

# Reflexivities with modifiers and conditions for reflexivity of Banach spaces

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## 1. Reflexivities with modifiers

Denote by  $X'$  and  $X''$  the first conjugate space and the second one of a normed space  $X$  respectively. And for a subset  $A$  of  $X'$  let  ${}^\circ A$  and  $A^\circ$  denote the annihilator of  $A$  in  $X$  and in  $X''$  respectively. We shall use briefly the symbol  $A^{\circ\circ}$  in place of  $(A^\circ)^\circ$ .

Let  $F$  be a subset of  $X'$  and consider the linear operator  $\pi_F = \mu \cdot \pi : X \longrightarrow X''/F^\circ$  where  $\pi : X \longrightarrow X''$  is the canonical imbedding and  $\mu : X'' \longrightarrow X''/F^\circ$  is the natural operator,  $X''/F^\circ$  being the quotient normed space defined in the usual way. It is a problem to find out a subset  $F$  of  $X'$  such that the operator  $\pi_F$  is surjective, namely  $\pi_F(X) = X''/F^\circ$ . When such a subset  $F$  exists in  $X'$ , we shall call, for a time,  $X$  to be *reflexive with the modifier  $F^\circ$* , or shortly *reflexive (mod.  $F^\circ$ )*. A trivial example of such a subset is the set  $(0)$  consisting of the zero element  $0$  of  $X'$  alone, for  $(0)^\circ = X''$ . If  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are two subsets of  $X'$  such that  $F_1 \supset F_2$ , we have  $F_1^\circ \subset F_2^\circ$ , hence if  $X$  is reflexive (mod.  $F_1^\circ$ ) it is so also with the modifier  $F_2^\circ$ . A maximal subset  $F$  of  $X'$  for which  $X$  is reflexive (mod.  $F^\circ$ ) may be, in general, a proper subset of  $X'$ . Since  $(X')^\circ = (0)$ ,  $X$  is reflexive (mod.  $(X')^\circ$ ) if and only if  $X$  is reflexive in the usual sense. It is easy to prove the following

**THEOREM 1.**  $X'$  is reflexive (mod.  $(\overline{\pi(X)})^\circ$ ), where  $\overline{\pi(X)}$  means the closure with respect to the norm topology of  $X''$ . And  $X''' = \pi_1(X') \oplus (\overline{\pi(X)})^\circ$  where  $\pi_1 : X' \longrightarrow X'''$  is the canonical imbedding.

**PROOF.** For any  $x''' \in X'''$  define  $x' \in X'$  by  $x'x = x'''(\pi x)$  for each  $x \in X$ . Then we have  $x''' - \pi_1 x' \in (\overline{\pi(X)})^\circ$ . Since  $(\overline{\pi(X)})^\circ = (\pi(X))^\circ$  and  $\pi_1(X') \cap (\overline{\pi(X)})^\circ = (0)$ , the proof is complete.

This theorem implies, as a special case, that  $X'$  is reflexive if  $X$  is reflexive. J. Dixmier [2, Theorem 15] has shown that  $X''' = \pi_1(X') \oplus (\pi(X))^\circ$  where  $X$  is a Banach space. This is also a special case of our Theorem 1, for  $\pi(X)$  is closed if  $X$  is complete.

Since  $(\vee F)^\circ = F^\circ$ , where  $\vee F$  means the closed linear subspace generated by  $F$ , we may assume, in this problem, that  $F$  is a closed linear subspace of  $X'$ , without loss of generality.

The following theorem follows from the second part of Theorem 1.

**THEOREM 2.** We cannot find out in  $X''$  any closed linear subspace  $G$  which contains  $\overline{\pi(X)}$  (if  $X$  is complete,  $\pi(X)$ ) as a proper subspace and relative to which  $X'$  is reflexive (mod.  $G^\circ$ ).

