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Strict Convexity and Smoothness of Normed Spaces

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V. L. Klee [11] and M. M. Day [6] have considered various problems on strict convexity and smoothness of normed spaces. In his paper, Day [6] raised several questions. Two of these are the following:

1. Is any $L_\Gamma$ space strictly convexifiable?
2. Is there a nonreflexive nonseparable $scm$ space?

In this paper, we consider these questions. In § 2 we deal with spaces of bounded continuous functions and consider strict convexity and smoothness on these spaces. In § 3 we give a partial answer to the first question, and in § 4 we give an answer to the second, by showing an example of a nonreflexive nonseparable $scm$ space.

§ 1. Preliminary.

Let $E$ be a normed space. If every chord of the unit sphere has its midpoint below the surface of the unit sphere, then $E$ is called strictly convex (written $SC$); if through every point of the surface of the unit sphere of $E$ there passes a unique hyperplane of support of the unit sphere, then $E$ is called smooth (written $SM$); if both occur, then $E$ is called $SCM$. If $E$ is isomorphic to an $SM$, an $SC$ and an $SCM$ space, then $E$ is called an $sm$, an $sc$ and an $scm$ space respectively.

If $I$ is an index set, we define:

$m(I) = \text{the space of all bounded real functions on } I \text{ with } \|x\| = \text{l.u.b. } \{x(i)\}$. 

$c_0(I) = \text{the subspace of those } x \text{ in } m(I) \text{ for which for each } \varepsilon > 0 \text{ the set of } i \text{ with } |x(i)| \geq \varepsilon \text{ is finite; that is, } c_0(I) \text{ is the set of functions vanishing at infinity on the discrete space } I.$

$l_p(I) (\text{for } p \geq 1) = \text{the set of those real functions } x \text{ on } I \text{ for which } \|x\|_{l_p} = \left[\sum |x(i)|^p\right]^{1/p} < +\infty.$

Let $X$ be a topological space. Then $C(X)$ denotes the space of all real-valued bounded continuous functions on $X$ such that the norm $\|f\| = \text{sup } x \in X |f(x)|$. 

1) Numbers in bracket refer to the references cited at the end of the paper.
If $X$ is a set and $F$ is a Borel field of sets in $X$ and if $\mu$ is a countably additive, non negative set function defined on $F$, then $L_p(X, \mu)$ denotes the space of all measurable functions $f$ on $X$ such that $||f||_{L_p} = \left[ \int |f(x)|^p d\mu(x) \right]^{1/p}$. It is called a $L_p$-space.

Day [6] has proved the following theorems, which we shall frequently refer to later.

**D_1.** If a normed space $E$ is isomorphic with a subspace of an $sm$(or $sc$) space, then $E$ is $sm$(or $sc$).

**D_2.** If $E$ is an $sm$ space and if there is a one-to-one linear continuous mapping $T$ from $E$ into an $scm$ space $F$, then $E$ is $scm$.

**D_3.** If $E$ is separable then $E$ is $scm$.

**D_4.** Let $J$ be an index set and let $E_j$ be an $sc$ space for any $j \in J$. If $E$ is a normed space of all functions $f$ such that for any $j$, $f(j) \in E_j$ and $\sum_j ||f(j)||_{E_j}^p < +\infty$ ($p \geq 1$) and the norm of $f$ is $\left( \sum_j ||f(j)||_{E_j}^p \right)^{1/p}$, then $E$ is $sc$. $E$ is called the $l_p$ product of $E_j$.

**D_5.** Let $J$ be an index set and let $E_j$ be an $sm$ space for any $j \in J$. Then the $l_p$ product of $E_j (p > 1)$ is $sm$.

**D_6.** If $I$ is infinite, then $m(I)$ is not $sm$. If $I$ is uncountable, $m(I)$ is not $sc$.

**D_7.** For any index set $I$, $c_0(I)$ is $sm$ and $sc$.

**D_8.** For any index set $I$, $l_1(I)$ is $sc$.

### § 2. Spaces of bounded continuous functions.

Throughout this paragraph, spaces are always completely regular Hausdorff spaces.

We first prove the following lemma.

**Lemma 1.** (i) If $R$ is a countably paracompact space and if $C(R)$ is $sm$, then $R$ is countably compact.

(ii) If $R$ is paracompact and if $C(R)$ is $sm$, then $R$ is compact.

