

## Chapter 4: Dual spaces and weak topologies

Recall: If  $X$  is a normed space, then

$$X^* = \mathcal{L}(X, \mathbb{C})$$

Heuristically,  $X^*$  is "nicer" than  $X$ .

① If  $X$  is a normed space, then  $X^*$  is always a Banach space.

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad \|f\|_{X^*} &= \sup_{\|x\| \leq 1} |f(x)|, \quad \forall f \in X^* \\ &\quad \forall x \in X \\ \|x\| &= \sup_{\|f\|_{X^*} \leq 1} |f(x)| = \max_{\|f\|_{X^*} \leq 1} |f(x)| \\ &\quad (\text{by Hahn-Banach theorem}) \end{aligned}$$

Q: Is there some maximizer for

$$\|f\|_{X^*} = \sup_{\|x\| \leq 1} |f(x)|, \quad \forall f \in X^*?$$

In general, not! However, it is true if  $X$  is "reflexive" ( $X = X^{**}$ ).

Given the Banach space  $X$ , we can define

$$\hat{X} \subset X^{**} \text{ as:}$$

$$x \in X \rightarrow T_x \in X^{**} \text{ by}$$

$$T_x: X^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$f \rightarrow f(x)$$

$$\text{Then: } X \simeq \hat{X} \subset X^{**}$$

↓ isometry since

$$\|x\| = \sup_{\|f\|_{X^*} \leq 1} |f(x)| = \sup_{\|f\|_{X^*} \leq 1} |T_x(f)| = \|T_x\|_{X^{**}}$$

The fact that  $X$  is reflexive  $\Leftrightarrow \hat{X} = X^{**}$ .

We will discuss the reflexive spaces later.

Def (Weak convergence) Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}, x$  in  $X$ . Then we say  $x_n \rightarrow x$  ( $x_n$  converges to  $x$  weakly)

$$\text{iff } f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x), \forall f \in X^*$$

Remark:

$\exists x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $X$ , then:  
 $x_n \rightarrow x$  weakly.

However, the reverse is not correct.

Example:  $X = \ell^p(\mathbb{N})$  where  $1 < p < \infty$ .

Denote  $e_n = (0, 0, \dots, 1, 0, \dots)$   
 $\downarrow$   
n-th position

Then  $\|e_n\|_{\ell^p} = 1 \Rightarrow e_n \not\rightarrow 0$  in norm.

However, we can prove that  $e_n \rightarrow 0$  weakly.

Assume  $\exists f \in X^*$  s.t.  $f(e_n) \not\rightarrow 0$ . Thus

$\exists \varepsilon > 0$  and a subsequence  $\{e_{n_k}\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  s.t.

$$|f(e_{n_k})| \geq \varepsilon, \forall k=1, 2, \dots$$

Take  $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n e_n \in \ell^p(\mathbb{N})$ . Since

$f \in X^*$ , we know that  $\exists C > 0$ :

$$\left| f\left(\sum_n a_n e_n\right) \right| \leq C \left\| \sum_n a_n e_n \right\|_{\ell^p}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \sum_n a_n f(e_n) \right| \leq C \left( \sum_n |a_n|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

Since  $|f(e_{n_k})| \geq \varepsilon$ , choose  $a_{n_k}$  s.t.

$$a_{n_k} f(e_{n_k}) \geq \varepsilon |a_{n_k}|$$

Then:

$$\left| f\left(\sum_k a_{n_k} e_{n_k}\right) \right| \leq C \left(\sum |a_{n_k}|^p\right)^{1/p}$$

$$\left| \sum_k a_{n_k} f(e_{n_k}) \right|$$

$\geq$

$$\varepsilon \sum_k |a_{n_k}|$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_k |a_{n_k}| \leq \frac{C}{\varepsilon} \left(\sum |a_{n_k}|^p\right)^{1/p}$$

We get a contradiction by  $a_{n_k} = \frac{1}{k} \rightarrow$

LHS  $= \infty$  while RHS  $\leq \infty$  since  $p > 1$ .

Remark: If  $\dim X < \infty$ , then weak c.v.

$\Leftrightarrow$  strong c.v.

When  $\dim X = N$ , we can find a basis  $\{e_i\}_{i=1}^N$  s.t.  $\forall x \in X$ , we can write

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^N a_i(x) e_i$$

Thus:

$$\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^N$$

$$x \mapsto (a_i(x))_{i=1}^N \quad \text{linear, bijective}$$

$$\text{When } x_n \rightarrow x \Rightarrow f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x), \forall f \in X^*$$

$$\Rightarrow a_i(x_n) \rightarrow a_i(x), \forall i=1, \dots, N$$

$$\Rightarrow x_n = \sum_{i=1}^N a_i(x_n) e_i \rightarrow x = \sum_{i=1}^N a_i(x) e_i.$$

Remark: When  $X = \ell^1(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $\dim X = \infty$ , but weak c.v.  $\Leftrightarrow$  norm c.v. (come later)

Remark: Weak limit is unique! Namely

$$\text{if } x_n \rightarrow x \text{ and } x_n \rightarrow y, \text{ then } x = y.$$

Indeed,  $\forall f \in X^*$ , then  $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x)$  and

$$f(x_n) \rightarrow f(y) \Rightarrow f(x) = f(y) \Rightarrow f(x-y) = 0.$$

$$\text{Then: } \|x-y\| = \sup_{\|f\| \leq 1} |f(x-y)| = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = y.$$

## Weak topology:

Recall:  $(X \overset{\downarrow \text{set}}{\quad}, \mathcal{O} \overset{\downarrow \text{collection of subsets of } X}{\quad})$  is called a topological space  $\mathcal{Y}$

$$\cdot \phi, X \in \mathcal{O}$$

$$\cdot \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \in \mathcal{O}, \quad \forall A_i \in \mathcal{O}$$

$i \in I$  arbitrary

$$\cdot \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \in \mathcal{O}, \quad \forall A_i \in \mathcal{O}$$

$i \in I$  finite

Then  $\mathcal{O}$  is called the collection of "open sets".

If  $(X, \mathcal{O}_1)$  and  $(X, \mathcal{O}_2)$  are two topological spaces, and  $\mathcal{O}_1 \supset \mathcal{O}_2$ , then we say that

$\mathcal{O}_1$  is stronger (finer) than  $\mathcal{O}_2$ .

Remark: "Stronger" means  $\exists$  more open sets

This implies that if  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $\mathcal{O}_1$ , then

$$x_n \rightarrow x \text{ in } \mathcal{O}_2.$$

i.e.  $\exists$  less convergent sequences in  $\mathcal{O}_1$  than  $\mathcal{O}_2$

This also implies that if  $f: (X, \mathcal{O}_2) \rightarrow Y \overset{\downarrow \text{top. space}}{\quad}$

is continuous, then:  $f: (X, \mathcal{O}_1) \rightarrow Y$  is continuous  
[because  $f$  is continuous  $\Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(\text{open})$  is open]

Thus  $\mathcal{O}_1$  is stronger than  $\mathcal{O}_2$ , then  $\exists$  more continuous functions in  $\mathcal{O}_1$  than  $\mathcal{O}_2$ .

Let  $X$  be a Banach space  $\rightsquigarrow (X, \mathcal{O}_{\|\cdot\|})$  is the strong topology (i.e.  $\mathcal{O}_{\|\cdot\|} = \{ \text{open sets in } \|\cdot\| \} = \{ \bigcup_{\text{arbitrary}} \text{open balls} \}$ ).

The weak topology  $\sigma(X, X^*)$  is the weakest topology in  $X$  s.t.  $f \in X^*$  is continuous  
 $(X, \sigma(X, X^*)) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .

