that the sets  $A \cup B, A + B, \overline{A}, b(A)$  are totally bounded as well.

**Problem 29.** Let  $X$  be a LCS, whose topology is generated by a translation invariant metric  $\rho$ . Show that a set  $A \subset X$  is totally bounded in the TVS  $X$  if and only if it is totally bounded in the metric  $\rho$ .

PROBLEMS TO SECTION V.6 – EXTENSION AND SEPARATION THEOREMS

**Problem 30.** Let  $X$  be a normed linear space of infinite dimension. Show that in  $X$  there exist two disjoint convex sets which are dense in  $X$  (and hence they cannot be separated by a nonzero element of  $X^*$ ).

*Hint:* Use the existence of a discontinuous linear functional.

**Problem 31.** Let  $X = \mathcal{C}([0, 1])$  be equipped with the  $L^2$ -norm (i.e.,  $\|f\| = \left(\int_0^1 |f|^2\right)^{1/2}$ ). For  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  define  $Y_\alpha = \{f \in X; f(0) = \alpha\}$ . Show that  $(Y_\alpha; \alpha \in \mathbb{R})$  is a pairwise disjoint family if dense convex sets. Show that for  $\alpha \neq \beta$  the sets  $Y_\alpha$  and  $Y_\beta$  cannot be separated by a nonzero element of  $X^*$ .

**Problem 32.** Let  $X = c_0$  or  $X = \ell^p$  for some  $p \in [1, \infty)$  (consider the real version of these spaces). Let  $\mathbf{x} = (x_n) \in X$  be an element with all the coordinates strictly positive and let  $\mathbf{y} = (\frac{x_n}{n}) \in X$ . Set

$$A = \{\mathbf{z} = (z_n) \in X; \forall n \in \mathbb{N} : z_n \geq 0\}, \quad B = \{-\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{y}; t \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

Show that  $A$  and  $B$  are disjoint closed subsets of  $X$ , which cannot be separated by a nonzero element of  $X^*$ .

*Hint: Proceed by contradiction: Let  $f \in X^* \setminus \{0\}$  satisfy  $\sup f(B) \leq \inf f(A)$ . Show that necessarily  $f \geq 0$  on  $A$  and  $\inf f(A) = 0$ . The functional  $f$  can be represented by an appropriate sequence (by an element of  $\ell^1$  or  $\ell^q$  where  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ ), show that all the entries of this sequence have to be non-negative. By the assumption  $\inf f(B) \leq 0$  deduce  $f(\mathbf{y}) = 0$ , hence  $f = 0$ , a contradiction.*

### FURTHER PROBLEMS – METRIC VECTOR SPACES

A **metric vector spaces** (shortly **MVS**) is a vector space  $X$  over  $\mathbb{F}$  equipped by a metric  $\rho$ , such that the operations on  $X$  are continuous with respect to  $\rho$ , i.e.:

- $x_n \rightarrow x, y_n \rightarrow y$  in  $X \implies x_n + y_n \rightarrow x + y$  in  $X$ ;
- $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $X, \lambda_n \rightarrow \lambda$  in  $\mathbb{F} \implies \lambda_n x_n \rightarrow \lambda x$  in  $X$ .

Clearly, a MVS is a special case of a TVS. A MVS need not be locally convex, as witnessed for example by the spaces  $L^p$  from Example V.1(5).

**Problem 33.** Let  $X$  be the space of all the Lebesgue measurable functions on  $[0, 1]$  (with values in  $\mathbb{F}$ ; we identify the functions, which are equal almost everywhere). For  $f, g \in X$  set

$$\rho(f, g) = \int_0^1 \min\{1, |f - g|\}.$$

- (1) Show that  $\rho$  is a metric making  $X$  a MVS.
- (2) Show that the convergence of sequences in the metric  $\rho$  coincide with the convergence in measure.
- (3) Is the resulting topology locally convex?

*Hint: (3) Show that for each  $r > 0$  the convex hull of the set  $\{f \in X; \rho(f, 0) < r\}$  is the whole  $X$ .*

**Problem 34.** Let  $X$  be a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$  and let  $q : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be an  $F$ -norm on  $X$ , i.e., a mapping with the following properties:

- $q(x) = 0 \iff x = 0$ ;
- $\forall x \in X \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{F}, |\lambda| \leq 1 : q(\lambda x) \leq q(x)$ ;
- $\forall x, y \in X : q(x + y) \leq q(x) + q(y)$ ;
- $\forall x \in X : \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} q(tx) = 0$ .

