

# “Reflexivity and completeness of normed almost linear space”

*T. Markandeya Naidu & Dr. D. Bharathi*

Lecturer in Mathematics,  
P.V.K.N. Govt. College, CHITTOOR,  
Affiliated to S.V.University, Tirupati.  
Andhra Pradesh-517002  
Email: [tmnaidu.maths@yahoo.co.in](mailto:tmnaidu.maths@yahoo.co.in)

Associate professor,  
Department of Mathematics,  
S.V.University, TIRUPATI,  
Andhra Pradesh-517502  
Email: [bharathikavali@yahoo.co.in](mailto:bharathikavali@yahoo.co.in)

**Abstract:** *In this paper we established some results on reflexivity and completeness of normed almost linear space. The reflexivity of a normed almost linear space  $X$  with respect to the sub spaces  $W_X$  and  $V_X$  are described through some results.*

## 1.Introduction

The notion of almost linear space and normed almost linear space was introduced by G. Godini [1 - 3]. All spaces involved in this work are over the real field  $\mathbb{R}$ . Sang Han Lee [4] introduced the algebraic dual space and algebraic double dual space of the almost linear space  $X$  and define algebraic reflexivity of the almost linear space  $X$ . Sung Mo Im and Sang Han Lee [7] characterizes the reflexivity of normed almost linear space without basis. Sung Mo Im and Sang Han Lee [9] proved that the dual space  $X^*$  of a normed almost linear space is complete. Basing all the above results in this paper we established some results relating to reflexivity of normed almost linear space  $X$  with respect to the sub spaces  $W_X$  and  $V_X$  of normed almost linear space  $X$ .

## 2. Preliminaries

**Definition 2.1:** Let  $X^* = \{f \in X^\# : \|f\| < \infty\}$ , then the space  $X^*$  together with  $\|\cdot\|$  defined by  $\|f\| = \sup \{|f(x)| : \|x\| \leq 1\}$  is called the dual space of the normed almost linear space  $X$ .

**Definition 2.2:** The dual space of the dual space  $X^*$  is called bi-dual space or second dual space of  $X$  and is denoted by  $X^{**}$ .

**Definition 2.3:** For every normed almost linear space  $X$ , there is a natural map  $F: X \rightarrow X^{**}$  such that  $F(x)(f) = f(x)$ , for every  $x \in X$  and for every  $f \in X^*$  where  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $F(x) \in X^{**}$  where  $F(x): X^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

**Definition 2.4:** The normed almost linear space  $X$  is called reflexive when the natural map  $F: X \rightarrow X^{**}$  is an isomorphism

**Proposition 2.5:** Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a normed almost linear space. Then for each  $x \in X$  there exists  $f_x \in X^*$  such that  $\|f_x\| = 1$  and  $f_x(x) = \|x\|$ . ■

**Proposition 2.6:** Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a normed almost linear space. Then for each  $f \in (W_X)^*$  there exists  $f_1 \in W_X^*$  such that  $f_1|_{W_X} = f$  and  $\|f_1\| = \|f\|$  and  $f_1(v+w) = f(w)$  for each  $v \in V_X$  and  $w \in W_X$ . ■

**Proposition 2.7:** Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a normed almost linear space and split as  $X = W_X + V_X$ . Then for each  $f \in (V_X)^*$  there exists  $f_1 \in V_X^*$  such that  $f_1|_{V_X} = f$  and  $\|f_1\| = \|f\|$ . ■

**Proposition 2.8:** If a normed almost linear space  $X$  is reflexive, then  $X = W_X + V_X$ . ■

**Proposition 2.9:** If a normed almost linear space  $X$  splits as  $X = W_X + V_X$  and  $f$  is an almost linear functional on  $X$  then  $f \in W_X^*$  if and only if  $f|_{V_X} = 0$ . ■

**Proposition 2.10:** If a normed almost linear space  $X$  splits as  $X = W_X + V_X$ , then (i).  $V_X^{**}$  is isomorphic with  $(V_X)^{**}$  and (ii).  $W_X^{**}$  is isomorphic with  $(W_X)^{**}$ . ■

