$\varepsilon\textsc{-}\mbox{-}\mbox{APPROXIMATION}$ IN GENERALIZED 2-NORMED SPACES

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Abstract. The notion of generalized 2-normed spaces was introduced by Lewandowska in 1999 [5]. One can obtain a generalized 2-normed space from a normed space. We shall define the notions of 1-type ε -quasi Chebyshev subspaces and give some results in this field.

1. Introduction

The concept of linear 2-normed spaces has been investigated by Gahler in 1965 [3] and has been developed extensively in different subjects by others. Z. Lewandowska published a series of papers on 2-normed sets and generalized 2-normed spaces in 1999–2003 [5]–[9]. There are some works on characterization of 2-normed spaces, extension of 2-functionals and approximation in 2-normed spaces ([1], [2] and [4]). Also Sh. Rezapour has some works in ε -approximation theory [10]–[12].

Let X be a linear space of dimension greater than 1 over K, where K is the real or complex numbers field. Suppose $\|\cdot, \cdot\|$ be a non-negative real-valued function on $X \times X$ satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) ||x, y|| = 0 if and only if x and y are linearly dependent vectors.
- (*ii*) ||x, y|| = ||y, x|| for all $x, y \in X$.
- (*iii*) $\|\lambda x, y\| = |\lambda| \|x, y\|$ for all $\lambda \in K$ and all $x, y \in X$.
- (iv) $||x + y, z|| \le ||x, z|| + ||y, z||$ for all $x, y, z \in X$.

Then $\|\cdot,\cdot\|$ is called a 2-norm on X and $(X, \|\cdot,\cdot\|)$ is called a linear 2-normed space. Every 2-normed space is a locally convex topological vector space. In fact for a fixed $b \in X$, $p_b(x) = \|x,b\|$ for all $x \in X$, is a seminorm and the family $P = \{p_b : b \in X\}$ generates a locally convex topology on X. There are no remarkable relations between normed spaces and 2-normed spaces and we can not construct a 2-norm by using a norm.

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DEFINITION 1. ([5] and [7]) Let X and Y be linear spaces, D be a non-empty subset of $X \times Y$ such that for every $x \in X, y \in Y$ the sets

$$D_x = \{y \in Y : (x, y) \in D\}, \quad D^y = \{x \in X : (x, y) \in D\}$$

are linear subspaces of the spaces Y and X, respectively. A function $\|\cdot, \cdot\|: D \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$ is called a generalized 2-norm on D if it satisfies the following conditions:

 (N_1) $||x, \alpha y|| = |\alpha| ||x, y|| = ||\alpha x, y||$, for all $(x, y) \in D$ and every scalar α .

 (N_2) $||x, y + z|| \le ||x, y|| + ||x, z||$, for all $(x, y), (x, z) \in D$.

 (N_3) $||x + y, z|| \le ||x, z|| + ||y, z||$, for all $(x, z), (y, z) \in D$.

Then $(D, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ is called a 2-normed set. In particular, if $D = X \times Y$, $(X \times Y, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ is called a generalized 2-normed space. Moreover, if X = Y, then the generalized 2-normed space is denoted by $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$.

For example, let A be a Banach algebra and ||a, b|| = ||ab|| for all $a, b \in A$. Then, $(A, ||\cdot, \cdot||)$ is a generalized 2-normed space.

Let us consider linear spaces X and Y and $D \subseteq X \times Y$ a 2-normed set. A map $f: D \longrightarrow R$ is called 2-linear if it satisfies the following conditions [5]–[9]:

(i) $f(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2) = f(x_1, y_1) + f(x_1, y_2) + f(x_2, y_1) + f(x_2, y_2)$, for all $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in D$.

(*ii*) $f(\delta x, \lambda y) = \delta \lambda f(x, y)$ for all scalars δ, λ and $(x, y) \in D$.

A 2-linear map f is said to be bounded if there exists a non-negative real number M such that $||f(x, y)|| \le M ||x, y||$ for all $(x, y) \in D$. Also, the norm of a 2-linear map f is defined by

 $||f|| = \inf \{M \ge 0 : ||f(x,y)|| \le M ||x,y|| \text{ for all } (x,y) \in D\}.$

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DEFINITION 2. Let $(X \times Y, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ be a generalized 2-normed space, W be a subpace of $X, 0 \neq y \in Y$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ be given.

