

DISCRETE SEMI-ORDERED LINEAR SPACES

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1. Introduction. Let R be a *semi-ordered linear space*, that is, a *vector lattice* in Birkhoff's terminology [2]. An element $a \in R$ is said to be *discrete*, if for every element $x \in R$ such that $|x| \leq |a|$ there exists a real number α for which $x = \alpha a$. For every pair of discrete elements $a, b \in R$ we have $|a| \wedge |b| = 0$ or there exists a real number α for which $b = \alpha a$ or $a = \alpha b$. Because, putting

$$c = |a| \wedge |b|,$$

we have $c = \alpha a, c = \beta b$ for some real numbers α, β .

A system of elements $a_\lambda \in R (\lambda \in \Lambda)$ is said to be *complete*, if $|x| \wedge |a_\lambda| = 0$ for all $\lambda \in \Lambda$ implies $x = 0$. R is said to be *universally continuous* if for every system of positive elements $a_\lambda \in R (\lambda \in \Lambda)$ there exists $\bigwedge_{\lambda \in \Lambda} a_\lambda$ (*conditionally complete* in Birkhoff's terminology [2]).

DEFINITION. A semi-ordered linear space R is said to be *discrete*, if R is universally continuous and has a complete system of discrete elements.

Let R be universally continuous. We shall use the notation $a_\lambda \downarrow_{\lambda \in \Lambda} a$ to mean: $a = \bigwedge_{\lambda \in \Lambda} a_\lambda$ and for all $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \Lambda$ there exists $\lambda \in \Lambda$ with $a_\lambda \leq a_{\lambda_1} \wedge a_{\lambda_2}$. A linear functional L on R is said to be *universally continuous*, if

$$R \ni a_\lambda \downarrow_{\lambda \in \Lambda} 0 \quad \text{implies} \quad \inf_{\lambda \in \Lambda} |L(a_\lambda)| = 0.$$

The totality of universally continuous linear functionals on R is said to be the *conjugate space* of R and denoted [5] by \bar{R} . R is said to be *semi-regular*, if R is universally continuous and $\bar{x}(a) = 0$ for all $\bar{x} \in \bar{R}$ implies $a = 0$.

Let R be semi-regular. A sequence of elements $a_\nu \in R (\nu = 1, 2, \dots)$ is said to be *w-convergent* to $a \in R$, if

$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \bar{x}(a_\nu) = \bar{x}(a) \quad \text{for every } \bar{x} \in \bar{R}$$

and then we write $w\text{-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} a_\nu = a$.

A sequence $a_\nu \in R (\nu = 1, 2, \dots)$ is said to be *|w|-convergent* to $a \in R$, if

$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \bar{x}(|a_\nu - a|) = 0 \quad \text{for every } \bar{x} \in \bar{R},$$

and then we write $|w|\text{-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} a_\nu = a$.

In a semi-ordered linear space R we have *order convergence*, i.e., we write $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} a_\nu = a$, if there exists a sequence of elements $R \ni l_\nu \downarrow_{\nu=1}^{\infty} 0$ such that

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$$|a_\nu - a| \leq l_\nu \quad (\nu = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Kantorovitch [3] introduced *star convergence*, i.e., we write $s\text{-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} a_\nu = a$ if every partial sequence from $a_\nu \in R (\nu = 1, 2, \dots)$ contains a partial sequence which is order convergent to a .

We have furthermore *individual convergence* [7] i.e., we write $\text{ind-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} a_\nu = a$, if

$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} (a_\nu \cap x) \cup y = (a \cap x) \cup y \quad \text{for all } x, y \in R;$$

and *star individual convergence*, i.e., we write $s\text{-}\text{ind-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} a_\nu = a$ if every partial sequence from $a_\nu \in R (\nu = 1, 2, \dots)$ contains a partial sequence which is individually convergent to a .

The purpose of this paper is to prove the

THEOREM. *Each of the following is necessary and sufficient in order that R should be discrete.*

- (A) R is semi-regular and w -convergence coincides with $|w|$ -convergence.
- (B) R is semi-regular and star individual convergence coincides with individual convergence.
- (C) R is semi-regular and $|w|$ -convergence implies individual convergence.

The letters (A), (B), (C) will be used for reference throughout the paper, and R will denote a semi-ordered linear space.

2. LEMMA 1.¹ *If R is discrete, then R is semi-regular and w -convergence coincides with $|w|$ -convergence, that is,*

$$w\text{-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = 0 \quad \text{implies} \quad |w|\text{-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} |x_\nu| = 0.$$

Proof. If R is discrete, then R is universally continuous by definition. Furthermore R is semi-regular, because for every discrete element $a \neq 0$ we obtain a linear functional \bar{a} in \bar{R} as

$$[a]x = \bar{a}(x)a \quad (x \in R)$$

for the projector (cf. [4]) $[a]$ of a .

