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ERGODIC RETRACTIONS FOR SEMIGROUPS IN STRICTLY CONVEX BANACH SPACES

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Abstract. We study the existence of ergodic retractions for semigroups of mappings in strictly convex Banach spaces. We prove, for instance, the following theorem. Let $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ be a strictly convex Banach space and let Γ be a norming set for X. Let C be a bounded and convex subset of X, and suppose C is compact in the Γ -topology. If S is a right amenable semigroup, $\varphi = \{T_s : s \in S\}$ is a semigroup on C with a nonempty set $F = F(\varphi)$ of common fixed points, and each T_s is (F-quasi-) nonexpansive, then there exists an (F-quasi-) nonexpansive retraction R from C onto F such that $RT_s = T_sR = R$ for each $s \in S$, and every Γ -closed, convex and φ -invariant subset of C is also R-invariant.

1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper all Banach spaces are real. Let $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ be a Banach space and let Γ be a nonempty subspace of its dual X^* . If

$$\sup \{x^*(x) : x^* \in \Gamma, \|x^*\| = 1\} = \|x\|$$

for each $x \in X$, then we say that Γ is a norming set for X. In the sequel we will always assume that Γ is indeed a norming set for X.

It is obvious that a norming set generates a Hausdorff linear topology $\sigma(X, \Gamma)$ to which we shall refer as the Γ -topology. Directly from the definition of the Γ -topology we know that it is weaker than the weak topology. Next, it is easy to observe that the norm of X is lower semicontinuous with respect to the Γ -topology, namely,

$$\liminf_{\alpha} \|x_{\alpha}\| \ge \|x\|$$

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for any net $\{x_{\alpha}\}$ which converges to x in the Γ -topology.

Throughout this paper we use the following notation. If A is a subset of X, then ${}^{\Gamma}\overline{A}$ will stand for the closure of A in the Γ -topology and \overline{A}^* will denote the weak* closure of A with respect to an appropriate predual. If $x^* \in X^*$ and $x \in X$, then the value of x^* at x will be denoted by $x^*(x)$ or by $\langle x, x^* \rangle$. If X is the dual space of a Banach space Z, then there is a natural embedding n of Z into X^* . To unify our notations we will write $\langle x, z \rangle$ instead of $\langle x, n(z) \rangle$ for each $z \in Z$ and each $x \in X$.

Our paper is motivated by certain recent results obtained by S. Saeidi [18]. We show that his theorems are valid under weaker assumptions. Namely, we replace the weak compactness of the subset C with Γ -compactness of this set and some additional properties of Γ . We refer the reader to [6] and [13] for more information concerning the Γ -topology and its applications.

We now recall several definitions and notations. A Banach space X is said to be strictly convex (or rotund) if ||(x + y)/2|| < 1 for every $x, y \in X$ such that ||x|| = ||y|| = 1 and ||x - y|| > 0 (see [10] and [17]).

Let $T: C \to C$, where $C \subset X$, be a mapping. We denote by F(T) the set of all fixed points of T.

The mapping $T: C \to C$ is said to be nonexpansive if $||Tx - Ty|| \le ||x - y||$ for all $x, y \in C$. The mapping $T: C \to C$ is said to be *F*-quasi-nonexpansive if $||Tx - f|| \le ||x - f||$ for all $x \in C$ and $f \in F \subset F(T)$. In the case where F = F(T), the mapping *T* is called quasi-nonexpansive. We say that *T* is *F*-quasicontractive if ||Tx - f|| < ||x - f|| for all $x \in C \setminus F(T)$ and $f \in F \subset F(T)$. If F = F(T) we say that *T* is quasi-contractive.

In our paper we study semigroups of (quasi-) nonexpansive mappings. Throughout the paper S is a semigroup and B(S) is the space of all bounded real-valued functions defined on S with the supremum norm. For $s \in S$ and $f \in B(S)$, we set

$$(l_s f)(t) = f(st)$$
 and $(r_s f)(t) = f(ts)$

for $t \in S$. If Y is a subspace of B(S) such that $1 \in Y$, then $\mu \in Y^*$ is said to be a mean on Y if $\|\mu\| = \mu(1) = 1$. We will sometimes write $\mu_t(f(t))$ instead of $\mu(f)$. The following theorem characterizes means [19].