Construction of  $\sigma(X, X^*)$ :

- $f^{-1}(A) \in \sigma(X, X^*)$ ,  $\forall f \in X^*$ ,  $\forall A$  open in  $\mathbb{C}$
- $\sigma(X, X^*)$  is stable under  $\bigcup$  &  $\bigcap$   
arbitrary finite

Def:

$$\sigma(X, X^*) = \left\{ \bigcup_{\text{arbitrary}} \bigcap_{\text{finite}} \{ f^{-1}(A) : f \in X^*, A \subset \mathbb{C}^{\text{open}} \} \right\}$$

Thm:  $\sigma(X, X^*)$  is a topology in  $X$ .

Proof:  $\emptyset, X \in \sigma(X, X^*) \quad \checkmark$

$\sigma(X, X^*)$  is stable under  $\bigcup$  arbitrary  $\checkmark$

Why:  $\sigma(X, X^*)$  is stable under  $\bigcap$  finite ?

We prove that if  $A, B \in \sigma(X, X^*)$ , then  $A \cap B \in \sigma(X, X^*)$ . We can write:

$$A = \bigcup_{i \text{ arbitrary}} A_i, \quad B = \bigcup_{j \text{ arbitrary}} B_j,$$

$$A_i, B_j \text{ are } \bigcap_{\text{finite}} \{ f^{-1}(w) : f \in X^*, w \in \mathcal{C}_f \text{ open} \}$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} A \cap B &= \left( \bigcup_{i \text{ arbitrary}} A_i \right) \cap \left( \bigcup_{j \text{ arbitrary}} B_j \right) \\ &= \bigcup_{i, j \text{ arbitrary}} \underbrace{(A_i \cap B_j)}_{\bigcap_{\text{finite}}} \in \sigma(X, X^*) \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Remark:

$\bigcap_{\text{finite}} \bigcup_{\text{arbitrary}}$  does not work!



Theorem: Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $x$  in  $X$ . Then  $x_n$  converges to  $x$  in  $\sigma(X, X^*) \Leftrightarrow x_n \rightarrow x$  weakly (i.e.  $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x), \forall f \in X^*$ ).

Proof: If  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $\sigma(X, X^*)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  since  $f: (X, \sigma(X, X^*)) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$   
 is continuous  $\forall f \in X^*$   
 $\Rightarrow f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x)$  in  $\mathbb{C}, \forall f \in X^*$ .

Reversely, assume  $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x) \forall f \in X^*$ .  
 We prove  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $\sigma(X, X^*)$ . Take an  
 open set  $U \in \sigma(X, X^*)$  and  $x \in U$ . We  
 prove that  $\exists N: x_n \in U, \forall n \geq N$ .

Recall  $U \in \sigma(X, X^*) \Rightarrow U = \bigcup_{\text{arbitrary}} \bigcap_{\text{finite}} f_i^{-1}(O_{\text{open}})$   
 $\Rightarrow \exists V$  is  $\bigcap_{\text{finite}} \{f_i^{-1}(w) : f_i \in X^*, w \text{ open in } \mathbb{C}\}$   
 s.t.  $x \in V$ . We prove  $\exists N: x_n \in V, \forall n \geq N$ .

We write  $V = \bigcap_{i,j \text{ finite}} f_i^{-1}(w_j) \ni x$

where  $f_i \in X^*$ ,  $w_j$  open in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Since

$\forall i,j: f_i(x_n) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} f_i(x) \in w_j$  open  $\mathbb{C}$

$\Rightarrow \exists N_{ij}: f_i(x_n) \in w_j, \forall n \geq N_{ij}$ .

Define  $N = \max_{i,j} N_{ij}$ , then:

$f_i(x_n) \in w_j, \forall n \geq N, \forall i,j$

$\Rightarrow x_n \in f_i^{-1}(w_j), \forall n \geq N, \forall i,j$

$\Rightarrow x_n \in \bigcap_{i,j} f_i^{-1}(w_j) = V \quad \forall n \geq N. \square$

Theorem: Let  $X$  be a Banach space. Then  $(X, \sigma(X, X^*))$  is a Hausdorff topological space, i.e.  $\forall x \neq y \in X, \exists A_x, A_y$  open s.t.  $x \in A_x, y \in A_y, A_x \cap A_y = \emptyset$ .

Proof.

$$\begin{array}{l} x \\ \cdot \\ \left. \begin{array}{l} f(x) = \lambda \\ \cdot y \\ f \in X^* \end{array} \right\} \end{array}$$

Since  $x \neq y$ , by Hahn-Banach theorem,  
 $\exists f \in X^*$  s.t.  $f(x) < \lambda < f(y)$

Define  $A_x = f^{-1}((-\infty, \lambda)) \ni x$

$$A_y = f^{-1}((\lambda, \infty)) \ni y$$

$\rightarrow A_x, A_y$  open since  $f \in X^*$  continuous

$$A_x \cap A_y = f^{-1}((-\infty, \lambda)) \cap f^{-1}((\lambda, \infty))$$

$$= f^{-1}(\underbrace{(-\infty, \lambda) \cap (\lambda, \infty)}_{\emptyset}) = \emptyset$$

Remark: In general,  $(X, \sigma(X, X^*))$  is not

metrizable, i.e.  $\nexists$  metric  $d: X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$

s.t.  $\sigma(X, X^*)$  is the same with the topology defined by the metric  $d$ .

(Homework)

Remark. Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $A \subset X$ .  
If  $[(\forall x_n \rightarrow x \text{ and } x_n \in A) \Rightarrow x \in A]$ , then  
it is not enough to conclude that  $A$  is closed.  
(Example: exercise)

Theorem: Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  
let  $\overline{B(0,1)}$  be the closed ball in  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ .

Then:  $\overline{B(0,1)}$  is closed in  $(X, \sigma(X, X^*))$ .

In particular, if  $x_n \rightarrow x$  weakly in  $X$ , then:

$$\|x\| \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n\|.$$

Proof:

let  $x_n \rightarrow x$ . Then:  $\exists f_0 \in X^*, \|f_0\| \leq 1$

$$\|x\| = \sup_{\|f\|_{X^*} \leq 1} |f(x)| = |f_0(x)|$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then: } |f_0(x)| &= \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{|f_0(x_n)|}_{\leq \|f_0\| \|x_n\|} \leq \|x_n\| \\ &\leq \|x_n\| \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \|x\| \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n\|.$$

Consequence, if  $x_n \in \overline{B(0,1)}$  and  $x_n \rightarrow x$ , then  $\|x\| \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n\| \leq 1 \Rightarrow x \in \overline{B(0,1)}$ .

To prove that  $\overline{B(0,1)}$  is closed in  $\sigma(X, X^*)$ , we write:

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{B(0,1)} &= \{x \in X : \|x\| \leq 1\} \\ &= \left\{x \in X : \sup_{\substack{\|f\| \leq 1 \\ f \in X^*}} |f(x)| \leq 1\right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \bigcap_{\|f\|_{X^*} \leq 1} \{x \in X : |f(x)| \leq 1\}$$

$$= \bigcap_{\|f\|_{X^*} \leq 1} \underbrace{f^{-1}(\overline{B_{\mathbb{C}}(0,1)})}_{\text{closed in } \sigma(X, X^*)}$$

as  $f: (X, \sigma(X, X^*)) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is continuous  $\square$

The  $\bigcap$  (arbitrary closed sets) is closed set in any topological space

$\Leftrightarrow$   $\bigcup$  (arbitrary open sets) is open set.

Theorem. Let  $X$  be a Banach space. Then the following statements are equivalent:

(a)  $X$  is inf-dim.

(b)  $S(0,1) = \{x \in X : \|x\| = 1\}$  is not closed in  $(X, \sigma(X, X^*))$ . Indeed

$$\overline{S(0,1)}^{\sigma(X, X^*)} = \overline{B(0,1)}.$$

(c)  $B(0,1)$  is not open in  $(X, \sigma(X, X^*))$ .

Proof: If  $\dim X < \infty$ , then  $S(0,1)$  closed and  $B(0,1)$  is open.

