

A topological characterization of dual strict convexity in Asplund spaces

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The implication (4) \Rightarrow (1) is the new part.

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We define a certain norm-closed convex face D of B , such that $f, g \in D$.

Since X is Asplund and $f \neq g$, we obtain $d \neq e \in D \cap \text{ext}(B)$.

We apply Choquet's Lemma to d and e to show that (\mathcal{V}_j) is not a $(*)$ -sequence for (S_{X^*}, w^*) : given $j \in \mathbb{N}$, either

- 1 $\{d, e\} \cap \bigcup \mathcal{V}_j$ is empty, or
- 2 $d, e \in V$ for some $V \in \mathcal{V}_j$.