

## Proximally Additive Chebychev Spaces in

$L^\phi(\mu, X)$  and  $L^p(\mu, X), 1 \leq p < \infty$

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**Abstract.** We prove that the property of being proximally additive in Banach spaces is enjoyed by  $G$  if and only if  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  has it in  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$ . Half of this result has been done in [2]. Furthermore, we prove that: With this property assumed,  $G$  is a Chebychev subspace of  $X$  if and only if  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  is Chebyshev in  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$  if and only if  $L^p(\mu, G)$  is Chebyshev in  $L^p(\mu, X)$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .

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### 1. Introduction

For the subset  $G$  of the normed linear space  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$ , We define, for  $x \in X$ ,  $d(x, G) = \inf \{\|x - g\| : g \in G\}$ . If  $G$  is a subspace of  $X$ , an element  $g_0 \in G$  is called a best approximant of  $x$  in  $G$  if  $\|x - g_0\| = d(x, G)$ . We shall denote the set of all best approximants of  $x$  in  $G$  as  $P(x, G)$ . If for each  $x \in X$ , the set  $P(x, G) \neq \emptyset$ , then  $G$  is said to be proximal in  $X$ , and if  $P(x, G)$  is a singleton for each  $x \in X$  then  $G$  is called a Chebychev subspace.

An increasing function  $\phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is said to be a modulus function if it vanishes at zero, and is subadditive. This means that  $\phi(x + y) \leq \phi(x) + \phi(y)$  for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $[0, \infty)$ . Examples of modulus functions are :  $x^p$ ,  $0 < p \leq 1$ , and  $\ln(1+x)$ .

Furthermore, if  $\phi$  is a modulus function, then  $\varphi(x) = \frac{\phi(x)}{1 + \phi(x)}$  is again modulus. It is

also evident that the composition of two modulus functions is a modulus function [5].

Let  $X$  be a real Banach space and let  $(T, \mu)$  be a finite measure space. For a modulus function  $\phi$ , we define the Orlicz space  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$ , as the set

$$\left\{ f : T \rightarrow X ; \int_T \phi(\|f(t)\|) d\mu(t) < \infty \right\}.$$



The function  $d : L^\phi(\mu, X) \times L^\phi(\mu, X) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  given by:

$$d(f, g) = \int_T \phi(\|f(t) - g(t)\|) d\mu(t) \text{ turns } L^\phi(\mu, X) \text{ into a complete metric space [5].}$$

For  $f \in L^\phi(\mu, X)$ , we write  $\|f\|_\phi = \int_T \phi(\|f(t)\|) d\mu(t)$ . In what follows, when  $\phi$  is mentioned, it is to be assumed a modulus function. We would also like to mention that in the literature, except for what we partly did in [1], we did not find conditions under which the Chebyshevness of  $G$  in  $X$  is equivalent to the of Chebyshevness  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  in  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$  and to the Chebyshevness of  $L^p(\mu, G)$  in  $L^p(\mu, X)$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . Here we show that the condition of proximal additivity, again, gives the required equivalence.

In the present time, researchers are working on the extensions of classical results in which they consider Haar subspaces for approximating sets, for reference one may consider [4].

## 2. Proximal Additivity

**Definition 2.1.** A subspace  $G$  of a Banach space  $X$  is said to be proximally additive if  $G$  is closed and  $z_1 + z_2 \in P(x_1 + x_2, G)$  whenever  $z_1 \in P(x_1, G)$  and  $z_2 \in P(x_2, G)$ .

**Example 2.2.** Let  $X = \mathbb{R}^2$ , and let  $G = \{(x, 0) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ . Then  $G$  is proximally additive in  $X$ , with the Euclidean norm.

**Lemma 2.3.** Suppose that  $G$  is a proximal subspace of a Banach space  $X$  and that  $G$  is proximally additive in  $X$ . Then  $G$  is a semi-Chebyshev.

**Proof:** Let  $x \in X \setminus G$  and  $z_1, z_2 \in P(x, G)$ , then  $-z_1, -z_2 \in P(-x, G)$

Since  $G$  is proximally additive and  $z_1 \in P(x, G)$ ,  $-z_2 \in P(-x, G)$ , then

$$z_1 + (-z_2) \in P(x + (-x), G) \Rightarrow z_1 - z_2 \in P(0, G)$$

But  $P(0, G) = \{0\}$ , since  $0 \in G \Rightarrow z_1 - z_2 = 0 \Rightarrow z_1 = z_2$ . Therefore,  $G$  is a semi-Chebyshev subspace of  $X$ . ■

## 3. Main results

It is of a great significance to make the following lemma which will be used in the upcoming results. This lemma appeared with its proof, which we give here, in a Master thesis written by Dwaik, the coauthor of both [1] and [2], under the supervision of the first author of this article. That was at An-Najah National University back in the year 2000. It turns out that proximal additivity is transformed from the Orlicz space  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  to the subspace  $G$  of  $X$ . Specifically, we have the following:

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $G$  be a closed subspace of  $X$ . If  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  is proximally additive in  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$ , then  $G$  is proximally additive in  $X$ .



