

The Unique Decomposition Property and the Banach-Stone Theorem

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The Classical Banach-Stone Theorem :

Theorem. *Let X and Y be compact Hausdorff spaces. Then $C(X) \cong C(Y)$ if and only if $X \simeq Y$.*

Definition. *A compact convex set K in a locally convex space, E , is a **Choquet simplex** whenever for all $x \in E$ and $\alpha > 0$ the set $K \cap (x + \alpha K)$ is either empty or of the form $y + \beta K$ for some $y \in E$ and $\beta \geq 0$. If, in addition, ∂K is closed, K is a **Bauer simplex**.*

Let ∂K denote the extreme points of K .

Let $f : \partial K \rightarrow R$ be continuous.

K Bauer simplex $\Rightarrow f$ has a unique affine cts extension to K , ie $C(\partial K) \cong A(K)$.

In the context of affine geometry :

Theorem. *Let K and S be Bauer simplexes. Then $A(K) \cong A(S)$ if and only if K is affinely homeomorphic to S .*

Known Results for Thm

- Lazaar (1968) proved for K, S Choquet simplices
- Ellis and So (1987) proved for K, S with the property that every pair of closed complementary faces is split.

New results

Let K and S be compact convex sets.

Theorem. *If S is **Skew-symmetric**, then every isometry $T : A(K) \rightarrow A(S)$ induces an affine homeomorphism between K and S .*

- We also prove the converse.
- We also prove that every isometry is a weighted composition operator modulo a skew isometry.

Definition. A convex subset F of K is called a **face** if for any $x \in F$ with $x = \lambda y + (1 - \lambda)z$ for $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ and $y, z \in K$ then $y, z \in F$.

Definition. If λ is unique, for each $x \in K \setminus (F_1 \cup F_2)$, then (F_1, F_2) are called **parallel faces** of K . If in addition y and z are unique then (F_1, F_2) are called **split faces** of K .

Note : we always embed K in $A(K)^*$, and so closed unit ball of $A(K)^*$ is

$$B_{A(K)^*} = (K \cup -K),$$

The following results are simple but key to this paper:

Lemma. *Let K and S be compact convex sets and let $T: A(K) \rightarrow A(S)$ be a surjective linear isometry. Then $T1(s) = \pm 1$ for all $s \in \partial S$.*

Note: $T^* : A(S)^* \rightarrow A(K)^*$ is a linear isometry, hence $T^* : \partial S \cup \partial(-S) \rightarrow \partial K \cup \partial(-K)$. Thus for each $s \in \partial S$ if $T^*s \in K$, then $T^*s(1) = 1$. Equally, if $T^*s \in -K$, $T^*s(-1) = 1$, and so $T1(s) = T^*s(1) = \pm 1$.

Note: If $T : A(K) \rightarrow A(S)$ a surjective linear isometry then $S_1 = \{s \in S : T1(s) = 1\}$ and $S_2 = \{s \in S : T1(s) = -1\}$ is a pair of **Parallel faces of S associated with $T1$.**

Definition. *We call T a **composition operator** whenever there is a continuous affine mapping $\sigma: S \rightarrow K$ such that $Tf = f \circ \sigma$.*

If σ is an affine homeomorphism then T is a surjective linear isometry with $T1 = 1$. The converse holds :

Lemma. *Let $T: A(K) \rightarrow A(S)$ be a linear isometry with $T1 = 1$. Then T is a composition operator $f \mapsto f \circ \sigma$ where $\sigma: S \rightarrow K$ is an affine homeomorphism.*

Definition. *Let (S_1, S_2) be a pair of closed parallel faces of S . The **skew associate** S' of S with respect to (S_1, S_2) is*

$$S' = (S_1 \cup -S_2).$$

Definition. For each $f \in A(S')$, **The natural skew isometry** $T': A(S') \rightarrow A(S)$ is defined to be

$$T'f(\lambda s_1 + (1 - \lambda)s_2) = \lambda f(s_1) + (\lambda - 1)f(-s_2),$$

for all $s_1 \in S_1, s_2 \in S_2$ and $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$.

Let S' be a skew associate of S and let $T': A(S') \rightarrow A(S)$ be the natural skew isometry. Then every affine homeomorphism $\sigma: S' \rightarrow K$ induces a surjective linear isometry $T: A(K) \rightarrow A(S)$ by defining $Tf = T'(f \circ \sigma)$ for all $f \in A(K)$. Conversely,

Theorem. Every surjective linear isometry $T: A(K) \rightarrow A(S)$ is of the form

$$Tf = T'(f \circ \sigma), \quad (\forall f \in A(K))$$

where $\sigma: S' \rightarrow K$ is an affine homeomorphism, and $T': A(S') \rightarrow A(S)$ is the natural skew isometry. The skew associate S' of S is with respect to the pair of closed parallel faces (S_1, S_2) associated with T .

Definition. S are **skew symmetric** whenever every skew associate of S is affinely homeomorphic to S .

Also, every linear isometry $T : A(K) \rightarrow A(S)$ induces an affine homeomorphism between K and a skew associate S' of S . Thus if S is skew-symmetric, $S' \simeq S$ then $K \simeq S$. This proves our first Banach–Stone type Theorem, Theorem

This extends the results of Lazar and Ellis and So. Notice : if S is not skew-symmetric, then an isometry T need not induce an affine homeomorphism between K and S , as the following example due to J.T. Chan shows:

Let K be a 3-dimensional triangular prism in R^4 and S be the octahedron in R^4 . If the extreme points of K are:

$$a = \quad b = \quad c =$$

$$d = \quad e = \quad f =$$

then the extreme points of S are $\{a, b, c, -d, -e, -f\}$

Then $K = co(F_1 \cup F_2)$ and $S = co(F_1 \cup -F_2)$.
Then S is a skew-associate of K , $A(K) \cong A(S)$
and yet K is not affinely homeomorphic to S .

We also have the converse :

Theorem. *If $T : A(K) \rightarrow A(S)$ induces an affine homeomorphism between K and S , then S is skew-symmetric*

Our second Banach–Stone type theorem.

Theorem. *Let S be compact convex set. Then the following are equivalent:*

- a) *every closed parallel face of S is split;*
- b) *every linear isometry T from any $A(K)$ onto $A(S)$ is a weighted composition operator.*

Corollary. *Let S be a compact convex set. Suppose that every closed parallel face of S is split. Then S is skew symmetric.*

Let K be a general quadrilateral in R^2 with no geometrically parallel face. Then K property does not satisfy the Ellis and So condition as it has complementary faces which are not split. It has trivial parallel faces (K, \emptyset) which are split, hence by , K is skew-symmetric.

Let K be a hexagon in R^2 . Then K satisfies the condition of Ellis and So because it has no proper complementary faces.

Let K be the convex set formed by cutting a hexagonal cylinder by two horizontal non-parallel planes. The two hexagonal faces are complementary but not parallel or split, and hence K does not satisfy the Ellis and So condition. Indeed, the only parallel faces are \emptyset and K which are split, and thus every linear isometry onto $A(K)$ is a weighted composition operator.

Let K be a square in R^2 . Then, as above, K does not satisfy the condition of Ellis and So. We also see that K has parallel faces that are not split. An elementary analysis reveals that $A(K)$ is linearly isometric to R^3 with ℓ^1 norm; so that, $B_{A(K)}$ is an octahedron. The functions $h \in B_{A(K)}$ with $h(x) = \pm 1$ for all $x \in \partial K$ are, in this case, just the extreme points of $B_{A(K)}$. But K is skew symmetric from the results of this paper.