

On Invariance of ϵ - Orthogonality , ϵ - Approximation And ϵ - Coapproximation In Metric Linear Spaces

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ABSTRACT

We discuss ϵ -approximation , ϵ - coapproximation, ϵ - orthogonality, ϵ - approximation preserving, ϵ - coapproximation preserving and ϵ -orthogonality preserving maps in metric linear spaces. The results proved in the paper generalize and extend several known results on the subject.

The Notion of orthogonality introduced by G.birkhoff [1] was used to characterize elements of best approximation in normed linear spaces (see [21], p.92). This notion of Orthogonality, extended to metric linear spaces was used to characterize elements of best approximation in [9] . A new kind of approximation , called best co-approximation was introduced and discussed in normed linear spaces by Franchetti and Furi [4] and subsequently many results on co-approximation appeared in normed linear spaces, metric linear spaces, metric spaces and other abstract spaces (see e.g.[10], [15]- [20] and reference cited therein). The notion of invariant best approximation in normed linear spaces was introduced and discussed by Meinardus [8] and thereafter Brosowski [2] generalized result of Meinardus and proved some interesting results on invariance of best approximation. Various generalizations of their results appeared in literature since then in normed linear spaces (see e.g. [5]). Mazaheri and zadeh [7] discussed certain maps which preserve orthogonality, best approximation and best co-approximation in normed linear spaces. The author in [12] extended the invariance principle of Meinardus to metric spaces and also discussed invariance of best approximation, best co-approximation and orthogonality in metric linear spaces in [14].

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I. INTRODUCTION

R.C. Buck [3] (see also [21] , p.162) introduced and discussed the notion of ϵ - approximation (called good approximation in [3]) in normed linear spaces and this notion was extended to metric spaces in [13] . Very little has been done so far concerning ϵ - approximation. This theory can be developed to a large extent parallel to the theory of best approximation. The notion of ϵ - co-approximation in metric spaces was introduced in [11]. It will be interesting to study elements of ϵ - co-approximation and develop a parallel theory, similar to the theory of ϵ - approximation. Mazaheri and Vaezpour [6] introduced the notion of ϵ -orthogonality and thereafter , Mazaheri and Zadeh [7] discussed ϵ - approximation preserving, ϵ - co-approximation preserving and ϵ - orthogonality preserving maps in normed linear spaces.

In this paper, we discuss ϵ - approximation, ϵ -co-approximation, ϵ - orthogonality, ϵ -approximation preserving, ϵ - co-approximation preserving and ϵ - orthogonality preserving maps in metric linear spaces. The proved results generalize and extend several results of [6], [7], [13] and [14].

To start with, we recall a few definitions.

Let G be a non-empty subset of a metric linear space (X,d) and $x \in X$. For a given $\epsilon > 0$, an element $g_0 \in G$ is said to be an ϵ -approximation (ϵ -coapproximation) to x if $d(x, g_0) \leq d(x, g) + \epsilon$ for all $g \in G$ i.e. $d(x,$

$d(x, g_0) \leq d(x, G) + \epsilon$ ($d(g_0, g) \leq d(x, g) + \epsilon$) for all $g \in G$. The set of all ϵ -approximation (ϵ -coapproximation) to x in G is denoted by $P_{G, \epsilon}(x)$ ($R_{G, \epsilon}(x)$).

For $\epsilon = 0$, we find elements of best approximation (best coapproximation) of x and respectively the sets $P_G(x)$ ($R_G(x)$). The set G is said to be ϵ -proximal (ϵ -coproximal) if $P_G(x)$ ($R_G(x)$) is non-empty for all $x \in X$. It is easy to see that elements of ϵ -approximation always exist but elements of ϵ -coapproximation may or may not exist.

For $x, y \in X$, we say that x is ϵ -orthogonal to y , $x \perp_\epsilon y$ if $d(x, 0) \leq d(x, \alpha y) + \epsilon$ for all scalars α . For non-empty subsets A and B of X , we say that A is ϵ -orthogonal to B , $A \perp_\epsilon B$, if $a \perp_\epsilon b$ for all $a \in A, b \in B$. We define sets

$$\hat{G}_\epsilon = \{ x \in X : x \perp_\epsilon G \}$$

$$\check{G}_\epsilon = \{ x \in X : G \perp_\epsilon x \}$$

For a linear subspace G of a metric linear space (X, d) and $\epsilon > 0$, we have

Proposition 1 $g_0 \in G$ is an ϵ -approximation to $x \in X$ if and only if $x - g_0 \in \hat{G}_\epsilon$.