**Proposition 2.11:** If  $\omega_Y$  is one-to-one then  $I$  is one-to-one and onto  $L(X_1, (Y_1, C_1))$ . And  $L(X, (Y, C))$  is a normed almost linear space iff  $L(X_1, (Y_1, C_1))$  is a normed almost linear space. For proof of propositions 2.5 to 2.11 refer [3 – 9]

### 3. Main results

**Theorem 3.1:** For any  $x$  in a normed almost linear space  $X$ , we have

$$\|x\| = \sup\left\{\frac{|f(x)|}{\|f\|} : f \in X^*, f \neq 0\right\}.$$

**Proof:** For any  $x \in X$ , by Proposition 2.5, there exists  $f_x \in X^*$  such that  $\|f_x\|=1$  and  $f_x(x) = \|x\|$ .

So we have  $\|x\| = \frac{|f_x(x)|}{\|f_x\|} \leq \sup\left\{\frac{|f(x)|}{\|f\|} : f \in X^*, f \neq 0\right\}$ .

From  $|f(x)| \leq \|f\| \|x\|$ , we have  $\sup\left\{\frac{|f(x)|}{\|f\|} : f \in X^*, f \neq 0\right\} \leq \|x\|$  for each

$f \in X^*$ . Hence

$$\|x\| = \sup\left\{\frac{|f(x)|}{\|f\|} : f \in X^*, f \neq 0\right\}. \blacksquare$$

For a normed almost linear space  $X$  and  $f \in X^*$ , an equivalent formula for  $f$  is

$$\|f\| = \sup_{\|x\|=1} |f(x)| = \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{|f(x)|}{\|x\|} \quad (3.1)$$

An isomorphism  $T$  of a normed almost linear space  $X$  onto a normed almost linear space  $Y$  is a bijective linear operator  $T: X \rightarrow Y$  which preserves the norm, that is, for all  $x \in X$ ,  $\|T(x)\| = \|x\|$ . Then  $X$  is called isomorphic with  $Y$ .

For  $x \in X$  let  $Q_x$  be the functional on  $X^*$  defined, as in the case of a normed linear space, by

$$Q_x(f) = f(x) \quad (f \in X^*). \quad (3.2)$$

Then  $Q_x$  is an almost linear functional on  $X^*$  and  $\|Q_x\| \leq \|x\|$ .

Hence  $Q_x$  is an element of  $X^{**}$ , by definition of  $X^{**}$ . (3.3)

This defines a mapping  $C: X \rightarrow X^{**}$  by  $C(x) = Q_x$ . (3.4)

$C$  is called the canonical mapping of  $X$  into  $X^{**}$ .

If the canonical mapping  $C$  of a normed almost linear space  $X$  onto  $X^{**}$  defined by (3.1) is an isomorphism, then  $X$  is said to be reflexive. ■

**Theorem 3.2:** For a normed almost linear space  $X$ , the canonical mapping  $C$  defined by (3.4) is a linear operator and preserves the norm.

**Proof:** By (3.1) and Theorem (3.1), we have

$$\|Q_x\| = \sup_{f \neq 0} \frac{|Q_x(f)|}{\|f\|} = \sup_{f \neq 0} \frac{|f(x)|}{\|f\|} = \|x\| \text{ for each } x \in X.$$

Hence  $C$  preserves the norm.

Let  $x, y \in X$  and  $\alpha \in R$ .

For each  $f \in X^*$ , we have  $Q_{x+y}(f) = f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y) = Q_x(f) + Q_y(f)$ ,

$$Q_{\alpha x}(f) = f(\alpha x) = (\alpha f)(x) = (\alpha \circ Q_x)(f).$$

Thus  $C(x+y) = C(x) + C(y)$  and  $C(\alpha x) = \alpha \circ C(x)$ .

