LOCAL COMPLETENESS OF $\ell_p(E)$, $1 \le p < \infty$

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We study the heredity of local completeness and the strict Mackey convergence property from the locally convex space *E* to the space of absolutely *p*-summable sequences on *E*, $\ell_p(E)$ for $1 \le p < \infty$.

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1. Introduction. In 1956, Grothendieck [5], introduced the Banach-valued sequence space $\ell_p(E)$, the space of absolutely *p*-summable sequences on a Banach space *E*, where he discussed tensor products of ℓ_p and *E*, with $1 \le p \le \infty$. Later, in 1969 Pietsch [8] used Banach-valued sequence spaces $\ell_p(E)$, to study *p*-summing operators between Banach spaces, also see Diestel et al. [2]. In this paper, we discuss how local completeness and the strict Mackey convergence condition of *E* imply local completeness and the strict Mackey convergence condition in $\ell_p(E)$ in the case $1 \le p < \infty$. The case $p = \infty$ was studied in [1].

2. Definitions and notation. Throughout this paper, (E, t) denotes a Hausdorff locally convex space over \mathbb{K} (\mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C}) and $\{\rho_j\}_{j\in J}$ denotes the family of continuous seminorms associated with the topology t on E.

Let $D \subset E$ be a bounded, closed, and absolutely convex set. Denote by $E_D = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} kD$, and for each $x \in E_D$, $\rho_D(x) = \inf\{r > 0 : x \in rD\}$, the Minkowski seminorm associated with D. Now $E_D \subset E$ and the boundedness of D implies that $i : (E_D, \rho_D) \to (E, t)$ is continuous, and ρ_D is a norm so that, for every $j \in J$ there exists $r_j \in \mathbb{R}^+$ such that $\rho_j|_{E_D} \leq r_j\rho_D$.

REMARK 2.1. For each $D \subset E$ bounded, closed, and absolutely convex, the family of seminorms $\{\rho_j\}_{j \in J}$ can be replaced by an equivalent family $\{\rho'_j\}_{j \in J}$ such that $\rho'_j \leq \rho_D$. To construct the family $\{\rho'_j\}_{j \in J}$ we know that there exists $r_j > 0$ such that $\rho_j(x) \leq r_j \rho_D(x)$ for every $x \in E_D$ so it suffices to take $\rho'_j = (1/r_j)\rho_j$ if $r_j > 1$, and we will have $\rho'_j \leq \rho_D$, for every $j \in J$. For simplicity we will always work with an equivalent family of seminorms, also denoted by $\{\rho_j\}_{j \in J}$ such that $\rho_j(x) \leq \rho_D(x)$ holds for every $j \in J$ and $x \in E_D$.

A bounded, closed, and absolutely convex set $D \subset E$, called a disk, is a Banach disk if (E_D, ρ_D) is a Banach space. If every bounded set $A \subset E$ is contained in a Banach disk we say that E is locally complete. Let (E,t) satisfies the strict Mackey convergence condition if for every bounded set $A \subset E$, there exists a disk D that contains A such that the topologies of (E,t) and (E_D, ρ_D) agree on A.

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Every metrizable space satisfies the strict Mackey convergence condition, [7]. In addition, the strict Mackey convergence condition is preserved under the formation of closed subspaces, countable products, and countable direct sums, [6]. The strict Mackey convergence condition for webbed spaces is studied in [3, 4].

REMARK 2.2. Using the family of seminorms $\{\rho_j\}_{j \in J}$ it is easy to see that the strict Mackey convergence condition is equivalent to: for each *D* there exists $j_0 \in J$ such that $\rho_{j_0|D} = \rho_D$.

Let *p* be a real number such that $1 \le p < \infty$. The space $\ell_p(E)$ of absolutely *p*-summable sequences on *E* is

$$\ell_p(E) = \left\{ (x_n) \subset E : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \rho_j^p(x_n) < \infty, \ \forall j \in J \right\}.$$
(2.1)

The family of seminorms $\rho_{\rho_j}((x_n)) = (\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \rho_j^p(x_n))^{1/p}$, $j \in J$, induce a topology of locally convex space in $\ell_p(E)$; we will denote by τ this topology.

