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## DUALITY ON BANACH SPACES AND A BOREL PARAMETRIZED VERSION OF ZIPPIN'S THEOREM

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ABSTRACT. — Let  $\mathbb{SB}$  be the standard coding for separable Banach spaces as subspaces of  $C(\Delta)$ . In these notes, we show that if  $\mathbb{B} \subset \mathbb{SB}$  is a Borel subset of spaces with separable dual, then the assignment  $X \mapsto X^*$  can be realized by a Borel function  $\mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{SB}$ . Moreover, this assignment can be done in such a way that the functional evaluation is still well defined (Theorem 1). Also, we prove a Borel parametrized version of Zippin's theorem, i.e., we prove that there exists  $Z \in \mathbb{SB}$  and a Borel function that assigns for each  $X \in \mathbb{B}$  an isomorphic copy of  $X$  inside of  $Z$  (Theorem 5).

RÉSUMÉ. — Soit  $\mathbb{SB}$  le codage standard des espaces de Banach séparables comme sous-espaces de  $C(\Delta)$ . Dans ce papier, on montre que si  $\mathbb{B} \subset \mathbb{SB}$  est un sous-ensemble borélien d'espaces à dual séparable, alors l'application  $X \mapsto X^*$  peut être réalisée par une fonction borélienne de  $\mathbb{B}$  à  $\mathbb{SB}$ . En outre, cette application peut être construite de manière que l'évaluation fonctionnelle est toujours bien définie (Théorème 1). Par ailleurs, on démontre une version borélienne du théorème de Zippin. Plus précisément, on démontre qu'il existe  $Z \in \mathbb{SB}$  et une fonction borélienne qui à chaque  $X$  associe une copie isomorphe à  $X$  à l'intérieur de  $Z$  (Théorème 5).

### 1. Introduction.

These notes mainly deal with two problems, namely, (i) how to obtain the assignment  $X \mapsto X^*$  in a Borel fashion, and (ii) how to obtain a Borel parametrized version of M. Zippin's theorem. More precisely, for the duality problem, the dual of each  $X \in \mathbb{SD} = \{X \in \mathbb{SB} \mid X^* \text{ is separable}\}$  has an isometric copy in  $\mathbb{SB}$ . In these notes, we show that the assignment  $X \mapsto X^*$  can be obtained by a Borel function.

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Recall that  $SD = \{X \in SB \mid X^* \text{ is separable}\}$  is complete coanalytic (hence non Borel). Indeed, there is a Borel map  $\Theta : \mathcal{K}([0, 1]) \rightarrow SB$  such that  $\Theta(K) \cong C(K)$ , for all  $K \in \mathcal{K}([0, 1])$ , where  $X \cong Y$  means that  $X$  is isomorphic to  $Y$  (see [8], Theorem 33.24). Therefore, as  $C(K)$  is an  $\ell_1$ -predual if  $K$  is countable, and  $C(K)$  is universal for the class of separable Banach spaces if  $K$  is uncountable, this gives us a Borel reduction of  $\{K \in \mathcal{K}([0, 1]) \mid K \text{ is countable}\}$  to  $SD$ . As  $\{K \in \mathcal{K}([0, 1]) \mid K \text{ is countable}\}$  is complete coanalytic (see [8], Theorem 27.5),  $SD$  is  $\Pi_1^1$ -hard, i.e., every coanalytic set Borel reduces to  $SD$ . For a proof that  $SD$  is coanalytic and a detailed proof of the arguments above see [8], Theorem 33.24.

As  $SD$  is non Borel, we have to restrict ourselves to Borel subsets of  $SD$  in order to define a Borel function. For a Borel  $\mathbb{B} \subset SD$ , we show that there exists a Borel map  $X \in \mathbb{B} \mapsto X^\bullet \in SB$  such that, for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , we have  $X^* \equiv X^\bullet$ , where  $X \equiv Y$  means  $X$  is isometric to  $Y$ . Moreover, we show that there exists a Borel map

$$(X, x, g) \in \mathbb{A} \mapsto \langle g, x \rangle_X \in \mathbb{R},$$

where  $\mathbb{A} = \{(X, x, g) \in \mathbb{B} \times C(\Delta) \times C(\Delta) \mid x \in X, g \in X^\bullet\}$ , that works as the functional evaluation. Precisely, we prove:

**THEOREM 1.1.** — *Let  $\mathbb{B} \subset SD$  be Borel. There exists a Borel map  $\mathbb{B} \rightarrow SB$ ,  $X \mapsto X^\bullet$ , such that  $X^\bullet \equiv X^*$ , for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ . Moreover, let*

$$\mathbb{A} = \{(X, x, g) \in \mathbb{B} \times C(\Delta) \times C(\Delta) \mid x \in X, g \in X^\bullet\}.$$

*Then there exists a Borel map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{(\cdot)} : \mathbb{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that, for each  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ ,*

- (i)  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_X$  is bilinear and norm continuous, and
- (ii)  $g \in X^\bullet \mapsto \langle g, \cdot \rangle_X \in X^*$  is a surjective linear isometry.

This result is related and can be seen as an extension of the following theorem due P. Dodos (see [6]).

**THEOREM 1.2** (Dodos, 2010). — *Say  $SD = \{X \in SB \mid X^* \text{ is separable}\}$ , and let  $\mathbb{A} \subset SD$  be analytic. Let  $\mathbb{A}^* = \{X \in SB \mid \exists Y \in \mathbb{A}, Y^* \cong X\}$ . Then  $\mathbb{A}^*$  is analytic.*

As  $SD$  is coanalytic, if  $\mathbb{A} \subset SD$  is analytic, Lusin's separation theorem says that there exists a Borel set  $\mathbb{B} \subset SD$  with  $\mathbb{A} \subset \mathbb{B}$ . Apply Theorem 1.1 to this  $\mathbb{B}$ , and notice that  $\mathbb{A}^* = \{X \in SB \mid \exists Y \in \mathbb{A}, Y^\bullet \cong X\}$ . Therefore, as the isomorphism relation  $\cong \subset SB \times SB$  is analytic, Theorem 1.2 can be obtained from Theorem 1.1.

In order to prove Theorem 1.1, we proceed as follows. Fix a Borel  $\mathbb{B} \subset SD$ . First, for  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , we code the unit ball of the dual of  $X$  by a subset

of  $B_{\ell_\infty}$  (see Lemma 3.2). We refer to this coding as *Dodos' coding* (the reader can read more about it in [6]). Using the main technical result of [6] (for a precise statement, see Lemma 3.4 below), we code the unit ball of the bidual of  $X$  as a subset of  $B_{\ell_\infty}$ , for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$  (see Lemma 3.5). Those codings will allow us to talk about elements of the abstract spaces  $X^*$  and  $X^{**}$  as elements of their concrete codings in  $B_{\ell_\infty}$ . This will allow us to talk about Borel functions coding the functional operations given by elements of  $X^*$ , and  $X^{**}$ . At last, we will use those codings and Lemma 3.7 in order to bring the codings of  $X^*$  inside of SB. Those three steps will give us Theorem 1.1.

Also, while proving Theorem 1, we obtain a coding for the functional evaluation on the entire SB. It is clearly not possible to obtain an assignment  $X \in \text{SB} \mapsto X^\bullet \in \text{SB}$  as before. Indeed, SB contains many spaces whose duals are non separable Banach spaces, hence if we demand  $X^* \equiv X^\bullet$ , we cannot have  $X^\bullet \in \text{SB}$ . We are however capable of coding the functional evaluation on the entire SB.

**THEOREM 1.3.** — *There exists a Borel map  $\Theta : \text{SB} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}(B_{\ell_\infty})$  such that, for each  $X \in \text{SB}$ ,  $B_{X^*} \equiv \Theta(X)$ , where the isometry between  $B_{X^*}$  and  $\Theta(X)$  is the restriction of a linear isometry between  $X^*$  and  $\overline{\text{span}}\{\Theta(X)\}$ . Moreover, setting*

$$\mathbb{A} = \{(X, x, x^*) \in \text{SB} \times C(\Delta) \times B_{\ell_\infty} \mid x \in X, x^* \in \Theta(X)\},$$

there exists a Borel map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{(\cdot)} : \mathbb{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that, for each  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ ,

- (i)  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_X$  is norm continuous, and
- (ii)  $x^* \in \Theta(X) \mapsto \langle x^*, \cdot \rangle_X \in B_{X^*}$  is a surjective isometry.

It would be nice to get a global function such that its restriction to SD works as in Theorem 1.1.

**PROBLEM 1.4.** — *Can we define the functions of Theorem 1.1 globally? Precisely, is there a Borel assignment  $X \in \text{SB} \mapsto X^\bullet \in \text{SB}$  such that, once restricted to SD, the assignment has the same properties as in Theorem 1.1? What about a Borel map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{(\cdot)} : \mathbb{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , where  $\mathbb{A} = \{(X, x, g) \in \text{SB} \times C(\Delta) \times C(\Delta) \mid x \in X, g \in X^\bullet\}$ , such that, once restricted to  $\mathbb{A} \cap (\text{SD} \times C(\Delta) \times C(\Delta))$ , it has the same properties as in Theorem 1.1?*

The second half of the paper is devoted to Zippin's theorem. Zippin had shown (see [11]) that any Banach space with separable dual can be isomorphically embedded into a Banach space with a shrinking basis. We show the following Borel parametrized version of it. For each  $Z \in \text{SB}$ , we let  $\text{SB}(Z) = \{X \in \text{SB} \mid X \subset Z\}$ .

THEOREM 1.5. — Say  $\mathbb{B} \subset SD$  is Borel. There exists a  $Z \in SD$ , with a shrinking basis, and a Borel map  $\Psi : \mathbb{B} \rightarrow SB(Z)$  such that  $X \cong \Psi(X)$ , for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ . Moreover, setting  $\mathbb{E} = \{(X, x) \in \mathbb{B} \times C(\Delta) \mid x \in X\}$ , there exists a Borel map

$$\psi : \mathbb{E} \rightarrow Z$$

such that, letting  $\psi_X = \psi(X, \cdot)$ , we have that  $\psi_X : X \rightarrow Z$  is a 10-embedding, for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ .

In [7], Dodos and V. Ferenczi had shown the following.

THEOREM 1.6 (Dodos and Ferenczi, 2007). — Let  $\mathbb{A} \subset SD$  be analytic. There exists a Banach space  $Z$  with a shrinking basis that contains an isomorphic copy of every  $X \in \mathbb{A}$ .

Hence, Theorem 1.5 can be seen as an improvement of Dodos and Ferenczi's theorem. Indeed, if  $\mathbb{A} \subset SD$  is analytic, then, as  $SD$  is coanalytic, Lusin's separation theorem gives us a Borel set  $\mathbb{B}$  such that  $\mathbb{A} \subset \mathbb{B} \subset SD$ . Therefore, applying Theorem 1.5 to  $\mathbb{B}$ , we obtain not only Theorem 1.6, but also that its result can be obtained by a Borel function.

The proof of Theorem 1.5, is divided into two parts. In [7], Dodos and Ferenczi, had shown, using results due B. Bossard (see [3]), that if  $\mathbb{A} \subset SD$  is analytic, then there exists an analytic set  $\mathbb{A}' \subset SB$  such that (i) every  $X \in \mathbb{A}$  embeds into some  $Y \in \mathbb{A}'$ , and (ii) every  $Y \in \mathbb{A}'$  has a shrinking basis. Following Bossard's work (see [3], or [5], chapter 5), we show that this result can be obtained by a Borel function. Precisely, we show that if  $\mathbb{B} \subset SD$  is Borel, then there exists a Borel function  $\sigma : \mathbb{B} \rightarrow C(\Delta)^{\mathbb{N}}$  which, for each  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , selects a shrinking basis whose span contains an isomorphic copy of  $X$  (see Theorem 4.6 for a precise statement).

Finally, we show that if we have a Borel set of normalized shrinking basic sequences  $U \subset S_{C(\Delta)}^{\mathbb{N}}$ , we can find not only a space  $Z \in SD$  containing all those basis (as it is done in [2]), but also an assignment

$$(x_n) \in U \mapsto X(\cong \overline{\text{span}}\{x_n\}) \in SB(Z)$$

which is Borel. Combining those two steps we get the Borel parametrized version of Zippin's theorem.

Our main references for these notes are Dodos' book *Banach spaces and descriptive set theory: Selected topics*, Dodos' paper *Definability under Duality*, S. Argyros and Dodos' paper *Genericity and amalgamation of classes of Banach spaces*, B. Bossard's paper *An ordinal version of some applications of the classical interpolation theorem*, and Dodos and Ferenczi's paper *Some strongly bounded classes of Banach spaces*. What we do in these notes

is basically to show that some of the results obtained in those papers can be actually obtained uniformly by Borel functions on Borel subsets of SD.

## 2. Notation.

Let  $\text{SB} = \{X \subset C(\Delta) \mid X \text{ is closed and linear}\}$ , SB will be our coding for the separable Banach spaces, where  $C(\Delta)$  is the space of continuous functions on the Cantor set  $\Delta$  (i.e.,  $2^{\mathbb{N}}$ ) endowed with the supremum norm. We endow SB with its Effros-Borel structure, i.e., the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by

$$\{X \in \text{SB} \mid X \cap U \neq \emptyset\},$$

where  $U$  varies among the open subsets of  $C(\Delta)$ . It is well known that SB is a standard Borel space with the Effros-Borel structure (see [5], Theorem 2.2). We denote by SD the subset of SB consisting of Banach spaces with separable duals, SD is well known to be complete coanalytic (hence non Borel), as shown above. For every Banach space  $X$ , we denote the unit ball of  $X$  by  $B_X$ . Unless stated otherwise, we will always consider the unit ball  $B_{X^*}$  endowed with its weak\*-topology. So, for all  $X \in \text{SB}$ ,  $B_{X^*}$  is a compact metric space. We denote by  $S_X$  the unit sphere of  $X$ , where  $X$  is a Banach space.

Similarly as above, if  $X$  is a Polish space, we can endow  $\mathcal{F}(X)$ , the set of non empty closed subsets of  $X$ , with the Effros-Borel structure. Kuratowski and Ryll-Nardzewski's selection theorem gives us that, for any Polish space  $X$ , there exists a sequence of Borel functions  $d_n : \mathcal{F}(X) \rightarrow X$  such that, for all  $F \in \mathcal{F}(X)$ , the sequence  $(d_n(F))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is dense in  $F$  (see [8], Theorem 12.13). In these notes, we denote by  $d_n : \mathcal{F}(C[0, 1]) \rightarrow C(\Delta)$  the sequence above, where  $X = C[0, 1]$ . Moreover, by taking rational linear combinations, we assume  $(d_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is closed under rational linear combinations. As  $X \in \text{SB} \mapsto B_X \in \mathcal{F}(C(\Delta))$  is a Borel map, the maps  $X \mapsto d_n(B_X)$  are also Borel, and  $(d_n(B_X))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is dense in  $B_X$ , for all  $X \in \text{SB}$ .

Elements of  $B_{X^*}$  will usually be denoted by  $f$ , while elements of  $B_{\ell_\infty}$  will usually be denoted by  $x^*$  or  $x^{**}$  (depending whether this element is coding a functional from  $B_{X^*}$  or  $B_{X^{**}}$ ). The reader should always have in mind that  $x^* \in B_{\ell_\infty}$  actually denotes a bounded sequence  $x^* = (x_n^*)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in B_{\ell_\infty}$ .

In order to simplify notation, many times we omit the index of sequences, writing  $(x_n)$  instead of  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ . We do the same for sums, i.e., we write  $\sum_n x_n$  instead of  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} x_n$  or  $\sum_{n=1}^k x_n$ . We hope this will not cause any confusion to the reader.

When dealing with functionals, say  $f \in X^*$  and  $x \in X$ , we use both “ $f(x)$ ” and “ $\langle f, x \rangle$ ” to denote the value of the functional  $f$  evaluated at  $x$ . Also, as we will be dealing with many spaces and norms, in order to have a cleaner notation, we will usually simply write  $\|x\|$  instead of  $\|x\|_X$  to denote the norm of  $x$  in  $X$ , where  $x \in X$ . The spaces in which the elements whose norms are being computed lie in should always be clear, and if there is room for any ambiguity we will specify the norm we are working with.

Say  $X$  and  $Y$  are Banach spaces. We write  $X \equiv Y$  to denote that  $X$  is linearly isometric to  $Y$ , and we write  $X \cong Y$  to denote that  $X$  is (linearly) isomorphic to  $Y$ . Also, if  $X$  and  $Y$  are metric spaces, we write  $X \equiv Y$  to denote that  $X$  and  $Y$  are isometric as metric spaces. If  $(x_n)$  and  $(y_n)$  are two basic sequences, we write  $(x_n) \sim (y_n)$  to denote that  $(x_n)$  is equivalent to  $(y_n)$ , i.e.,  $x_n \mapsto y_n$  defines an isomorphism between  $\overline{\text{span}}\{x_n\}$  and  $\overline{\text{span}}\{y_n\}$ .

Let  $X$  be a metric space. We denote by  $\mathcal{K}(X)$  the hyperspace of  $X$ , i.e., the space of all compact subsets of  $X$  endowed with the Vietoris topology (which in metric spaces is equivalent to the topology generated by the Hausdorff metric), the reader can find more about the hyperspace  $\mathcal{K}(X)$  in [8], Section 4.F.

In order to simplify notation when working with many quantifiers in the same sentence, we will assume “ $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ ” and “ $\delta, \varepsilon \in \mathbb{Q}^+$ ”. For example, we only write “ $\exists \delta$ ” instead of “ $\exists \delta \in \mathbb{Q}^+$ ”. Similarly, “ $\exists a_1, \dots, a_n$ ” should be interpreted as “ $\exists a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{Q}$ ”. The set in which we are quantifying over should always be clear.

Denote by  $[\mathbb{N}]^{<\mathbb{N}}$  the set of all increasing finite tuples of natural numbers, and  $[\mathbb{N}]^{\mathbb{N}}$  the set of all increasing sequence of natural numbers. As  $[\mathbb{N}]^{\mathbb{N}} \subset \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$  is Borel, we have that  $[\mathbb{N}]^{\mathbb{N}}$  is a standard Borel space. Also, if  $A$  is any set, let  $A^{<\mathbb{N}}$  denote the set of finite subsets of  $A$ . Given  $s = (s_0, \dots, s_{n-1})$ ,  $t = (t_0, \dots, t_{m-1}) \in A^{<\mathbb{N}}$  we say that the length of  $s$  is  $|s| = n$ ,  $s_{|i} = (s_0, \dots, s_{i-1})$ , for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , and  $s_{|0} = \{\emptyset\}$ . We say that  $s \preceq t$  iff  $n \leq m$  and  $s_i = t_i$ , for all  $i \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$ , i.e., if  $t$  is an extension of  $s$ . We define  $s \prec t$  analogously.

A subset  $T$  of  $A^{<\mathbb{N}}$  is called a *tree* (on  $A$ ) if  $t \in T$  implies  $t_{|i} \in T$ , for all  $i \in \{0, \dots, |t|\}$ . A tree  $T$  is called *pruned* if for all  $s \in T$  there exists  $t \in T$  such that  $s \prec t$ . We denote by  $[T]$  the set  $\{\sigma \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}} \mid \forall n \sigma_{|n} \in T\}$ . A subset  $I$  of a tree  $T$  is called a *segment* if  $I$  is completely ordered and if  $s, t \in I$  with  $s \preceq t$ , then  $l \in I$ , for all  $l \in T$  such that  $s \preceq l \preceq t$ . Two segments  $I_1, I_2$  are called *completely incomparable* if neither  $s \preceq t$  nor  $t \preceq s$  hold, for all  $s \in I_1$  and  $t \in I_2$ .