Proof. If $R$ is not countably compact, then there exists a countably infinite set $N$ in $R$ such that $N$ has no accumulation point. Let $N$ be a set $\{x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n, \ldots\}$. Since $R$ is regular, there exists a sequence of mutually disjoint open sets $\{U_n\}$ in $R$ such that $U_n \ni x_n$ for any $n$. We consider an open covering $U$ consisting of $\{U_n\}$ and $R-N$. Since $R$ is

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2) Compactness will always mean the birectness of Alexandroff-Hopf [1]; a space with the property that every infinite subset has an accumulation point is called compact. A Hausdorff space is paracompact (or countably paracompact) if every open covering (or countably open covering) of it can be refined by one which is locally finite, that is, every point of the space has a neighborhood meeting only a finite number of sets of the refining covering (cf. [13] and [7]).
countably paracompact, \( U \) can be refined by a locally finite covering \( \mathcal{B} \). We see easily that for any \( n \) there exists a \( V_n \in \mathcal{B} \) such that \( x_n \in V_n \subseteq U_n \). For any \( n \) we take an open set \( W_n \) and a continuous function \( f_n \) on \( R \) such that \( V_n \supseteq W_n \), \( W_n \ni x_n \), \( f_n(x_n) = 1 \), \( f_n(x) \) for any \( x \in R - W_n \) and \( 0 \leq f_n(x) \leq 1 \) for any \( x \in R \). For any \( t = (t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_n, \ldots) \in m \), we put

\[
f_t(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} t_nf_n(x) \quad \text{for any } x \in R.
\]

Since \( \mathcal{B} \) is locally finite and \( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} W_n \subseteq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} V_n \). We see easily that \( f_t \) is continuous for \( t \in m \) and \( \| f_t \| = \sup_n |t_n| = \| t \|_m \). Then by \( D_1 \) and \( D_6 \), \( C(R) \) is not sm.

(ii) R. Arens and J. Dugundji [3] have proved that if \( R \) is paracompact, then \( R \) is compact if and only if it is countably compact. Therefore (ii) is clear by (i).

By Lemma 1. (ii) we obtain

**Theorem 1.** Let \( R \) be a metric space. Then \( C(R) \) is sm if and only if \( R \) is compact.

Proof. Since a metric space is paracompact, the necessity is clear. Conversely, if \( R \) is metric and compact, then \( C(R) \) is separable, therefore \( C(R) \) is sm.

Kakutani [9] proved the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.** If \( H \) is a locally separable, closed subset of a metric space \( R \), then there is a linear isometry \( T \) of \( C(H) \) into \( C(R) \) such that \( Tx(h) = x(h) \) for all \( h \) in \( H \).

Theorem 1 also follows from Lemma 2.

We obtain moreover,

**Theorem 2.** Let \( R \) be a metric space. Then \( C(R) \) is sc if and only if \( R \) is separable.

Proof. Let \( R \) be separable and let \( \{ x_n \} \) be a countable dense set in \( R \). Then we consider a new norm \( |f| \) for any \( f \in C(R) \). We define

\[
|f| = \left[ \| f \|^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} |f(x_n)|^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}.
\]

We easily see that \( C(R) \) is SC by this new norm. Conversely, if \( C(R) \) is sc, and if \( N \) is a subset (in \( R \)) having \( k \) elements, then \( N \) has an accumulation point. For, if there is a subset \( N \) which has \( k \) elements

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3) \( \overline{A} \) denotes the closure of \( A \).
and has no accumulation point, then \( C(N) \) is isomorphic to \( m(I) \), where \( I \) is an index set which has \( \aleph \) elements. By \( D_4 \), \( D_6 \) and Lemma 2, \( C(R) \) is not sc. Therefore, we may prove the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.** Let \( R \) be a metric space. If every subset \( N \) (in \( R \)) having \( \aleph \) elements has an accumulation point, then \( R \) is separable.

**Proof.** Suppose the hypothesis holds. Then for any positive number \( \varepsilon \), there is a sequence of elements, \( x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n, \ldots \) such that for any element \( x \) in \( R \), there is an \( x_i \) with \( \rho(x, x_i) < \varepsilon \), where \( \rho \) is a distance function on \( R \). For otherwise, if \( x_i \) is any element in \( R \), there is an element \( x_\alpha \) in \( R - S(x_i, \varepsilon) \), where \( S(x_i, \varepsilon) \) denotes the sphere with center \( x_i \) and radius \( \varepsilon \). For any positive integer \( n \), there exists \( x_n \) in \( R - \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-\varepsilon} S(x_i, \varepsilon) \). By repetition, for any \( \alpha < \omega \), we can find an element \( x_\alpha \) in \( R \) such that \( x_\alpha \in R - \bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} S(x_\beta, \varepsilon) \). Therefore we have a set \( N = \{ x_\alpha | \alpha < \omega \} \).