The space $\ell_p(E_D)$ is defined by $\ell_p(E_D) = \{(x_n) \subset E_D : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \rho_D^p(x_n) < \infty\}$ and endowed with the topology generated by the norm

$$\rho_{\rho_D}((x_n)) = \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \rho_D^p(x_n)\right]^{1/p}.$$
(2.2)

We denote $A_D = \{(x_n) \in \ell_p(E) : (x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset D\}.$

Note that $\rho_{\rho_i}|_{\ell_p(E_D)} \leq \rho_{\rho_D}$ for every $j \in J$ since $\rho_j|_{E_D} \leq \rho_D$.

3. Bounded sets. In this section, we characterize the bounded sets of $\ell_p(E)$ in terms of the bounded sets of *E*.

LEMMA 3.1. Let D be a disk in (E,t); then

- (i) $\ell_p(E_D) \subseteq \{(x_n) \in \ell_p(E) : \{x_n\} \subset kD \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{N}\};$
- (ii) if there exists j₀ ∈ J, depending on D, such that ρ_{j0|D} = ρ_D (i.e., the strict Mackey convergence condition holds), then {(x_n) ∈ ℓ_p(E) : {x_n} ⊂ kD for some k ∈ N} ⊂ ℓ_p(E_D).

PROOF. (i) Let $(x_n) \in \ell_p(E_D)$. Then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [\rho_D(x_n)]^p < \infty$ so that given $\varepsilon = 1$ there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$, such that for each $n > n_0$, we have $\rho_D(x_n) \le (\sum_{n_0}^{\infty} \rho_D^p(x_n))^{1/p} \le 1$ which means that $x_n \in D$ for every $n > n_0$.

Now for $i = 1, 2, ..., n_0$ there exists $k_i \ge 0$ such that $x_i \in k_i D$. We take $k = \max\{1, k_1, ..., k_{n_0}\}$. Then $\{x_n\} \subset kD$ and we have $\ell_p(E_D) \subset \{(x_n) \in \ell_p(E) : \{x_n\} \subset kD$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}\}$.

(ii) Let $(x_n) \in \{(y_n) \in \ell_p(E) : \{y_n\} \subset kD$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}\}$. Thus $x_n \in E_D$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ since $\{x_n\} \subset kD$.

Now observe that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \rho_D^p(x_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \rho_{j_0}^p(x_n) < \infty$ since $(x_n) \in \ell_p(E)$. Hence in this case we have the equality $\ell_p(E_D) = \{(x_n) \in \ell_p(E) : \{x_n\} \subset kD \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{N}\}.$

REMARK 3.2. Note that $kA_D = A_{kD}$ for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

COROLLARY 3.3. If *E* satisfies the strict Mackey convergence condition, then $\ell_p(E)_{A_D} = \ell_p(E_D)$.

PROOF. It follows from the equality in the proof of Lemma 3.1(ii) that $\ell_p(E)_{A_D} \subset \ell_p(E_D)$. Now let $(x_n) \in \ell_p(E_D)$. Then by Lemma 3.1(i), $(x_n) \subset kD$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$ so $\{x_n\} \subset A_{kD} = kA_D$ and $(x_n) \in \ell_p(E)_{A_D}$.

REMARK 3.4. If (E,t) satisfies the strict Mackey convergence condition, then

$$\ell_{p}(E)_{A_{D}} = \ell_{p}(E_{D}) = \{ (x_{n}) \in \ell_{p}(E) : \{x_{n}\} \subset A_{kD} \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{N} \}.$$
(3.1)

LEMMA 3.5. (i) $\rho_{A_D}((x_n)) = \sup\{\rho_D(x_n) : n \in \mathbb{N}\};$

(ii) $\rho_{A_D}((x_n)) \leq \rho_{\rho_D}((x_n))$ for every $(x_n) \in \ell_p(E_D)$.