Theorem 1.1. ([8], [11]). Let Y be a subspace of B(S) containing the constants and $\mu \in Y^*$. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1) μ is a mean on Y,
- (2) the inequalities

$$\inf_{s \in \mathcal{S}} f(s) \le \mu(f) \le \sup_{s \in \mathcal{S}} f(s)$$

hold for each $f \in Y$.

If Y is l_s -invariant (respectively, r_s -invariant), that is, if $l_s(Y) \subset Y$ (respectively, $r_s(Y) \subset Y$), then a mean μ is said to be left (respectively, right) invariant if $\mu(l_s f) = \mu(f)$ (respectively, $\mu(r_s f) = \mu(f)$) for any $s \in S$. We say that a mean μ is invariant if it is both left and right invariant. Y is said to be (right) amenable provided there is a (right) invariant mean on Y. It is well known that if S is a commutative semigroup, then B(S) is amenable [8]. A family $\varphi = \{T_s : s \in S\}$ of self-mappings of C is a semigroup on C if $T_{ts} = T_t T_s$ for any $t, s \in S$. The common fixed point set of φ will be denoted by $F(\varphi)$.

2. MAIN RESULTS

We first prove the following lemma.

Lemma 2.1. Suppose X_1 is the dual space of a Banach space Z and X_2 is a Banach space. Let $X = X_1 \times X_2$ be equipped with the l^2 -norm, that is, $\|(x_1, x_2)\| = \sqrt{\|x_1\|_1^2 + \|x_2\|_2^2}$. Let $\Gamma = Z \times X_2^*$. Assume that $f : S \to X$ is a function such that the Γ -closure of $conv\{f(s) : s \in S\}$ is Γ -compact and let Ybe a subspace of B(S) containing all functions of the form $s \mapsto \langle f(s), x^* \rangle$ with $x^* \in \Gamma$. Then for any $\mu \in Y^*$, there exists a unique element $f_{\mu} \in X$ such that

$$\langle f_{\mu}, x^* \rangle = \mu_s \langle f(s), x^* \rangle$$

for all $x^* \in \Gamma$. Moreover, if μ is a mean on Y, then

$$f_{\mu} \in C_0 = {}^{\Gamma} \overline{conv \{f(s) : s \in \mathcal{S}\}}.$$

(Sometimes we will denote f_{μ} by $\int f(s)d\mu(s)$.)

Proof. We define a linear functional \tilde{f} on Γ by setting

$$\tilde{f}(x^*) = \mu_s \langle f(s), x^* \rangle$$

for each $x^* \in \Gamma$. Since

$$\begin{split} |\tilde{f}(x^*)| &= |\mu_s \langle f(s), x^* \rangle| \le \sup_{s \in \mathcal{S}} |\langle f(s), x^* \rangle| \|\mu\| \\ &\le (\sup_{s \in \mathcal{S}} \|f(s)\|) \|x^*\| \|\mu\| \end{split}$$

for every $x^* \in \Gamma$, \tilde{f} is continuous, and therefore writing $\tilde{f} = \langle \tilde{f}_1, \tilde{f}_2 \rangle$, we have $\tilde{f}_1 \in X_1$ and $\tilde{f}_2 \in X_2^{**}$. We need to show that $\tilde{f}_2 \in X_2$. By assumption, the set $C_0 = \lceil \frac{f_2 \in X_2^{**}}{conv} \{f(s) : s \in S\}$ is Γ -compact and convex. Therefore the sets $C_1 = \{ \|\mu\| x : x \in C_0 \}, C_2 = \{ry : 0 \le r \le 1, y \in C_1 \}$ and $C_3 = C_2 - C_2$ are also Γ -compact and convex. Moreover, the latter set C_3 is circled. Let n_2 be the natural embedding of X_2 into X_2^{**} . Setting $n(x) = n(x_1, x_2) = (x_1, n_2(x_2))$ for

