

## THE EXTENSION AND APPLICATION OF THE EQUIVALENCE OF NORMS ON A FINITE DIMENSIONAL SPACE

Baorui Zhang<sup>1</sup>, Xiandong Wang<sup>2</sup> and Meimei Song<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Department of Mathematics Qingdao University  
Qingdao, 266071, P.R. China  
e-mail: baorui10@163.com

<sup>2</sup>Department of Mathematics Qingdao University  
Qingdao, 266071, P.R. China

<sup>3</sup>College of Science, Tianjin University of Technology  
Tianjin, P.R. China  
e-mail: songmeimei@tjut.edu.cn

**Abstract.** We introduce the concept of the equivalence of  $\beta$ -norms on a linear space which can be given different  $\beta$ -norms completely. Then for every  $n$ -dimensional  $\beta$ -normed space  $X$ , by using the norm of  $X$ :  $\|x\| = (\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  ( $\forall x = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i e_i \in X$ ), we get a new  $\beta$ -normed space  $(X, \|x\|^\beta)$ , and get a conclusion that any  $\beta$ -norm on a finite dimensional  $\beta$ -normed space is equivalent to  $\|x\|^\beta$ . Further more, we prove that all of the  $\beta$ -norms on a finite dimensional linear space are equivalent. At last, we give an application of norm equivalence: Suppose  $X, Y$  are two  $n$ -dimensional real spaces, then the Banach-Mazur distance  $d(X, \mathbb{R}^n) = c_1^{-1} c_2$ , where  $c_1, c_2$  are two constants concerned with the norm of  $X$ . We also give an estimation of  $d(X, Y)$ .

### 1. PRELIMINARIES

Suppose  $X$  is an  $n$ -dimensional space ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ),  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$  is a basis of  $X$ ,  $\|\cdot\|_1, \|\cdot\|_2$  are two different norms on  $X$ , it is well known of the following results

---

<sup>0</sup>Received October 10, 2011. Revised July 4, 2012.

<sup>0</sup>2000 Mathematics Subject Classification: 39B62, 46B03, 46B20, 47A30, 47A63.

<sup>0</sup>Keywords: equivalence,  $\beta$ -normed space, equivalence of  $\beta$ -norms, Banach-Mazur distance, isomorphic mapping.

<sup>0</sup>Research supported by the NSF of China(Grant No.11171021).

in [1] : there exist two constants  $c_1, c_2 > 0$ , such that for  $\forall x = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i e_i \in X$ , we have

$$c_1 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \|x\|_i \leq c_2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (i = 1, 2).$$

There also exist two constants  $a, b > 0$ , such that for  $\forall x = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i e_i \in X$ , we have

$$a\|x\|_2 \leq \|x\|_1 \leq b\|x\|_2.$$

Motivated by above results, we will discuss if there are similar results in  $\beta$ -normed spaces and discuss the equivalence of the two  $\beta$ -norms on any finite dimensional  $\beta$ -normed space. At last, we will discuss the applications of norm equivalence. Firstly, let us give some definitions.

**Definition 1.1** ([2]). *Suppose  $\beta$  is a fixed number  $0 < \beta \leq 1$ ,  $X$  is a linear space on  $\mathbb{K}$ , where  $\mathbb{K}$  is real or complex, and  $\|\cdot\|_\beta : X \mapsto \mathbb{R}^+ \cup 0$  is a functional. Then  $(X, \|\cdot\|_\beta)$  is called a  $\beta$ -normed space if*

- (1)  $\|x\|_\beta \geq 0, \|x\|_\beta = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = \theta$ ;
- (2)  $\|x + y\|_\beta \leq \|x\|_\beta + \|y\|_\beta$ ;
- (3)  $\|\alpha x\|_\beta = |\alpha|^\beta \|x\|_\beta$ ,

for all  $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}$  and  $x, y, z \in X$ , where  $\theta$  is a zero element in  $X$ , The functional  $\|x\|_\beta$  is called a  $\beta$ -norm on  $X$ .

