

## 2-NSR LEMMA AND QUOTIENT SPACE IN 2-NORMED SPACE

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**Abstract.** In this paper we discuss properties of compactness and compact operator on 2-normed space. Also we consider a result which is similar to Riesz Lemma and its applications in 2-normed space. We introduce quotient space from the finite dimensional subspace of a 2-normed space.

### 1. Introduction

The concept of a linear 2-normed space was introduced as a natural 2-metric analogue of that of a normed space. In 1963, Gähler introduced the notion of a 2-metric space, a real valued function of point-triples on a set  $X$ , whose abstract properties were suggested by the area function for a triangle determined by a triple in Euclidean space. In [4] S. Gähler introduced the following definition of a 2-normed space.

### 2. Preliminaries

DEFINITION 2.1. [4] Let  $X$  be a real linear space of dimension greater than 1. Suppose  $\| \cdot, \cdot \|$  is a real valued function on  $X \times X$  satisfying the following conditions:

1.  $\|x, y\| = 0$  if and only if  $x$  and  $y$  are linearly independent,
2.  $\|x, y\| = \|y, x\|$ ,
3.  $\|\alpha x, y\| = |\alpha| \|x, y\|$ ,
4.  $\|x + y, z\| \leq \|x, z\| + \|y, z\|$ .

Then  $\| \cdot, \cdot \|$  is called a 2-norm on  $X$  and the pair  $(X, \| \cdot, \cdot \|)$  is called a 2-normed space. Some of the basic properties of 2-norms, are that they are non-negative and  $\|x, y + x\| = \|x, y\|$ ,  $\forall x, y \in X$  and  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbf{R}$ .

DEFINITION 2.2. [2] Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two 2-normed spaces and  $T: X \rightarrow Y$  be a linear operator. For any  $e \in X$ , we say that the operator  $T$  is  $e$ -bounded if there

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exists  $M_e > 0$  such that  $\|T(x), T(e)\| \leq M_e \|x, e\|$  for all  $x \in X$ . An  $e$ -bounded operator  $T$  for every  $e$  will be called bounded.

DEFINITION 2.3. [4] A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in a 2-normed space  $X$  is said to be convergent if there exists an element  $x \in X$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\{x_n - x\}, y\| = 0$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

DEFINITION 2.4. [4] Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two 2-normed spaces and  $T: X \rightarrow Y$  be a linear operator. The operator  $T$  is said to be sequentially continuous at  $x \in X$  if for any sequence  $\{x_n\}$  of  $X$  converging to  $x$  we have  $T(\{x_n\}) \rightarrow T(x)$ .

DEFINITION 2.5. [2] The closure of a subset  $E$  of a 2-normed space  $X$  is denoted by  $\overline{E}$  and defined as the set of all  $x \in X$  such that there is a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  of  $E$  converging to  $x$ . We say that  $E$  is closed if  $E = \overline{E}$ .

For a 2-normed space we consider the subsets

$$B_e(a, r) = \{x : \|x - a, e\| < r\}, \quad B_e[a, r] = \{x : \|x - a, e\| \leq r\}.$$

DEFINITION 2.6. [2] A subset  $A$  of a 2-normed space  $X$  is said to be locally bounded if there exist  $e \in X - \{0\}$  and  $r > 0$  such that  $A \subseteq B_e(0, r)$ .

DEFINITION 2.7. [2] A subset  $B$  of a 2-normed space  $X$  is said to be compact if every sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $B$  has a convergent subsequence in  $B$ .

DEFINITION 2.8. [2] Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two 2-normed spaces. A linear operator  $T: X \rightarrow Y$  is called a compact operator if it maps every locally bounded sequence  $\{x_n\}$  of  $X$  onto a sequence  $\{T(x_n)\}$  in  $Y$  which has a convergent subsequence.