Assume that  $\dim X = \infty$ . We prove that

$$\overline{S(0,1)}^{\sigma(X, X^*)} = \overline{B(0,1)}.$$

Since  $S(0,1) \subset \overline{B(0,1)}$  and  $\overline{B(0,1)}$  is closed in  $\sigma(X, X^*)$ , then it suffices to show that

$$\overline{S(0,1)}^{\sigma(X, X^*)} \supset \overline{B(0,1)}.$$

Since  $S(0,1) = \overline{B(0,1)} \setminus B(0,1)$ , we only need

$$\overline{S(0,1)} \cap \sigma(X, X^*) \supset B(0,1).$$

Take  $\|x_0\| < 1$  and prove  $x_0 \in \overline{S(0,1)} \cap \sigma(X, X^*)$ .

We prove that if  $x_0 \in V^{\text{open}}$  in  $\sigma(X, X^*)$ ,  
then  $V \cap S(0,1) = \emptyset$ .

As before, we can assume that

$$x_0 \in V = \bigcap_{\text{finite}} f_i^{-1}(w_j), \quad f_i \in X^*, w_j^{\text{open}} \subset \mathbb{C}$$

Claim:  $\exists y_0 \neq 0$  s.t.  $f_i(y_0) = 0, \forall i$  (why?)

Then:  $g(t) = \|x_0 + ty_0\|$  continuous in  $\| \cdot \|$

and  $g(0) = \|x_0\| < 1, \quad g(t) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$\Rightarrow \exists t_0: \|x_0 + t_0 y_0\| = 1$$

$$\text{but } f_i(x_0 + t_0 y_0) = f_i(x_0) \in w_j$$

$$\Rightarrow x_0 + t_0 y_0 \in V \cap S$$

$$\Rightarrow V \cap S(0,1) \neq \emptyset.$$

Thus if  $\dim X = \infty$ , then

$$\overline{S(0,1)}^{\sigma(X, X^*)} = \overline{B(0,1)}$$

$\Rightarrow S(0,1)$  is not closed in  $\sigma(X, X^*)$ .

Consequently,

$$B(0,1) = \underbrace{\overline{B(0,1)}}_{\text{closed in } \sigma(X, X^*)} \setminus \underbrace{S(0,1)}_{\text{not closed in } \sigma(X, X^*)}$$

$\Rightarrow B(0,1)$  is not open in  $\sigma(X, X^*)$  (why)  $\square$

Mazur lemma: let  $X$  be a Banach space. Let

$A \subset X$  be a convex and closed subset of  $X$ .

Then  $A$  is closed in  $\sigma(X, X^*)$ .

Proof: We prove  $X \setminus A$  is open in  $\sigma(X, X^*)$ .

Take  $x_0 \in X \setminus A$ . We find  $x_0 \in U \subset X \setminus A$

s.t.  $U$  is open in  $\sigma(X, X^*)$ .



By Hahn-Banach theorem,  $\exists f \in X^*$  s.t.



$$f(x_0) < \lambda < f(a), \forall a \in A.$$

Define  $U = f^{-1}(-\infty, \lambda) \rightarrow$  open in  $\sigma(X, X^*)$ .

and  $x_0 \in U \subset X \setminus A$ .  $\square$

Corollary: let  $X$  be a Banach space. Assume

$x_n \rightarrow x$  weakly in  $X$ . Then  $\exists \{y_n\}$  in the convex combination of  $\{x_n\}$  s.t.  $y_n \rightarrow x$  strongly.

Proof:

Recall: A convex combination of  $\{x_n\}$  is of

the form

$$\sum_n \theta_n x_n, \quad 0 \leq \theta_n \leq 1, \quad \sum_n \theta_n = 1$$

(finite sum)

Define  $A = \overline{\{\text{convex combinations of } \{x_n\}\}}^{\|\cdot\|}$

Then  $A$  is convex and closed in  $\|\cdot\|$ . Then by Mazur Lemma,  $A$  is closed in  $\sigma(X, X^*)$ .

On the other hand,  $x_n \rightarrow x$  weakly in  $\sigma(X, X^*)$

and  $x_n \in A, \forall n \Rightarrow x \in A$ .

Thus  $\exists \{y_n\} \subset \{\text{convex combinations of } \{x_n\}\}$

s.t.  $y_n \rightarrow x$  in  $\|\cdot\|$ .  $\square$

Thm (Eberlein - Smulien) let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $A \subset X$ . Then TFAE:

(1)  $A$  is compact in  $(X, \sigma(X, X^*))$ , namely  
if  $A \subset \bigcup_{i \in I} \mathcal{O}_i$  with  $\mathcal{O}_i$  open in  $\sigma(X, X^*)$

then  $A \subset \bigcup_{i \in I'} \mathcal{O}_i$  with  $I' \subset I, |I'| < \infty$ .

(2)  $A$  is sequentially compact in  $(X, \sigma(X, X^*))$ ,  
i.e.

if  $\{x_n\} \subset A$ , then  $\exists$  subsequence

$\{x_{n_k}\}$  s.t.  $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$  in  $A$ .

(Homework / tutorial).

## Weak-\* topology:

Let  $X$  be a Banach space. Then we can define  $X^* = \mathcal{L}(X, \mathbb{C})$  and  $X^{**} = \mathcal{L}(X^*, \mathbb{C})$ .

On  $X^*$ , we have 2 topologies:

- $(X^*, \|\cdot\|_*)$  strong topology

$$\|f\|_{X^*} = \sup_{\|x\|_X \leq 1} |f(x)|$$

- $(X^*, \sigma(X^*, X^{**}))$  weak topology

$$f_n \rightarrow f \text{ weakly in } X^* \Leftrightarrow g(f_n) \rightarrow g(f) \quad \forall g \in X^{**}$$

Now we can define another topology, called weak-\* topology  $(X^*, \sigma(X^*, X))$ .

Here

$$f_n \xrightarrow{*} f \text{ weakly-* in } X^* \\ \Leftrightarrow f_n(x) \rightarrow f(x), \quad \forall x \in X.$$

Recall:  $X \hat{=} \hat{X} \subset X^{**}$  where

$$\hat{X} = \{ \varphi_x : x \in X \} \text{ and } \varphi_x : X^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$\varphi_x(f) = f(x), \forall f \in X^*$$

Def: The weak-\* topology  $\sigma(X^*, X)$  on  $X^*$  is the weakest topology, i.e. the topology with fewest open sets, such that all  $\varphi_x$  in  $\hat{X}$  are continuous from  $(X^*, \sigma(X^*, X)) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .

Recall: The weak topology  $\sigma(X^*, X^{**})$  on  $X^*$  is the weakest topology s.t. all  $g \in X^{**}$  are continuous from  $(X^*, \sigma(X^*, X^{**})) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .

Thus: the weak-\* topology is weaker than the weak topology, i.e.

$$f_n \rightarrow f \text{ in } X^* \Rightarrow f_n \xrightarrow{*} f \text{ in } X^*$$

$$\left( g(f_n) \rightarrow g(f), \forall g \in X^{**} \right) \quad \left( f_n(x) \rightarrow f(x), \forall x \in X \right)$$

$$\varphi_x(f_n) \rightarrow \varphi_x(f), \forall x \in X$$

Moreover, if  $X = X^{**}$  (more precisely  $\widehat{X} = X^{**}$ )

then weak & weak-\* topology on  $X^*$  are the same. The property  $X = X^{**}$  is called the reflexivity of  $X$ .