**PROOF.**  $(\overline{\pi(X)})^\circ - G^\circ$  is non-empty, for otherwise we have  $\overline{\pi(X)} = G$ .

This theorem implies that if  $X'$  is reflexive (consequently, reflexive (mod.  $(X'')^\circ$ ),  $\overline{\pi(X)} = X''$  (if  $X$  is complete,  $\pi(X) = X''$ , i. e.  $X$  is reflexive also).

**THEOREM 3.** Let a normed space  $X$  be reflexive (mod.  $F^\circ$ ). Then every closed linear subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  such that  $Y^\circ \subset F$  is reflexive (mod.  $G^\circ$ ) where

$$G = {}^\circ((I'')^{-1}(F^\circ)),$$

$I'' : Y'' \longrightarrow Y^\circ$  being the congruence operator (isometrical linear isomorphism) induced by the second adjoint operator of the inclusion operator  $I : Y \longrightarrow X$ .

**REMARK.** When  $X$  is reflexive in the usual sense, every closed linear subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  is also reflexive. This result is a special case of Theorem 3. For, in this case, we may put  $F = X'$  as we noted before, and the relation  $Y^\circ \subset F$  is true without any assumption on  $Y$ .

**PROOF.** of **THEOREM 3.** Let  $I' : X'/Y^\circ \longrightarrow Y'$  be the congruence operator induced by the first adjoint operator of  $I$ . Namely we have

$$(I'[\bar{x}'])y = x'(Iy), \quad (I''y'')x' = y''(I'[\bar{x}'])$$

for any  $x' \in X'$ ,  $y \in Y$  and  $y'' \in Y''$  where  $[\bar{x}']$  means the element of  $X'/Y^\circ$  represented by  $x'$ . Let  $\mu : X'' \longrightarrow X''/F^\circ$  and  $\nu : Y'' \longrightarrow Y''/(I'')^{-1}(F^\circ)$  be the natural operators. Consider the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} Y & \xrightarrow{\tau} & Y'' & \xrightarrow{\nu} & Y''/(I'')^{-1}(F^\circ) \\ \downarrow I & & \downarrow I'' & & \downarrow J \\ X & \xrightarrow{\pi} & X'' & \xrightarrow{\mu} & X''/F^\circ \end{array}$$

where  $\tau$  is the canonical imbedding and  $J$  is the injection induced naturally by  $I''$ . The commutativity relations  $\pi I = I''\tau$  and  $\mu I'' = J\nu$  are verified easily. Consequently we have

$$\mu\pi I = J\nu\tau. \quad (1)$$

Moreover

$$J(Y''/(I'')^{-1}(F^\circ)) = Y^\circ/F^\circ. \quad (2)$$

It follows from our assumption that for an arbitrary element  $x'' \in Y^\circ$  there exists an element  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $x'' - \pi x_0 \in F^\circ \subset Y^\circ$ . Therefore  $\pi x_0 \in Y^\circ$ . Since  $Y$  is closed we have  ${}^\circ(Y^\circ) = Y$ . Hence  $\pi(X) \cap Y^\circ = \pi I(Y)$  and therefore  $x_0$  is an element of  $Y$ . This result and the injectiveness of  $J$  and the relations (1), (2) show us the surjectiveness of  $\nu\tau$ . Now it follows from the relation  $G^\circ \supset (I'')^{-1}(F^\circ)$  that  $\tau_G : Y \longrightarrow$

$Y''/G^\circ$  is surjective. The proof is complete.

## 2. Operator $\mathfrak{K}$ and Conditions for reflexivity

Let a normed space  $X$  be reflexive (mod.  $F^\circ$ ). Since  $\pi(\circ F) = \pi(X) \cap F^\circ$  the operator  $\pi_F$  induces a linear isomorphism

$$\mathcal{G} : X/\circ F \longrightarrow X''/F^\circ.$$

And for any element  $[x] \in X/\circ F$  which is represented by  $x \in X$ ,

$$\|\mathcal{G}[x]\| = \inf_{y'' \in F^\circ} \|\pi x + y''\| \leq \inf_{y'' \in \pi(\circ F)} \|\pi x + y''\| = \|[x]\|.$$

Thus we have  $\|\mathcal{G}\| \leq 1$ . Let  $\mathfrak{K}$  be the inverse linear operator of  $\mathcal{G}$ . From  $1 \leq \|\mathcal{G}\| \|\mathfrak{K}\|$  we have  $\|\mathfrak{K}\| \geq 1$ .

