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# On Isometric Extension in the Space $s_n(H)$

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We study the problem of isometric extension on a sphere of the space  $s_n(H)$ . We give an affirmative answer to Tingley's problem in the space  $s_n(H)$ .

## 1. Introduction

Let  $E$  and  $F$  be metric linear spaces. A mapping  $V : E \rightarrow F$  is called an isometry if  $d_F(Vx, Vy) = d_E(x, y)$  for all  $x, y \in E$ . The classical Mazur-Ulam theorem in [1] describes the relation between isometry and linearity and states that every onto isometry  $V$  between two normed spaces with  $V(0) = 0$  is linear. In 1987, Tingley [2] posed the problem of extending an isometry between unit spheres as follows.

Let  $E$  and  $F$  be two real Banach spaces. Suppose that  $V_0$  is a surjective isometry between the two unit spheres  $S(E)$  and  $S(F)$ . Is  $V_0$  necessarily a restriction of a linear or affine transformation to  $S(E)$ ?

It is very difficult to answer this question, even in two-dimensional cases. In the same paper, Tingley proved that if  $E$  and  $F$  are finite-dimensional Banach spaces and  $V_0 : S(E) \rightarrow S(F)$  is a surjective isometry, then  $V_0(x) = -V_0(-x)$  for all  $x \in S(E)$ . In [3], Ding gave an affirmative answer to Tingley's problem, when  $E$  and  $F$  are Hilbert spaces. Kadets and Martín in [4] proved that any surjective isometry between unit spheres of finite-dimensional polyhedral Banach spaces has a linear isometric extension on the whole space. In the case when  $E$  and  $F$  are some metric vector spaces, the corresponding extension problem was investigated in [5, 6]. See also [7–14] for some related results.

We introduce a new space  $s(H)$  which consists of all  $H$ -valued sequences, where  $H$  is a Hilbert space, and, for each element  $x = \{x(k)\}$ , the  $F$ -norm of  $x$  is defined by  $\|x\| = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1/2^k)(\|x(k)\|/(1 + \|x(k)\|))$ . Let  $s_n(H)$  denote the set of all elements of the form  $x = (x(1), \dots, x(n))$  with  $\|x\| =$

$\sum_{k=1}^n (1/2^k)(\|x(k)\|/(1 + \|x(k)\|))$ , where  $x(i)$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) is an element in the Hilbert space  $H$ .

In this paper, we study the problem of isometric extension on a sphere  $S_{r_0}(s_n(H))$  with radius  $r_0$  and center 0 in  $s_n(H)$ . We prove that if  $V_0$  is an isometric mapping from  $S_{r_0}(s_n(H))$  onto itself, then it can be extended to an isometry on the whole space  $s_n(H)$ .

Here is a notation used throughout this paper:

$$e_{x(k)} = \underbrace{(0, \dots, x(k), \dots, 0)}_{k\text{th place}} \in s_n(H), \quad (1)$$

where  $\|x(k)\| = 1$ . Particularly, when  $\|x(k)\| = 0$ , we define  $e_{x(k)/\|x(k)\|} = (0, \dots, 0)$ .

## 2. Main Results and Proofs

In this section, we give our main results. For this purpose, we need some lemmas that will be used in the proofs of our main results. We begin with the following result.

**Lemma 1.** *If  $x, y \in s(H)$ , then*

$$\|x - y\| = \|x\| + \|y\| \iff \text{supp } x \cap \text{supp } y = \emptyset, \quad (2)$$

where  $\text{supp } x = \{n : x(n) \neq 0, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .

*Proof.* The sufficiency is trivial. In the following, we prove the necessity.

Suppose that  $x = \{x(n)\}$  and  $y = \{y(n)\}$  are elements in  $s(H)$  and that  $\|x - y\| = \|x\| + \|y\|$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \frac{\|x(n) - y(n)\|}{1 + \|x(n) - y(n)\|} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \frac{\|x(n)\|}{1 + \|x(n)\|} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \frac{\|y(n)\|}{1 + \|y(n)\|}. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

In view of (3), it is sufficient to show that

$$\frac{\|x(n) - y(n)\|}{1 + \|x(n) - y(n)\|} \leq \frac{\|x(n)\|}{1 + \|x(n)\|} + \frac{\|y(n)\|}{1 + \|y(n)\|}, \quad (4)$$

and the equality holds if and only if  $\|x(n)\|\|y(n)\| = 0$ .

