

# TOPOLOGICAL PROPERTIES ASSOCIATED WITH $m$ -HYPERCONVEXITY

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $m \geq 3$  be a cardinal number and let  $S(x, r)$  denote the cell

$$\{y : \|x - y\| \leq r\}$$

in a real normed linear space  $N$ . The space  $N$  is said to be  $m$ -hyperconvex [1] if every pairwise-intersecting family  $\mathfrak{F}$  of cells in  $N$  with  $\text{card } \mathfrak{F} < m$  has non-empty intersection. The  $m$ -hyperconvex normed spaces are exactly those spaces  $N$  for which the continuous linear operator  $T$  in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L & \xrightarrow{T} & N \\ \cap & & \\ M & & \end{array}$$

has a norm-preserving extension to  $M$  whenever  $\dim M < m$ .

In the case  $m > \text{card } N$  the  $m$ -hyperconvex normed spaces were characterised in [6] as the spaces  $C(S)$  consisting of all continuous real-valued functions on an extremally disconnected compact Hausdorff space  $S$ . It was shown further in [1], for a general  $m$ , that the  $m$ -hyperconvex spaces which are of the form  $C(X)$  for some compact Hausdorff space  $X$  are those for which  $X$  has the topological property  $Q(m, m)$ . This is the case  $m = n$  of the following:

**DEFINITIONS.** Let  $X$  be a topological space, and let  $m$  and  $n$  be cardinal numbers with  $m \geq 3$  and  $n \geq 3$ .

(a) A pair  $(\mathfrak{u}, \mathfrak{v})$  of disjoint non-empty open subsets of  $X$  is a  $(m, n)$ -pair if

$$\mathfrak{u} = \bigcup \{\mathfrak{u}_i : i \in I\} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathfrak{v} = \bigcup \{\mathfrak{v}_j : j \in J\},$$

where  $\mathfrak{u}_i, \mathfrak{v}_j$  are open for all  $i$  and  $j$ ,  $\text{cl } \mathfrak{u}_i \subseteq \mathfrak{u}$  for all  $i$ ,  $\text{cl } \mathfrak{v}_j \subseteq \mathfrak{v}$  for all  $j$ ,  $\text{card } I < m$  and  $\text{card } J < n$ .

(b) The space  $X$  has property  $Q(m, n)$  if each  $(m, n)$ -pair  $(\mathfrak{u}, \mathfrak{v})$  satisfies  $\text{cl } \mathfrak{u} \cap \text{cl } \mathfrak{v} \neq \emptyset$ .

The present paper considers  $m$ -hyperconvex Banach spaces with  $m \geq 5$ , and the spaces are required to have at least one extreme point on their unit cells. The main result is that every such space is isometrically isomorphic to a normed space of the form  $A(K)$ , consisting of all real continuous affine functions on a Choquet simplex  $K$  with the property that the set  $EK$  of ex-

treme points of  $K$  satisfies  $Q(m, m)$  in its structure topology. This topology, introduced by Effros in [4], has for its non-trivial closed sets the intersections with  $EK$  of the closed faces of  $K$ .

We recall from [1] that every  $m$ -hyperconvex normed space with  $m > \aleph_0$  is complete.

## 2. Interpolation properties in partially ordered spaces

(2.1) DEFINITIONS. Let  $V$  be a partially ordered vector space.

(a)  $V$  has the  $(m, n)$ -interpolation property,  $(m, n)$ -Int, if for every two non-empty subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of  $V$  with  $\text{card } A < m$ ,  $\text{card } B < n$  and  $a \leq b$  for all  $a$  in  $A$  and  $b$  in  $B$ , there exists  $v$  in  $V$  with  $a \leq v \leq b$  for all  $a$  in  $A$  and  $b$  in  $B$ .

(b) When  $V$  has an order unit,  $V$  will satisfy the bounded  $(m, n)$ -interpolation property  $B(m, n)$ -Int if the property in (a) holds when the sets  $A$  and  $B$  are bounded in the order-unit norm of  $V$ .

In the above,  $\infty$  will denote "a cardinal number strictly greater than  $\text{card } V$ ". It is clear that  $(n, m)$ -Int is equivalent to  $(m, n)$ -Int. If  $V$  has an order unit and  $m$  and  $n$  are finite, then  $B(m, n)$ -Int and  $(m, n)$ -Int are equivalent. Also  $V$  is a lattice if and only if it has  $(3, \infty)$ -Int and  $V$  has the Riesz decomposition property if and only if it has  $(3, 3)$ -Int.

(2.2) LEMMA. Let  $V$  be a partially ordered space with order-unit  $e$  and the order-unit norm. Let  $m \geq 3$  and  $n \geq 3$  be cardinal numbers.