**Definition 1.2** ([1]). *Suppose  $X$  is a real space.  $\|\cdot\|_1, \|\cdot\|_2$  are two norms on  $X$ . Then  $\|\cdot\|_2$  is not weaker than  $\|\cdot\|_1$  is that: for the arbitrary  $\{x_n\} \subset X, x_0 \in X$ , we have*

$$\|x_n - x_0\|_2 \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \|x_n - x_0\|_1 \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

We say norm  $\|\cdot\|_1$  and norm  $\|\cdot\|_2$  are equivalent if norm  $\|\cdot\|_1$  is not weaker than norm  $\|\cdot\|_2$ , and norm  $\|\cdot\|_2$  is not weaker than norm  $\|\cdot\|_1$ .

There is also an equivalent conditions of the equivalence of two norms  $\|\cdot\|_1$  and  $\|\cdot\|_2$  on  $X$ .

**Theorem 1.3** ([1]). *Suppose  $X$  is a real space.  $\|\cdot\|_1, \|\cdot\|_2$  are two norms on  $X$ . Then  $\|\cdot\|_1$  and  $\|\cdot\|_2$  are equivalent if and only if there exist two constants  $a, b > 0$ , such that*

$$a\|x\|_2 \leq \|x\|_1 \leq b\|x\|_2 \quad (\forall x \in X).$$

The equivalence of  $\beta$ -norms has not a clear definition, and we do not know if there are two similar equivalent definitions of the equivalence of two  $\beta$ -norms

on a  $\beta$ -normed space just like the equivalence of norms on a normed space. Also we do not know if all the  $\beta$ -norms on a finite dimensional  $\beta$ -normed space are equivalent.

In this paper, we use the equivalence of two norms on a general normed space to give a clear definition of equivalence of two  $\beta$ -norms, by giving a counter example, we prove we can not use the inequation of  $\beta$ -norms like the inequation in Theorem 1.3 to define the equivalence of two  $\beta$ -norms. We also prove all the  $\beta$ -norms on a finite dimensional  $\beta$ -normed space are equivalent.

**Definition 1.4.** Let  $X$  be a real or complex linear space, and  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_1}, \|\cdot\|_{\beta_2}$  are two  $\beta$ -norms on  $X$ . We say  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_2}$  is not weaker than  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_1}$  is that: for the arbitrary  $\{x_n\} \subset X, x_0 \in X$ , we have

$$\|x_n - x_0\|_{\beta_2} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \|x_n - x_0\|_{\beta_1} \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

We say  $\beta$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_1}$  and  $\beta$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_2}$  are equivalent if  $\beta$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_1}$  is not weaker than  $\beta$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_2}$ , and  $\beta$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_2}$  is not weaker than  $\beta$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_1}$ .

**Definition 1.5** ([3], [2]). Suppose  $E$  and  $E_1$  are two topology linear spaces.  $T$  is a mapping from  $E$  to  $E_1$ .  $M$  is an arbitrary bounded subset in  $E$ . We say  $T$  is bounded if  $TM$  is bounded in  $E_1$ . We say  $T$  is strongly bounded if there exists a  $\rho > 0$ , such that  $\|Tx\| \leq \rho\|x\|, \forall x \in E$ .

For the sake of convenience, from now on, we use  $X$  to denote an arbitrary  $n$ -dimensional linear space which can be given different  $\beta$ -norms,  $0 < \beta \leq 1, n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

## 2. ANY $\beta$ -NORM IS EQUIVALENT TO A NEW $\beta$ -NORM ON $X$

In this part, we prove that any finite dimensional  $\beta$ -normed space  $X$ , can be given a new  $\beta$ -norm, any other  $\beta$ -norm on  $X$  is equivalent to the new  $\beta$ -norm.

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $(X, \|x\|_{\beta})$  be an  $n$ -dimensional  $\beta$ -normed space, then  $X$  can be given a new  $\beta$ -norm  $\|x\|^{\beta}$  for  $\forall x \in X$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$  is a basis of  $X$ , let  $\|x\|^{\beta} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2\right)^{\frac{\beta}{2}}, \forall x = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i \in X$ . It is easy to know that  $\|x\|^{\beta} \geq 0$ , and  $\|x\|^{\beta} = 0$  if and only if  $x = \theta, \|\alpha x\| = |\alpha|^{\beta} \|x\|^{\beta}$ , to prove  $\|x\|^{\beta}$  is a  $\beta$ -norm, we only need to show  $\|x + y\|^{\beta} \leq \|x\|^{\beta} + \|y\|^{\beta}$ .

