

LINEAR NORMED SPACES WITH EXTENSION PROPERTY

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1. Introduction. In this paper we shall say "E has the (F, G) (extension) property" to mean the following: F is a subspace of the real normed linear space G, E is a real normed linear space, and any bounded linear mapping $F \rightarrow E$ has a linear extension $G \rightarrow E$ with the same bound (equivalently, every linear mapping $F \rightarrow E$ of bound 1 has a linear extension $G \rightarrow E$ with bound 1).

The Hahn-Banach theorem asserts that the real field \mathbb{R} has the unrestricted (F, G) property (that is, for all F and G with $F \subset G$).

If X is a topological space, $C(X)$ will denote the normed linear lattice of all continuous, bounded functions $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with supremum norm: $\|f\| = \sup_{t \in X} |f(t)|$ (if X is compact every continuous f is necessarily bounded). We recall that X is called extremally disconnected if the closure of every open set is again open. Now M.H. Stone has proved [5, Theorem 14] that if X is extremally disconnected then $C(X)$ is boundedly complete. Using Stone's result, it is easy to verify that Banach's proof [1, page 28] that \mathbb{R} has the unrestricted (F, G) property remains valid when \mathbb{R} is replaced by $C(X)$ provided that X is extremally disconnected.

Nachbin [4, page 42], Goodner [2, page 103] and Kelley [3] have shown a converse: if E has the unrestricted (F, G) property then E must be isometric to $C(X)$ for some extremally disconnected compact Hausdorff space X.

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2. Main theorem of this paper. The question arises: is there a single pair (F_\circ, G_\circ) such that whenever E has the (F_\circ, G_\circ) property then E must have the unrestricted (F, G) property?

We shall show that the answer is <<yes>> if E is restricted to have finite dimension. More precisely, let G_\circ be the real normed space $C(3)$ (the integer n will be used to denote the discrete topological space of n elements) and let F_\circ be the subspace of G_\circ generated by $(0, 1, 1)$ and $(1, 0, 1)$. We shall prove the theorem: if $\dim E = n < \infty$ and E has the (F_\circ, G_\circ) property then E is isometric to the space $C(n)$.

Our proof is elementary, is independent of the literature referred to above, and gives a new result for the finite dimensional case. But in most of our arguments it is not assumed that $\dim E$ is finite.

We shall give examples (see Theorem 5) of spaces which have the (F_\circ, G_\circ) property and yet fail to have the unrestricted (F, G) property (necessarily they are infinite dimensional).

3. Some definitions and notations.

(i) $B = B(E)$, $S = S(E)$ will denote respectively the closed unit ball and the unit sphere of the real normed linear space E .

(ii) $J = J(a, b, \dots)$ will denote the convex hull of a, b, \dots . $J(a, b)$ will be called a segment if $a \neq b$.

$L = L(a, b, \dots)$ will denote the linear set of a, b, \dots (of course, L is a subspace if and only if $0 \in L$).

(iii) We shall use the following notation:

$$\|x - J(a, b)\| = k \text{ means } \|x - y\| = k \\ \text{for all } y \in J(a, b);$$

$$\|x - J(a, b)\| < k \text{ means } \|x - y\| < k \\ \text{for all } y \in J(a, b) \text{ with } a \neq y \neq b;$$

$$\|x - L(a, b)\| \geq k \text{ means } \|x - y\| \geq k \\ \text{for all } y \in L(a, b).$$

We note that in any normed linear space: if $c \in J(a, b)$ and $a \neq c \neq b$ and $\|x - c\| \geq \max(\|x - a\|, \|x - b\|)$ then $\|x - L(a, b)\| \geq \|x - c\|$.

(iv) Suppose that V is a linear space, K a convex subset. Then a point $x \in K$ will be called an extreme point of K if

$$a, b \in K \text{ and } x \in J(a, b) \implies x = a \text{ or } x = b;$$

a segment $J(a, b) \subset K$ will be called an edge of K if

$$J(u, v) \subset K \text{ and } p \in J(u, v) \cap J(a, b) \text{ with } u \neq p \neq v \\ \implies J(u, v) \subset J(a, b).$$

We note that if $J(a, b)$ is an edge then a, b are different extreme points but the converse may be false.