Proof $x - g_0 \in \hat{G}_\epsilon \Leftrightarrow x - g_0 \perp_\epsilon G$
 $\Leftrightarrow x - g_0 \perp_\epsilon g$ for all $g \in G$
 $\Leftrightarrow d(x - g_0, 0) \leq d(x - g_0, \alpha g) + \epsilon$ for all $g \in G$, for all scalars α
 $\Leftrightarrow d(x, g_0) \leq d(x, g_0 + \alpha g) + \epsilon$ for all $g \in G$, for all scalars α
 $\Leftrightarrow d(x, g_0) \leq d(x, g') + \epsilon$ for all $g' \in G$, for all scalars α
 $\Leftrightarrow g_0 \in P_{G, \epsilon}(x)$

Proposition 2 $g_0 \in P_{G, \epsilon}(x) \Leftrightarrow 0 \in P_{G, \epsilon}(x - g_0)$.

Proof $g_0 \in P_{G, \epsilon}(x) \Leftrightarrow x - g_0 \in \hat{G}_\epsilon$
 $\Leftrightarrow (x - g_0) - 0 \in \hat{G}_\epsilon$
 $\Leftrightarrow 0 \in P_{G, \epsilon}(x - g_0)$

Proposition 3 If $x - g_0 \in \check{G}_\epsilon$ then $g_0 \in G$ is an ϵ -coapproximation to x .

Proof $(x - g_0) \in \check{G}_\epsilon \Rightarrow G \perp_\epsilon (x - g_0)$
 $\Rightarrow g \perp_\epsilon (x - g_0)$ for all $g \in G$
 $\Rightarrow d(g, 0) \leq d(g, \alpha (x - g_0)) + \epsilon$ for all $g \in G$, for all scalars α
 $\Rightarrow d(g + \alpha g_0, \alpha g_0) \leq d(g + \alpha g_0, \alpha x) + \epsilon$ for all $g \in G$, for all α
 $\Rightarrow d(g', \alpha g_0) \leq d(g', \alpha x) + \epsilon$ for all $g' \in G$, for all α
 $\Rightarrow d(g_0, g') \leq d(x, g') + \epsilon$ for all $g' \in G$
 $\Rightarrow g_0 \in R_{G, \epsilon}(x)$
 $\Rightarrow g_0 \in G$ is an ϵ -coapproximation to x

Proposition 4 Let G be a subspace of a metric linear space (X, d) and $x \in X$. Then for $g_0 \in G, G \perp_\epsilon (x - g_0) \Leftrightarrow \alpha g_0 \in R_{G, \epsilon}(\alpha x)$ for every scalar α .

Proof Let $\alpha g_0 \in R_{G,\epsilon}(\alpha x)$ for all scalars α i.e. $d(\alpha g_0, g) \leq d(\alpha x, g) + \epsilon$ for all $g \in G$, for all scalars α . This implies $d(\alpha x - \alpha g_0, g - \alpha g_0) + \epsilon \geq d(g - \alpha g_0, 0)$ for all $g \in G$, for all scalars α i.e. $d(g', \alpha(x - g_0)) + \epsilon \geq d(g', 0)$ for all $g' \in G$ and all scalars α i.e. $G \perp_\epsilon (x - g_0)$

Conversly, let $G \perp_\epsilon (x - g_0)$ i.e. $G \perp_\epsilon (x - g_0)$ for all $g \in G$. This implies $d(g, \alpha(x - g_0)) + \epsilon \geq d(g, 0)$ for all $g \in G$ and all scalars α . Therefore $d(g + \alpha g_0, \alpha x) + \epsilon \geq d(g, 0)$ for all $g \in G$ and all scalars α i.e. $d(g', \alpha x) \leq d(g', \alpha x) + \epsilon$ for all $g' \in G$ and all scalars α .

Therefore $\alpha g_0 \in R_{G,\epsilon}(\alpha x)$ for all scalars α .