In fact,  $\|x\| = (\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  is a norm on  $X$ , so  $\|x+y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$ . Then

$$\|x+y\|^\beta \leq (\|x\| + \|y\|)^\beta \leq \|x\|^\beta + \|y\|^\beta.$$

So  $\|x\|^\beta$  is a  $\beta$ -norm,  $(X, \|x\|^\beta)$  is a new  $\beta$ -normed space.  $\square$

**Remark 2.2.** In fact, any linear space can be endowed with a norm (see [4], page 35). Here, we can say any finite dimensional linear space can be given a new  $\beta$ -norm.

**Theorem 2.3.** Suppose  $\|\cdot\|_\beta$  is an arbitrary  $\beta$ -norm on  $X$ , then  $\|\cdot\|_\beta$  is equivalent to the  $\beta$ -norm given in Lemma 2.1.

*Proof.* We suppose  $X$  is a real linear space, when  $X$  is complex, the proof is similar.

Suppose  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$  is a basis of  $X$ . For any  $x = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i \in X$ , define a mapping  $T: X \mapsto \mathbb{R}^n, T: x \mapsto (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n)$ . Then  $T$  is a linear isomorphic mapping from  $X$  to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \|x\|_\beta &= \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i \right\|_\beta \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^\beta \|e_i\|_\beta \\ &\leq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{\beta}{2}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|e_i\|_\beta^{\frac{2}{2-\beta}} \right)^{\frac{2-\beta}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $c = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|e_i\|_\beta^{\frac{2}{2-\beta}} \right)^{\frac{2-\beta}{2}}$ . Then  $\|x\|_\beta = \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i \right\|_\beta \leq c \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{\beta}{2}}$ .

On the other hand, let  $A$  be the sphere of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , that is

$$A = \{a = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n, (\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1\}.$$

For any  $a = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n) \in A$ , there exists a  $x = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i \in X$ , define a mapping  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\}$ ,

$$f(a) = \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i \right\|_\beta = \|x\|_\beta.$$

Then  $f$  is continuous. In fact, for any sequence  $\{a_m\}, m \in \mathbb{N}, a_m \rightarrow a (m \rightarrow \infty)$ , there exists  $\{x_m\}$  and  $x$  in  $X (m \in \mathbb{N})$ , such that  $a_m = Tx_m, a = Tx$ , and

$$|f(a_m) - f(a)| = \left| \|x_m\|_\beta - \|x\|_\beta \right| \leq \|x_m - x\|_\beta \leq c \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i^{(m)} - \xi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{\beta}{2}}.$$

Where  $a_m = (\xi_1^{(m)}, \xi_2^{(m)}, \dots, \xi_n^{(m)})$ ,  $a = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n), n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Since in  $\mathbb{R}^n, a_m \rightarrow a$  if and only if  $\xi_i^{(m)} \rightarrow \xi_i, m \rightarrow \infty, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , we have  $|f(a_m) - f(a)| \rightarrow 0$ , then  $f$  is continuous. Again,  $A \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is a bounded, closed set, then  $A$  is compact. Since continuous functional can get maximum and minimum, there exist  $a_0 = Tx_0$  and  $b_0 = Ty_0$  in  $A$ , such that

$$f(a_0) = \min\{f(a)|a \in A\}, f(b_0) = \max\{f(a)|a \in A\}.$$

Let  $c_1 = f(a_0), c_2 = f(b_0)$ , then  $f(a_0) = \|x_0\|_\beta > 0, f(b_0) = \|y_0\|_\beta > 0$ , for any  $x = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i \in X$ , and  $x \neq \theta$ , we have  $\frac{Tx}{\|Tx\|} \in A$ , where  $\|Tx\| = (\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . Thus

$$c_1 = \min\{f(a)|a \in A\} \leq \left\| \frac{x}{\|Tx\|} \right\|_\beta = f\left(\frac{Tx}{\|Tx\|}\right) \leq \max\{f(a)|a \in A\} = c_2.$$

That is

$$c_1 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2\right)^{\frac{\beta}{2}} \leq \|x\|_\beta \leq c_2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2\right)^{\frac{\beta}{2}} \quad (x \neq \theta).$$

