

## $\varepsilon$ -WEAKLY CHEBYSHEV SUBSPACES AND QUOTIENT SPACES

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ABSTRACT. It will be determined under what conditions  $\varepsilon$ -quasi Chebyshev and  $\varepsilon$ -weakly Chebyshev subspaces are transmitted to and from quotient spaces.

### 1. Introduction and Preliminaries

Let  $X$  be a (complex or real) Banach space,  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given and let  $W$  be a subspace of  $X$ . A point  $y_0 \in W$  is said to be a  $\varepsilon$ -approximation for  $x \in X$  if

$$\|x - y_0\| \leq d(x, W) + \varepsilon.$$

For  $x \in X$ , put

$$P_{W,\varepsilon}(x) = \{y \in W : \|x - y\| \leq d(x, W) + \varepsilon\}$$

and

$$P_W(x) = \{y \in W : \|x - y\| = d(x, W)\}.$$

It is clear that  $P_{W,\varepsilon}(x)$  is a non-empty, bounded and convex subset of  $X$ . Also,  $P_{W,\varepsilon}(x)$  is closed for all  $x \in X$ , if  $W$  is closed.

We know that a subspace  $W$  of a Banach space  $X$  is called proximal (respectively, quasi-Chebyshev or Weakly-Chebyshev)

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if  $P_W(x)$  is non-empty (and respectively, compact or weakly compact) for all  $x \in X$ .

Recently, these types of subspaces are investigated (see [3]-[8]). There are some works on sum and quotient of proximal subspaces of Banach spaces (see [1],[2]). Also, the first author has defined  $\varepsilon$ -quasi Chebyshev and  $\varepsilon$ -weakly Chebyshev subspaces of Banach spaces (see [9],[10]).

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $X$  be a Banach space. A subspace  $W$  is called  $\varepsilon$ -quasi Chebyshev ( $\varepsilon$ -weakly Chebyshev) in  $X$  if  $P_{W,\varepsilon}(x)$  is a compact (weakly compact) set in  $X$  for each  $x \in X$ .

Note that, every  $\varepsilon$ -quasi Chebyshev subspace is  $\varepsilon$ -weakly Chebyshev. But, the converse is not true, (see [10]).

Let  $M$  be a proximal subspace of a Banach space  $X$ , and let  $f \in M^\perp$  be arbitrary. Define the linear functional  $T_f$  on  $X/M$  by  $T_f(x + M) = f(x)$  for all  $x + M \in X/M$ . Since  $M$  is proximal,  $T_f \in (X/M)^*$  and  $\|T_f\| \leq \|f\|$ .

We conclude this section by a list of known lemmas needed in the proof of the main results.

**Lemma 1.2.** [12; Theorem 4]. *Let  $W$  be a subspace of a normed linear space  $X$ ,  $x \in X \setminus \overline{W}$  and  $g_0 \in W$ . Then,  $g_0 \in P_W(x)$  if and only if  $\|x - g_0\| = \|x - g_0\|_{W^\perp}$ , where  $\|x - g_0\|_{W^\perp} = \sup\{|f(x - g_0)| : \|f\| \leq 1, f \in W^\perp\}$ .*

**Lemma 1.3.** [9; Theorem 2.11]. *Let  $W$  be a closed subspace of a Banach space  $X$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. Then,  $W$  is  $\varepsilon$ -quasi Chebyshev subspace of  $X$  if and only if  $W$  is finite dimensional.*

**Lemma 1.4.** [10; Theorem 2.7]. *Let  $W$  be a closed subspace of a Banach space  $X$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. Then,  $W$  is  $\varepsilon$ -weakly Chebyshev subspace of  $X$  if and only if  $W$  is reflexive.*

## 2. Main Results

Now, we are ready to state and prove our main results.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $M$  be a proximal subspace of a Banach space  $X$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given and let  $W$  be a  $\varepsilon$ -quasi Chebyshev subspace of  $X$  such that  $M$  is a subspace of  $W$ . Then,  $\frac{W}{M}$  is  $\varepsilon$ -quasi Chebyshev in  $\frac{X}{M}$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $\pi : X \rightarrow \frac{X}{M}$  be the canonical map. Since  $P_{\frac{W}{M}, \varepsilon}(x + M) = \pi(P_{W, \varepsilon}(x))$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $\pi$  is continuous,  $\frac{W}{M}$  is a  $\varepsilon$ -quasi Chebyshev subspace of  $\frac{X}{M}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $M$  be a finite dimensional subspace of a Banach space  $X$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given and let  $W$  be a closed subspace of  $X$ . Then the followings are equivalent:*

- (a)  $M + W$  is  $\varepsilon$ -quasi Chebyshev in  $X$ .
- (b)  $\frac{M+W}{M}$  is  $\varepsilon$ -quasi Chebyshev in  $\frac{X}{M}$ .

**Proof.** It is an immediate consequence of Lemma 1.2 and the relation  $\dim(M + W) = \dim(\frac{M+W}{M}) + \dim(M)$ , which implies that  $M+W$  is finite dimensional if  $M$  and  $\frac{M+W}{M}$  are finite dimensional.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.3.** *Let  $M$  be a finite dimensional subspace of a Banach space  $X$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given and let  $W$  be a closed subspace of  $X$  such that  $M$  is a subspace of  $W$ . If  $\frac{W}{M}$  is  $\varepsilon$ -quasi Chebyshev in  $\frac{X}{M}$ ,*

then  $W$  is  $\varepsilon$ -quasi Chebyshev in  $X$ .