A *B-tree* on a subset  $A$  is a subset  $S \subset A^{<\mathbb{N}} \setminus \{\emptyset\}$  such that  $S = T \setminus \{\emptyset\}$ , for some tree  $T$  on  $A$ . In other words, a *B-tree* is a tree without its root. All the definitions in the previous paragraph extend to *B-trees*.

Let  $X \in \text{SB}$ ,  $A$  be a countable set,  $T$  be a pruned *B-tree* on  $A$ , and  $(x_t)_{t \in T}$  be a normalized sequence of elements of  $X$  indexed by  $T$ . We say that  $(X, A, T, (x_t)_{t \in T})$  is a *Schauder tree basis* if

- (i)  $X = \overline{\text{span}}\{x_t \mid t \in T\}$ , and
- (ii) for every  $\sigma \in [T]$ , the sequence  $(x_{\sigma|_n})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a bi-monotone basic sequence.

Let  $(X, A, T, (x_t)_{t \in T})$  be a Schauder tree basis. We define the  $\ell_2$ -Baire sum of  $(X, A, T, (x_t)_{t \in T})$  as the completion of  $c_{00}(T)$  endowed with the norm

$$\|z\| = \sup \left\{ \left( \sum_{n=1}^k \left\| \sum_{s \in I_n} z_s x_s \right\|_X^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \mid I_1, \dots, I_k \text{ completely incomparable segments of } T \right\},$$

for all  $z = (z_s)_{s \in T} \in c_{00}(T)$ . By abuse of notation, we still denote by  $x_t$  the elements of the  $\ell_2$ -Baire sum corresponding to the original  $x_t \in X$  (see [5], chapter 3, for details on Schauder tree basis and  $\ell_2$ -Baire sums).

Let  $\varphi : T \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  be a bijection such that, for all  $s \preceq t \in T$ , we have  $\varphi(s) \leq \varphi(t)$ .

**THEOREM 2.1** (see [5], Corollary 3.29). — *Let  $(X, A, T, (x_t)_{t \in T})$  be a Schauder tree basis. Assume that for all  $\sigma \in [T]$  the basic sequence  $(x_{\sigma|_n})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is shrinking. Then  $(x_{\varphi^{-1}(n)})_n$  is a shrinking basis for the  $\ell_2$ -Baire sum of  $(X, A, T, (x_t)_{t \in T})$ .*

### 3. Duality on Banach spaces.

Our goal in this section is to prove Theorem 1.1, i.e., we will show how to obtain the assignment  $X \mapsto X^*$  in a Borel fashion. Precisely, given a Borel subset of  $\text{SD} = \{X \in \text{SB} \mid X^* \text{ is separable}\}$ , say  $\mathbb{B} \subset \text{SD}$ , we will define a Borel function  $X \in \mathbb{B} \mapsto X^\bullet \in \text{SB}$  such that  $X^\bullet$  is isometric to  $X^*$ , for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ . Moreover, we will keep track of the isometries between  $X^\bullet$  and  $X^*$  in such a way that it will be possible to actually interpret the elements of  $X^\bullet$  as elements of  $X^*$ , i.e., we will be capable of computing  $\langle g, x \rangle_X$  in a Borel manner, for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , all  $x \in X$ , and all  $g \in X^\bullet$ .

In order to prove Theorem 1.1, our main tools will be Dodos' coding for the unit ball  $B_{X^*}$ , Lemma 3.4, and Lemma 3.7, which will allow us to bring families of separable Banach spaces into our coding SB.



We start by describing Dodos coding of  $B_{X^*}$  as a subset of  $B_{\ell_\infty}$ . Given  $X \in \text{SB}$ , we code  $B_{X^*}$  by letting

$$K_{X^*} = \left\{ x^* \in B_{\ell_\infty} \mid \exists f \in B_{X^*} \forall n \ x_n^* = \frac{f(d_n(X))}{\|d_n(X)\|} \right\} \subset B_{\ell_\infty},$$

where if  $d_n(X) = 0$ , we let  $x_n^* = 0$  above. It is not hard to see ([6], Section 3) that the set  $\mathbb{D} \subset \text{SB} \times B_{\ell_\infty}$  defined by

$$(X, x^*) \in \mathbb{D} \Leftrightarrow x^* \in K_{X^*}$$

is Borel. Also, for a given  $X \in \text{SB}$ , the natural map

$$f \in B_{X^*} \mapsto \left( \frac{f(d_n(X))}{\|d_n(X)\|} \right)_n \in K_{X^*}$$

is a surjective isometry (see [6], Section 3). Moreover, the isometry is “linear”, i.e., if  $f, g \in B_{X^*}$  and  $\alpha f + \beta g \in B_{X^*}$ , then

$$\alpha f + \beta g \mapsto \alpha \left( \frac{f(d_n(X))}{\|d_n(X)\|} \right)_n + \beta \left( \frac{g(d_n(X))}{\|d_n(X)\|} \right)_n.$$

This isometry between the compact metric spaces  $K_{X^*}$  and  $B_{X^*}$  is actually the restriction of an isometry between the Banach spaces  $\text{span}\{K_{X^*}\}$  and  $X^*$ . This observation will be used in the proof of Theorem 1.1.

We will need the following result (see [8], Theorem 28.8).

**THEOREM 3.1.** — *Let  $\mathbb{B}$  be a standard Borel space,  $Y$  be a Polish space, and  $\mathbb{D} \subset X \times Y$  be a Borel set, all of whose sections  $\mathbb{D}_x = \{y \in Y \mid (x, y) \in \mathbb{D}\}$  are compact. Then the map  $x \mapsto \mathbb{D}_x$  is Borel as a map  $\mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}(Y)$ .*

The lemma below is a simple application of the theorem above and it summarizes what we need regarding the Dodos’ coding described above.

**LEMMA 3.2.** — *The map*

$$X \in \text{SB} \mapsto K_{X^*} \in \mathcal{K}(B_{\ell_\infty})$$

*is Borel. Moreover, for all  $X \in \text{SB}$ , there exists an onto isometry  $i_X : K_{X^*} \rightarrow B_{X^*}$  such that, if  $f = i_X(x^*)$ , then  $x_n^* = f(d_n(X))/\|d_n(X)\|$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $d_n(X) \neq 0$ , and  $x_n^* = 0$  otherwise. The isometries  $i_X$  are restrictions of linear isometries  $\text{span}\{K_{X^*}\} \rightarrow X^*$ .*

**Remark 3.3.** — The lemma above can also be obtained by Lemma 3.4, which we will state and use below. However, as Theorem 3.1 is more standard, we prefer to obtain this lemma by it.

We had already defined our coding for  $X^*$ , let us now define our coding for  $X^{**}$ . For this, we will need the following result of Dodos (see [6], Section 1). First we need to introduce some notation. Let  $\mathbb{A} \subset \mathbb{B} \subset B_{\ell_\infty}$ , we say that  $\mathbb{A}$  is *norm dense* in  $\mathbb{B}$  if  $\mathbb{A}$  is dense in  $\mathbb{B}$  with respect to the norm topology of  $B_{\ell_\infty}$ . Similarly, we say  $\mathbb{A} \subset B_{\ell_\infty}$  is *norm separable* if it is separable with respect to the norm topology of  $B_{\ell_\infty}$ .

LEMMA 3.4 (Dodos, 2010). — *Let  $\mathbb{B}$  be a standard Borel space, and let  $\mathbb{D} \subset \mathbb{B} \times B_{\ell_\infty}$  be a Borel subset. Assume that, for each  $x \in \mathbb{B}$ , we have*

- (i)  $\mathbb{D}_x = \{f \in B_{\ell_\infty} \mid (x, f) \in \mathbb{D}\}$  is non-empty and compact, and
- (ii)  $\mathbb{D}_x$  is norm separable.

*Then, there exists a sequence of Borel uniformizations of  $\mathbb{D}$ ,  $g_n : \mathbb{B} \rightarrow B_{\ell_\infty}$ , such that  $(g_n(x))_n$  is norm dense in  $\mathbb{D}_x$ , for each  $x \in \mathbb{B}$ .*

Say  $\mathbb{B} \subset \text{SD}$  is Borel, and define  $\mathbb{D}$  as in Dodos' coding above. As  $\mathbb{B} \subset \text{SD}$ , we have that  $\mathbb{D}_X$  is norm separable, for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ . Therefore, by the lemma above, there exists a sequence of Borel functions  $g_n : \mathbb{B} \rightarrow B_{\ell_\infty}$  such that, for each  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , the sequence  $(g_n(X))_n$  is norm dense in  $K_{X^*}$ . By taking rational linear combinations of  $(g_n)$ , we can assume that  $(g_n)$  are closed under rational linear combinations. This sequence will play the same role as the sequence of Kuratowski Ryll-Nardzewski's selectors  $(d_n)_n$  did in Dodos' coding for  $B_{X^*}$ .