Let $0 \leq a_\lambda \in R (\lambda \in \Lambda)$ be a complete system of discrete elements. Then we have obviously

$$\bigcap (1 - [a_{\lambda_1} + \dots + a_{\lambda_k}]) = 0$$

for all finite numbers of elements $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k \in \Lambda$. Therefore we have by definition

$$\bigcap \bar{a}(1 - [a_{\lambda_1} + \dots + a_{\lambda_k}]) = 0$$

for every positive $\bar{a} \in \bar{R}$.

¹From Lemma 1 we conclude immediately that in I_1 space weak convergence coincides with norm convergence, as was proved first by J. Schur [9].

We assume that $x_\nu \in R$ ($\nu = 1, 2, \dots$) is w-convergent to zero but not $|w|$ -convergent to zero and derive a contradiction. We can suppose that for some positive $\bar{a} \in \bar{R}$ the inequality $\bar{a}(|x_\nu|) > 2$ holds for an infinite number of ν , hence

$$\bar{a}(x_\nu^+) > 1 \text{ or } \bar{a}(x_\nu^-) > 1$$

for an infinite number of ν . Replacing x_ν by $-x_\nu$ if necessary, we can suppose $\bar{a}(x_\nu^+) > 1$ for an infinite number of ν and hence (using only these x_ν) for all x_ν .

Now for each $\mu = 1, 2, \dots$ define x_μ and a projector

$$P_\mu = [a_{\mu_1} + \dots + a_{\mu_\kappa}]$$

(with a finite number of indices $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_\kappa \in \Lambda$, $\kappa = \kappa(\mu)$) by induction on μ so that:

- (i) $\bar{a}((\mathbf{U}_{\rho < \mu} P_\rho)|x_\mu|) < \frac{1}{5}$,
- (ii) $P_\mu \mathbf{U}_{\rho < \mu} P_\rho = 0$,
- (iii) $\bar{a}((1 - \mathbf{U}_{\rho \leq \mu} P_\rho)|x_\mu|) < \frac{1}{5}$.

Set $Q_\mu = [P_\mu x_\mu^+]$ and $Q = \mathbf{U}_{\mu=1}^\infty Q_\mu$. Then $\bar{a}Q$ is in \bar{R} , yet $\bar{a}Q(x_\mu) > \frac{1}{5}$ for all μ , contradicting the assumption $\lim_{\mu \rightarrow \infty} \bar{a}Q(x_\mu) = 0$.

LEMMA 2. Let R be semi-regular. For a positive $p \in R$, if

$$\text{w-lim}_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = 0, |x_\nu| \leq p \quad (\nu = 1, 2, \dots)$$

implies $\text{w-lim}_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} |x_\nu| = 0$, then the normal manifold $[p]R$ is discrete.

Proof. If $[p]R$ is not discrete, then there exists an element p_0 which we choose to denote also by $p(0, 1)$, such that $0 \neq [p_0] \leq [p]$, $[p_0]R$ has no discrete element except 0, and furthermore $[p_0]R$ is regular, i.e., there exists a positive $\bar{a} \in \bar{R}$ such that if $(0 \leq x \in R)$

$$\bar{a}(x) = 0 \text{ implies } [p_0]x = 0.$$

For such a positive $\bar{a} \in \bar{R}$, we see easily that there exist two elements $p(0, 2^{-1})$, $p(2^{-1}, 1)$ such that

$$[p_0] = [p(0, 1)] = [p(0, 2^{-1})] + [p(2^{-1}, 1)],$$

$$\bar{a}([p(0, 2^{-1})]p) = \bar{a}([p(2^{-1}, 1)]p).$$

Thus we obtain by induction elements

$$p(\mu 2^{-\nu}, (\mu + 1) 2^{-\nu}) \quad (\mu = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 2^\nu - 1; \nu = 1, 2, \dots)$$

such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & [p(\mu 2^{-\nu}, (\mu + 1)2^{-\nu})] \\
 &= [p(2\mu 2^{-\nu-1}, (2\mu + 1)2^{-\nu-1})] + [p((2\mu + 1)2^{-\nu-1}, 2(\mu + 1)2^{-\nu-1})], \\
 & \bar{a}([p(2\mu 2^{-\nu-1}, (2\mu + 1)2^{-\nu-1})]p) \\
 &= \bar{a}([p((2\mu + 1)2^{-\nu-1}, 2(\mu + 1)2^{-\nu-1})]p).
 \end{aligned}$$

Putting $x_\nu = \sum_{\mu=0}^{2^\nu-1} (-1)^\mu [p(\mu 2^{-\nu}, (\mu + 1)2^{-\nu})]p$, we have

$$|x_\nu| = [p_0]p \quad (\nu = 1, 2, \dots)$$

and hence naturally

$$(2.1) \quad \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \bar{a}(|x_\nu|) = \bar{a}([p_0]p) \neq 0.$$

On the other hand we can prove

$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \bar{b}(x_\nu) = 0 \quad \text{for every } \bar{b} \in \bar{R}.$$

This can be done as follows: For a positive $\bar{b} \in \bar{R}$, define a function of a real variable $\bar{b}(t)$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$, by

$$\bar{b}(t) = \bar{b}\left(\bigcup_{\mu 2^{-\nu} \leq t} [p((\mu - 1)2^{-\nu}, \mu 2^{-\nu})]p\right).$$

