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# Preface

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# Chapter 1

## Functional analysis and main functional spaces

### 1.1 Banach-Steinhaus theorems

**Theorem 1.1.1 (Banach-Steinhaus)** *Let  $E$  be a Banach space and  $F$  a normed space. Let  $\{T_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  be a family of operators in  $\mathcal{L}(E, F)$ . Assume that for all  $x \in E$   $\{T_\alpha(x)\}$  is bounded in  $F$ . Then  $\sup_{\alpha \in A} \|T_\alpha\|_{\mathcal{L}(E, F)} < \infty$ .*

PROOF: Define sets  $X_n = \{x \in E; \forall \alpha \in A \|T_\alpha(x)\| \leq n\}$ . Each  $X_n$  is closed as an intersection of  $T_\alpha^{-1}(cl(B_F(0, n)))$  over all  $\alpha \in A$ . However  $E = \bigcup_n X_n$ . Hence by Baire's category theorem at least one of the sets  $X_n$  has non-empty interior, say  $X_{n_0}$ . So  $B(x_0, r) \subset X_{n_0}$  for some  $x_0 \in E$  and  $r > 0$ . For every  $x \in B(x_0, r)$  we have  $\|T_\alpha(x)\| \leq n$ . From this follows that for every  $\|x\| \leq 1$  and  $\alpha \in A$   $\|T_\alpha(x)\| = \|T_\alpha(\frac{1}{r}(rx + x_0 - x_0))\| \leq \frac{1}{r}\|T_\alpha(rx + x_0)\| + \frac{1}{r}\|T_\alpha(x_0)\| \leq \frac{1}{r}n + \frac{1}{r}\|T_\alpha(x_0)\|$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 1.1.2** *Let  $\{T_n\}$  be a sequence of operators in  $\mathcal{L}(E, F)$  converging pointwise. Then  $T_n(x) \rightarrow f(x)$  and*

- (i)  $\sup_n \|T_n\| < \infty$
- (ii)  $f(x) = T(x)$  and  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E, F)$
- (iii)  $\|T\|_{\mathcal{L}(E, F)} \leq \liminf_n \|T_n\|_{\mathcal{L}(E, F)}$ .

PROOF: (i) For all  $x$   $\{T_n(x)\}$  is bounded hence by the Banach-Steinhaus theorem we have  $\sup_n \|T_n\| < \infty$ .

(ii) Define  $f(x) = T(x)$ . Linearity follows from properties of limits. Let  $\|x\| \leq 1$ . For every  $n$  we have  $\|T_n(x)\| \leq \|T_n\| \cdot \|x\|$ . Notice that  $\|T\| \leq \sup_n \|T_n\|$ .

(iii) Notice that  $\|T\| \leq \sup_{n \geq N} \|T_n\|$  and take a sequence of operators  $T_n$  converging to  $\liminf_n \|T_n\|$ . Since the left hand-side does not depend on  $N$  we obtain the claim.  $\square$

**Corollary 1.1.3** *Let  $E$  be just a normed space. Let  $A \subset E$  be such that  $\forall T \in E^* T(A)$  is bounded. Then  $A$  is bounded.*

PROOF: Use the Banach-Steinhaus theorem to  $E^*$  and the set  $\{J(x)\}_{x \in A} \subset \mathcal{L}(E^*, \mathbb{R}) = E^{**}$ . For every  $S$  We have  $|J(x)(S)| = |S(x)|$  which is bounded for every  $x$ . So  $J(x)$  is bounded but  $J$  is an isometry (see proceeding sections for the exact definition of  $J$ ).  $\square$

## 1.2 Banach theorem of open mapping, closed graph

**Theorem 1.2.1** (*Open mapping theorem*) *Let  $E, F$  be two Banach spaces. If  $T : E \rightarrow F$  is linear, continuous and surjective, then  $T$  is open, i.e. for an open set  $U \subset E$  the set  $T(U)$  is open in  $F$ .*

PROOF: First notice that it is enough to prove that there exists an  $r > 0$  such that  $T(B(0, 1)) \supset B(0, r)$ . We will show that  $cl(T(B(0, 1))) \supset B(0, r)$ . Define the sets  $A_n = cl(T(B(0, n)))$ . Notice that  $\bigcup_n A_n = F$ . By the Baire's category theorem some of the  $A_n$  has a non-empty interior. But since  $A_n = n \cdot cl(T(B(0, 1)))$  we obtain that  $cl(T(B(0, 1))) \supset B(y_0, 2r)$  for some  $y_0 \in F$  and  $r > 0$ . Since  $cl(T(B(0, 1)))$  is symmetric it also contains the point  $-y_0$ . So  $B(0, 2r) \subset cl(T(B(0, 1))) + cl(T(B(0, 1)))$ . By convexity  $cl(T(B(0, 1))) + cl(T(B(0, 1))) = 2cl(T(B(0, 1)))$ . Using a simple scaling argument we have  $B(0, r) \subset cl(T(B(0, 1)))$ .

We know now that  $cl(T(B(0, 1))) \supset B(0, 2l)$  for some  $l > 0$ . We will show that  $T(B(0, 1)) \supset B(0, l)$ . Fix  $y \in F$ ,  $\|y\| < l$ . We want to show that  $y = T(x_0)$  for some  $\|x_0\| < 1$ . For every  $\epsilon > 0$  there is a  $z \in E$  with  $\|z\| < \frac{1}{2}$  such that  $\|y - Tz\| < \epsilon$ . In particular take  $\epsilon = \frac{l}{2}$ . There exists  $z_1$  with  $\|z_1\| < \frac{1}{2}$  such that  $\|y - Tz_1\| < \frac{l}{2}$ . There exists  $z_2$  with  $\|z_2\| < \frac{1}{4}$  such that  $\|y - Tz_1 - Tz_2\| < \frac{l}{4}$ , for  $\|4(y - Tz_1) - Tw\| < r$  for some  $w$ ,  $\|w\| < 1$  and set  $z_2 = \frac{w}{4}$ . Continue this procedure. There exists a  $z_n$  with  $\|z_n\| < \frac{1}{2^n}$  such that  $\|y - T(z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_n)\| < \frac{l}{2^n}$ . Let  $x_n = z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_n$ . We have  $\|y - T(x_n)\| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  which means  $T(x_n) \rightarrow y$  and by continuity of  $T$  we have  $T(x_n) \rightarrow T(x_0)$  where  $x_n \rightarrow x_0$ . Thus  $T(x_0) = y$ .  $\square$

There are three major classical consequences of this theorem.

