

RESULTS ON $L(f)$ SPACES

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, we consider the $L(f)$ spaces and characterize their compact subsets.

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INTRODUCTION

Let f be a real valued function defined on $[0, \infty)$ having the following properties:

- (1) $f(x)=0$ if and only if $x=0$.
- (2) f is increasing.
- (3) $f(x+y) \leq f(x)+f(y)$ for all $x, y \in [0, \infty)$.
- (4) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0+} f(x)=0$.

Such an f is called a modulus; it is clear that a modulus is a continuous function on $[0, \infty)$. The space $L(f)$ consists of all real sequences $(x_n)=X$ satisfying $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(|x_n|) < \infty$, this sum being denoted by $|X|_f$. We will show that $(L(f), |\cdot|_f)$ is a complete metric space. The l^p spaces $0 < p \leq 1$ are special cases of $L(f)$ spaces with $f(x)=x^p$.

Let $C = \{f: f \text{ is a modulus}\}$ and H = the set of all finite sequences; e_n denotes the sequence which is 0 everywhere except for the n th component where it is 1, and $E = \{e_n: n=1, 2, 3, \dots\}$. In this paper we prove that $L(f)$ is a topological vector space and characterize the compact subsets of $L(f)$, a result which could be considered as an extension of the one given in Reference [1]. We will also show that there exists no $f \in C$ such that $L(f) = H$ and $\bigcap_{p>0} l^p \not\subseteq H$.

RESULTS

Lemma 1. Let $f \in C$, then $(L(f), |\cdot|_f)$ is a complete metric space.

Proof. Let X, Y, Z be elements of $L(f)$, $X=(x_n)$, $Y=(y_n)$, $Z=(z_n)$.

- (1) If $|X|_f = 0 = \sum f(|x_n|)$ then $f(|x_n|) = 0$ so $x_n = 0$ for all n .

Now if $X=0$ then $x_n=0$ for all n hence $f(x_n)=0$ for all n so $|X|_f=0$.

- (2) $|X-Y|_f = \sum f(|x_n - y_n|) = \sum f(|y_n - x_n|) = |Y-X|_f$.
- (3) $|X-Y|_f = \sum f(|x_n - y_n|) \leq \sum f(|x_n - z_n| + |z_n - y_n|)$
 $\leq \sum f(|x_n - z_n|) + \sum f(|z_n - y_n|)$
 $= |X-Z|_f + |Y-Z|_f$.

A proof of the completeness is given in Reference [2], p. 10.

Lemma 2. Let f and g be elements of C , if there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that $f(x) \leq g(x)$ for all $x \in [0, \epsilon)$ then $L(g) \subseteq L(f)$.

Proof. Let $X=(x_n) \in L(g)$, since $L(g) \subseteq l^1$ see Reference [2], then $x_n \rightarrow 0$ so there exists N such that $|x_n| \in [0, \epsilon)$ for all $n \geq N$, hence $f(|x_n|) \leq g(|x_n|)$ for all $n \geq N$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(|x_n|) &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} f(|x_n|) + \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} g(|x_n|) \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} f(|x_n|) + |X|_g < \infty; \text{ so } X \in L(f). \end{aligned}$$

Corollary. If $f \in C$, $p \in (0, 1)$ and there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that $f(x) \leq x^p$ for all $x \in [0, \epsilon)$ then $l^p \subseteq L(f)$.

Proof. Apply lemma 2 with $g(x)=x^p$.

Lemma 3. If $g \in C$, and f is a real-valued function and there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that $f(x)=g(x)+x$ for all $x \in [0, \epsilon)$ then $f \in C$ and $L(f)=L(g)$.

Proof. The fact that $f \in C$ is obvious. Now since $f(x) \geq g(x)$ for all $x \in [0, \epsilon)$ then $L(f) \subseteq L(g)$ by lemma 2.

Let $X=(x_n) \in L(g)$ then $X \in l^1$ so

$$\sum f(|x_n|) = \sum g(|x_n|) + \sum |x_n| < \infty.$$

Lemma 4. Let $f \in C$ and $X=(x_n) \in L(f)$; if (a_n) is a sequence of real numbers such that $a_n \rightarrow 0$, then $|a_n X|_f \rightarrow 0$.

Proof. We may assume that $|a_n| \leq 1$. Since f is increasing so $f(|a_n x_n|) \leq f(|x_n|)$, but $\sum f(|x_n|) < \infty$, so by the bounded convergence theorem

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(|a_k x_n|) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f(|a_k x_n|) = 0$$

because f is continuous at 0.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |a_k X|_f &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(|a_k x_n|) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f(|a_k x_n|) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1. $L(f)$ with the metric topology is a topological vector space over R .