LEMMA 2.9. [2] *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two 2-normed spaces. If  $T: X \rightarrow Y$  is a surjective bounded linear operator then  $T$  is sequentially continuous.*

COROLLARY 2.10. [2] *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two 2-normed spaces. Then every compact operator  $T: X \rightarrow Y$  is bounded.*

### 3. Main results

LEMMA 3.1. *Let  $X$  be a 2-normed space. If  $B_e[a, r]$  is compact in  $X$  for some  $a, e \in X$  and  $r > 0$  then  $X$  is of finite dimension.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $B_e[a, r]$  is compact. The quotient space  $X/\langle e \rangle$  is a normed space equipped with the norm

$$\begin{aligned} \|x + \langle e \rangle\|_Q &= \inf \left\{ \frac{\|x, e\|}{\|e, e'\|} : e' \notin \langle e \rangle \text{ \& } \|e, e'\| \leq 1 \right\} \\ &\quad + \sup \left\{ \frac{\|x, e\|}{\|e, e'\|} : e' \notin \langle e \rangle \text{ \& } \|e, e'\| > 1 \right\} \\ &= \|x, e\| + \sup \left\{ \frac{\|x, e\|}{\|e, e'\|} : e' \notin \langle e \rangle \text{ \& } \|e, e'\| > 1 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Define  $A'_e = \{x + \langle e \rangle : \|x - a + \langle e \rangle\|_Q \leq \frac{r}{\|e, e'\|}\}$  and let  $A = \bigcap \{A_{e'} : e \text{ and } e' \text{ are linearly independent}\}$ . Then  $A$  is a closed ball in the normed space  $X/\langle e \rangle$ . We aim to show that  $A$  is a compact set in the normed space  $X/\langle e \rangle$ . For that let  $\{x_n + \langle e \rangle\}$  be any sequence in  $A$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_n + \langle e \rangle - (a + \langle e \rangle)\|_Q &= \|x_n - a + \langle e \rangle\|_Q \leq \frac{r}{\|e, e'\|}; \forall e' \notin \langle e \rangle \text{ and } \forall n \\ &\Rightarrow \|x_n - a, e\| \leq \frac{r}{\|e, e'\|}; \forall e' \notin \langle e \rangle \text{ and } \forall n. \end{aligned}$$

In particular,

$$\|x_n - a, e\| \leq r; \forall n \Rightarrow x_n \in B_e[a, r].$$

Hence  $\{x_n\}$  has a convergent subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  converges to a point  $x_0$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n_k} + \langle e \rangle - (x_0 + \langle e \rangle)\|_Q &= \|x_{n_k} - x_0 + \langle e \rangle\|_Q \\ &= \|x_{n_k} - x_0, e\| + \sup \left\{ \frac{\|x_{n_k} - x_0, e'\|}{\|e, e'\|} : e' \notin \langle e \rangle \text{ and } \|e, e'\| > 1 \right\} \\ &= \|x_{n_k} - x_0, e\| \left[ 1 + \sup \left\{ \frac{1}{\|e, e'\|} : e' \notin \langle e \rangle \text{ and } \|e, e'\| > 1 \right\} \right] \\ &\Rightarrow \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_k} + \langle e \rangle - (x_0 + \langle e \rangle)\|_Q = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\{x_{n_k} + \langle e \rangle\}$  is a convergent subsequence of  $\{x_n + \langle e \rangle\}$ . This implies that  $A$  is compact and so  $X/\langle e \rangle$  is of finite dimension. Hence  $X$  is of finite dimension. ■

Here we introduce a result which is similar to Riesz Lemma.

**LEMMA 3.2. [2-NSR LEMMA]** *Let  $X$  be a 2-normed space and let  $0 \neq e \in X$ . Let  $r$  be any number such that  $0 < r < 1$ . Then there exists some  $x_r \in X$  such that  $\|x_r, e\| = 1$  and  $r < \|x_r, e\|$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $\|x, e\| > 0, \forall x \notin \langle e \rangle$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x + \langle e \rangle\|_Q &= \|x, e\| + \sup \left\{ \frac{\|x, e'\|}{\|e, e'\|} : e' \notin \langle e \rangle \text{ and } \|e, e'\| > 1 \right\} \\ &> 0; \quad \forall x \notin \langle e \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Also, as  $r < 1, \|x, e\| \leq \|x + \langle e \rangle\|_Q < \frac{\|x + \langle e \rangle\|_Q}{r}, \forall x \notin \langle e \rangle$ . Put  $x_r = x/\|x, e\|$ , so that  $\|x_r, e\| = 1$  and

$$\|x_r + \langle e \rangle\|_Q = \left\| \frac{x}{\|x, e\|} + \langle e \rangle \right\|_Q > r.$$

