

# A NOTE ON ŠMULIAN'S THEOREM

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## **Abstract**

*An extension of Šmulian's theorem in which neither the linearity nor the local convexity are presupposed is obtained.*

*As a consequence, a non-Archimedean version of Šmulian's theorem is derived.\**

**Definition** [1] *Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be a metrizable topological division ring,  $G$  a vector space over  $\mathbb{K}$ ,  $H$  a set and  $f$  a mapping from  $G \times H$  into  $\mathbb{K}$  such that for each  $h \in H$ , the mapping*

$$f_h : g \in G \mapsto f_h(g) = f(g, h) \in \mathbb{K}$$

*is linear, and such that  $f$  separates points of  $G$  (that is, for all  $g \in G$ ,  $g \neq 0$ , there is  $h \in H$  with  $f_h(g) \neq 0$ ). The initial topology on  $G$  for the family  $\mathcal{F}_H = \{f_h : h \in H\}$  will be denoted by  $\sigma(G, H)$ ;  $G$ , endowed with  $\sigma(G, H)$ , is a topological vector space over  $\mathbb{K}$ .*

*Similarly, we define  $\sigma(H, G)$  as the initial topology on  $H$  for the family  $\mathcal{F}_G$ .*

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**Example 1** (a) Let  $H$  be a set,  $G$  a vector subspace of  $\mathcal{F}(H; \mathbb{K})$  (the vector space of all mappings from  $H$  into  $\mathbb{K}$ ) and

$$f: (g, h) \in G \times H \mapsto g(h) \in \mathbb{K}.$$

It is clear that  $f$  satisfies the conditions of the Definition. In this case,  $\sigma(G, H)$  coincides with the topology of simple convergence on  $G$ .

(b) Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be a separated topological field and let  $G$  be a topological vector space over  $\mathbb{K}$  with the Hahn-Banach property ([6], p.7). Let

$$f: (x, h) \in G \times G' \mapsto h(x) \in \mathbb{K},$$

where  $G'$  denotes the topological dual of  $G$ . Then  $f$  satisfies the conditions of the Definition, the fact that  $f$  separates points of  $G$  being a consequence of Lemma I.1.3.1. of [6].

As particular cases of Example 1(b) we have the separated locally convex spaces over  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$  [3] and the polar separated locally convex spaces over a non-Archimedean non-trivially valued complete field [8]. On the other hand, if  $0 < p < 1$ , then  $l^p$  endowed with the metric  $d(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_n - y_n|^p$  is a topological vector space with the Hahn-banach property which is not locally convex ([7], Chap.3, Exercise 5(d)).

The next result has Šmulian's theorem [9] and a non-Archimedean version for this theorem (see the Corollary) as particular cases.

**Theorem** Let  $\mathbb{K}$ ,  $G$ ,  $H$  and  $f$  be as in the Definition. If  $(H, \sigma(H, G))$  is separable, then every  $\sigma(G, H)$ -(relatively)-countably compact subset of  $G$  is  $(G, H)$ -(relatively)-sequentially compact.

**Proof:** Since  $(H, \sigma(H, G))$  is separable and  $\mathbb{K}$  is a separated uniform space in which the countably compact subsets are sequentially compact ( $\mathbb{K}$  is metrizable), it follows from the Corollary of Proposition 5 of [2] that every countably compact subset of  $C_s((H, \sigma(H, G)), \mathbb{K})$  is sequentially compact (where  $C_s((H, \sigma(H, G)), \mathbb{K})$  denotes the space of all continuous functions from  $(H, \sigma(H, G))$  into  $\mathbb{K}$  endowed with the vector topology of pointwise convergence,  $\tau_s$ ).

Now consider the function

$$F : g \in G \mapsto f_g \in C((H, \sigma(H,G), \mathbb{K}),$$

where  $f_g(h) = f(g,h)$  for all  $h \in H$ . By the fact that  $f$  separates points of  $G$ ,  $F$  is injective. Therefore  $F$  is a homeomorphism from  $(G, \sigma(G,H))$  onto  $M = F(G)$ ,  $M$  endowed with the vector topology induced by  $\tau_s$ .