Remark: We can construct  $\sigma(X^*, X)$  by

$$\sigma(X^*, X) = \bigcup_{\text{arbitrary}} \bigcap_{\text{finite}} \{ \varphi_x^{-1}(A) : A \text{ open in } X, x \in X \}$$

Example:  $X = c_0(\mathbb{N}) = \{ (x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}, x_n \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \}$

Then  $X^* \stackrel{(\cdot)}$   $\ell^1(\mathbb{N}) = \{ (x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} : \sum_n |x_n| < \infty \}$

$X^{**} \stackrel{(\cdot)}$   $\ell^{\infty}(\mathbb{N}) = \{ (x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} : \sup_n |x_n| < \infty \}$

We can see that the weak topology on  $\ell^1(\mathbb{N})$

is really different from the weak-\* topology

Take  $e_n = (0, 0, \dots, 1, 0, \dots) \in \ell^1(\mathbb{N})$   
 $\downarrow$   
n-th position

Claim  $e_n \xrightarrow{*} 0$ : Take  $x \in X = c_0(\mathbb{N})$ , we

prove  $e_n(x) \rightarrow 0$ .

Here:  $(\int f_n) (\int x_n) = \sum_n f_n x_n, \forall \{f_n\} \in \ell^1, \{x_n\} \in c_0$

Then clearly  $\forall x = (x_k)_{k=1}^{\infty} \in c_0(\mathbb{N})$

$$\underbrace{e_n}_{\in e^1(\mathbb{N})}(x) = x_n \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Thus  $e_n \xrightarrow{*} 0$  in  $X^* = \ell^1(\mathbb{N})$ .

Claim:  $e_n \not\xrightarrow{*} 0$  in  $X^*$ .

Take  $g = (1, -1, 1, -1, \dots) \in \ell^{\infty}(\mathbb{N}) = X^{**}$ .

Then  $g(e_n) = (-1)^n \not\xrightarrow{*} 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

Thus  $e_n \not\xrightarrow{*} 0$  in  $X^*$ .

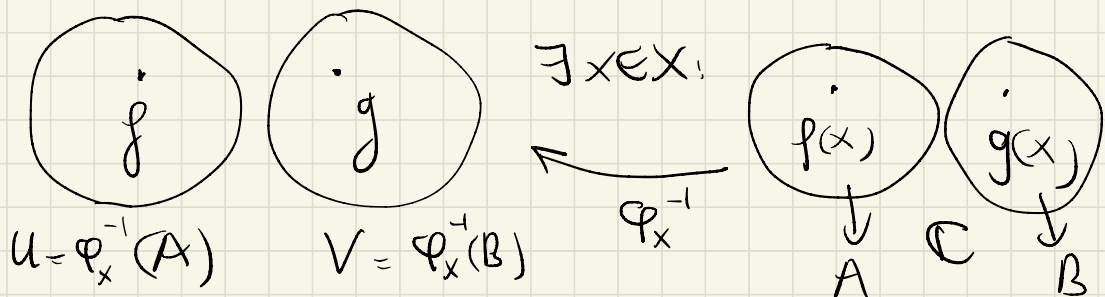
Theorem: Let  $X$  be a Banach space. Then  $(X^*, \sigma(X^*, X))$  is Hausdorff topological space. As a consequence, if

$$f_n \xrightarrow{*} f, \quad f_n \xrightarrow{*} g, \quad \text{then } f = g.$$

Proof: If  $f_n \xrightarrow{*} f$  and  $f_n \xrightarrow{*} g$ , then:

$$\forall x \in X: \quad f_n(x) \rightarrow f(x) \quad \text{and} \quad f_n(x) \rightarrow g(x) \\ \text{in } \mathbb{C} \Rightarrow f(x) = g(x) \Rightarrow f = g \text{ in } X^*.$$

Assume  $f \neq g$  in  $X^*$ . We find  $U, V$  open  $\sigma(X^*, X)$  s.t.  $f \in U, g \in V, U \cap V = \emptyset$ .



Since  $f \neq g$  in  $X^*$ ,  $\exists x \in X: f(x) \neq g(x)$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ .  
Then  $\exists A, B$  open in  $\mathbb{C}$  s.t.

$$f(x) \in A, g(x) \in B, A \cap B = \emptyset$$

Define

$$U = \varphi_x^{-1}(A), V = \varphi_x^{-1}(B), \left( \begin{array}{l} \varphi_x(f) \\ = f(x) \end{array} \right)$$

$\leadsto U \neq V$  open  $\sigma(X^*, X)$  since

$$\varphi_x: \text{continuous } (X^*, \sigma(X^*, X)) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Moreover, } f \in U, g \in V \text{ and } U \cap V &= \varphi_x^{-1}(A) \cap \varphi_x^{-1}(B) \\ &= \varphi_x^{-1}(\underbrace{A \cap B}_{\emptyset}) = \emptyset. \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem: let  $X$  be a Banach space. Assume

$f_n \xrightarrow{*} f$  in  $X^*$ . Then  $\{f_n\}$  is bounded in  $(X^*, \|\cdot\|_{X^*})$  and

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n\|_{X^*} \geq \|f\|_{X^*}.$$

Proof. Recall  $\{f_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathcal{L}(X, \mathbb{C}) = X^*$  and  $\forall x \in X$ , then:

$$f_n(x) \rightarrow f(x) \text{ by weak* c.v.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sup_n |f_n(x)| < \infty, \forall x \in X$$

$$\Rightarrow \sup_n \|f_n\|_{X^*} < \infty$$

by the Uniform boundedness Principle.

Then, take a subsequence of  $\{f_n\}$  s.t.

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n\|_{X^*} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|f_{n_k}\|_{X^*}.$$

We have:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f_{n_k}(x) \rightarrow f(x) \\ |f_{n_k}(x)| \leq \|f_{n_k}\|_{X^*} \|x\| \end{array} \right\}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Thus } |f(x)| &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |f_{n_k}(x)| \\
 &\leq \|f_{n_k}\|_{X^*} \|x\| \\
 &\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|f_{n_k}\|_{X^*} \|x\| \\
 &= \left( \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n\|_{X^*} \right) \|x\|, \quad \forall x \in X
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \|f\|_{X^*} = \sup_{\|x\| \leq 1} |f(x)| \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n\|_{X^*}.$$

Theorem: (Banach - Alaoglu) let  $X$  be a Banach space. Then  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^*}} \subset X^*$  is a compact set in  $(X^*, \sigma(X^*, X))$ .

Moreover, if  $X$  is separable, then  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^*}}$  is sequentially compact, i.e.  $\forall \{f_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  bounded in  $X^*$ ,  $\exists$  subsequence  $\{f_{n_k}\}$  s.t.

$$f_{n_k} \xrightarrow{*} f \quad \text{in } X^*,$$

Remark: The result is in general not correct for the weak topology. Here the weak-\* topology is weaker than the weak topology  $\rightarrow$  it has fewer open sets  $\rightarrow$  it has more compact sets.

Remark: In general, the compactness in a topological space is different from the sequential compactness. The important point here is that if  $X$  is separable, then

$(\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^*}}, \sigma(X^*, X))$  is metrizable. (Exercise)

Proof of the Banach - Alaoglu theorem when  $X$  is separable: Take  $\{f_n\}$  bounded in  $X^*$ . We prove that  $\exists$  subsequence  $\{f_{n_k}\}$  s.t.  $f_{n_k} \xrightarrow{*} f$   
i.e.  $f_{n_k}(x) \rightarrow f(x), \forall x \in X$ .

Take  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be dense in  $X$ . We find

a subsequence  $\{f_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{f_n\}$  s.t.  $\{f_{n_k}(x_l)\}_k$  converges,  $\forall l$ .

