

ISOMETRIES OF A FUNCTION SPACE

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ABSTRACT. It is proved here that an isometry on the subset of all positive functions of $L^1 \cap L^p(\mathbb{R})$ can be characterized by means of a function h together with a Borel measurable mapping ϕ of \mathbb{R} , thus generalizing the Banach-Lamparti theorem of L^p spaces.

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1. INTRODUCTION.

Edwards [1] proves that all bipositive isomorphisms of L^p ($1 \leq p < \infty$) convolution algebras of a compact group are induced by bicontinuous isomorphisms of the group. By changing the algebra isomorphism from bipositive to an isometry Strichartz [2] establishes the same type of result with the exception of $p = 2$. Here we consider isometries of $L^1 \cap L^p(\mathbb{R})$, $p \neq 2$, and give a general form to the Banach-Lamparti theorem proving the isometry equivalent to a combination of a function h and a Borel measurable mapping ϕ of \mathbb{R} .

2. THE ELEMENTARY LEMMAS.

The norm of a function in $L^1 \cap L^p(\mathbb{R})$, denoted by $\|f\|_\eta$, is defined by

$$\|f\|_\eta = \|f\|_p + \|f\|_1.$$

A condition equivalent to the equality of norms of $f+g$ and $f-g$ for positive functions of $L^1 \cap L^p(\mathbb{R})$ is given in the following lemma.

LEMMA 1. Let $f, g \in L^1 \cap L^p(\mathbb{R})$ and $f, g \geq 0$. Then

$$\|f + g\|_\eta = \|f - g\|_\eta \iff f \cdot g = 0 \text{ a.e.}$$

PROOF. From Royden [3] we have

$$\|f + g\|_p^p + \|f - g\|_p^p = 2(\|f\|_p^p + \|g\|_p^p) \iff fg = 0 \text{ a.e.} \quad (2.1)$$

Now, $\|f + g\|_p^p = \int (f+g)^p = \int f^p + \int g^p \iff fg = 0$.

Thus, $\|f + g\|_p^p = \|f\|_p^p + \|g\|_p^p \iff fg = 0$. (2.2)

From (2.1) and (2.2), we get

$$\|f + g\|_p^p = \|f - g\|_p^p \iff fg = 0$$

$$\text{or } \|f + g\|_p = \|f - g\|_p \iff fg = 0 \quad (2.3)$$

In particular for $p = 1$ (2.3) becomes

$$\|f + g\|_1 = \|f - g\|_1 \iff fg = 0 \quad (2.4)$$

Addition of (2.3) and (2.4) yields

$$fg = 0 \implies \|f + g\|_n = \|f - g\|_n.$$

Conversely, if $\|f + g\|_n = \|f - g\|_n$, then

$$(\|f + g\|_p - \|f - g\|_p) + (\|f + g\|_1 - \|f - g\|_1) = 0.$$

Since both of the terms in parentheses are positive, we obtain $fg = 0$ by (2.3) and (2.4).

In the next lemma we show that for positive functions if $L^1 \cap L^p(\mathbb{R})$ on isometry preserves the disjointness of supports.

LEMMA 2. Let $f, g \in L^1 \cap L^p$ and $f, g \neq 0$. Let u be an isometry on $L^1 \cap L^p$. Then

$$(\text{Supp } f) \cap (\text{Supp } g) = \phi \iff (\text{Supp } uf) \cap (\text{Supp } ug) = \phi$$

PROOF. $(\text{Supp } f) \cap (\text{Supp } g) = \phi \iff fg = 0$

$$\iff \|f + g\|_n = \|f - g\|_n \quad (\text{Lemma 1})$$

$$\iff \|uf + ug\|_n = \|uf - ug\|_n$$

$$\iff (uf)(ug) = 0$$

$$\iff (\text{Supp } uf) \cap (\text{Supp } ug) = \phi. \quad \square$$

3. THE THEOREM.

Let $1 \leq p < \infty$, $p \neq 2$ and u be a one-one onto linear transformation on positive functions of $L^1 \cap L^p(\mathbb{R})$ such that $\|uf\|_n = \|f\|_n$. Then there is a one-one Borel measurable mapping of \mathbb{R} onto itself and a function h such that

$$uf = h(f(\phi)) \text{ for all positive } f \in L^1 \cap L^p.$$

PROOF. Let M_0 denote the family of sets of measure zero. Clearly M_0 is a σ -ideal of \mathcal{B} , where \mathcal{B} is the family of Borel sets.