As the countably compact subsets and the sequentially compact subsets of  $M$  coincide, we conclude that every  $\sigma(G,H)$ -(relatively)- countably compact subset of  $G$  is  $\sigma(G,H)$ -(relatively)-sequentially compact, as was to be shown.

**Remark 1** *If  $\mathbb{K}$  is an arbitrary topological division ring, then the Theorem holds if and only if every countably compact subset of  $\mathbb{K}$  is sequentially compact.*

**Example 2** *In this example, we will see that for each locally compact separated topological division ring  $\mathbb{K}$  there is a topological vector space  $G$  over  $\mathbb{K}$  such that the canonical bilinear form*

$$(x, \varphi) \in G \times G' \mapsto \varphi(x) \in \mathbb{K}$$

*separates points of  $G$  (so that the Definition is satisfied). Moreover, there is a  $\sigma(G',G)$ -compact subset of  $G'$  which is not  $\sigma(G',G)$ -sequentially compact.*

*Indeed, by Theorem 1.44 of [5], there is an absolute value  $|\cdot|$  on  $\mathbb{K}$  which defines its topology.*

*Let  $\ell^\infty$  be the vector space over  $\mathbb{K}$  of all bounded sequences of elements of  $\mathbb{K}$ , endowed with its usual norm. Then  $(\ell^\infty)'$  endowed with the norm*

$$\|\varphi\| = \sup_{\lambda \neq 0} |\varphi(\lambda)| / \|\lambda\|$$

*is a Banach space over  $\mathbb{K}$ .*

*For each  $n \geq 1$ , let  $\varphi_n((\lambda_j)_{j \geq 1}) = \lambda_n$ ; then  $\varphi_n \in (\ell^\infty)'$  and  $\|\varphi_n\| = 1$ .  $\{\varphi_n : n \geq 1\}$  is  $\sigma((\ell^\infty)', \ell^\infty)$ -relatively compact, being a subset of the closed unit ball of  $(\ell^\infty)'$ , which is  $\sigma((\ell^\infty)', \ell^\infty)$ -compact ([4], Lemma 3.1). We claim that  $\overline{\{\varphi_n : n \geq 1\}}^{\sigma((\ell^\infty)', \ell^\infty)}$  is not  $\sigma((\ell^\infty)', \ell^\infty)$ -sequentially compact.*

*For otherwise, there would be a subsequence  $(\varphi_{n_j})_{j \geq 1}$  of  $(\varphi_n)_{n \geq 1}$  and  $\varphi \in (\ell^\infty)'$  such that  $(\varphi_{n_j}(\lambda))_{j \geq 1} \rightarrow \varphi(\lambda)$ , for all  $\lambda \in \ell^\infty$ .*

But for  $\lambda = (\lambda_i)_{i \geq 1} \in l^\infty$  given by

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_i = 0, & \text{if } i \neq n_j & \text{for all } j \geq 1, \\ \lambda_i = 0, & \text{if } i = n_j & \text{with } j \text{ even,} \\ \lambda_i = 0, & \text{if } i \neq n_j & \text{with } j \text{ odd,} \end{cases}$$

we have that  $(\varphi_{n_j}(\lambda))_{j \geq 1}$  does not converge.

**Corollary** Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be a non-Archimedean non-trivially valued complete field and  $E$  a strongly polar separated locally convex space over  $\mathbb{K}$ . If  $E'$  is  $\sigma(E', E)$ -separable, then every  $\sigma(E, E')$ - (relatively)-countably compact subset of  $E$  is (relatively)-sequentially compact.

**Proof:** Let  $\tau$  be the given topology of  $E$ . By Proposition 4.11 of [8], every  $\sigma(E, E')$ -convergent sequence is  $\tau$ -convergent. Consequently, the  $\sigma(E, E')$ - (relatively)-sequentially compact subsets of  $E$  and the  $\tau$ - (relatively)-sequentially compact subsets of  $E$  coincide. Thus it is sufficient to apply the Theorem to finish the proof.

**Remark 2** If we consider in Example 2  $\mathbb{K}$  as a non-Archimedean non-trivially valued locally compact field, then we obtain an example of a locally convex space over  $\mathbb{K}$  for which the Corollary is not true.

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