We saw that, for each  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $X^*$  is isometric to  $\text{span}\{K_{X^*}\}$ . In order to simplify notation, set  $[K_{X^*}] = \text{span}\{K_{X^*}\}$ . With that in mind, for each  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , we define a coding for  $X^{**}$  as

$$L_{X^{**}} = \left\{ x^{**} \in B_{\ell_\infty} \mid \exists f \in B_{[K_{X^*}]^*} \forall n \ x_n^{**} = \frac{f(g_n(X))}{\|g_n(X)\|_\infty} \right\} \subset B_{\ell_\infty},$$

where if  $g_n(X) = 0$ , we let  $x_n^{**} = 0$  above. It is not hard to see that the set  $\mathbb{D}' \subset \text{SB} \times B_{\ell_\infty}$  defined by

$$(X, x^{**}) \in \mathbb{D}' \Leftrightarrow x^{**} \in L_{X^{**}}$$

is Borel. Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} (X, x^{**}) \in \mathbb{D}' &\Leftrightarrow \forall n, m, \ell \in \mathbb{N} \ \forall p, q \in \mathbb{Q} \\ &pg_n(X) + qg_m(X) = g_\ell(X) \\ &\rightarrow px_n^{**}\|g_n(X)\|_\infty + qx_m^{**}\|g_m(X)\|_\infty = x_\ell^{**}\|g_\ell(X)\|_\infty. \end{aligned}$$

Also, for a given  $X \in \text{SB}$ , the natural map

$$f \in B_{[K_{X^*}]^*} \mapsto \left( \frac{f(g_n(X))}{\|g_n(X)\|_\infty} \right)_n \in L_{X^{**}}$$

is a surjective isometry. Indeed, if  $x^{**}(1), \dots, x^{**}(k) \in L_{X^{**}}$  and  $f_1, \dots, f_k$  are the corresponding elements of  $B_{[K_{X^*}]^*}$ , then, for every  $a_1, \dots, a_k \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^k a_i f_i \right\|_{[K_{X^*}]^*} &= \sup \left\{ \left| \sum_{i=1}^k a_i \frac{f_i(g_n(X))}{\|g_n(X)\|_\infty} \right| \mid g_n(X) \neq 0 \right\} \\ &= \sup \left\{ \left| \sum_{i=1}^k a_i x_n^{**}(i) \right| \mid n \in \mathbb{N} \right\} \\ &= \left\| \sum_{i=1}^k a_i x^{**}(i) \right\|_\infty. \end{aligned}$$

We can now apply Theorem 3.1 and get the following lemma, which is the first step to show that  $L_{X^{**}}$  can be used as a (nice) coding for  $X^{**}$ .

LEMMA 3.5. — *Say  $\mathbb{B} \subset SD$  is Borel. The map*

$$X \in \mathbb{B} \mapsto L_{X^{**}} \in \mathcal{K}(B_{\ell_\infty})$$

*is Borel. Moreover, for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , there exists an onto isometry  $j_X : L_{X^{**}} \rightarrow B_{[K_{X^*}]^*}$  such that, if  $f = j_X(x^{**})$ , then  $x_n^{**} = f(g_n(X))/\|g_n(X)\|$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $g_n(X) \neq 0$ , and  $x_n^{**} = 0$  otherwise.*

Before we show how to interpret the elements in our coding for  $X^*$  and  $X^{**}$ , let us prove another lemma which will be crucial in our proof. Many times in these notes we will be working with families of separable Banach spaces which are not in SB. Lemma 3.7 is the tool that we will use in order to bring those families back to SB.

For any given non-empty compact metric space  $M$ , there exists a continuous surjection  $h : \Delta \rightarrow M$  (see [8], Theorem 4.18). The following lemmas allow us to choose (in a Borel manner) continuous surjections  $h_K : \Delta \rightarrow K$ , for all  $K \in \mathcal{K}(M)$ . Similar calculations can be found in [10], Proposition 3.8, page 14, and Theorem 2.1, page 106.

LEMMA 3.6. — *Let  $M$  be a metric space and  $L$  be a compact metric space. Let  $h : L \rightarrow M$  be a continuous function. Then the map*

$$K \in \mathcal{K}(M) \mapsto h^{-1}(K) \in \mathcal{K}(L)$$

*is Borel.*

*Proof.* — Let  $U \subset L$  be an open set. We only need to show that  $\{K \in \mathcal{K}(M) \mid h^{-1}(K) \cap U \neq \emptyset\}$  is Borel (see [5], proposition 1.4). We first prove the following claim.

*Claim.* — Say  $F \subset M$  is closed. Then  $\{K \in \mathcal{K}(M) \mid K \cap F \neq \emptyset\}$  is Borel.

Say  $d$  is the metric of  $M$ , and write  $F = \bigcap_m V_m$ , where each  $V_m$  is open, and  $d(x, F) < 1/m$ , for all  $x \in V_m$ . Notice that

$$\{K \in \mathcal{K}(M) \mid K \cap F \neq \emptyset\} = \bigcap_m \{K \in \mathcal{K}(M) \mid K \cap V_m \neq \emptyset\}.$$

Indeed, if  $K \cap F \neq \emptyset$ , it is clear that  $K \cap V_m \neq \emptyset$ , for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Say  $K \cap V_m \neq \emptyset$ , for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , and pick  $v_m \in K \cap V_m$ , for each  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . As  $K$  is compact, by taking a subsequence, we can assume  $v_m \rightarrow v$ , for some  $v \in K$ . Also, as  $d(v_m, F) < 1/m$ , for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have that  $v \in F$ . Hence,  $K \cap F \neq \emptyset$ , and the claim is done.

Let us now finish the proof of the lemma. As  $L$  is a metric space and  $U$  is open, we can write  $U = \bigcup_n F_n$ , where  $F_n$  is closed, for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Also, as  $L$  is compact and  $h$  is continuous, we have that  $h(F_n)$  is closed, for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Hence, as we have

$$\begin{aligned} \{K \in \mathcal{K}(M) \mid h^{-1}(K) \cap U \neq \emptyset\} &= \{K \in \mathcal{K}(M) \mid K \cap h(U) \neq \emptyset\} \\ &= \bigcup_n \{K \in \mathcal{K}(M) \mid K \cap h(F_n) \neq \emptyset\}, \end{aligned}$$

we are done. □

LEMMA 3.7. — *Let  $\Delta$  be the Cantor set. There exists a Borel function*

$$Q : \mathcal{K}(\Delta) \rightarrow C(\Delta, \Delta)$$

*such that, for each  $K \in \mathcal{K}(\Delta)$ ,  $Q(K) : \Delta \rightarrow \Delta$  is a continuous function onto  $K$ . Therefore, if  $M$  is a compact metric space, and  $h : \Delta \rightarrow M$  is a continuous surjection, we have that*

$$H : K \in \mathcal{K}(M) \mapsto h \circ Q(h^{-1}(K)) \in C(\Delta, M),$$

*is a Borel function and, for each  $K \in \mathcal{K}(M)$ ,  $H(K) : \Delta \rightarrow M$  is a continuous function onto  $K$ .*

*Proof.* — The second part of the lemma follows from the first part and the lemma above. Let us prove the first part. For each  $s \in 2^{<\mathbb{N}}$ , we let  $\Delta_s = \{\sigma \in \Delta \mid s \preceq \sigma\}$ .

For each  $K \in \mathcal{K}(\Delta)$ , we define  $Q(K) : \Delta \rightarrow \Delta$  as follows. If  $\sigma \in K$ , let  $Q(K)(\sigma) = \sigma$ . If  $\sigma \notin K$ , let  $n(K, \sigma) = \max\{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid \Delta_{\sigma|_n} \cap K \neq \emptyset\}$ , and set

$$Q(K)(\sigma) = \min \Delta_{\sigma|_{n(K, \sigma)}} \cap K,$$

where the minimum above is taken under the lexicographical order  $\leq_{lex}$ . It is easy to see that  $Q(K) \in C(\Delta, \Delta)$ . Let us show that  $K \mapsto Q(K)$  is Borel.

Say  $g \in C(\Delta, \Delta)$ ,  $\delta > 0$ , and let  $d_\Delta$  be the usual metric of  $\Delta$ . We need to show that  $\{K \in \mathcal{K}(\Delta) \mid \sup_{\sigma \in \Delta} d_\Delta(Q(K)(\sigma), g(\sigma)) < \delta\}$  is Borel. Say  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\sigma \in \Delta$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \{K \in \mathcal{K}(\Delta) \mid n(K, \sigma) = n\} &= \{K \in \mathcal{K}(\Delta) \mid K \cap \Delta_{\sigma|_n} \neq \emptyset\} \\ &\quad \cap \{K \in \mathcal{K}(\Delta) \mid K \cap \Delta_{\sigma|_{n+1}} = \emptyset\} \end{aligned}$$

is Borel. Therefore, if  $G \subset \Delta$  is a countable dense set,

$$\{K \in \mathcal{K}(\Delta) \mid \sup_{\sigma \in \Delta} d_\Delta(Q(K)(\sigma), g(\sigma)) < \delta\} = W \cap P,$$

where

$$W = \{K \in \mathcal{K}(\Delta) \mid \exists \varepsilon \forall \sigma \in G (\forall n \ n(K, \sigma) \neq n) \rightarrow d_\Delta(\sigma, g(\sigma)) < \delta - \varepsilon\}$$

is Borel, and

$$\begin{aligned} P &= \left\{ K \in \mathcal{K}(\Delta) \mid \exists \varepsilon \forall \sigma \in G \left( \exists n \ n(K, \sigma) = n \right) \right. \\ &\quad \rightarrow \left. \left( \exists s \in 2^{<\mathbb{N}} (\sigma|_n \preceq s) \forall \sigma|_n \preceq s' <_{lex} s \forall \tilde{\sigma} \in G \cap \Delta_s \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. \Delta_s \cap K \neq \emptyset \wedge \Delta_{s'} \cap K = \emptyset \wedge d_\Delta(\tilde{\sigma}, g(\sigma)) < \delta - \varepsilon \right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

So,  $P$  is Borel, and we are done. □

We now show a couple of lemmas that will allow us to interpret  $K_{X^*}$  and  $L_{X^{**}}$  as  $X^*$  and  $X^{**}$ , i.e., the lemmas will tell us how the functional evaluation will work if  $x \in X$ ,  $x^* \in K_{X^*}$ , and  $x^{**} \in L_{X^{**}}$ .

LEMMA 3.8. — *For each  $X \in SB$ , let  $i_X$  be as in Lemma 3.2. Let  $\mathbb{A} = \{(X, x, x^*) \in SB \times C(\Delta) \times B_{\ell_\infty} \mid x \in X, x^* \in K_{X^*}\}$ , and let  $\alpha : \mathbb{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined as*

$$\alpha(X, x, x^*) = \langle i_X(x^*), x \rangle,$$

for each  $(X, x, x^*) \in \mathbb{A}$ . Then,  $\mathbb{A}$  is Borel, and  $\alpha$  is a Borel map.

