

Convexity and Duality

Theorem [Hahn-Banach Theorem - The Real Case].

Let \underline{X} be a real vector space and $p: \underline{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ a convex function. Let $\underline{Y} \subset \underline{X}$ be a linear subspace and $l: \underline{Y} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ a linear map obeying:

$$l(y) \leq p(y), \quad \forall y \in \underline{Y}$$

Then there exists a linear map $L: \underline{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that:

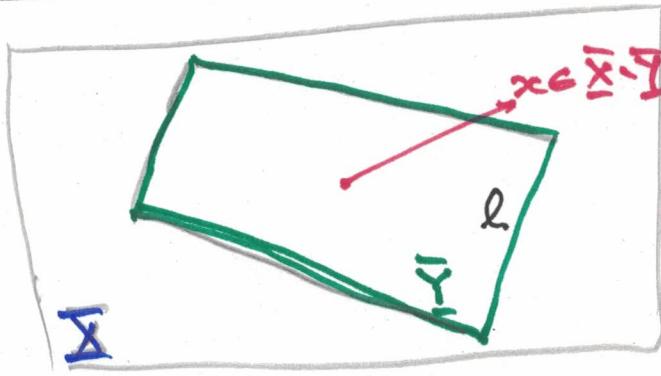
$$(1) \quad L(x) \leq p(x), \quad \forall x \in \underline{X}$$

$$(2) \quad L|_{\underline{Y}} = l.$$

Recall: p is convex: $p((1-t)x+ty) \leq (1-t)p(x)+t p(y)$
 $\forall x, y \in \underline{X}, \forall t \in [0, 1]$.

(Typically: $p(x) = a \cdot \|x\| \dots$).

Idea of Proof:



Step 1 (Main): Extension by 1 dim
 $l \rightarrow \tilde{l} : \text{span}\{\tilde{Y} \oplus x\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

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Step 2:

* If Σ is normed v.s. & separable
* $\dots \rightarrow$ extension in a countable # of steps

* [Otherwise]

→ Use Zorn's lemma.
to obtain an extension to Σ

Relationship to ONB:

Assume $\Sigma = \{e_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$ an

orthonormal set in H

↪ Hilbert space.

1) $\Sigma = \overline{\text{Span}\{e_\alpha\}}$ ↪ either $\Sigma = H \rightarrow \text{done.}$

or $\Sigma \neq H \rightarrow \exists e' \in H \setminus \Sigma$

$\|e'\|=1 \times e' \perp \{e_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$

→ $\Sigma' = \{e_\alpha, \alpha \in A \cup \{e'\}$

2) Repeat

Proof of Hahn-Banach (Real Case).

On γ : $l(y) \leq p(y)$, $\forall y \in \gamma$ $\Rightarrow -l(y) \geq -p(y)$.
 $\Rightarrow 0 \leq p(y) + p(-y)$. and. $0 \leq p(0)$.

Step 1: Extension.

Lemma Let $Y \subset \bar{X}$ be a linear subspace of the real vector space \bar{X} .

Let $p: \bar{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be convex and $l: Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a linear map such that $l(y) \leq p(y)$, $\forall y \in Y$. Let $x \in \bar{X} \setminus Y$, $x \neq 0$.

and set $\tilde{Y} = Y \oplus \text{Span}\{x\} = \{y + \alpha \cdot x; y \in Y, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}\} \subset \bar{X}$.

Then there exists $\tilde{l}: \tilde{Y} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ^{a linear map} _{such that:}

$$n) \quad \tilde{l}(z) \leq p(z), \quad \forall z \in \tilde{Y}$$

$$(2) \quad \tilde{l}|_Y = l.$$

Proof of Lemma.