Proposition 5 $g_0 \in R_{G,\epsilon}(x) \Leftrightarrow 0 \in R_{G,\epsilon}(x - g_0)$

Proof $g_0 \in R_{G,\epsilon}(x) \Leftrightarrow d(g_0, g) \leq d(x, g) + \epsilon$ for all $g \in G$
 $\Leftrightarrow d(g_0 - g, 0) \leq d(x - g_0, g - g_0) + \epsilon$ for all $g \in G$
 $\Leftrightarrow d(0, g - g_0) \leq d(x - g_0, g - g_0) + \epsilon$ for all $g \in G$
 $\Leftrightarrow d(0, g') \leq d(x - g_0, g') + \epsilon$ for all $g' \in G$
 $\Leftrightarrow 0 \in R_{G,\epsilon}(x - g_0)$

For isometric mappings, we have

Theorem 1 let T be an isometry on a metric space (X, d) i.e. $d(Tx, Ty) = d(x, y)$ for all $x, y \in X$, $\epsilon > 0$ and G be a subset of X such that $T(G) = G$. Then

- (a) $T[R_{G,\epsilon}(x)] \subseteq R_{G,\epsilon}[Tx]$
- (b) If x is T -invariant then $T[R_{G,\epsilon}(x)] \subseteq R_{G,\epsilon}(x)$
- (c) If x is T -invariant and if $R_{G,\epsilon}(x) = \{g_0\}$ then $Tg_0 = g_0$
- (d) If x is T -invariant and if $\{g \in G : Tg = g\} \cap R_{G,\epsilon}(x) = \emptyset$ then either $R_{G,\epsilon}(x) = \emptyset$ or $R_{G,\epsilon}(x)$ has more than one point.

Proof (a) Let $T(g_0) \in T[R_{G,\epsilon}(x)]$ i.e. $g_0 \in R_{G,\epsilon}(x)$.

Let $g \in G$ be arbitrary. Then $T(G) = G$ implies the existence of $u \in G$ such that $g = T(u)$. Consider

$$\begin{aligned} d(Tg_0, g) &= d(Tg_0, Tu) = d(g_0, u) \leq d(x, u) + \epsilon \\ &= d(Tx, Tu) + \epsilon \\ &= d(Tx, g) + \epsilon \text{ for all } g \in G \end{aligned}$$

This implies that $T(g_0) \in T[R_{G,\epsilon}(x)]$ whenever g_0 is an ϵ -coapproximation to x .

(b) Suppose $g_0 \in R_{G,\epsilon}(x)$. Then (a) implies $T(g_0) \in R_{G,\epsilon}[Tx]$ i.e. $T(g_0) \in R_{G,\epsilon}(x)$ i.e.

$$T[R_{G,\epsilon}(x)] \subseteq R_{G,\epsilon}(x)$$

(c) By (b), $T(g_0) \in \{g_0\}$ i.e. $T(g_0) = g_0$

(d) By (b), $T(g_0) \in R_{G,\epsilon}(x)$. But by the hypothesis, no invariant element can be an ϵ -coapproximation, therefore $T(g_0) \neq g_0$. So, if $T(g_0) = g_0$ then an ϵ -coapproximation to x does not exist i.e. $R_{G,\epsilon}(x) = \emptyset$. If $T(g_0) \neq g_0$ then x has at least two ϵ -coapproximations to x .

Remarks It is easy to see that similar results are true for $P_{G,\epsilon}(x)$.

The next result will be useful in our subsequent discussion:

Lemma Let (X, d) be a metric linear space. If $T: X \rightarrow X$ is an isometry then for all subspaces G of X and $x \in X$, $T[P_{G,\epsilon}(x)] = P_{T(G),\epsilon}[Tx]$ and $T[R_{G,\epsilon}(x)] = R_{T(G),\epsilon}[Tx]$

Proof Since T is an isometry, $d(Tx, Ty) = d(x, y)$ for all $x, y \in X$. The proof now follows from

$d(x, g_0) \leq d(x, g) + \epsilon$ for all $g \in G \Leftrightarrow d(Tx, Tg_0) \leq d(Tx, Tg)$ for all $Tg \in T(G)$ and $d(g_0, g) \leq d(x, y) + \epsilon$ for all $g \in G \Leftrightarrow d(Tg_0, Tg) \leq d(Tx, Tg) + \epsilon$ for all $T(g) \in T(G)$.

