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TD 4: GEOMETRIC HAHN-BANACH THEOREM AND FRÉCHET SPACES

**EXERCISE 1** (Finite-dimensional case). Let  $C \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a convex set such that  $C \neq \mathbb{R}^d$ , and  $x_0 \notin C$ . Prove that there exists an affine hyperplane that separates  $C$  and  $\{x_0\}$ .

**EXERCISE 2** (Convex hull). Let  $E$  be a locally convex topological vector space (abbreviated l.c.t.v.s. in the following). One says that  $H$  is a closed half-space if there exists a  $\varphi \in E^*$  and  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $H = \{u \in E \mid \varphi(u) \leq a\}$ .

1. If  $C$  is a convex subset of  $E$ , show that its closure  $\overline{C}$  is also convex.
2. Let  $A$  be a closed convex subset of  $E$ . Show that  $A$  is the intersection of the closed half-spaces containing  $A$ .
3. Deduce that  $\overline{\text{co}(A)}$  is the intersection of the closed half-spaces containing  $A$  for any subset  $A$  of  $E$ , where  $\text{co}(A)$  denotes the convex hull of the set  $A$ , that is, the smallest convex set that contains  $A$ .

**EXERCISE 3** (Density criterion).

1. Let  $E$  be a real normed vector space and  $F \subset E$  be a vector subset such that  $\overline{F} \neq E$ . Prove that there exists  $\varphi \in E' \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $\varphi(u) = 0$  for all  $u \in F$ .
2. *Application:* Let  $(a_n)_n$  be a sequence in  $]1, +\infty[$  that diverges to  $+\infty$ . Prove that the set

$$W = \text{vect} \left\{ x \in [0, 1] \mapsto \frac{1}{x - a_n} : n \geq 0 \right\},$$

is dense in the space  $\mathcal{C}^0([0, 1])$  equipped with the norm  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ .

*Hint: While considering a continuous linear form that vanishes on  $W$ , introduce a generating function.*

**EXERCISE 4** (Extreme points). Let  $K$  be a subset of a vector space  $E$ . A point  $a \in K$  is called an *extremal point* of  $K$  if, whenever  $a = \theta b + (1 - \theta)c$  with  $\theta \in (0, 1)$  and  $b, c \in K$ , one has  $b = c$ . A subset<sup>1</sup>  $S$  of  $K$  is called an *extremal subset* of  $K$  if, for all  $a$  in  $S$  such that  $a = \theta b + (1 - \theta)c$  with  $\theta \in (0, 1)$  and  $b, c \in K$ , one has  $b \in S$  and  $c \in S$ .

1. In a Hilbert space, what are the extremal points of the unit closed ball? What about the open ball?
2. Let  $c_0$  denote the space of real sequences  $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converging to zero. We endow  $c_0$  with the norm  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ . Show that the closed unit ball of  $c_0$  does not admit extremal points.
3. Let  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  be an interval. Show that the closed unit ball of  $L^1(I)$  does not admit extremal points.

**EXERCISE 5** (Krein-Milman theorem). The aim of this exercise is to prove the following statement.

**Theorem 1** (Krein-Milman). *Let  $E$  be a l.c.t.v.s. and  $K$  be a non-empty convex compact subset of  $E$ . Then  $K$  coincides with the closed convex envelop of its extremal points.*

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<sup>1</sup>This notion is only used in Exercise 5

1. The first step is to show the existence of an extremal point in  $K$ . Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be the set of non-empty closed extremal subsets of  $K$ , endowed with the order “ $A \prec B$  if and only if  $B \subset A$ ”. Show that  $\mathcal{P}$  admits a maximal element which is reduced to a point.

*Hint: If a maximal element  $S$  is composed of more than one point, choose a continuous linear form separating points of  $S$  and consider the set of points reaching the maximum of this form on  $S$ .*

2. Define  $\tilde{K} = \overline{\text{co}}(\text{ext}(K))$  the closed convex hull of the extremal points of  $K$ , and show that  $\tilde{K}$  and  $K$  coincide.
3. *Application:* An  $n \times n$  matrix with real entries is bi-stochastic if its entries are non-negative, and the sum of the entries of either rows or columns equals 1. One denotes  $SM_n(\mathbb{R})$  the set of bistochastic matrices. Show that every matrix in  $SM_n(\mathbb{R})$  is actually a convex combination of permutation matrices.

**EXERCISE 6.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be l.c.t.v.s. We consider  $(p_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A}$  (resp.  $(q_\beta)_{\beta \in B}$ ) a countable family of continuous semi-norms which is separating and generates the topology of  $X$  (resp. of  $Y$ ). Let  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  be a linear map. Prove that  $T$  is continuous if and only if for all  $\beta \in B$ , there exists a finite set  $I \subset A$  and a positive constant  $c > 0$  such that for all  $u \in X$ ,

$$q_\beta(Tu) \leq c \sum_{\alpha \in I} p_\alpha(u).$$

**EXERCISE 7** (Space of continuous functions). Let  $U$  be an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and  $(K_n)_n$  be an exhaustive sequence of compacts of  $U$ .

1. Prove that  $C^0(U)$  is a Fréchet space for the distance

$$d(f, g) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \min(1, p_n(f - g)),$$

defined by the semi norms  $p_n(f) = \sup_{x \in K_n} |f(x)|$ .

2. A subset  $B \subset C^0(U)$  is said to be bounded if for any neighborhood  $V$  of 0, there exists  $\lambda > 0$  such that  $\lambda B \subset V$ . Prove that if  $B$  is a subset of equibounded functions of  $C^0(U)$ , that is  $\sup_{f \in B} \|f\|_\infty < \infty$ , then  $B$  is bounded.
3. Let us consider  $(f_n)_n$  a sequence of continuous function on  $U$  such that  $f_n : U \rightarrow [0, n]$  with  $f_n = 0$  on  $K_n$  and  $f_n = n$  on  $U \setminus K_{n+1}$ . Show that  $\cup_n \{f_n\}$  is a bounded subset of  $C^0(U)$ .
4. Prove that the space  $C^0(\mathbb{R})$  is not locally bounded, that is, the origin does not have a bounded neighborhood.

**EXERCISE 8** (Space of  $C^\infty$  functions). We consider the  $E = C^\infty([0, 1], \mathbb{R})$  equipped with the following metric

$$d(f, g) = \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{2^k} \min(1, \|f^{(k)} - g^{(k)}\|_\infty).$$

1. Check that  $E$  is a Fréchet space.
2. Prove that any closed and bounded (cf the previous exercise) subset of  $E$  is compact.
3. Can the topology of  $E$  be defined by a norm ?