For  $l=1$ :  $\{f_n(x_1)\}_n$  is bounded in  $\mathbb{C}$

$\Rightarrow \exists$  a subsequence  $\{f_{a_1(n)}\}_n$  of  $\{f_n\}$  s.t.

$$f_{a_1(n)}(x_1) \rightarrow \underbrace{f(x_1)}_{\text{limit}} \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

For  $l=2$ :  $\{f_{a_1(n)}(x_2)\}_n$  b.d. in  $\mathbb{C}$

$\Rightarrow \exists$  a subsequence  $\{f_{a_2(n)}\}_n$  of  $\{f_{a_1(n)}\}_n$  s.t.

$$f_{a_2(n)}(x_2) \rightarrow f(x_2).$$

$\vdots$

By induction,  $\forall k, \exists \{f_{a_{k+1}(n)}\}_n$  subsequence of  $\{f_{a_k(n)}\}_n$  s.t.  $f_{a_{k+1}(n)}(x_{k+1}) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_{k+1})$

$x_1$	$f_1(x_1)$	$f_2(x_2)$	$f_3(x_1)$	$f_4(x_1)$
$x_2$				
$x_3$				

By Cantor's diagonal argument

Consider  $\{f_{a_n(n)}\}_n$  a subsequence  $\{f_n\}$   
 (a subsequence of  $\{f_{a_k(n)}\}_k$ )

Then  $f_{a_n(n)}(x_i) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_i), \forall i = 1, 2, \dots$

Since  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is dense in  $X$ , we can define

$f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  from  $\{f(x_n) : n = 1, 2, \dots\}$  by the continuity. More precisely,  $\forall y \in X$ ,  $\exists \{y_n\} \subset \{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  s.t.  $y_n \rightarrow y$  in  $X$ .

Then  $\{f(y_n)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $\mathbb{C}$ , indeed:

$$\begin{aligned}
& |f(y_i) - f(y_j)| \leq |f(y_i) - f_{\alpha_n(n)}(y_i)| \\
& \quad + |f_{\alpha_n(n)}(y_i) - f_{\alpha_n(n)}(y_j)| + |f_{\alpha_n(n)}(y_j) - f(y_j)| \\
& \leq |f(y_i) - f_{\alpha_n(n)}(y_i)| + \underbrace{\|f_{\alpha_n(n)}\|_{X^*}}_{\leq \epsilon} \|y_i - y_j\| \\
& \quad + |f_{\alpha_n(n)}(y_j) - f(y_j)|
\end{aligned}$$

$n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\leq C \|y_i - y_j\| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } i, j \rightarrow \infty$$

since  $\{y_i\}$  is Cauchy in  $X$  (as  $y_j \rightarrow y$ ).

Thus  $\{f(y_i)\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  is Cauchy in  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $\mathbb{C}$  complete

$\Rightarrow \exists$  the limit  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} f(y_j) =: f(y)$ .

We can see that

$$f_{\alpha_n(n)}(y) \rightarrow f(y), \quad \forall y \in X.$$

Indeed, take  $\{y_n\} \subset \{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  s.t.  $y_n \rightarrow y$ , then, by the triangle inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
 |f_{a_n(n)}(y) - f(y)| &\leq |f_{a_n(n)}(y_j) - f_{a_n(n)}(y_i)| \\
 &+ |f_{a_n(n)}(y_j) - f_{a_n(n)}(y_i)| + |f_{a_n(n)}(y_i) - f(y_i)| \\
 &+ |f(y_i) - f(y)|
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq |f_{a_n(n)}(y_j) - f_{a_n(n)}(y_i)| + \underbrace{\|f_{a_n(n)}\|}_{\leq C} \|y_j - y_i\| \\
 &+ |f_{a_n(n)}(y_i) - f(y_i)| + |f(y_i) - f(y)|
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\stackrel{m \rightarrow \infty}{\leq} |f_{a_n(n)}(y_j) - f(y_i)| + C \|y_j - y_i\| \\
 &+ |f(y_i) - f(y)|
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\stackrel{n \rightarrow \infty}{\leq} C \|y_j - y_i\| + \|f(y_i) - f(y)\|$$

$$\stackrel{i, j \rightarrow \infty}{\leq} 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} |f_{a_n(n)}(y) - f(y)| \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{a_n(n)}(y) \rightarrow f(y), \quad \forall y \in X.$$

Conclusion: We proved  $\exists$  a subsequence  $\{f_{n(k)}\}$  of  $\{f_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  in  $X^*$  s.t.

$$f_{n(k)}(y) \rightarrow f(y), \quad \forall y \in X$$

Here  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . Now we prove that  $f \in X^*$ .

First,  $f_{n(k)}$  is linear  $\forall n \Rightarrow f$  is linear.

Second,

$$\begin{aligned} |f(y)| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |f_{n(k)}(y)| \\ &\leq \|f_{n(k)}\|_{X^*} \|y\| \\ &\leq C \|y\|, \quad \forall y \in X. \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow f$  is continuous.

Thus:  $f_{n(k)} \xrightarrow{*} f$  in  $X^*$ .

# Proof of the Banach - Alouglu theorem (general case)

Theorem (Tychonoff): If  $\{X_i\}_{i \in I}$  is a collection of topological spaces, and  $X_i$  is compact for any  $i \in I$ . Then the product space

$$Y = \prod_{i \in I} X_i = \{ (x_i)_{i \in I} : x_i \in X_i \}$$

with the product topology is compact.

(The proof requires Axiom of Choice / Zorn Lemma)

Now we define

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{Y} &= \mathbb{C}^X = \{ f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \} \\ &= \prod_{x \in X} \mathbb{C} \end{aligned}$$

$$Y = \prod_{x \in X} D_x, \quad D_x = \{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| \leq \|x\| \}$$

Thus  $\forall x \in X$ ,  $D_x$  is compact  $\Rightarrow Y$  is compact with the product topology by Tychonoff theorem.



Define  $\Phi: X^* \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{Y}}$  by trivial embedding

$$f \mapsto \Phi(f) = f, X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}.$$

Then  $\Phi(X^*) \subset \tilde{\mathcal{Y}}$  and  $\Phi$  is bijective from  $X^* \rightarrow \Phi(X^*)$ . Moreover,  $\Phi, \Phi^{-1}$  are continuous:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{in } \tilde{\mathcal{Y}}, f_n \rightarrow f \Leftrightarrow f_n(x) \rightarrow f(x), \forall x \in X. \\ \text{in } X^*, f_n \xrightarrow{*} f \Leftrightarrow f_n(x) \rightarrow f(x), \forall x \in X. \end{array} \right\}$$

Claim:  $\Phi(\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^*}})$  is a compact set in  $\tilde{\mathcal{Y}}$ . This implies that  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^*}}$  is compact in  $X^*$  with the weak-\* topology because  $\Phi^{-1}(\text{compact})$  is compact.

$$\text{Write } \Phi(\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^*}}) = K_1 \cap K_2$$

$$K_1 = \{f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}: |f(x)| \leq \|x\|, \forall x \in X\}$$

$$K_2 = \{f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}: f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y)$$

$$\text{and } f(\lambda x) = \lambda f(x), \forall x, y \in X \\ \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{C}\}$$

Note that  $K_1 = \{ f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : |f(x)| \leq \|x\|, \forall x \in X \}$   
 $= \prod_{x \in X} D_x$ ,  $D_x = \{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| \leq \|x\| \}$   
 is compact in  $\tilde{Y}$

We prove that  $K_2$  is closed in  $\tilde{Y}$ .

$$K_2 = \left\{ f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : \begin{array}{l} f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y), \\ f(\lambda x) = \lambda f(x), \forall x, y \in X \\ \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$= \bigcap_{\substack{x, y \in X \\ \lambda \in \mathbb{C}}} \left\{ f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : |f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)| + |f(\lambda x) - \lambda f(x)| = 0 \right\}$$

We see that  $\forall x, y \in X, \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ , then

$\{ f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : |f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)| + |f(\lambda x) - \lambda f(x)| = 0 \}$   
 is closed in  $\tilde{Y}$  because it is  $g^{-1}(\{0\})$  where  
 $g: \tilde{Y} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$f \mapsto g(f) = |f(x+y) - f(x) - f(y)| + |f(\lambda x) - \lambda f(x)|$$

and  $g$  is continuous. Thus  $K_2 = \bigcap$  closed set

$\Rightarrow K_2$  is closed.

$$\text{Thus } \Phi \left( \overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^*}} \right) = K_1 \cap K_2$$

$\downarrow$  compact                       $\downarrow$  closed

is compact  $\Rightarrow \overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^*}} = \Phi^{-1}$  (a compact set)  
is compact in  $X^*$  with the weak-\* topology.  $\square$

Recall:

• On  $X$  with weak topology  $\sigma(X, X^*)$ , we do not have the compactness of  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_X}$ .

