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THE FIXED POINT PROPERTY OF QUASI-POINT-SEPARABLE TOPOLOGICAL VECTOR SPACES

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Abstract. In this paper, we introduce a new concept of quasi-point-separable topological vector spaces, which has the following important properties: (1) in general, the conditions for a topological vector space to be quasi-point-separable is not difficult to verify; (2) the class of quasi-point-separable topological vector spaces is large and includes locally convex topological vector spaces and pseudonorm adjoint topological vector spaces as special cases; (3) every quasi-point-separable Housdorrf topological vector space has the fixed point property (that is, every continuous self-mapping on any given nonempty closed and convex subset has a fixed point), which is the result of the main theorem of this paper. Finally, we provide some concrete examples of quasi-point-separable topological vector spaces, which are not locally convex.

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1. Introduction

In fixed point theory, a topological space is said to have the fixed point property if every continuous self-map on this space has at least one fixed point (see [1]). In this paper, we demonstrate that a topological vector space (X, τ) has the fixed point property if every non-empty compact and convex subset of X has the fixed point property. Since the fixed point property is topological invariant, i.e., it is preserved by any homeomorphism. And the fixed point property is also preserved by any retraction. Then, according to Brouwer fixed point theorem, we have

An alternative version of Brouwer's Fixed Point Theorem (see [2]). Every *n*-dimension Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^n has the fixed point property.

In 1930, Schauder extended Brouwer's fixed-point theorem from Euclidean spaces to Banach spaces.

Schauder's fixed-point theorem (an alternative version [3]). Every Banach space has the fixed point property.

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To generalize the underlying spaces for fixed point property, in 1934, Txchonoff extended Schauder's fixed point theorem from Banach spaces to locally convex topological vector spaces.

Tychonoff's fixed point theorem (an alternative version [4]). Every Hausdorff locally convex topological vector space has the fixed point property.

After Schauder proved his fixed point theorem, Schauder raised a well-known conjecture in the field of fixed point theory.

Schauder's Conjecture (an alternative version). Every Hausdorff topological vector space has the fixed point property.

Since then, the Schauder's Conjecture has become one of the most important open problems in the field of nonlinear analysis. The Schauder's Conjecture and related fixed point problems have attracted many authors' attention recently; see, e.g., [5]-[17] and the reference therein. In 2001, Cauty in [6] proposed an answer to the Schauder's Conjecture. After Cauty's paper published for four years, in the International Conference of Fixed Point Theory and its Applications in 2005, Dobrowolski remarked that there is a gap in Cauty's proof. Therefore, Schauder's Conjecture is still remain unsolved. In 2020, the author introduced the concept of pseudonorm adjoint topological vector spaces, and proved that every Housdorrf and total pseudonorm adjoint topological vector space has the fixed point property. It is stated as below.

An alternative version of a fixed point theorem in [18]. Suppose that (X, τ) is a Housdorff and total pseudonorm adjoint topological vector space. Then X has the fixed point property.

Meanwhile a concrete example provided in [18] shows that the concept of pseudonorm adjoint topological vector spaces is a proper extension of locally convex topological vector spaces. Therefore, the above fixed point theorem is a proper extension of the Tychonoff's fixed point theorem

In this paper, we introduce a new concept named as a quasi-point-separable topological vector space, which is a generalization of the concept of pseudonorm adjoint topological vector spaces. It immediately implies that is a proper extension of locally convex topological vector spaces. Then, in Section 4, we prove that every Housdorrf quasi-point-separable topological vector space has the fixed point property, which is indeed a proper extension of the Tychonoff's fixed point theorem. In Section 3, we give the definition of quasi-point-separable topological vector spaces. We see that the constructions of quasi-point-separable topological vector spaces are similar to that of pseudonorm adjoint topological vector spaces introduced in [18]. As a matter of fact, the key ideas of the extension are important under the following senses:

- 1. In general, it may not be difficult to check the conditions for a topological vector space to be quasi-point-separable;
 - 2. Every point-separable topological vector space is quasi-point-separable;
- 3. From the proof of Theorem 4.1 in Section 4, the quasi-point-separable property is a sufficient condition for Housdorrf topological vector spaces to have the fixed point property;
- 4. The class of quasi-point-separable topological vector spaces is really large and includes pseudonorm adjoint topological vector spaces and locally convex topological vector spaces as special cases.