**THEOREM 4.** *If  $X$  is reflexive Banach space, then  $\|\mathfrak{K}\| = 1$ .*

**PROOF.** Since  $\pi(X) = X''$  we have  $\pi(\circ F) = F^\circ$  and  $\|\mathcal{G}[x]\| = \|[x]\|$ .

Consider now the inverse problem of this theorem. Let  $X$  be a Banach space which is reflexive (mod.  $F^\circ$ ) and the operator  $\mathfrak{K}$  has the norm  $\|\mathfrak{K}\| = 1$ . In this case  $\|\mathcal{G}\| = 1$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  is a congruence operator. Let  $C : X \longrightarrow X/\circ F$  be the natural operator,  $C' : (X/\circ F)' \longrightarrow (\circ F)^\circ$  be the congruence operator induced by the first adjoint operator of  $C$ , and  $C'' : ((\circ F)^\circ)' \longrightarrow (X/\circ F)''$  be the adjoint operator of  $C'$ . On the other hand, a theorem due to M. Krein and V. Smulian [4] gives us a congruence operator  $s : X''/(\circ F)^{\circ\circ} \longrightarrow ((\circ F)^\circ)'$ , defined by  $s[x''] = x''|_{(\circ F)^\circ}$  for any  $x'' \in [x'']$  where  $[x''] \in X''/(\circ F)^{\circ\circ}$  is the element represented by  $x'' \in X''$  and  $x''|_{(\circ F)^\circ}$  means the restriction of  $x''$  to  $(\circ F)^\circ$ . Since  $F^\circ \supset (\circ F)^{\circ\circ}$  we can consider the natural operator  $N : X''/(\circ F)^{\circ\circ} \longrightarrow X''/F^\circ$ . By these relations we have the following diagram

$$X/\circ F \xrightarrow{\mathcal{G}} X''/F^\circ \xleftarrow{N} X''/(\circ F)^{\circ\circ} \xrightarrow{s} ((\circ F)^\circ)' \xrightarrow{C''} (X/\circ F)''.$$

Now let  $\sigma : X/\circ F \longrightarrow (X/\circ F)''$  be the canonical imbedding. Then we have, for any  $[x] \in X/\circ F$  and  $\xi \in (X/\circ F)'$ ,

$$(\sigma[x])\xi = \xi[x] = \xi(Cx) = (C'\xi)x = (\pi x)(C'\xi) = (s[\pi x])(C'\xi) = (C''(s[\pi x]))\xi,$$

where  $[\pi x] \in X''/(\circ F)^{\circ\circ}$  is the element represented by  $\pi x \in X''$ . (Note that  $[x_1] = [x_2]$  implies  $[\pi x_1] = [\pi x_2]$  and vice versa, for  $\pi(\circ F) = \pi(X) \cap (\circ F)^{\circ\circ}$ .) Thus we have

$$\sigma[x] = C''(s[\pi x]) \text{ and } \mathcal{G}[x] = Ns^{-1}(C'')^{-1}\sigma[x].$$

Therefore  $X/\circ F$  is reflexive if and only if the operator  $N$  is a congruence, that is  $F^\circ = (\circ F)^{\circ\circ}$ . Since  $F$  is closed subspace, this condition is equivalent to the regular closedness of  $F$ . If this condition is satisfied,  $X$  is reflexive provided that  $\circ F$  is reflexive [1]. Thus we have the following

**THEOREM 5.** *Let  $X$  be a Banach space, reflexive (mod.  $F^\circ$ ). If  $F$  is regularly closed*

and the operator  $\mathfrak{K}$  has the norm  $\|\mathfrak{K}\|=1$  and  ${}^{\circ}F$  is reflexive, then  $X$  is reflexive.