On  $X^*$  with weak\* topology  $\sigma(X^*, X)$ , we have the compactness of  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^*}}$ .

• On  $X$ , if  $A \subset X$  is weakly compact

$\Leftrightarrow A$  is sequentially compact (Eberlein-Šmulian theorem, exercise / tutorial)

On  $X^*$ , if  $A \subset X^*$  is weakly\* compact then  $A$  is sequentially compact.

(but if  $X$  is separable, then we have " $\Rightarrow$ ").

## Reflexive spaces:

Recall if  $X$  is a Banach space, then

$$X \hookrightarrow \hat{X} = \{ T_x: X^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}; T_x(f) = f(x), \forall f \in X^* \}$$

and  $\hat{X} \subset X^{**}$ .

Def:  $X$  is reflexive if  $X = X^{**}$  (or more precisely  $\hat{X} = X^{**}$ ).

Examples:

- $\ell^p(\mathbb{N})$  or  $L^p(\Omega)$  with  $1 < p < \infty$  are reflexive.

- $\ell^p(\mathbb{N})$  or  $L^p(\Omega)$  with  $p=1$  or  $p=\infty$  are not reflexive.

$C(K)$  with  $K$  compact set is not reflexive.

## Motivation:

- If  $X$  is reflexive, then on  $X^*$ , the weak topology  $\sigma(X^*, X^{**})$  and the weak\* topology  $\sigma(X^*, X)$  are the same.

- In this case, we obtain the compactness of the weak topology and also the sequential

compactness.

The reverse is also correct.

Theorem: Let  $X$  be a Banach space. Then

TFAE:

(i)  $X$  is reflexive.

(ii)  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_X}$  is weakly compact. (Kakutani)

(iii)  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_X}$  is weakly sequentially compact

i.e. if  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset \overline{B(0,1)}$ , then  $\exists$  a subsequence  $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$  weakly in  $\overline{B(0,1)}$ .

(More generally, (iii)  $\Leftrightarrow \forall \{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  bounded in  $X$ ,  $\exists$  a subsequence  $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$  weakly).

Proof:

(i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) Assume that  $X$  is reflexive, i.e.

$$X = \hat{X} = X^{**}$$

Thus  $\overline{B(0,1)}$  in  $X$  is the same  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^{**}}}$

which is compact with the weak\* topology  $\sigma(X^{**}, X^*)$

by the Banach-Alaoglu theorem. But  $X = X^{**}$ ,

hence  $\sigma(X^{**}, X^*) = \sigma(X, X^*) =$  the weak

topology in  $X$ . Thus  $\overline{B(0,1)}$  is compact in the weak topology  $\sigma(X, X^*)$ .

(i)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) First, assume that  $X$  is separable. Then  $X^*$  is also separable. By the Banach-Alaoglu theorem,  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^{**}}}$  is sequentially compact with the weak-\* topology  $\sigma(X^{**}, X^*)$ . Since  $X = X^{**} \Rightarrow \overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_X} = \overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^{**}}}$  is sequentially compact with the weak topology  $\sigma(X, X^*) = \sigma(X^{**}, X^*)$ .

In general, if  $X$  is not separable, then take  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset \overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_X}$ . Define

$$\tilde{X} = \overline{\text{Span} \{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}}^{\|\cdot\|_X} \subset X$$

closed subspace

Then  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{\tilde{X}}} \subset \overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_X}$

closed in strong topology

& convex  $\Rightarrow$  closed in weak topology

by Mazur lemma

By (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) i.e.  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_X}$  is weakly compact  
 $\Rightarrow \overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_X}$  is weakly compact  
 $\Rightarrow \overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_X}$  is weakly sequentially compact  
 ( $\tilde{X}$  is separable)  $\Rightarrow \exists$  a subsequence  $x_{n_k} \rightarrow x$   
 weakly.

Note: By the same argument, we can prove (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii)

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) We will need a key Lemma.

Lemma (Goldstone) Let  $X$  be a Banach space  
 and let  $T: X \rightarrow X^{**}$ ,  $T_x(f) = f(x), \forall f \in X^*$ .  
 Then:  $T(X)$  is dense in  $X^{**}$  with the weak-\*  
 topology, i.e.  $\phi \neq \emptyset \subset X^{**}$  open in weak-\* topo.  
 then  $T(X) \cap V \neq \emptyset$ .

In particular,  $T(\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_X})$  is dense  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^{**}}}$

Proof: Let  $\phi \neq \emptyset \subset X^{**}$  be open in weak-\* topology.  
 Then we prove that  $T(X) \cap V \neq \emptyset$ .

By definition of the weak-\* topology  $\xrightarrow{f \in X^* \text{ open in } \mathcal{C}}$   
 $V = \bigcup_{\text{arbitrary}} \bigcap_{\text{finite}} \{z \in X^{**} : z(f) \in \omega\}$

For our purpose, we can assume that

$$V = \bigcap_{i=1}^k \{ \xi \in X^{**} : \xi(f_i) \in \omega_i \}$$

where  $f_i \in X^*$  and  $\omega_i$  open ball in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } T(X) \cap V \neq \emptyset &\Leftrightarrow \exists x \in X : T_x \in V \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists x \in X : T_x(f_i) = f_i(x) \in \omega_i, \forall i=1, \dots, k \end{aligned}$$

Define  $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^k$  by

$$x \mapsto \varphi(x) = (f_i(x))_{i=1}^k$$

$\Rightarrow \varphi$  is linear and continuous. Then the fact

$$\exists x \in X : f_i(x) \in \omega_i, \forall i=1, \dots, k$$

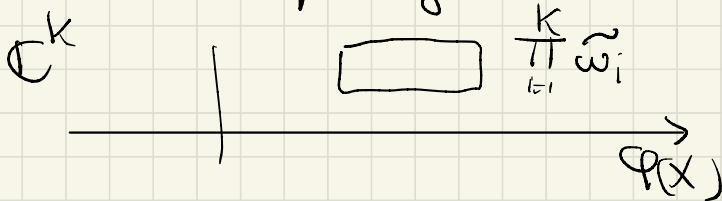
$$\Leftrightarrow \exists x \in X : \varphi(x) \in \prod_{i=1}^k \omega_i.$$

Assume by contradiction that

$$\varphi(X) \cap \prod_{i=1}^k \omega_i = \emptyset.$$

closed subspace of  $\mathbb{C}^k$

open, convex





By the Hahn-Banach theorem,  $\exists \beta \in \mathbb{C}^k$  s.t.

$$\underbrace{\beta \cdot \varphi(x)}_{\sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i f_i(x)} < \underbrace{\beta \cdot y}_{\sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i y_i}$$

$$\forall x \in X, \forall y = (y_i) \in \prod_{i=1}^k \omega_i$$

This implies that  $\beta \cdot \varphi(x) = 0, \forall x \in X$   
and  $\beta \cdot y > 0, \forall y \in \prod_{i=1}^k \omega_i$ .

From  $\beta \cdot \varphi(x) = 0, \forall x \in X$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i f_i(x) = 0, \forall x \in X$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\left( \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i f_i \right)}_{X^*}(x) = 0, \forall x \in X$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i f_i = 0 \quad \text{in } X^*.$$

Because  $V \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow \exists \xi \in V: \xi(\beta_i) \in \omega_i, \forall i$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i \xi(f_i) > 0 \quad \text{contradiction}$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists \left( \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i f_i \right) > 0 \sim \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i f_i = 0.$$

The conclusion " $T(\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_X})$  is dense in  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^{**}}}$ " is left as an exercise.