Definition Suppose X and Y are metric linear spaces and $\epsilon > 0$. A map $T: X \rightarrow Y$ is called ϵ -approximation preserving (ϵ - coapproximation preserving) if for all subspaces G of X and all $x \in X$, $T[P_{G, \epsilon}(x)] = P_{T(G), \epsilon}[Tx]$ ($T[R_{G, \epsilon}(x)] = R_{T(G), \epsilon}[Tx]$)

Above lemma shows that if (X, d) is a metric linear space then every isometry $T: X \rightarrow X$ is ϵ -approximation (ϵ - coapproximation) preserving. As a consequence of the above lemma, we obtain

Theorem 2 Suppose (X, d) and (Y, d') are two metric linear spaces and $T: X \rightarrow Y$ is a linear map which is an isometry. Then

- (a) A subspace G of X is ϵ -proximal (ϵ -coproximal) if and only if $T(G)$ is ϵ -proximal (ϵ -coproximal)
- (b) A subspace G of X is ϵ -Chebyshev (ϵ -coChebyshev) if and only if $T(G)$ is ϵ -Chebyshev (ϵ -coChebyshev)

Theorem 3 Suppose X and Y are metric linear spaces, $\epsilon > 0$ and $T: X \rightarrow Y$ is a linear onto isometry. Then

- (a) $x \perp_{\epsilon} y \Leftrightarrow Tx \perp_{\epsilon} Ty$
- (b) For a subspace G of X , $T(\hat{G}_{\epsilon}) = \hat{T(G)}_{\epsilon}$
- (c) For a subspace G of X , $T(\check{G}_{\epsilon}) = \check{T(G)}_{\epsilon}$

Proof

- (a) $x \perp_{\epsilon} y \Leftrightarrow d(x, 0) \leq d(x, \alpha y) + \epsilon$ for all scalars α
 $\Leftrightarrow d(Tx, T0) \leq d(Tx, T(\alpha y)) + \epsilon$ for all scalars α
 $\Leftrightarrow d(Tx, T0) \leq d(Tx, \alpha T(y)) + \epsilon$ for all scalars α
 $\Leftrightarrow Tx \perp_{\epsilon} Ty$

(b) Let $y \in T(\hat{G}_{\epsilon})$. Then $y = Tx, x \in \hat{G}_{\epsilon}$. Now $x \in \hat{G}_{\epsilon} \Rightarrow x \perp_{\epsilon} G$
 $\Rightarrow Tx \perp_{\epsilon} T(G) \Rightarrow y \perp_{\epsilon} T(G) \Rightarrow y \in \hat{T(G)}_{\epsilon}$. Therefore $T(\hat{G}_{\epsilon}) \subseteq \hat{T(G)}_{\epsilon}$. Conversely, suppose $y \in \hat{T(G)}_{\epsilon}$. Then $y \perp_{\epsilon} T(G)$. Since T is onto, $y = Tx, x \in X$ and so $Tx \perp_{\epsilon} T(G)$ i.e. $Tx \perp_{\epsilon} Tg$ for all $g \in G$. Therefore $d(Tx, 0) \leq d(Tx, \alpha T(g)) + \epsilon$ for all $g \in G$ and all scalars α i.e. $d(Tx, 0) \leq d(Tx, T(\alpha g)) + \epsilon$ for all $g \in G$ and all scalars α . Therefore $d(x, 0) \leq d(x, \alpha g) + \epsilon$ for all $g \in G$ and all scalars α i.e. $x \perp_{\epsilon} g$ for all $g \in G$ i.e. $x \perp_{\epsilon} G$ and so $x \in \hat{G}_{\epsilon}$ i.e. $y = Tx \in T(\hat{G}_{\epsilon})$. Therefore $\hat{T(G)}_{\epsilon} \subseteq T(\hat{G}_{\epsilon})$ and hence $T(\hat{G}_{\epsilon}) = \hat{T(G)}_{\epsilon}$.

