

From last time, we looked at continuous (bounded) linear functionals on $(L, \|\cdot\|)$ and $(L, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ and (L, τ) .

For $(L, \|\cdot\|)$, we were able to define the norm of a bounded linear functional:

$$\|f\| = \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{|f(x)|}{\|x\|}$$

We know that the sum of linear functionals is a linear functional. And if they're both bounded, then the sum is bounded.

Similarly, if $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ (or \mathbb{C}) and f is a bounded linear functional, then αf is a bounded linear functional.

So the space of bounded linear functionals is a vector space, with a norm!

Note: even if L didn't have a norm, the space of linear functionals is a vector space. It's not immediate. obvious how to put a topology on this space, is all.

Given $(L, \|\cdot\|)$, let L^* be the set of bounded linear functionals on L . Then L^* is a vector space. Further if $f \in L^*$ and we define

$$\|f\| = \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{\|f(x)\|}{\|x\|}$$

then $\|\cdot\|$ on L^* is a norm. The corresponding topology on L^* is called the strong topology.

Note. I'm being cavalier with the notation " $\|\cdot\|$ ". The $\|\cdot\|$ on L is different from the norm on L^* . But the norm on L^* is induced by the norm on L .

e.g. if $L = \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\|x\| = \sqrt{\sum_1^n x_i^2}$

then L^* is isomorphic to \mathbb{R}^n with the norm on L^* being $\sqrt{\sum_1^n x_i^2}$.

if $L = \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\|x\| = \sqrt[p]{\sum_1^n |x_i|^p}$, $1 < p < \infty$

then L^* is isomorphic to \mathbb{R}^n with the norm on

L^* being $\sqrt[q]{\sum_1^n |x_i|^q}$ where $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$

Why? Let $L = \mathbb{R}^n$ and let e_1, \dots, e_n be a basis of L . $\rightarrow x \in L$ has a unique representation as

$$x = \sum_1^n x_{e_i} e_i$$

Let $f \in L^*$. Then $f(x) = \sum_1^n f(e_i) x_{e_i}$

i.e. f is completely determined by what it does to

e_1, \dots, e_n . i.e.

$$f \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} f(e_1) \\ \vdots \\ f(e_n) \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

defining the norm on L^* is something we'll do shortly.

thm: $(L^*, \|\cdot\|)$ is complete.

[Whoah!?! Don't we care whether L is complete? No. We'll only use that \mathbb{R} (or \mathbb{Q}) is complete.]

proof: Let $\{f_n\}$ be a Cauchy sequence of functionals in L^* . We want to show $f_n \rightarrow f$ in L^* .

Since $\{f_n\}$ is Cauchy, given $\epsilon > 0 \exists N$ so that $m, n \geq N \Rightarrow \|f_m - f_n\| < \epsilon$

Fix $x \in L$. Then

$$|f_m(x) - f_n(x)| \leq \|f_m - f_n\| \|x\| < \epsilon \|x\|.$$

$\Rightarrow \{f_n(x)\}$ is Cauchy in \mathbb{R} . $\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = f(x)$

exists. So for each $x \in L$, I can define $f(x) \in \mathbb{R}$.

Q1: is f a linear functional?

Q2: is f a bounded linear functional?

Q3: is f the limit of f_n ? i.e. $\|f_n - f\| \rightarrow 0$. (we've defined f via pointwise limits above...)

$$f(\alpha x + \beta y) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(\alpha x + \beta y) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha f_n(x) + \beta f_n(y) = \alpha f(x) + \beta f(y).$$

So f is linear.

Choose $N \ni \|f_n - f_m\| \leq 1 \quad \forall n, m \geq N.$

then $\|f_n - f_N\| \leq 1 \quad \forall n \geq N$

$$\Rightarrow \|f_n\| = \|f_n - f_N + f_N\| \leq 1 + \|f_N\| \quad \forall n \geq N.$$

$$\Rightarrow |f_n(x)| \leq (1 + \|f_N\|) \|x\| \quad \forall x \in L.$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |f_n(x)| \leq (1 + \|f_N\|) \|x\|.$$

$$\Rightarrow |f(x)| \leq (1 + \|f_N\|) \|x\|.$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is a bounded linear functional. (Note! we didn't show what the norm of f equals, we just showed that whatever it is, it's finite. Hence f is a bounded linear functional.)

Finally, we show $\|f_n - f\| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Fix $\epsilon > 0$.

