# WEAK-AND STRONG CONVERGENCE IN SPACE OF LINEAR OPERATORS

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let E be a topological Vector space, and E' its topological dual. The topology on E associated with the family of continuous linear forms  $f \in E'$  is called the weak topology of E. If E is a normed vector space then let us call the topology on E associated with the norm the strong topology. A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in a normed linear space E is said to be converges weakly (strongly) to x in E if  $\{x_n\}$  converges to x provided E is equipped with the weak (strong) topology.

Choquet [1] proved that if E be a Hilbert space then the statement  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to x is equivalent to  $\{x_n\}$  converges weakly to x and  $||x_n||$  tends to ||x||.

Let E and F are normed linear spaces and L(E, F) be the set of all continuous linear map T on E into F. The purpose of this paper is to show that the following two statements are equivalent whenever F is Hilbert space:

- 1)  $\{T_n\}$  in L(E,F) converges to T strongly, that is, for each  $x \in E$ ,  $\{T_n x\}$  converges to Tx strongly.
- 2)  $\{T_n x\}$  converges to T weakly, that is, for each  $x \in E$ ,  $\{T_n x\}$  converges to Tx weakly and  $||T_n x||$  tends to ||Tx||.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

Let a be a fixed element of a Banach space E. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and let  $f_1 f_2 \cdots f_n$  be elements of E'. Consider the set

$$U(a) = U(a : f_1 f_2 \cdot \cdots \cdot f_n, \varepsilon) = \{x : |f_i x - f_i a| < \varepsilon\}, i = 1, 2, \dots n$$

since the class of all sets U(a) with a fixed is a base of neighborhoods of a in the weak topology on E,  $\{x_n\}$  converges weakly to x is equivalent to, for every  $f \in E'$ , we have  $f(x_n)$  converges to f(x). On the other hand,  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to x in E means that  $||x_n-x||$  tends to zero.

LEMMA 1: In a Hilbert space E. A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  weakly converges to x if and only if  $(x_n|y)$  converges to (x|y) for each  $y \in E$  where (x|y) is the inner product of x and y.

Proof. Since the map  $P_v: x \to (x|y)$  is a continuous linear form for every  $y \in E$ , the sequence  $P_y(x_n)$  converges to  $P_y(x)$ , that is,  $(x_n|y)$  converges to (x|y) for each  $y \in E$ . On the other hand, from Frechet-Riesz theorem, for every  $f \in E'$  there exists an element  $y \in E$  such that f(x) = (x|y) for all  $x \in E$ . It follows that by Hypothesis  $(x_n|y)$  converges to (x|y) implies  $f(x_n)$  converges to f(x) for every  $f \in E'$ . Hence f(x) converges weakly to f(x).

LEMMA 2: In a Hilbert space E. If  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to x then  $\{x_n\}$  converges weakly to x. Proof. Since  $||x_n-x||$  tends to zero, for every  $\varepsilon>0$  and for every non zero y in E there exists a

N>0 such that n>N implies  $||x_n-x||<\frac{\varepsilon}{||y||}$ , and now, by Cauchy Schwarz inequality  $|(x_n|y)-(x|y)|\leq ||x_n-x|| ||y||<\varepsilon$  provided n>N. Thus  $(x_n|y)$  converges to (x|y) for every  $y\in E$ . By Lemma 1, converges weakly to x.

The converse of Lemma 2 is not true. The sequence  $(e_n)$  of unit vectors in Hilbert space  $l^2$  does not tend to zero since  $||e_n|| = |$  for every n. It tends, however, to zero weakly. Indeed,  $(e_n | a) = \tilde{a}_n$  and  $\tilde{a}_n$  tends to zero because  $\sum |a_n|^2$  converges implies  $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges to zero, where  $a = (a_n)$  is an element of  $l^2$ .

LEMMA 3. Let E be a Hilbert space.x a point of E and  $\{x_n\}$  a sequence of E; the following statements are equivalent.

- 1)  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to x,
- 2)  $\{x_n\}$  converges weakly to x and  $||x_n||$  tends to ||x||.

Proof. By Lemma 2 and  $|||x|| - ||x||| < ||x_n - x||$ ,  $1) \Rightarrow 2$ ) is obvious. Let us prove the converse. Since weak convergence implies  $(x_n|x)$  converges to  $(x|x) = ||x||^2$ ,  $||x_n - x||^2 = ||x_n||^2 + ||x|| - (x_n|x) - (x|x_n)$  tends to zero as  $n \to \infty$ . In other words  $||x_n - x||$  tends to zero, that is,  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to x.