Since $\forall z \in \tilde{Y}$, $z = y + \alpha \cdot x$, $y \in Y$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

\rightarrow any linear map \tilde{l} on \tilde{Y} should satisfy:

$$\tilde{l}(z) = \tilde{l}(y + \alpha \cdot x) = \underbrace{\tilde{l}(y)}_{l(y)} + \alpha \cdot \underbrace{\tilde{l}(x)}_{l(x)}$$

$$\text{We want } \tilde{l}|_Y = l. \Rightarrow l(y)$$

$$\rightarrow \tilde{l}(z) = l(y) + \alpha \cdot \tilde{l}(x).$$

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We need: Find a $\boxed{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}}$ ($\lambda \rightarrow \tilde{L}(y)$).

such that $\tilde{L}(y + \alpha \cdot x) = l(y) + \alpha \cdot \lambda$

satisfies: $\tilde{L}(y + \alpha \cdot x) \leq p(y + \alpha \cdot x), \forall y \in \bar{Y}$
 $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}.$

\Leftrightarrow

$$\boxed{l(y) + \alpha \cdot \lambda \leq p(y + \alpha \cdot x), \forall y \in \bar{Y}} \\ \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}.$$

If $\alpha = 0 \rightarrow l(y) \leq p(y), \forall y \in \bar{Y}$ ok by hypothesis.

If. $\alpha > 0$: $l(y) + \alpha \cdot \lambda \leq p(y + \alpha \cdot x)$.

$$\lambda \leq \frac{p(y + \alpha \cdot x) - l(y)}{\alpha} : \text{need.}$$

If. $\alpha < 0 \rightarrow$ let $\beta = -\alpha > 0$:

$$l(y) - \beta \cdot \lambda \leq p(y - \beta \cdot x).$$

$$\lambda \geq \frac{l(y) - p(y - \beta \cdot x)}{\beta}$$

Given $(\alpha, \beta): \alpha, \beta > 0 \rightarrow$

$$\lambda \in \left[\frac{l(y) - p(y - \beta \cdot x)}{\beta}, \frac{p(y + \alpha \cdot x) - l(y)}{\alpha} \right] \\ \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{I_{y; \alpha, \beta}}.$$

~~Claim~~
~~Read~~

For any finite $\{(\alpha_1, \beta_1), \dots, (\alpha_N, \beta_N)\} : \left[\bigcap_{k=1}^N I_{y; \alpha_k, \beta_k} \neq \emptyset \right]$

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall \alpha, \beta > 0 \quad \frac{l(y) - p(y - \beta x)}{\beta} \leq \frac{p(y + \alpha x) - l(y)}{\alpha} \quad (*)$$

Need to check $(*)$:

$$(*) \Leftrightarrow \alpha \cdot l(y) - \alpha \cdot p(y - \beta x) \leq \beta \cdot p(y + \alpha x) - \beta \cdot l(y).$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\alpha + \beta) \cdot l(y) \leq \alpha \cdot p(y - \beta x) + \beta \cdot p(y + \alpha x)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow l(y) \leq \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta} p(y - \beta x) + \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta} p(y + \alpha x).$$

But: hypothesis on l .

$$\begin{aligned} l(y) &\stackrel{\text{convexity of } p}{\leq} p(y) = p\left(\frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta}(y - \beta x) + \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta}(y + \alpha x)\right). \leq \\ &\leq \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta} p(y - \beta x) + \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta} p(y + \alpha x) \end{aligned}$$

Thus: $I_{y; \alpha, \beta} \neq \emptyset$

$\xrightarrow{\text{A)}}$ Finite intersection

$$\bigcap_{k=1}^N I_{y; \alpha_k, \beta_k} \neq \emptyset.$$

By finite intersection property of compact sets $\Rightarrow \bigcap_{y \in Y} \bigcap_{\alpha, \beta > 0} I_{y; \alpha, \beta} \neq \emptyset$

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To conclude:

We showed:

$$\exists \lambda \in \bigcap_{y \in \bar{Y}} \bigcap_{\alpha, \beta > 0} \left[\frac{l(y) - p(y - \beta x)}{\beta}, \frac{p(y + \alpha x) - l(y)}{\alpha} \right]$$

→ For such λ :

$$\tilde{l}(y + \alpha \cdot x) \leq p(y + \alpha \cdot x), \forall y \in Y, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

where $\tilde{l}(y + \alpha \cdot x) = l(y) + \alpha \cdot \lambda$

End of LEMMA

Step 2: MAXIMALITY By Zorn's lemma.

Consider pairs $\mathcal{P} = \{(\tilde{Y}, \tilde{l})$ of linear subspaces $\tilde{Y} \subset \underline{X}$ and linear maps $\tilde{l}: \tilde{Y} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that:

(1) $Y \subset \tilde{Y}$

(2) $\tilde{l}(z) \leq p(z), \forall z \in \tilde{Y}, \beta \tilde{l}|_Y = l$

and: If $(\tilde{Y}_1, \tilde{l}_1), (\tilde{Y}_2, \tilde{l}_2) \in \mathcal{P}$:

$$\tilde{l}_1|_{\tilde{Y}} = \tilde{l}_2|_{\tilde{Y}} \text{ where } \tilde{Y} = \tilde{Y}_1 \cap \tilde{Y}_2$$

On \mathcal{P} there is a partial order:

$$(\tilde{Y}_1, \tilde{l}_1) \triangleleft (\tilde{Y}_2, \tilde{l}_2) \text{ if } \tilde{Y}_1 \subset \tilde{Y}_2.$$

→ Extract an ascending chain: $\{(\tilde{Y}_\alpha, \tilde{l}_\alpha), \alpha \in A\}$.

such that $\forall \alpha, \beta \in A$ either $(\tilde{Y}_\alpha, \tilde{l}_\alpha) \triangleleft (\tilde{Y}_\beta, \tilde{l}_\beta)$ or $(\tilde{Y}_\beta, \tilde{l}_\beta) \triangleleft (\tilde{Y}_\alpha, \tilde{l}_\alpha)$

Such ascending chains are not empty, because (\bar{Y}, \bar{L}) is in each.

~~by Zorn's lemma: \mathcal{P} has a maximal element (or a maximal upper bound): $\exists (Y_0, L_0) \in \mathcal{P}$ such that.~~

~~If. $(Y_1, L_1) \in \mathcal{P}$ with. $(Y_0, L_0) \triangleleft (Y_1, L_1)$ then. $(Y_1, L_1) = (Y_0, L_0)$.~~

Let. \mathcal{L} be an ascending chain: $\mathcal{L} \subset \mathcal{P}$

Then define: $\tilde{Y} = \bigcup \tilde{Y}_\alpha$. $\xrightarrow{\text{Not: } \tilde{Y} \text{ is a linear space}} \tilde{Y} \subset \bar{X}$.
where: $(\tilde{Y}_\alpha, \tilde{L}_\alpha) \in \mathcal{L}$.

and: $\tilde{L}: \tilde{Y} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$: if $x \in \tilde{Y}$, then $\exists \alpha$ s.t. $x \in \tilde{Y}_\alpha$

$$\downarrow \quad \quad \quad \perp \rightarrow \tilde{L}(x) = \tilde{L}_\alpha(x).$$

linear map.

Claim: (\tilde{Y}, \tilde{L}) is a maximal element:

why: $\forall (\tilde{Y}_\alpha, \tilde{L}_\alpha) \in \mathcal{L}$: $\tilde{Y}_\alpha \subset \tilde{Y}$ and. $\tilde{L}|_{\tilde{Y}_\alpha} = \tilde{L}_\alpha$

By Zorn's lemma: There exists a maximal upper bound: $(Y_0, L_0) \in \mathcal{P}$

such. $\forall (Y_1, L_1) \in \mathcal{P}$ with. $(Y_0, L_0) \triangleleft (Y_1, L_1)$ then. $Y_1 = Y_0, L_1 = L_0$

Therefore: $Y_0 = \bar{X}$: $\rightarrow L_0$ satisfies the Hahn-Banach theorem \blacksquare

Use Case : $(\underline{X}, \|\cdot\|)$ is a normed vector space.

Let $\ell: Y \subset \underline{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ a bounded (continuous) linear functional on Y : $|\ell(y)| \leq C \cdot \|y\|$

$\rightarrow \exists L: \underline{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}: |L(x)| \leq C \cdot \|x\|, \forall x \in \underline{X}$
 $L|_Y = \ell.$

$$\rightarrow \|L\| = \|\ell\| \quad \underline{\text{& } L|_Y = \ell.}$$

[$\dashrightarrow \underline{X} \hookrightarrow \underline{X}^{**}$ isometric embedding.]