Functional Analysis

Homework 3

due March 4, 2009

1. Let X be a normed vector space and $C \subset X$ an open, convex subset containing the origin. Define $p: X \to [0, \infty)$ via

$$p(x) = \inf\{\alpha > 0 \colon x/\alpha \in C\}.$$

Prove that

- (a) p is sublinear;
- (b) p is bounded, i.e. there exists m > 0 such that for every $x \in X$,

 $0 \le p(x) \le m \|x\|;$

- (c) $C = \{x \in X : p(x) < 1\}.$
- 2. Folland, p. 164–165, no. 27, 34, 35, 37, 38.