(a) If  $V$  is  $(m + n - 1)$ -hyperconvex, then it has the bounded  $(m, n)$ -interpolation property.

(b) If  $V$  has the  $(m, n)$ -interpolation property, then it is  $(m \wedge n)$ -hyperconvex.

*Proof.* (a) Let  $V$  be  $(m + n - 1)$ -hyperconvex. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be bounded subsets of  $V$  with  $\text{card } A < m$ ,  $\text{card } B < n$  and  $a \leq b$  for all  $a$  in  $A$  and  $b$  in  $B$ , and put

$$t = \sup \{ \|x - y\| : x, y \in A \cup B \}.$$

Consider the family

$$\mathfrak{F} = \{ S(a + te, t) : a \in A \} \cup \{ S(b - te, t) : b \in B \}.$$

We have in all cases that  $\text{card } \mathfrak{F} < m + n - 1$

From  $0 \leq b - a \leq te$  we obtain

$$-2te \leq (b - te) - (a + te) \leq -te$$

which shows that

$$\| (b - te) - (a + te) \| \leq 2t \quad \text{and} \quad S(a + te, t) \cap S(b - te, t) \neq \emptyset.$$

Also if  $a$  and  $c$  are in  $A$ , then

$$\| (a + te) - (c + te) \| = \| a - c \| \leq t,$$

showing that

$$S(a + te, t) \cap S(c + te, t) \neq \emptyset.$$

Similarly

$$S(b - te, t) \cap S(d - te, t) \neq \emptyset$$

when  $b$  and  $d$  are points of  $B$ .

Since  $V$  is  $(m + n - 1)$ -hyperconvex there exists

$$v \in \bigcap \{S(a + te, t) : a \in A\} \cap \bigcap \{S(b - te, t) : b \in B\}.$$

For all  $a$  in  $A$  and  $b$  in  $B$ , we have

$$-te \leq v - a - te \quad \text{and} \quad v - b + te \leq te,$$

showing that  $a \leq v \leq b$ . Hence  $V$  has the bounded  $(m, n)$ -interpolation property.

(b) Suppose  $V$  has the  $(m, n)$ -interpolation property and let

$$\{S(x_i, r_i) : i \in I, \text{card } I < m \wedge n\}$$

be a pairwise-intersecting family of cells in  $V$ . Consider the sets

$$A = \{x_i + r_i e : i \in I\} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \{x_j - r_j e : j \in I\}.$$

For each  $i$  and  $j$ ,  $x_j - r_j e \leq x_i + r_i e$ . Since  $\text{card } A < m$  and  $\text{card } B < n$  there exists  $v$  in  $V$  with

$$x_j - r_j e \leq v \leq x_i + r_i e \quad \text{for all } i \text{ and } j.$$

This shows that

$$\bigcap \{S(x_i, r_i) : i \in I, \text{card } I < m \wedge n\} \neq \emptyset,$$

and that  $V$  is  $(m \wedge n)$ -hyperconvex.

(2.3) COROLLARY. *The following are equivalent:*

- (a)  $V$  is 5-hyperconvex,
- (b)  $V$  has  $(3, 3)$ -Int,
- (c)  $V$  has  $(m, n)$ -Int for all  $m$  and  $n$  with  $3 \leq m \leq \aleph_0$  and  $3 \leq n \leq \aleph_0$ ,
- (d)  $V$  is  $m$ -hyperconvex for all  $m$  with  $5 \leq m \leq \aleph_0$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma 2.2(a), (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b). We may show by induction that for all finite  $m, n \geq 3$

$$(m, n)\text{-Int} \Rightarrow (m, n + 1)\text{-Int}.$$

This shows (b)  $\Rightarrow$  (c). That (c)  $\Rightarrow$  (d) now follows from Lemma 2.2(b) and the implication (d)  $\Rightarrow$  (a) is trivial.

(2.4) COROLLARY. *Let  $V$  be a partially ordered normed space with order-unit and the order-unit norm. Then for any cardinal  $m \geq 5$ ,*

*$V$  has the  $(m, m)$ -interpolation property*

*$\Rightarrow V$  is  $m$ -hyperconvex*

*$\Rightarrow V$  has the bounded  $(m, m)$ -interpolation property.*

*Proof.* The first implication is a consequence of Lemma 2.2(b). The second implication follows in the case of finite  $m$  from Corollary 2.3. In the case  $m \geq \aleph_0$ , we observe that  $2m - 1 = m$  and use Lemma 2.2(a).

The following result, part of [7, Theorem 4.7], relates the above to our as yet un-ordered 5-hyperconvex normed spaces.