PROOF. (i) Let $s = \sup\{\rho_D(x_n) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. Then $\{x_n\} \subset sD$ so $\{x_n\} \subset A_{sD} = sA_D$ and then $\rho_{A_D}((x_n)) \leq s$. Now take $r = \rho_{A_D}((x_n))$. Then $\{x_n\} \subset rA_D = A_{rD}$ and then $\{x_n\} \subset rD$ which means that $r \geq s$.

(ii) $\rho_{\rho_D}((x_n)) = (\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \rho_D^p(x_n))^{1/p} \ge \rho_D(x_n)$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Using (i) we have $\rho_{\rho_D}((x_n)) \ge \rho_{A_D}((x_n))$.

Note that A_D is not bounded in $\ell_p(E)$; we need to construct a "smaller" set, in the sense of boundedness.

Define for each $j \in J$ and $m \in \mathbb{N}$ the set $A_D(j,m) = \{(x_n)_n \in A_D : \rho_{\rho_j}((x_n)) \le m\}$ and for each $B \subset \ell_p(E)$, let $B^* = \{x \in E : x \in \{x_n\} \text{ and } (x_n) \in B\}$.

The next proposition gives a way to look at the bounded sets in $\ell_p(E)$.

PROPOSITION 3.6. If $\beta = \{D_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \wedge}$ is a fundamental system of bounded disks in *E*, then $\{C = \bigcap_{j \in J} \{A_{D_{\lambda}}(j, m_j)\} : \lambda \in \Lambda, (m_j) \in \mathbb{N}^J\}$ is a fundamental system of τ -bounded sets in $\ell_p(E)$.

PROOF. Let $B \subset \ell_p(E)$ be a bounded set. Then B^* is bounded in E so $B^* \subset D_{\lambda}$ for some λ . For each $x \in B^*$, if $x \in (x_n)$ then given $j \in J$ there is some s_j such that $\rho_j(x) \leq \rho_{\rho_j}((x_n)) \leq s_j$ so that $\rho_{\rho_j}(B) \leq s_j$. Now let $m_j \in \mathbb{N}$ be such that $s_j \leq m_j$. We have $B \subset C = \bigcap_{j \in J} A_{D_{\lambda}}(j, m_j)$.

REMARK 3.7. (i) If *D* is bounded in *E*, then for each $j \in J$, by Remark 2.1 $\rho_{j|E_D} \leq \rho_D$. (ii) If *C* is bounded in $\ell_p(E)$, then for each $j \in J$, by Remark 2.1 $\rho_{\rho_j} \mid \ell_p(E)_C \leq \rho_C$.

4. Main results

PROPOSITION 4.1. If for some *D* there exists $j_0 \in J$, such that $\rho_{j_0|D} = \rho_D$ in *E*, then $\rho_{\rho_{j_0}|C} = \rho_C$ where $C = \bigcap_{j \in J} A_D(j, m_j)$ in $\ell_p(E)$. Equivalently, if *E* satisfies the strict Mackey convergence condition, then $\ell_p(E)$ also satisfies the strict Mackey convergence condition.

PROOF. Let $(x_n) \in C$. Then $s = \rho_{\rho_{j_0}}(x_n) = (\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \rho_{j_0}^p(x_n))^{1/p} = (\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \rho_D^p(x_n))^{1/p} \ge \rho_D(x_n) \ge \rho_{\rho_j}(x_n)$ for every $j \in J$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. So we have $(x_n) \in \bigcap_{j \in J} A_D(j,s) = s[\bigcap_{j \in J} A_D(j,1)] \subset sC$. Thus $\rho_C((x_n)) \le s = \rho_{\rho_{j_0}}(x_n)$ and since *C* is bounded in $\ell_p(E)$ we have $\rho_{\rho_j} \le \rho_C$ for each $j \in J$; now $\rho_{\rho_j}|_C \le \rho_C$ for every $j \in J$, so for j_0 we have $\rho_{\rho_{j_0}}|_C = \rho_C$.