*Proof.* — As  $X \mapsto K_{X^*}$  is Borel, it is clear that  $\mathbb{A}$  is Borel. Pick  $(X, x, x^*) \in \mathbb{A}$ , and let  $(n_j) \in [\mathbb{N}]^{\mathbb{N}}$  be such that  $d_{n_j}(X) \rightarrow x$ . Then  $\alpha(X, x, x^*) = \lim x_{n_j}^* \|d_{n_j}(X)\|$ . Indeed, as  $d_{n_j}(X) \rightarrow x$ , we have  $\langle i_X(x^*), d_{n_j}(X) \rangle \rightarrow \langle i_X(x^*), x \rangle$ . Hence, as  $\langle i_X(x^*), d_{n_j}(X) \rangle = x_{n_j}^* \|d_{n_j}(X)\|$ , we have  $x_{n_j}^* \|d_{n_j}(X)\| \rightarrow \alpha(X, x, x^*)$ .

To see that  $\alpha$  is Borel notice that, given  $a < b \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \{(X, x, x^*) \in \mathbb{A} \mid \alpha(X, x, x^*) \in (a, b)\} \\ = \{(X, x, x^*) \in \mathbb{A} \mid \exists \delta \forall \varepsilon \exists n \|d_n(X) - x\| < \varepsilon, x_n^* \|d_n(X)\| \in (a + \delta, b - \delta)\}. \end{aligned}$$

□

Notice that, we have finally obtained Theorem 1.3, which is the first ingredient for Theorem 1.1. Indeed, Theorem 1.3 is a simple consequence of Lemma 3.2 and Lemma 3.8.

LEMMA 3.9. — *Say  $\mathbb{B} \subset SD$  is Borel, and let  $j_X$  be as in Lemma 3.5. Let  $\mathbb{F} = \{(X, x^*, x^{**}) \in \mathbb{B} \times B_{\ell_\infty} \times B_{\ell_\infty} \mid x^* \in K_{X^*}, x^{**} \in L_{X^{**}}\}$ , and let  $\beta : \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined as*

$$\beta(X, x^*, x^{**}) = \langle j_X(x^{**}), x^* \rangle,$$

for each  $(X, x^*, x^{**}) \in \mathbb{F}$ . Then,  $\mathbb{F}$  is Borel, and  $\beta$  is a Borel map.

*Proof.* — As  $X \mapsto K_{X^*}$ , and  $X \mapsto L_{X^{**}}$  are Borel, it is clear that  $\mathbb{F}$  is Borel. If, in the proof of Lemma 3.8, we substitute the sequence  $(d_n)$  by the sequence  $(g_n)$  given by Theorem 3.4, and we substitute  $i_X$  by  $j_X$ , the rest of the proof follows exactly as in the proof of Lemma 3.8.  $\square$

Notice that, as  $B_{\ell_\infty}$  is a non-empty compact metric space, Lemma 3.7 gives us a Borel map  $H : \mathcal{K}(B_{\ell_\infty}) \rightarrow C(\Delta, B_{\ell_\infty})$  such that, for all  $K \in \mathcal{K}(B_{\ell_\infty})$ ,  $H(K) : \Delta \rightarrow B_{\ell_\infty}$  is continuous and onto  $K$ . We have the following easy application of Lemma 3.7, and Lemma 3.9.

COROLLARY 3.10. — *Let  $\mathbb{B} \subset SD$  be Borel. Let  $H$  be as above, and  $\beta$  as in Lemma 3.9. Set  $\mathbb{E} = \{(X, x^*, y) \in \mathbb{B} \times B_{\ell_\infty} \times \Delta \mid x^* \in K_{X^*}\}$ , and define  $\gamma : \mathbb{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  as*

$$\gamma(X, x^*, y) = \beta(X, x^*, H(L_{X^{**}})(y)),$$

for each  $(X, x^*, y) \in \mathbb{E}$ . Then,  $\mathbb{E}$  is Borel, and  $\gamma$  is a Borel map.

The following corollary is just a consequence of the previous lemmas.

COROLLARY 3.11. — *Assume we are in the same setting as in Corollary 3.10. Then, for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , and for all  $x^* \in K_{X^*}$ ,  $\gamma(X, x^*, \cdot) : \Delta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous function, and*

$$\sup_{y \in \Delta} \gamma(X, x^*, y) = \|x^*\|_\infty = \|i_X(x^*)\|_{X^*}.$$

The first equality in the lemma above follows from the fact that  $H(L_{X^{**}}) : \Delta \rightarrow B_{\ell_\infty}$  is a function onto  $L_{X^{**}} \equiv B_{X^{**}}$ .

We are now ready to prove Theorem 1.1, the duality theorem. In the same fashion as in the usual proof that every separable Banach space  $X$  embeds into  $C(\Delta)$  (see [8], page 79), we will now use the function  $H$  to show that we can embed (in a Borel manner) the duals of all spaces of  $X \in \mathbb{B}$  into  $C(\Delta)$ .

*Proof of Theorem 1.1.* — Let  $\alpha$ ,  $H$ , and  $\gamma$  be as in Lemma 3.8, and Corollary 3.10. For each  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , let

$$X^\bullet = \{g \in C(\Delta) \mid \exists x^* \in K_{X^*} \exists \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \forall y \in \Delta \ g(y) = \lambda \gamma(X, x^*, y)\}.$$

Let us show that the assignment  $X \mapsto X^\bullet$  is Borel. For this let  $(g_n)$  be given by Theorem 3.4, so  $(g_n(X))_n$  is *norm* dense in  $K_{X^*}$ , for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ . Let  $U(g, \delta) \subset C(\Delta)$  be the  $\delta$ -ball centered at  $g$ , i.e.,

$$U(g, \delta) = \{f \in C(\Delta) \mid \exists \varepsilon \forall y \in \Delta \ d_\Delta(f(y), g(y)) < \delta - \varepsilon\},$$

where  $g \in C(\Delta)$ ,  $\delta > 0$ , and  $d_\Delta$  is the standard metric on  $\Delta$ . Let  $G \subset \Delta$  be a countable dense set. We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \{X \in \mathbb{B} \mid X^\bullet \cap U(g, \delta) \neq \emptyset\} \\ &= \{X \in \mathbb{B} \mid \exists x^* \in K_{X^*} \exists \lambda \exists \varepsilon \forall y \in \Delta \ d_\Delta(\lambda \gamma(X, x^*, y), g(y)) < \delta - \varepsilon\} \\ &= \{X \in \mathbb{B} \mid \exists n \exists \lambda \exists \varepsilon \forall y \in G \ d_\Delta(\lambda \gamma(X, g_n(X), y), g(y)) < \delta - \varepsilon\}, \end{aligned}$$

so  $X \mapsto X^\bullet$  is Borel.

Let us now define the desired map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{(\cdot)} : \mathbb{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , where  $\mathbb{A} = \{(X, x, g) \in \text{SB} \times C(\Delta) \times C(\Delta) \mid x \in X, g \in X^\bullet\}$ . For each  $(X, x, g) \in \mathbb{A}$ , with  $g = \lambda \gamma(X, x^*, \cdot)$ , we let

$$\langle g, x \rangle_X = \lambda \alpha(X, x, x^*).$$

Let us show this map is well defined.

*Claim.* — Fix  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ . Say  $\lambda_1 \gamma(X, x^*(1), \cdot) = \lambda_2 \gamma(X, x^*(2), \cdot)$ , where  $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}$ , and  $x^*(i) \in K_{X^*}$ , for  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ . Then  $\lambda_1 x^*(1) = \lambda_2 x^*(2)$ . In particular,  $\langle g, x \rangle_X$  does not depend on the representative  $\lambda \gamma(X, x^*, \cdot)$  of  $g$ .

Indeed, by the definition of  $\gamma$ , we have

$$\lambda_1 \langle j_X(H(L_{X^{**}})(\cdot)), x^*(1) \rangle = \lambda_2 \langle j_X(H(L_{X^{**}})(\cdot)), x^*(2) \rangle,$$

which implies

$$\langle j_X(H(L_{X^{**}})(y)), \lambda_1 x^*(1) - \lambda_2 x^*(2) \rangle = 0, \quad \forall y \in \Delta.$$

Therefore, as  $H(L_{X^{**}}) : \Delta \rightarrow L_{X^{**}}$  and  $j_X : L_{X^{**}} \rightarrow B_{[K_{X^*}]^*}$  are surjective, we have that  $\lambda_1 x^*(1) - \lambda_2 x^*(2) = 0$ , and the first part of the claim is done. By the definition of  $\alpha$ , we have

$$\lambda \alpha(X, x, x^*) = \lambda \langle i_X(x^*), x \rangle.$$

Hence, as  $i_X$  is linear, we conclude that  $\langle g, x \rangle_X$  does not depend on the representative of  $g$ . So,  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{(\cdot)}$  is well defined.

Let us now show that  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{(\cdot)}$  has the desired properties.

*Claim.* — For each  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_X$  is bilinear.

Clearly, for a given  $g \in X^\bullet$ , the assignment  $x \in X \mapsto \langle g, x \rangle_X \in \mathbb{R}$  is linear. Fix  $x \in X$  and let  $g_1 = \lambda_1 \gamma(X, x^*(1), \cdot) \in X^\bullet$ ,  $g_2 = \lambda_2 \gamma(X, x^*(2), \cdot) \in X^\bullet$ , and  $g + h = \lambda_3 \gamma(X, x^*(3), \cdot) \in X^\bullet$ . Similarly as in the previous claim, we have

$$\lambda_1 x^*(1) + \lambda_2 x^*(2) = \lambda_3 x^*(3).$$

Hence, as  $i_X$  is linear, we have  $\langle g + h, x \rangle_X = \langle g, x \rangle_X + \langle h, x \rangle_X$ . Analogously, we have  $\langle \lambda g, x \rangle_X = \lambda \langle g, x \rangle_X$ , for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , and we conclude that  $g \in X^\bullet \mapsto \langle g, x \rangle_X \in \mathbb{R}$  is linear.