 $(x_1, x_2) \in X = X_1 \times X_2$, we get the embedding of $X = X_1 \times X_2$ into $X_1 \times X_2^{**}$. So, the set $n(C_3) \subset X_1 \times X_2^{**}$ is also convex, circled and compact in the Γ -topology on $X_1 \times X_2^{**}$. Now it is sufficient to prove that $\tilde{f} = (\tilde{f}_1, \tilde{f}_2) \in n(C_3)$. If not, then by the separation theorem, there exists $x^* \in \Gamma$ such that

$$\tilde{f}(x^*) > \sup\{|\langle x^*, c_0 \rangle| : c_0 = (c_1, c_{2,0}^{**}) \in n(C_3) \subset X_1 \times X_2^{**}\}.$$

But we also have

$$\begin{split} \sup\{|\langle x^{*}, c_{0}\rangle| &: c_{0} = (c_{1}, c_{2,0}^{**}) \in n(C_{3}) \subset X_{1} \times X_{2}^{**}\} \\ &= \sup\{|\langle c, x^{*}\rangle| : c = (c_{1}, c_{2}) \in C_{3} \subset X_{1} \times X_{2}\} \\ &\geq \sup\{|\langle c, x^{*}\rangle| : c = (c_{1}, c_{2}) \in C_{2} \subset X_{1} \times X_{2}\} \\ &= \sup\{r|\langle c, x^{*}\rangle| : 0 \leq r \leq 1, c = (c_{1}, c_{2}) \in C_{1} \subset X_{1} \times X_{2}\} \\ &\geq \sup\{\|\mu\||\langle f(s), x^{*}\rangle| : s \in \mathcal{S}\} \\ &= \|\mu\|sup_{s\in\mathcal{S}}|\langle f(s), x^{*}\rangle| \\ &\geq \left|\int\langle f(s), x^{*}\rangle d\mu(s)\right| = \tilde{f}(x^{*}), \end{split}$$

that is, an inequality in the opposite sense. Hence for each $\mu \in Y^*$, there exists a unique $f_\mu \in X$ such that

$$\langle f_{\mu}, x^* \rangle = \mu_s \langle f(s), x^* \rangle = \int \langle f(s), x^* \rangle d\mu(s)$$

for all $x^* \in \Gamma$.

Now assume that μ is a mean and suppose that $f_{\mu} \notin C_0 = \overline{Conv \{f(s) : s \in S\}}$. Then by the separation theorem, there exists $x^* \in \Gamma$ such that

$$\langle f_{\mu}, x^* \rangle < \inf\{\langle x, x^* \rangle : x \in C_0\}.$$

Consequently, by Theorem 1.1, we get the following contradiction:

$$\inf\{\langle f(s), x^* \rangle : s \in \mathcal{S}\} \le \mu_s \langle f(s), x^* \rangle = \langle f_\mu, x^* \rangle$$
$$< \inf\{\langle x, x^* \rangle : x \in C_0\}$$
$$\le \inf\{\langle f(s), x^* \rangle : s \in \mathcal{S}\}.$$

Hence $f_{\mu} \in C_0 = {}^{\Gamma} \overline{conv \{f(s) : s \in \mathcal{S}\}}.$

Taking $X_1 = \{0\}$ and $X_2 = \{0\}$, respectively, we get the following corollaries.

Corollary 2.2. ([12], [14] and [15]). Suppose X is a Banach space. Let $f : S \to X$ be a function such that the closure of $conv\{f(s) : s \in S\}$ is w-compact and let Y be a subspace of B(S) containing all functions $s \mapsto \langle f(s), x^* \rangle$

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with $x^* \in X^*$. Then for any $\mu \in Y^*$, there exists a unique element $f_{\mu} \in X$ such that

$$\langle f_{\mu}, x^* \rangle = \mu_s \langle f(s), x^* \rangle$$

for all $x^* \in X^*$. Moreover, if μ is a mean on Y, then

$$f_{\mu} \in \overline{conv\left\{f(s) : s \in \mathcal{S}\right\}}$$

Corollary 2.3. Suppose X is the dual space of a Banach space Z. Let $f : S \to X$ be a function such that the w^* -closure of $conv\{f(s) : s \in S\}$ is w^* -compact and let Y be a subspace of B(S) containing all functions $s \mapsto \langle f(s), z \rangle$ with $z \in Z$. Then for any $\mu \in Y^*$, there exists a unique element $f_{\mu} \in X$ such that

$$\langle f_{\mu}, z \rangle = \mu_s \langle f(s), z \rangle$$

for all $z \in Z$. Moreover, if μ is a mean on Y, then

$$f_{\mu} \in \overline{conv\left\{f(s) : s \in \mathcal{S}\right\}}^{*}.$$

Lemma 2.1 implies that in our applications the Γ -topology can be different from both the weak and the weak^{*} topologies. In our next lemma we need a Γ -topology for which the conclusion of Lemma 2.1 holds. Therefore we introduce the following definition.