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**Proof:** Suppose  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  is proximinally additive in  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$ , and let  $z_i \in P(x_i, G)$  for  $i=1, 2$ ; we want to show  $z_1 + z_2 \in P(x_1 + x_2, G)$ .

Now let  $f_i(t) = x_i$  and  $g_i(t) = z_i$ ,  $\forall t \in \Omega$  and for  $i=1, 2$ ; and since  $\|x\| < \infty$ ,  $\forall x \in X$  (by definition of the norm), then  $f_1, f_2, g_1, g_2 \in L^1(\mu, X)$ .

Since  $L^1(\mu, X) \subset L^\phi(\mu, X)$  by [5], then  $f_1, f_2, g_1, g_2 \in L^\phi(\mu, X)$  such that for  $i=1, 2$ ,  $g_i \in L^\phi(\mu, G)$ .

First, we show that  $g_i \in P(f_i, L^\phi(\mu, G))$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ).

Now for  $i=1, 2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} z_i \in P(x_i, G) &\Rightarrow \|x_i - z_i\| \leq \|x_i - y\| \quad \forall y \in G. \\ &\Rightarrow \|f_i(t) - g_i(t)\| \leq \|f_i(t) - y\| \quad \forall y \in G \text{ and } \forall t \in \Omega. \\ &\Rightarrow \|f_i(t) - g_i(t)\| \leq \|f_i(t) - h(t)\| \quad \forall t \in \Omega \text{ and } \forall h \in L^\phi(\mu, G). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\phi$  is strictly increasing, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(\|f_i(t) - g_i(t)\|) &\leq \phi(\|f_i(t) - h(t)\|), \quad \forall t \in \Omega \text{ and } \forall h \in L^\phi(\mu, G). \\ \Rightarrow \|f_i - g_i\|_\phi &\leq \|f_i - h\|_\phi, \quad \forall h \in L^\phi(\mu, G) \Rightarrow g_i \in P(f_i, L^\phi(\mu, G)) \quad i=1, 2. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  is proximinally additive in  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$ ,

$g_1 + g_2 \in P(f_1 + f_2, L^\phi(\mu, G))$ . By the same arguments as in Lemma 2.10 of [8]

we have that  $(g_1 + g_2)(t) \in P((f_1 + f_2)(t), L^\phi(\mu, G))$  a.e.  $t$ .

Hence,  $z_1 + z_2 \in P(x_1 + x_2, G)$ . Therefore  $G$  is proximinally additive in  $X$ . ■

**Remark :** By [(2.3) of [2]], theorem (3.1), now reads:

Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $G$  be a closed subspace of  $X$ . Then  $G$  is proximinally additive in  $X$  if and only if  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  is proximinally additive in  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $G$  be a closed subspace of a Banach space  $X$ . Then the following are equivalent :

- (i)  $G$  is proximinally additive in  $X$
- (ii)  $L^1(\mu, G)$  is proximinally additive in  $L^1(\mu, X)$ .

**Proof:** Suppose (i) holds and let, for  $i=1, 2$ ,  $f_i \in L^1(\mu, X)$  and  $g_i \in P(f_i, L^1(\mu, G))$ .

Our objective is to show that  $g_1 + g_2 \in P(f_1 + f_2, L^1(\mu, G))$ .

By [Lemma (2.10) of [8]], for  $i=1, 2$ ,  $g_i(t) \in P(f_i(t), G)$  a.e.  $t \in T$ . This, by proximal additivity of  $G$  in  $X$ , implies that,  $(g_1 + g_2)(t) \in P((f_1 + f_2)(t), G)$  a.e.  $t \in T$ .

Hence,  $d((f_1 + f_2)(t), G) = \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - (g_1 + g_2)(t)\|$  a.e.  $t \in T$ .

Therefore, we have:

$$\|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - (g_1 + g_2)(t)\| \leq \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - y\| \text{ for all } y \in G \text{ a.e. } t \in T.$$



It now follows that:

$$\|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - (g_1 + g_2)(t)\| \leq \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - h(t)\| \text{ a.e. } t \in T \text{ and for all } h \in L^1(\mu, G).$$

Thus,  $\|(f_1 + f_2) - (g_1 + g_2)\|_1 \leq \|(f_1 + f_2) - h\|_1$  for all  $h \in L^1(\mu, G)$ .