By Corollary 3.11, we have that  $g \in X^\bullet \mapsto \langle g, \cdot \rangle_X \in X^*$  is a surjective isometry. Indeed, Corollary 3.11 gives us that, if  $g = \lambda \gamma(X, x^*, \cdot)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|g\|_{C(\Delta)} &= \sup_{y \in \Delta} |\lambda \gamma(X, x^*, y)| \\ &= \|\lambda x^*\|_\infty \\ &= \|\lambda i_X(x^*)\|_{X^*} \\ &= \sup_{x \in B_X} |\lambda \langle i_X(x^*), x \rangle| \\ &= \sup_{x \in B_X} |\lambda \alpha(X, x, x^*)| \\ &= \sup_{x \in B_X} \langle g, x \rangle_X \\ &= \|\langle g, \cdot \rangle_X\|_{X^*}. \end{aligned}$$

Also, if  $f \in X^*$ , there exists  $x^* \in K_{X^*}$ , and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f = \lambda i_X(x^*)$ . Hence, letting  $g = \lambda \gamma(X, x^*, \cdot)$ , we have  $\langle g, \cdot \rangle_X = f$ , so  $g \in X^\bullet \mapsto \langle g, \cdot \rangle_X \in X^*$  is surjective.

We also get for free that  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_X$  is norm continuous, for each  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ . Let us show that  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{(\cdot)} : \mathbb{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is Borel. For this, notice that the map

$$\begin{aligned} (X, x, x^*) &\in \{(X, x, x^*) \in \mathbb{B} \times C(\Delta) \times B_{\ell_\infty} \mid x \in X, x^* \in K_{X^*}\} \\ &\mapsto (X, x, \gamma(X, x^*, \cdot)) \in \{(X, x, g) \in \mathbb{B} \times C(\Delta) \times C(\Delta) \mid x \in X, g \in B_{X^\bullet}\} \end{aligned}$$

is a Borel isomorphism, call the inverse of this map  $J$ . As  $\langle g, x \rangle_X$  does to depend on the representative of  $g$ , we have

$$\langle g, x \rangle_X = \begin{cases} 0 & , \text{ if } g = 0, \\ \|g\| \alpha\left(J(X, x, \frac{g}{\|g\|})\right) & , \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Therefore, the map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{(\cdot)}$  is Borel, and we are done. □



#### 4. A Borel Parametrized version of Zippin's Theorem

A famous theorem of Zippin says that, given a Banach space with separable dual  $X$ , there exists a Banach space  $Z$  with a shrinking basis such that  $X$  embeds into  $Z$  (see [11] for Zippin's original paper). Dodos and Ferenczi had shown, using results from [3], that given an analytic subset  $\mathbb{A} \subset \text{SD}$ , there exists a  $Z \in \text{SD}$  such that every  $X \in \mathbb{A}$  embeds into  $Z$  (see [7]). In other words, Dodos and Ferenczi proved a parametrized version of Zippin's theorem.

We will now show that we can get something even stronger than a parametrized version of Zippin's theorem, we can get a *Borel* parametrized version of it. Precisely, say  $\mathbb{B} \subset \text{SD}$  is Borel (notice, if  $\mathbb{A} \subset \text{SD}$  is analytic, then, as  $\text{SD}$  is coanalytic, Lusin's separation theorem gives us a Borel set  $\mathbb{B}$  such that  $\mathbb{A} \subset \mathbb{B} \subset \text{SD}$ ), then one can find a space  $Z \in \text{SD}$  with a shrinking basis, and a Borel function  $\mathbb{B} \rightarrow \text{SB}(Z)$  such that, for each  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , the function assigns a subspace of  $Z$  isomorphic to  $X$  (see Theorem 1.5 for a precise statement).

##### 4.1. Embedding a Borel $\mathbb{B} \subset \text{SD}$ into spaces with shrinking bases.

Dodos and Ferenczi had shown that for a given analytic set  $\mathbb{A} \subset \text{SD}$ , there exists an analytic set  $\mathbb{A}' \subset \text{SD}$  such that (i) for every  $X \in \mathbb{A}$ , there exists an  $Y \in \mathbb{A}'$  such that  $X \hookrightarrow Y$ , and (ii)  $Y$  has a shrinking basis, for all  $Y \in \mathbb{A}'$  (this was essentially done by using results of [3], the reader can find a complete proof in [5], chapter 5). In this subsection, we will show that we can actually find such  $\mathbb{A}'$  by a Borel function.

Fix a Borel  $\mathbb{B} \subset \text{SD}$ . Bossard showed that for each  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , there exists a sequence  $(e_k^X)_k \in C(\Delta)^\mathbb{N}$  and a sequence of norms  $(\|\cdot\|_{X,n})_n$  on  $C(\Delta)$  such that, for each  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , we have (a detailed construction of those objects can be found in [5], chapter 5):

- (i) Each  $\|\cdot\|_{X,n}$  is equivalent to the standard norm of  $C(\Delta)$ .
- (ii) Let  $Z(X) = \{f \in C(\Delta) \mid \sum_n \|f\|_{X,n}^2 < \infty\}$ . Then  $Z(X)$  is a Banach space under the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{Z(X)} = (\sum_n \|\cdot\|_{X,n}^2)^{1/2}$ .
- (iii) The inclusion  $j_X : Z(X) \rightarrow C(\Delta)$  is continuous and  $B_X \subset B_{Z(X)}$ . So the inclusion  $\tau_X : X \subset C(\Delta) \rightarrow Z(X)$  is an embedding, and  $\|\tau_X\| \leq 1$ .
- (iv)  $(j_X^{-1}(e_k^X))_k$  is a shrinking bases for  $Z(X)$ . By abuse of notation, we will still denote this basis by  $(e_k^X)_k$ .

Bossard proved the following lemmas (for detailed proofs see [5], pages 85 and 86).

LEMMA 4.1. — *The map  $X \in \mathbb{B} \mapsto (e_k^X)_k \in C(\Delta)^\mathbb{N}$  is Borel.*

LEMMA 4.2. — *For every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the map  $(X, f) \in \mathbb{B} \times C(\Delta) \mapsto \|f\|_{X,n} \in \mathbb{R}$  is Borel.*

Therefore, by  $\|\cdot\|_{Z(X)}$ -normalizing  $(e_k^X)_k$ , we can assume:

(iv)'  $(e_k^X)_k$  is a *normalized* shrinking bases for  $Z(X)$ .

We need one more property of the objects described above. The norms  $\|\cdot\|_{X,n}$  are obtained by letting

$$\|x\|_{X,n} = \inf\{\lambda > 0 \mid \frac{x}{\lambda} \in 2^n W_X + 2^{-n} B_X\},$$

where  $W_X \subset C(\Delta)$  is a closed, bounded, and symmetric subset of  $C(\Delta)$  defined in terms of  $X$  (the map  $X \in \mathbb{B} \mapsto W_X \in \mathcal{F}(C(\Delta))$  is actually Borel, see [5], page 86). Hence,  $Z(X)$  is the 2-*interpolation space* of the pair  $(C(\Delta), W_X)$  (see Davis-Figiel-Johnson-Pelczynski [4], for definition and basic facts about this interpolation space). It is easy to see, looking at the definition of interpolation spaces, that the inclusion  $j_X : Z(X) \rightarrow C(\Delta)$  is continuous and it is bounded by  $9K$ , where

$$K = \max\{1, \sup\{|w| \mid w \in W_X\}\}.$$

By looking at the definition of  $W_X$  (see [5], page 83), one easily sees that  $W_X \subset B_{C(\Delta)}$ , so  $K = 1$ . Therefore, the norms of the inclusions  $j_X$  are uniformly bounded by 9, for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ .

The conclusion of the discussion above is that we can assume:

(iii)' The inclusions  $j_X : Z(X) \rightarrow C(\Delta)$  are continuous and their norms are uniformly bounded by 9. As  $B_X \subset B_{Z(X)}$ , the inclusion  $\tau_X : X \subset C(\Delta) \rightarrow Z(X)$  is an embedding, and  $\|\tau_X\| \leq 1$ . Moreover,  $\tau_X : X \subset C(\Delta) \rightarrow Z(X)$  is a 9-embedding, for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ .

The reader should be aware that, by abuse of notation, if  $x \in X$ , we write  $x$  every time we refer to  $\tau_X(x) \in Z(X)$ . As  $\tau_X$  is an inclusion, we hope this will not cause any confusion.

Given  $a = (a_1, \dots, a_k) \in \mathbb{Q}^{<\mathbb{Q}}$ , let  $a \times (e_j^X)$  stand for  $\sum_{i=1}^k a_i e_i^X \in Z(X)$ . As  $\mathbb{Q}^{<\mathbb{Q}}$  is countable, we can fix an enumeration for its non zero elements,

say  $(\alpha_n)_n$ . Given  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , let

$$K_{Z(X)^*} = \left\{ z^* \in B_{\ell_\infty} \mid \exists f \in B_{Z(X)^*} \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \ z_n^* = \frac{f(\alpha_n \times (e_j^X))}{\|\alpha_n \times (e_j^X)\|_{Z(X)}} \right\} \subset B_{\ell_\infty}.$$

Thus,  $K_{Z(X)^*}$  is a coding for the unit ball  $B_{Z(X)^*}$ , and it is easy to check that  $K_{Z(X)^*} \equiv B_{Z(X)^*}$ . Indeed, this follows from the same arguments as when we proved that  $L_{X^{**}} \equiv B_{[K_X^*]^*}$ , right before Lemma 3.5.