Since \( N \) has \( \aleph \) elements, \( N \) has an accumulation point by hypothesis. Let \( x \) be an accumulation point of \( N \). Then there are two distinct ordinary number \( \alpha, \beta (\beta < \alpha < \omega) \) such that \( x_\alpha \in S \left( x, \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \right) \) and \( x_\beta \in S \left( x, \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \right) \). Therefore \( \rho(x_\alpha, x_\beta) < \frac{2}{3} \varepsilon \). This is a contradiction since \( \rho(x_\alpha, x_\beta) \geq \varepsilon \).

Therefore, for any positive integer \( m \), we can select a sequence \( x_1^n, x_2^n, \ldots, x_n^n, \ldots \) such that for any \( x \) in \( R \) there is an \( x_i^n \) with \( \rho(x, x_i^n) < \frac{1}{m} \).

Put \( D = \{ x_i^n | m = 1, 2, \ldots, i = 1, 2, \ldots \} \). Then \( D \) is dense in \( R \), that is \( R \) is separable.

If \( X \) and \( Y \) are topological spaces and if there is a one-to-one continuous mapping \( \varphi \) from \( X \) onto \( Y \), then \( Y \) is called a contraction of \( X \), and we write \( X \geq Y \). If \( X \geq Y \) and if the inverse of \( \varphi \) is not continuous, then we write \( X \not\geq Y \). We can assume here that \( X \) and \( Y \) are two spaces on the same set with different topologies. (Cf. [8] or [15]). If \( Y \) is metric (or locally compact), then \( Y \) is called a metric (or a locally compact) contraction of \( X \).

**Lemma 4.** If a completely regular space \( R \) has a metric contraction, then \( C(R) \) is sm if and only if \( R \) is metric and compact.

**Proof.** If \( R \) is a metric contraction of \( R \), then \( C(R) \geq C(R_\alpha) \). By \( D_1 \), if \( C(R) \) is sm, then \( C(R_\alpha) \) is also sm. By Theorem 1, \( R_\alpha \) is (metric) compact. Now we shall prove that \( R = R_\alpha \). If \( R \not\geq R_\alpha \), then there exists an \( f \) in \( C(R) - C(R_\alpha) \) since \( R \) is completely regular. We put \( d(x, y) = |f(x) - f(y)| \) for any \( x, y \in R \), and put \( \rho_0(x, y) = d(x, y) + \rho(x, y) \), where \( \rho(x, y) \) is a distance function on \( R_\alpha \). Let \( R_\alpha \) be a metric space defined
by $\rho_0(x, y)$. Then we easily see that $R \geq R_i$ and $R_i > R_0$. By Theorem 1, $R$ is compact, since $R_i$ is metric. Since $R_i$ and $R_2$ are both compact, $R_1 = R_2$. This contradiction concludes the proof.

Similarly, we obtain

**Lemma 5.** If a completely regular $R$ has a metric contraction and if $C(R)$ is sc, then $R$ is a least upper bound of separable metric spaces.

Proof. If $R_0$ is a metric contraction of $R$ and if $R > R_0$, then for any open set $U$ in $R$ and for any $x \in U$, there is $f \in C(R)$ such that $f(x) = 1$ and $f(y) = 0$ for any $y \in R - U$. We put $d(x, y) = |f(x) - f(y)|$ and put $\rho_0(x, y) = d(x, y) + \rho(x, y)$, where $\rho(x, y)$ is a distance function on $R_0$.

Let $R_{(U, x)}$ be a metric space defined by $\rho_0$. Then we easily see that $R$ is a least upper bound of $R_{(U, x)}$.

If $R$ is a topological space, we denote by $\Delta$ the diagonal of the topological product $R \times R$, that is, $\Delta = \{(x, x) | x \in R\}$.

**Lemma 6.** The following two conditions are equivalent.

a) $\Delta$ is a $G_\delta$ set.

b) There exists a sequence of open coverings $\{U_n\}$ such that for any distinct two points $x, y$ in $R$, no element in $U_m$ contains both $x$ and $y$ for some $m$.