(i) $w_0 \in W$ is called ε -best approximation of $x \in X$ in W respect to y, if

 $||x - w_0, y|| \le \inf \{||x - w, y|| : w \in W\} + \varepsilon.$

The set of all ε -best approximations of x in W respect to y is denoted by $P_{W,\varepsilon}^{y}(x)$.

Note that every subspace W of X is ε -proximinal, that is $P_{W,\varepsilon}^{y}(x)$ is nonempty for all $x \in X$ and all $y \in Y$.

(*ii*) W is called 1-type ε -pseudo Chebyshev if $P_{W,\varepsilon}^y(x)$ is finite dimensional for all $x \in X$ and all $0 \neq y \in Y$. Also, W is called 1-type ε -quasi Chebyshev if $P_{W,\varepsilon}^y(x)$ is compact in (X, p_y) for all $x \in X$ and all $0 \neq y \in Y$.

(*iii*) Let y be a non-zero element of Y and $\langle y \rangle$ be the subspace of Y generated by y. A mapping $f: W \times \langle y \rangle \longrightarrow R$ is called y-subadditive if

 $f(w_1 + w_2, y) \le f(w_1, y) + f(w_2, y)$ and $f(w_1, \lambda y) = \lambda f(w_1, y)$

for all $w_1, w_2 \in W$ and for every scalar λ .

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A y-subadditive map f is said to be bounded if there exists a non-negative real number M such that $|f(w,t)| \leq M ||w,t||$ for all $w \in W$ and all $t \in \langle y \rangle$. Also, the norm of a y-subadditive map f is defined by

 $||f|| = \inf \{M \ge 0 : |f(w,t)| \le M ||w,t|| \text{ for all } (w,t) \in W \times \langle y \rangle \}.$

We will denote by S(W, y) the set of all bounded y-subadditive maps on $Wx\langle y \rangle$.

THEOREM 1. Let $(X \times Y, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ be a generalized 2-normed space, $x \in X$, W be a subspace of X, $w_0 \in W$, $0 \neq y \in Y$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Then, $w_0 \in P_{W,\varepsilon}^y(x)$ if and only if there exists $f \in S(X, y)$ such that $f \mid_{W \times \langle y \rangle} = 0$, $\|f\| = 1$ and $f(x - w_0, y) \geq \|x - w_0, y\| - \varepsilon$.

Proof. First suppose that there exists $f \in S(X, y)$ such that $f \mid_{W \times \langle y \rangle} = 0$, $\|f\| = 1$ and $f(x - w_0, y) \ge \|x - w_0, y\| - \varepsilon$. Then $\|x - w_0, y\| \le f(x_0 - w_0, y) + \varepsilon = f(x - w, y) + \varepsilon \le \|x - w, y\| \cdot \|f\| + \varepsilon = \|x - w, y\| + \varepsilon$ for all $w \in W$. Hence, $w_0 \in P_{W,\varepsilon}^y(x)$. Conversely, define $f(x, t) = \inf\{\|x - w, t\| : w \in W\}$. Then, $f \in S(X, y), f \mid_{W \times \langle y \rangle} = 0, \|f\| = 1$ and $f(x - w_0, y) + \varepsilon \ge \|x - w_0, y\|$.

THEOREM 2. Let $(X \times Y, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ be a generalized 2-normed space, $x \in X$, W be a subspace of X, $w_0 \in W$, $0 \neq y \in Y$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Then, $M \subseteq P_{W,\varepsilon}^y(x)$ if and only if there exists $f \in S(X, y)$ such that $f \mid_{W \times \langle y \rangle} = 0$, $\|f\| = 1$ and $f(x - w, y) \geq \|x - w, y\| - \varepsilon$ for all $m \in M$.