Define  $\mathbb{D} \subset \mathbb{B} \times B_{\ell_\infty}$  by

$$(X, z^*) \in \mathbb{D} \Leftrightarrow z^* \in K_{Z(X)^*}.$$

Then  $\mathbb{D}$  is Borel. Indeed, we only need to notice that

$$\begin{aligned} (X, z^*) \in \mathbb{D} &\Leftrightarrow \forall \alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_\ell \in \mathbb{Q}^{<\mathbb{Q}} \forall p, q \in \mathbb{Q} \\ &p\alpha_n \times (e_j^X) + q\alpha_m \times (e_j^X) = \alpha_\ell \times (e_j^X) \\ &\rightarrow pz_n^* \|\alpha_n \times (e_j^X)\|_{Z(X)} + qz_m^* \|\alpha_m \times (e_j^X)\|_{Z(X)} \\ &= z_\ell^* \|\alpha_\ell \times (e_j^X)\|_{Z(X)}, \end{aligned}$$

so, by Lemma 4.1, and Lemma 4.2,  $\mathbb{D}$  is Borel. Theorem 3.1 gives us the following.

LEMMA 4.3. — Assume  $\mathbb{B} \subset SD$  is Borel. The map

$$X \in \mathbb{B} \mapsto K_{Z(X)^*} \in \mathcal{K}(B_{\ell_\infty})$$

is Borel. Moreover, for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , there exists an onto isometry  $i_X : K_{Z(X)^*} \rightarrow B_{Z(X)^*}$  such that, if  $f = i_X(z^*)$ , then  $z_n^* = f(\alpha_n \times (e_j^X)) / \|\alpha_n \times (e_j^X)\|_{Z(X)}$ .

The following lemmas will play the same role Lemma 3.8, Lemma 3.9, and Lemma 3.11 played in the previous section.

LEMMA 4.4. — Say  $\mathbb{B} \subset SD$  is Borel, and let  $i_X$  be as in Lemma 4.3. Let  $\mathbb{A} = \{(X, n, z^*) \in \mathbb{B} \times \mathbb{N} \times B_{\ell_\infty} \mid z^* \in K_{Z(X)^*}\}$ . Define  $\alpha : \mathbb{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  as

$$\alpha(X, n, z^*) = \langle i_X(z^*), \alpha_n \times (e_j^X) \rangle,$$

for each  $(X, n, z^*) \in \mathbb{A}$ . Then,  $\mathbb{A}$  is a Borel set, and  $\alpha$  a Borel map.

Notice that, for all  $(X, n, z^*) \in \mathbb{A}$ , we have  $\alpha(X, n, z^*) = z_n^* \|\alpha_n \times (e_j^X)\|_{Z(X)}$ . The proof of this lemma is analogous to the proof of Lemma 3.8.

The inclusion  $\tau_X : X \rightarrow Z(X)$  is an embedding, therefore, for each  $x \in X$ , there exists a sequence  $(\alpha_{n_k} \times (e_j^X))_k$  converging to  $x$  in  $Z(X)$ . With this observation in mind we have the following.

LEMMA 4.5. — Let  $\mathbb{B} \subset SD$  be Borel, and let  $i_X$  be as in Lemma 4.3. Set  $\mathbb{A}' = \{(X, x, z^*) \in \mathbb{B} \times C(\Delta) \times B_{\ell_\infty} \mid x \in X, z^* \in K_{Z(X)^*}\}$ , and define  $\alpha' : \mathbb{A}' \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$\alpha'(X, x, z^*) = \langle i_X(z^*), x \rangle.$$

for each  $(X, x, z^*) \in \mathbb{A}'$ . Then,  $\mathbb{A}'$  is a Borel set, and  $\alpha'$  a Borel map.

Notice that, when we write “ $\langle i_X(z^*), x \rangle$ ”, we are thinking of  $x$  as an element of  $Z(X)$  in order for this to make sense. For each  $(X, x, z^*) \in \mathbb{A}'$ , we have  $\alpha'(X, x, z^*) = \lim_k z_{n_k}^* \|\alpha_{n_k} \times (e_j^X)\|_{Z(X)}$ , where  $\alpha_{n_k} \times (e_j^X) \rightarrow x$  in  $Z(X)$ . Hence, the proof of this lemma is also analogous to the proof of Lemma 3.8.

We now prove the main theorem of this subsection.

THEOREM 4.6. — Let  $\mathbb{B} \subset SD$  be Borel, and let  $\mathbb{E} = \{(X, x) \in \mathbb{B} \times C(\Delta) \mid x \in X\}$ . There are Borel maps

$$\sigma : \mathbb{B} \rightarrow C(\Delta)^\mathbb{N} \quad \text{and} \quad \varphi : \mathbb{E} \rightarrow C(\Delta)$$

such that, by setting  $\varphi_X = \varphi(X, \cdot)$ , we have that, for each  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ ,

- (i)  $\sigma(X)$  is a normalized shrinking basic sequence, and
- (ii)  $\text{Im}(\varphi_X) \subset \overline{\text{span}}\{\sigma(X)\}$  and  $\varphi_X : X \rightarrow \overline{\text{span}}\{\sigma(X)\}$  is a 9-embedding.

Proof. — Let  $H : \mathcal{K}(B_{\ell_\infty}) \rightarrow C(\Delta, B_{\ell_\infty})$  be given by Lemma 3.7, and let  $\alpha$  and  $\alpha'$  be given by Lemma 4.4, and Lemma 4.5, respectively. Fix  $(n_k) \in \mathbb{N}^\mathbb{N}$  such that, for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\alpha_{n_k} \times (e_j^X) = e_k^X$  (notice that this does not depend on  $X$ ). For each  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , let

$$\sigma(X) = (\alpha(X, n_k, H(K_{Z(X)^*})(\cdot)))_k.$$

By Lemma 4.4, and as  $H$  and  $X \mapsto K_{Z(X)^*}$  are Borel, it is clear that  $\sigma$  is Borel. Also,  $\sigma(X)$  is equivalent to the  $(e_k^X)_k$ , so  $\sigma(X)$  is normalized and shrinking. Indeed, we can define a map on  $Z(X)$  by letting

$$\alpha_n \times (e_j^X) \in Z(X) \mapsto \alpha(X, n, H(K_{Z(X)^*})(\cdot)) \in \overline{\text{span}}\{\sigma(X)\},$$

and extending it to the entire  $Z(X)$ , making it continuous. This map is clearly surjective. Also, as  $H(K_{Z(X)^*}) : \Delta \rightarrow K_{Z(X)^*}$ , and  $i_X : K_{Z(X)^*} \rightarrow B_{Z(X)^*}$  are surjective, we have that

$$\langle i_X(H(K_{Z(X)^*})(y)), x_1 - x_2 \rangle = 0, \quad \forall y \in \Delta,$$

can only happen if  $x_1 = x_2$ . So, by the definition of  $\alpha$ , this map is a bijection. Again by the definition of  $\alpha$ , we have

$$\|\alpha_n \times (e_j^X)\|_{Z(X)} = \sup_{y \in \Delta} |\alpha(X, n, H(K_{Z(X)^*})(y))|,$$

hence, this map defines a surjective isometry between  $Z(X)$  and  $\overline{\text{span}}\{\sigma(X)\}$ , and the basis  $(e_k^X)$  is sent to

$$(\alpha(X, n_k, H(K_{Z(X)^*})(\cdot)))_k = \sigma(X).$$

Therefore,  $\sigma(X)$  is indeed 1-equivalent to the  $(e_k^X)_k$ .

Let  $\varphi(X, x) = \alpha'(X, x, H(K_{Z(X)^*})(\cdot))$ , for all  $(X, x) \in \mathbb{E}$ . Lemma 4.5 gives us that  $\varphi$  is Borel. Notice that  $\varphi_X$  is the composition of  $\tau_X : X \subset C(\Delta) \rightarrow Z(X)$  with the isometry

$$Z(X) \rightarrow \overline{\text{span}}\{\sigma(X)\}$$

described above. Therefore, as the inclusion  $\tau_X : X \subset C(\Delta) \rightarrow Z(X)$  is a 9-embedding, we have that  $\varphi_X$  is a 9-embedding, for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ . □

### 4.2. Embedding a Borel set of bases into a single space with a shrinking bases.

In [2], Argyros and Dodos showed that if  $\mathbb{A} \subset \text{SD}$  is analytic and  $X$  has a shrinking Schauder basis, for all  $X \in \mathbb{A}$ , then  $\mathbb{A}$  can be embedded into a single  $Z \in \text{SD}$ , i.e., there exists  $Z \in \text{SD}$  such that  $X \hookrightarrow Z$ , for all  $X \in \mathbb{A}$ . In this section, we will follow Argyros and Dodos' method in order to embed  $\mathbb{A}$  into a single  $Z \in \text{SD}$  in a Borel manner.

Let  $bs = \{(f_n) \in S_{C(\Delta)}^{\mathbb{N}} \mid (f_n) \text{ is a basic sequence}\}$ . It is easy to see that the set of basic sequences  $bs$  is Borel in  $C(\Delta)^{\mathbb{N}}$ .

Let us recall Schechtman's construction of Pelczynski's universal space (see [9]). Let  $(d_n)$  be a dense sequence in the unit sphere of  $C(\Delta)$ . For each  $s = (n_1, \dots, n_k) \in [\mathbb{N}]^{<\mathbb{N}}$ , let  $m_s = n_k$ . For each  $s \in [\mathbb{N}]^{<\mathbb{N}}$ , let  $g_s = d_{m_s}$ . The universal Pelczynski space  $U$  is defined as the completion of  $c_{00}([\mathbb{N}]^{<\mathbb{N}})$  under the norm

$$\|x\|_U = \sup\{\|\sum_{s \in I} x_s g_s\| \mid I \text{ is a segment of } [\mathbb{N}]^{<\mathbb{N}}\},$$

for all  $x = (x_s) \in c_{00}([\mathbb{N}]^{<\mathbb{N}})$ . By taking an isometric copy of  $U$  inside of  $C(\Delta)$ , we can assume  $U \subset C(\Delta)$ . Fix a bijection  $\varphi : [\mathbb{N}]^{<\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  such that if  $s_1 \prec s_2$  then  $\varphi(s_1) < \varphi(s_2)$ . It is easy to see that  $(g_{\varphi^{-1}(n)})_n$  is a bases for  $U$ .