Show that the formula  $\rho(x, y) = q(x - y)$  defines a translation invariant metric on  $X$  making  $X$  a MVS.

**Problem 35.** Let  $X$  be a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$ , let  $p \in (0, 1)$  and let  $q : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a  $p$ -norm on  $X$ , i.e., a mapping with the following properties:

- $q(x) = 0 \iff x = 0$ ;
- $\forall x \in X \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{F} : q(\lambda x) = |\lambda|^p q(x)$ ;
- $\forall x, y \in X : q(x + y) \leq q(x) + q(y)$ .

Show that the formula  $\rho(x, y) = q(x - y)$  defines a translation invariant metric on  $X$  making  $X$  a MVS.

*Hint: Show that  $q$  is an  $F$ -norm.*

**Problem 36.** Let  $p \in (0, 1)$ . Show that the function  $f \mapsto \|f\|_p = \int |f|^p d\mu$  is a  $p$ -norm on  $L^p(\mu)$ .

**Problem 37.** Let  $X$  be a MVS whose metric  $\rho$  is induced by a  $p$ -norm for some  $p \in (0, 1)$ . Show that a set  $A \subset X$  is bounded in  $X$  if and only if it is bounded in the metric  $\rho$ .

**Problem 38.** Let  $X = L^p([0, 1])$  where  $p \in (0, 1)$ .

- (1) Show that  $\text{co}\{f \in X; \|f\|_p < r\} = X$  for each  $r > 0$ .
- (2) Show that there exists a bounded subset of  $X$  with unbounded convex hull.
- (3) Show that the unique continuous linear functional on  $X$  is constant zero (i.e.,  $X^* = \{0\}$ ).

*Hint: (1) Let  $f \in X$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Show that there is a partition  $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = 1$  such that  $\int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} |f|^p = \frac{1}{n} \int_0^1 |f|^p$  for each  $j$ . Next show that for  $n$  large enough the  $p$ -norm of functions  $n f \chi_{(t_{j-1}, t_j)}$  is less than  $r$ . (2) Use (1) and the previous problem. (3) Use (1).*

**Problem 39.** Let  $X = \ell^p$ , where  $p \in (0, 1)$ . Show that for any sequence  $\mathbf{x} = (x_n) \in \ell^\infty$  the formula

$$\varphi_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{y}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n y_n, \quad \mathbf{y} = (y_n) \in \ell^p,$$

defines a continuous linear functional on  $\ell^p$ . Show that the mapping  $\mathbf{x} \mapsto \varphi_{\mathbf{x}}$  is a linear bijection of  $\ell^\infty$  onto  $X^*$ .

**Problem 40.** Let  $p \in (0, 1)$ . Show that  $\ell^p$  is isomorphic (even linearly isometric) to a subspace of  $L^p([0, 1])$ . Using the two previous problems demonstrate a counterexample that a continuous linear functional on a subspace of a MVS need not admit a continuous linear extension to the whole space.

**Problem 41.** Let  $X = L^p([0, 1])$ , where  $p \in (0, 1)$ . Choose strictly positive numbers  $\varepsilon, \eta$  and  $\delta$  such that  $p < \frac{1}{1+\varepsilon}, \frac{\eta}{\varepsilon} < p, \delta < \varepsilon$  and  $\frac{\eta}{\varepsilon-\delta} < p$ . For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  set  $x_n = \frac{1}{n^{1+\eta}}, f_n = n^{1+\varepsilon} \chi_{(x_{n+1}, x_n)}$  and  $t_n = \frac{1}{n^{1+\delta}}$ .

- (1) Show that the set  $K = \{0, f_1, f_2, f_3, \dots\}$  is compact in  $X$ .
- (2) Show that  $\text{co} K$  is unbounded in  $X$ .

*Hint: (1) Show that  $f_n \rightarrow 0$  in  $L^p([0, 1])$ . (2) Consider the elements  $\frac{t_1 f_1 + \dots + t_n f_n}{t_1 + \dots + t_n}$ .*