2. Preliminaries

As mentioned in the introduction section, the concept of quasi-point-separable topological vector spaces is a generalization of pseudonorm adjoint topological vector spaces, which is

a proper extension of locally convex topological vector spaces. And the fixed point theorem proved in [18] listed in Section 1 is a proper extension of the Tychonoff's fixed point theorem. For the sake of convenience, in this section, we recall the concept of pseudonorm adjoint topological vector spaces and its properties studied in [18].

Definition 2.1. [18] Let X be a vector space with origin θ . A mapping $p: X \to \mathbb{R}^+$ is called a pseudonorm on X if it satisfies the following conditions:

 W_1 . $p(x) \ge 0$ for all $x \in X$ and $p(\theta) = 0$;

W₂. p(-x) = p(x) for all $x \in X$;

W₃. for any x_1, x_2 of X and $0 \le \alpha \le 1$, $p(\alpha x_1 + (1 - \alpha)x_2) \le \alpha p(x_1) + (1 - \alpha)p(x_2)$.

Definition 2.2. [18] Let X be a vector space. A mapping $q: X \to \mathbb{R}^+$ is called a quasi-pseudonorm on X if there are a pseudonorm p on X and a strictly increasing continuous function $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^+ \to \mathbb{R}^+$ such that

W₄. $q(x) \le \varphi(p(x))$ for all $x \in X$;

 $W_5. \varphi(0) = 0.$

Then, q is said to be adjoint with the pseudonorm p and the weighted function φ .

Definition 2.3. [18] Let (X, τ) be a topological vector space. If X is equipped with a family of τ -continuous quasi-pseudonorms $\{q_{\lambda}\}_{{\lambda}\in\Lambda}$ associated with a family of τ -continuous pseudonorms $\{p_{\lambda}\}_{{\lambda}\in\Lambda}$ and a family of weighted functions $\{\varphi_{\lambda}\}_{{\lambda}\in\Lambda}$, then (X,τ) is called a pseudonorm adjoint topological vector space.

Definition 2.4. [18] A family of quasi-pseudonorms $\{q_{\lambda}\}_{{\lambda}\in{\Lambda}}$ equipped on a topological vector space (X,τ) is said to be total whenever, for $x\in X$, $q_{\lambda}(x)=0$ holds, for every $\lambda\in{\Lambda}$, then it is necessary to have $x=\theta$. A pseudonorm adjoint topological vector space is said to be total if it is equipped with a total family of quasi-pseudonorms.

Lemma 2.1. [18] Every locally convex topological vector space is a pseudonorm adjoint topological vector space.

3. M-Quasiconvex Functions and Quasi-Point-Separable Topological Vector Spaces

Definition 3.1. Let X be a vector space with origin θ . A function $u: X \to \mathbb{R}^+$ is said to be m-quasiconvex if it satisfies $u(\theta) = 0$, and, for any x_1, x_2 of X, and $0 \le \alpha \le 1$,

$$u(\alpha x_1 + (1 - \alpha)x_2) \le \text{Max}\{u(x_1), u(x_2)\}.$$

We list some useful examples of m-quasiconvex functions on X below

- (a) every nonnegative convex function satisfying $u(\theta) = 0$ is *m*-quasiconvex;
- (b) every semi-norm is *m*-quasiconvex.

Lemma 3.1. Suppose that u is an m-quasiconvex function on X. Then, for any $x \in X$, u(tx) is an increasing function with respect to t > 0.

Proof. Take arbitrary $0 < t_1 < t_2$. Then

$$u(t_1x) = u((1 - \frac{t_1}{t_2})\theta + \frac{t_1}{t_2}t_2x) \le \max\{u(\theta), u(t_2x)\} = u(t_2x).$$

Lemma 3.2. Let (X, τ) be a topological vector space with dual space X^* . Then, for every $u \in X^*$, |u| is a τ -continuous m-quasiconvex function on X.

Lemma 3.3. Every τ -continuous pseudonoxm $p: X \to \mathbb{R}^+$ is a τ -continuous m-quasiconvex function on X.

Let (X, τ) be a topological vector space with dual space X^* (the space of linear and τ -continuous functions on X). If there is a subset $V \subseteq X^*$ such that, for $x \in X$,

$$v(x) = 0$$
, for every $v \in V$, implies $x = \theta$,

then (X, τ) is said to be point-separable by V, or the set V is said to be total on X (see [9]).

Meanwhile, set V is called a point-separating space of this topological vector space X. To extend the concept of point-separating spaces of topological vector spaces, we introduce the following definition.