Proof. Let $M \subseteq P_{W,\varepsilon}^y(x)$ and choose $w_0 \in P_{W,\varepsilon}^y(x)$ with $||x - w_0, y|| = \lambda + \varepsilon$, $\lambda = \inf \{||x - w, y|| : w \in W\}$. By Theorem 1, there exists $f \in S(X, y)$ such that $f|_{W \times \langle y \rangle} = 0$, ||f|| = 1 and $f(x - w_0, y) \ge ||x - w_0, y|| - \varepsilon$. Then, f(x - m, y) = $f(x - w_0, y) \ge ||x - w_0, y|| - \varepsilon = \lambda \ge ||x - m, y|| - \varepsilon$, for all $m \in M$.

DEFINITION 3. Let $(X \times Y, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ be a generalized 2-normed space, $0 \neq y \in Y$, $\varepsilon > 0$ be given and $f \in S(X, y)$. Define

$$M_{f,\varepsilon}^{y} = \{x \in X : f(x,y) \ge ||x,y|| - \varepsilon, ||x,y|| \le 1 + \varepsilon\}.$$

THEOREM 3. Let $(X \times Y, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ be a generalized 2-normed space, W be a subspace of X, and $\varepsilon > 0$ be given.

(i) W is 1-type ε -pseudo Chebyshev if and only if there do not exist $0 \neq y \in Y$, $f \in S(X,y), x \in X$ with $||x,y|| \leq 1$ and infinitely many linearly independent elements w_1, w_2, \ldots in W such that $f \mid_{W \times \langle y \rangle} = 0$, ||f|| = 1 and $f(x - w_n, y) \geq ||x - w, y|| - \varepsilon$ for all $n \geq 1$

(ii) W is 1-type ε -quasi Chebyshev if and only if there do not exist $0 \neq y \in Y$, $f \in S(X, y), x \in X$ with $||x, y|| \leq 1$ and a sequence $\{w_n\}_{n\geq 1}$ in W without a convergent subsequence such that $f |_{W \times \langle y \rangle} = 0$, ||f|| = 1 and $f(x - w_n, y) \geq ||x - w_n, y|| - \varepsilon$ for all $n \geq 1$.

Proof. (i) First assume that there exist $0 \neq y \in Y$, $f \in S(X, y)$, $x \in X$ with $||x, y|| \leq 1$ and infinitely many linearly independent elements w_1, w_2, \ldots in

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W such that $f |_{W \times \langle y \rangle} = 0$, ||f|| = 1 and $f(x - w_n, y) \ge ||x - w_n, y|| - \varepsilon$ for all $n \ge 1$. It follows that dim $P_{W,\varepsilon}^y = \infty$ and hence W is not 1-type ε -pseudo Chebyshev subspace of X. Now, suppose that W is not 1-type ε -pseudo Chebyshev subspace of X. Since $P_{W,\varepsilon}^y(\lambda x) = \lambda P_{W,\frac{\varepsilon}{\lambda}}^y(x)$ and $P_{W,\varepsilon_1}^y(x) \subseteq P_{W,\varepsilon_2}^y(x)$ for all $0 < \varepsilon_1 \le \varepsilon_2, x \in X$ and $\lambda > 0$, there exists $x \in X$ with $||x,y|| \le 1$ such that dim $P_{W,\varepsilon}^y = \infty$. Hence, $P_{W,\varepsilon}^y$ contains infinitely many linearly independent elements g_1, g_2, \ldots . By Theorem 2, there exists $f \in S(X, y)$ such that $f |_{W \times \langle y \rangle} = 0, ||f|| = 1$ and $f(x - g_n, y) \ge ||x - g_n, y|| - \varepsilon$ for all $n \ge 1$. The proof of part (*ii*) is similar that of (*i*). ■

THEOREM 4. Let $(X \times Y, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ be a generalized 2-normed space, W be a subspace of X and $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. If $M_{f,\varepsilon}^y$ is finite dimensional for all $0 \neq y \in Y$, and all $f \in \Lambda_y = \{h \in S(X, y) : \|h\| = 1 \text{ and } h|_{W \times \langle y \rangle} = 0\}$, then W is 1-type ε -pseudo Chebyshev subspace of X.

