

# Banach–Steinhaus type theorems in locally convex spaces for linear bounded operators

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**Abstract.** Banach–Steinhaus type results are established for linear bounded operators between locally convex spaces without barrelledness.

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## Introduction

In the past, all of Banach–Steinhaus type results have been established only for some special classes of locally convex spaces, e.g., barrelled spaces ([2],[3],[4]), s-barrelled spaces ([5]), strictly s-barrelled spaces ([6]), etc. Recently, Cui Chengri and Songho Han ([1]) have obtained a Banach–Steinhaus type result which is valid for every locally convex space as follows

**1 Theorem.** *Let  $(X, \lambda), (Y, \mu)$  be locally convex spaces and  $T_n : X \rightarrow Y$  bounded linear operators,  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ . If  $\text{weak-}\lim_n T_n y = Ty$  exists at each  $y \in X$ , then the limit operator  $T$  send  $\eta(X, X^b)$ –bounded sets into bounded sets.*

In this paper we would like to obtain the same result by taking the topology  $\lambda$  in place of  $\eta(X, X^b)$ .

Let  $(X, \lambda)$  and  $(Y, \mu)$  be locally convex spaces. Assume that the locally convex topology  $\mu$  is generated by the family  $(q_\beta)_{\beta \in I}$  of semi-norms on  $Y$ .

An operator  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be sequentially continuous if  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x$  then  $Tx_n \rightarrow Tx$ ;  $T$  is said to be bounded if  $T$  sends bounded sets into bounded sets. Clearly, continuous operators are sequentially continuous, and sequentially continuous operators are bounded but in general, converse implications fail. Let  $X', X^s$  and  $X^b$  denote the families

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of continuous linear functionals, sequentially continuous linear functionals and bounded linear functionals on  $X$ , respectively. In general, the inclusions  $X' \subset X^s \subset X^b$  are strict.

For a linear dual pair  $(E, F)$  let  $\beta(E, F)$  denote the strongest  $(E, F)$  polar topology on  $E$  which is just the topology of uniform convergence on  $\sigma(F, E)$ -bounded subsets of  $F$ .

Let  $\mathcal{C}(X_\lambda)$ ,  $\mathcal{B}(X_\lambda)$  and  $\mathcal{C}_0(X_\lambda)$  denote the families of conditionally  $\lambda$ -sequentially compact sets, bounded sets in  $(X, \lambda)$  and convergent sequences in  $(X, \lambda)$  to 0, respectively.

Let  $\sigma \subset \mathcal{B}(X_\lambda)$  such that  $\bigcup_{C \in \sigma} C = X$ .

Let  $\zeta$  be the topology on  $X^b$  generated by the family of semi-norms

$$P_C(f) = \sup_{y \in C} |f(y)|, \quad C \in \sigma.$$

Let  $\eta(X, X_\zeta^s)$  denote the topology of uniform convergence on conditionally  $(X^s, \zeta)$ -sequentially compact sets of  $X^s$ .

Remark that  $\eta(X, X_\zeta^s)$  is coarser than  $\eta(X, X^b)$ . It follows immediately

**2 Proposition.** *For every locally convex space  $X$  the following conditions are equivalent.*

(1) *For every locally convex space  $Y$  and for every sequence  $\{T_n\}_n$  of bounded linear operators from  $X$  into  $Y$  such that for every  $C \in \sigma$   $\mu - \lim_n T_n x = Tx$  uniformly in  $x \in C$ , the limit operator  $T$  is also  $(\lambda, \mu)$ -bounded.*

(2)  *$(X^b, \zeta)$  is sequentially complete.*

PROOF. (1) $\Rightarrow$ (2). Let  $\{f_n\}$  be a  $X_\zeta^b$ -Cauchy sequence in  $X^b$ . then, there exists a linear functional  $f$  such that for every  $C \in \sigma$   $\lim_n f_n(x) = f(x)$  uniformly in  $x \in C$ . Consequently,  $f \in X^b$  by (1).

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (1). Let  $Y$  be a locally convex space and  $\{T_n\}$  a sequence of bounded linear operators from  $X$  into  $Y$  such that for every  $C \in \sigma$   $\mu - \lim_n T_n x = Tx$  uniformly in  $x \in C$ . Suppose that  $B$  is a bounded subset of  $X_\lambda$  and  $y' \in Y'$ . Then there exists  $\beta_0 \in I$  and  $c_1 > 0$  such that for every  $z \in Y$   $|y'(z)| \leq c_1 q_{\beta_0}(z)$ . Therefore, for every  $C \in \sigma$   $\lim_n y'(T_n x) = y'(Tx)$  uniformly in  $x \in C$ . Since  $y' \circ T_n \in X^b$  for all  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ ,  $y' \circ T \in X^b$  by (2). Therefore,  $\{y'(Tx) : x \in B\}$  is bounded. Since  $y' \in Y'$  is arbitrary,  $T(B)$  is  $\mu$ -bounded by the classical Mackey theorem.  $\square$

The proof of proposition 1 gives the following

**3 Proposition.** *For every locally convex space  $X$  the following conditions are equivalent.*

(1) *For every locally convex space  $Y$  and for every sequence  $T_n$  of sequentially*

continuous linear operators from  $X$  into  $Y$  such that for every  $C \in \sigma$   $\mu$ - $\lim_n T_n y = Ty$  uniformly in  $y \in C$ , the limit operator  $T$  is also  $(\lambda, \mu)$ -bounded.  
 (2)  $X_\zeta^s$  is sequentially complete.