For the σ -algebra

$$\mathcal{B}/M_0 = \{A \mid A = \text{Supp } f, f \text{ positive, } f \in L^1 \cap L^p\}.$$

Define a map

$$\begin{aligned} \phi &: B/M_0 \rightarrow B/M_0 \text{ by} \\ \phi(A) &= \text{Supp } Ue^{-x^2} \chi_A, \text{ where } A = \text{Supp } f. \end{aligned}$$

We shall prove that ϕ is an σ -isomorphism.

For this we must prove the following:

- (i) $\phi(A \cup B) = \phi(A) \cup \phi(B)$
- (ii) $\phi\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \phi(A_i)$
- (iii) $\phi(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{R}$
- (iv) $\phi(\bar{A}) = \overline{(\phi(A))}$ (\bar{A} = the complement of A)
- (v) ϕ is a bijection

(i) Let $A, B \in B/M_0$ and $A \cap B = \emptyset$. Then there are $f, g \in L^1 \cap L^p$ such that $A = \text{supp } f$ and $B = \text{supp } g$. So $(\text{supp } f) \cap (\text{supp } g) = \emptyset$. Therefore by lemma 2 we get

$$(\text{Supp } \cup f) \cap (\text{Supp } \cup g) = \emptyset \quad (3.1)$$

Since $A \cap B = \emptyset$, we have $\chi_{A \cup B} = \chi_A + \chi_B$, and therefore

$$Ue^{-x^2} \chi_{A \cup B} = Ue^{-x^2} \chi_A + Ue^{-x^2} \chi_B, \quad (\text{by } (3.1))$$

This gives,

$$\text{Supp } Ue^{-x^2} \chi_{A \cup B} = \text{Supp } Ue^{-x^2} \chi_A + \text{supp } Ue^{-x^2} \chi_B$$

Thus,

$$\phi(A \cup B) = \phi(A) \cup \phi(B)$$

(ii) Let $(A_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a disjoint family of members of B/M_0 and let $A = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$,

then $\chi_A = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \chi_{A_i}$. So by linearity of U we obtain

$$Ue^{-x^2} \chi_A = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n U \chi_{A_i}.$$

Therefore we get

$$\text{Supp } Ue^{-x^2} \chi_A = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{supp } U \chi_{A_i}$$

and hence $\phi(A) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \phi(A_i)$.

(iii) First we show that $\phi(A) \subset \phi(B)$ whenever $A \subset B$. For, if $A \subset B$ then, B is the disjoint union of A and $B-A$ and $\chi_B = \chi_A + \chi_{B-A}$. An application of lemma (2) gives

$$\text{Supp } Ue^{-x^2} \chi_B = (\text{Supp } Ue^{-x^2} \chi_A) \cup (\text{Supp } Ue^{-x^2} \chi_{B-A})$$

proving $\phi(B) = \phi(A) \cup \phi(B-A)$ which in turn gives

$$\phi(A) \subset \phi(B) \tag{3.2}$$

Now in order to prove $\phi(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{R}$, suppose that $\mathbb{R} - \phi(\mathbb{R}) = E \neq \phi$, and consider $e^{-x^2} \chi_E \in L^1 \cap L^p$. Since U is onto there exists $f \in L^1 \cap L^p$ such that $U f = e^{-x^2} \chi_E$. Therefore $\text{supp } U f = \text{supp } e^{-x^2} \chi_E = E$, giving $\phi(A) = E$, where $A = \text{supp } f$. Thus we obtained $\mathbb{R} - \phi(\mathbb{R}) = \phi(A)$ which implies $\phi(A) \not\subset \phi(\mathbb{R})$, contradicting (3.2). Hence $\phi(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{R}$.