Indeed, since  $x/(1+x)$  is strictly increasing on  $[0, \infty)$ , this lemma is proven.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.** Let  $S_{r_0}(s(H))$  be a sphere with radius  $r_0$  and center 0 in  $s(H)$ . Suppose that  $V_0 : S_{r_0}(s(H)) \rightarrow S_{r_0}(s(H))$  is a surjective isometry; then  $(\text{supp } x) \cap (\text{supp } y) = \emptyset$  if and only if  $(\text{supp } V_0 x) \cap (\text{supp } V_0 y) = \emptyset$ .

*Proof. Necessity.* Take any two disjoint elements  $x$  and  $y$  in  $S_{r_0}(s(H))$ . Let  $V_0(x) = \{x'(n)\}$  and  $V_0(y) = \{y'(n)\}$ .

Since  $V_0$  is an isometry, we have by Lemma 1 and (4) that

$$\begin{aligned} 2r_0 &= \|x\| + \|y\| = \|x - y\| \\ &= \|V_0 x - V_0 y\| \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \frac{\|x'(n) - y'(n)\|}{1 + \|x'(n) - y'(n)\|} \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \frac{\|x'(n)\|}{1 + \|x'(n)\|} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \frac{\|y'(n)\|}{1 + \|y'(n)\|} \\ &= 2r_0. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Thus,

$$\|V_0 x - V_0 y\| = \|V_0 x\| + \|V_0 y\|. \quad (6)$$

According to Lemma 1 again, we obtain

$$(\text{supp } V_0 x) \cap (\text{supp } V_0 y) = \emptyset. \quad (7)$$

The proof of sufficiency is similar to that of necessity because  $V_0^{-1}$  is also an isometry from  $S_{r_0}(s(H))$  onto itself.  $\square$

*Remark 3.* The space  $s(H)$  in Lemmas 1 and 2 can be replaced by the space  $s_n(H)$ .

**Lemma 4.** Let  $S_{r_0}(s_n(H))$  be a sphere with radius  $r_0$  in the space  $s_n(H)$ , where  $r_0 < 1/2^n$ . Suppose that  $V_0 : S_{r_0}(s_n(H)) \rightarrow S_{r_0}(s_n(H))$  is an isometry,  $\lambda_k = 2^k r_0 / (1 - 2^k r_0)$  ( $k \in \mathbf{N}$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq n$ ), and  $e_{x(k)} \in s_n(H)$  ( $\|x(k)\| = 1$ ). Then there exists  $x'(k) \in H$  ( $\|x'(k)\| = 1$ ) such that  $V_0(\lambda_k e_{x(k)}) = \lambda_k e_{x'(k)}$  and  $V_0(-\lambda_k e_{x(k)}) = -\lambda_k e_{x'(k)}$ .

*Proof.* We prove first that, for any  $k$  ( $1 \leq k \leq n$ ), there exist  $l$  ( $1 \leq l \leq n$ ) and  $x'(l)$  ( $\|x'(l)\| = 1$ ) such that  $V_0(\lambda_k e_{x(k)}) = \lambda_l e_{x'(l)}$  (notice that the assumption of  $\lambda_k$  implies  $\lambda_k e_{x'(k)} \in S_{r_0}(s_n(H))$ ). To this end, suppose on the contrary that  $V_0(\lambda_{k_0} e_{x(k_0)}) = \sum_{k=1}^n \eta_k e_{x'(k)}$  and  $\eta_{k_1} \neq 0, \eta_{k_2} \neq 0$ . In view of Lemma 2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & [\text{supp } V_0(\lambda_{k_0} e_{x(k_0)})] \cap [\text{supp } V_0(\lambda_k e_{x(k)})] = \emptyset, \\ & \forall k \neq k_0. \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Hence, by the ‘‘pigeon nest principle’’ there must exist  $k_{i_0}$  ( $1 \leq k_{i_0} \leq n$ ) such that  $V_0(\lambda_{k_{i_0}} e_{x(k_{i_0})}) = 0$ , which leads to a contradiction.