Therefore  $C$  is a linear operator. ■

**Theorem 3.3:** If a normed almost linear space  $X$  splits as  $X = W_X + V_X$ , then

$V_{X^*}$  is isomorphic with  $(V_X)^*$  and  $W_{X^*}$  is isomorphic with  $(W_X)^*$ .

**Proof:** Since  $x^* \setminus V_X \in (V_X)^*$  for each  $x^* \in V_{X^*}$ , we can define an operator

$T: V_{X^*} \rightarrow (V_X)^*$  by  $T(x^*) = x^* \setminus V_X$  for each  $x^* \in V_{X^*}$ .

For

$x^*, y^* \in V_{X^*}$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in R$ , we have

$$T(\alpha x^* +$$

$$\beta y^*)v = \alpha x^*v + \beta y^*v = \alpha(x^* \setminus V_X)v + \beta(y^* \setminus V_X)v = \alpha T(x^*)v + \beta T(y^*)v = \alpha T(x^* + \beta T(y^*))v$$

for each  $v \in V_X$ .

Hence  $T$  is a linear operator.

If  $x^* \neq y^* \in V_{X^*}$ , then  $x^*(v) \neq y^*(v)$  for some  $v \in V_X$ .

So  $T(x^*) \neq T(y^*)$ . Hence  $T$  is injective.

For each  $v^* \in (V_X)^*$ , there exists  $x^* \in V_{X^*}$  such that  $x^* \setminus V_X = v^*$  by Proposition 2.5.

Hence  $T$  is surjective.

For any  $v^* \in V_{X^*}$ ,  $\|v^*\| \geq \|v^* \setminus V_X\| = \|T(v^*)\|$ .

Also, if  $x = v + w \in X$ ,  $v \in V_X$ ,  $w \in W_X$  with  $\|x\| \leq 1$ , then  $\|v\| \leq 1$  and

$$v^*(x) =$$

$v^*(v)$ .

So we

have  $\|v^*\| = \sup\{|v^*(x)| : x \in X, \|x\| \leq 1\} \leq \sup\{|v^*(v)| : v \in V_X, \|v\| \leq 1\}$

$$= \sup\{|T(v^*)(v)| : v \in V_X, \|v\| \leq 1\} = \|T(v^*)\|$$

Hence  $T$  preserves the norm. Therefore  $V_{X^*}$  is isomorphic with  $(V_X)^*$ .

Similarly apply Proposition 2.9 and Proposition 2.6, we can show that an operator

$T': W_{X^*} \rightarrow (W_X)^*$ ,  $T'(x^*) = x^* \setminus W_X$  ( $x^* \in W_{X^*}$ ), is an isomorphism. ■

**Theorem 3.4:** If a normed almost linear space  $X$  is reflexive, then  $V_X$  and  $W_X$  are reflexive.

**Proof:** By Proposition 2.8,  $X = W_X + V_X$  since  $X$  is reflexive.

Let  $C: X \rightarrow X^{**}$  be the canonical isomorphism, and let  $C': V_X \rightarrow (V_X)^{**}$  be the canonical mapping.

We will show that  $C'$  is bijective. Let  $v^{**} \in (V_X)^{**}$ .

By theorem 3.3,  $T: V_{X^*} \rightarrow (V_X)^*$ ,  $T(v^*) = v^* \setminus V_X (v^* \in V_{X^*})$ , is an isomorphism.

Since  $x^* \setminus V_X \in (V_X)^*$  for each  $x^* \in X^*$ , we can define a functional  $\bar{v}^{**}: X^* \rightarrow R$  by  $\bar{v}^{**}(x^*) = v^{**}(x^* \setminus V_X)$  for each  $x^* \in X^*$ . Then  $\bar{v}^{**} \in V_{X^{**}}$ .

Since  $C$  is an isomorphism of  $X$  onto  $X^{**}$ , there exists  $v \in V_X$  such that  $C(v) = \bar{v}^{**}$ .

For this  $v \in V_X$ ,  $C'(v) = v^{**}$ .