**Corollary 1.2.2** *Let  $E, F$  be two Banach spaces and let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E, F)$ . If  $T$  is invertible then  $T^{-1} \in \mathcal{L}(F, E)$ .*

**Corollary 1.2.3** *If  $(E, \|\cdot\|)$  and  $(E, \|\cdot\|_1)$  are Banach spaces and there is a constant  $C > 0$  such that for all  $x \in E$  we have  $\|x\| \leq C\|x\|_1$ , then  $\|\cdot\|$  and  $\|\cdot\|_1$  are equivalent.*

**Corollary 1.2.4** (Closed Graph theorem) *If  $T : E \rightarrow F$  is a linear map between Banach spaces  $E, F$  then  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E, F)$  if and only if  $\text{Graph}(T) = \{(x, Tx); x \in E\}$  is closed in  $E \times F$ .*

### 1.3 Weak topologies and weak convergence, weak-\* topologies and weak-\* convergence, Mazur's theorem, the separation theorems (geometrical form of Hahn-Banach)

Let  $E$  be a normed space (does not have to be Banach). We can also consider  $E^*$  - the dual of  $E$ . We can define the second dual  $E^{**} = (E^*)^*$ . We say that  $\phi \in E^{**}$  if  $\phi \in \mathcal{L}(E^*, \mathbb{R})$ . There is a particular class of elements of  $E^{**}$ .

There exists a natural embedding  $J : E \rightarrow E^{**}$  defined as  $J(x)(T) = T(x)$ . The mapping  $J$  turns out to be linear and continuous. What is its norm? We have  $|J(x)(T)| = |T(x)| \leq \|T\| \cdot \|x\|$  so  $\|J(x)\| \leq \|x\|$ . By the Hahn-Banach theorem we have  $\|J(x)\| = \|x\|$ . Hence  $J$  is an isometry onto its image.

**Definition 1.3.1** *We call a space  $E$  reflexive if  $J(E) = E^{**}$ .*

Of course, not all spaces are reflexive. Consider  $c_0$ . We know that  $(c_0)^* = \ell_1$ ,  $(\ell_1)^* = \ell^\infty$ . So  $c_0^{**} = \ell^\infty$ . However every finitely dimensional space  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is reflexive.

**Definition 1.3.2** *We say that  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $E$  (converges weakly) if and only if for every  $T \in E^*$  we have  $T(x_n) \rightarrow T(x)$ . We say that  $T_n \xrightarrow{*} T$  in  $E^*$  (converges weakly-\*) if and only if for every  $x \in E$  we have  $T_n(x) \rightarrow T(x)$ .*

Notice that the weak-\* convergence is essentially the pointwise convergence. By the above definition we can equip  $E^*$  with three types of convergence:

- strong  $T_n \rightarrow T$  if  $\|T_n - T\| \rightarrow 0$

- weak  $T_n \rightharpoonup T$  if for all  $\phi \in E^{**}$  we have  $\phi(T_n) \rightarrow \phi(T)$
- weak-\*  $T_n \xrightarrow{*} T$  if for all  $x \in E$  we have  $T_n(x) \rightarrow T(x)$ .

**Lemma 1.3.3** *In any normed space we have:*

- (i) *strong convergence implies weak convergence*
- (ii) *strong convergence implies weak-\* convergence*
- (iii) *weak convergence implies weak-\* convergence*
- (iv) *no converse implication in general is true.*

PROOF: (i) If  $x_n \rightarrow x$  then  $|T(x_n) - T(x)| \leq \|T\| \cdot \|x_n - x\| \rightarrow 0$  so  $T(x_n) \rightarrow T(x)$ . This is true for every  $T$ .

(ii) Let  $T_n \rightarrow T$  in  $E^*$ . For all  $x \in E$  we have  $|T_n(x) - T(x)| \leq \|T_n - T\| \cdot \|x\| \rightarrow 0$ .

(iii) Notice that  $T_n \xrightarrow{*} T$  is a special case of weak convergence since  $J(x) \in E^{**}$ . Notice that the weak convergence is the weak-\* convergence if  $E$  is reflexive.

(iv) Consider the sequence  $e_n \in c_0$ . We claim that  $e_n \rightharpoonup 0$ . However clearly  $\|e_n\| = 1$ , so no strong convergence is possible. Let  $T \in c_0^*$ . Then  $T$  can be identified with  $\{y_1, y_2, \dots\}$  in  $\ell^1$ . We have  $T(e_n) = y_n \rightarrow 0$ .

Take now  $c_0^*$  and take  $T_n$  such that  $T_n(x) = x_n$  for  $x \in c_0$ . We claim that  $T_n \xrightarrow{*} 0$  but  $T_n$  does not converge strongly. Indeed, for all  $x \in E$  we have  $T_n(x) = x_n \rightarrow 0$ , however  $\|T_n\| = 1$ . Also  $T_n$  does not converge weakly to 0, for take  $\phi \in (\ell^1)^*$  such that  $\phi(\{y_n\}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n$ . Then  $\phi(T_n) = 1$ .  $\square$

What are the properties of weak and weak-\* limits?

**Lemma 1.3.4** *The weak and weak-\* limits have the following properties*

- (i) *the weak and weak-\* limits are unique*
- (ii) *if  $x_n \rightharpoonup x$  then  $\|x\| \leq \liminf \|x_n\|$*
- (iii) *if  $E$  is a Banach space and  $T_n \xrightarrow{*} T$  then  $\|T\| \leq \liminf \|T_n\|$ .*

PROOF: (i) Let  $x_n \rightharpoonup x$ ,  $x_n \rightharpoonup y$ . For every  $T \in E^*$  we have  $T(x_n) \rightarrow T(x)$  and  $T(x_n) \rightarrow T(y)$ , so  $T(x) = T(y)$ . By the Hahn-Banach theorem we have  $x = y$ . Assume now  $T_n \xrightarrow{*} T$  and  $T_n \xrightarrow{*} S$ . For every  $x \in E$  we have  $T(x) = S(x)$  so  $T = S$ .

(iii) Has already been proved, follows from the Banach-Steinhaus theorem.

(ii) Let  $x_n \rightharpoonup x$  in  $E$ . By definition this means that  $J(x_n) \xrightarrow{*} J(x)$  in  $E^{**}$ . By (iii) we obtain  $\|J(x)\| \leq \liminf \|J(x_n)\|$ . Since  $J$  is an isometry between Banach spaces we are done.  $\square$

All three types of convergence come from different topologies on  $E$  and  $E^*$ .

