

## 210. Semifield Valued Functionals on Linear Spaces

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An ordered (real) linear space  $E$  is defined as a linear space with an order relation satisfying the following conditions :

1)  $x \leq y$  implies  $x + z \leq y + z$ ,

2)  $x \leq y, 0 \leq \alpha$  imply  $\alpha x \leq \alpha y$

for every  $x, y$  in  $E$ . Then  $K = \{x \mid x \geq 0\}$  is a convex cone, i.e.,  $K$  has the following properties :

3)  $K + K \subset K$ ,

4)  $\alpha K \subset K$  for every positive real number  $\alpha$ ,

5)  $K \cap (-K) =$  the zero element of  $E$ .

As well known, for a real linear space, there is a one-to-one correspondence between all order relations 1), 2) and all convex sets with properties 3)–5). For details of ordered linear spaces, [1], [3]–[5].

In this Note, we shall consider semifield valued functionals on  $E$ . Unless the contrary is mentioned, functionals mean semifield valued functionals.

We shall prove a theorem which is a generalization of our result [2]. In our discussion, we follow the techniques by M. Cotlar and R. Cignoli [1].

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $E$  be an ordered linear space,  $K$  its associated cone, and  $G$  a linear subspace of  $E$ . Let  $p(x)$  be a sublinear functional on  $E$ ,  $f(x)$  a linear functional on  $F$  satisfying*

$$(1) \quad f(y) \ll p(y+z) \quad \text{for all } y \in G, z \in K.$$

*Then there is a linear extension  $F(x)$  on  $E$  of  $f(x)$  such that*

$$F(x) \ll p(x+z) \quad \text{for all } x \in E, z \in K.$$

The notion of semifields was introduced by M. Antonovski, V. Boltjanski and T. Sarymsakov. For the notations used, see my reviews of their books, Zentralblatt für Mathematik, **142**, pp. 209–211 (1968).

**Proof.** Let  $E - G \neq \emptyset$ , and we take an element  $x_0 \in E - G$ . Then each element  $x$  of the linear space  $G_1 = (G, x_0)$  generated by  $G$  and  $x_0$  is uniquely represented in the form of  $x = x' \pm \alpha x_0 (x' \in G, \alpha > 0)$ . We shall extend the linear functional  $f(x)$  on  $G_1$ . Consequently, by the transfinite method or the Zorn lemma, we have a linear functional  $F(x)$  satisfying the conditions mentioned in Theorem 1.

Let  $y_1, y_2 \in G, z_1, z_2 \in K$ , then by (1) we have