Indeed, for each  $v^* \in (V_X)^*$ , there exists  $\bar{v}^* \in V_{X^*}$  such that  $\bar{v}^* \setminus V_X = v^*$  by Proposition 2.7. So, we have  $v^{**}(v^*) = v^{**}(\bar{v}^* \setminus V_X) = \bar{v}^{**}(\bar{v}^*) = C(v)(\bar{v}^*) = \bar{v}^*(v) = v^*(v) = C'(v)(v^*)$ .

Hence  $C'$  is surjective.

If  $v_1 \neq v_2$  in  $V_X$ , then  $C(v_1) \neq C(v_2)$  in  $X^{**}$  since  $C$  is an isomorphism.

Choose  $f \in X^*$ , such that  $C(v_1)(f) \neq C(v_2)(f)$ , i.e.,  $f(v_1) \neq f(v_2)$ .

For this  $f \in X^*$ ,  $f \setminus V_X \in (V_X)^*$  and  $f \setminus V_X (v_1) \neq f \setminus V_X (v_2)$ .

So, we have  $C'(v_1) \neq C'(v_2)$ .

Hence  $C'$  is injective.

Therefore  $C'$  is an isomorphism.

Similarly, we can show that  $W_X$  is reflexive. ■

**Theorem 3.5:** Let  $X$  be a split normed almost linear space as  $X = W_X + V_X$ . If  $V_X$  and  $W_X$  are reflexive, then  $X$  is reflexive.

**Proof:** Note that  $X^* = W_{X^*} + V_{X^*}$  and  $X^{**} = W_{X^{**}} + V_{X^{**}}$ .

Let  $C': V_X \rightarrow (V_X)^{**}$  and  $C'': W_X \rightarrow (W_X)^{**}$  be the canonical isomorphism, and let  $C: X \rightarrow X^{**}$  be the canonical map.

We will show that  $C$  is bijective.

Let  $v^{**} \in V_{X^{**}}$ . By Proposition 2.11, we have  $v^{**}(x^*) = v^{**}(v^*)$  for each  $x^* = v^* + w^* \in X^*$ ,  $v^* \in V_{X^*}$ ,  $w^* \in W_{X^*}$ . And  $v^{**} \setminus V_{X^*} \in (V_{X^*})^*$ .

Recall that  $T: V_{X^*} \rightarrow (V_X)^*$ ,  $T(v^*) = v^* \setminus V_X (v^* \in V_{X^*})$ , is an isomorphism.

Define a functional  $\bar{v}^{**}: (V_X)^* \rightarrow R$  by  $\bar{v}^{**}(v^* \setminus V_X) = v^{**}(v^*)$  for each  $v^* \setminus V_X \in (V_X)^*$ . Then  $\bar{v}^{**} \in (V_X)^{**}$ .

Since  $C'$  is an isomorphism of  $V_X$  onto  $(V_X)^{**}$ , there exists  $v \in V_X$  such that  $C'(v) = \bar{v}^{**}$ .

For this  $v \in V_X$ ,  $C(v) = v^{**}$ .

Indeed,  $v^{**}(x^*) = v^{**}(v^*) = \bar{v}^{**}(v^* \setminus V_X) = C'(v)(v^* \setminus V_X) = v^* \setminus V_X (v) = v^*(v) = x^*(v) = C(v)(x^*)$  for each  $x^* = v^* + w^* \in X^*$  with  $v^* \in V_{X^*}$ ,  $w^* \in W_{X^*}$ .

Similarly, for each  $w^{**} \in W_{X^{**}}$ , there exists  $w \in W_X$  such that  $C(w) = w^{**}$ .

Hence, for each  $x^{**} = v^{**} + w^{**} \in X^{**}$  with  $v^{**} \in V_{X^{**}}$ ,  $w^{**} \in W_{X^{**}}$ , there exists

$x = v + w \in X$  with  $v \in V_X$ ,  $w \in W_X$  such that  $C(x) = C(v) + C(w) = v^{**} + w^{**} = x^{**}$ . Hence

$C$  is surjective.