Proof. It is clear the $L(f)$ is a vector space over R .

Let $T: L(f) \times L(f) \rightarrow L(f)$ be defined by

$T(X, Y) = X + Y$ and $L: L(f) \times R \rightarrow L(f)$ be defined by $L(X, r) = rX$.

We want to show that T and L are continuous. Let A and B be fixed elements of $L(f)$. Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given and let $\delta = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon$. Now if $|A - X|_f < \delta$ and $|B - Y|_f < \delta$ then

$$|A + B - (X + Y)|_f \leq |A - X|_f + |B - Y|_f < 2\delta = \epsilon.$$

So T is continuous.

Next, let $A = (a_n)$, r be fixed elements of $L(f)$ and R respectively. Since $|\frac{1}{n}A|_f \rightarrow 0$ by lemma 4, then there exists N such that $|\frac{1}{n}A|_f < \frac{\epsilon}{3}$ for all $n \geq N$. Let $M = \lceil r \rceil + 1$ where $\lceil r \rceil$ is the greatest integer in $|r|$. Also let

$$\delta = \min \left\{ 1, \frac{\epsilon}{3M}, \frac{1}{N} \right\}.$$

Let $X = (x_n) \in L(f)$, $r^* \in R$ such that

$$|X - A|_f < \delta \quad \text{and} \quad |r - r^*| < \delta.$$

Since

$$r^*X - rA = (r^* - r)(X - A) + (r^* - r)A + r(X - A)$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} |r^*X - rA|_f &\leq |(r^* - r)(X - A)|_f + |(r^* - r)A|_f + |r(X - A)|_f \\ &= \Sigma f(|r^* - r| |x_n - a_n|) + \Sigma f(|r^* - r| |a_n|) \\ &\quad + \Sigma f(|r| |x_n - a_n|) \\ &\quad + \Sigma f(\delta |x_n - a_n|) + \Sigma f(\delta |a_n|) \\ &\quad + \Sigma f(|r| |x_n - a_n|). \end{aligned}$$

By our choice of δ we have

$$\begin{aligned} |r^*X - rA|_f &\leq \Sigma f(|x_n - a_n|) + \Sigma f\left(\frac{1}{N}|a_n|\right) \\ &\quad + \Sigma f((\lceil r \rceil + 1)|x_n - a_n|) \\ &\leq |X - A|_f + \left|\frac{1}{N}A\right|_f + (\lceil r \rceil + 1)|X - A|_f \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} + (\lceil r \rceil + 1)\delta \\ &\quad \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

So L is continuous.

Lemma 5. $H \subseteq L(f)$ or all $f \in C$.

Proof. $H \subseteq L(f)$ is trivial. Choose $x_1 \in (0, \infty)$ such that $f(x_1) < \frac{1}{2}$, choose $x_k \in (0, \infty)$ such that $x_k \neq x_j$ for all $j < k$ and $f(x_k) < \frac{1}{2^k}$, this can be done because f is continuous at 0 and $f(0) = 0$. Let $X = (x_n)$ then

$$\Sigma f(|x_n|) < \Sigma \frac{1}{2^n} < \infty \text{ so } X \in L(f) \text{ and } X \notin H.$$

Theorem 2. $H \subsetneq \bigcap_{p>0} l^p$.

Proof. By Reference [2], $\bigcap_{p>0} l^p$ is an FK space in which E is bounded (see Reference [2] for definition). By theorem 3.2 in Reference [2] there exists $f \in C$ such that $L(f) \subseteq \bigcap_{p>0} l^p$. So by lemma 5, $H \subsetneq L(f) \subseteq \bigcap_{p>0} l^p$.

Theorem 3. If $f \in C$ is such that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0+} \frac{f(x)}{x}$ exists and is finite then $L(f) = l'$.

Proof. Assume $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0+} \frac{f(x)}{x} = M$ and let $X = (x_n) \in l'$. Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given then there exists $\delta > 0$ such that if $x \in (0, \delta)$ then $|\frac{f(x)}{x} - M| < \epsilon$ so

$$|f(x)| < (\epsilon + M)x \text{ for all } x \in (0, \delta).$$

Now $X = (x_n) \in l^1$ so $x_n \rightarrow 0$ hence there exists N such that $|x_n| \in (0, \delta)$ for all $n \geq N$ so

$$f(|x_n|) \leq (\epsilon + M)|x_n| \text{ for all } n \geq N$$

and this implies that

$$\Sigma f(|x_n|) \leq (\epsilon + M) \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} |x_n| + \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} f(|x_n|) < \infty.$$

So $X \in L(f)$.