Definition 2.1. Let X be a Banach space and let Γ be a norming set. Let Y be a subspace of B(S) containing all functions of the form $s \mapsto \langle f(s), x^* \rangle$ for each $x^* \in \Gamma$ and for each function $f : S \to X$ such that the Γ -closure of $conv\{f(s): s \in S\}$ is Γ -compact. If the following two conditions are satisfied:

(a) for any $\mu \in Y^*$, there exists a unique element $f_{\mu} \in X$ such that

$$\langle f_{\mu}, x^* \rangle = \mu_s \langle f(s), x^* \rangle$$

for all $x^* \in \Gamma$;

(b) if μ is a mean on Y, then

$$f_{\mu} \in C_0 = \int \overline{\operatorname{conv}\left\{f(s) : s \in \mathcal{S}\right\}},$$

then we say that Γ is mean-admissible or that the Γ -topology is mean-admissible.

Before stating the next lemma, we exhibit a nontrivial example of a meanadmissible Γ -topology on a Banach space X. To apply this example to our lemma, we need, in addition, the strict convexity of X. **Example 2.1.** It is known that the Banach space $C([0, 1], \mathbb{R})$ does not have a predual space under any renorming (see [1] and [16]), and that $C([0, 1], \mathbb{R})$ can be renormed to be a strictly convex Banach space. Also, the Banach space l^1 can be renormed to be a strictly convex Banach space and c_0 with a suitable norm is still a predual of l^1 with the new norm. Now, taking the Cartesian product of these two spaces with the l^2 -norm, we get a strictly convex Banach space for which $\Gamma = c_0 \times C([0, 1], \mathbb{R})^*$ is a norming set. It is easy to observe that in $l^1 \times C([0, 1], \mathbb{R})$ one can find nontrivial, convex and norm-bounded subsets which are compact in the Γ -topology. Clearly, by Lemma 2.1, this Γ -topology is mean-admissible.

Now we can state and prove our second lemma.

Lemma 2.4. Suppose X is a Banach space and Γ is mean-admissible. Let C be a nonempty Γ -closed convex subset of X and let μ be a mean on X. Let S be a semigroup and let $\varphi = \{T_s : s \in S\}$ be an (F-quasi-) nonexpansive semigroup on C such that the Γ -closure of conv $\{T_sx : s \in S\}$ is Γ -compact for each $x \in C$. Suppose also that Y is a subspace of B(S) containing all functions $s \mapsto \langle T_sx, x^* \rangle$ with $x \in C$ and $x^* \in \Gamma$, and such that $1 \in Y$. If $T_{\mu}x = \int T_s x d\mu(s)$, then the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i) T_{μ} is an (F-quasi-) nonexpansive self-mapping of C.
- (ii) $T_{\mu}x = x$ for each $x \in F(\varphi)$.
- (iii) $T_{\mu}x \in \Gamma$ conv $\{T_sx : s \in S\}$ for each $x \in C$.
- (iv) If Y is r_s -invariant for each $s \in S$, then $T_{\mu}T_s = T_{\mu}$ for any $s \in S$.
- (v) If Y is r_s -invariant for each $s \in S$, $F = F(\varphi)$ and φ is an F-quasicontractive semigroup on C, then T_{μ} is also F-quasi-contractive.
- (vi) If the mappings in φ are affine, then so is T_{μ} .