Next, we prove that if  $V_0(\lambda_k e_{x(k)}) = \lambda_l e_{x'(l)}$ ,  $V_0(-\lambda_k e_{x(k)}) = \lambda_p e_{x''(p)}$ , then  $l = p$ .

Indeed, if  $l \neq p$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \|V_0(\lambda_k e_{x(k)}) - V_0(-\lambda_k e_{x(k)})\| \\ &= \|2\lambda_k e_{x(k)}\| = \frac{1}{2^k} \frac{2\lambda_k}{1 + 2\lambda_k} \neq 2r_0, \\ & \|V_0(\lambda_k e_{x(k)}) - V_0(-\lambda_k e_{x(k)})\| \\ &= \|\lambda_l e_{x'(l)} - \lambda_p e_{x''(p)}\| = 2r_0, \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

and this contradiction implies  $l = p$ .

Finally, we assert that, for any  $k$  ( $1 \leq k \leq n$ ), there exists  $x'(k)$  such that  $V_0(\lambda_k e_{x(k)}) = \lambda_k e_{x'(k)}$  and that  $V_0(-\lambda_k e_{x(k)}) = -\lambda_k e_{x'(k)}$ .

Indeed, if  $V_0(\lambda_k e_{x(k)}) = \lambda_l e_{x'(l)}$ , by the result in the last step, we have  $V_0(-\lambda_k e_{x(k)}) = \lambda_l e_{x''(l)}$ ; thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \|V_0(\lambda_k e_{x(k)}) - V_0(-\lambda_k e_{x(k)})\| = \|2\lambda_k e_{x(k)}\| = \frac{1}{2^k} \frac{2\lambda_k}{1 + 2\lambda_k}, \\ & \|V_0(\lambda_k e_{x(k)}) - V_0(-\lambda_k e_{x(k)})\| \\ &= \|\lambda_l e_{x'(l)} - \lambda_l e_{x''(l)}\| = \frac{1}{2^l} \frac{\lambda_l \|x'(l) - x''(l)\|}{1 + \lambda_l \|x'(l) - x''(l)\|}. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{1}{2^k} \frac{2\lambda_k}{1 + 2\lambda_k} = \frac{1}{2^l} \frac{\lambda_l \|x'(l) - x''(l)\|}{1 + \lambda_l \|x'(l) - x''(l)\|} \leq \frac{1}{2^l} \frac{2\lambda_l}{1 + 2\lambda_l}. \quad (11)$$

It follows that

$$\frac{2r_0}{1 + 2^k r_0} \leq \frac{2r_0}{1 + 2^l r_0}, \quad (12)$$

and so  $k \geq l$ . Applying the ‘‘pigeon nest principle’’ again, we have  $k = l$ . Thus  $\|x'(l) - x''(l)\| = 2$ . Since  $x'(l)$  and  $x''(l)$  are elements in Hilbert space  $H$ , we have  $x'(l) = -x''(l)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 5.** Suppose that  $x_1$  and  $y_1$  are elements in the Hilbert space  $H$ ,  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are some nonzero real numbers, and  $\|\lambda x_1 \pm \mu y_1\| = \|\lambda x_2 \pm \mu y_2\|$ ,  $\|x_1\| = \|x_2\|$ , and  $\|y_1\| = \|y_2\|$ . Then  $\|x_1 - y_1\| = \|x_2 - y_2\|$ .

*Proof.* It is easy to prove this lemma by the parallelogram law.  $\square$

Now we are in a position to state the main result and proof in this paper.

**Theorem 6.** *Let  $S_{r_0}(s_n(H))$  be a sphere with radius  $r_0$  in the space  $s_n(H)$ , where  $r_0 < 1/2^n$ . Suppose that  $V_0 : S_{r_0}(s_n(H)) \rightarrow S_{r_0}(s_n(H))$  is a surjective isometry. Then  $V_0$  can be extended to an isometry on the whole space  $s_n(H)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x = \{x(i)\}_{i=1}^n \in S_{r_0}(s_n(H))$ . For  $i$  and  $j$  are points in  $\text{supp } x$  such that  $i \neq j$ , it follows from Lemma 2 that

$$\text{supp } V_0(\lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|}) \cap \text{supp } V_0(\lambda_j e_{x(j)/\|x(j)\|}) = \emptyset. \quad (13)$$

Since  $V_0$  is surjective, there is an element  $z = \{z(i)\}_{i=1}^n \in S_{r_0}(s_n(H))$  such that

$$V_0(z) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\|x(i)\|}{\lambda_i} V_0(\lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|}). \quad (14)$$

If  $\|x(i)\| = 0$ , then  $V_0(\lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 0$  and  $e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 0$ . In the following, we explain why the right-hand side of (14) is norm  $r_0$ .

