

## SOME APPLICATIONS OF BP-THEOREM IN APPROXIMATION THEORY

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**Abstract.** In this paper we apply Bishop-Phelps property to show that if  $X$  is a Banach space and  $G \subseteq X$  is the maximal subspace so that  $G = \{x \in X^* | x^*(y) = 0; \forall y \in G\}$  is an  $L$ -summand in  $X^*$ , then  $L^1(\Omega, G)$  is contained in a maximal proximal subspace of  $L^1(\Omega, X)$ .

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### 1 Introduction

In the note we need some definitions and notations which are the following. Let  $(\Omega, \Sigma, \mu)$  be a measure space with non-negative complete  $\sigma$ -finite measure  $\mu$  and  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\Sigma$  of  $\mu$ -measurable sets. We denote by  $L_p(\Omega, \Sigma, \mu : X) = L_p(\Omega, X)$  the Banach space of all equivalence classes of all Bochner integrable functions  $f : \Omega \rightarrow X$  with the norm

$$\|f\| = \left( \int_{\Omega} \|f(t)\|^p d\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}; 1 \leq p < \infty,$$

$$\|f\|_{\infty} = \text{ess sup}_{t \in \Omega} \|f(t)\|; p = \infty.$$

A set  $M$  of measurable functions  $f : \Omega \rightarrow X$  is decomposable if for any two elements  $f, g$  in  $M$  and  $E \in \Sigma$ ,  $\chi_E f + \chi_{\Omega \setminus E} g \in M$ , where  $\chi_E$  is the characteristic function of  $E$ . Let  $X$  be a real or complex Banach space and  $C$  be a closed convex subset of  $X$ . The set of support points of  $C$  is the collection of all points  $z \in C$  for which there exists nontrivial  $f \in X^*$  such

that  $\sup_{x \in C} |f(x)| = |f(z)|$ . Such an  $f$  is called support functional. The support point  $z$  is said to be exposed, if  $\operatorname{Re} f(x) < \operatorname{Re} f(z)$ , for  $x(\neq z) \in C$ . We denote by  $\operatorname{Supp} C$  and  $\Sigma C$  the set of support points and support functionals, respectively. Bishop and Phelps<sup>[5]</sup> have shown that if  $C$  is a closed convex and bounded subset of  $X$  then  $\operatorname{Supp} C$  is dense in the boundary of  $C$  and  $\Sigma C$  is dense in  $X^*$ . The complex case of the Bishop-Phelps theorem is also studied in [6] and some results are given.

Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $G$  a closed subspace of  $X$ . The subspace  $G$  is called proximal in  $X$  if for every  $x \in X$  there exists at least one  $y \in G$  such that

$$\|x - y\| = \inf\{\|x - z\| : z \in G\}.$$

A linear projection  $P$  is called an  $L$ -projector if

$$\|x\| = \|Px\| + \|x - Px\|; \quad \forall x \in X.$$

A closed subspace  $Y \subset X$  is called an  $L$ -summand if it is the range of an  $L$ -projection.

The natural question is that, whether or not  $L^1(\Omega, G)$  is proximal in  $L^1(\Omega, X)$  if  $G$  is proximal in  $X$  [3]. We will show that if  $G^\perp$  is an  $L$ -summand then  $L^1(\Omega, G)$  is contained in a maximal proximal subspace of  $L^1(\Omega, X)$ .

## 2 The Main Results

**Theorem 2.1**<sup>[4]</sup>. *If  $X$  is a Banach space and  $T \in X^*$ , then  $\ker T$  is a proximal set in  $X$  if and only if  $T$  supports some points of the unit ball of  $X$ .*