(2.5) PROPOSITION. *Let  $N$  be a 4-hyperconvex normed space whose unit cell  $U$  has an extreme point  $e$ . When  $N$  is partially ordered by the cone  $\mathbf{R}^+(e + U)$ , the order-unit norm derived from  $e$  coincides with the original norm.*

### 3. The property $Q(m, n)$

Let  $m$  and  $n$  be cardinal numbers with  $m \geq 3$  and  $n \geq 3$ . We shall prove that if a Choquet simplex is such that  $A(K)$  has the bounded  $(m, n)$ -interpolation property, then  $EK$  has the property  $Q(m, n)$  in the structure topology. This then gives a representation theorem for  $m$ -hyperconvex Banach spaces whose unit cells possess an extreme point.

The following known results (3.1)–(3.5) concerning Choquet simplexes will be required. For further details see [2], [4], [8].

(3.1) THEOREM (Edwards [3]). *Let  $K$  be a compact convex set in a locally convex Hausdorff space, and let  $C$  be the set of lower semicontinuous concave real functions on  $K$ .*

*The following are equivalent:*

- (i)  *$K$  is a Choquet simplex;*
- (ii) *For all  $f$  and  $g$  with  $-f, g$  in  $C$  and  $f \leq g$ , there exists  $a$  in  $A(K)$  with  $f \leq a \leq g$ ;*
- (iii)  *$A(K)$  has  $(3, 3)$ -Int;*
- (iv)  *$A(K)$  has the Riesz decomposition property.*

(3.2) COROLLARIES. *Let  $F$  and  $G$  be closed faces of a Choquet simplex  $K$ .*

(a) (Urysohn's Lemma for simplexes) *If  $F \cap G = \emptyset$ , there exists  $a$  in  $A(K)$  with*

$$0 \leq a \leq e, a|_F = 0 \text{ and } a|_G = 1.$$

(b) *The set  $H = \text{co}(F \cup G)$  is a closed face of  $K$  and*

$$H \cap EK = (F \cup G) \cap EK.$$

*Proof.* (a) Apply Edwards' Theorem with  $f = \chi_G$  and  $g = e - \chi_F$ , where  $\chi_G$  and  $\chi_F$  are the characteristic functions of  $F$  and  $G$ .

(b) The last assertion and the fact that  $H$  is closed follow by elementary arguments.

It remains to show that  $H$  is a face of  $K$ . Suppose  $k$  is a point in  $EK \setminus (F \cup G)$ . By part (a), there exist  $f_k$  and  $g_k$  in  $A(K)$  with  $0 \leq f_k \leq e, 0 \leq g_k \leq e, f_k(k) = g_k(k) = 1$  and  $f_k(F) = g_k(G) = \{0\}$ .

Now let  $\delta_k$  be the function with

$$\delta_k(x) = 0 \ (x \neq k), \quad \delta_k(k) = 1.$$

The functions  $f = \delta_k$  and  $g = f_k \wedge g_k$  satisfy the conditions of Theorem 3.1, and so there exists  $h_k$  in  $A(K)$  with

$$h_k(k) = 1, \quad h_k|_{(F \cup G)} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad 0 \leq h_k \leq e.$$

The sets

$$H_k = \{x \in K : h_k(x) = 0\} \quad \text{and} \quad H' = \bigcap \{H_k : k \in EK \setminus (F \cup G)\}$$

are closed faces of  $K$  containing  $H$ . But  $H' \cap EK = H \cap EK$ , and so  $H' = H$  and  $H$  is a face of  $K$ .

Corollary 3.2(b) gives directly the non-trivial part of the proof that the structure topology is a topology. We recall that with the structure topology  $EK$  is compact, but may not be Hausdorff. With the relative topology as a subset of  $K$ ,  $EK$  is a Hausdorff space.

(3.3) PROPOSITION. *Let  $K$  be a Choquet simplex. The following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $EK$  is closed in  $K$ ;
- (ii)  $EK$  is a Hausdorff space in the structure topology;
- (iii) the relative topology and the structure topology of  $K$  coincide;
- (iv)  $A(K)$  is a lattice;
- (v)  $A(K) \cong C(EK)$ .

The following is a consequence of Lemma 4.3 of [5].

(3.4) PROPOSITION. *Let  $V$  be a partially ordered vector space with order-unit  $e$  and the order-unit norm. Let  $K$  be the positive face of the unit cell in the dual space  $V^*$ . If  $V$  is complete, then it is isometrically isomorphic to  $A(K)$ , where  $K$  is taken with the relative weak\*-topology.*

(3.5) THEOREM. *Let  $N$  be a 5-hyperconvex Banach space whose unit cell has an extreme point  $e$ . Then  $N$  is isometrically isomorphic to a space  $A(K)$  where  $K$  is a Choquet simplex.*

*Proof.* Since  $N$  is 4-hyperconvex, Proposition 2.5 shows that it may be regarded as a partially ordered normed space with order-unit  $e$  and with the order unit norm coinciding with the original norm. By Proposition 3.4, using the completeness of  $N$ ,  $N$  is isometrically isomorphic to  $A(K)$ , where  $K$  is the positive face of the unit cell in  $N^*$ , with the relative weak\*-topology.