Proof. Let T be nonexpansive. For $\epsilon > 0$ and $x, y \in C$, there exists $x^* \in \Gamma$ such that $||x^*|| = ||T_{\mu}x - T_{\mu}y||$ and $||T_{\mu}x - T_{\mu}y||^2 \le \langle T_{\mu}x - T_{\mu}y, x^* \rangle + \epsilon$. Thus we have

$$\|T_{\mu}x - T_{\mu}y\|^{2} \leq \langle T_{\mu}x - T_{\mu}y, x^{*} \rangle + \epsilon$$

$$= \mu_{s} \langle T_{s}x - T_{s}y, x^{*} \rangle + \epsilon$$

$$\leq \sup_{s \in \mathcal{S}} \|T_{s}x - T_{s}y\| \|T_{\mu}x - T_{\mu}y\| + \epsilon$$

$$\leq \|x - y\| \|T_{\mu}x - T_{\mu}y\| + \epsilon$$

and therefore T_{μ} is nonexpansive.

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If T is F-quasi-nonexpansive and $f \in F$, then for each $\epsilon > 0$ and $x \in C$, there exists $x^* \in \Gamma$ such that $||x^*|| = ||T_{\mu}x - f||$ and $||T_{\mu}x - f||^2 \le \langle T_{\mu}x - f, x^* \rangle + \epsilon$. To see that T_{μ} is F-quasi-nonexpansive, observe that

$$\|T_{\mu}x - f\|^{2} \leq \langle T_{\mu}x - f, x^{*} \rangle + \epsilon$$

$$= \mu_{s} \langle T_{s}x - f, x^{*} \rangle + \epsilon$$

$$\leq \sup_{s \in \mathcal{S}} \|T_{s}x - f\| \|T_{\mu}x - f\| + \epsilon$$

$$\leq \|x - f\| \|T_{\mu}x - f\| + \epsilon.$$

Thus the proof of (i) is complete.

To prove (ii), take $x \in F(\varphi)$ and $x^* \in \Gamma$. Then we have

$$\langle T_{\mu}x, x^* \rangle = \mu_s \langle T_s x, x^* \rangle = \mu_s \langle x, x^* \rangle = \langle x, x^* \rangle.$$

By the definition of mean admissibility of Γ we get (iii). To show (iv), it is sufficient to observe that

$$\langle T_{\mu}(T_s x), x^* \rangle = \mu_{s_1} \langle T_{s_1 s} x, x^* \rangle = \mu_{s_1} \langle T_{s_1 x}, x^* \rangle = \langle T_{\mu} x, x^* \rangle$$

for each $x \in C$ and each $x^* \in \Gamma$.

To prove (v), observe that if $x \notin F$, then there exists $s_0 \in S$ such that $T_{s_0}x \notin F$ and by (i), (iv) and the *F*-quasi-contractivity of T_{s_0} this yields

$$||T_{\mu}x - f|| = ||T_{\mu}T_{s_0}x - f|| \le ||T_{s_0}x - f|| < ||x - f||$$

for each $f \in F$.

If φ is affine, then for $x_1, x_2 \in C$, $0 \le \alpha \le 1$ and $x^* \in \Gamma$, we obtain

$$\langle T_{\mu}(\alpha x_1 + (1 - \alpha)x_2), x^* \rangle = \mu_s \langle T_s(\alpha x_1 + (1 - \alpha)x_2), x^* \rangle$$

$$= \alpha \mu_s \langle T_s x_1, x^* \rangle + (1 - \alpha)\mu_s \langle T_s x_2, x^* \rangle$$

$$= \alpha \langle T_{\mu} x_1, x^* \rangle + (1 - \alpha) \langle T_{\mu} x_2, x^* \rangle$$

$$= \langle \alpha T_{\mu} x_1 + (1 - \alpha)T_{\mu} x_2, x^* \rangle$$

and this completes the proof of the lemma.

We are now able to establish a nonlinear ergodic theorem using Bruck's method ([2-4] and [5]) and some ideas from [18].

Theorem 2.5. Suppose X is a Banach space and Γ is mean-admissible. Let C be a nonempty locally Γ -compact and convex subset of X, and let μ be a right invariant mean on X. Let S be a semigroup and let $\varphi = \{T_s : s \in S\}$ be a semigroup on C such that $F(\varphi) \neq \emptyset$. Suppose also that $Y \subset B(S)$ is an r_s -invariant subspace for any $s \in S$ containing all functions $s \mapsto \langle T_s x, x^* \rangle$ with $x \in C$ and $x^* \in \Gamma$, and such that $1 \in Y$.