Conclusion of (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i)

The mapping  $T: X \rightarrow X^{**}$  is continuous from the weak topology in  $X$  to the weak\* topology in  $X^{**}$ .

For example, if  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $X$

$$\Rightarrow f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x), \forall f \in X^*$$

$$\Rightarrow T_{x_n}(f) \rightarrow T_x(f), \forall f \in X^*$$

$$\Rightarrow T_{x_n} \xrightarrow{*} T_x \text{ in } X^{**}$$

More generally, we prove that if  $V$  is open in  $X^{**}$  with the weak\* topology, then  $T^{-1}(V)$  is open in  $X$  with the weak topology.

In fact, by definition of the weak\* topology,

$$V = \bigcup_{\text{arbitrary finite}} \left\{ \xi \in X^{**} : \xi(f) \in \omega \right\}$$

$\downarrow$   
 $p \in X^*$

$\downarrow$   
 open  
 in  $\mathbb{C}$

Then

$$T^{-1}(V) = \bigcup_{\text{arbitrary}} \bigcap_{\text{finite}} T^{-1} \left\{ \xi \in X^{**} : \begin{array}{l} f \in X^* \\ \uparrow \\ \xi(f) \in \omega \end{array} \right\}$$

By definition of the weak topology in  $X$ , we can conclude that  $T^{-1}(V)$  is open if  $\forall f \in X^*$  and  $\forall \omega$  open in  $\mathbb{C}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & T^{-1} \left\{ \xi \in X^{**} : \xi(f) \in \omega \right\} \text{ is open} \\ &= \left\{ x \in X : T_x(f) \in \omega \right\} \\ &= \left\{ x \in X : f(x) \in \omega \right\} \\ &= f^{-1}(\omega) \quad \left[ \text{this is open in } X, \text{ in both} \right. \\ & \quad \left. \text{strong \& weak topologies} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Now (ii), we know that  $\overline{B(0,1)}$  is compact in the weak topology. And since

$$T: (X, \sigma(X, X^*)) \longrightarrow (X^{**}, \sigma(X^{**}, X^*))$$

continuous

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow T(\overline{B(0,1)}) & \text{ is compact in } (X^{**}, \sigma(X^{**}, X^*)) \\ \Rightarrow T(\overline{B(0,1)}) & \text{ is closed in } (X^{**}, \sigma(X^{**}, X^*)) \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, by Goldstine lemma,  $T(\overline{B(0,1)})$  is dense in  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^{**}}}$  with the weak\* topology. Thus:

$$T(\overline{B(0,1)}) = \overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^{**}}}$$

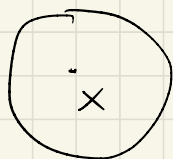
$$\Rightarrow T(X) = X^{**}$$

$\Rightarrow X$  is reflexive.

The proof of (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i).

The direction from (iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) or (i) is more difficult and left as an exercise.  $\square$

Remark: In general, a compact set in a topological space is not necessarily closed. However, this is OK for Hausdorff spaces.



$U_x$



$U_y$

$\forall x \neq y$   
 $\exists U_x, U_y$  open

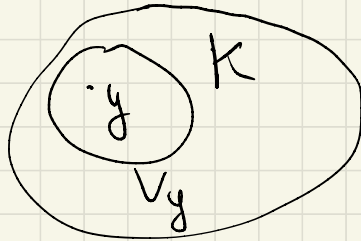
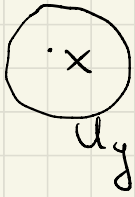
$x \in U_x$

$y \in U_y$

$U_x \cap U_y = \emptyset$

Lemma: Let  $X$  be a Hausdorff topological space. Then any compact set in  $X$  is closed.

Proof: Let  $K \subset X$  be a compact set. We prove that  $X \setminus K$  is open. Take  $x \in X \setminus K$  and find an open set  $U$ :  $x \in U \subset X \setminus K$ .



$\forall y \in K$  then  $x \neq y$ . Since  $X$  is Hausdorff,  $\exists U_y$  and  $V_y$  open sets such that

$$x \in U_y, \quad y \in V_y, \quad U_y \cap V_y = \emptyset.$$

Then: 
$$K = \bigcup_{y \in K} \{y\} \subset \bigcup_{y \in K} V_y \leftarrow \text{open}$$

Since  $K$  is compact,  $\exists$  finite sets

$$K \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^m V_{y_i}$$

Define  $U = \bigcap_{i=1}^m U_{y_i}$ . Then  $U$  is open

and  $x \in U$ ,  $U \cap K = \emptyset$  i.e.  $U \subset X \setminus K_0$

Theorem: Let  $X$  be a Banach space. Then  
 $X$  is reflexive  $\Leftrightarrow X^*$  is reflexive.

Proof: " $\Rightarrow$ " Assume that  $X$  is reflexive. Then on  $X^*$ , the weak and weak\* topology are the same. But by the Banach Alaoglu theorem,  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^*}}$  is weakly\* compact. Thus  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^*}}$  is weakly compact. Then  $X^*$  is reflexive by Kakutani theorem.

Remark: There is a "fast proof"  $(X^{**})^*$   
 $X$  reflexive  $\Rightarrow X = X^{**} \Rightarrow X^* = X^{***} = (X^*)^{**}$   
 $\Rightarrow X^*$  is reflexive. (?)

" $\Leftarrow$ " Assume  $X^*$  is reflexive. Then on  $X^*$ , the weak and the weak\* topology are the same.

We know that  $T: X \rightarrow X^{**}$ ,  $T_x(f) = f(x)$ ,  $\forall f \in X^*$  is a linear map and  $T(X)$  is dense in  $X^{**}$

with the weak\* topology by Goldstine Lemma.  
Then  $T(X)$  is dense in  $X^{**}$  with the weak topology. (why?)

However,  $T(X)$  is convex, closed in the strong topology. Then by Mazur Lemma,  $T(X)$  is closed in the weak topology. Thus  $T(X) = X^{**}$ , i.e.  $X$  is a reflexive space.

Exercise: Let  $X$  be a Banach space.

Prove that  $T(X)$  is closed in  $X^{**}$  with the strong topology.

Remark: If  $X$  is not reflexive, then:  
$$X \cong T(X) = \widehat{X} \subsetneq X^{**} \cong \widehat{X^{**}} \subsetneq X^{****}$$

↓  
not reflexive

Exercise: Let  $X$  be a Banach space. Let  $M$  be a closed subspace of  $X$ . Prove that if  $X$  is reflexive, then  $M$  is reflexive.

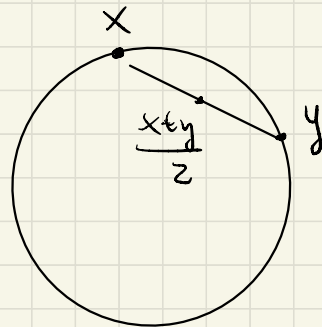
Exercise: Let  $X$  be a Banach reflexive space. Let  $A \subset X$  be a convex, closed set in the strong topology. Prove that  $A$  is compact in the weak topology.

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Def (Uniformly convex spaces)

Let  $X$  be a Banach space. Then  $X$  is uniformly convex if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  s.t.

$$\sup_{\|x\| \leq 1, \|y\| \leq 1, \|x-y\| \geq \varepsilon} \left\| \frac{x+y}{2} \right\| \leq 1 - \delta$$



Note: By the triangle inequality, we only know that  $\|x\| \leq 1$ .



Examples.  $\mathbb{R}^d$  with  $|x| = \sqrt{\sum |x_i|^2}$ ,  $x = (x_i)_{i=1}^d$

is uniformly convex for all  $d \geq 2$ .

