## ON INJECTIVE BANACH SPACES AND THE SPACES $L^{\infty}(\mu)$ FOR FINITE MEASURES $\mu$

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## Introduction

We are interested here in the linear topological properties of those Banach spaces associated with injective Banach spaces. We study in particular detail, the spaces  $L^{\infty}(\mu)$  for finite measures  $\mu$ , and obtain applications of this study to problems concerning injective Banach spaces in general.(2) (Throughout the rest of this introduction, " $\mu$ " and " $\nu$ " denote arbitrary finite measures on possibly different unspecificed measureable spaces).

For example, we classify the spaces  $L^{\infty}(\mu)$  themselves up to isomorphism (linear homeomorphism) in § 3, and all their conjugate spaces  $((L^{\infty}(\mu))^*, (L^{\infty}(\mu))^{**}, (L^{\infty}(\mu))^{***}, \text{ etc.})$ 

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<sup>(2)</sup> It is easily seen that if  $\lambda$  is a  $\sigma$ -finite measure, then there exists a finite measure  $\mu$  with  $L^p(\lambda)$  isometric to  $L^p(\mu)$  for all  $p, 1 \le p \le \infty$ . Thus all of our results concerning finite measures generalize immediately to  $\sigma$ -finite measures.