**Definition 1.3.5** *Let  $E$  be a normed space. The weak topology on  $E$  is the smallest<sup>1</sup> topology such that each  $T \in E^*$  is continuous. The weak-\* topology on  $E^*$  is the smallest topology such that every  $J(x)$  is continuous.*

Let  $\mathcal{O}$  be the smallest topology on  $E$  with respect to which every  $T \in E^*$  is still continuous. Notice that  $\forall T \in E^*$  and  $\epsilon > 0$  we have  $T^{-1}((-\epsilon, \epsilon)) \in \mathcal{O}$ . Furthermore for any finite collection  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n \in E^*$  and  $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \dots, \epsilon_n > 0$  we have

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^n T_i^{-1}((-\epsilon_i, \epsilon_i)) = \{x \in E; |T_i(x)| < \epsilon_i \quad \forall_i\} \in \mathcal{O}.$$

Also each set  $x_0 + U$ , where  $U$  is as above, is also an element of  $\mathcal{O}$ . Furthermore, arbitrary unions of sets as above are also in  $\mathcal{O}$ . This is a natural property of topology. In fact the weak topology is composed of sets as above. Moreover - sets being translations of  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n T_i^{-1}((-\epsilon_i, \epsilon_i))$  form a basis of neighborhoods of a point.

We can construct the weak-\* topology in a similar fashion.

**Theorem 1.3.6** *Let  $E$  be a normed space. Then*

(i) *the sequence  $x_n$  converges to  $x$  in the weak topology if and only if  $x_n \rightharpoonup x$*

(ii) *the sequence  $T_n \in E^*$  converges to  $T$  in the weak-\* topology if and only if  $T_n \xrightarrow{*} T$*

PROOF: (i) ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Take  $T \in E^*$ .  $T$  is continuous in the weak topology, and  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in the weak topology. Since  $T$  must be sequentially continuous we have  $T(x_n) \rightarrow T(x)$ . ( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $x_n \rightharpoonup x$ . Take  $x \in U \in \mathcal{O}$ . Then  $U$  must contain a basis set  $V = \bigcap_{i=1}^n T_i^{-1}((-\epsilon_i, \epsilon_i))$  for some  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n \in E^*$  and  $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \dots, \epsilon_n > 0$ . Since  $T_i(x_n) \rightarrow T_i(x)$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , there is an  $M > 0$  such that  $\forall n > M$   $|T_i(x_n) - T_i(x)| < \min \epsilon_i$  so for all  $n > M$  we have  $x_n \in V$  which means  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in the weak topology.

(ii) by analogy. □

**Lemma 1.3.7** *The weak and weak-\* topologies are Hausdorff.*

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<sup>1</sup>We say "smallest" in the sense that it should contain as few open sets as possible.

**PROOF:** Take  $x \neq y \in E$ . By Hahn-Banach theorem there exists  $T \in E^*$  such that  $T(x) < \alpha < T(y)$ . Let  $U = T^{-1}(-\infty, \alpha)$  and  $V = T^{-1}(\alpha, \infty)$ . Then  $x \in U$ ,  $y \in V$ . Notice that  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ .

Assume that  $T \neq S \in E^*$ . There exists an  $x \in E$  such that  $T(x) \neq S(x)$ . Assume  $T(x) < \alpha < S(x)$ . Let  $U = J(x)^{-1}(-\infty, \alpha)$  and  $V = J(x)^{-1}(\alpha, \infty)$ . We have  $T \in U$ ,  $S \in V$  and  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ .  $\square$

**Remark 1.3.8** In a finitely dimensional space all three topologies coincide.

**Example 1.3.9** Consider the set  $S = \{x \in E; \|x\| = 1\}$ . If  $E$  is infinitely dimensional then  $S$  is never closed in the weak topology. However the closure of  $S$  in the weak topology is the whole ball  $\bar{B} = \{x \in E; \|x\| \leq 1\}$ .

First notice that  $cl(S) \subset cl(B)$  because  $cl(B)$  is weakly closed as it is strongly closed. Take  $x_0 \notin cl(B)$ . By the Hahn-Banach theorem there is a  $T \in E^*$  such that  $\|T\| = 1$  and  $Tx_0 = \|x_0\| > 1$ . However  $\forall x \in cl(B)$   $|T(x)| \leq 1$  so the set  $T^{-1}((1, +\infty))$  contains  $x_0$ , is open in the weak topology and is disjoint from  $cl(B)$ . To show the reverse inclusion,  $cl(S) \supset cl(B)$  take  $x_0 \in cl(B)$ . Let  $x_0 \in U \in \mathcal{O}$ . Indeed we have  $S \cap U \neq \emptyset$ . Certainly we also have  $U \supset x_0 + \bigcap_{i=1}^n T_i^{-1}((-\epsilon_i, \epsilon_i))$  for some  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n \in E^*$  and  $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \dots, \epsilon_n > 0$ . Since  $E$  is infinitely dimensional there exists  $y_0 \in E \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $\forall_i T_i(y_0) = 0$  (otherwise  $x \mapsto (T_1(x), T_2(x), \dots, T_n(x))$  would be an isomorphism). Notice that  $x_0 + \mathbb{R}y_0 \subset U$ . Consider the function  $t \mapsto \|x_0 + ty\|$ . This map is continuous hence there exists a  $t$  such that  $\|x_0 + ty\| = 1$ .

If  $E$  is a normed infinitely dimensional space then every bounded subset of  $E$  cannot be weakly open. In particular it has an empty interior with respect to the weak topology.

**Corollary 1.3.10** *The weak topology on an infinitely dimensional space is not metrizable*

**PROOF:** Let  $E$  be a normed space. Assume that there is a metric  $d$  on  $E$ , such that  $(E, d)$  gives the weak topology. Consider  $B_n = B(0, \frac{1}{n})$  in  $(E, d)$ . Each  $B_n$  is weakly open, so it has to be unbounded in  $(E, \|\cdot\|)$ . Thus  $\forall n \exists x_n \in B_n$   $\|x_n\| \geq n$ . Notice that  $x_n \rightarrow 0$  in  $(E, d)$  so  $x_n \rightharpoonup 0$ , but  $\{x_n\}$  is unbounded in  $(E, \|\cdot\|)$  which gives a contradiction.  $\square$

In general weak closedness implies strong closedness but not vice-versa.

**Theorem 1.3.11** *In a normed space, a convex set is weakly closed if and only if it is strongly closed.*

**PROOF:** Notice first that weak closedness implies strong closedness as it is true for every set. Let  $A \subset E$  be closed and convex. Assume that there exist a  $T \in E^*$  and  $\alpha > 0$  such that for every  $x \in A$   $Tx < \alpha < Tx_0$ . Take  $U = T^{-1}(\alpha, +\infty)$ . We have  $x_0 \in U$ ,  $U$  is weakly open and  $U \subset E \setminus A$ .  $\square$

So, why does such a functional exist? This is essentially the core of the First Separation theorem. Before we prove it, we notice an interesting corollary following from the previous theorem.