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Notice that if *B* is a bounded set in $\ell_p(E)$, then $\rho_{\rho_j}(B) \le m_j$ for all $j \in J$ with $m_j \in N$ and then $B \subset \bigcap_{j \in J} A_{B^*}(j, m_j)$.

This gives the property we need to characterize the bounded sets in $\ell_p(E)$.

THEOREM 4.2. If *E* is locally complete and satisfies the strict Mackey convergence condition, then $(\ell_p(E)_C, \rho_C)$ where $C = \bigcap_{j \in J} A_D(j, m_j)$ in $\ell_p(E)$, is a Banach space so $\ell_p(E)$ is locally complete.

PROOF. Let *D* be a bounded closed disk such that (E_D, ρ_D) is a Banach space and let $C = \bigcap_{j \in J} A_D(j, m_j)$. By Remark 2.1 there is a $j_0 \in J$ such that $\rho_{j_0}|_D = \rho_D$. We will show that $(\ell_p(E)_C, \rho_C)$ is a Banach space. By Corollary 3.3 we have $\ell_p(E)_{A_D} = \ell_p(E_D)$ and since $C \subset A_D$, $\ell_p(E)_C \subset \ell_p(E)_{A_D}$. Let $(x_n^k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \ell_p(E)_C$ be a ρ_C -Cauchy sequence. Thus for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for every $n, m \ge N$ we have $\rho_C((x_n^k) - (x_m^k)) < \varepsilon$. Using Remark 3.7(ii) we have that $\rho_{\rho_j} \mid \ell(E)_C \le \rho_C$. Hence (x_n^k) is also a ρ_{ρ_j} -Cauchy sequence and then a $\rho_{\rho_{j_0}}$ -Cauchy sequence. Thus $\rho_{D}(x_n^k - x_m^k) = \rho_{j_0}(x_n^k - x_m^k) \le \rho_{\rho_{j_0}}((x_n^k) - (x_m^k))$, then the sequence $(x_n^k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is also a ρ_D -Cauchy sequence in (E_D, ρ_D) which is a Banach space, so there exists z^k in E_D such that (x_n^k) converges to z^k with respect to the norm ρ_D . Using Remark 3.7(i) we have $\rho_{j|E_D} \le \rho_D$. Hence, we have the following claims.

CLAIM 1. We have that (x_n^k) converges to z^k with respect to the seminorm ρ_j for every $j \in J$.

CLAIM 2. Consider the sequence formed by the $(z^k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \in \ell_p(E_D)$. We compute

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\rho_D(z^k))^p = \lim_{m \to \infty} \sum_{k=1}^m (\rho_D(z^k))^p$$

$$= \lim_{m \to \infty} \sum_{k=1}^m (\rho_{j_0}(z^k))^p$$

$$= \lim_{m \to \infty} \sum_{k=1}^m \rho_{j_0} (\lim_{n \to \infty} x_n^k)^p$$

$$= \lim_{m \to \infty} \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{k=1}^m \rho_{j_0} (x_n^k)^p$$

$$\leq \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{k=1}^\infty \rho_{j_0} (x_n^k)^p$$

$$\leq \lim_{n \to \infty} \rho_{j_0} ((x_n)))$$

$$\leq \varepsilon + \rho_{\rho_{j_0}} ((x_n)) < \infty, \text{ for some } N \in \mathbb{N}.$$

In this last inequality we used $x_n = (x_n^k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ and since it is a $\rho_{\rho_{j_0}}$ -Cauchy sequence, given $\varepsilon > 0$, $\rho_{\rho_{j_0}}(x_n^k) - \rho_{\rho_{j_0}}(x_m^k) \le \rho_{\rho_{j_0}}((x_n^k) - (x_m^k)) < \varepsilon$ for every n, m > N, so $\rho_{\rho_{j_0}}((x_n)) \le \varepsilon + \rho_{\rho_{j_0}}((x_n))$. Notice that (x_n) is a ρ_{ρ_j} -Cauchy sequence for every $j \in J$.