The following example shows that finite dimensionality of  $M$  can not omit in Corollary 2.3.

**Example 2.4.** Let  $X = c_0$ ,  $W = \{\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1} \in X : x_1 = 0\}$  and  $M = \{\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1} \in X : x_1 = x_2 = 0\}$ . Then, it is easy to show that  $M$  and  $W$  are proximal subspaces of  $X$ . Since  $\dim \frac{W}{M} = 1$ , by Lemma 1.2,  $\frac{W}{M}$  is  $\varepsilon$ -quasi Chebyshev in  $\frac{X}{M}$ , but  $W$  is not  $\varepsilon$ -quasi Chebyshev in  $X$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $M$  be a proximal subspace of a Banach space  $X$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given and let  $W$  be a  $\varepsilon$ -weakly Chebyshev subspace of  $X$  such that  $M$  is a subspace of  $W$ . Then,  $\frac{W}{M}$  is  $\varepsilon$ -weakly Chebyshev in  $\frac{X}{M}$ .

**Proof.** It is an immediate consequence of Lemma 1.3 and the well known fact ([11]) that a reflexive space has every its quotient spaces reflexive.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.6.** Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $S$  a finite dimensional subspace of a  $X$  such that  $\frac{X}{S}$  is reflexive. Then,  $X$  is reflexive.

**Proof.** It is well known that  $X$  is reflexive if and only if the unit ball  $B$  of  $X$  is weakly compact. As a consequence of the Eberlein-Šmulian Theorem  $B$  is weakly compact if and only if every sequence  $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  in  $B$  has a weakly convergent subsequence. Let  $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  be a sequence in  $B$ . Since  $S$  is finite dimensional,  $S$  is complemented subspace of  $X$ . That is, there exists a projection  $P : X \rightarrow S$ . That means that  $P$  is a linear bounded and onto map with  $P^2 = P$ . We note that  $W := \ker(P)$  is a complement of  $S$ . That is  $W$  is closed,  $S + W = X$  and  $S \cap W = \{0\}$ .

We note that  $\{a_n + S\}_{n \geq 1}$  belongs to the unit ball of  $\frac{X}{S}$ . Thus, from reflexivity of  $\frac{X}{S}$  we obtain a subsequence  $\{a_{n_k} + S\}_{n_k \geq 1}$  converging weakly to an element  $a + S \in \frac{X}{S}$ . Since  $S$  is finite dimensional and  $m_k := P(a_{n_k} - a) \in S$  and  $\|m_k\| \leq 2\|P\|$  we can suppose, without loss of generality, that there exists  $m_0 \in S$  with  $\|m_k - m_0\| \rightarrow 0$ .

Now, we can consider the subset of  $X^*$  defined by

$$V = \{f \in X^* : f(x) = f(P(x)) \text{ for all } x \in X\}.$$

It is easy to check that  $V$  is a closed subspace of  $X^*$  which is a complement of  $S^\perp$  (in fact,  $V = (\text{Range}(I - P))^\perp$ ). that means,  $V$  is closed,  $V \cap S^\perp = \{0\}$  and  $V + S^\perp = X^*$ . As is well known we can identify  $S^\perp$  with  $(\frac{X}{S})^*$ . Let  $f \in X^*$  be arbitrary. We can split  $f$  in the form  $f = f_1 + f_2$  with  $f_1 \in S^\perp$  and  $f_2 \in V$ . Therefore, we have

$$f(a_{n_k}) = f_1(a_{n_k}) + f_2(a_{n_k}) = T_{f_1}(a_{n_k} + S) + f_2(a_{n_k}).$$

We have that  $T_{f_1}(a_{n_k} + S) \rightarrow T_{f_1}(a + S) = f_1(a)$ .

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} f_2(a_{n_k}) &= f_2(a_{n_k} - a) + f_2(a) = f_2(P(a_{n_k} - a)) + f_2(a) \\ &= f_2(m_k) + f_2(a) \rightarrow f_2(m_0) + f_2(a). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, from  $f_1(m_0) = 0$  we get

$$f(a_{n_k}) \rightarrow f_1(a) + f_2(a) + f_2(m_0) = (f_1 + f_2)(a + m_0) = f(a + m_0).$$

Hence,  $\{a_{n_k}\}_{k \geq 1}$  converges weakly to  $a + m_0$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.7.** *Let  $M$  be a finite dimensional subspace of a Banach space  $X$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given and let  $W$  be a closed subspace of  $X$  such that  $M$  is a subspace of  $W$ . If  $\frac{W}{M}$  is  $\varepsilon$ -weakly Chebyshev in  $\frac{X}{M}$ , then  $W$  is  $\varepsilon$ -weakly Chebyshev in  $X$ .*

The following example shows that finite dimensionality of  $M$  can not omit in Corollary 2.7.

**Example 2.8.** Let  $X = \ell^\infty$ ,  $W = \ell^1$ ,  $M = \{\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1} \in W : x_1 = 0\}$  and let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. By Lemma 1.3,  $W$  is not  $\varepsilon$ -weakly

Chebyshev in  $X$ . Since  $\dim \frac{W}{M} = 1$ ,  $\frac{W}{M}$  is  $\varepsilon$ -weakly Chebyshev in  $\frac{X}{M}$ .

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