Proof. Assume that W is not 1-type ε -pseudo Chebyshev subspace of X. Then by Theorem 3, there exist $0 \neq y \in Y$, $f \in S(X, y)$, $x_0 \in X$ with $||x_0, y|| \leq 1$ and infinitely many linearly independent elements w_1, w_2, \ldots in W such that ||f|| = 1, $f|_{W \times \langle y \rangle} = 0$, and $f(x_0 - w_n, y) \geq ||x_0 - w_n, y|| - \varepsilon$ for all $n \geq 1$. Since $||x_0 - w_n, y|| \leq f(x_0 - w_n, y) + \varepsilon = f(x_0, y) + \varepsilon \leq 1 + \varepsilon$, $x_0 - w_n \in M^y_{f,\varepsilon}$ for all $n \geq 1$. This is a contradiction.

DEFINITION 4. Let $(X \times Y, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ be a generalized 2-normed space, $0 \neq y \in Y$, $\varepsilon > 0$ be given and let M be a subspace of S(X, y). For each $x \in X$, put

$$D_{x,\varepsilon}^{M,y} = \left\{ t \in X : f\left(t,y\right) = f\left(x,y\right) \text{ for all } f \in M \text{ and } \left\|t,y\right\| \le \left\|x,y\right\|_M + \varepsilon \right\},$$

where $||x, y||_M = \sup \{ |f(x, y)| : ||f|| \le 1, f \in M \}.$

It is clear that $D_{x,\varepsilon}^{M,y}$ is a non-empty, closed and convex subset of (X, p_y) , for all $x \in X$.

We say that M has the property $(y,\varepsilon) - F^*$ if $D^{M,y}_{x,\varepsilon}$ is finite dimensional for all $x \in X$. Also, we say that M has the property $(y,\varepsilon) - C^*$ if $D^{M,y}_{x,\varepsilon}$ is compact for all $x \in X$.

THEOREM 5. Let $(X \times Y, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ be a generalized 2-normed space, $0 \neq y \in Y$, W be a closed subspace of (X, p_b) , $\varepsilon > 0$ be given and let $M_0 = \{f \in S(X, y) : f \mid_{W \times \langle y \rangle} = 0\}$. Then, dim $P_{W,\varepsilon}^y(x) < \infty$ if and only if M_0 has the property $(y, \varepsilon) - F^*$.

Proof. If $D_{x,\varepsilon}^{M_0,y} = \infty$ for some $x \in X$, then there exist infinitely many linearly independent elements t_1, t_2, \ldots in $D_{x,\varepsilon}^{M_0,y}$. Hence, $t_1 - t_2 \in W$ for all $n \ge 1$ and

$$||t_1 - (t_1 - t_n), y|| = ||t_n, y|| = ||x, y||_{M_0} + \varepsilon = ||t_1 - (t_1 - t_n), y||_{M_0} + \varepsilon$$

for all $n \ge 1$. Therefore, $t_1 - t_n \in P^y_{W,\varepsilon}(t_1)$ for all $n \ge 1$. Now, suppose that $\dim P^y_{W,\varepsilon}(x_0) = \infty$ for some $x_0 \in X$. Then, there exist infinitely many linearly

independent elements g_1, g_2, \ldots in $P_{W,\varepsilon}^y(x_0)$. It is easy to see that, $||x_0 - g_n, y|| \le ||x_0 - g_n, y||_{M_0} + \varepsilon = ||x_0, y||_{M_0} + \varepsilon$ for all $n \ge 1$. It follows that $x_0 - g_n \in D_{x_0,\varepsilon}^{M_0,y}$ for all $n \ge 1$, which is a contradiction.

THEOREM 6. Let $(X \times Y, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$ be a generalized 2-normed space, $0 \neq y \in Y$, W be a closed subspace of (X, p_b) , $\varepsilon > 0$ be given and let $M_0 = \{f \in S(X, y) : f \mid_{W \times \langle y \rangle} = 0\}$. Then, dim $P_{W,\varepsilon}^y(x)$ is compact if and only if M_0 has the property $(y, \varepsilon) - C^*$.

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