177. On Extension of Semifield Valued Linear Functionals

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In their book [1], M. Antonovski, V. Boltjanski, and T. Sarymsakov introduced a new notion called topological semifield. The present author and S. Kasahara [2] obtained a theorem of Hahn-Banach type for a semifield valued functional. M. Kleiber and W. Pervin generalized our result in their paper [4].

In this note, we shall generalize a theorem by V. Klee [3].

Let *E* be a real linear space, and \mathfrak{T} a set of linear transformations of *E* into *E*. Let *p* be a semifield valued subadditive functional on *E*, i.e., $p(x+y) \ll p(x) + p(y)$, $p(\alpha x) = \alpha p(x)$ for $\alpha \ge 0$.

For each $x \in E$, put

$$q(x) = \inf \{ p(x + \sum_{i=1}^{k} T_i z_i) | T_i \in \mathfrak{T}, y_i \in E, k \text{ is any positive integer} \}.$$

Let f(x) be a semifield valued linear functional defined on a linear subspace E_f of E satisfying $f(x) \ll q(x)$. Then

$$0 = f(0) \ll q(0) \ll p(\sum_{i=1}^{k} T_i z_i) \ll p(-x) + p(x + \sum_{i=1}^{k} T_i z_i).$$

Hence $0 \ll p(-x) + q(x)$, which shows that q is well-defined on E. q(x) is a semifield valued positive homogeneous functional. Let $x, y \in E$, then for any saturated neighborhood U of 0 in the semifield S, we can take V, T_i , z_i such that

$$\begin{split} p(x + \sum_{i=1}^{k} T_{i}z_{i}) &\ll q(x) + V, \\ p(y + \sum_{i=k+1}^{n} T_{i}z_{i}) &\ll q(y) + V, \\ V + V &\subset U. \end{split}$$

Therefore we have

$$\begin{split} q(x+y) &\ll p(x + \sum_{i=1}^{k} T_{i}z_{i} + y + \sum_{i=k+1}^{n} T_{i}z_{i}) \\ &\ll p(x + \sum_{i=1}^{k} T_{i}z_{i}) + p(y + \sum_{i=k+1}^{n} T_{i}z_{i}) \\ &\ll q(x) + q(y) + V + V \\ &\ll q(x) + q(y) + U. \end{split}$$

Hence we have $q(x+y) \ll q(x) + q(y)$. By the Hahn-Banach type extension theorem for a semifield valued functional (see K. Iséki and S. Kasahara [1]), we can find a linear functional F satisfying F=f on E_f , and $F \ll q$ on E. Then

$$F(Tz) \ll p(Tz + T(-z)) = p(0) = 0.$$