If  $w_1 \neq w_2$  in  $W_X$ , then  $C''(w_1) \neq C''(w_2)$  in  $(W_X)^{**}$  since  $C''$  is an isomorphism.

Choose  $f \in (W_X)^*$  such that  $C''(w_1)(f) \neq C''(w_2)(f)$ , i.e.,  $f(w_1) \neq f(w_2)$ .

By proposition 2.6, there exists  $f_1 \in X^*$  such that  $f_1 \setminus W_X = f$  and  $\|f_1\| = \|f\|$ .

For this  $f_1$ , we have  $C(w_1)(f_1) \neq C(w_2)(f_1)$  since  $f_1(w_1) \neq f_1(w_2)$ .

Hence  $C(w_1) \neq C(w_2)$ . Similarly  $C(v_1) \neq C(v_2)$  for  $v_1 \neq v_2$  in  $V_X$ .

Therefore  $C$  is injective since  $C$  is a linear operator and hence  $X$  is reflexive ■

**Lemma 3.6:** A normed almost linear space  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  is complete iff  $(E_X, \|\cdot\|)$  is a Banach space

and  $X_1$  is norm-closed in  $E_X$ .

**Proof:** Suppose  $X$  complete.

Then  $X_1$  is complete in the  $\|\cdot\|$  of  $E_X$  and so closed in  $E_X$ .

We show now that  $E_X$  is a Banach space.

Let  $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset E_X$  be a Cauchy sequence.

We can suppose that for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we have  $\|z_n - z_{n+p}\| < \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$  for each  $p \geq 1$

Let  $z_1 = x_1 - y_1$ ,  $x_1, y_1 \in X_1$ .

Since  $\|z_2 - z_1\| < 1/2^2$ , there exist  $x_2, y_2 \in X_1$  such that  $z_2 - z_1 = x_2 - y_2$  and

$\|x_2\| + \|y_2\| < 1/2^2$ .

Then  $z_2 = (x_1 + x_2) - (y_1 + y_2)$  where  $\|x_2\| < 1/2^2$ ,  $\|y_2\| < 1/2^2$ .

By induction on  $n$  we find two sequences  $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}, \{y_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty} \subset X_1$  such that for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we have

$$z_n = (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i) - (\sum_{i=1}^n y_i) \text{ and}$$

for  $n \geq 2$  we have

$$\|x_n\| < 1/2^n, \|y_n\| < 1/2^n.$$

For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $\overline{x_n} =$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \in X_1 \text{ and } \overline{y_n} = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \in X_1.$$

Clearly  $\{\overline{x_n}\}_{n=1}^\infty$  and

$\{\overline{y_n}\}_{n=1}^\infty$  are Cauchy sequences and since  $X_1$  is complete, there exist  $\bar{x}, \bar{y} \in X_1$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\overline{x_n} - \bar{x}\| = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\overline{y_n} - \bar{y}\| = 0.$$

Then for  $z = \bar{x} - \bar{y}$

$\in E_X$  we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|z_n - z\| = 0$ , i.e.,  $E_X$  is a Banach space.

The converse

part is obvious. ■

**Theorem 3.7:** Let  $X$  be a complete normed almost linear space,  $Y$  a normed almost linear space such that  $\omega_Y$  is one-to-one and  $C \subset Y$  a closed convex cone such that  $L(X, (Y, C))$  is a normed almost linear space. Let  $\{T_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  be a sequence in  $L(X, (Y, C))$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho_Y(T_n(x), T(x)) = 0$  for each  $x \in X$ . Then the sequence  $\{\|T_n\|\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is bounded and  $T \in L(X, (Y, C))$ .

**Proof:** Since  $\omega_Y$  is one-to-one and  $C$  closed, it is easy to show that  $T \in L(X, (Y, C))$ .

Now for each  $x \in X$ ,  $\|x\| \leq 1$  we have

$$\|T(x)\| = \|\omega_Y T(x)\| \leq \|\omega_Y(T(x)) - \omega_Y(T_n(x))\| + \|\omega_Y(T_n(x))\| = \rho_Y(T_n(x), T(x)) + \|T_n(x)\|$$

for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and so if we show that  $\{\|T_n\|\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is bounded,

then  $T \in L(X, (Y, C))$ .

