

The geometric form of Hahn-Banach for real vector spaces will be used in the theory of topological vector spaces, in particular to establish the Krein-Milman theorem.

For many applications to dual space of normed  $K$ -vector spaces, where  $K = \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}$ , the notion of seminorm, a bit more restrictive than gauge, will suffice.

Def II.6: A seminorm on a  $K$ -vector space  $V$  is a function  $p: V \rightarrow [0, +\infty[$  such that

(1)  $p(\alpha \cdot v) = |\alpha| \cdot p(v) \quad \forall \alpha \in K, \forall v \in V$

(2)  $p(v_1 + v_2) \leq p(v_1) + p(v_2)$ .

$\forall v_1, v_2 \in V$ .

We have then the following form of Hahn-Banach valid for  $K$ -vector spaces.

Thm II.7: Let  $V$  be a  $K$ -vector space,  $p: V \rightarrow [0, +\infty[$  a semi-norm,  $M \subset V$  a  $K$ -vector subspace and  $f: M \rightarrow K$  a linear form with  $|f(u)| \leq p(u) \quad \forall u \in M$ .

Then there is a  $K$ -linear extension  $F: V \rightarrow K$  with  $|F(u)| \leq p(u) \quad \forall u \in V$ .

Proof: We can assume  $K = \mathbb{C}$ , since for  $K = \mathbb{R}$ , Thm II.7 follows from Thm II.4.

Now let  $f_1(u) = \operatorname{Re} f(u) \quad \forall u \in M$ .

Then  $|f_1(u)| \leq p(u)$  and there is an extension  $F_1: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with

$$|F_1(u)| \leq p(u) \quad \forall u \in V.$$

Now define  $F(u) := F_1(u) - i F_1(i \cdot u)$

Then  $F$  is  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear and extends

$f$ . Finally we have to show that  $|F|$

is bounded by  $p$ . Let  $u \in V$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$

with  $|\alpha| = 1$  such that:

$$|F(u)| = \alpha \cdot F(u) = F(\alpha \cdot u) = F_1(\alpha \cdot u)$$

Thus  $|F(u)| = F_1(\alpha \cdot u) \leq p(\alpha \cdot u) = p(u)$ .



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We draw some immediate consequences which can loosely be summarized by saying that a normed  $K$ -vector space has enough continuous linear functionals.

### Corollary II.8

Let  $(V, \|\cdot\|)$  be a normed  $K$ -vector space,  $M \subset V$  a subspace and  $f: M \rightarrow K$  continuous linear. Then there is

$$F: V \rightarrow K$$

continuous linear with  $F|_M = f$  and

$$\|F\| = \|f\|.$$

Proof: By hypothesis  $|f(v)| \leq \|f\| \cdot \|v\|$

$$\forall v \in M \text{ where } \|f\| = \sup_{\substack{\|w\| \leq 1 \\ w \in M}} |f(w)|$$

Let  $p: V \rightarrow [0, +\infty[$  be defined by

$$p(u) = \|f\| \cdot \|u\|.$$

Then  $p$  is even a norm and Thm 6.7

applies to obtain a  $K$ -linear form

$$F: V \rightarrow K$$

with  $F|_M = f$  and  $|F(u)| \leq p(u) = \|f\| \cdot \|u\|$

$\forall u \in V$ . This implies that

$$\|f\| = \sup_{\substack{u \in M \\ \|u\| \leq 1}} |f(u)| = \sup_{\substack{u \in M \\ \|u\| \leq 1}} |F(u)| \leq \sup_{\substack{u \in V \\ \|u\| \leq 1}} |F(u)| \leq \|F\|$$

and shows that  $\|F\| = \|f\|$ .  $\square$

### Corollary 6.9

Let  $(V, \|\cdot\|)$  be a normed space and  $x_0 \in V$ . Then there is  $f_0 \in V^*$  with

(1)  $\|f_0\| = 1$

(2)  $f_0(x_0) = \|x_0\|$ .