Definition 3.2. Let (X, τ) be a topological vector space equipped with a family of τ -continuous m-quasiconvex functions $\{u_{\lambda}\}_{{\lambda} \in \Lambda}$, where Λ is an index set. If, for $x \in X$,

$$u(x) = 0$$
, for every $\lambda \in \Lambda$, implies $x = \theta$,

then (X, τ) is said to be quasi-point-separable; or the family $\{u_{\lambda}\}_{{\lambda} \in \Lambda}$ is said to be total on X. In this case, we say that X is quasi-point-separated by the family $\{u_{\lambda}\}_{{\lambda} \in \Lambda}$. Meanwhile, the family $\{u_{\lambda}\}_{{\lambda} \in \Lambda}$ is called a quasi-point-separating space for X.

Lemma 3.4. Let (X, τ) be a topological vector space with dual space X^* . If X is point-separable (by a point-separable space $V \subseteq X^*$), then X is quasi-point-separable with the quasi-pointseparating space $\{|v| : v \in V\}$.

Lemma 3.5. Let (X, τ) be a Hausdorfflocally convex topological vector space with dual space X^* . Then X is point-separable (by X^*), so is quasi-point-separable with the quasi-pointseparating space $\{|v|: v \in X^*\}$.

Proof. Suppose that (X, τ) is equipped with a total family of τ -continuous seminorms $\{p_{\lambda}\}_{{\lambda} \in \Lambda}$ such that the initial topology τ on X is induced by $\{p_{\lambda}\}_{{\lambda} \in \Lambda}$. Notice that the totality of the family of seminorms $\{p_{\lambda}\}_{{\lambda} \in \Lambda}$ equipped on (X, τ) is equivalent to the Hausdorff property of (X, τ) . It is known that every Hausdorff locally convex topological vector space X is point-separable by its topological dual space X^* .

Lemma 3.6. Suppose that a total pseudonorm adjoint topological vector space (X, τ) is equipped with a total family of τ -continuous quasi-pseudonoroms $\{q_{\lambda}\}_{{\lambda}\in\Lambda}$ associated with a family of τ -continuous pseudonorms $\{p_{\lambda}\}_{{\lambda}\in\Lambda}$ and a family of weighted functions $\{\phi_{\lambda}\}_{{\lambda}\in\Lambda}$. Then X is quasi-point-separable with the quasi-point-separating space $\{p_{\lambda}\}_{{\lambda}\in\Lambda}$.

4. THE FIXED POINT PROPERTY OF QUASI-POINT-SEPARABLE HOUSDORRF TOPOLOGICAL VECTOR SPACES

We prove the main theorem of this paper in this section. The ideas of the proof of this theorem is similar to the proof of the main theorem in [18]. As mentioned in Section 2 and as in the proof of this theorem, we see that the quasi-point-separable property of topological vector spaces plays the key factor for the considered spaces to have the fixed point property.

Theorem 4.1. Every quasi-point-separable Housdorrf topological vector space has the fixed point property.

Proof. Let (X, τ) be a quasi-point-separable Housdorrf topological vector space with a quasipoint-separating space $\{u_{\lambda}\}_{{\lambda}\in\Lambda}$. Let C be a nonempty, compact, and convex subset of X and $f:C\to C$ a continuous mapping. By Definition 3.2, the point-separating property of $\{u_{\lambda}\}_{{\lambda}\in\Lambda}$ implies that a point $x_0\in C$ is a fixed point of f if and only if $u_{\lambda}(x_0-f(x_0))=0$ for every ${\lambda}\in\Lambda$. Therefore, it is sufficient to show

$$\bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \{ x \in C : u_{\lambda}(x - f(x)) = 0 \} \neq \emptyset. \tag{4.1}$$

To this end, we first show that, for an arbitrary positive integer m and an arbitrary finite subset $\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m\} \subseteq \Lambda$, the following statement holds:

$$\bigcap_{1 \le k \le m} \{ x \in C : u_{\lambda_k}(x - f(x)) = 0 \} \neq \emptyset.$$

$$(4.2)$$

Assume contrarily that (4.2) does not hold, that is,

$$\bigcap_{1 \le k \le m} \{ x \in C : |u_{\lambda_k}(x - f(x))| = 0 \} = \emptyset.$$
 (4.3)

Take a strictly decreasing sequence of positive numbers $\{\delta_i\}$ with limit 0, i.e., $\delta_i \downarrow 0$ as $i \to \infty$. For every i, let

$$G_{i} = \bigcap_{1 \leq k \leq m} \{x \in C : |u_{\lambda_{k}}(x - f(x))| \leq \delta_{i}\}$$
$$= \{x \in C : \operatorname{Max}_{1 \leq k \leq m} |u_{\lambda_{k}}(x - f(x))| \leq \delta_{i}\}.$$