**Corollary 1.3.12** (*Mazur's theorem*) *Let  $x_n \rightharpoonup x$  in a normed space. Then there exists a sequence of convex combinations of  $x_n$  such that it converges strongly to  $x$ .*

**PROOF:** Take the set  $A = cl(conv\{x_1, x_2, \dots\})$  where the closure is taken in the strong topology.  $A$  is a strongly closed and convex set hence it is also weakly closed. Since  $x_n \rightharpoonup x$  and  $x_n \in A$  we have  $x \in A$  thus it can be approximated by elements of  $A$  which are finite convex combinations of elements of  $\{x_n\}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 1.3.13** (*First Separation theorem*) *Let  $E$  be a normed space,  $A \subset E$  a convex and closed or open set,  $x_0 \in E \setminus A$ . There exists a  $T \in E^*$  such that for all  $x \in A$   $T(x) < T(x_0)$  in the case when  $A$  is open. If  $A$  is closed there exists a  $T \in E^*$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  such that for all  $x \in A$  we have  $T(x) < \alpha < T(x_0)$ .*

To prove the theorem we will need the following lemma.

**Lemma 1.3.14** *Let  $A$  be an open and convex set with  $0 \in A$ . Define  $p : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  as  $p(x) = \inf\{\alpha > 0; \frac{x}{\alpha} \in A\}$ . Then*

- (i)  $p$  is a Banach functional
- (ii) there exists an  $M$  such that for all  $x \in E$   $0 \leq p(x) \leq M\|x\|$
- (iii)  $A = \{x \in E; p(x) < 1\}$ .

**PROOF:** (of lemma) (ii) Since  $A$  is open and  $0 \in A$  there is an  $r > 0$  such that  $B(0, r) \subset A$ . Thus  $\frac{x}{\|x\|} \cdot \frac{r}{2} \in A$  for any  $x \in E$ . We thus have  $0 \leq p(x) \leq \|x\| \cdot \frac{2}{r}$ . This shows that  $p$  is well-defined.

(iii) Let  $x \in A$ . Then also  $(1 + \epsilon)x \in A$  for some  $\epsilon > 0$ . Thus  $p(x) \leq \frac{1}{1+\epsilon} < 1$ . If  $p(x) < 1$  then there exists  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  such that  $\frac{x}{\alpha} \in A$ . Notice that  $x = \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{\alpha}x + (1 - \alpha) \cdot 0 \in A$  by convexity.

(i) For all  $\lambda \geq 0$  and all  $x \in E$  we have  $p(\lambda x) = \lambda p(x)$ . Also, fix some  $\epsilon > 0$  so that  $\frac{x}{p(x)+\epsilon}, \frac{y}{p(y)+\epsilon} \in A$ . We then have

$$\frac{x+y}{p(x)+p(y)+2\epsilon} = \frac{p(x)+\epsilon}{p(x)+p(y)+2\epsilon} \cdot \frac{x}{p(x)+\epsilon} + \frac{p(y)+\epsilon}{p(x)+p(y)+2\epsilon} \cdot \frac{y}{p(y)+\epsilon}.$$

Thus  $\frac{x+y}{p(x)+p(y)+2\epsilon} \in A$  and by (iii) we have  $p(x+y) \leq p(x)+p(y)+2\epsilon$ . Since  $\epsilon$  was chosen arbitrarily we get the claim.  $\square$

PROOF: (of the First Separation theorem) Let  $E$  be a normed space.

Case 1:  $A \subset E$ , convex, open and  $x_0 \notin A$ . We want to show that there exists a  $T \in E^*$  such that for all  $x \in A$   $T(x) < T(x_0)$ . Without loss of generality we can assume that  $0 \in A$ . Let  $E_0 = \mathbb{R}x_0$ . Define  $T_0 : E_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $T_0(tx_0) = tp(x_0)$ . Notice that  $T_0(x) \leq p(x)$ . So by the Hahn-Banach theorem there exists an extension  $T$  of  $T_0$  such that  $T(x) \leq p(x)$ . We claim that  $T \in E^*$ . Indeed, this is true because  $T(x) \leq p(x) \leq M\|x\|$  and  $-T(x) \leq p(-x) \leq M\|x\|$  thus  $|T(x)| \leq M\|x\|$ . Furthermore for every  $x \in A$  we have  $T(x) \leq p(x) < 1 \leq p(x_0) = T_0(x_0) = T(x_0)$  hence  $T(x) < T(x_0)$  for  $x \in A$ .

Case 2: Let  $A$  be convex and closed. Let  $x_0 \notin A$ . We want to show that there exists  $S \in E^*$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  such that for all  $x \in A$   $S(x) \leq \alpha < \beta \leq S(x_0)$ . Define  $A_\epsilon = A + B(0, \epsilon)$ . Notice that  $A_\epsilon$  is open and still convex. Notice that if  $\epsilon$  is small enough then  $x_0 \notin A_\epsilon$ . Otherwise we would have  $x_0 = a_n + w_n$  where  $a_n \in A$ ,  $w_n \in B(0, 1/n)$  so  $a_n = x_0 - w_n$  and  $a_n$  converges to an element of  $A$  as  $A$  is closed. The right hand-side converges to  $x_0 \notin A$ . Now, we use case 1 to get  $S \in E^*$  which separates  $A_{1/n}$  and  $x_0$ . Thus for every  $x \in A_{1/n}$  we have  $S(x) < 1 \leq S(x_0)$ . Notice that there exists a  $y_0 \in B(0, \epsilon)$  such that  $S(y_0) > 0$ . Now, for every  $x \in A$   $S(x) = S(x + y_0) - S(y_0) < 1 - S(y_0) < 1 \leq S(x_0)$ .  $\square$

In  $E$  we can distinguish between two topologies:  $\sigma(E)$ -strong topology,  $\sigma(E, E^*)$ -weak topology. The dual  $E^*$  may be endowed with the following topologies:  $\sigma(E^*)$  - strong topology,  $\sigma(E^*, E^{**})$ -weak topology,  $\sigma(E^*, E)$ -weak-\* topology. In general the topologies are different.

**Example 1.3.15** In  $E^*$ , take the closed hyperplane  $\phi^{-1}(0)$  for some  $\phi \in E^{**}$ . This is a strongly closed, convex set hence it is also weakly closed in  $E^*$ . However  $\phi^{-1}(0)$  is weak-\* closed if and only if  $\phi \in J(E)$ . So if  $E$  is not reflexive then this set may not be weak-\* closed.

## 1.4 Compactness and sequential compactness, the theorems of Banach-Alaoglu, Kakutani, Goldstine

For many application some compactness results are very useful. We know that in an infinitely dimensional space a closed unit ball is not compact with respect to the strong topology. However we may ask if the unit closed ball in  $E$  is weakly compact or if  $E$  is a dual of some space if the unit closed ball is weakly-\* compact?