Finally since $L(f)$ and l^1 are FK spaces they must have the same topology, see Reference [4], p. 203.

Theorem 4. Let $f \in C$, $K \subseteq L(f)$ then K is a compact subset of $L(f)$ if and only if

- (1) K is closed and bounded and
- (2) Given $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $n_0 = n_0(\epsilon)$ such that $\Sigma f(x_n) < \epsilon$, for all $X = (x_n) \in K$, for all $n > n_0$ and,
- (3) If $p_k: L(f) \rightarrow R$ is given by

$$p_k(X) = x_k, \text{ for all } X = (x_k) \in L(f),$$

then $p_k(K)$ is compact, for all $k \geq 1$.

Proof. Suppose $K \subseteq L(f)$ is compact, then (1) is clear.

Since p_k is continuous, then $p_k(K)$ is compact. To prove (2), let $\epsilon > 0$ be given, for each $a = (a_k) \in K$ consider

$$U(a, \epsilon/2) = \left\{ X \in L(f) : |X - a|_f < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \right\}$$

so $K \subseteq \bigcup_{a \in K} U(a, \epsilon/2)$, but K is compact, so there exists

$a^1 = (a_k^1), a^2 = (a_k^2), \dots, a^N = (a_k^N)$, such that

$$K \subseteq \bigcup_{j=1}^N U\left(a^j, \frac{\epsilon}{2}\right), \text{ so if } a = (a_k) \in K$$

then there exists $a^i, 1 \leq i \leq N$ such that

$$|a - a^i|_f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(|a_n - a_n^i|) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

Since $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(|a_n^i|) < \infty$, for all i , there exists n_1 such that

$$\sum_{n=n_i}^{\infty} f(|a_n^i|) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

So for $a \in U\left(a^i, \frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)$ we will have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n_i}^{\infty} f(|a_n|) &\leq \sum_{n_i}^{\infty} f(|a_n - a_n^i|) + \sum_{n_i}^{\infty} f(|a_n^i|) \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Now taking $n_0 = \max_{1 \leq i \leq N} n_i$, then

$$\sum_{n+1}^{\infty} f(|a_n|) < \epsilon, \text{ for all } a \in K, \text{ for all } n > n_0.$$

Conversely. Suppose (1), (2) and (3) hold, since K is closed and $L(f)$ is complete, [2], it suffices to show that K is totally bounded [3].

Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given, then there exist $n_0 = n_0(\epsilon)$ such that

$$\sum_{n+1}^{\infty} f(|a_n|) < \epsilon, \text{ for all } a \in K, \text{ for all } n > n_0.$$

Since f is continuous at 0 and $f(0) = 0$ we can choose $\epsilon^* > 0$ such that $f(\epsilon^*) \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2n_0}$. Now since $p_k(K)$ is a compact subset of R for all $k \geq 1$, so it is totally

bounded. So for each $k = 1, 2, \dots, n_0$ there exists

$a_k^1, a_k^2, \dots, a_k^{n_k} \in p_k(K)$ such that if

$a_k \in p_k(K)$ then $|a_k - a_k^i| < \epsilon^*$

for some $i, 1 \leq i \leq n_k$.

Let $K_0 = \{b: b = (a_1^i, a_2^i, \dots, a_{n_0}^i, 0, 0, \dots, 0, \dots):$

$1 \leq i_1 \leq n_1, 1 \leq i_2 \leq n_2, \dots, 1 \leq i_{n_0} \leq n_{n_0}\}$

If $a = (a_k) \in K$, then $a_k \in p_k(K)$, for all $k \geq 1$.

Let $b \in K_0$ be given by

$b = (a_1^{i_1}, a_2^{i_2}, \dots, a_{n_0}^{i_{n_0}}, 0, 0, \dots, 0, \dots)$ where

$|a_k - a_k^{i_k}| < \epsilon^*, k = 1, 2, \dots, n_0$.

Now

$$\begin{aligned} |a - b|_f &= \sum_{k=1}^{n_0} f(|a_k - a_k^{i_k}|) + \sum_{n_0+1}^{\infty} f(|a_k|) \\ &< n_0 f(\epsilon^*) + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \leq \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

So

$$K \subseteq \bigcup_{b \in K_0} U(b, \epsilon)$$

but K_0 is finite, so K is totally bounded.

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