Therefore for j_0 and consequently for ρ_{ρ_D} , then for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there is an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\rho_D(x_n^k - z^k) = \rho_D(x_n^k - \lim_{m \to \infty} x_m^k) = \lim_{m \to \infty} \rho_D(x_n^k - x_m^k) < \varepsilon$. **CLAIM 3.** The sequence (x_n^k) converges to $(z^k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ in $\ell_p(E_D)$. Since

$$\rho_{\rho_D}\left(x_n^k - (z^k)_k\right) = \left[\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \rho_D^p(x_n^k - z^k)\right]^{1/p}$$

$$\leq \left[\sum_{k=1}^{N} \rho_D^p(x_n^k - z^k) + \frac{\varepsilon^p}{2}\right]^{1/p}$$

$$\leq \left(\underbrace{\frac{\varepsilon^p}{2N} + \dots + \frac{\varepsilon^p}{2N}}_{N \text{ factors}} + \frac{\varepsilon^p}{2}\right)^{1/p}$$

$$= \varepsilon, \quad \text{for } n > N.$$
(4.2)

In the first inequality we used Claim 2. This completes the proof of the convergence.

CLAIM 4. We have $(z^k)_{k\in\mathbb{N}} \in \ell_p(E)_C$. $(x_n^k)_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$ is a ρ_C -Cauchy sequence so it is bounded and there is an $s \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $(x_n^k) \subset sC$. Using Claim 3, (x_n^k) converges to (z^k) in $\ell_p(E)_C$ with respect to ρ_{ρ_D} and since $\rho_{\rho_j}|_{\ell_p(E_D)} \leq \rho_{\rho_D}$ for every $j \in J$ the sequence (x_n^k) is τ -convergent to (z^k) , it is convergent for each ρ_{ρ_j} . Now for each $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists N_j such that $\rho_{\rho_j}((z^k)) \leq \rho_{\rho_j}((z^k) - (x_n^k)) + \rho_{\rho_j}((x_n^k)) < \varepsilon + sm_j$ for every $j \in J$ and $n \geq N_j$, this means that $(z^k) \in sC \subset \ell_p(E)_C$.

CLAIM 5. The sequence (x_n^k) converges to $(z^k)_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$ in $\ell_p(E)_C$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$, since (x_n^k) is a ρ_C -Cauchy sequence, there is $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $(x_n^k) - (x_m^k) \in \varepsilon C$ for every $n, m \ge N$. *C* is τ -closed so $(x_n^k) - (\tau - \lim(x_m^k)) \in \varepsilon C$; then $(x_n^k) - (z^k) \in \varepsilon C$ for every $n \ge N$ which means $\rho_C((x_n^k) - (z^k)) \le \varepsilon$ for every $n \ge N$.

Notice that this is true for every $1 \le p < \infty$. The case $p = \infty$ also follows from this and we get the characterization given in [1], although under a stronger hypothesis. Here we need *E* to satisfy the strict Mackey convergence condition.

LEMMA 4.3. If $D \subset E$ is t-complete and the net $\{x_{\lambda}\}_{\Lambda}$ is a τ -Cauchy net bounded with respect to ρ_C , that is if there exists $s \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\{x_{\lambda}\}_{\Lambda} \subset sC$ then there exists $z \in 2sC$ such that x_{λ} converges to z with respect to the τ topology in $\ell_p(E)$.