**Theorem 1.4.1 (Banach-Alaoglu)** *The unit closed ball in  $E^*$  is weakly-\* compact.*

PROOF: Consider the space  $\mathbb{R}^E = \prod_{x \in E} \mathbb{R} = \{g : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$  with the product topology. Consider  $\Phi : (E^*, \sigma(E^*, E)) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^E$  given by  $\Phi(T) = T$ . Notice that  $\Phi$  is continuous, open and 1-1. So  $\Phi$  is a homeomorphism between  $E^*$  and  $\Phi(E^*)$ . Now, look at  $\Phi(cl(B_{E^*}))$ . We have  $\Phi(cl(B_{E^*})) = \Phi(E^*) \cap \prod_{x \in E} [-\|x\|, \|x\|]$ . This is because  $T \in cl(B_{E^*})$  if and only if  $|T(x)| \leq \|x\|$ . The goal to show that  $\Phi(E^*)$  is closed since by Tichonov's theorem  $\prod_{x \in E} [-\|x\|, \|x\|]$  is compact. Notice that  $g \in \Phi(E^*)$  if and only if for all  $x, y \in E$  we have  $g(x+y) - g(x) - g(y) = 0$  and if for all  $x \in E$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$   $g(\lambda x) - \lambda g(x) = 0$ . Fix  $x, y \in E$  and look at the set  $\{g \in \mathbb{R}^E : g(x+y) - g(x) - g(y) = 0\}$ . This is a closed set because the topology is such that evaluations are continuous. Since this is true for any  $x, y \in E$  so  $\bigcap_{x,y} \{g \in \mathbb{R}^E : g(x+y) - g(x) - g(y) = 0\}$  is also closed. Similarly  $\bigcap_{x \in E, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}} \{g \in \mathbb{R}^E : g(\lambda x) - \lambda g(x) = 0\}$ . Taking intersection of these two sets we obtain the claim.  $\square$

**Theorem 1.4.2 (Kakutani)** *Let  $E$  be a Banach space.  $cl(B_E)$  is weakly compact if and only if  $E$  is reflexive.*

PROOF: If  $E$  is reflexive then  $J(cl(B_E)) = cl(B_{E^{**}})$ . By the Banach-Alaoglu theorem  $cl(B_{E^{**}})$  is compact with respect to the weak-\* topology on  $E^{**}$ . Consider  $J^{-1} : (E^{**}, \sigma(E^*, E)) \rightarrow (E^{**}, \sigma(E, E^*))$ . If  $J^{-1}$  is continuous we are done. Take any  $T \in E^*$ . Consider  $(E^{**}, \sigma(E^*, E)) \xrightarrow{J^{-1}} (E, \sigma(E, E^*)) \xrightarrow{T} \mathbb{R}$ . The composition  $T \circ J^{-1}$  is continuous. From this follows continuity of  $J^{-1}$ . To prove the reverse implication we need an auxiliary result.  $\square$

**Theorem 1.4.3 (Goldstine)** *Let  $E$  be a Banach space. Then  $J(\text{cl}(B_E))$  is dense in  $\text{cl}(B_{E^{**}})$  with the weak-\* topology.*

**Remark 1.4.4** Notice that this image is closed in the strong topology. So it cannot be dense in the strong topology unless  $E$  is reflexive.

PROOF: (ot Goldstine's theorem) Take  $\phi \in \text{cl}(B_{E^{**}})$  and  $U = \{(\eta - \phi)(T_i) \mid \eta \in E^{**}; |\eta - \phi(T_i)| < \epsilon, i = 1, \dots, n\}$  for some  $T_1, \dots, T_n \in E^*$ . We want to show that there exists an  $x_\epsilon \in E$  so that for  $i = 1, \dots, n$   $|T_i(x_\epsilon) - \phi(T_i)| < \epsilon$  and  $x_\epsilon \in \text{cl}(B_E)$ . Suppose it is not true. Consider  $(T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n) : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ . Look at  $\phi(T_1), \phi(T_2), \dots, \phi(T_n)$ . At least one of the numbers is bigger than  $\epsilon$  thus this point is outside of the image of the ball. There exists  $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that for all  $x \in \text{cl}(B_E)$  we have  $\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i T_i(x) < \alpha < \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \phi(T_i)$ . Now  $\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \phi(T_i) = \phi(\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i T_i)$ . Since  $\|\phi\| \leq 1$  we have  $|\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i T_i(x)| \leq \|\phi\| \cdot \|\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i T_i\|$  and separation is not possible.  $\square$

PROOF: (continuation of the proof of Kakutani's theorem) Assume that  $\text{cl}(B_E)$  is weakly compact.  $J : E \rightarrow E^{**}$  is strongly continuous. This is equivalent to continuity in weak topologies. Hence  $J : (E, \sigma(E, E^*)) \rightarrow (E^{**}, \sigma(E^{**}, E))$  is continuous. Thus  $J(\text{cl}(B_E))$  is weak-\* compact. By Goldstine's theorem there must be  $J(\text{cl}(B_E)) = \text{cl}(B_{E^{**}})$ . So also  $J(E) = E^{**}$  by scaling.  $\square$

**Corollary 1.4.5** *Let  $E$  be reflexive. Let  $A \subset E$  be closed, convex and bounded. Then  $A$  is weakly compact.*

PROOF:  $A$  is closed and convex thus it must be weakly closed. Because it is bounded it is contained in some ball  $\text{cl}(B(0, r)) = r\text{cl}(B_E)$  which is weakly compact.  $\square$

**Corollary 1.4.6** *A Banach space  $E$  is reflexive if and only if  $E^*$  is reflexive.*

PROOF: Let  $E$  be reflexive. Consider  $\text{cl}(B_{E^*})$ , it is weakly-\* compact by the Banach-Alaoglu theorem. But  $E$  is reflexive so  $\text{cl}(B_{E^*})$  is also weakly compact. So  $E^*$  is reflexive.

If  $E^*$  is reflexive so is  $E^{**}$  (by the previous argument). Look at  $J(E)$ . It is a closed subspace of  $E^{**}$ . We use the fact that a closed subspace of a reflexive space is also reflexive and the fact that linear isometry preserves reflexivity.  $\square$

**Fact 1.4.7** A closed subspace of a reflexive Banach space is also reflexive.

PROOF: Let  $F \subset E$  be a closed subspace.  $cl(B_F) = F \cap cl(B_E)$ . Since  $cl(B_E)$  is weakly compact in  $E$  we know that  $cl(B_F)$  is weakly compact in  $E$ . Consider  $i : F \rightarrow E$ . This is a strongly continuous map so it is also continuous between weak topologies and for any open set in  $E$  its restriction to  $F$  is also open. Since  $\sigma(E, E^*)$  is a topology it is enough to check the inclusion on subbasis - sets of the form  $T^{-1}(-\epsilon, \epsilon)$ ,  $T \in F^*$ . By the Hahn-Banach theorem there is an  $S \in E^*$  such that  $S|_F = T$  and we have  $S^{-1}(-\epsilon, \epsilon) = T^{-1}(\epsilon, \epsilon)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 1.4.8** *Let  $E$  be a separable Banach space, then  $(B_{E^*}, \sigma(E^*, E))$  is metrizable.*