Assume now that  $\sigma$  satisfies also the condition  $\mathcal{C}(X_\lambda) \subset \sigma$ . It follows immediately

**4 Proposition.**  $X_\zeta^s$  is sequentially complete.

PROOF. Suppose that  $\{A_n\}_n$  is Cauchy sequence in  $X_\zeta^s$ . Then,

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \quad \forall C \in \sigma \quad \exists n_0 \in \mathbf{N}$$

such that

$$\forall n, m \geq n_0 \quad \forall y \in C \quad |A_n y - A_m y| < \varepsilon. \quad (1)$$

On the other hand,  $\forall y \in X$   $\{A_n y\}_n$  is Cauchy sequence in  $\mathbf{R}$ . Consequently,  $A_n y \rightarrow Ay$  in  $\mathbf{R}$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Letting  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (1), it follows that

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \quad \forall C \in \sigma \quad \exists n_0 \in \mathbf{N}$$

such that

$$\forall n \geq n_0 \quad \forall y \in C \quad |A_n y - Ay| \leq \varepsilon. \quad (2)$$

We will show now that  $A \in X^s$ .

Let  $\{x_n\}_n \in \mathcal{C}_0(X_\lambda)$ . Pick any  $\varepsilon > 0$ . As  $\{x_n\} \in \mathcal{C}(X_\mu) \subset \sigma$ , then there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbf{N}$  such that for all  $n \in \mathbf{N}$  and for all  $y \in C$

$$|A_{n_0} x_n - Ax_n| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

On the other hand, there exists  $n_1 \in \mathbf{N}$  such that  $\forall n > n_1 \quad |A_{n_0} x_n| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ .

In this case

$$\forall n > n_1 \quad |Ax_n| \leq \varepsilon.$$

Consequently,  $A \in X^s$ . Thus,  $X_\zeta^s$  is sequentially complete.  $\square$

**5 Proposition.** Let  $(X, \lambda), (Y, \mu)$  be locally convex spaces and  $T_n : X \rightarrow Y$  sequentially continuous linear operators,  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ . If for every  $C \in \sigma$   $\mu$ - $\lim_n T_n z = Tz$  uniformly in  $z \in C$ , then the limit operator  $T$  send  $\eta(X, X_\zeta^s)$ -bounded sets into bounded sets.

PROOF. Let  $y' \in Y'$ ,  $C \in \sigma$ . Then there exists  $\beta_0 \in I$  and  $c_1 > 0$  such that for every  $z \in Y \quad |y'(z)| \leq c_1 q_{\beta_0}(z)$ . Consequently,  $\sup_{z \in C} |y'(T_n z) - y'(Tz)| \rightarrow 0$ .

Since  $X_\zeta^s$  is sequentially complete, then  $\{y' \circ T_n : n \in \mathbf{N}\}$  is conditionally  $(X^s, \zeta)$ -sequentially compact.

Suppose that  $B$  is a  $\eta(X, X_\zeta^s)$ -bounded subset of  $X$  and  $\{x_k\} \subset B$ . Then  $\exists c > 0 \forall k \in \mathbf{N} \forall n \in \mathbf{N} \mid y'(T_n x_k) \mid \leq c$ . Fix a  $k \geq k_0$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Since  $\lim_n y'(T_n x_k) = y'(T x_k)$  there is an  $n_0 \in \mathbf{N}$  such that  $\mid y'(T_{n_0} x_k) - y'(T x_k) \mid < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ . Therefore,

$$\mid y'(T x_k) \mid \leq \mid y'(T x_k) - y'(T_{n_0} x_k) \mid + \mid y'(T_{n_0} x_k) \mid < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + c.$$

This shows that  $\{y'(T x) : x \in B\}$  is bounded. Since  $y' \in Y'$  is arbitrary,  $T(B)$  is  $\mu$ -bounded by the classical Mackey theorem. Thus, we achieve the proof.  $\square$

Let us denote by  $\theta(X, X_\zeta^s)$  the topology of uniform convergence on  $(X^s, \zeta)$ -Cauchy sequences. A subset  $B$  of  $X$  is said to be  $\theta(X, X_\zeta^s)$ -bounded if for every  $X_\zeta^s$ -Cauchy sequence  $\{f_n\}$  there exists  $c > 0$  such that for every sequence  $\{x_k\}$  in  $B \mid f_n(x_k) \mid \leq c \forall n \in \mathbf{N} \forall k \in \mathbf{N}$ .

Then the proof of proposition 4 gives the following.

**6 Proposition.** *Let  $(X, \lambda), (Y, \mu)$  be locally convex spaces and  $T_n : X \rightarrow Y$  bounded linear operators,  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ . If for every  $C \in \sigma \mu - \lim_n T_n y = T y$  uniformly in  $y \in C$ , then the limit operator  $T$  send  $\theta(X, X_\zeta^s)$ -bounded sets into bounded sets.*

Now we have a useful proposition as follows.

**7 Proposition.** *Let  $(X, \lambda), (Y, \mu)$  be locally convex spaces and  $T_n : X \rightarrow Y$  sequentially continuous linear operators,  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ . If for every  $C \in \sigma \mu - \lim_n T_n y = T y$  uniformly in  $y \in C$ , then the limit operator  $T$  send  $\lambda$ -bounded sets into bounded sets.*

PROOF. By propositions 2 and 3, we deduce the result.  $\square$

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