Then it is not difficult to see that $\bar{b}(t)$ is absolutely continuous:

$$\bar{b}(t) = \int_0^t g(s)ds \quad (0 \leq t \leq 1)$$

for some summable function $g(s)$. Now

$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sum_{\text{odd } \mu} \int_{\mu 2^{-\nu}}^{(\mu+1)2^{-\nu}} g(s)ds \right) = \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sum_{\text{even } \mu} \int_{\mu 2^{-\nu}}^{(\mu+1)2^{-\nu}} g(s)ds \right) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 g(s)ds.$$

This is easily proved for continuous $g(s)$ and easily extended to all summable $g(s)$ (cf. [1]). Now the above shows that

$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \bar{b}(x_{\nu^+}) = \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \bar{b}(x_{\nu^-})$$

and hence $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \bar{b}(x_\nu) = 0$ for every positive $\bar{b} \in R$. Therefore we have $w\text{-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = 0$ but not $|w|\text{-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = 0$ (by (2.1) contradicting the assumption).

In this proof, let y_γ ($\gamma = 1, 2, \dots$) be the sequence consisting of all elements

$$[p(\mu 2^{-\nu}, (\mu + 1)2^{-\nu})]p \quad (\mu = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 2^\nu - 1; \nu = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Then every partial sequence from y_γ ($\gamma = 1, 2, \dots$) contains a partial sequence y_{γ_ν} ($\nu = 1, 2, \dots$) such that

$$\sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} \bar{a}(y_{\gamma_\nu}) < +\infty.$$

Since $0 \leq y_\nu \leq [p_0]p$ ($\nu = 1, 2, \dots$), putting $y_0 = \limsup_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} y_\nu$, we conclude that $\bar{a}(y_0) = 0$, and hence $y_0 = 0$. Therefore we have $s\text{-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} y_\nu = 0$, while $\limsup_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} y_\nu = [p_0]p \neq 0$. Thus we obtain further:

LEMMA 3. *If R is semi-regular and for a positive $p \in R$ if*

$$s\text{-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = 0, |x_\nu| \leq p \quad (\nu = 1, 2, \dots)$$

implies $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = 0$, then the normal manifold $[p]R$ is discrete.

Conversely we have

LEMMA 4. *If R is discrete, then*

$$s\text{-ind-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = 0 \text{ implies } \text{ind-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = 0.$$

Proof. Let $a_\lambda (\lambda \in \Lambda)$ be a complete system of discrete elements. If

$$s\text{-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = 0, |x_\nu| \leq p \quad (\nu = 1, 2, \dots),$$

then we have obviously

$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} [a_\lambda]|x_\nu| = 0 \quad \text{for every } \lambda \in \Lambda.$$

Putting $x_0 = \limsup_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} |x_\nu|$, we have

$$[a_\lambda]x_0 = \limsup_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} [a_\lambda]|x_\nu| = 0 \quad \text{for every } \lambda \in \Lambda.$$

Since $a_\lambda (\lambda \in \Lambda)$ is a complete system in R , we obtain then $x_0 = 0$. Therefore we have $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = 0$.

By virtue of Lemmas 1 and 2 we have: *the condition (A) is necessary and sufficient in order that R be discrete.* And furthermore, as an immediate consequence from Lemmas 3 and 4 we have: *the condition (B) is necessary and sufficient in order that R be discrete.*

Since $s\text{-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = 0$ implies $|w|\text{-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = 0$, as can be seen from the definitions, we obtain by Lemma 3:

LEMMA 5. *Let R be semi-regular. For a positive $p \in R$ if*

$$|w|\text{-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = 0, |x_\nu| \leq p \quad (\nu = 1, 2, \dots)$$

implies $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = 0$, then the normal manifold $[p]R$ is discrete.

LEMMA 6. *If R is discrete, then*

$$|w|\text{-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = 0 \text{ implies } \text{ind-}\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} x_\nu = 0.$$

Proof. It is sufficient to prove this for the case $x_\nu \geq 0$ ($\nu = 1, 2, \dots$). Now for fixed $p \geq 0$, let

$$x_p^* = \limsup_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} (x_\nu \wedge p).$$

We need only prove that $x_p^* = 0$ for each $p \geq 0$. But for every discrete element $a \in R$ and any $\bar{a} \in \bar{R}$, it is easy to prove that $\bar{a}([a]x_p^*) = 0$. Hence $[a]x_p^* = 0$ for every discrete $a \in R$, implying that $x_p^* = 0$ as required.

By virtue of Lemmas 5 and 6 we obtain: *the condition (C) is necessary and sufficient in order that R be discrete.*

Remark 1. We can also prove the theorem algebraically without the use of classical integration theory (see [6]), if we apply some results obtained in an earlier paper [8].

Remark 2. The theorem is also valid with the following definition: R is discrete, if R is continuous and has a complete system of discrete elements, replacing the condition that R is semi-regular by the conditions that R is continuous and to every element $p \neq 0$ there exists $q \neq 0$ such that $[q] \leq [p]$ and $[q]R$ is regular.

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