Since

$\omega_Y$  is one-to-one, by hypotheses and Proposition 2.11,  $L(X_1, (Y_1, C_1))$  is a normed almost linear space.

Now  $\omega_{L(X, (Y, C))}(T_n) \in K$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then  $\omega_{L(X, (Y, C))}(T_n) / X_1 = \widetilde{T}_n \in L(X_1, (Y_1, C_1))$  and  $\omega_Y T_n = \widetilde{T}_n \omega_X$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Hence by hypothesis we have that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho_Y(T_n(x), T(x)) = 0$  for each  $x \in X$ .

$$T(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\omega_Y(T_n(x)) - \omega_Y(T(x))\|$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\widetilde{T}_n(\omega_X(x)) - \omega_Y(T(x))\| \text{ and so for each } \bar{x} \in X_1 \text{ the sequence } \{T_n(\bar{x})\}_{n=1}^\infty$$

converges to an element of  $Y_1$ .

Let  $z \in E_X$ ,  $z = \overline{x_1} - \overline{x_2}$ ,  $\overline{x_i} \in X_1$ ,  $i=1,2$ .

Then  $\{\omega_{L(X,(Y,C))}(T_n)(z)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges to an element of  $E_Y$ .

By Lemma (3.6),  $E_X$  is a Banach space.

Hence by Banach-Steinhaus theorem the sequence  $\{\|\omega_{L(X,(Y,C))}(T_n)\|\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is bounded. Since

$\|\omega_{L(X,(Y,C))}(T_n)\| = \|T_n\|$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the sequence  $\{\|T_n\|\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is bounded. ■

#### 4. References:

[1]	G. Godini	:	An approach to generalizing Banach spaces. Normed almost linear spaces, Proceedings of the 12 <sup>th</sup> winter school on Abstract Analysis. 5 (1984) 33-50.
[2]	G. Godini	:	On Normed almost linear spaces, Math. Ann. 279 (1988) 449-455.
[3]	G. Godini	:	Operators in Normed almost linear spaces Proceedings of the 14 <sup>th</sup> winter school on Abstract Analysis (Sri. 1986). Suppl. Rend. Circ. Mat. Palermo II. Numero. 14 (1987) 309-328.
[4]	Sang Han Lee	:	Reflexivity of normed almost linear space, comm. Korean Math. Soc. 10 (1995) 855-866.
[5]	Sung Mo Im and Sang Han Lee	:	Uniqueness of basis for almost linear space, Bull. Korean Math. Soc. 34 (1997) 123-133.
[6]	Sung Mo Im and Sang Han Lee	:	A Metric Induced by a norm on normed almost linear space, Bull. Korean Math. Soc. 34 (1997) 115-125.
[7]	Sung Mo Im and Sang Han Lee	:	A characterization of reflexivity of normed almost linear space, Comm. Korean Math. Soc. 12 (1997) 211-219.
[8]	Sang Han Lee and Kil-Woung Jun	:	A Metric on normed almost linear space, Bull. Korean Math. Soc. 36 (1999) 379-388.
[9]	Sung Mo Im and Sang Han Lee	:	Completeness of a normed almost linear space $B(X,(Y,C))$ Journal of the Chungcheong



			Mathematical Society. 13 (2000) 79-85.
[10]	G.Apreutesei	:	The Hyperspacial Topologies and Almost linear space. Analele Stiintifice Ale Universitatii ALI.CUZA”Iasi Tomul XLVIII S.I a Mathematica. (2002) 1-16.
[11]	G.Apreutesei, Nikoas E.Mastorakis, Anca Croitoru and Alina Gavrilut	:	On the translation of an almost linear topology, Wseas Transactions on Mathematics.8 (2009) 479-488.