Thus there exist  $x_r \in X$  such that  $\|x_r, e\| = 1$  and  $r < \|x_r, e\|$ . ■

**REMARK.** Let  $X$  be a 2-normed space and let  $Y$  be a finite dimensional subspace of  $X$  generated by  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$ . Then  $X/Y$  is a normed space equipped with the norm

$$\|x + Y\|_Q = \sum_{k=1}^n \|x + \langle e_k \rangle\|_Q.$$

**COROLLARY 3.3.** *Let  $X$  be a 2-normed space and let  $Y$  be a finite dimensional subspace of  $X$ . Let  $r$  be any number such that  $0 < r < 1$ . Then there exists some  $x_r \in X$  such that  $r < \|x_r + Y\|_Q \leq 2$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  be a basis for  $Y$ . Then for any  $x \notin Y$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} r &< \left\| \frac{x}{\|x, e_k\|} + \langle e_k \rangle \right\|_Q \leq 2; \text{ for } k = 1, 2, \dots, n \\ \Rightarrow r \|x, e_k\| &< \|x + \langle e_k \rangle\|_Q \\ &\leq 2 \|x, e_k\|; \text{ for } k = 1, 2, \dots, n \text{ and for every } x \notin Y. \\ \Rightarrow r \sum_{k=1}^n \|x, e_k\| &< \| \|x + Y\|_Q \leq 2 \sum_{k=1}^n \|x, e_k\|. \end{aligned}$$

Put  $x_r = x / \sum_{k=1}^n \|x, e_k\|$  so that  $r < \|x_r + Y\| \leq 2$ . ■

**LEMMA 3.4.** *Every finite dimensional subspace  $Y$  of a 2-normed space  $X$  is complete.*

*Proof.* To prove the completeness of  $Y$ , we use mathematical induction on the dimension  $m$  of  $Y$ . Let  $m = 1$ . Then  $Y = \{ke : k \in \mathbf{R}\}$  with  $e \neq 0$ . If  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $Y$  with  $x_n = k_n e$  then for every  $x \in X$ ,  $\|x_n - x_m, x\| \rightarrow 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_n - x_m, x\| &= \|(k_n - k_m)e, x\| = |k_n - k_m| \|e, x\|; \forall x \in X. \\ \Rightarrow |k_n - k_m| &= \frac{\|x_n - x_m, x\|}{\|x, e\|}, \forall x \notin \langle e \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that  $\{k_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $\mathbf{R}$  which is complete.

If  $k_n \rightarrow k$  in  $\mathbf{R}$  then  $x_n \rightarrow ke$  in  $Y$ . Thus  $Y$  is complete. Now assume that every  $m - 1$  dimensional subspace of  $X$  is complete. Let  $\dim Y = m$  and let  $\{x_n\}$  be a Cauchy sequence in  $Y$ . Let  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  be a basis for  $Y$  and let  $Z = \text{span}\{e_2, e_3, \dots, e_n\}$ . Now for each  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ ,  $x_n = k_n e_1 + z_n$  for some  $k_n \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $z_n \in Z$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_n - x_m, x\| &= \|(k_n - k_m)e_1 + (z_n - z_m), x\| \\ &= |k_n - k_m| \|e_1 + \frac{(z_n - z_m)}{k_n - k_m}, x\|; \forall x \in X. \end{aligned}$$

In particular,

$$\|x_n - x_m, e_2\| = |k_n - k_m| \left\| e_1 + \frac{(z_n - z_m)}{k_n - k_m}, e_2 \right\| > \frac{|k_n - k_m|}{2} \|e_1 + Z\|_Q.$$

