

## Chebyshev Subspaces of Orlicz Function Space

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**Abstract.** In this paper it is proved that  $G$  is a Chebyshev subspace of a Banach space  $X$  if and only if  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  is a Chebyshev subspace of  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$ , where  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$  is an Orlicz function space with Luxemburg norm.

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $\phi$  be an Orlicz function on  $[0, \infty)$  (i.e. a continuous, strictly increasing convex function satisfying  $\phi(0) = 0$  and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \phi(t) = \infty$ ). Let  $(\Omega, \mu)$  be a finite measure, for a real Banach space  $X$ , The orlicz space  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$  is a space of all measurable functions  $f: \Omega \rightarrow X$  such that  $\int_\Omega \phi(c^{-1}\|f(t)\|) d\mu(t) < \infty$ , for some  $c > 0$ . Define a Luxemburg norm on  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$  by  $\|f\|_\phi = \inf\{c > 0: \int_\Omega \phi(c^{-1}\|f(t)\|) d\mu(t) \leq 1\}$ , for more see [9].

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 Chebyshev subspace. 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  $z_2 \in P(x_2, G)$ . For more see [6], [7].

In this paper we prove that:  $G$  is a Chebyshev subspace of a Banach space  $X$  if and only if  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  is a Chebyshev subspace of  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$ , where  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$  is an Orlicz function space with Luxemburg norm. In [3], it was proved the same result for the linear metric space  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$ , with  $\phi$  is a modulus function, and  $d(f, g) = \int_\Omega \phi(\|f(t) - g(t)\|) d\mu(t)$  is the metric, for more results about this metric space see [2, 3, 4, 5].

Throughout this paper we take  $\Omega = [0, 1]$  and  $\phi$  is an Orlicz function with  $\phi(0) = 0, \phi(1) = 1$ .

### 2. Main results

**Lemma 2.1.** [3] Suppose that  $G$  is a proximal subspace of a Banach space  $X$  and that  $G$  is proximally additive in  $X$ . Then  $G$  is Chebyshev.

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $G$  be a closed subspace of  $X$ . if  $G$  is proximally additive in  $X$ , then  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  is proximally additive in  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$ .

**Proof:** Suppose  $g_1 \in P(f_1, L^\phi(\mu, G))$ , and  $g_2 \in P(f_2, L^\phi(\mu, G))$ , then by [8, corollary 2.1] we get  $g_1(t) \in P(f_1(t), G)$ ,  $g_2(t) \in P(f_2(t), G)$ ,  $\forall t$ .

Hence,  $\forall t \in \Omega, \forall y \in G$

$$d((f_1 + f_2)(t), G) = \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - (g_1 + g_2)(t)\| \leq \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - y\|$$

Thus,  $\forall t \in \Omega, \forall y \in L^\phi(\mu, G) : \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - (g_1 + g_2)(t)\| \leq \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - h(t)\|$ .

Since  $\phi$  is increasing, then  $\forall h \in L^\phi(\mu, G)$  we have that

$$\int_0^1 \phi(c^{-1} \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - (g_1 + g_2)(t)\|) d\mu(t) \leq \int_0^1 \phi(c^{-1} \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - h(t)\|) d\mu(t)$$

Thus,

$$\inf\{c > 0: \int_0^1 \phi(c^{-1} \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - (g_1 + g_2)(t)\|) d\mu(t) \} \\ \leq \inf\{c > 0: \int_0^1 \phi(c^{-1} \|(f_1 + f_2)(t) - h(t)\|) d\mu(t)\}$$

Therefore,  $\forall h \in L^\phi(\mu, G)$ ,  $\|(f_1 + f_2) - (g_1 + g_2)\|_\phi \leq \|(f_1 + f_2) - h\|_\phi$

And so,  $g_1 + g_2 \in P(f_1 + f_2, L^\phi(\mu, G))$ . Thus,  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  is proximally additive. ■

**Theorem 2.3.** 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  $X$ .

**Proof:** Suppose  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  is proximally 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  $g_i(t) = z_i, \forall t$  and for  $i = 1, 2$ .

It is clear such that  $f_i, g_i \in L^\phi(\mu, X)$ , and  $g_i \in L^\phi(\mu, G)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ .

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

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

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

Since  $\phi$  is strictly increasing, then  $\forall h \in L^\phi(\mu, G)$  we have that

$$\int_0^1 \phi(c^{-1} \|f_i(t) - g_i(t)\|) d\mu(t) \leq \int_0^1 \phi(c^{-1} \|f_i(t) - h(t)\|) d\mu(t)$$

Hence,  $\forall h \in L^\phi(\mu, G)$ :

$$\inf\{c > 0: \int_0^1 \phi(c^{-1} \|f_i(t) - g_i(t)\|) d\mu(t) \leq 1\} \\ \leq \inf\{c > 0: \int_0^1 \phi(c^{-1} \|f_i(t) - h(t)\|) d\mu(t) \leq 1\}$$

Thus,  $\|f_i - g_i\|_\phi \leq \|f_i - h\|_\phi, i = 1, 2, \forall h \in L^\phi(\mu, G)$ .

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

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

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

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By corollary 2.1 of [8], we have that

$$g_1(t) + g_2(t) \in P(f_1(t) + f_2(t), G).$$

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

**Corollary 2.4.** Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $G$  be a closed subspace of  $X$ .  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  is proximally additive in  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$  if and only if  $G$  is proximally additive in  $X$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $G$  be a closed subspace of a Banach space  $X$ . Then the following are equivalent :

- (i)  $G$  is proximal in  $X$
- (ii)  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  is proximal in  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$ .

**Proof:** By [1, theorem 3.7] and [8, theorem 2.1] we get that:

$G$  is proximal  $\Leftrightarrow L^1(\mu, G)$  is proximal  $\Leftrightarrow L^\phi(\mu, G)$  is proximal . ■

**Theorem 2.6.** 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  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$ .

**Proof:** By theorem (2.5), and corollary 2.4 ■

Orlicz spaces generalize  $L^p(\mu, X)$  for  $1 < p < \infty$ , in the sense that if  $\phi(t) = t^p$ , then  $\|f\|_\phi = \|f\|_p$  and so  $L^\phi(\mu, X) = L^p(\mu, X)$ . Hence, the following theorem from [3] is a direct result of corollary 2.4:

**Theorem 2.7.** 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  $L^p(\mu, X)$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ .

### 3. Conclusion

If  $G$  is a closed subspace of a Banach space  $X$ , then we get that:  $G$  is a Chebychev subspace of a Banach space  $X$  if and only if  $L^\phi(\mu, G)$  is a Chebyshev subspace of  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$ , where  $L^\phi(\mu, X)$  is an Orlicz function space with Luxemburg norm.

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