(c) Let $y \in T(\check{G}_{\epsilon})$. Then $y = Tx, x \in \check{G}_{\epsilon}$. Now $x \in \check{G}_{\epsilon} \Rightarrow G \perp_{\epsilon} x \Rightarrow T(G) \perp_{\epsilon} Tx \Rightarrow T(G) \perp_{\epsilon} y \Rightarrow y \in \check{T(G)}_{\epsilon}$. Conversely, suppose $y \in \check{T(G)}_{\epsilon}$ i.e. $T(G) \perp_{\epsilon} y$. Since T is onto, $y = Tx, x \in X$ and so $T(G) \perp_{\epsilon} Tx$ i.e. $Tg \perp_{\epsilon} Tx$ for all $g \in G$ and therefore $d(Tg, 0) \leq d(Tg, T(\alpha x)) + \epsilon$ for all $g \in G$ and all scalars α . Therefore $d(g, 0) \leq d(g, \alpha x) + \epsilon$ for all $g \in G$ and all scalars α i.e. $G \perp_{\epsilon} x$ and so $x \in \check{G}_{\epsilon}$ i.e. $y = Tx \in T(\check{G}_{\epsilon})$. Therefore $\check{T(G)}_{\epsilon} \subseteq T(\check{G}_{\epsilon})$ and hence $T(\check{G}_{\epsilon}) = \check{T(G)}_{\epsilon}$.

Theorem 4 If G is a linear subspace of a metric linear space (X, d) and $\epsilon > 0$, then

- (a) G is ϵ -proximal $\Leftrightarrow X = G + \hat{G}_{\epsilon}$

(b) G is ϵ -Chebyshev $\Leftrightarrow X = G \oplus \hat{G}_\epsilon$

(c) G is ϵ -semi Chebyshev \Leftrightarrow each $x \in X$ has atmost one sum decomposition as $G + \hat{G}_\epsilon$

Proof (a) Suppose G is ϵ -proximal and $x \in X$ is arbitrary . Since G is ϵ -proximal , there exists $g_0 \in P_{G,\epsilon}(x)$

(x) and so $x - g_0 \in \hat{G}_\epsilon$ and $x = g_0 + (x - g_0) \in G + \hat{G}_\epsilon$.Hence $X = G + \hat{G}_\epsilon$.

Conversly , suppose $X = G + \hat{G}_\epsilon$. Let $x \in X$ be arbitrary. Then $x = g_0 + (x - g_0)$. Now $x - g_0 \in \hat{G}_\epsilon \Rightarrow g_0 \in P_{G,\epsilon}(x)$ and hence G is ϵ -proximal in X .

Let G be ϵ -Chebyshev in X . Then G is ϵ -proximal in X and so by (a) , $X = G + \hat{G}_\epsilon$. Let $x \in X$ be such that

$x = g_1 + y_1 = g_2 + y_2 ; g_1 \in G, g_2 \in G, y_1 \in \hat{G}_\epsilon, y_2 \in \hat{G}_\epsilon$.This gives $g_1 - g_2 = y_2 - y_1 \in G$. Now $y_1 \in \hat{G}_\epsilon$

$\Rightarrow y_1 - 0 \in \hat{G}_\epsilon \Rightarrow 0 \in P_{G,\epsilon}(y_1) \Rightarrow g_1 \in P_{G,\epsilon}(y_1 + g_1)$ i.e. $g_1 \in P_{G,\epsilon}(x)$. Similarly , $g_2 \in P_{G,\epsilon}(x)$. Since G

is ϵ -Chebyshev, $g_1 = g_2$ and so $y_2 = y_1$ i.e. $x \in X$ has a unique representation and hence $X = G \oplus \hat{G}_\epsilon$

Conversly , suppose $X = G \oplus \hat{G}_\epsilon$. To show that G is ϵ -Chebyshev. Since $X = G + \hat{G}_\epsilon$, G is ϵ -proximal by (a).Suppose $x \in X$ has two distinct ϵ -approximations in G , say g_1 and g_2 . Then $x - g_1, x - g_2 \in \hat{G}_\epsilon$.But then $x = g_1 + (x - g_1)$ and $x = g_2 + (x - g_2)$. This contradicts $X = G \oplus \hat{G}_\epsilon$.

(c) follows from proofs of (a) and (b).

Remarks Can we prove similar results for co- approximation ?We know that ϵ - approximation always exists but ϵ - coapproximation may or may not exist. However, we have

Theorem 5 If G is a linear subspace of a metric linear space (X,d) such that $X = G + \check{G}_\epsilon$ then G is ϵ -cproximal in X .

Proof Let $x \in X$ be arbitrary. Then $x = g_0 + y \in G + \check{G}_\epsilon$. Now $y = y - 0 \in \check{G}_\epsilon \Rightarrow 0 \in R_{G,\epsilon}(y)$ i.e. $0 \in R_{G,\epsilon}(x - g_0)$ and so $g_0 \in R_{G,\epsilon}(x)$. Hence G is ϵ -cproximal in X .

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