We want to show $\exists N_\epsilon \ni \|f_n - f\| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq N_\epsilon.$

First, choose $N \ni \|f_m - f_n\| < \epsilon/3 \quad \forall m \geq N.$

For this ϵ and this N , $\exists x_{N\epsilon} \ni$

$$\|f_N - f\| \leq \frac{|f_N(x_{N\epsilon}) - f(x_{N\epsilon})|}{\|x_{N\epsilon}\|} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} = |f_N(u_{N\epsilon}) - f(u_{N\epsilon})| + \frac{\epsilon}{3}$$

for $u_{N\epsilon} = \frac{x_{N\epsilon}}{\|x_{N\epsilon}\|}.$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow \|f_N - f\| &\leq |f_N(u_{N\varepsilon}) - f_m(u_{N\varepsilon})| + |f_m(u_{N\varepsilon}) - f(u_{N\varepsilon})| + \varepsilon/3 \\
&\leq \|f_N - f_m\| \|u_{N\varepsilon}\| + |f_m(u_{N\varepsilon}) - f(u_{N\varepsilon})| + \varepsilon/3 \\
&< \frac{2\varepsilon}{3} + |f_m(u_{N\varepsilon}) - f(u_{N\varepsilon})| \quad \text{if } m \geq N.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, the LHS is independent of m . On the right-hand side, we can take $m \rightarrow \infty$.

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Rightarrow \text{for } m \text{ large enough, } |f_m(u_{N\varepsilon}) - f(u_{N\varepsilon})| < \varepsilon/3 \\
&\text{and } \|f_N - f\| < \varepsilon \Rightarrow f_N \rightarrow f. \quad //
\end{aligned}$$

Thm 2: Let $(L, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be a Hilbert space. Then, given $x_0 \in L$, $x \mapsto \langle x, x_0 \rangle$ is a bounded linear functional on L . Further, given $f \in L^*$, $\exists x_0 \in L$ so that $f(x) = \langle x, x_0 \rangle \quad \forall x \in L$.

proof: $K+F$

corr: The correspondence $x_0 \leftrightarrow f$ is an isomorphism between $(L, \|\cdot\|)$ and $(L^*, \|\cdot\|)$ (if $(L, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is a Hilbert space)

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ex: let $(L, \|\cdot\|)$ be $l^p(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{N})$ where $p \in (1, \infty)$.

i.e. $x \in L$ if x is a sequence of real numbers such that $\sum_1^\infty |x_i|^p < \infty$

claim: $(L^*, \|\cdot\|) = l^q(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{N})$ where $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$.

NOTE IT IS IMPORTANT THAT
 $1 < p < \infty$

specifically, I want to show that

given $\tilde{f} \in L^*$ $\exists f \in l^q(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{N})$

so that $\tilde{f} \leftrightarrow f$

proof: let $f \in l^q(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{N})$. Let $x \in l^p(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{N})$.

then $x \rightarrow \sum_1^\infty x_n f_n$ is a linear functional.

Further, it is a bounded linear functional since

$$\begin{aligned} |\tilde{f}(x)| &= \left| \sum_1^\infty x_n f_n \right| \leq \sqrt[p]{\sum_1^\infty |x_n|^p} \sqrt[q]{\sum_1^\infty |f_n|^q} \\ &= \|x\| \sqrt[q]{\sum_1^\infty |f_n|^q} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\tilde{f}\| \leq \|f\|$$

norm on L^* l^q norm.

This shows that $\|\tilde{f}\| \leq \|f\|_q$. Now I want to show $\|\tilde{f}\| \geq \|f\|_q$. I'll do this by constructing a sequence of vectors $x^n \in \mathcal{L}^p$ so that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\tilde{f}(x^n)| = \|f\|_q$ (this would show $\|\tilde{f}\| \geq \|f\|_q$.)

$$\text{let } e_1 = (1, 0, \dots) \in \mathcal{L}^p$$

$$e_2 = (0, 1, 0, \dots) \in \mathcal{L}^p$$

$$e_n = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots) \in \mathcal{L}^p$$

↑
n+1 index

define

$$x^n = \frac{1}{(\|f\|_q)^{q/p}} \sum_1^n \frac{|f_n|^q}{f_n} e_n \quad \left(\text{where we set } \frac{|f_n|^q}{f_n} = 0 \text{ if } f_n = 0 \right).$$

First, $x^n \in \ell^r$ (trivially) and

$$\begin{aligned} \|x^n\|_p &= \frac{1}{(\|f\|_q)^{q/p}} \sqrt[p]{\sum_1^n (|f_n|^{q-1})^p} \\ &= \frac{1}{(\|f\|_q)^{q/p}} \sqrt[p]{\sum_1^n |f_n|^q} \leq \frac{1}{(\|f\|_q)^{q/p}} \cdot (\|f\|_q)^{q/p} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \|x^n\|_p \leq 1$ for each n .

