



# A complex Urysohn type lemma with applications

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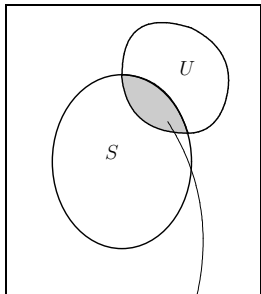


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# Topology behind the scenes



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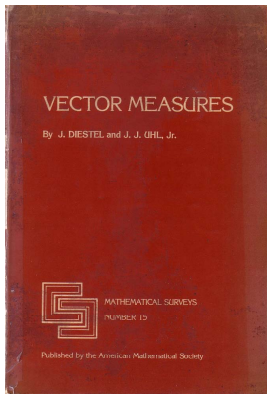
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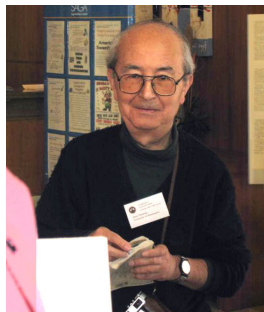
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- (ii) every  $w^*$ -compact subset of  $(X^*, w^*)$  is fragmented by the norm;
- (iii) each separable subspace of  $X$  has separable dual;
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## RNP in Banach spaces read



## Fragmentability Google NAMIOKA



# Our result(s) in functional analysis: the need of the lemma

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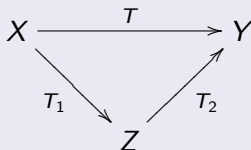
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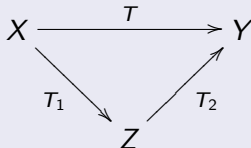
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## Remark

The theorem applies in particular to the ideals of finite rank operators  $\mathcal{F}$ , compact operators  $\mathcal{K}$ ,  $p$ -summing operators  $\Pi_p$  and of course to the weakly compact operators  $\mathcal{W}$  themselves. To the best of our knowledge even in the case  $\mathcal{W}(X, \mathfrak{A})$  the Bishop-Phelps property that follows is a brand new result.

## Theorem (Bishop-Phelps, 1961)

If  $X$  is a Banach, then  $\overline{\mathbf{N}AX^*} = X^*$ .

### A PROOF THAT EVERY BANACH SPACE IS SUBREFLEXIVE

BY ERRETT BISHOP AND R. R. PHELPS

Communicated by Mahlon M. Day, August 19, 1960

A real or complex normed space is *subreflexive* if those functionals which attain their supremum on the unit sphere  $S$  of  $E$  are norm-dense in  $E^*$ , i.e., if for each  $f$  in  $E^*$  and each  $\epsilon > 0$  there exist  $g$  in  $E^*$  and  $x$  in  $S$  such that  $|g(x)| = \|g\|$  and  $\|f - g\| < \epsilon$ . There exist incomplete normed spaces which are not subreflexive [1]<sup>1</sup> as well as incomplete spaces which *are* subreflexive (e.g., a dense subspace of a Hilbert space). It is evident that every reflexive Banach space is sub-

# The Bishop-Phelps property for operators

## Definition

An operator  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  is **norm attaining** if there exists  $x_0 \in X$ ,  $\|x_0\| = 1$ , such that  $\|T(x_0)\| = \|T\|$ .

## Definition (Lindenstrauss)

$(X, Y)$  has the Bishop-Phelps Property (BPp) if every operator  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  can be uniformly approximated by **norm attaining** operators.

- 1  $(X, \mathbb{K})$  has BPp for every  $X$   
**Bishop-Phelps** (1961);
- 2  $\overline{\{T \in L(X; Y) : T^{**} \in NA(X^{**}; Y^{**})\}} = L(X; Y)$  for every pair of Banach spaces  $X$  and  $Y$ , **Lindenstrauss** (1963);
- 3  $X$  with RNP, then  $(X, Y)$  has BPp for every  $Y$ , **Bourgain** (1977);
- 4 there are spaces  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  such that  $(X, C([0, 1]))$ ,  $(Y, \ell^p)$  ( $1 < p < \infty$ ) and  $(Z, L^1([0, 1]))$  fail BPp, **Schachermayer** (1983), **Gowers** (1990) and **Acosta** (1999);
- 5  $(C(K), C(S))$  has BPp for all compact spaces  $K, S$ , **Johnson and Wolfe**, (1979).
- 6  $(L^1([0, 1]), L^\infty([0, 1]))$  has BPp, **Finet-Payá** (1998),

## AN EXTENSION TO THE THEOREM OF BISHOP AND PHELPS

BÉLA BOLLOBÁS

Bishop and Phelps proved in [1] that every real or complex Banach space is *subreflexive*, that is the functionals (real or complex) which attain their supremum on the unit sphere of the space are dense in the dual space. We shall sharpen this result and then apply it to a problem about the numerical range of an operator.

Denote by  $S$  and  $S'$  the unit spheres of  $X$  and  $X^*$ , respectively.

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Corollary... the way it is oftentimes presented

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## PROBLEM?