Therefore,  $g_1 + g_2 \in P(f_1 + f_2, L^1(\mu, G))$ . Hence  $L^1(\mu, G)$  is proximally additive in  $L^1(\mu, X)$ .

For the converse, suppose (ii) holds and let for  $i=1,2$ ,  $x_i \in X$  and  $z_i \in P(x_i, G)$ . We

will show that  $z_1 + z_2 \in P(x_1 + x_2, G)$ . To this end, and for  $i=1,2$ , consider the constant function :  $f_i(t) = x_i$  and  $g_i(t) = z_i$  for all  $t \in T$ .

Clearly,  $f_1, f_2, g_1, g_2 \in L^1(\mu, G)$ .

Now, for  $i=1, 2$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_i(t) - g_i(t)\| &= \|x_i - z_i\| \text{ for all } t \in T \\ &\leq \|x_i - y\| \text{ for all } y \in G \\ &= \|f_i(t) - y\| \text{ for all } y \in G \text{ and all } t \in T. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, for all  $i=1,2$ , and all  $h \in L^1(\mu, G)$  we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_i(t) - g_i(t)\| &\leq \|f_i(t) - h(t)\| \text{ for all } t \in T. \text{ This implies that} \\ \|f_i - g_i\|_1 &\leq \|f_i - h\|_1 \text{ for all } h \in L^1(\mu, G) \text{ and all } i=1,2. \end{aligned}$$

So  $g_i \in P(f_i, L^1(\mu, G))$  for all  $i=1,2$ .

Since  $L^1(\mu, G)$  is proximally additive in  $L^1(\mu, X)$ , then :

$$\begin{aligned} g_1 + g_2 &\in P(f_1 + f_2, L^1(\mu, G)), \text{ and so, again by [8],} \\ (g_1 + g_2)(t) &\in P((f_1 + f_2)(t), G) \text{ for all } t \in T. \text{ Thus } z_1 + z_2 \in P(x_1 + x_2, G). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $G$  is proximally additive. ■

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $G$  be a closed subspace of a Banach space  $X$ . Then the following are equivalent :

- (i)  $G$  is proximally additive in  $X$
- (ii)  $L^p(\mu, G)$  is proximally additive in  $L^p(\mu, X)$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ .

*Proof:* Suppose (i) holds and let, for  $i=1,2$ ,  $f_i \in L^p(\mu, X)$  and  $g_i \in P(f_i, L^p(\mu, G))$   $1 < p < \infty$ . Then for each  $h \in L^p(\mu, G)$  we have

$$\|f_i - g_i\|_p \leq \|f_i - h\|_p.$$

Using Lemma (2.10) of [8], one gets that  $\|f_i(t) - g_i(t)\| \leq \|f_i(t) - y\|$  a.e.  $t$ ,  $\forall y \in G$  for  $i=1, 2$ . Then we have  $g_i(t) \in P(f_i(t), G)$  a.e.  $t$ .

Since  $G$  is proximally additive in  $X$ , then

$$(g_1 + g_2)(t) \in P((f_1 + f_2)(t), G) \text{ a.e. } t.$$



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Hence, for all  $y \in G$ , we have

$$\|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - (g_1 + g_2)(t)\| \leq \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - y\| \quad \text{a.e. } t.$$

Hence  $\forall h \in L^p(\mu, G)$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - (g_1 + g_2)(t)\| &\leq \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - h(t)\| \quad \text{a.e. } t. \\ \Rightarrow \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - (g_1 + g_2)(t)\|^p &\leq \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - h(t)\|^p \quad \text{a.e. } t, 1 < p < \infty. \\ \Rightarrow \|f_1 + f_2 - (g_1 + g_2)\|_p^p &\leq \|f_1 + f_2 - h\|_p^p \\ \Rightarrow \|f_1 + f_2 - (g_1 + g_2)\|_p &\leq \|f_1 + f_2 - h\|_p \quad \forall h \in L^p(\mu, G). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $g_1 + g_2 \in P(f_1 + f_2, L^p(\mu, G))$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ . Therefore  $L^p(\mu, G)$  is proximinally additive in  $L^p(\mu, X)$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ .

Conversely, let  $x_i \in X$  and  $z_i \in P(x_i, G)$  for  $i=1, 2$ . We want to show that

$z_1 + z_2 \in P(x_1 + x_2, G)$ . Consider the constant functions  $f_i(t) = x_i$  and  $g_i(t) = z_i$ , for  $i=1, 2$  and  $\forall t \in \Omega$ . Clearly  $f_i \in L^p(\mu, X)$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ , and  $g_i \in L^p(\mu, G)$  for  $i=1, 2$ .

We claim that  $g_i \in P(f_i, L^p(\mu, G))$  for  $i=1, 2$ .

$$\|f_i - g_i\|_p^p = \int_{\Omega} \|f_i(t) - g_i(t)\|^p d\mu(t) = \int_{\Omega} \|x_i - z_i\|^p d\mu(t) \leq \int_{\Omega} \|x_i - y\|^p d\mu(t), \quad \forall y \in G$$

because  $z_i \in P(x_i, G)$ .

And so for all  $h \in L^p(\mu, G)$  and  $i=1, 2$ , we get

$$\|f_i - g_i\|_p^p \leq \int_{\Omega} \|x_i - h(t)\|^p d\mu(t) = \int_{\Omega} \|f_i(t) - h(t)\|^p d\mu(t) = \|f_i - h\|_p^p.$$

Then, for all  $h \in L^p(\mu, G)$ , we have  $\|f_i - g_i\|_p \leq \|f_i - h\|_p$ ,  $i=1, 2$ .

Hence  $g_i \in P(f_i, L^p(\mu, G))$ ,  $i=1, 2$ .

Since  $L^p(\mu, G)$  is proximinally additive in  $L^p(\mu, X)$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ , then

$$g_1 + g_2 \in P(f_1 + f_2, L^p(\mu, G)).$$

Thus for all  $h \in L^p(\mu, G)$ , we have

$$\|f_1 + f_2 - (g_1 + g_2)\|_p \leq \|f_1 + f_2 - h\|_p$$

$$\text{And } \|f_1 + f_2 - (g_1 + g_2)\|_p^p \leq \|f_1 + f_2 - h\|_p^p \quad (1 < p < \infty).$$

Now we have

$$\|f_1 + f_2 - (g_1 + g_2)\|_p^p = \int_{\Omega} \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - (g_1 + g_2)(t)\|^p d\mu(t)$$



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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int_{\Omega} \|(x_1 + x_2) - (z_1 + z_2)\|^p d\mu(t) \\
 &= \|(x_1 + x_2) - (z_1 + z_2)\|^p \mu(\Omega) \\
 \|f_1 + f_2 - h\|_p^p &= \int_{\Omega} \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - h(t)\|^p d\mu(t) \\
 &= \int_{\Omega} \|(x_1 + x_2) - h(t)\|^p d\mu(t).
 \end{aligned}$$

So we have that

$$\|(x_1 + x_2) - (z_1 + z_2)\|^p \mu(\Omega) \leq \int_{\Omega} \|(x_1 + x_2) - h(t)\|^p d\mu(t), \quad \forall h \in L^p(\mu, G).$$

In particular, for  $y \in G$ , let  $h_y(t) = y, \forall t \in \Omega$  be a constant function, and clearly

$h_y \in L^p(\mu, G)$ , and so we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|(x_1 + x_2) - (z_1 + z_2)\|^p \mu(\Omega) &\leq \int_{\Omega} \|(x_1 + x_2)(t) - y\|^p d\mu(t) \\
 &= \|(x_1 + x_2) - y\|^p \mu(\Omega).
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $(\mu, \Omega)$  is a finite measure space (i.e.  $\mu(\Omega) < \infty$ ) and assume  $\mu(\Omega) > 0$ , then

$$\|(x_1 + x_2) - (z_1 + z_2)\|^p \leq \|(x_1 + x_2) - y\|^p. \quad (3.34)$$

Since  $y \in G$  was arbitrary,

$$\|(x_1 + x_2) - (z_1 + z_2)\| \leq \|(x_1 + x_2) - y\|, \quad \forall y \in G.$$

Hence  $z_1 + z_2 \in P(x_1 + x_2, G)$ . Therefore  $G$  is proximally additive in  $X$ . ■

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $G$  be a closed subspace of a Banach space  $X$  which is proximally additive in  $X$ , then the following are equivalent:

- (i)  $G$  is a Chebyshev subspace of  $X$
- (ii)  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  is a Chebyshev subspace of  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$ .
- (iii)  $L^p(\mu, G)$  is a Chebyshev subspace of  $L^p(\mu, X)$  such that  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .

**Proof:** By theorem (3.7) of [1],  $G$  is proximal in  $X$  if and only if  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  is proximal in  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$  if and only if  $L^1(\mu, G)$  is proximal in  $L^1(\mu, X)$ . By [[5] p.297]  $L^1(\mu, G)$  is proximal in  $L^1(\mu, X)$  if and only if  $L^p(\mu, G)$  is proximal in  $L^p(\mu, X)$  such that  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . Now invoke Theorems [(3.1), (3.2) and (3.4)] and Lemma 2.3. This completes the proof of the theorem. ■

**Theorem 3.5.** Let  $G$  be a closed subspace of a Banach space  $X$  and suppose  $L^\infty(\mu, G)$  is a Chebyshev subspace of  $L^\infty(\mu, X)$ . If  $G$  is proximally additive in  $X$ , then  $L^\infty(\mu, G)$  is proximally additive in  $L^\infty(\mu, X)$ .



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**Proof:** Let  $f_i \in L^\infty(\mu, X)$ ,  $i=1,2$ . Since  $L^\infty(\mu, G)$  is Chebyshev, then  $L^\infty(\mu, G)$  is proximal in  $L^\infty(\mu, X)$ , and so  $G$  is proximal in  $X$ . Therefore,  $G$  is Chebyshev (because  $G$  has is proximally additive in  $X$ ). Theorem 3.3 and Theorem 3.5 imply that  $L^1(\mu, G)$  is Chebyshev and proximally additive in  $L^1(\mu, X)$ . Then for  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $\exists! h_i \in L^1(\mu, G)$  such that  $h_i \in P(f_i, L^1(\mu, G))$ ; and since  $\|h_i(t)\| \leq 2\|f_i(t)\|$  a.e.  $t$ , then  $h_i \in L^\infty(\mu, G)$ .

By using the same arguments as in ([3], Theorem 1.1) we have  $h_i \in P(f_i, L^\infty(\mu, G))$ .

Now since  $h_i \in P(f_i, L^1(\mu, G))$ ,  $i=1,2$ , and  $L^1(\mu, G)$  is proximally additive in  $L^1(\mu, X)$ , then  $h_1 + h_2 \in P(f_1 + f_2, L^1(\mu, G))$ .

Since  $f_1 + f_2 \in L^\infty(\mu, G)$  and  $\|h_1(t) + h_2(t)\| \leq 2\|f_1(t) + f_2(t)\|$  a.e.  $t$ , then once again; using the same arguments as in ([3], Theorem 1.1) we have  $h_1 + h_2 \in P(f_1 + f_2, L^\infty(\mu, G))$ ; and since  $L^\infty(\mu, G)$  is Chebyshev, then  $L^\infty(\mu, G)$  is proximally additive in  $L^\infty(\mu, X)$ . ■

Finally, in [2], example (3.8), it was shown that being proximally additive is not sufficient for subspace  $G$  to be proximal in  $X$ . Specifically, we have the following:

**Example 3.6.** Let  $X = c_0$ , the space of null sequences, equipped with the sup. norm. Let  $G = \left\{ x \in c_0 : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} x_n = 0 \right\}$ .

We found it worth proving that this space is not trivial. The following setup shows how, and was suggested by Heavilin during a visit at An-Najah National University back in the year 2007/2008. Here is the construction:

Choose a real sequence  $x = (x_n) \in (c_0 \setminus G)$  such that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} x_n < \infty$ , and assume that  $\alpha = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} x_n \neq 0$ . Now, consider the sequence  $y = (y_n) = \begin{cases} -\alpha & \text{if } n = 1 \\ x_{n-1} & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$

It is clear that  $y \neq 0$  and we want to show that  $y \in G$ . To this end;

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} y_n = -\frac{\alpha}{2} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 2^{-n} y_n = -\frac{\alpha}{2} + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} 2^{-m-1} x_m$$



$$= -\frac{\alpha}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} 2^{-m} x_m = -\frac{\alpha}{2} + \frac{\alpha}{2} = 0.$$

Therefore,  $y \in G$  and so  $G$  is not trivial.

#### 4. A note on optimization theory

Optimization in mathematics is to search for means by which extreme values of functions are detected within some feasible region. A good optimizing technique is expected to arrive at best solution(s). Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) is, now, a standard method of advanced optimization technique and has been empirically shown to perform well on many of these optimization problems. It is lucidly and widely used to find the global optimum solution in a complex search space. This, in a sense, is another face of best approximation theory, each in its field of application. The difference is in the fact that, optimal solutions occur as values of functions while proximal maps have the basic problem of non-being linear. It is routine check [by 3.2 of 2] that the linearity of proximity maps should be maintained under proximal additivity. Having done this, the scope of invoking such maps in the theory of best approximation will be much wider. For further development, we would like to refer the reader to [1,2,7].

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