Further, $|\tilde{f}(x^n)| = \left| \sum_1^n |f_n|^q \right| \frac{1}{(\|f\|_q)^{q/p}}$

and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\tilde{f}(x^n)| = (\|f\|_q)^q \frac{1}{(\|f\|_q)^{q/p}} = (\|f\|_q)^{q - \frac{q}{p}}$
 $= (\|f\|_q)^{q(1 - \frac{1}{p})} = \|f\|_q.$

$$\Rightarrow \|\tilde{f}\| \geq \|f\|_q \Rightarrow \|\tilde{f}\| = \|f\|_q$$

this shows that given $f \in \ell^q$, we can define $\tilde{f} \in L^*$
 $(\tilde{f} \in (\ell^q)^*)$ so that $\|\tilde{f}\| = \|f\|_q$. We want to show
 $\ell^q \rightarrow (\ell^q)^*$ is 1:1 and onto.

1:1 assume $f, g \in \mathcal{L}^q$ and

$$f \rightarrow \tilde{f} \in (\mathcal{L}^p)^*$$

$$g \nearrow$$

$$\text{i.e. } \tilde{f}(x) = \sum_1^\infty x_n f_n = \sum_1^\infty x_n g_n \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{L}^p$$

specifically, $\tilde{f}(e_n) = f_n = g_n \quad \forall n \Rightarrow f = g \Rightarrow \underline{1:1}$

into: given $\tilde{f} \in (\mathcal{L}^p)^*$, I want to find $f \in \mathcal{L}^q$

$$\text{so that } \tilde{f}(x) = \sum_1^\infty x_n f_n$$

First, I define $f_n = \tilde{f}(e_n)$. This gives me a sequence of numbers. I want to show that

$$a) \quad \tilde{f}(x) = \sum_1^\infty x_n f_n \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{L}^p$$

$$b) \quad \{f_n\} \in \mathcal{L}^q$$

$$a). \quad \text{I know } \|x - \sum_1^n x_n e_n\|_p \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

Since \tilde{f} is cts, this implies

$$|\tilde{f}(x) - \tilde{f}(\sum_1^n x_n e_n)| \rightarrow 0$$

$$|\tilde{f}(x_n) - \sum_1^n x_n \tilde{f}(e_n)| \rightarrow 0$$

$$|\tilde{f}(x_n) - \sum_1^n x_n f_n| \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{f}(x) = \sum_1^\infty x_n f_n. \quad \checkmark$$

Now I just want to show $\{f_n\} \in l^q$.

$$\text{Let } x^n = \sum_1^n \frac{|\tilde{f}(e_n)|^q}{\tilde{f}(e_n)} e_n \quad (\text{where } \frac{|\tilde{f}(e_n)|^q}{\tilde{f}(e_n)} = 0 \text{ if } \tilde{f}(e_n) = 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\tilde{f} x^n\| = \left| \sum_1^n |\tilde{f}(e_n)|^q \right|, \quad \sum_1^n |\tilde{f}(e_n)|^q \leq \|\tilde{f}\| \|x^n\|_p$$

$$\text{now } \|x^n\|_p = \sqrt[p]{\sum_1^n |\tilde{f}(e_n)|^{(q-1)p}} = \sqrt[p]{\sum_1^n |\tilde{f}(e_n)|^q}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_1^n |\tilde{f}(e_n)|^q \leq \|\tilde{f}\| \sqrt[p]{\sum_1^n |\tilde{f}(e_n)|^q}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\sum_1^n |\tilde{f}(e_n)|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq \|\tilde{f}\|$$

recall, $\tilde{f}(e_n) = f_n$.

$$\Rightarrow \left(\sum_1^n |f_n|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq \|\tilde{f}\| \quad \forall n.$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\sum_1^\infty |f_n|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq \|\tilde{f}\|$$

and $\{f_n\} \in l^q$. ✓

this proves $(l^p)^* = l^q$ if $1 < p < q$. $\Rightarrow ((l^p)^*)^* = l^p$

Note: let $C_0 = l^\infty$ s. that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$. then $(C_0)^* = l^1$.

and $(l^1)^* = l^\infty$. $\Rightarrow ((C_0)^*)^* \neq C_0$