•  $\mathbb{R}^d$  with  $|x|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i|$ ,  $x = (x_i)_{i=1}^d$

or  $|x|_\infty = \max_{1 \leq i \leq d} |x_i|$

is not uniform convex.

•  $\ell^p(\mathbb{N})$  is uniformly convex if  $1 < p < \infty$

& not uniformly convex if  $p=1$  or  $p=\infty$

Theorem (Milman - Pettis) Let  $X$  be a Banach space. If  $X$  is uniformly convex, then  $X$  is reflexive.

Remark: Note that the uniform convexity is a geometric property of the norm, i.e. it might happen that  $(X, \|\cdot\|_1)$ ,  $(X, \|\cdot\|_2)$  are equivalent but  $\|\cdot\|_1$  is uniform convex while  $\|\cdot\|_2$  is not.

On the other hand, the reflexive property is

a topological property, i.e. if  $(X, \|\cdot\|_1)$  and  $(X, \|\cdot\|_2)$  are equivalent, then  $(X, \|\cdot\|_1)$  is reflexive  $\Leftrightarrow (X, \|\cdot\|_2)$  is reflexive.

Remark: There are examples of reflexive spaces s.t.  $\nexists$  equivalent norm that is uniformly convex.

Proof: Recall:  $T: X \rightarrow X^{**}$ ,

$$T_x(f) = f(x), \quad \forall x \in X, \quad \forall f \in X^*$$

We need to prove  $T(X) = X^{**}$ . Take  $\zeta \in X^{**}$  and we find  $x \in X$  s.t.  $\zeta = T_x$ . Assume  $\|\zeta\|_{X^{**}} = 1$

Claim:  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists x_\varepsilon \in X$  s.t.  $\|x_\varepsilon\| \leq 1$  and  $\|\zeta - T_{x_\varepsilon}\|_{X^{**}} \leq \varepsilon$ .

Define:  $\delta = \delta_\varepsilon = \inf_{\substack{\|x\|, \|y\| \leq 1 \\ \|x-y\| \geq \varepsilon}} \left( 1 - \left\| \frac{x+y}{2} \right\|_X \right) > 0$ .

By def,  $1 = \|\zeta\|_{X^{**}} = \sup_{\|f\|_{X^*} \leq 1} |\zeta(f)| = \sup_{\|f\|_{X^*} = 1} |\zeta(f)|$

$\Rightarrow \exists f \in X^*, \|f\|_{X^*} = 1, |\zeta(f)| \geq 1 - \frac{\delta}{2}$

Define:

$$\begin{aligned}\zeta \in V &= \{ \eta \in X^{**} : |\eta(f) - \zeta(f)| < \delta/2 \} \\ &= T_f^{-1} \left( B_{\mathbb{C}} \left( \zeta(f), \frac{\delta}{2} \right) \right), \quad T_f: X^* \rightarrow (X^*)^{**} \\ &\quad T_f(\eta) = \eta(f)\end{aligned}$$

Since  $T_f$  is continuous from  $X^{**}$  with weak\* topology to  $\mathbb{C} \Rightarrow V$  is open in  $X^{**}$  with weak\* topology. Moreover, we know that  $T(X)$  is dense in  $X^{**}$  with weak\* topology

$$\Rightarrow V \cap T(X) \neq \emptyset$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists x \in X : |T_x(f) - \zeta(f)| < \delta/2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow |f(x) - \zeta(f)| < \delta/2.$$

Actually, we can take  $\|x\| \leq 1$  since  $T(\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_X})$  is dense in  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^{**}}}$ .

We claim that  $\|T_x - \zeta\|_{X^{**}} \leq \varepsilon$ . Assume that  $\|T_x - \zeta\|_{X^{**}} > \varepsilon$ . Thus,  $\zeta \in \overline{B(T_x, \varepsilon)}^c_{X^{**}}$ .

Exercise:  $B(T_x, \varepsilon) \|\cdot\|_{X^{**}}$  is closed in  $X^{**}$  with the weak\* topology.

Thus:  $\underbrace{\xi \in V}_{\text{open}} \cap \underbrace{\left( \overline{B(T_x, \varepsilon) \|\cdot\|_{X^{**}}} \right)^c}_{\text{open}}$  open in  $X^{**}$  with the weak\* topology

$\Rightarrow V \cap \left( \overline{B(T_x, \varepsilon) \|\cdot\|_{X^{**}}} \right)^c \cap \underbrace{T(X)}_{\text{dense in } X^{**}} \neq \emptyset$

$\Rightarrow \exists y: T_y \in V \cap \left( \overline{B(T_x, \varepsilon) \|\cdot\|_{X^{**}}} \right)^c$

i.e.  $|f(y) - \xi(f)| < \delta/2$  and

$$\|T_y - T_x\|_{X^{**}} > \varepsilon \quad (\Leftrightarrow \|x - y\|_X > \varepsilon)$$

And we can also take  $\|y\|_X \leq 1$ . In summary,

$$\exists x, y \in X: \|x\|, \|y\| \leq 1, \exists f \in X^*, \|f\|=1$$

$$|f(x) - \xi(f)| < \frac{\delta}{2}, \quad |f(y) - \xi(f)| < \frac{\delta}{2}$$

$$\text{and } \|x - y\|_X > \varepsilon, \quad |\xi(f)| > 1 - \frac{\delta}{2}$$

$$|f(x) - \xi(p)| < \frac{\delta}{2}, \quad |f(y) - \xi(p)| < \frac{\delta}{2}$$

$$\text{and } \|x - y\|_X > \varepsilon, \quad |\xi(p)| > 1 - \frac{\delta}{2}$$

Consequently:

$$2\left(1 - \frac{\delta}{2}\right) < 2|\xi(p)| \leq |f(x) - \xi(p)| + |f(y) - \xi(p)| + |f(x) + f(y)|$$

$$< \delta + |f(x+y)| \leq \delta + \underbrace{\|f\|}_{=1} \|x+y\|$$

$$\Rightarrow \|x+y\| > 2 - 2\delta$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\| \frac{x+y}{2} \right\| > 1 - \delta \Leftrightarrow \delta > 1 - \left\| \frac{x+y}{2} \right\|$$

However, this contradicts the fact that

$$\delta = \inf_{\substack{\|x'\|, \|y'\| \leq 1 \\ \|x' - y'\| \geq \varepsilon}} \left\{ 1 - \left\| \frac{x'+y'}{2} \right\| \right\}$$

Thus  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists x \in X, \|x\| \leq 1, \|\mathbb{T}_x - \xi\|_{X^{**}} \leq \varepsilon$ .

Since  $T(\overline{B(0,1)})$  is closed in  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^{**}}}$  with the strong topology and we have proved that  $T(\overline{B(0,1)})$  is dense in  $\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^{**}}}$

$$\leadsto T(\overline{B(0,1)}) = \overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_{X^{**}}}$$

$$\leadsto \exists x_{\xi} \in \overline{B(0,1)} \text{ r.t. } Tx_{\xi} = \xi.$$

Exercise. Prove that  $T(\overline{B(0,1)}^{\|\cdot\|_X})$  is closed in  $X^{**}$  with the strong topology. (Hint:  $\|Tx\|_{X^{**}} = \|x\|_X$  &  $X$  is Banach space)

Exercise. Let  $X$  be a uniformly convex Banach space. Then TFAE:

(i)  $x_n \rightarrow x$  strongly in  $X$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

(ii)  $x_n \rightarrow x$  weakly in  $X$  and  $\|x_n\| \rightarrow \|x\|$ .

Exercise: Let  $X$  be a Banach space. Prove

that TFAE: (i)  $X$  is uniformly convex.

(ii)  $\forall$  sequences  $\{x_n\}, \{y_n\}$ , if  $\|x_n\| \leq 1, \|y_n\| \leq 1$  and  $\|\frac{x_n + y_n}{2}\| \rightarrow 1$ , then  $\|x_n - y_n\| \rightarrow 0$ .