Proof. If a) holds, then $\Delta = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n$ for some sequence of open sets $U_n$ in $R \times R$ containing $\Delta$. For any $x \in R$, there is an open neighborhood $V_n(x) \times V_n(x) \subset U_n$. We put $U_n = \{V_n(x) | x \in R\}$ for any $n$. Then we easily see that $\{U_n\}$ satisfies the property b).

Conversely, if b) holds and if $U_n = \{V_n\}$, then we put $U_n = \sum_a (V_n \times V_n)$. $U_n$ is an open set in $R \times R$ containing $\Delta$ and $\Delta = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n$.

If $R$ satisfies the equivalent condition of Lemma 6, then $R$ will be called a weakly metric space. Of course, there is a weakly metric space which is not metric.

**Theorem 3.** Let $R$ be a paracompact, weakly metric space. Then $C(R)$ is sm if and only if $R$ is metric and compact.

Proof. In order to prove the theorem, we may show the existence of a metric space $R_0$ such that $R \geq R_0$ (cf. Lemma 4). Since $R$ is weakly metric, there exists, by Lemma 6, a sequence of open coverings $\{U_n\}$

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4) The set of all topologies on the same set forms a lattice by the ordering $\geq$. The least upper bound of topologies means the least upper bound on this lattice.
such that for any distinct two points \(x, y\) in \(R\), no element in \(\mathcal{U}_m\) contains both \(x\) and \(y\) for some \(m\). We may assume that \(\mathcal{U}_n > \mathcal{U}_{n+1}\) for any \(n\). Since \(R\) is paracompact, every covering of \(R\) is normal.\(^{5}\) Therefore, there exists a sequence of coverings on \(R\) such that

\[
\mathcal{U}_n > \mathcal{B}_n \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{B}_n > \mathcal{B}_{n+1}\]

for any \(n\).

Here we have pseudo distance function\(^3\) \(\rho(x, y)\) in \(R\) such that if \(y \notin S(x, \mathcal{B}_n)\), then \(\rho(x, y) > 2^{-n-1}\) for any \(n\) (cf. Tukey [13]). We can prove easily that if \(x \equiv y\) in \(R\), then \(\rho(x, y) > 0\) by the condition of \(\{\mathcal{U}_n\}\). Therefore \(\rho\) is a distance function. If \(R_0\) is a metric space defined by \(\rho\), then \(R \geq R_0\).

**Corollary.** If \(R\) is paracompact and if \(R \times R\) is perfectly normal\(^7\), then \(C(R)\) is sm if and only if \(R\) is metric and compact.

By Lemma 5 we obtain,

**Theorem 4.** Let \(R\) be a paracompact, weakly metric space and let \(C(R)\) be sc. Then \(R\) is a least upper bound of separable metric spaces.

**Remark.** (i) Day [6] raised the following question: Is any sm space an sc space? If \(R\) is paracompact weakly metric and if \(C(R)\) is sm, then it is sc (cf. Theorem 3).

(ii) An index set \(J\) is regarded as a discrete space. Let \(J_0\) be a non-point compactification of \(J\) (cf. [1], p. 93). Then we easily see that \(C(J_0)\) is isomorphic to \(c_0(J)\), therefore \(C(J_0)\) is sm by \(D_7\). But \(J_0\) is not weakly metric. \((J_0\) is paracompact since it is compact.) Therefore, in Theorem 3, the hypothesis is necessary.

**§ 3. Spaces of summable functions.**

Day raised the following question: Is any \(L_1\)-space an sc space? We here prove that if \(R\) is paracompact, weakly metric and\(^7\) locally compact, then \(L_1(R, \mu)\) is sc for any positive measure\(^9\) \(\mu\). Every \(L_1\)-space

\[\begin{align*}
\text{5) } \& \text{ denotes that } \mathcal{U}_n > \mathcal{B}_n. \\
\text{6) } \rho(x, y) \text{ will be called a pseudo distance function if it is continuous on } R \times R \text{ and if } \\
& (i) \rho(x, y) \geq 0, \quad (ii) \rho(x, y) = \rho(y, x) \text{ and (iii) } \rho(x, y) + \rho(y, z) \geq \rho(x, z). \\
\text{7) A topological space } X \text{ will be called perfectly normal if any closed set in } X \text{ is a } G_\delta \text{ set.} \\
\text{8) See, §2. Lemma 6.}
\end{align*}\]
is represented as $L_t(R, \mu)$, where $R$ is a sum of mutually disjoint stonian spaces\(^{10}\) which are both open and closed in $R$.\(^{11}\) Therefore, by $D_t$, if $L_t(R, \mu)$ is sc when $R$ is stonian, then every $L_t$-space is sc. But, stonian spaces are not always weakly metric. Therefore the question is yet open.