The above inequation is also right when  $x = \theta$ . Thus

$$c_1 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2\right)^{\frac{\beta}{2}} \leq \|x\|_\beta \leq c_2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2\right)^{\frac{\beta}{2}} \quad (x = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i \in X).$$

For the arbitrary  $\{x_m\} \subset X, x_0 \in X, m \in \mathbb{N}$ , it is obvious to see that

$$\|x_m - x_0\|^\beta \rightarrow 0 \Leftrightarrow \|x_m - x_0\|_\beta \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

By Definition 1.4 and the arbitrariness of the  $\beta$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|_\beta$ , we can get any  $\beta$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|_\beta$  on  $X$  is equivalent to the  $\beta$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|^\beta$  given in Lemma 2.1.  $\square$

### 3. ANY TWO $\beta$ -NORMS ON $X$ ARE EQUIVALENT

In this part, we give one of our main theorems.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $\|x\|_{\beta_1}, \|x\|_{\beta_2}$  be two different  $\beta$ -norms on  $X$ , where  $0 < \beta_1, \beta_2 \leq 1$  and  $\beta_1 \neq \beta_2$ . Then  $\|x\|_{\beta_1}$  and  $\|x\|_{\beta_2}$  are equivalent.*

*Proof.* Let  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$  be a basis of  $X$ . By Theorem 2.3, for  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_1}, \|\cdot\|_{\beta_2}$ , there exist four constants  $l_1, l_2, d_1, d_2 > 0$ , such that

$$l_1 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2\right)^{\frac{\beta_1}{2}} \leq \|x\|_{\beta_1} \leq l_2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2\right)^{\frac{\beta_1}{2}}, \tag{3.1}$$

and

$$d_1 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2\right)^{\frac{\beta_2}{2}} \leq \|x\|_{\beta_2} \leq d_2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2\right)^{\frac{\beta_2}{2}}, \tag{3.2}$$

for  $\forall x = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i \in X$ .

For the arbitrary  $\{x_m\} \subset X, x_0 \in X, m \in \mathbb{N}$ , define a mapping  $T : X \mapsto \mathbb{R}^n, T : x \mapsto (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n)$ . Suppose  $Tx_m = (\xi_1^{(m)}, \xi_2^{(m)}, \dots, \xi_n^{(m)})$ ,  $Tx_0 = (\xi_1^{(0)}, \xi_2^{(0)}, \dots, \xi_n^{(0)})$ . If  $\|x_m - x_0\|_{\beta_1} \rightarrow 0 (m \rightarrow \infty)$ , then for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $M \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that when  $m > M, m \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$\|x_m - x_0\|_{\beta_1} < \varepsilon. \quad (3.3)$$

By (3.1), we can get

$$l_1 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i^{(m)} - \xi_i^{(0)}| \right)^{\frac{\beta_1}{2}} \leq \|x_m - x_0\|_{\beta_1} \leq l_2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i^{(m)} - \xi_i^{(0)}| \right)^{\frac{\beta_1}{2}}. \quad (3.4)$$

By (3.3), (3.4), we can get for any  $m > M, l_1 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i^{(m)} - \xi_i^{(0)}| \right)^{\frac{\beta_1}{2}} < \varepsilon$ , then

$$\xi_i^{(m)} \rightarrow \xi_i^{(0)} \quad (1 \leq i \leq n, m \rightarrow \infty). \quad (3.5)$$

By the right side of (3.2) and (3.5), we can get

$$\|x_m - x_0\|_{\beta_2} \rightarrow 0 \quad (m \rightarrow \infty).$$

By Definition 1.4,  $\beta$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_1}$  is not weaker than  $\beta$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_2}$ . Similarly, we can get:  $\beta$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_2}$  is not weaker than  $\beta$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_1}$ . That is  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_1}$  and  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_2}$  are equivalent. Hence our proof is complete.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2.** *If there exist two constants  $a, b > 0$ , such that*

$$a\|x\|_{\beta_1} \leq \|x\|_{\beta_2} \leq b\|x\|_{\beta_1} \quad (\forall x \in X), \quad (*)$$

*then  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_1}$  and  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_2}$  are equivalent. But if  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_1}$  and  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_2}$  are equivalent, there is no need of the existence of  $a, b$  satisfying (\*).*

*Proof.* If there exist  $a, b$  satisfying (\*), then the Cauchy sequences in  $(X, \|\cdot\|_{\beta_1})$  and  $(X, \|\cdot\|_{\beta_2})$  are same. It is easy to see  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_1}$  and  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_2}$  are equivalent. The rest proof of this theorem will be finished by a counter example.