By Lemma 4, we can see that, for any  $i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ ), there exists  $x'(i)$  such that  $\|x(i)\| = \|x'(i)\|$  and

$$V_0(\lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|}) = \lambda_i e_{x'(i)/\|x'(i)\|}. \quad (15)$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\|x(i)\|}{\lambda_i} V_0(\lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|}) \right\| \\ &= \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\|x(i)\|}{\lambda_i} \lambda_i e_{x'(i)/\|x'(i)\|} \right\| \\ &= \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n e_{x'(i)} \right\| \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2^i} \frac{\|x'(i)\|}{1 + \|x'(i)\|} = r_0. \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

Since  $V_0$  is an isometry, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \|z - \lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|}\| \\ &= \|V_0(z) - V_0(\lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|})\| \\ &= \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\|x(i)\|}{\lambda_i} V_0(\lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|}) - V_0(\lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|}) \right\| \\ &= \left\| \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{\|x(j)\|}{\lambda_j} V_0(\lambda_j e_{x(j)/\|x(j)\|}) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left( \frac{\|x(i)\|}{\lambda_i} - 1 \right) V_0(\lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|}) \right\| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left\| \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{\|x(j)\|}{\lambda_j} \lambda_j e_{x'(j)/\|x'(j)\|} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left( \frac{\|x(i)\|}{\lambda_i} - 1 \right) \lambda_i e_{x'(i)/\|x'(i)\|} \right\| \\ &= r_0 - \frac{1}{2^i} \frac{\|x'(i)\|}{1 + \|x'(i)\|} + \frac{1}{2^i} \frac{\lambda_i - \|x(i)\|}{1 + \lambda_i - \|x(i)\|} \\ &= r_0 - \frac{1}{2^i} \frac{\|x(i)\|}{1 + \|x(i)\|} + \frac{1}{2^i} \frac{\lambda_i - \|x(i)\|}{1 + \lambda_i - \|x(i)\|}. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} & \|z - \lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|}\| \\ &= \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{1}{2^j} \frac{\|z(j)\|}{1 + \|z(j)\|} \\ & \quad + \left\| \|z(i)\| e_{z(i)/\|z(i)\|} - \lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|} \right\| \\ &\geq r_0 - \frac{1}{2^i} \frac{\|z(i)\|}{1 + \|z(i)\|} + \frac{1}{2^i} \frac{\lambda_i - \|z(i)\|}{1 + \lambda_i - \|z(i)\|}. \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Given (17) and (18) and the fact that  $f(x) = -(x/(1+x)) + (\lambda_i - x)/(1 + \lambda_i - x)$  is decreasing on  $[0, +\infty)$ , we have

$$\|x(i)\| \leq \|z(i)\|. \quad (19)$$

By (14) and Lemma 4, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2^i} \frac{\|z(i)\|}{1 + \|z(i)\|} \\ &= \|z\| = \|V_0 z\| \\ &= \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\|x(i)\|}{\lambda_i} V_0(\lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|}) \right\| \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2^i} \frac{\|x(i)\|}{1 + \|x(i)\|}. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Combining (19) and (20) implies

$$\|x(i)\| = \|z(i)\|. \quad (21)$$

It follows from (17), (18), and (21) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \|z(i)\| e_{z(i)/\|z(i)\|} - \lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|} \right\| \\ &= \frac{1}{2^i} \frac{\lambda_i - \|z(i)\|}{1 + \lambda_i - \|z(i)\|} \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

and consequently

$$x(i) = z(i). \quad (23)$$

That is,

$$V_0 x = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\|x(i)\|}{\lambda_i} V_0(\lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|}). \quad (24)$$

We now define a mapping on the space  $s_n(H)$  as follows:

$$V\left(\{x(i)\}_{i=1}^{i=n}\right) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\|x(i)\|}{\lambda_i} V_0\left(\lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|}\right) \quad (25)$$

for all  $\{x(i)\}_{i=1}^{i=n} \in s_n(H)$ . If  $\|x(i)\| = 0$ , then  $V_0(\lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 0$ .