We first prove

**Theorem 5.** Let $R$ be a locally compact metric space and let $\mu$ be a positive measure on $R$. Then $L_t(R, \mu)$ is sc.

Proof. Let $\mathcal{R}(R)$ be the set of all continuous functions on $R$ with a compact carrier. If the norm $\|f\|$ of $f$ in $\mathcal{R}(R)$ is $\sup_{x \in R} |f(x)|$, $\mathcal{R}(R)$ forms a normed space. Since $R$ is locally compact and metric, $R$ is a sum of mutually disjoint separable locally compact metric spaces $\{R_j\}_{j \in J}$ which are both open and closed in $R$ (cf. Alexandroff and Urysohn [2]). Index set $J$ may be uncountable. For any $f$ in $L_t(R, \mu)$, we denote by $f_j$ the restriction of $f$ on $R_j$ and by $\mu_j$ the restriction of $\mu$ on $R_j$. Then we can write $f = \sum_j f_j$ and $\|f\| = \sum_j ||f_j||$. We easily see that $\mathcal{R}(R_j)$ is separable for any $j$, since $R_j$ is separable and locally compact. Therefore for any $j$ $L_t(R_j, \mu_j)$ is separable and sc (cf. [5] or [6]). By $D_t$ the theorem is then clear.

Moreover, we can prove the following

**Theorem 6.** Let $R$ be a paracompact, weakly metric\(^{5}\), locally compact space. Then $L_t(R, \mu)$ is sc for any positive measure on $R$.

We first prove two lemmas.

**Lemma 7.** Let $R$ be a locally compact space and let $R$ have a locally compact metric contraction. Then $L_t(R, \mu)$ is sc for any positive measure $\mu$ on $R$.

Proof. If $R_0$ is a locally compact metric contraction, then $R_0$ is a sum of mutually disjoint separable locally compact metric spaces $\{S_j\}_{j \in J}$ which are both open and closed in $R_0$. Let $\varphi$ be the one-to-one continuous mapping from $R$ onto $R_0$, and let $R_j$ be the inverse $\varphi^{-1}(S_j)$ for any $j$. Then $R = \bigcup_j R_j$ and $R_j$ are mutually disjoint and are both open and closed in $R$. The mapping $\varphi$ from $R_j$ onto $S_j$ is continuous and one-to-one. Therefore the lemma follows immediately from the next Lemma 8 and $D_t$.

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10) A Hausdorff space is stonian if it is compact and if $U$ is open for any open set $U$.
11) Cf. for example, [10].
Lemma 8. Let $R$ be a locally compact space and let $R$ have a locally compact separable metric contraction. Then $L_1(R, \mu)$ is sc for any positive measure on $R$.

Proof. Let $R_0$ be a locally compact separable metric contraction of $R$ and let $\mathfrak{K}(R)$ and $\mathfrak{K}(R_0)$ be the sets of all continuous functions with compact carriers of $R$ and $R_0$ respectively. The norm $||f||$ of $f$ in $\mathfrak{K}(R)$ (or $\mathfrak{K}(R_0)$) is $\sup_{x \in R} |f(x)|$ (or $\sup_{x \in R_0} |f(x)|$). In order to prove the lemma, we have only to prove that $L_1(R, \mu)$ is isomorphic to a subspace of $\mathfrak{K}(R_0)^{\ast\ast}$, since $\mathfrak{K}(R_0)$ is separable (cf. Klee [11]). Let $\varphi$ be the one-to-one continuous mapping from $R$ onto $R_0$. For any $f$ in $L_1(R, \mu)$ and for any $g$ in $\mathfrak{K}(R_0)$, we put