4. LEMMA. E has the (F_{\circ}, G_{\circ}) property if and only if: $x, y, x-y \in B(E)$ implies that there is a point $z \in B(E)$ such that the points $2x - z, 2y - z, 2x + 2y - 3z$ (obtained by reflecting z in $x, y, x+y-z$, respectively) are also in $B(E)$.

Proof. (i) $B(F_{\circ})$ is the convex hull of $\underline{+}(0, 1, 1), \underline{+}(1, 0, 1)$ and $\underline{+}(-1, 1, 0)$. Every linear mapping $f: F_{\circ} \rightarrow E$ is determined by (arbitrary) values of $f(0, 1, 1) = x$ (say) and $f(1, 0, 1) = y$ (say). Then necessarily $f(-1, 1, 0) = x - y$ and hence $f(B(F_{\circ})) \subset B(E)$ if and only if $x, y, x - y$ are all in $B(E)$.

(ii) Clearly, E has the (F_{\circ}, G_{\circ}) property if and only if for every linear mapping $f: F_{\circ} \rightarrow E$ for which $f(B(F_{\circ})) \subset B(E)$ there is a point $z \in B(E)$ such that the linear extension \hat{f} determined by $\hat{f}(1, 1, 1) = z$ maps $B(G_{\circ})$ into $B(E)$.

(iii) Next, $B(G_{\circ})$ is the convex hull of $\underline{+}(1, 1, 1), \underline{+}(-1, 1, 1), \underline{+}(1, -1, 1)$ and $\underline{+}(-1, -1, 1)$. Suppose that $\hat{f}: G_{\circ} \rightarrow E$ is a linear extension of $f: F_{\circ} \rightarrow E$. Let $f(0, 1, 1) = x$ and $f(1, 0, 1) = y$. Then \hat{f} is determined by $\hat{f}(1, 1, 1) = z$ (say) and then $\hat{f}(-1, 1, 1) = 2x - z, \hat{f}(1, -1, 1) = 2y - z, \hat{f}(-1, -1, 1) = 2x + 2y - 3z$. Hence $\hat{f}(B(G_{\circ})) \subset B(E)$ if and only if $z, 2x - z, 2x + 2y - 3z$ are all in $B(E)$.

The Lemma follows easily from (i), (ii), (iii).

5. THEOREM. Let X denote any topological space,

let Y denote any closed subset of X and let E denote the subspace of $C(X)$ consisting of those functions in $C(X)$ which vanish on Y . Then E has the (F_o, G_o) property.

Proof. By Lemma 4 we need only show that if $x, y, x-y \in B = B(E)$ then there exists $z \in B$ such that $2x - z, 2y - z, 2x + 2y - 3z$ are also in B .

Set $z = \frac{x+y}{2-|x-y|}$. We note that $2 - |x-y| \geq 1$. Hence z is defined and is in E .

To prove $z, 2x - z, 2y - z, 2x + 2y - 3z$ are all in B , we fix $t \in X$, write x, y, z for $x(t), y(t), z(t)$, and show $-1 \leq 2x - z, 2y - z, 2x + 2y - 3z \leq 1$.

We may suppose $y \geq x$. Then $0 \leq y - x \leq 1$. Now $z = \frac{x+y}{2-(y-x)}$.

Since $-1 \leq x, y \leq 1$ we have $(-2-x)+y \leq x+y \leq x+(2-y)$, hence $-1 \leq z \leq 1$.

Next, $z = \frac{x+y}{2-(y-x)} = x + \frac{(y-x)(x+1)}{(x+1)+(1-y)} \geq x$, hence $2x - z = x - \frac{(y-x)(x+1)}{(x+1)+(1-y)} \leq x \leq 1$ and $2x - z \geq x - \frac{x+1}{1} = -1$.

Thus $-1 \leq 2x - z \leq 1$.

Again, $z = y - \frac{(y-x)(1-y)}{2-(y-x)} \leq y$, hence $2y - z = y + \frac{(y-x)(1-y)}{2-(y-x)} \geq y \geq -1$ and $2y - z \leq y + \frac{(1-y)}{1} = 1$.

Thus $-1 \leq 2y - z \leq 1$.

Now $x \leq z \leq y$, hence $2x - z \leq 2x + 2y - 3z \leq 2y - z$.

This completes the proof.