**THEOREM 6.** Let  $X$  be a Banach space, reflexive (mod.  $F^{\circ}$ ). If  $F$  is total over  $X$  and the operator  $\mathfrak{K}$  has the norm  $\|\mathfrak{K}\|=1$ , then  $X$  and  $F'$  are canonically equivalent [5] ( $X$  is  $F$ -reflexive [6]).

**PROOF.** From the assumption  $\|\mathfrak{K}\|=1$ ,  $\mathcal{G}$  is a congruence. Since  ${}^{\circ}F=(0) \subset X$ ,  $\mathcal{G}=\pi_F$ .  $X''/F^{\circ}$  and  $F'$  are congruent by the operator  $k: X''/F^{\circ} \rightarrow F'$  defined by  $k[x'']=x''|_F$  for any  $[x''] \in X''/F^{\circ}$ . Put  $\varphi = k \cdot \pi_F: X \rightarrow F'$ . Then  $(\varphi(x))f = (\pi x)f = f(x)$  for any  $x \in X$  and  $f \in F$ . Thus  $\varphi$  is the canonical mapping [5].

I. Singer [6] proved the following corollary. This is also a corollary of our Theorem 6.

**COROLLARY.** Every conjugate space  $X'$  of a Banach space  $X$  is  $\pi(X)$ -reflexive.

**PROOF.** Put  $F=\pi(X)$ . Then, it follows from Theorem 1 that  $X'$  is reflexive (mod.  $F^{\circ}$ ). Moreover  $F$  is total over  $X'$ . The operator  $\mathcal{G}=(\pi_1)_F: X' \rightarrow X''/F^{\circ}$  is a congruence operator. For, when  $x' \in X'$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|(\pi_1)_F(x')\| &= \inf_{y''' \in F^{\circ}} \left\{ \sup_{\substack{x'' \in X'' \\ \|x''\|=1}} |(\pi_1 x' + y''')x''| \right\} \\ &\cong \inf_{y''' \in F^{\circ}} \left\{ \sup_{\substack{x'' \in X'' \\ \|x''\|=1}} |x''x' + y'''x''| \right\} = \sup_{\substack{x \in X \\ \|x\|=1}} |x'x| = \|x'\| \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have  $\|(\pi_1)_F\| \geq 1$ . Moreover  $\|(\pi_1)_F(x')\| \leq \|\pi_1 x'\| = \|x'\|$ .

Therefore  $\mathcal{G}$  is a congruence operator. Thus the operator  $\mathfrak{K}=\mathcal{G}^{-1}=(\pi_1)_F^{-1}$  has the norm  $\|\mathfrak{K}\|=1$ .

### 3. Other criterions

If  $\pi_F$  is surjective, we have  $\pi(X) + F^{\circ} = X''$  and  $X$  is reflexive when  $F^{\circ} \subset \pi(X)$ .

Let  $M$  be the null manifold of  $x'' \in F^{\circ}$  that is  $M = \{x' \in X' | x''x' = 0\}$ .

If  $x'' \neq 0$ ,  $M$  is a proper closed linear subspace of  $X'$ . From the Lemma in [3, V.3.10.],  $M^{\circ}$  is a one-dimensional closed linear subspace of  $X''$  generated by  $x''$ . Therefore  ${}^{\circ}M$  is null- or one-dimensional, for  $\pi({}^{\circ}M) \subset M^{\circ}$ . If  ${}^{\circ}M$  is null-dimensional  $M$  is total over  $X$  and hence  $X$  is non-reflexive [5]. When  ${}^{\circ}M$  is one-dimensional we have  $\pi({}^{\circ}M) = M^{\circ} \ni x''$ , and therefore the next theorem follows.

**THEOREM 7.** Let  $X$  be reflexive (mod.  $F^{\circ}$ ). If the null manifold of  $x''$  is non-total over  $X$  for each  $x'' \in F^{\circ}$  ( $x'' \neq 0$ ),  $X$  is reflexive.

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