$$T_f(g) = \int_R f(x)g(\varphi x)\,d\mu(x).$$

We are here to prove that $||T_f|| = \sup_{g \in \mathfrak{K}(R_0)} |T_f| = ||f||$. It is clear that $||T_f|| \leq ||f||$. Therefore we shall prove that $||T_f|| \geq ||f||$. For any positive number $\varepsilon$, there is an $h$ in $\mathfrak{K}(R)$ such that $\int_R |f(x) - h(x)|\,d\mu(x) \leq \varepsilon/4$. We may assume that $h$ is not identically zero. Put $U_0 = \{x | h(x) = 0\}$, $F_n = \{x | h(x) \geq \frac{1}{n}\}$ and $K_n = \{x | h(x) \leq -\frac{1}{n}\}$ for any natural number $n$. Then $U_0 = \cup_{n=1}^\infty (F_n \cup K_n)$ and therefore $\mu(U_0 - (F_n \cup K_n)) \leq \varepsilon/4||h||_\infty$ for some $n$. Since $F_n$ and $K_n$ are compact on the topology of $R$, $\varphi F_n$ and $\varphi K_n$ are also compact in $R_0$. Therefore there exists a $g$ in $\mathfrak{K}(R_0)$ such that $g(\varphi F_n) = 1$, $g(\varphi K_n) = -1$ and $-1 \leq g(y) \leq 1$ for any $y$ in $R_0$. For this $g$,

$$|T_f(g)| \geq \int_R |h(x)|\,d\mu(x) - \frac{3}{4}\varepsilon \geq \int_R |f(x)|\,d\mu(x) - \varepsilon = ||f|| - \varepsilon.
$$

Therefore $|T_f(g)| \geq ||f|| - \varepsilon$. Since $||g||_\infty = 1$, $||T_f|| \geq ||f||$.

Proof of Theorem 5. Since $R$ is weakly metric and locally compact, we can assume, in the proof of Lemma 6, that $V_i(x)$ is relatively compact for any $x \in R$. In the proof of Theorem 3, we easily see that $R$

12) For any normed space $E$, $E^\ast$ denotes the conjugate space of $E$. 

has a locally compact metric contraction $R_0$. Then by Lemma 7 the theorem is clear.

**Theorem 7.** If an $L_1$-space $E$ is lattice-isomorphic and isometric to a conjugate space of an $AM$ space and if $E$ is sm, then $E$ is lattice-isomorphic and isometric to $l_1$.

Proof. If an $AL$ space $E$ with an $F$–unit is lattice-isomorphic and isometric to a conjugate space of an $AM$ space, then $E$ is lattice-isomorphic and isometric to $l_1$ (cf. [16]). The theorem is clear since if $E$ is sm, then $E$ has an $F$–unit (cf. [6]).

§ 4. $scm$ spaces.

Day [6] has proved that if a normed space $E$ is separable, then it is $scm$. He raised the following question: Is there a nonreflexive, nonseparable $scm$ space? We give an example of nonreflexive, nonseparable $scm$ spaces. If $E$ and $F$ are two normed spaces, we mean by the $l_p$ product of $E$ and $F$ a normed space of all pairs $z=(x,y), x \in E, y \in F$ with the norm $(||x||^p+||y||^p)^{1/p}, (p>1)$.

We first prove the following.

**Theorem 8.** If $E$ is a separable normed space, then the $l_p$ product of $E$ and $l_p(I), E \times l_p(I)$, is $scm$ ($p>1$).

Proof. Since $E$ is separable, there exists a one-to-one linear continuous mapping $V$ from $E$ into $l_p$. $V$ is as follows: let $\{f_j\}$ be a bounded sequence of elements of $E^*$ total over $E$. Then $V(x) = \{f_j(x)/2^j\}$ for any $x \in E$. For any $z=(x,y) \in M=E\times l_p(I)$, we put

$$W(z) = (V(x), y)$$

$(V(x), y)$ is in $l_p \times l_p(I)$. Since $l_p \times l_p(I)$ is isomorphic to an $l_p(J)$ for an index set $J$, $W$ is a one-to-one linear continuous mapping from $M$ into $l_p(J)$. By $D_\infty$ $M$ is sm. Since $l_p(J)$ is $scm$, by $D_\infty$, $M$ is $scm$.

**Example.** Let $E$ be the space $c_0$, that is, the set of all sequences of real numbers which converge to zero. Then $E$ is separable and nonreflexive. If the index set $I$ is uncountable, $l_p(I)$ is nonseparable. Therefore, if $p>1$ and if $I$ is uncountable, $M=c_0 \times l_p(I)$ is an example of a nonreflexive, nonseparable $scm$ space. For, $M$ is nonreflexive since any closed subspace of a reflexive space is also reflexive (cf. Pettis [12]), and is $scm$ by Theorem 8.

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Added in proof: The question (1) is already solved (cf. M. M. Day: Every L-space is isomorphic to a strictly convex space, Proc. Amer. Math. Soc. 8, 415-417 (1957).