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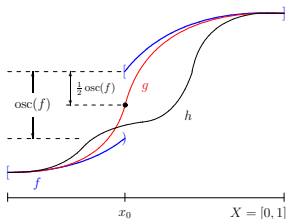
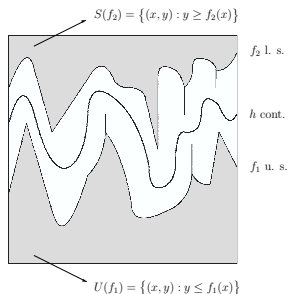
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# Just for the students: A few words about Uryshon's lemma



## Normal spaces - Exercise for students

For a topological space  $T$  the following statements are equivalent:

- 1  $T$  is normal.
- 2 Uryshon's lemma holds for  $T$ .
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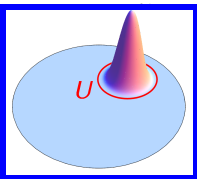
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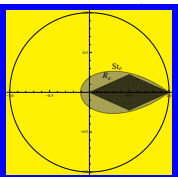
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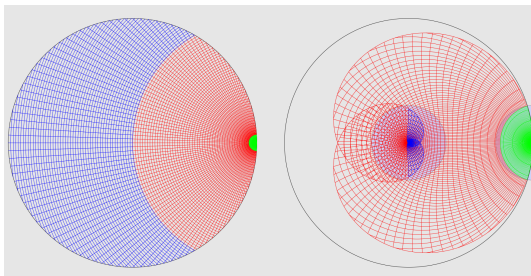
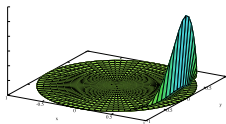
# Complex Urysohn type lemma: a few pictures

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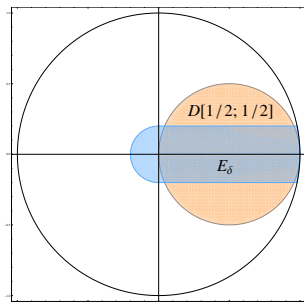
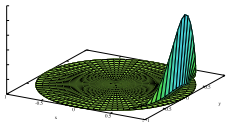


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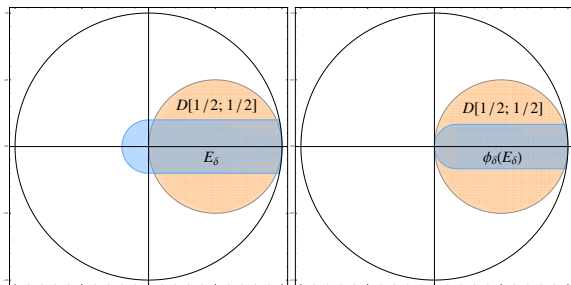


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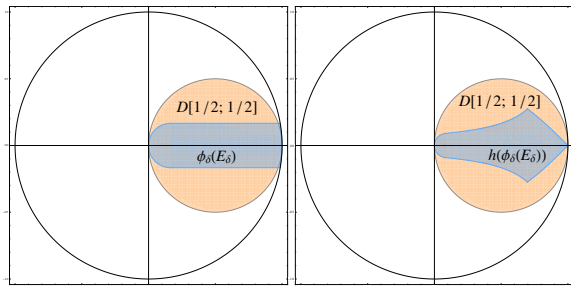


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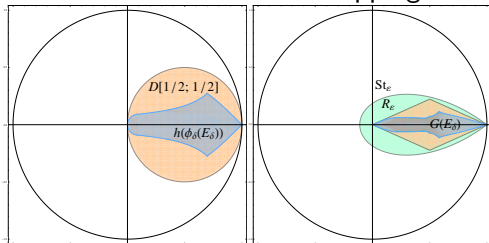


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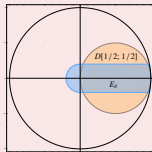
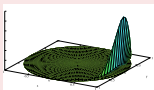
Our Uryshon type lemma is suited for calculations with a computer.

# Why can we use the computer? Because of the provided proofs.

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*Proof.* Let us fix  $0 < \eta < \min\{\delta/6, 1/2\}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n > \frac{2}{\eta}$ . Let us define  $U_1 := U$ . We shall construct inductively a collection of points  $\{t_j\}_{j=1}^n$ , a decreasing finite sequence  $\{U_j\}_{j=1}^{n+1}$  of open subsets of  $U$ ,  $t_j \in U_{j+1} \cap \Gamma_0$ , and functions  $\{f_j\}_{j=1}^n \subset A$ , satisfying for any  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  the following conditions:

- (i)  $f_j(t_j) = 1$ .
- (ii)  $|f_j(t)| < \frac{\eta}{2}$  for  $t \in K \setminus U_j$ .
- (iii)  $|f_j(t) - 1| < \frac{\eta}{2}$  for  $t \in U_{j+1}$ .

Indeed, Lemma 2.1 allows us to find a norm one function  $f_1 \in A$  and a  $t_1 \in U_1 \cap \Gamma_0$  such that  $f_1(t_1) = 1$  and  $|f_1(t)| < \frac{\eta}{2}$  for  $t \in K \setminus U_1$ . **THE PROOF GOES ON**

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## 1+4+1 applications

- (1) The one already presented for the BPBp by Guirao-Kadets-Cascales;
- In the unfinished paper

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- (2) Daugavet prop.;
- (3) Lusheness;
- (4) Numerical radius;
- (5) AHSP.
- (6) in the Ph. dissertation by O. Kozhushkina for BPBp for  $\mathfrak{A}(K, Y)$

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The grad students should take home the exercises, at least!!!

**Thank you**