In fact, suppose  $X$  is a one-dimensional real linear space. Especially, suppose  $X = \mathbb{R}$ . For  $\forall \xi \in \mathbb{R}$ , define

$$\|x\|_{\beta_1} = |\xi|^{\beta_1}, \|x\|_{\beta_2} = |\xi|^{\beta_2}.$$

Then  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_1}$  and  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_2}$  are two different  $\beta$ -norms on  $X$ ,  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_1}$  is equivalent to  $\|\cdot\|_{\beta_2}$ . But there is obviously no existence of two constants  $a, b$ , such that

$$a\|x\|_{\beta_1} \leq \|x\|_{\beta_2} \leq b\|x\|_{\beta_1} \quad (\forall x \in X).$$

$\square$

4. SOME COROLLARIES

In this part, we show that some properties which a finite dimensional normed space shares are also shared by a finite dimensional  $\beta$ -normed space.

**Corollary 4.1.** *Any finite dimensional  $\beta$ -normed space  $X$  is complete, therefore any finite dimensional subspace of a  $\beta$ -normed space is closed.*

*Proof.* Let  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$  be a basis of  $X$ . If  $\{x_m\}$  is a cauchy sequence in  $X$ , by the theorem 2.3 and follow the signals of Theorem 2.3, we have:  $T\{x_m\}$  is a cauchy sequence in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Since  $(\mathbb{R}^n, \|x\|)$  is complete, where  $\|x\| = (\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  for  $\forall x = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , then there exists an  $a = Tx$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , such that  $T(\{x_m\}) \rightarrow a = Tx$ , then  $x_m \rightarrow x \in X (m \rightarrow \infty)$ , so  $X$  is complete.

Since  $X$  is complete, it must be closed. So any finite dimensional subspace of a  $\beta$ -normed space is closed.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.2.** *Linear operators on a finite dimensional  $\beta$ -normed space are bounded.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $(X, \|\cdot\|_{\beta_1}), (Y, \|\cdot\|_{\beta_2})$  are two  $\beta$ -normed spaces,  $\dim(X) = n, e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$  is a basis of  $X, T : X \rightarrow Y$  is a linear operator. For any  $x = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i \in X$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \|Tx\|_{\beta_2} &= \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i T e_i \right\|_{\beta_2} \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^{\beta_2} \|T e_i\|_{\beta_2}, \\ &\leq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|T e_i\|_{\beta_2}^{\frac{2}{2-\beta_2}} \right)^{\frac{2-\beta_2}{2}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{\beta_2}{2}}, \\ &\leq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|T e_i\|_{\beta_2}^{\frac{2}{2-\beta_2}} \right)^{\frac{2-\beta_2}{2}} \frac{\left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{\beta_2}{2}}}{\left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{\beta_1}{2}}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{\beta_1}{2}} \quad (x \neq \theta). \end{aligned}$$

By Theorem 2.3, there exists a constant  $c_1 > 0$ , such that

$$c_1 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{\beta_1}{2}} \leq \|x\|_{\beta_1}.$$

Let

$$r = \frac{\left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|T e_i\|_{\beta_2}^{\frac{2}{2-\beta_2}} \right)^{\frac{2-\beta_2}{2}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{\beta_2}{2}}}{c_1 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{\beta_1}{2}}}.$$

Then

$$\|Tx\|_{\beta_2} \leq r c_1 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{\beta_2}{2}} \leq r \|x\|_{\beta_1} \quad (x \neq \theta). \tag{4.1}$$

(4.1) also holds when  $x = \theta$ . So

$$\|Tx\|_{\beta_2} \leq r\|x\|_{\beta_1} \quad (\forall x = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i \in X)$$

If  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then there is a positive  $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{r} > 0$ , such that when  $\|x - \theta\|_{\beta_1} < \delta$ , then

$$\|Tx - T\theta\|_{\beta_2} \leq r\|x\|_{\beta_1} < \varepsilon.$$

So  $T$  is continuous at  $\theta$ .