This construction of  $U$  gives us that if  $(f_k) \in S_{C(\Delta)}^{\mathbb{N}}$  is a basic sequence and  $(d_{n_k})$  is a subsequence of  $(d_n)$  close enough to  $(f_n)$ , then  $(f_k)_k \sim (g_{(n_1, \dots, n_k)})_k$ . More precisely, if  $(f_k)$  has basic constant  $K$ ,  $\theta \in (0, 1)$ , and  $\|f_k - d_{n_k}\| < 2^{-k}\theta\|f_k\|/2K$ , for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , the principle of small perturbation gives us that (see [1], Theorem 1.3.9)

- (i)  $(f_k)_k \sim (g_{(n_1, \dots, n_k)})_k$ , and
- (ii) the isomorphism between  $\overline{\text{span}}\{f_k\} \subset C(\Delta)$  and  $\overline{\text{span}}\{g_{(n_1, \dots, n_k)}\} \subset U$ , given by  $f_k \mapsto g_{(n_1, \dots, n_k)}$ , is an  $\frac{1+\theta}{1-\theta}$ -isomorphism.

Fix  $\theta > 0$ . Let us define a function  $b_\theta : bs \rightarrow [\mathbb{N}]^{\mathbb{N}}$ . For this, given any basic sequence  $(f_n) \in S_{C(\Delta)}^{\mathbb{N}}$  with basic constant  $K$ , we produce a subsequence of  $(d_n)$  as follows. Say  $n_1 < \dots < n_k$  had been chosen. Let  $n_{k+1}$  be the first natural number such that  $n_{k+1} > n_k$  and

$$\|f_{k+1} - d_{n_{k+1}}\| < \frac{2^{-(k+1)}}{2K} \theta \|f_{k+1}\|.$$

The map  $k : bs \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  that assigns to each basic sequence its basic constant is Borel, indeed, given  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$(f_n) \in \{(g_n) \in bs \mid k((g_n)_n) < b\} \Leftrightarrow \exists r \in (-\infty, b) \cap \mathbb{Q} \forall a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{Q}$$

$$\forall k \leq m \quad \left\| \sum_{i=1}^k a_i f_i \right\| \leq r \left\| \sum_{i=1}^m a_i f_i \right\|.$$

Therefore, it should be clear that, for any fixed  $\theta > 0$ , the function  $b_\theta : bs \rightarrow [\mathbb{N}]^{\mathbb{N}}$  described in the previous paragraph is Borel. Also, we should keep in mind that, if  $b_\theta((f_k)_k) = (n_k)_k$ , the isomorphism between  $\overline{\text{span}}\{f_k\}$  and  $\overline{\text{span}}\{g_{(n_1, \dots, n_k)}\} \subset U$  is given by  $f_k \mapsto g_{(n_1, \dots, n_k)}$ .

Let  $\mathcal{S} \subset [\mathbb{N}]^{\mathbb{N}}$  be the standard coding for shrinking basic subsequences of the bases of  $U$ , i.e., we define  $\mathcal{S}$  by

$$\mathcal{S} = \{(n_k)_k \in [\mathbb{N}]^{\mathbb{N}} \mid (g_{(n_1, \dots, n_k)})_k \in U^{\mathbb{N}} \text{ is shrinking}\}.$$

It is known that  $\mathcal{S}$  is a coanalytic set (see for example [5], Section 2.5.3).

We now follow Argyros and Dodos' approach. Fix  $\theta \in (0, 1)$ . Let  $\mathbb{B} \subset \text{SD}$  be Borel, and  $\sigma$  be as in Theorem 4.6. Let  $\xi_\theta = b_\theta \circ \sigma : \mathbb{B} \rightarrow [\mathbb{N}]^{\mathbb{N}}$ , so  $\xi_\theta(\mathbb{B}) \subset [\mathbb{N}]^{\mathbb{N}}$  is analytic, and  $\xi_\theta(\mathbb{B}) \subset \mathcal{S}$ . As  $\mathcal{S}$  is coanalytic, Lusin's separation theorem gives us a Borel set  $A$  such that  $\xi_\theta(\mathbb{B}) \subset A \subset \mathcal{S}$  (see [8], Theorem 14.7). Therefore, there exists a pruned tree  $T$  on  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ , such that the projection  $p([T]) = \{\sigma \in [\mathbb{N}]^{\mathbb{N}} \mid \exists \tau (\sigma, \tau) \in [T]\}$  equals  $A$  (see [5], Theorem 1.6). For each  $t = (s, v) = ((s_1, \dots, s_k), (v_1, \dots, v_k)) \in (\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N})^{<\mathbb{N}}$ , let  $x_t = g_{(s_1, \dots, s_k)}$ .

Let  $U' = \text{span}\{x_t \mid t \in T\}$ , and  $T' = T \setminus \{\emptyset\}$ . So  $(U', \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}, T', (x_t)_{t \in T'})$  is a Schauder tree basis (see the last paragraphs of Section 2 for definitions).

Let  $Z$  be the  $\ell_2$ -Baire sum of the Schauder tree basis  $(U', \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}, T', (x_t)_{t \in T'})$ . Then, by Theorem 2.1,  $(x_t)_{t \in T}$  is a shrinking bases for  $Z$ . In particular,  $Z \in \text{SD}$ .

We have the following trivial lemma.

LEMMA 4.7. — Let  $\gamma : \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow Z^{\mathbb{N}}$  be defined by  $\gamma((n_k)_k) = (g_{(n_1, \dots, n_k)})_k$ . Then  $\gamma$  is continuous, hence Borel.

Before proving Theorem 1.5 let us prove one more lemma. For each  $X \in \text{SB}$ , we let  $bs(X) = \{(f_n) \in S_X^{\mathbb{N}} \mid (f_n) \text{ is basic}\}$ . So  $bs(X)$  is Borel.

LEMMA 4.8. — Say  $Y, Z \in \text{SB}$ . Let

$$\mathbb{A} = \{((f_n), (g_n), x) \in bs(Y) \times bs(Z) \times Y \mid (f_n) \sim (g_n)\}.$$

For each basic sequences  $(f_n) \in bs(Y)$  and  $(g_n) \in bs(Z)$ , denote by  $I_{f,g}$  the linear map such that  $f_n \mapsto g_n$ . Then,  $\mathbb{A}$  is Borel and the map

$$((f_n), (g_n), x) \in \mathbb{A} \mapsto I_{f,g}(x) \in Z$$

is Borel.

*Proof.* — Clearly,  $\mathbb{A}$  is Borel. In order to see that this map is Borel, first notice that if  $C = \{((f_n), (g_n)) \in bs(Y) \times bs(Z) \mid (f_n) \sim (g_n)\}$  then

$$((f_n), (g_n)) \in C \mapsto \|I_{f,g}\| \in \mathbb{R}$$

is Borel. Indeed, say  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} ((f_n), (g_n)) \in \{((f_n), (g_n)) \in C \mid \|I_{f,g}\| < b\} \\ \Leftrightarrow \exists r \in (-\infty, b) \cap \mathbb{Q} \forall a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{Q} \\ \left\| \sum_{i=1}^m a_i f_i \right\| \leq r \left\| \sum_{i=1}^m a_i g_i \right\|. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $U \subset C(\Delta)$  be an open ball open. Then

$$\begin{aligned} I_{f,g}(x) \in U \neq \emptyset \Leftrightarrow \exists \delta \exists a_1, \dots, a_n \left\| x - \sum a_i f_i \right\|_X < \frac{\delta}{\|I_{f,g}\|} \\ \wedge \left( \forall m \left\| d_m(Z) - \sum a_i g_i \right\|_Z < \delta \right) \rightarrow d_m(Z) \in U, \end{aligned}$$

and we are done. □

*Proof of Theorem 1.5.* — Let  $\mathbb{B} \subset \text{SD}$  be Borel. Fix  $\theta \in (0, 1)$ . Let  $Z$  be the  $\ell_2$ -Baire sum described in the discussion preceding Lemma 4.7. Let  $\sigma$  and  $\varphi$  be as in Theorem 4.6, and  $b_\theta$  and  $\gamma$  be as above. Let  $\chi_\theta = \gamma \circ b_\theta \circ \sigma$ , and define, for each  $(X, x) \in \mathbb{E}$ ,

$$\psi(X, x) = I_{\sigma(X), \chi_\theta(X)}(\varphi(X, x)).$$

Notice that, for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , the sequence  $\sigma(X)$  is equivalent to  $\chi_\theta(X)$ , so  $I_{\sigma(X), \chi_\theta(X)}$  is well defined. By Lemma 4.8 and the fact that  $\sigma$ ,  $\varphi$  and  $\chi_\theta$  are Borel, we have that  $\psi$  is Borel. By Theorem 4.6, we have that  $\varphi_X :$

$X \rightarrow \overline{\text{span}}\{\sigma(X)\}$  is a 9-embedding, for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ . By the construction of  $\chi_\theta$ , we have that

$$I_{\sigma(X), \chi_\theta(X)} : \overline{\text{span}}\{\sigma(X)\} \rightarrow Z$$

is an  $\frac{1+\theta}{1-\theta}$ -embedding, for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ . Hence, by choosing  $\theta$  small enough,  $\psi_X$  is a 10-embedding, for all  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ .

For each  $X \in \mathbb{B}$ , define  $\Psi(X) = \overline{\text{span}}\{\psi_X(d_n(X)) \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . It is clear that  $\Psi$  is Borel, and that it has the desired properties.  $\square$

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