6. Remark. Theorem 5 shows that $C_{\{0\}}([0, 1])$ has the (F_o, G_o) property. If $C_{\{0\}}([0, 1])$ had the unrestricted (F, G) property, then the results of Nachbin, Goodner and Kelley would imply that it was isometric to some $C(X)$ with X compact and extremally disconnected. However $C_{\{0\}}([0, 1])$ is not isometric to $C(X)$ for any X . (Indeed, the unit ball of $C_{\{0\}}[0, 1]$ has

no extreme points but in every $C(X)$ the function $f(t) = 1$ for all $t \in X$ is an extreme point of the unit ball of $C(X)$.)

7. LEMMA. (Corollary of Lemma 4). Suppose that E has the (F_o, G_o) property and x is an extreme point of B and $y_1 \in B$, $y_1 \neq x$. Then the segment $J(x, y_1)$ is part of a chord of S of length 2. In particular, if e, e_1 are different extreme points of B then $\|e - e_1\| = 2$.

Proof. We may obviously pass to the case that $J(x, y_1)$ is an inextensible chord of S , and we need only show that $\|x - y_1\| = 2$. Clearly, $\|x - y_1\| \leq \|x\| + \|y_1\| \leq 2$. Suppose if possible that $\|x - y_1\| < 2$. Then choose $y \in J(x, y_1)$ so that $\|x - y_1\| / 2 < \|x - y\| \leq 1$. Then Lemma 4 applies; the resulting z must coincide with x , since x is an extreme point. Hence the segment $J(x, 2y - x)$ is in B , $J(x, y_1) \subset J(x, 2y - x)$, contradicting the fact that $J(x, y_1)$ was chosen to be inextensible.

This contradiction shows that $\|x - y_1\| = 2$ holds.

8. LEMMA. (Corollary of Lemma 4). Suppose that E has the (F_o, G_o) property and $J(a, b)$ is an edge of B , $c \in B$, $c \notin J(a, b)$, and $\|b - J(a, c)\| = 2$. Then $J(a, c) \subset S$, $J(b, b+c-a) \subset S$, and $\|a - J(b, b+c-a)\| = 2$.

Proof. Apply Lemma 4 with $x = \frac{a+b}{2}$, $y = \frac{a+c}{2}$. The resulting z must be in $J(a, b)$, since this is an edge.

We shall now show that $z = a$. We have: $2y - z \in B$, hence $\|b - (2y - z)\| \leq 2$; $z \neq a$ would imply $\|b - z\| < 2$ and hence $\|b - y\| = \left\| \frac{(b-z) + (b-2y+z)}{2} \right\| < 2$, contradicting $\|b - J(a, c)\| = 2$, since $y \in J(a, c)$.

Consequently $z = a$, $b + c - a = 2x + 2y - 3z \in B$, and $J(b, b+c-a) \subset B$.

If $m \in J(b, b+c-a)$ then $a - m = a - b - \theta(c-a)$ for some $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$, hence $\|a - m\| = \|u - b\|$ with $u = a - \theta(c-a) \in L(a, c)$ so $\|a - m\| \geq 2$. Since $a, m \in B$ it follows that $\|a - m\| \leq 2$,

hence $\|a - m\| = 2$. Thus $\|a - J(b, b+c-a)\| = 2$. It follows that $J(b, b+c-a) \subset S$, for if $u, v \in B$ and $\|u - v\| = 2$ then necessarily $u, v \in S$.

9. LEMMA. (Corollary of Lemmas 7, 8). Suppose that E has the (F_o, G_o) property and $J(a, b)$, $J(a, c)$ are different edges of B . Then $J(b, b+c-a)$ is an edge.

Proof. $J(a, b)$ is an edge, $c \notin J(a, b)$ and by Lemma 7, since b is an extreme point and $J(a, c)$ is an edge, $\|b - J(a, c)\| = 2$; hence by Lemma 8, $\|a - J(b, b+c-a)\| = 2$.

Now suppose if possible that $J(b, b+c-a)$ is not an edge. Then there exist $u, v \in B$ such that $J(u, v) \cap J(b, b+c-a)$ is a single point x , $u \neq x \neq v$.

We shall now show that $\|a - J(b, u)\| = 2$. Suppose that $0 < \theta < 1$ and set $u' = b + \theta(u-b)$, $v' = b + \theta(v-b)$, $x' = b + \theta(x-b)$. Then $\|a - u'\| \leq 2$, $\|a - v'\| \leq 2$, $\|a - x'\| = 2$, and $x' \in J(u', v')$. Hence $\|a - u'\| = 2$. Thus $\|a - J(b, u)\| = 2$.