$T$  is continuous at  $\theta$ , then there is an open ball  $V$  centered at  $\theta$ , such that  $\|Tx\|_{\beta_2} < 1$ , whenever  $x \in V$ . For each bounded subset  $B$  of  $X$ , there is a positive  $t_B$ , such that  $B \subset t_B V$ , and so  $\|Tx\|_{\beta_2} < t_B^{\beta_2}$  if  $x \in B$ . Thus  $T$  is bounded. Hence, our proof is complete.  $\square$

**Remark 4.3.** *Linear operators on a finite dimensional  $\beta$ -normed space may not be strongly bounded.*

**Example 4.4.** *Suppose  $(l_{(n)}^{\beta_1}), (l_{(n)}^{\beta_2}), 0 < \beta_1 < \beta_2 < 1$  are two  $n$ -dimensional  $\beta$ -normed space, then  $(l_{(n)}^{\beta_1}) \subset (l_{(n)}^{\beta_2})$ . Let a linear operator  $I$ :*

$$(l_{(n)}^{\beta_1}) \mapsto (l_{(n)}^{\beta_2}) : Ix = x \quad (\forall x \in (l_{(n)}^{\beta_1})).$$

*We claim  $T$  is bounded, but not strongly bounded.*

In fact, suppose  $K$  is a bounded set in  $(l_{(n)}^{\beta_1})$ , for each  $x = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n) \in K$ ,  $\|x\|_{\beta_1} \leq M_1$ , where  $M_1 > 0$  is a constant, then  $\|\frac{x}{(M_1)^{\frac{1}{\beta_1}}}\|_{\beta_1} \leq 1$ . So  $|\frac{\xi_i}{(M_1)^{\frac{1}{\beta_1}}}| \leq 1, 1 \leq i \leq n$ . Since  $\beta_1 < \beta_2$ , then  $\|\frac{x}{(M_1)^{\frac{1}{\beta_1}}}\|_{\beta_2} \leq 1$ . That is  $\|x\|_{\beta_2} \leq (M_1)^{\frac{\beta_2}{\beta_1}}$ . So  $I$  is bounded.

But  $I$  is not strongly bounded. In fact, if there exists a  $\rho > 0$ , such that

$$\|x\|_{\beta_2} = \|Ix\|_{\beta_2} \leq \rho\|x\|_{\beta_1} \quad (\forall x = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n) \in (l_{(n)}^{\beta_1})).$$

That is  $\sum_{k=1}^n |\xi_k|^{\beta_2} \leq \rho \sum_{k=1}^n |\xi_k|^{\beta_1}$ . But if we let  $x_m = (m, 0, 0, \dots, 0) \in (l_{(n)}^{\beta_1}), m \in \mathbb{N}$ , we can get

$$m^{\beta_2 - \beta_1} = \frac{m^{\beta_2}}{m^{\beta_1}} \leq \rho \quad (\forall m \in \mathbb{N}).$$

Notice that,  $\beta_2 - \beta_1 > 0$ , so the above inequation is obviously not exist. So  $I$  is not strongly bounded.



5. AN APPLICATION OF THE EQUIVALENCE OF NORMS

Banach-Mazur distance is one of the most basic conceptions in Banach local theories. It can denote how closed the two isomorphic Banach spaces are. Suppose  $X$  is an  $n$ -dimensional real Banach space, an estimation about  $d(X, l_{(n)}^1)$  is given in [5], [7] :  $d(X, l_{(n)}^1) \leq n$ . Another classic estimation given by T.John [6] in 1948 is:  $d(X, l_{(n)}^2) \leq \sqrt{n}$ . Here, we will use the equivalence of norms on a finite dimensional normed space to give an exact method to calculate  $d(X, \mathbb{R}^n)$ , not an estimation about  $d(X, \mathbb{R}^n)$ , where  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is an Euclid space with a norm  $\|x\| = (\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  for  $\forall x = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . At last, we give an estimation about  $d(X, Y)$ , where  $X, Y$  are two  $n$ -dimensional real normed spaces.