**Corollary 1.4.9** *Let  $E$  be separable. Then any bounded sequence  $T_n \in E^*$  must have a weakly-\* converging subsequence.*

PROOF: The proof follows from the Banach-Alaoglu theorem and the previous theorem. Since  $T_n$  is bounded, it is contained in some ball. So it is weak-\* compact but the weak-\* topology is metrizable hence  $T_n$  is also sequentially compact.  $\square$

## 1.5 Reflexivity, separability, uniform convexity of Banach spaces

**Theorem 1.5.1** *Let  $E$  be a Banach space. If  $E^*$  is separable then  $E$  is also separable.*

[PROOF]

**Theorem 1.5.2** *Let  $E$  be a Banach space. Then  $E$  is reflexive and separable if and only if  $E^*$  is reflexive and separable.*

PROOF: We already know that if  $E^*$  is reflexive and separable so is  $E$ . This follows from previous theorems [PUT NUMBERS]. For the reverse implication notice that  $E^{**}$  is reflexive and separable because  $E$  is reflexive and separable. Now use the previous implication and get separability and reflexivity of  $E^*$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 1.5.3** *Let  $E$  be a reflexive Banach space. Any bounded sequence in  $E$  has a weakly converging subsequence.*

**PROOF:** Define  $F = cl(span\{x_n\})$ . It is a closed subspace of  $E$ . Notice that  $F$  is a closed subspace of  $E$  hence also a Banach space. If we consider linear combinations of  $x_n$  with rational coefficients, it turns out that  $F$  is separable. Therefore in  $F^{**}$  every bounded sequence has a weak-\* converging subsequence. Look at  $\{J(x_n)\}$ . It has a subsequence  $J(\{x_{n_k}\})$  which converges weakly-\* in  $F^{**}$ . But  $F$  is reflexive so from this follows that  $x_{n_k} \rightharpoonup x_0$  in  $F$ . Thus, since  $E^* \subset F^*$  we are done.  $\square$

**Definition 1.5.4** A normed space  $E$  is called uniformly convex if and only if  $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0 \forall x, y \in E \|x\|, \|y\| \leq 1, \|x - y\| > \epsilon$  implies  $\|\frac{1}{2}(x + y)\| < 1 - \delta$ .

**Theorem 1.5.5** If a Banach space is uniformly convex then it must be reflexive.

**PROOF:** Let  $E$  be a Banach space. Take  $\phi \in E^{**}$ . We want to show that  $\phi = J(x)$  for some  $x \in E$ . It is enough to assume that  $\|\phi\| = 1$ . We will prove that  $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists x \in cl(B_E)$  such that  $\|\phi - J(x)\| \leq \epsilon$ .  $J(cl(B_E)) \subset E^{**}$  is closed so we can take a sequence approximating  $\phi$ . Take  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $\delta > 0$  from the uniform convexity. Take some  $T \in E^*$ ,  $\|T\| = 1$ . Define  $U = \{\eta \in E^{**}; |(\eta - \phi)(T)| < \delta/2\}$ . It is open in the weak-\* topology in  $E^{**}$ . By Goldstine's theorem there exists  $x \in cl(B_E)$  such that  $J(x) \in U \cap J(cl(B_E))$ . We show that this is a good  $x$ , that is  $\|\phi - J(x)\| \leq \epsilon$ . If not then  $\|\phi - J(x)\| > \epsilon$  and consider  $\phi \in E^{**} \setminus cl(B(J(x), \epsilon)) = V$ . This set is weakly-\* open so there exists  $y \in cl(B_E)$  such that  $J(y) \in U \cap V$ . We have  $|T(x) - \phi(T)| < \delta/2$  and  $|T(y) - \phi(T)| < \delta/2$ . So  $|T(x + y) - 2\phi(T)| < \delta$ . Since  $T(x + y) + \delta \leq \|x + y\| + \delta$  and  $T(x + y) + \delta > 2\phi(T) > 2 - \delta$  we also require  $\phi(T) > 1 - \delta/2$ . Hence if  $\|x + y\| \geq 2 - 2\delta$  then  $\|x - y\| \leq \epsilon$ . But  $\|J(x) - J(y)\| > \epsilon$  hence we get a contradiction.  $\square$

## 1.6 Hilbert spaces, Riesz-Frechet theorem, projection theorem, Lax-Milgram theorem, Hilbert sums and Hilbert basis, Bessel-Parseval identity

**Definition 1.6.1** A Hilbert space is a Banach space whose norm is induced by a scalar product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : H \times H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . We consider  $\|x\| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$ .

**Lemma 1.6.2 (Parallelogram identity)** We have  $\|x + y\|^2 + \|x - y\|^2 = 2(\|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2)$ .

PROOF: we have  $\langle x + y, x + y \rangle + \langle x - y, x - y \rangle = \langle x, x \rangle + 2\langle x, y \rangle + \langle y, y \rangle + \langle x, x \rangle - 2\langle x, y \rangle + \langle y, y \rangle = 2\langle x, x \rangle + 2\langle y, y \rangle = 2(\|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 1.6.3** *Every Hilbert space is uniformly convex.*

PROOF: Take  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $x, y \in H$  satisfying the conditions in the definition of uniform convexity. We have

$$\left\| \frac{x + y}{2} \right\|^2 = \frac{1}{2}(\|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2) - \left\| \frac{x - y}{2} \right\|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2}(1 + 1) - \frac{\epsilon^2}{4} = 1 - \frac{\epsilon^2}{4}.$$

Take  $\delta < 1 - (1 - \epsilon^2/4)^{1/2}$ .  $\square$

Uniform convexity implies strict convexity. If not then there are  $x, y \in H$  such that  $\|x\| = \|y\| = 1$ , but such that for some  $t \in (0, 1)$   $\|z\| = \|tx + (1 - t)y\| = 1$ . Then  $z = \alpha x + (1 - \alpha)\frac{x+y}{2}$  hence  $\|z\| \leq \alpha\|x\| + (1 - \alpha)\|\frac{x+y}{2}\| < 1$ . This is a contradiction.

**Theorem 1.6.4 (Riesz-Fréchet)** *Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space. For every  $T \in H^*$  there is a unique  $x \in H$  such that  $T(y) = \langle x, y \rangle$  for every  $y \in H$ .*

PROOF: Consider the map  $x \mapsto \langle x, \cdot \rangle$ . Call this map  $S$ .  $S$  is certainly linear and  $\|S(x)\| = \|x\|$ . So  $S$  is an isometry. The goal is to show that  $S$  is onto. We will show that  $S(H)$  is dense in  $H^*$ .