Proof: Let  $M = \mathbb{K} \cdot x_0$  and  $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$

$f(t \cdot x_0) = t \cdot \|x_0\|$ . By corollary II.8

there is  $f_0 \in V^*$  with  $f_0|_M = f$ ,

in particular  $f_0(x_0) = \|x_0\|$  and

$$\|f_0\| = \|f\| = \sup_{|t| \leq \frac{1}{\|x_0\|}} |f(t \cdot x_0)| = 1. \quad \square$$

The following is an immediate consequence of II.9:

Corollary II.10

Let  $(V, \|\cdot\|)$  be a normed space, then

$\forall v \in V$ :

$$\|v\| = \sup \{ |f(v)| : f \in V^*, \|f\| \leq 1 \}$$

$$= \max \{ |f(v)| : f \in V^*, \|f\| \leq 1 \}.$$

This corollary allows us now to compute

the norm of the adjoint  $T^*: W^* \rightarrow V^*$

of a bounded linear map  $T: V \rightarrow W$ .

Corollary II.16 We have  $\|T^*\| = \|T\|$ .

Proof:

$$\|T^*\| = \sup_{\substack{\|\lambda\| \leq 1 \\ \lambda \in W^*}} \|T^*(\lambda)\|$$

$$= \sup_{\|\lambda\| \leq 1} \sup_{\|v\| \leq 1} |T^*(\lambda)(v)|$$

$$= \sup_{\|\lambda\| \leq 1} \sup_{\|v\| \leq 1} |\lambda(T(v))|$$

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But by Cor. II.10 we have:

$$\sup_{\|\lambda\| \leq 1} |\lambda(T(v))| = \|T(v)\|$$

which with the above implies

$$\|T^*\| = \sup_{\|v\| \leq 1} \|T(v)\| = \|T\|.$$



Another application of II.10 is to the bidual of a normed space  $V$ : this is by definition  $V^{**} = \mathcal{B}(V^*, \mathbb{K})$  and the point is that we have a canonical

map  $J: V \rightarrow V^{**}$  defined by

$$J(v)(\lambda) := \lambda(v).$$

Proposition II.12:

The map  $J: V \rightarrow V^{**}$  is a  $\mathbb{K}$ -linear isometry into the Banach space  $V^{**}$ .

Proof: First, we have that

$$|J(v)(\lambda)| = |\lambda(v)| \leq \|\lambda\| \cdot \|v\|$$

which shows that  $J(v) \in (V^*)^*$ .

Next we have by II.10:

$$\|J(v)\| = \sup_{\|\lambda\| \leq 1} |\lambda(v)| = \|v\|.$$





Spaces for which  $J$  is surjective are called reflexive; they are automatically Banach spaces.

Now we turn to some important examples of dual spaces.

Example II.13 [The dual of  $L^p(X)$ ,  $1 \leq p < +\infty$ ].

Let  $1 \leq p < +\infty$  and  $q$  the conjugate exponent that is

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

Then Hölder's inequality shows that every  $g \in L^q(X)$  gives rise to a continuous linear functional on  $L^p(X)$

by 
$$l_g(f) := \int_X f(x)g(x) d\mu(x)$$

with  $\|l\| \leq \|g\|_q$ . In fact

Theorem II. 14  $1 \leq p < +\infty$ .

The map  $L^q(X) \rightarrow (L^p(X))^*$   
 $g \mapsto l_g$

is an isometric isomorphism.

See Stein-Shakarchi Chapter 1 §4

for a proof using the Radon-Nykodim  
theorem.

For a different proof see Struwe Chapter 4,

§4. For  $1 \leq p < +\infty$  this proof uses

Clarkson's inequalities which imply

that for these values of  $p$ ,  $L^p(X)$

is uniformly convex.

For  $2 \leq p < +\infty$  the statement is:

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$$\left\| \frac{f+g}{2} \right\|_p^p + \left\| \frac{f-g}{2} \right\|_p^p \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \|f\|_p^p + \|g\|_p^p \right)$$

$$\forall f, g \in L^p(X)$$

For  $1 < p \leq 2$ :

$$\left\| \frac{f+g}{2} \right\|_p^q + \left\| \frac{f-g}{2} \right\|_p^q \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \|f\|_p^p + \|g\|_p^p \right)^{q/p}$$

These are substitutes of the parallelogram identity in Hilbert spaces; for  $2 \leq p < +\infty$  the proof is elementary while for  $1 < p \leq 2$  the proof is much trickier!