**Definition 5.1** ([5]). *Given two Banach spaces  $E, F$  and the isomorphic mapping  $T$  from  $E$  to  $F$ . The Banach-Mazur distance between them is defined by  $d(X, Y) = \inf\{\|T\|\|T^{-1}\|, T : E \mapsto F\}$ .*

**Theorem 5.2.** *Suppose  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$  is an  $n$ -dimensional normed space with a basis  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$ .  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is an  $n$ -dimensional real Euclid space with a norm  $\|x\| = (\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  for  $\forall x = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then for any isomorphic mapping  $T$  from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $X$ , we have*

$$d(X, \mathbb{R}^n) = \inf\{\|T\|\|T^{-1}\|, T : \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto X\} = c_1^{-1}c_2.$$

Where  $d(X, \mathbb{R}^n)$  denotes the Banach-Mazur distance between  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $X$ . And  $c_1 = \min\{\|\sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i\|_X\}, c_2 = \max\{\|\sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i\|_X\}$  for  $(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1$ .

*Proof.* Since two finite linear spaces are isomorphic, we can suppose  $T$  is an arbitrary isomorphic mapping from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $X$ , where  $Tx = \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i e_i$  for  $\forall x = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Among these isomorphic mappings, we denote the isomorphic  $T_0$  as  $T_0x = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i$ . Since  $X$  is a special  $\beta$ -normed space, by Theorem 2.3, there exist two constants  $c_1, c_2$ , such that

$$c_1(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \|\sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i\|_X \leq c_2(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Meantime, by

$$\|T_0\| = \sup\{\|T_0x\|_X, \|x\| = 1\},$$

and

$$c_2 = \max\{\|\sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i\|_X | (\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1\},$$

we can see  $\|T_0\| = c_2$ . On the other hand, for  $\forall y = T_0x$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\|T_0^{-1}\| &= \inf\{\rho, \|T_0^{-1}y\| \leq \rho\|y\|_X\} \\ &= \inf\{\rho, \|y\|_X \geq \frac{1}{\rho}\|T_0^{-1}y\|\} \\ &= \inf\{\frac{1}{k}, k\|T_0^{-1}y\| \leq \|y\|_X\}.\end{aligned}\quad (5.1)$$

By Theorem 2.3, for  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , there is a  $c_1 = \min\{\|\sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i\|_X\}$ , where  $(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1$ , such that  $\|T_0x\|_X \geq c_1\|x\|$ . Then we have

$$c_1 = \sup\{l : \|T_0x\|_X \geq l\|x\|\}. \quad (5.2)$$

Otherwise, if  $c_1 \neq \sup\{l : \|T_0x\|_X \geq l\|x\|\}$ , there exists a  $c_0 > c_1$ , such that  $\|T_0x\|_X \geq c_0\|x\|$ , then  $\|T_0x\|_X \geq c_0$  for  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \|x\| = 1$ , which is a contradiction with  $c_1 = \min\{\|T_0x\|_X \text{ for } \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \|x\| = 1\}, c_1 < c_0$ . By (5.1) and (5.2), we can get  $c_1^{-1} = \|T_0^{-1}\|$ , and

$$d(X, \mathbb{R}^n) = \inf\{\|T\|\|T^{-1}\|, T : \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto X\} \leq \|T_0\|T_0^{-1}\| = c_1^{-1}c_2. \quad (5.3)$$

Next, we will prove  $d(X, \mathbb{R}^n) \geq c_1^{-1}c_2$ . In fact, for the arbitrary isomorphic mapping  $T$  and  $x = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n, Tx = \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i e_i$ , since

$$\|x\| = \|T^{-1}Tx\| \leq \|T^{-1}\|\|Tx\|,$$

we have  $\|T^{-1}\|^{-1}\|x\| \leq \|Tx\|_X$ , so

$$\|T^{-1}\|^{-1}\|x\| \leq \|Tx\|_X \leq \|T\|\|x\|. \quad (5.4)$$

By Theorem 2.3, there exist  $c_1, c_2 > 0$ , such that

$$c_1(\sum_{i=1}^n |\eta_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \|\sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i e_i\|_X \leq c_2(\sum_{i=1}^n |\eta_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}. \quad (5.5)$$