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $G$  a support set in  $X$ . Suppose  $L^1(\Omega, G)$  is a decomposable set. Then each constant function of  $L^1(\Omega, G)$  is a support point for  $L^1(\Omega, G)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $g_0 \in L^1(\Omega, G)$  be a constant function, then there exists a point  $x_0 \in G$  such that  $g_0(t) = x_0$ . Since  $G$  is a support set, we have

$$\exists T_0 \in X^* \text{ s. t. } \inf_G T_0 = T_0(x_0).$$

We define  $F_0 : L^1(\Omega, X) \rightarrow R$  as follows:

$$F_0(g) = \int_{\Omega} T_0(g(t))d\mu.$$

It is obvious that  $F_0 \in L^1(\Omega, X)^*$ , because if

$$g_n \rightarrow g \quad (\|g_n - g\| \rightarrow 0),$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}
 |F_0(g_n) - F_0(g)| &= \left| \int_{\Omega} T_0(g_n(t) - g(t)) d\mu \right| \\
 &\leq \int_{\Omega} |T_0(g_n(t) - g(t))| d\mu \\
 &\leq \int_{\Omega} \|T_0\| \|g_n(t) - g(t)\| d\mu \\
 &= \|T_0\| \|g_n - g\| \rightarrow 0.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2.1}$$

hence  $F_0(g_n) \rightarrow F_0(g)$  therefore  $F_0 \in L^1(\Omega, X)^*$ .

Now by Theorem 2.2<sup>[2]</sup>, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \inf_{L^1(\Omega, G)} F_0 &= \inf_{L^1(\Omega, G)} \int_{\Omega} T_0(g(t)) d\mu \\
 &= \int_{\Omega} T_0(x_0) d\mu = T_0(x_0).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2.2}$$

By letting  $g_0(t) = x_0$  we get that  $g_0 \in L^1(\Omega, G)$ , and the required result follows:

$$\inf_{L^1(\Omega, G)} F_0 = F_0(g_0) = T_0(x_0) = \inf_{L^1(\Omega, G)} F_0.$$

Therefore,  $g_0 \in L^1(\Omega, G)$  is a support point for  $L^1(\Omega, G)$ .

In [1] it is shown that if  $G$  is a subspace of a Banach space  $X$  such that

$$G^{\perp} = \{x^* \in X^* | x^*(y) = 0; \forall y \in G\}$$

is an  $L$ -summand in  $X^*$ , then  $G$  is proximal in  $X$ . By applying this and the above results we will have the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $G \subset X$  be subspace such that*

$$G^{\perp} = \{x^* \in X^* | x^*(y) = 0; \forall y \in G\}$$

*is an  $L$ -summand in  $X^*$ , then  $L^1(\Omega, G)$  is contained in a maximal proximal subspace of  $L^1(\Omega, X)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $G^{\perp}$  be an  $L$ -summand in Banach space  $X^*$  then by the above theorem and Theorem 2.1,  $G$  is proximal in  $X$ . So there exists  $T \in X^*$  such that  $ker T = G$ . Applying Theorem 2.1, there exists a point  $x_0$  in the closed unit ball of  $X$  such that  $T$  supports  $x_0$ . It is trivial that

$$F(g) = \int_{\Omega} T(g(t)) d\mu$$

is a continuous linear functional on  $L^1(\Omega, X)$ . Since  $T$  is a support functional, By Lemma 2.2,  $F$  is also a support functional for the closed unit ball of  $L^1(\Omega, X)$  (by choosing  $g_0(t) = x_0$ ).

Therefore,  $\ker F$  is proximal in  $L^1(\Omega, X)$ . It is obvious that  $L^1(\Omega, G) \subseteq \ker F$  and  $\ker F$  is a maximal subspace, so  $L^1(\Omega, G)$  is contained in the maximal proximal subspace of  $L^1(\Omega, X)$ .

*Remark 2.4.* It is easy to see that if  $x_0$  is a support point for a closed convex subset  $C$  of a Banach space  $(X, \|\cdot\|_1)$  then it may not be a support point for  $C \subseteq (X, \|\cdot\|_2)$  so that  $\|\cdot\|_2$  is a equivalent norm to  $\|\cdot\|_1$ . Now from the above results we conclude that the proximality of a subset of a Banach space does not hold with two equivalent norms in general.

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