The τ -continuity of $f: C \to C$ and the τ -continuity of the m-quasiconvex functions u_{λ_k} imply that $\{G_i\}$ is a decreasing (with respect to inclusion order) sequence of τ -closed subsets of the compact set C. We have

$$\bigcap_{1\leq k\leq m}\{x\in C: |u_{\lambda_k}(x-f(x))|=0\}=\bigcap_{1\leq i<\infty}G_i.$$

From hypothesis (4.3), there is a positive integer N such that $G_i = \emptyset$, for all $i \ge N$. It follows that there is $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\max_{1 \le k \le m} |u_{\lambda_k}(x - f(x))| \ge \delta \text{ for every } x \in C.$$
 (4.4)

Based on inequality (4.4), we define a set-valued mapping $F: C \to 2^C \{ \{\emptyset \} \text{ as follows:}$

$$F(x) = \{ z \in C : \operatorname{Max}_{1 < k < m} |u_{\lambda_k}(x - f(z))| \ge \delta \} \text{ for all } x \in C.$$

Then, for every $x \in C$,

$$F(x) = \bigcup_{1 \le k \le m} \{ z \in C : |u_{\lambda_k}(x - f(z))| \ge \delta \}.$$

For every $x \in C$, from (4.4), $x \in F(x)$, the τ -continuity of $f: C \to C$, and the τ -continuity of the m-quasiconvex functions u_{λ_k} again, it implies that F(x) is a nonempty τ -closed subset of C.

Next, we show that the mapping $F: C \to 2^C \setminus \emptyset$ is a KKM mapping. For any given positive integer n, take arbitrary n points $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_k \in C$. For any positive numbers t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_k satisfying $\sum_{i=1}^n t_i = 1$, let $y = \sum_{i=1}^n t_i x_i$. We show that

$$y \in \mathbf{U}_{1 < i < n} F(x_i). \tag{4.5}$$

Assume, by the way of contradiction, that (4.5) does not hold. Then $y \notin F(x_i)$ for every i = 1, 2, ..., n. It is

$$\max_{1 \le k \le m} |u_{\lambda_k}(x_i - f(y))| < \delta \text{ for all } i = 1, 2, ..., n.$$
 (4.6)

From assumption (4.4), inequality (4.6), and the definition of m-quasiconvex functions u_{λ_k} , it follows that

$$\begin{split} \delta & \leq \operatorname{Max}_{1 \leq k \leq m} |u_{\lambda_k}(y - f(y))| \\ & = \operatorname{Max}_{1 \leq k \leq m} |u_{\lambda_k}(\sum_{i=1}^n t_i x_i - f(y))| \\ & = \operatorname{Max}_{1 \leq k \leq m} |u_{\lambda_k}(\sum_{i=1}^n t_i (x_i - f(y)))| \\ & \leq \operatorname{Max}_{1 \leq k \leq m} (\operatorname{Max}_{1 \leq i \leq n} |u_{\lambda_k}(x_i - f(y))|) \\ & = \operatorname{Max}_{1 \leq i \leq n} (\operatorname{Max}_{1 \leq k \leq m} |u_{\lambda_k}(x_i - f(y))|) \\ & < \delta. \end{split}$$

This is a contradiction. It implies that $F: C \to 2^C \setminus \{\emptyset\}$ is a KKM mapping with nonempty τ -closed values. Since C is compact, we have from Fan-KKM Theorem that

$$\bigcap_{x \in C} \{z \in C : \operatorname{Max}_{1 \le k \le m} |u_{\lambda_k}(x - f(z))| \ge \delta\} = \bigcap_{x \in C} F(x) \ne \emptyset.$$

Then, there is $z_0 \in \bigcap_{x \in C} F(x)$ satisfying

$$\max_{1 \le k \le m} |u_{\lambda_k}(x - f(z_0))| \ge \delta$$
 for every $x \in C$

In particularly, if $x = f(z_0) \in C$, then

$$0 = \operatorname{Max}_{1 \le k \le m} |u_{\lambda_k}(f(z_0) - f(z_0))| \ge \delta.$$

So it is a contradiction to hypothesis (4.3). It implies that, for any positive integer m and arbitrary finite subset of $\Lambda\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m\}$,

$$\bigcap_{1 \le k \le m} \{ x \in C : |u_{\lambda_k}(x - f(x))| = 0 \} \neq \emptyset.$$

Then (4.1) immediately follows from the finite nonempty intersection property and the compactness of C.

