

Solutions to Exercise sheet 9:

1. As V^* is separable, we can choose a countable, dense subset $\{\phi_i\}_{i=1}^\infty$ for $B_{\leq 1}^{V^*}(0)$. Now define a metric d on $B_{\leq 1}^V(0)$ as follows

$$d(x, y) := \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{|\phi_i(x - y)|}{i^2}.$$

Now check that this is indeed a metric generating the weak topology on V .

2. Firstly, since $|\sum f(n)g(n)| \leq \|f\|_{\ell^1} \|g\|_{\ell^\infty}$, we have that λ is a well-defined bounded map. Now we check that it is injective: if $f = (f_n)_{n=1}^\infty$ is in the kernel of λ , then by letting $e_n = (\delta_{in})_{i=1}^\infty \in c_0$ we have $0 = \lambda(f)g = f_n$, and so $f \equiv 0$. To show that it's surjective, see solution of Q3 of HS2023 Exercise sheet 10.
3. See solution of Q4 of HS2023 Exercise sheet 9.

4. First we show that $\text{conv}(A)$ is a convex set that contains A . Clearly $A \subset \text{conv}(A)$: for $a_0 \in A$, by setting $\lambda(a) = \delta_{a=a_0}$, we see $a_0 \in \text{conv}(A)$. Now for $x, y \in \text{conv}(A)$ given by the functions $\lambda_x, \lambda_y \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{(S)}$, we have for $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$ with $\alpha + \beta = 1$, $\alpha\lambda_x + \beta\lambda_y \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{(S)}$ and this function represents the element $\alpha x + \beta y \in \text{conv}(A)$ and so $\text{conv}(A)$ is convex.

To show that it is the convex hull, we need to show that for any convex set X containing A , we have $\text{conv}(A) \subset X$. We do this by induction on the size of the support of $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{(S)}$. If the support is a single element then we are done as those simply correspond to elements of A . Say, we have proved it for all sizes of support up to n . We now need to prove it for $n+1$. To this end, let λ be a function with support size $n+1$ and let $\lambda(a_0) > 0$. Now consider the functions, $\lambda_1 := \delta_{a=a_0}$ and $\lambda_1 := \frac{\lambda - \lambda(a_0)\delta_{a=a_0}}{1 - \lambda(a_0)}$ in $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{(S)}$. By definition, their supports have size $\leq n$ and so the elements x, y in $\text{conv}(A)$ they correspond to also belong to X by the induction hypothesis. But now, as X is convex $\lambda(a_0)x + (1 - \lambda(a_0))y \in X$ and so the element corresponding to λ must also belong to X completing the induction step.