

122. On Finite Dimensional Quasi-norm Spaces

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In this Note, we shall consider a *finite dimensional quasi-norm space* $E^{*})$ of order r . Suppose that the dimension of E is n and let e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n be the bases of E . Then any element x of E may be written in the form

$$x = \lambda_1 e_1 + \lambda_2 e_2 + \dots + \lambda_n e_n.$$

Let $\{x_m\}$ be a sequence of E , and let

$$x_m = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^m e_i.$$

If $\lambda_i^m \rightarrow \lambda_i$ ($m \rightarrow \infty$) for every i ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_m - x\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n (\lambda_i^m - \lambda_i) e_i \right\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \|(\lambda_i^m - \lambda_i) e_i\| \\ &\leq |\lambda_i^m - \lambda_i|^r \sum_{i=1}^n \|e_i\| \rightarrow 0 \quad (m \rightarrow \infty). \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have $x_m \rightarrow x$ ($m \rightarrow \infty$).

Now we shall prove the following

Lemma. For any element $x = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i e_i$ of E , there is a positive number H such that

$$|\lambda_i|^r \leq H \|x\|,$$

where H depends on the base e_i of E .

Proof. Let S be the unit sphere of n -dimensional space R^n . For $\mathcal{E} = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$ we put $x(\mathcal{E}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i e_i$, the linear independence of e_i and $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^2 = 1$ imply $x(\mathcal{E}) \neq 0$. As mentioned above, $\mathcal{E}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$ ($m \rightarrow \infty$) in R^n implies $x(\mathcal{E}^m) \rightarrow x(\mathcal{E})$. Hence $x(\mathcal{E})$ is continuous on the compact set S . Therefore we have $m = \min_{\mathcal{E} \in S} \|x(\mathcal{E})\| > 0$.

Let $H = \frac{1}{m}$, and take a non-zero element $x = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i e_i$ of E

$$x' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^2}} x = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i e_i,$$

where

$$\mu_K = \frac{\lambda_K}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^2}}.$$

From $\sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i^2 = 1$, we have $\|x'\| \geq m$. Hence

*) For details, see T. Konda [1], M. Pavel [2], and S. Rolewicz [3].