(iv) Since the sum of the characteristic functions on A and its complement is unity we easily obtain $(\text{supp } U e^{-x^2} \chi_A) \cup (\text{supp } U e^{-x^2} \chi_{\bar{A}}) = \text{supp } U e^{-x^2}$. This implies $\phi(A) \cup \phi(\bar{A}) = \phi(\mathbb{R})$ and so using (iii) we get $\phi(A) \cup \phi(\bar{A}) = \mathbb{R}$. Further from $\phi(A) \cap \phi(\bar{A}) = \phi$ we obtain $\overline{\phi(A)} = \phi(\bar{A})$ as required.

(v) If we take $\phi(A) = \phi(B)$ then $\text{supp } U e^{-x^2} \chi_A = \text{supp } U e^{-x^2} \chi_B$ and this implies $\text{supp } e^{-x^2} \chi_{\bar{A}} \cap \text{supp } e^{-x^2} \chi_B = \phi$ by lemma (2). Thus $\bar{A} \cap B = \phi$ which implies $B \subset A$. Interchanging the roles of A and B gives $A \subset B$ so that $A=B$ and thus ϕ is one-one.

Now since U is onto, corresponding to $e^{-x^2} \chi_A$, there exists $g \in L^1 \cap L^p$ such that $U e^{-x^2} \chi_A = g$. Therefore $\text{supp } U e^{-x^2} \chi_A = \text{supp } g$ and $\phi(A) = \text{supp } g \in \mathcal{B}/M_0$ proving ϕ is onto.

Now it follows from a theorem of Royden [3] that ϕ is a σ -isomorphism of \mathcal{B}/M_0 onto itself. Thus there is a one-one mapping ψ of \mathcal{B}/M_0 onto itself such that ϕ and ψ^{-1} are Borel measurable and

$$\phi(A) = \psi^{-1}(A) \text{ modulo } M_0.$$

Now, consider $\chi_{[0,1]} \in L^1 \cap L^p$ and take $h_1 = U(\chi_{[0,1]})$. If A_1 is any Borel set of \mathbb{R} contained in $[0,1]$ then $\chi_{[0,1]} = \chi_{A_1} + \chi_{[0,1]-A_1}$. So $h_1 = U\chi_{A_1} + U\chi_{[0,1]-A_1}$. But $\text{supp } \chi_{A_1}$ is disjoint from $(\text{supp } \chi_{[0,1]-A_1})$ therefore from lemma (2) we get

$$(\text{supp } U \chi_{A_1}) \cap (\text{supp } U \chi_{[0,1]-A_1}) = \phi$$

That is $U \chi_{A_1}$ equals h_1 on the support $U \chi_{A_1}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore } U \chi_{A_1} &= h_1 \chi_{\text{supp } U \chi_{A_1}} \\ &= h_1 \chi_{\text{supp } U e^{-x^2} \chi_{A_1}} \\ &= h_1 \chi_{\phi(A_1)} \\ &= h_1 (\chi_{A_1} \phi) \end{aligned}$$

In general if A_n is a Borel set contained in $[n,n+1]$ where $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, then we can have $U \chi_{A_n} = h_n (\chi_{A_n} \phi)$. Further if A is any Borel set of \mathbb{R} then there exists a Borel set of A_n of \mathbb{R} for all n such that $A = \bigcup_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} A_n$, $A_m \cap A_n = \phi$ whenever $m \neq n$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now } u\chi_A &= u(\chi_{\cup A_n}) \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h_n(\chi_A \phi) \\
 &= h(\chi_A \phi), \text{ where } h = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h_n.
 \end{aligned}$$

If ψ is any simple function we have

$$u\psi = h(\psi(\phi)).$$

Further, functions in $L^1 \cap L^p(\mathbb{R})$ can be approximated in norm by a simple function, and u is norm preserving, we get

$$u\phi = h(\phi(\phi)).$$

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