Suppose that  $\{x(i)\}_{i=1}^{i=n}$  and  $\{y(i)\}_{i=1}^{i=n}$  are elements in  $s_n(H)$ . By Lemma 4, (24), and (25), we can assume

$$\begin{aligned} V\left(\{x(i)\}_{i=1}^{i=n}\right) &= \{x'(i)\}_{i=1}^{i=n}, \\ V\left(\{y(i)\}_{i=1}^{i=n}\right) &= \{y'(i)\}_{i=1}^{i=n}, \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

where  $\|x(i)\| = \|x'(i)\|$  and  $\|y(i)\| = \|y'(i)\|$ .

To prove

$$\|V\left(\{x(i)\}_{i=1}^{i=n}\right) - V\left(\{y(i)\}_{i=1}^{i=n}\right)\| = \|\{x(i)\}_{i=1}^{i=n} - \{y(i)\}_{i=1}^{i=n}\|, \quad (27)$$

we proceed as follows.

Since  $V_0$  is an isometry, it follows from Lemma 4 that

$$\begin{aligned} &\|V_0\left(\lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|}\right) \pm V_0\left(\lambda_i e_{y(i)/\|y(i)\|}\right)\| \\ &= \|\lambda_i e_{x(i)/\|x(i)\|} \pm \lambda_i e_{y(i)/\|y(i)\|}\| \\ &= \frac{1}{2^i} \frac{\lambda_i \left(\|x(i)\|/\|x(i)\| \pm \|y(i)\|/\|y(i)\|\right)}{1 + \lambda_i \left(\|x(i)\|/\|x(i)\| \pm \|y(i)\|/\|y(i)\|\right)}. \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} &\|V_0\left(\lambda_i e_{x'(i)/\|x'(i)\|}\right) \pm V_0\left(\lambda_i e_{y'(i)/\|y'(i)\|}\right)\| \\ &= \|\lambda_i e_{x'(i)/\|x'(i)\|} \pm \lambda_i e_{y'(i)/\|y'(i)\|}\| \\ &= \frac{1}{2^i} \frac{\lambda_i \left(\|x'(i)\|/\|x'(i)\| \pm \|y'(i)\|/\|y'(i)\|\right)}{1 + \lambda_i \left(\|x'(i)\|/\|x'(i)\| \pm \|y'(i)\|/\|y'(i)\|\right)}. \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

If  $\|x(i)\| = 0$ , then  $x(i)/\|x(i)\| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 0$  and  $x'(i)/\|x'(i)\| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 0$ . It follows from (28) and (29) that

$$\left\| \frac{x(i)}{\|x(i)\|} \pm \frac{y(i)}{\|y(i)\|} \right\| = \left\| \frac{x'(i)}{\|x'(i)\|} \pm \frac{y'(i)}{\|y'(i)\|} \right\|. \quad (30)$$

Notice that  $\|x(i)\| = \|x'(i)\|$  and  $\|y(i)\| = \|y'(i)\|$  and notice (30); it follows from Lemma 5 that

$$\|x(i) - y(i)\| = \|x'(i) - y'(i)\|. \quad (31)$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} &\|V\left(\{x(i)\}_{i=1}^{i=n}\right) - V\left(\{y(i)\}_{i=1}^{i=n}\right)\| \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2^i} \frac{\|x'(i) - y'(i)\|}{1 + \|x'(i) - y'(i)\|}, \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

$$\|\{x(i)\}_{i=1}^{i=n} - \{y(i)\}_{i=1}^{i=n}\| = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2^i} \frac{\|x(i) - y(i)\|}{1 + \|x(i) - y(i)\|}.$$

Equations (31) and (32) assure that (27) holds. That is, we have obtained an isometry on the space  $s_n(H)$  and it is the extension of  $V_0$ .  $\square$

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