By Corollary 2.3,  $N$  has the (3, 3)-Int property, so by Theorem 3.1  $K$  is a simplex.

(3.6) THEOREM. *Let  $K$  be a Choquet simplex. If  $A(K)$  has the bounded  $(m, n)$ -interpolation property  $m \geq 3$  and  $n \geq 3$ , then the set  $EK$  has property  $Q(m, n)$  in the structure topology.*

*Proof.* Let

$$\mathfrak{u} = \bigcup \{ \mathfrak{u}_i : i \in I \} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathfrak{v} = \bigcup \{ \mathfrak{v}_j : j \in J \}$$

be a  $(m, n)$ -pair in the structure topology of  $EK$ .

Since  $\text{cl } \mathfrak{u}_i \subseteq \mathfrak{u}$  for all  $i$  in  $I$ , the sets  $\text{cl } \mathfrak{u}_i$  and  $EK \setminus \mathfrak{u}$  are disjoint closed sets. By Corollary 3.2(a) there exist functions  $f_i$  in  $A(K)$  with

$$0 \leq f_i \leq e, \quad f_i | \text{cl } \mathfrak{u}_i = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad f_i | (EK \setminus \mathfrak{u}) = 0.$$

Similarly, for each  $j$  in  $J$ , there exists  $g_j$  in  $A(K)$  with

$$0 \leq g_j \leq e, \quad g_j | \text{cl } \mathfrak{v}_j = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad g_j | (EK \setminus \mathfrak{v}) = 1.$$

The sets  $A = \{f_i : i \in I\}$  and  $B = \{g_j : j \in J\}$  satisfy the requirements of property  $B(m, n)$ -Int, since  $f_i \leq g_j$  for all  $i$  in  $I$  and  $j$  in  $J$ ,  $\text{card } A < m$ ,  $\text{card } B < n$ , and  $A \cup B \subseteq S(0, 1)$ . Thus there exists  $h$  in  $A(K)$  with  $f_i \leq h \leq g_j$  for all  $i$  in  $I$  and  $j$  in  $J$ .

Now  $h(\mathfrak{u}) = 1$  for  $u$  in  $\mathfrak{u}$  and  $h(\mathfrak{v}) = 0$  for  $v$  in  $\mathfrak{v}$ , so that the sets  $h^{-1}(\{1\})$  and  $h^{-1}(\{0\})$  are disjoint closed faces of  $K$  containing  $\mathfrak{u}$  and  $\mathfrak{v}$  respectively. This shows that in the structure topology the closures  $\text{cl } \mathfrak{u}$  and  $\text{cl } \mathfrak{v}$  are disjoint and  $EK$  has property  $Q(m, n)$ .

(3.7) THEOREM. *Let  $m \geq 5$ . If  $N$  is a  $m$ -hyperconvex Banach space whose unit cell has an extreme point, then  $N$  is isometrically isomorphic to a space  $A(K)$ , where  $K$  is a Choquet simplex such that  $EK$  satisfies  $Q(m, m)$  in the structure topology.*

*Proof.* By Theorem 3.5,  $N$  is of the form  $A(K)$  for a suitable Choquet simplex  $K$ . By Corollary 2.4 it has property  $B(m, m)$ -Int and the result now follows from Theorem 3.6.

(3.8) PROPOSITION. *Let  $m \geq 5$  and suppose that  $N$  is a  $m$ -hyperconvex Banach space whose unit cell has an extreme point  $e$ .*

(a) *If  $N$  is isometrically isomorphic to  $C(X)$  where  $X$  is a compact Hausdorff space, then  $X$  satisfies  $Q(m, m)$ .*

(b) *If  $N$  is a lattice under the natural ordering given by  $e$ , then the set  $EK$  is closed in  $K$  and satisfies  $Q(m, m)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $K$  be the simplex given by Theorem 3.7. In case (b),  $A(K)$  is a lattice and by Proposition 3.3,  $A(K) \cong C(EK)$ , where  $EK$  is closed in  $K$ . In case (a),  $X$  is homeomorphic to  $EK$  with the relative topology. Using Proposition 3.3 again, the two topologies on  $EK$  coincide. So since  $EK$  satisfies  $Q(m, m)$  in its structure topology,  $EK$  and hence  $X$  satisfy  $Q(m, m)$  in their induced topologies.

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