In [13], Park studied fixed point problems on point-separable topological vector spaces for some classes of functions, such as half-continuous functions. Here, we use Theorem 4.1 to obtain the following fixed point theorem. Since every Hausdorff locally convex topological vector space is a point-separable topological vector space, the following theorem is also an extension of the Tychonoff's fixed point theorem to quasi-point-separable topological vector spaces.

Theorem 4.2. Every point-separable topological vector space has the fixed point property.

Theorem 4.3. [18] (an alternative version). Every Housdorrf and total pseudonorm adjoint topological vector space has the fixed point property.

Tychonoff's fixed point theorem [15] (an alternative version). Every Hausdorff locally convex topological vector space has the fixed point property.

5. Examples

In 1935, Tychonoff proved that the topological vector space l_r , for 0 < r < 1, is not locally convex (see [1, 4, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 18, 19]). In [18], it was proved that the topological vector space l_r , for 0 < r < 1, is a Hausdorff pseudonorm adjoint topological vector space.

In this section, one-step further, we give a simple proof showing that, for 0 < r < 1, the metric vector spaces l_r and l^r (Examples 5.1 and 5.2, respectively) are point-separable. Therefore, from Lemma 3.4 or 3.5, it follows immediately that l_r and l^r both are quasi-point-separable, which are not locally convex.

From Lemma 3.2 in [18] and Lemma 3.5, every Hausdorff locally convex topological vector space is a Hausdorff quasi-point-separable topological vector space. Hence, Theorem 4.1 also properly extends Txchonoff fixed point theorem. In this section, let *S* denote the set of sequences of real numbers.

Example 5.1. For every given $r \in (0,1)$, define a subspace l_r of S as below

$$l_r = \{\{x_i\} \in S : \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x_i|^r < \infty\}.$$

Define a function p on $l_r \times l_r$ as

$$p({x_i}, {y_i}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x_i - y_i|^r$$
, for ${x_i}, {y_i} \in l_r$.

Then (l_r, p) is a metric vector space (it is not locally convex) and it has the fixed point property.

Proof. For every fixed $n = 1, 2, ..., n_0$, define a function v_n on l_r as follows:

$$v_n(\{x_i\}) = x_n, \text{ for } \{x_i\} \in l_r.$$
 (5.1)

Then $\{v_n\} \subset l_r^*$. We see that, for $\{x_i\} \in l_r$,

$$v_n(\lbrace x_i \rbrace) = 0$$
 for all $n = 1, 2, \dots$, implies $\lbrace x_i \rbrace = \theta$

So the space (l_r, p) is point-separated by $\{v_n\} \subseteq l_r^*$. Therefore, from Lemma 3.5, this metric space (l_r, p) is quasi-point-separable. By Theorem 4.1, this space (l_r, q) has the fixed point property.

Example 5.2. For every given $r \in (0,1)$, define a subspace l^r of S as below

$$l^r = \{ \{x_i\} \in S : \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{|x_i|^r}{1 + |x_i|^r} < \infty \}.$$

Define a function q on $l^r \times l^r$ as

$$q(\lbrace x_i \rbrace - \lbrace y_i \rbrace) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{|x_i - y_i|^r}{1 + |x_i - y_i|^r}, \text{ for every } \lbrace x_i \rbrace, \lbrace y_i \rbrace \in l^r.$$
 (5.2)

Then (l^r, q) is a metric vector space (it is not locally convex) and it has the fixed point property.

Proof. To show that the functional q defined in (5.2) defines a metric on l^r , one may consider the following steps:

- (a) $\frac{t^r}{1+t^r}$ is a strictly increasing function of t on \mathbb{R}^+ ;
- (b) $(t+s)^r \le t^r + s^r$, for $t, s \in \mathbb{R}^+$ (this is useful in Example 5.1);
- (c) $\frac{(t+s)^r}{1+(t+s)^r} \le \frac{t^r}{1+t^r} + \frac{s^r}{1+s^r}$, for $t, s \in \mathbb{R}^+$.

For every fixed n = 1, 2, ..., similarly to (5.1) in Example 5.1, define a function w_n on l^r as follows: $w_n(\{x_i\}) = x_n$ for $\{x_i\} \in l^r$. Then, $\{w_n\} \subseteq l^{r*}$. We see that, for $\{x_i\} \in l^r$,

$$w_n(\lbrace x_i \rbrace) = 0$$
 for all $n = 1, 2, ...,$ implies $\lbrace x_i \rbrace = \theta$.

The rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Example 5.1.

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