## 3. THEOREMS

Let E and F be normed linear spaces. The linear space L(E, F) of continuous linear mappings  $T: E \rightarrow F$  have three topologies as the following definition.

Definition 1: The Uniform operator topology in L(E, F) is defined by the metric topology of L(E, F) induced by its norm  $||T|| = \sup ||Tx||$ . In L(E, F) equipped with the uniform operator  $||x|| \le |$  topology, a sequence  $\{T_n\}$  converges to T means that  $||T_n-T||$  tends to zero. In this case, we call  $\{T_n\}$  uniformly converges to T.

Definition 2: The family of sets  $U(T:A,\varepsilon) = \{R \in L(E,F) : || (T-R)x || < \varepsilon, x \in A\}$ , where A is a finite subset of E and  $\varepsilon > 0$  is arbitrary, forms a basis of neighborhoods of a topology for L(E,F). This topology is called the strong operator topology for L(E,F). In the strong operator topology, a sequence  $\{T_n\}$  converges to T in L(E,F) if and only if  $\{T_nx\}$  strongly converges to Tx for every  $x \in E$  in F. We can say roughly that a sequence  $\{T_n\}$  strongly converges to T if  $||T_nx-Tx||$  tends to zero for every  $x \in E$  in F.

Definition 3: The weak operator topology in L(E, F) is the topology defind by the basis of neighborhoods of T,

$$U(T:A,B,\varepsilon) = \{R \in L(E,F): ||f(T-R)x|| < \varepsilon, f \in B, x \in A\}$$

where A and B are an arbitrary finite subset in E and F' (the dual of F) respectively. Thus, in the weak operator topology, a sequence  $\{T_n\}$  converges to T means that  $\{fT_nx\}$  converges fTx for every  $x \in E$  and f in F' and also equivalent to, the sequence  $\{T_nx\}$  weakly converges to Tx for each  $x \in E$  in the scense of §2 in F. We say that a sequence  $\{T_n\}$  weakly converges to T if  $\{T_n\}$  converges to T in the weak operator topology for L(E, F).

THEOREM 1: Let E and F are normed linear spaces. In L(E, F), if a sequence  $\{T_n\}$  uniformly converges to T then  $\{T_n\}$  strongly converges to T.

Proof: For every non zero element x of E and positive real  $\varepsilon$ , there exists N such that n>N implies  $||T_n-T||<\frac{\varepsilon}{||x||}$  because  $\{T_n\}$  uniformly converges to T. From  $||T_nx-Tx||\leq ||T_n-T|| ||x||$  for every  $x\in E$ , we have  $||T_n-T||<\varepsilon$  for n>N, for every  $x\in E$ . Hence  $\{T_n\}$  strongly converge to T.

THEOREM 2: Let E be a normed linear space and F a Hilbert space. A sequence  $\{T_n\}$  in L(E, F) weakly converges to T if and only if  $\{(T_n x | y)\}$  tends to  $(T_n x | y)$  for each pair (x, y) in  $E \times F$ .

Proof: By Definition 3  $\{T_n\}$  weakly converges to T means that  $\{T_nx\}$  weakly converges to Tx for each  $x \in E$  in the Hilbert space F. Lemma 1 asserts that the theorem is true.

THEOREM 3: Let E be a normed linear space and F a Hilbert space. If  $\{T_n\}$  strongly converges to T then  $\{T_n\}$  weakly converges to T.

Proof: By Cauchy Schwarz inequality, for every pair (x, y) in  $E \times F \mid (T_n x \mid y) - (T x \mid y) \mid || T_n x - T x ||$ .

Since  $\{T_n\}$  strongly converges to T,  $||T_nx-Tx||$  tends to zero. Thus, from theorem 2,  $\{T_n\}$  converges to T weakly.

THEOREM 4: Let E be a normed linear space and F a Hilbert space, and let T, T in L(E, F). The following two statements are equivalent.

- 1)  $\{T_n\}$  strongly converges to T.
- 2)  $\{T_n\}$  weakly converges to T and  $||T_nx||$  tends to ||Tx|| for every  $x \in E$ . Proof. From Lemma 3, Definition 2, 3 and Theorem 3, the Theorem is true.

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약 위상과 강위상이 주어진 선형공간 E에서 수열의 약수렴과 강수렴에 관한 성질을 보조정리로 하여 두 Banach 공간 E의 F사이에 정의된 연속작용소 공간 L(E,F)에서 작용소열  $\{T_n\}$ 이 T에 강수렴하기 위한 필요충분조건은 F가 Hilbert 공간일때는  $\{T_n\}$ 이 T에 약수렴함과 동시에 실수열  $\|T_nx\|$ 가 실수  $\|Tx\|$ 에 수렴할 때이다.