If  $cl(S(H)) \neq H^*$  then there is a  $\phi \in H^{**}$  such that  $\phi|_{S(H)} = 0$  but  $\phi \neq 0$ . However since  $H$  is uniformly convex it is also reflexive thus  $H^{**} = H$ . It means that  $\phi(T) = T(x_0)$  for some  $x_0$  and  $\langle x, x_0 \rangle = 0$  for all  $x \in H$ . So  $\langle x_0, x_0 \rangle = 0$  and this implies  $x_0 = 0$  which shows  $\phi = 0$ . This is a contradiction.  $\square$

A consequence of this theorem is the following fact. Let  $M \subset H$  be some closed subspace. Then  $M^\perp \subset H^*$  may be identified with  $\{x \in H : \langle x, y \rangle = 0, \forall y \in M\}$ . Then  $M \cap M^\perp = \{0\}$  and  $M \oplus M^\perp = H$ .

**Theorem 1.6.5** *In a Hilbert space, every closed subspace is complemented.*

**Lemma 1.6.6 (Cauchy-Schwarz inequality)** *In a Hilbert space for all  $x, y \in H$  we have*

$$|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \cdot \|y\|.$$

PROOF: Look at the following function  $t \mapsto \|x+ty\|^2$ . Then  $\langle x+ty, x+ty \rangle = \langle x, x \rangle + 2t\langle x, y \rangle + t^2\langle y, y \rangle$ . This is a quadratic in  $t$  and  $\langle x, x \rangle + 2t\langle x, y \rangle + t^2\langle y, y \rangle \geq 0$ . So  $\Delta \leq 0$  and  $4\langle x, y \rangle^2 - 4\langle x, x \rangle\langle y, y \rangle \leq 0$  which gives the inequality.  $\square$

**Theorem 1.6.7** *In a Hilbert space every closed subspace is complemented. Moreover, if in a Banach space every closed subspace is complemented then it must be isomorphic to some Hilbert space.*

PROOF: Consider  $M$ , a closed subspace of  $H$  a Hilbert space. Consider  $M^\perp$ . In terms of Hilbert space we have  $M^\perp = \{x_0 \in H; \langle x_0, x \rangle = 0 \forall x \in M; \langle x_0, x \rangle = 0 \forall x \in M\}$ . It is easy to see that  $M \cap M^\perp = \{0\}$ . Why is  $M \oplus M^\perp = H$ ? In other words, why given  $x \in H$  there exist unique  $x_0 \in M$  and  $x_1 \in M^\perp$  such that  $x = x_0 + x_1$ . We will need another theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 1.6.8** *Let  $K \subset H$  be convex and closed. Then for every  $x \in H$  there exists exactly one element  $P_K(x)$  in  $K$  such that  $\|x - P_K(x)\| = \text{dist}(x, K)$ . Moreover  $P_K(x)$  is characterized by the following property  $P_K(x) \in K$  and  $\langle x - P_K(x), y - P_K(x) \rangle \leq 0$  for all  $y \in K$ .*

PROOF: Step 1: (Existence of  $P_K(x)$ ) Let  $(y_n)$  be a sequence in  $K$  such that  $\|y_n - x\| \rightarrow \text{dist}(x, K)$ . We prove that  $(y_n)$  is Cauchy. Use the parallelogram identity to  $x - y_n$  and  $x - y_m$ . We have

$$\|2x - (y_n + y_m)\|^2 + \|y_n - y_m\|^2 = 2(\|x - y_n\|^2 + \|x - y_m\|^2),$$

hence

$$\|y_n - y_m\|^2 = 2 \left( \|x - y_n\|^2 + \|x - y_m\|^2 - 2 \left\| x - \frac{y_n + y_m}{2} \right\|^2 \right) \leq 2(\|x - y_n\|^2 + \|x - y_m\|^2 - 2\text{dist}(x, K)^2).$$

As  $n, m$  are getting larger, the right hand-side becomes smaller thus  $(y_n)$  is a Cauchy sequence.

Step 2: (Equivalence) Let  $z \in K$  such that  $\|z - x\| = \text{dist}(x, K)$ . Consider the segment  $[z, y]$ . It follows that  $\|z - x\|^2 \leq \|tz + (1-t)y - x\|^2 = \|z - x + (1-t)(y - z)\|^2 = \|z - x\|^2 + (1-t)^2\|y - z\|^2 - 2(1-t)\langle x - z, y - z \rangle$ . So  $2\langle x - z, y - z \rangle \leq (1-t)\|y - z\|^2$ . Since this is true for every  $t \in [0, 1]$  we have  $\langle x - z, y - z \rangle \leq 0$ . If  $z \in K$  and  $\langle z - x, z - y \rangle \leq 0$  for all  $y \in K$  then we look at  $\|z - x\|^2 - \|y - x\|^2 \leq -\|y - z\|^2 - \langle z - x, y - z \rangle \leq 0$ .

Step 3: (Uniqueness) Let  $z_1, z_2$  minimize the distance. Then  $\langle x - z_1, y - z_1 \rangle \leq 0$  and  $\langle x - z_2, y - z_2 \rangle \leq 0$ . So  $0 \geq \langle z_2 - z_1, z_2 - z_1 \rangle = \|z_1 - z_2\|^2$  and this implies  $z_1 = z_2$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 1.6.9** *In the previous framework the map  $x \mapsto P_K(x)$  is a contraction.*

PROOF: We have  $\langle y - P_K(y), P_K(x) - P_K(y) \rangle \leq 0$ . Also  $\langle x - P_K(x), P_K(y) - P_K(x) \rangle \leq 0$ . So we get  $\langle y - z, P_K(x) - P_K(y) \rangle + \langle P_K(x) - P_K(y), P_K(x) - P_K(y) \rangle$  hence  $\|P_K(x) - P_K(y)\|^2 \leq \langle x - y, P_K(x) - P_K(y) \rangle \leq \|x - y\| \cdot \|P_K(x) - P_K(y)\|$  so  $\|P_K(x) - P_K(y)\| \leq \|x - y\|$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 1.6.10 (Projection onto a subspace)** *Let  $M \subset H$  be a closed subspace. Then  $P_M : H \rightarrow M$  is linear, continuous, surjective and characterized by  $P_M(x) \in M, x - P_M(x) \in M^\perp$ .*

PROOF: Continuity and surjectivity are clear. By the characterization of  $P_M(x)$  we have  $\langle x - P_M(x), y - P_M(x) \rangle \leq 0$  for all  $y \in M$ . But any vector in  $M$  is of the form  $y - P_M(x)$  so  $\forall y_0 \in M$  we have  $\langle x - P_M(x), y_0 \rangle = 0$ . Linearity follows from uniqueness since eg.  $\langle x_1 - P_M(x_1), y \rangle = 0$  for all  $y \in M$  and  $\langle x_2 - P_M(x_2), y \rangle = 0$  imply  $\langle x_1 + x_2 - P_M(x_1) - P_M(x_2), y \rangle = 0$  for all  $y \in M$ .  $\square$