An immediate Corollary is

Corollary II.15 For  $1 < p < +\infty$ ,

$L^p(X)$  is reflexive.

We will see later on that for Banach spaces there is a relation between uniform

convexity and reflexivity.

Example II.16 Let  $X$  be a locally compact Hausdorff space. A continuous function

$f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to vanish at infinity if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists K \subset X$  compact such that

$$|f(x)| < \varepsilon \quad \forall x \in X \setminus K.$$

Let  $C_0(X, \mathbb{C}) = \{ f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \text{ continuous vanishing at } +\infty \}$ .

Endowed with the norm  $\|f\|_\infty := \sup_{x \in X} |f(x)|$

$C_0(X, \mathbb{C})$  is a Banach space.

Then the dual space  $C_0(X, \mathbb{C})^*$  is described

by the space of complex measures:

a complex measure is a set function

$$\mu: \mathcal{B}_X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

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defined on the  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{B}_X$  of Borel sets

such that for all  $E \in \mathcal{B}_X$  and any

countable partition  $E = \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} E_i$  with

$E_i \in \mathcal{B}_X$  we have

$$\mu(E) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_i).$$

Since this series is assumed to converge for any permutation of the summands, it converges absolutely. One defines then

the total variation of  $\mu$ :

$$|\mu|(E) = \sup \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\mu(E_i)| : \right.$$

$$E = \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} E_i,$$

$$E_i \in \mathcal{B}_X \left. \right\}$$

and shows that  $|\mu|$  is a positive measure on  $\mathcal{B}_X$  with  $|\mu|(X) < +\infty$ .

In order to define the integral of say a bounded Borel function  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

wrt  $\mu$ , one reduces one self to the case of positive measures (where the Lebesgue integral is available) in the following way.

First one evidently can decompose  $\mu$  as

$$\mu = \mu_1 + i \cdot \mu_2$$

where  $\mu_i$  are both complex measures with values in  $\mathbb{R}$ : such measures are called

signed measures. Given a signed measure

$\lambda : \mathcal{B}_X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  define then

$$\lambda^+ = \frac{1}{2} (|\lambda| + \lambda)$$

$$\lambda^- = \frac{1}{2} (|\lambda| - \lambda)$$

Then  $\lambda^+$ ,  $\lambda^-$  are positive measures,

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with  $\lambda^+(X) < +\infty$ ,  $\lambda^-(X) < +\infty$  and

$$\lambda = \lambda^+ - \lambda^-.$$

Thus given a complex measure  $\mu$ , we can decompose it as follows into a combination of positive measures:

$$\mu = (\mu_1^+ - \mu_1^-) + i(\mu_2^+ - \mu_2^-)$$

and hence  $\int_X f d\mu$  makes sense

for say any bounded Borel function.

Finally, we say that  $\mu$  is regular if its total variation measure  $|\mu|$  is a regular Borel measure. Then:

Thm II. 17 (Riesz Representation) For every bounded linear map  $\Phi : C_0(X, \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  there is a unique complex regular measure  $\mu$  defined on Borel sets such that

$$\bar{\Phi}(f) = \int_X f d\mu \quad \forall f \in C_0(X, \mathbb{C})$$

In addition  $\|\bar{\Phi}\| = |\mu|(X)$ .

Details can be found in Rudin "Real and complex Analysis" Chapter 6 or FA II Chapter 8.

### The Problem of Measure.

The Hahn-Banach theorem can be used to show that there is a finitely additive set function defined on all subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  that agrees with Lebesgue measure on measurable sets and is translation invariant. However this set function cannot be  $\sigma$ -additive and this is connected to the existence of



non-measurable sets.

A deeper fact is that it is not possible to extend Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $d \geq 3$ , as a finitely-additive measure on all subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  so that it both translation and rotation invariant!