It follows that  $\{k_n\}$  a Cauchy sequence in  $\mathbf{R}$  which is complete. As  $z_n = x_n - k_n e_1$ , it follows that  $\{z_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $Z$  which is complete. If  $k_n \rightarrow k$  in  $\mathbf{R}$  and  $z_n \rightarrow z$  in  $Z$ , then  $x_n \rightarrow ke_1 + z$  in  $Y$ . Hence  $Y$  is complete. ■

**THEOREM 3.5.** *Let  $X$  be a 2-normed space and let  $T$  be a surjective compact operator on  $X$  and  $0 \neq k \in \mathbf{R}$ . If  $\{x_n\}$  is a locally bounded sequence in  $X$  such*

that  $T(x_n) - kx_n \rightarrow y$  in  $X$  then there is a subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  converges to  $x$  in  $X$  and  $T(x) - kx = y$ .

*Proof.* Since  $T$  is compact, there exist a subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $T(x_{n_k})$  converges to some  $z \in X$ . Then  $kx_{n_k} = [kx_{n_k} - T(x_{n_k})] + T(x_{n_k})$  converges to  $-y + z$  and so  $\{x_{n_k}\} \rightarrow \frac{z-y}{k} = x$ . Since  $T$  is sequentially continuous [2.9],  $T(x_{n_k}) \rightarrow T(x)$ . It follows that

$$T(x) - kx = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} [T(x_{n_k}) - kx_{n_k}] = z - (-y + z) = y. \quad \blacksquare$$

**THEOREM 2.6.** *Let  $X$  be a 2-normed space and  $T: X \rightarrow X$ . Let  $0 \neq k \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $0 \neq e \in X$  such that  $(T - kI)X \subseteq \langle e \rangle$ . Then there is some  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\|x_0, e\| = 1$  and for every  $y \in \langle e \rangle$ ,  $\|T(x_0) - T(y), e\| > \frac{|k|}{4}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $Y = \langle e \rangle$ . Then  $T(y) = (T(y) - ky) + ky \subseteq Y + Y = Y, \forall y \in Y$ . It follows that  $T(Y) \subseteq Y$ . Choose some  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\|x_0, e\| = 1$  and  $\frac{1}{2} < \|x_0 + \langle e \rangle\|_Q$ . For any  $y \in Y$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|T(x_0) - T(y), e\| &= \|kx_0 - [kx_0 - T(x_0) + T(y)], e\| \\ &= |k| \|x_0 - \frac{1}{k} [kx_0 - T(x_0) + T(y)], e\| \\ &\geq \frac{|k|}{2} \|x_0 - \frac{1}{k} [kx_0 - T(x_0) + T(y)] + \langle e \rangle\|_Q \\ &= \frac{|k|}{2} \|x_0 + \langle e \rangle\|_Q > \frac{|k|}{4}. \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

**COROLLARY 2.7.** *Let  $X$  be a 2-normed space and  $T: X \rightarrow X$ . Let  $0 \neq k \in \mathbf{R}$  and let  $Y$  be a finite dimensional proper subspace of  $X$  such that  $(T - kI)X \subseteq Y$ . Then there is some  $x_0 \in X$  such that for every  $x_0, y_0 \in Y$ ,  $\|T(x_0) - T(y), x\| > \frac{|k|}{4}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m\}$  be a basis for  $Y$ . Then  $T(y) = (T(y) - ky) + ky \subseteq Y + Y = Y, \forall y \in Y$  and so  $T(Y) \subseteq Y$ . Choose some  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\frac{1}{2} < \|x_0 + Y\|_Q$ . For any  $x, y \in Y$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|T(x_0) - T(y), x\| &= \|kx_0 - [kx_0 - T(x_0) + T(y)], x\| \\ &= |k| \|x_0 - \frac{1}{k} [kx_0 - T(x_0) + T(y)], x\| \\ &\geq \frac{|k|}{2} \|x_0 - \frac{1}{k} [kx_0 - T(x_0) + T(y)] + Y\|_Q \\ &= \frac{|k|}{2} \|x_0 + Y\|_Q > \frac{|k|}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

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