Now $J(b, a)$ is an edge, $u \in B$, $u \notin J(b, a)$, and $\|a - J(b, u)\| = 2$, hence by Lemma 8, $J(a, a+u-b) \subset S$. Similarly $J(a, a+v-b) \subset S$.

Then $J(a+u-b, a+v-b) \subset B$ and $a + x-b \in J(a+u-b, a+v-b) \cap J(a, c)$ with $a+u-b \neq a+x-b \neq a+v-b$, but $J(a+u-b, a+v-b) \not\subset J(a, c)$. This contradicts the fact that $J(a, c)$ is an edge and shows that Lemma 9 must hold.

10. LEMMA. Suppose that E is an n -dimensional ($n < \infty$) real normed linear space which has the (F_o, G_o) property. Then

(i) the set W of extreme points of the unit ball B is finite;

(ii) there exist in B different extreme points e_o, e_1, \dots, e_n such that the vectors $v_i = e_i - e_o$, $i = 1, \dots, n$ are linearly independent and each $J(e_o, e_i)$, $i = 1, \dots, n$ is an edge of B .

(iii) if e_o, e_1, \dots, e_n are chosen as in (ii) then the unit ball B coincides with the parallelepiped

$$\{e_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n t^i v_i \mid 0 \leq t^i \leq 1, i = 1, \dots, n\};$$

hence $e_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2} v_i = 0$, and B coincides with the parallelepiped

$$\{\sum_{i=1}^n t^i (\frac{v_i}{2}) \mid -1 \leq t^i \leq 1, i = 1, \dots, n\};$$

(iv) E is isometric with $C(n)$.

Proof of (i). Since the dimension of E is finite, B is compact. Since $\|e - e_1\| = 2$ whenever e, e_1 are different extreme points of B it follows that the number of extreme points of B is finite.

Proof of (ii). We now introduce a euclidean metric into E . With respect to this metric B is a bounded, convex, closed subset of the finite dimensional space E and $L(B) = E$. Hence W is not empty and $L(W) = E$. Suppose that e_0, e_1, \dots, e_m are the different extreme points of B and let $\text{Conv}(e_1, \dots, e_m)$ consist of all $\sum_{i=1}^m t^i e_i$ with all $t^i \geq 0$ and $\sum_{i=1}^m t^i = 1$. Let

d be the point in $\text{Conv}(e_1, \dots, e_m)$ which is closest to e_0 in the euclidean metric. Then $d \neq e_0$.

Let $y = \frac{d+e_0}{2}$ and let H be the $n-1$ dimensional hyperplane which contains y and is orthogonal to $e_0 - d$ with respect to the euclidean metric. Then $H \cap B$ is a closed, bounded convex subset of H .

If x is an extreme point of $H \cap B$ it follows that $x \in J(e_0, e_x)$ for some unique extreme point e_x of B . Hence $H \cap B$ has a finite number of extreme points x_1, \dots, x_r , and it is easily seen that $L(x_1, \dots, x_r) = H$ and each $J(e_0, e_{x_i})$, $i = 1, \dots, r$, is an edge of B , and $L(e_0, e_{x_1}, \dots, e_{x_r}) = E$. It

follows that $r \geq n$ and it is possible to choose x_1, \dots, x_n so that the vectors $v_i = e_{x_i} - e_0$, $i = 1, \dots, n$ are linearly independent.

Proof of (iii). By repeated application of Lemma 9 it follows that

$$J(p, p+v_i) \text{ is an edge of } B$$

whenever $p = e_0 + \sum_{j \in J} v_j$ with $J \subset \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, $i \notin J$.

Hence $\{e_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n t^i v_i \mid 0 \leq t^i \leq 1, i = 1, \dots, n\}$ is part

of B . Moreover, if $x = e_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n t^i v_i$ with $0 \leq t^i \leq 1$ for all

i but $t^j = 0$ for some j , then x and $x + v_j$ are both in B and $\|x - (x+v_j)\| = 2$ which implies that $x \in S$. It follows that the parallelepiped

$$\{e_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n t^i v_i \mid 0 \leq t^i \leq 1, i = 1, \dots, n\}$$

coincides with B .

Since $x \in B$ implies that $-x \in B$, the rest of (iii) and then (iv), the main result of this note, follow at once.

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