PROOF: (continuation) Take  $x = P_M(x) + (x - P_M(x))$ .  $\square$

**Definition 1.6.11** *We say that a bilinear form on  $H$  is coercive if there exists  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}_+$  such that  $\forall x \in H a(x, x) \geq \alpha \|x\|^2$ .*

**Theorem 1.6.12 (Lax-Milgram)** *Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space. Let  $a : H \times H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a bilinear, continuous and coercive map. For every  $T \in H^*$  there exists exactly one  $x$  in  $H$  such that  $a(x, y) = T(y)$  for all  $y \in H$ .*

**Remark 1.6.13** *If  $a(x, y) = \langle x, y \rangle$  then the statement is equivalent to the Riesz-Fréchet theorem. If  $a$  is also symmetric then the proof is immediate since we can take  $(H, \sqrt{a(\cdot, \cdot)})$  and  $(H, \sqrt{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle})$ . The  $Id$ -map between these spaces establishes an isomorphism.*

PROOF: (of Lax-Milgram theorem) Consider the map  $A : H \rightarrow H$  given by  $x \mapsto y$  so that  $a(x, \cdot) = \langle y, \cdot \rangle$ . Notice that  $A$  is continuous and linear. Also notice that since  $\|Ax\| \geq \langle Ax, \frac{x}{\|x\|} \rangle = \frac{1}{\|x\|} a(x, x) \geq \alpha \|x\|$  then  $A$  must be 1-1 (since if  $Ax = 0$  then  $x = 0$  as  $A$  is linear). We want to prove that  $A$  is onto. We need to show that the range of  $A$  is the whole of  $H$ . It is again enough to show that  $R(A)$  is closed and dense in  $H$ . Since  $\|A \cdot\|$  is an equivalent norm we get closedness of  $R(A)$ . Assume that  $x \in H$  such that  $\forall y \in R(A) \langle y, x \rangle = 0$ . Then  $\forall x_1 \in H \langle Ax_1, x \rangle = 0$ , also for  $x_1 = x$  thus,  $\langle Ax, x \rangle = 0$  but this is  $a(x, x) = 0$  which gives  $x = 0$ .  $\square$

**Definition 1.6.14** Let  $\{E_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ , be a sequence of closed subspaces of  $H$ . We say that  $H$  is a Hilbert sum of  $E_n$  and write  $H = \bigoplus_{n=1}^\infty E_n$  if and only if

- (i)  $E_n$ 's are pairwise orthogonal
- (ii)  $\text{span}(\bigcup_{n=1}^\infty E_n) = H$ .

**Theorem 1.6.15** Let  $H = \bigoplus E_n$ . Then we have

- (i)  $\forall x \in H \quad x = \sum_{n=1}^\infty P_{E_n}(x)$
- (ii)  $\forall x \in H \quad \|x\|^2 = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \|P_{E_n}(x)\|^2$  (Bessel-Parseval identity)

Moreover, the converse is true, given a sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $H$  such that  $x_n \in E_n$  and  $\sum \|x_n\|^2 < \infty$  we have  $\sum x_n$  converges and  $x = \sum x_n$  has the property  $x_n = P_{E_n}(x)$ .

**PROOF:** Define  $S_n : H \rightarrow H \quad S_n(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n P_{E_i}(x)$ .  $S_n$  are linear and continuous and  $\|S_n(x)\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \|P_{E_i}(x)\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle x, P_{E_i}x \rangle$ . In particular  $\|S_n(x)\| \leq \|x\|$ . Take  $x \in H$  and fix  $\epsilon > 0$ . Find  $n$  such that there exists  $y \in \text{span}(E_1, \dots, E_n) \quad \|x - y\| < \epsilon$ . Then  $\|S_n(x) - x\| \leq \|S_n(x) - S_n(y) + y - x\| \leq 2\|y - x\| < 2\epsilon$ .

If  $\sum \|x_n\|^2 < \infty$  look at  $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ .  $\|S_n - S_m\| = \|\sum_{i=n+1}^m x_i\| = \sqrt{\sum_{i=n+1}^m \|x_i\|^2} < \epsilon$  so  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence hence it converges to some  $x$ , and as above  $P_{E_n}(x) = x_n$  □

**Definition 1.6.16** Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space. A Hilbert basis of  $H$  is a sequence  $(e_n)$  such that for all  $m, n \quad \langle e_n, e_m \rangle = \delta_{mn}$  and  $\text{span}(e_n)$  is dense in  $H$ .

This essentially means that  $H$  has an orthonormal Schauder basis. We also have  $H = \bigoplus \text{span}(e_n)$ .

**Corollary 1.6.17** If  $(e_n)$  is a Hilbert basis of  $H$  then  $x = \sum P_{\text{span}(e_n)}(x)$ .

But what is actually the projection  $P_{\text{span}}$ ?  $P_{\text{span}(e_n)} = \langle x, e_n \rangle e_n$ . From the Bessel-Parseval equality we have that  $\|x\|^2 = \sum |\langle x, e_n \rangle|^2$ . Conversely, given  $\alpha_n \in \ell^2$ , the series  $\sum \alpha_n e_n$  converges in  $H$  to some  $x \in H$  and  $P_{\text{span}(e_n)}(x) = \alpha_n e_n$ .

**Lemma 1.6.18** Every separable Hilbert space has a Hilbert basis.

**PROOF:** Let  $(e_n)$ , be dense in  $H$ . Define  $H_n = \text{span}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ . Use the Gram-Schmidt procedure to find an orthonormal basis of  $H_1$ . Complement it to the basis of  $H_2$  etc. This gives a basis since any finite subset spans an  $H_n$  and the union of  $H_n$ 's is dense in  $H$ . □

**Corollary 1.6.19** *Each separable Hilbert space is isometric to  $\ell^2$ .*

## 1.7 The Lebesgue spaces

In the proceeding  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  will be open,  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  will always be Lebesgue measurable and we will identify functions that differ on a set of measure zero.

**Definition 1.7.1** *Let  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ . We define the spaces  $L_p(\Omega)$*

*(i) for  $p \in [1, \infty)$  as*

$$L_p(\Omega) = \left\{ f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; \int_{\Omega} |f|^p < \infty \right\},$$

$$\|f\|_{L_p(\Omega)} = \left( \int_{\Omega} |f|^p \right)^{1/p}.$$

*(ii) for  $p = \infty$*

$$L_{\infty}(\Omega) = \{f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; \text{esssup}_{\Omega} |f| < \infty\},$$

$$\|f\|_{L_{\infty}(\Omega)} = \text{esssup}_{\Omega} |f| = \inf\{C > 0; |f(x)| \leq C \forall_{a.e.} x \in \Omega\}.$$

First notice that  $L_p$  spaces are linear spaces.