

Assignment for the lecture Functional Analysis Winter term 2022/23

Sheet 5 Due on Mon 05.12.2022, hand in before the lecture.

Exercise 1 (10 Points). We consider the space $(c, \|\cdot\|_{\infty})$ of convergent complex sequences, endowed with the sup norm, i.e.

$$c = \left\{ (a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \colon a_n \in \mathbb{C}, \lim_{n \to \infty} a_n \text{ exists} \right\}, \quad \|(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}\|_{\infty} = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} |a_n|.$$

a) Show that the function F that maps a sequence to its limit, i.e.

$$F: c \to \mathbb{C}, \quad (a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \mapsto \lim_{n \to \infty} a_n$$

is linear and continuous.

b) Show that the space

$$c_0 = \{(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} : a_n \in \mathbb{C}, \lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = 0\}$$

of complex sequences converging to 0 is a closed linear subspace of c.

c) Determine all continuous linear functionals on c.

Exercise 2 (10 Points). Show that there is a continuous function $g \in C[0, 1]$, which is nowhere differentiable in $[0, \frac{1}{2}]$. Proceed as follows:

a) Show that the sets

$$F_n := \left\{ f \in C[0,1] \colon \exists x \in [0,1/2] \text{ with } \sup_{0 < h < \frac{1}{2}} \frac{|f(x+h) - f(h)|}{h} \le n \right\}$$

are closed and have no inner points, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

b) Conclude by using Baire's theorem.

Exercise 3 (10 Points). Let $l_{\infty}^{\mathbb{R}}$ denote the Banach space of real-valued bounded sequences endowed with the sup norm $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$. Show that

$$q: l_{\infty}^{\mathbb{R}} \to \mathbb{R}, \quad (a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \mapsto \limsup_{n \to \infty} a_n$$

defines a sublinear functional. Conclude that there is a linear bounded functional $L\colon l^{\mathbb{R}}_{\infty}\to\mathbb{R}$ with

$$\liminf_{n \to \infty} a_n \le L((a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}) \le \limsup_{n \to \infty} a_n.$$

This means, in a way we are able to define *limits* of bounded (not necessarily converging) sequences. (In particular one obtains the limit if we restrict L to converging sequences.)

Exercise 4 (10 Points). Show that there is no real or complex Banach space of countably infinite vector space dimension.

[Dimension is here in the sense of linear algebra, i.e., the cardinality of a basis; and a basis allows to write any element in a unique way as a finite linear combination. Recall also that any vector space has, by the axiom of choice, a basis and that all bases have the same cardinality.]