- (a) If $F = F(\varphi)$ and every mapping T_s is F-quasi-contractive, then there is an F-quasi-contractive retraction $R : C \to F(\varphi)$ such that $RT_s = T_sR = R$ for any $s \in S$, and each Γ -closed and convex φ -invariant subset of C is also R-invariant.
- (b) If X is strictly convex and every mapping T_s is (F-quasi-) nonexpansive, then there is an (F-quasi-) nonexpansive retraction $R : C \to F(\varphi)$ such that $RT_s = T_s R = R$ for any $s \in S$, and each Γ -closed and convex φ -invariant subset of C is also R-invariant.
- (c) If every mapping T_s is continuous and affine, and either condition (a) or (b) is satisfied, then R is also affine.

Proof. Without loss of generality we may assume that C is Γ -compact. Suppose that $\varphi = \{T_s : s \in S\}$ is an F-quasi-nonexpansive semigroup on C. Let the family \mathcal{N} consist of all $T \in C^C$ such that

$$||Tx - f|| \le ||x - f||$$
 for any $x \in C, f \in F,$
 $TT_s = T$ for any $s \in \mathcal{S},$

and such that every Γ -closed and convex φ -invariant subset of C is also T-invariant. Note that by Lemma 2.4 we get $T_{\mu} \in \mathcal{N}$. Next, observe that by Tychonoff's theorem, C^{C} with the product topology generated by the Γ -topology on C is compact [9]. Since the norm is lower semicontinuous with respect to the Γ -topology, we see that \mathcal{N} is also compact in the Γ -topology. Let us preorder \mathcal{N} in the following way:

$$U \leq V$$
 if and only if $||U(x) - f|| \leq ||V(x) - f||$

for any $x \in C$ and $f \in F$. Using once more the lower semicontinuity of the norm with respect to the Γ -topology and Zorn's lemma, we conclude that \mathcal{N} contains a minimal element R with respect to the above preordering. This means that if $T \in \mathcal{N}$ and

$$||Tx - f|| \le ||Rx - f||$$

for each $x \in C$ and $f \in F$, then ||Tx - f|| = ||Rx - f||. Since $T_s R$ belongs to \mathcal{N} , $||T_s Rx - f|| \leq ||Rx - f||$ for any $x \in C$, and $T_s R$ is F-quasi-contractive for each $s \in S$, we see that $T_s Rx = Rx$ for every $x \in C$ and $s \in S$, that is, $Rx \in F$. We also have $T_s R = RT_s = R$. Thus R is indeed an F-quasi-contractive retraction.

When X is strictly convex, we repeat our arguments and in the end instead of the *F*-quasi-contractivity of T_s we apply the inequalities $||T_sRx - f|| \le ||Rx - f||$ and $||\frac{1}{2}(T_sRx + Rx) - f|| \le ||Rx - f||$ to get $T_sRx = Rx$ for every $x \in C$ and $s \in S$ by appealing to the strict convexity of X. Hence R is an F-quasi-nonexpansive retraction, as required.

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For affine mappings we proceed as above. We only replace the family \mathcal{N} by the family $\widetilde{\mathcal{N}}$ consisting of all affine $T \in C^C$ such that

$$||Tx - f|| \le ||x - f||$$
 for any $x \in C, f \in F$,
 $TT_s = T$ for any $s \in S$,

and such that every Γ -closed, convex and φ -invariant subset of C is also T-invariant. Note that by Lemma 2.4 we get $T_{\mu} \in \widetilde{\mathcal{N}}$. Hence there exists an F-quasi-nonexpansive affine retraction $R: C \to F(\varphi)$ such that $T_s R = RT_s = R$ for each $s \in S$, and each Γ -closed, convex and φ -invariant subset of C is also R-invariant.

If φ is a nonexpansive semigroup on C, then the proof is analogous. Thus the proof of our theorem is complete.

Finally, we mention that a recent general result on intersections of nonexpansive retracts in strictly convex Banach spaces can be found in [7].

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