# Algebraic structures of non-norm-attaining operators

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# Classical lineability

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- $\kappa$ -lineable if  $A \cup \{0\}$  contains a subspace of V of dimension  $\kappa$ .
- $\kappa$ -spaceable if  $A \cup \{0\}$  contains a closed subspace of V of dimension  $\kappa$ .

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#### Remark

If A is  $(\alpha, \alpha)$ -spaceable, then A is  $\alpha$ -spaceable, but the converse is not true in general. For instance,  $L_p[0,1] \setminus \bigcup_{q>p} L_q[0,1]$  is  $\mathfrak{c}$ -spaceable, but not  $(\mathfrak{c}, \mathfrak{c})$ -spaceable, where  $\mathfrak{c}$  denotes the cardinality of the continuum.

- Botelho, Fávaro, Pellegrino and Seoane-Sepúlveda (2012).
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## Norm-attaining operators

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Let X and Y be Banach spaces. A continuous linear operator  $T: X \to Y$  is norm-attaining if there exists  $x \in S_X$  such that  $||T|| = ||T_X||$ . We denote the set of norm-attaining operators from X to Y by NA(X, Y). If  $Y = \mathbb{K}$ , we simply denote NA(X).

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$$\mathsf{NA}(\ell_1) = \left\{ x \in \ell_\infty \colon \|x\|_\infty = \max_{n \in \mathbb{N}} |x_n| \right\}$$

contains  $c_0$  but is not a subspace of  $\ell_{\infty}$ .

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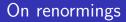
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#### Remark

Rmoutil's counterexample is Read's space.



## Theorem (García-Pacheco, Puglisi (2018))

Every real infinite-dimensional Banach space X admits a renorming such that  $NA(X, \|\cdot\|)$  is  $\aleph_0$ -lineable, where  $\aleph_0$  denotes the cardinality of  $\mathbb{N}$ .

# General results on spaceability

## Theorem (Bandyopadhyay, Godefroy (2006))

Let X be a real Banach space such that X is a weakly compact generated Asplund space or  $X^*$  is separable. Then TFAE:

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## Open question by Bandyopadhyay and Godefroy (2006)

Is the above theorem true for any Asplund space?

# General results on spaceability and Banach lattices

## Theorem (Cheng, Luo (2018))

Let X be a real Asplund space such that

(a) X is a Banach lattice or

(b) X is the quotient of C(K) for some compact Hausdorff space K. Then TFAE:

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## Non-norm-attaining functionals vs. lineability

#### Theorem (Acosta, Aizpuru, Aron, García (2007))

If K is an infinite compact Hausdorff topological space and C(K) takes values in  $\mathbb{R}$ , then  $C(K)^* \setminus NA(C(K))$  is  $\aleph_0$ -lineable. Moreover, if K has a non-trivial convergent sequence, then  $C(K)^* \setminus NA(C(K))$  is c-spaceable.

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#### Proof.

By Hahn-Banach theorem, there exists  $x^* \in NA(X, \mathbb{K})$  with  $||x^*|| = 1$ . The map  $y \mapsto x^* \otimes y$  is as needed.

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## Theorem (Lindenstrauss (1963))

There exist Banach spaces X and Y such that  $\mathcal{L}(X, Y) \setminus \overline{NA(X, Y)}$  is non-empty.

# Lineability on Lindenstrauss' counterexample

## Theorem (Dantas, Falcó, Jung, R-V (2023))

Let  $\Gamma$  be an infinite set and Y an strictly convex renorming of  $c_0(\Gamma)$ . Then

 $\mathcal{L}(c_0(\Gamma), Y) \setminus \overline{\mathsf{NA}(c_0(\Gamma), Y)}$ 

is  $2^{|\Gamma|}$ -spaceable in  $\mathcal{L}(c_0(\Gamma), Y)$ .

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and has dimension  $2^{|\Gamma|}$ .

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# Modern lineability on Lindenstrauss' counterexample

## Corollary (Dantas, Falcó, Jung, R-V (2023))

Let  $\Gamma$  be an infinite set, Y an strictly convex renorming of  $c_0(\Gamma)$  and  $\aleph_0 \leq \alpha \leq 2^{|\Gamma|}$  a cardinal number. Then

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For

$$A := \mathcal{L}(c_0(\Gamma), Y) \setminus \overline{\mathsf{NA}_G(c_0(\Gamma), Y)}$$

and

$$B:=\overline{\mathsf{NA}(c_0(\Gamma),Y)},$$

we have that

$$A+B\subset A$$
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# Lindenstrauss property B

#### