

THE LOCALLY CONVEX \mathcal{A} -SPACES AND THEIR DUAL SPACES

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Abstract

Let E be a locally convex Hausdorff space with continuous dual E' and sequentially continuous dual E^s . In this paper, we show that if E is an \mathcal{A} -space, then $(E, \sigma(E, E^s))$, $(E, \beta(E, E^s))$, $(E^s, \sigma(E^s, E))$ and $(E^s, \beta(E^s, E))$ are all \mathcal{A} -spaces. In particular, if E is a Mazur \mathcal{A} -space, then $(E', \sigma(E', E))$ and $(E', \beta(E', E))$ are both \mathcal{A} -spaces. We apply the obtained results to generalize the Adjoint Theorem on operators with the domain being a locally convex \mathcal{A} -space.

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1. Introduction

Let (X, τ) be a topological vector space, a sequence $\{x_n\}$ from X is said to be τ - \mathcal{K} convergent if each subsequence of $\{x_n\}$ has a subsequence $\{x_{n_k}\}$ such that the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_{n_k}$ is τ convergent to an element $x \in X$ [1, §3].

A subset B of X is said to be τ - \mathcal{K} bounded if for each sequence $\{x_n\}$ from B and each scalar sequence $\{t_n\}$ such that $t_n \rightarrow 0$, the sequence $\{t_n x_n\}$ is τ - \mathcal{K} convergent [1, §3]. A τ - \mathcal{K} bounded subset B of X must be τ -bounded but in general the converse does not hold [1, §3].

A topological vector space (X, τ) is a \mathcal{K} -space if each sequence which converges to 0 is τ - \mathcal{K} -convergent [1, §3].

A topological vector space (X, τ) is said to be an \mathcal{A} -space if each τ -bounded subset of X is τ - \mathcal{K} bounded [3].

Let (E, τ) be a locally convex Hausdorff space with continuous dual E' and sequentially continuous dual E^s , i.e., E^s is the space of all sequentially continuous linear functionals defined on E . If E and F are a pair of vector spaces in duality, let $\sigma(E, F)$, $\tau(E, F)$, $\beta(E, F)$ be the weak topology (Mackey topology, strong topology) on E from this duality.

There are a large number of important \mathcal{A} -spaces, many of which are not complete or \mathcal{K} -spaces [3, Prop. 6 and Coroll. 6–7]. It is very interesting that if (E, τ) is a locally convex \mathcal{A} -space and $(E, \tau(E, E'))$ is an infrabarrelled space, then (E, τ) must be sequentially complete and must also be boundedly complete [5, Th. 2]. \mathcal{A} -space have been shown to enjoy many important properties [6], particular with respect to the Uniform Bounded Principle and hypocontinuity for bilinear operators [2, 3]. Now, we would like to show some new important facts for locally convex \mathcal{A} -spaces and their dual spaces.

Our proofs need the following lemma.

Lemma 1. [6] *Let (E, F) be a dual pair. Then all topologies on E admissible with respect to (E, F) have the same \mathcal{K} -bounded sets. In particular, if (E, τ) is an \mathcal{A} -space, then E is also an \mathcal{A} -space for any topology on E admissible with respect to (E, E') .*

2. The Spaces $(E, \sigma(E, E^s))$ and $(E^s, \sigma(E^s, E))$

At first, we study the space $(E, \sigma(E, E^s))$.

Theorem 1. *Let (E, τ) be a locally convex space, then (E, τ) , $(E, \sigma(E, E'))$ and $(E, \sigma(E, E^s))$ have the same bounded sets and the same \mathcal{K} -bounded subsets.*

Proof. It follows from the Mackey Theorem and Lemma 1 that (E, τ) and $(E, \sigma(E, E'))$ have the same bounded sets and the same \mathcal{K} -bounded subsets.

Since the topology $\sigma(E, E')$ is weaker than topology $\sigma(E, E^s)$, hence, we only need to show that $\sigma(E, E')$ bounded sets are $\sigma(E, E^s)$ bounded, $\sigma(E, E')$ - \mathcal{K} bounded sets are $\sigma(E, E^s)$ - \mathcal{K} bounded.

In fact, let $B \subseteq E$ be $\sigma(E, E')$ bounded, for each sequence $\{x_n\} \subseteq B$ and each scalar sequence $\{t_n\}$ such that $t_n \rightarrow 0$ and each $f \in E^s$, then $\{t_n x_n\}$ is τ -convergent to 0, and so it follows that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(t_n x_n) = 0.$$

That is, B is a $\sigma(E, E^s)$ -bounded subset of E .

Note that each $\sigma(E, E')$ - \mathcal{K} bounded set must be τ - \mathcal{K} bounded. It is easy to show that each $\sigma(E, E')$ - \mathcal{K} bounded set must also be $\sigma(E, E^s)$ - \mathcal{K} bounded set.

From Lemma 1 and Theorem 1 it follows that:

Corollary 1. *If (E, τ) is a locally convex space, then all topologies on E admissible with respect to (E, E') or (E, E^s) have the same \mathcal{K} bounded sets. In particular, if (E, τ) is an \mathcal{A} -space, then E is also an \mathcal{A} -space for any topology on E admissible with respect to (E, E') or (E, E^s) .*

A locally convex space is said to be a Mazur space if $E' = E^s$ [7, §8.6].

The following example shows that Corollary 1 generalizes Lemma 1.

Example 1. *If X is a normed, barrelled, and not complete space, then $(X', \sigma(X', X))$ is an \mathcal{A} -space [3], but it is not a Mazur space [7, Prob. 9-3-117].*

Let $E = X'$, $\tau = \sigma(X', X)$, then $\sigma(E, E')$ is actually weaker than $\sigma(E, E^s)$.

Let τ_1 and τ_2 be two locally convex topologies on E if $(E, \tau_1)^s = (E, \tau_2)^s$, then τ_1 and τ_2 is said to be sequentially compatible.

Corollary 2. *Let (E, τ_1) and (E, τ_2) be sequentially compatible if (E, τ_1) is an \mathcal{A} -space, then (E, τ_2) is also an \mathcal{A} -space. That is, the locally convex \mathcal{A} -space is sequentially compatible invariant property.*

For a locally convex space (E, τ) , let $\tau^+ = \sup\{\tau' : \tau'$ is a locally convex topology on E with the same convergent sequences as $\tau\}$ [8]. Webb has also shown that $(E, \tau)^s = (E, \tau^+)^s = (E, \tau^+)'$. So from Corollary 2 we have

Corollary 3. *If (E, τ) is a locally convex \mathcal{A} -space, then (E, τ^+) is also an \mathcal{A} -space.*

Next, we study the space $(E^s, \sigma(E^s, E))$.

Theorem 2. *If (E, τ) is a locally convex Hausdorff space, then $(E, \sigma(E, E^s))$ is a Mazur space.*

Proof. Let $f \in (E, \sigma(E, E^s))^s$ and $\{x_n\}$ be τ -convergent to 0, then for each $g \in E^s$, $g(x_n) \rightarrow 0$. Thus, $x_n \rightarrow 0$ in $(E, \sigma(E, E^s))$ and hence $f(x_n) \rightarrow 0$. It follows that $f \in E^s$, that is $(E, \sigma(E, E^s))^s \subseteq E^s$. Note that $(E, \sigma(E, E^s))' = E^s$ [7, §8.2], $(E, \sigma(E, E^s))^s = (E, \sigma(E, E^s))'$, $(E, \sigma(E, E^s))$ is a Mazur space.

Corollary 4. *Let (E, τ) be a locally convex Hausdorff space, then $(E^s, \beta(E^s, E))$ is sequentially complete and, hence, is an \mathcal{A} -space.*

Proof. Since $(E, \sigma(E, E^s))$ is a Mazur space it follows from [7, §8.6] that $(E^s, \beta(E^s, E))$ is sequentially complete and, hence, is an \mathcal{A} -space.

Example 2. *Let c_{oo} be the the space of all sequences which are eventually 0 and τ be the sup-norm topology. Then (c_{oo}, τ) is a normed space and, hence, is a Mazur space. We have $(c_{oo}, \tau)' = (c_{oo}, \tau)^s = l_1$. It follows from Corollary 4 that $(c_{oo}^s, \beta(c_{oo}^s, c_{oo})) = (l_1, \beta(l_1, c_{oo}))$ is an \mathcal{A} -space. But $(c_{oo}^s, \sigma(c_{oo}^s, c_{oo})) = (l_1, \sigma(l_1, c_{oo}))$ is not an \mathcal{A} -space. In fact, if e_k is the sequence with 1 in the k th coordinate and 0 elsewhere, then $\{ke_k\} \subseteq l_1$ is $\sigma(l_1, c_{oo})$ bounded, but, it is not $\sigma(l_1, c_{oo})$ - \mathcal{K} bounded.*

Example 2 shows that if $(E^s, \beta(E^s, E))$ is an \mathcal{A} -space it does not imply that $(E^s, \sigma(E^s, E))$ is also an \mathcal{A} -space. But, for a locally convex \mathcal{A} -space we have:

Theorem 3. *If (E, τ) is a locally convex \mathcal{A} -space, then $(E^s, \sigma(E^s, E))$ is also an \mathcal{A} -space.*

Proof. Let $A \subseteq E^s$ be $\sigma(E^s, E)$ bounded. For each $\{f_n\} \subseteq A$ and each scalar sequence $\{t_n\}$ such that $t_n \rightarrow 0$, pick a subsequence $\{t_{n_j}\}$ of $\{t_n\}$ such that $\sum_j |t_{n_j}| < \infty$. Denote $f = \sum_j t_{n_j} f_{n_j}$, then f is a linear functional defined on E . Now, we show that $f \in E^s$. In fact, if $\{x_i\}$ is τ -convergent to 0, it follows from [3, Coroll. 4] that

$$\sup_{i,n} \{|f_n(x_i)|\} = M < \infty.$$

For each $\epsilon > 0$, pick $j_0 \in N$ such that

$$M \sum_{j=j_0+1}^{\infty} |t_{n_j}| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

Note that $\{f_n\} \subseteq E^s$, there is $i_0 \in N$ such that for $i \geq i_0$ we have

$$\sum_{j=1}^{j_0} |t_{n_j} f_{n_j}(x_i)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

Thus, for $i \geq i_0$ we have

$$|f(x_i)| = \left| \sum_j t_{n_j} f_{n_j}(x_i) \right| \leq \sum_{j=1}^{j_0} |t_{n_j} f_{n_j}(x_i)| + M \sum_{j=j_0+1}^{\infty} |t_{n_j}| < \epsilon.$$

This shows that $f \in E^s$. Therefore $(E^s, \sigma(E^s, E))$ is an \mathcal{A} -space.

Corollary 5. *If (E, τ) is an \mathcal{A} -space, then E^s is also an \mathcal{A} -space for any topology on E^s admissible with respect to (E^s, E) .*

Corollary 6. *If (E, τ) is a Mazur \mathcal{A} -space, then $(E', \sigma(E', E))$ is also an \mathcal{A} -space.*

Corollary 7. *If (E, τ) is a Mazur \mathcal{A} -space, then E' is also an \mathcal{A} -space for any topology on E' admissible with respect to (E', E) .*

3. The Adjoint Theorem

Let E, F be two locally convex Hausdorff spaces and $T : E \rightarrow F$ be a linear operator. The domains of the adjoint operator T' and sequentially adjoint operator T^s are defined to be

$$D(T') = \{y' : y' \in F', y'T \in E'\}, \quad D(T^s) = \{y' : y' \in F^s, y'T \in E^s\},$$

respectively. $T' : D(T') \rightarrow E'$ and $T^s : D(T^s) \rightarrow E^s$ are defined by $T'y' = y'T$ and $T^s y' = y'T$.

Theorem 4. *Let E and F be two locally convex Hausdorff spaces and $T : E \rightarrow F$, then $T^s : D(T^s) \rightarrow E^s$ carries $\sigma(F^s, F)$ bounded subsets of $D(T^s)$ to subsets of E^s which are uniformly bounded on $\sigma(E, E^s)$ - \mathcal{K} bounded subsets of E .*

Proof. Consider the spaces $(E, \sigma(E, E^s))$ and $(F, \sigma(F, F^s))$. Note that $(E, \sigma(E, E^s))' = E^s$ and $(F, \sigma(F, F^s))' = F^s$. Then it follows from [4, Th. 1] that the conclusion holds.

Theorem 4 may also be proved in an analogous way as in [4].

Corollary 8. *Let (E, τ) be an \mathcal{A} -space, then T^s carries $\sigma(F^s, F)$ bounded subsets of $D(T^s)$ to $\beta(E^s, E)$ - \mathcal{K} bounded subsets. In particular, T' carries $\sigma(F', F)$ bounded subsets of $D(T')$ to strongly bounded subsets of E' .*

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