By (5.5), when  $x \neq \theta$ , we can get

$$\begin{aligned}c_1(\sum_{i=1}^n |\eta_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} &= c_1 \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n |\eta_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} (\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq \|\sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i e_i\|_X \\ &\leq c_2(\sum_{i=1}^n |\eta_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = c_2 \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n |\eta_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} (\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}.\end{aligned}\quad (5.6)$$

By the proof of Theorem 2.3 and  $T$  is isomorphic, there exist  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , such that  $\|Tx_1\|_X = c_1$ ,  $\|Tx_2\|_X = c_2$ , by (5.4) and (5.6), we can get

$$c_1 \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n |\eta_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \geq \|T^{-1}\|^{-1}, \quad c_2 \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n |\eta_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \leq \|T\|. \quad (5.7)$$

By (5.7), we can get  $\|T\|\|T^{-1}\| \geq c_1^{-1}c_2$ . Then

$$d(X, \mathbb{R}^n) = \inf\{\|T\|\|T^{-1}\|\|T : \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto X\} \geq c_1^{-1}c_2. \quad (5.8)$$

By (5.3) and (5.8), we can get  $d(X, \mathbb{R}^n) = c_1^{-1}c_2$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.3.** *Suppose  $(X_1, \|\cdot\|_1), (X_2, \|\cdot\|_2)$  are two  $n$ -dimensional real normed spaces. Then the Banach-Mazur distance  $d(X_1, X_2) \leq d_1^{-1}d_2l_1^{-1}l_2$ .*

Where  $d_1 = \min\{\|\sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i\|_1\}$ ,  $d_2 = \max\{\|\sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i\|_1\}$ ,  $l_1 = \min\{\|\sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i\|_2\}$ ,  $l_2 = \max\{\|\sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i\|_2\}$  for  $\forall x = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n, \|x\| = 1$ .

*Proof.* By theorem 2.3, there exist four constants  $d_1, d_2, l_1, l_2$ , such that

$$d_1(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \|x\|_1 \leq d_2(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

and

$$l_1(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \|x\|_2 \leq l_2(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

for  $\forall x = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i e_i \in X$ . By Theorem 5.2,  $d(X_1, \mathbb{R}^n) = d_1^{-1}d_2$ ,  $d(X_2, \mathbb{R}^n) = l_1^{-1}l_2$ .

Since for three isomorphic Banach spaces  $X, Y, Z$ , the Banach-Mazur distances satisfying  $d(X, Z) \leq d(X, Y)d(Y, Z)$ , then we can get  $d(X_1, X_2) \leq d_1^{-1}d_2l_1^{-1}l_2$ . Hence, our proof is complete.  $\square$

**Remark 5.4.** *Suppose  $X, Y$  are two  $n$ -dimensional real normed spaces. Theorem 5.2 gives a new method to calculate  $d(X, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . It improves the calculation of  $d(X, \mathbb{R}^n) = \inf\{\|T\|\|T^{-1}\|\|T : \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto X\}$  by  $d(X, \mathbb{R}^n) = \|T_0\|\|T_0^{-1}\|$ . It is also helpful to estimate  $d(X, Y)$ . And, people can change the  $d(X, \mathbb{R}^n)$  by renorming.*

**Acknowledgment.** I would like to appreciate Professor Ding Guanggui for his great encouragement and help. I also extend my thanks to the referee for his diligent reading of my manuscript.

## REFERENCES

- [1] T. Z. Xu, *Foundation of applied functional analysis*, Beijing Science Press, Beijing, 2001, 97–100.
- [2] G. G. Ding, *New introduction of functional analysis*, Beijing Science Press, Beijing 2008, 1–90.
- [3] R. E. Megginson, *An introduction to Banach space theory*, Springer, Verlag, 1973, 25–26.
- [4] L. Wang, *Counter examples in functional analysis*, Beijing High Education Press, 1990, 34–35.
- [5] J. F. Zhao, *The structure theories of Banach spaces*, Wuhan University Press, Wuhan, 1991, 376–378.
- [6] J. John, *Extremum problem with inequalities as subsidiary conditions*, Courant. Anniversary. Volume. Interscience, (1948), 187–204.
- [7] V. G. Davis, V. D. Milman and N. Tomczak-Jaegermann, *The distance between certain  $n$ -dimensional Banach spaces*, Israel. J. Math. **39** (1981), 1–15.