PROOF. Let $\{x_{\lambda}\}_{\Lambda}$ be a τ -Cauchy net, $x_{\lambda} = (x_{\lambda}^{1}, x_{\lambda}^{2}, ...)$, then for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $\lambda_{j} \in \Lambda$ such that for every $j \in J$, $\rho_{j}(x_{\lambda}^{k} - x_{\lambda'}^{k}) \leq \rho_{\rho_{j}}(x_{\lambda} - x_{\lambda'}) < \varepsilon$ for every $\lambda, \lambda' \geq \lambda_{j}$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}$. So $\{x_{\lambda}^{k}\}_{\Lambda} \subset D$ is *t*-Cauchy for each $k \in \mathbb{N}$, and since *D* is complete there is a z^{k} such that x_{λ}^{k} converges to z^{k} with respect to the topology *t* for each $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $z = \{z^{1}, z^{2}, ...\}$. Then $z \subset D$, and for each $j \in J$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}$ we have $\rho_{j}(x_{\lambda}^{k} - z^{k}) = \rho_{j}(x_{\lambda}^{k} - (\rho_{j} - \lim_{\lambda'} x_{\lambda'}^{k})) = \lim_{\lambda'} \rho_{j}(x_{\lambda}^{k} - x_{\lambda'}^{k})$, so raising to the *p*th power and adding with respect to *k* we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \rho_j (x_{\lambda}^k - z^k)^p = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \rho_j (x_{\lambda}^k - z^k)^p$$
$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \lim_{\lambda'} \rho_j (x_{\lambda}^k - x_{\lambda'}^k)^p$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \lim_{\lambda'} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \rho_j (x_{\lambda}^k - z^k)^p$$

$$\leq \lim_{\lambda'} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \rho_j (x_{\lambda}^k - z^k)^p$$

$$= \lim_{\lambda'} \rho_{\rho_j} (x_{\lambda} - x_{\lambda'}) < \varepsilon^p,$$

(4.3)

for every $\lambda \ge \lambda_j$.

So we have $\rho_{\rho_j}(x_\lambda - z)^p = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \rho_j (x_\lambda^k - z^k)^p < \varepsilon^p$, for every $\lambda \ge \lambda_j$. This means that x_λ converges to z with respect to the topology τ . We still need to prove that $z \in \ell_p(E)$

$$\rho_{\rho_{j}}(z)^{p} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \rho_{j}(z^{k})^{p} \\
= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \rho_{j}(z^{k} + x_{\lambda}^{k} - x_{\lambda}^{k})^{p} \\
\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{p} \Big[\rho_{j}(z^{k} - x_{\lambda}^{k})^{p} + \rho_{j}(x_{\lambda}^{k})^{p} \Big] \\
= 2^{p} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \rho_{j}(z^{k} - x_{\lambda}^{k})^{p} + 2^{p} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \rho_{j}(x_{\lambda}^{k})^{p} \\
< 2^{p} \varepsilon^{p} + 2^{p} \rho_{\rho_{j}}(x_{\lambda})^{p} \\
\leq 2^{p} \varepsilon^{p} + 2^{p} m_{j}$$
(4.4)

 $(x_{\lambda} \in C = \bigcap_{j \in J} A_D(j, m_j))$, then if we let $\varepsilon \to 0$ we get $\rho_{\rho_j}(z) \le 2m_j$, and finally $z \in 2C \subset \ell_p(E)$.

THEOREM 4.4. If D is t-complete, then $\ell_p(E)_C$ is ρ_C -complete.

PROOF. Let (x_n^k) be a ρ_C -Cauchy sequence; it is clearly ρ_C -bounded and τ -Cauchy, so $(x_n^k) \subset sC$ for some $s \in \mathbb{N}$. Then by Lemma 4.3, there is a $z = (z^k) \in 2sC \subset \ell_p(E)_C$ such that the sequence (x_n^k) converges to z with respect to the topology τ . Note that A_D is τ -closed so $A_D(j,m)$ is also τ -closed for every $j \in J$ and $m \in \mathbb{N}$; then $C = \bigcap_{j \in J} A_D(j,m_j)$ is τ -closed. For $\varepsilon > 0$ there is $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $(x_n^k) - (x_m^k) \in \varepsilon C$ for every $n, m \ge N$, and since C is τ -closed $(x_n^k) - (\tau - \lim(x_m^k)) \in \varepsilon C$ then $(x_n^k) - (z^k) \in \varepsilon C$ for every $n \ge N$. This means that (x_n^k) converges to (z^k) with respect to ρ_C .

THEOREM 4.5. If *E* is *t*-complete, then $\ell_p(E)$ is τ -complete.

PROOF. The proof of Lemma 4.3 can be repeated here to get the τ -completeness of $\ell_p(E)$.

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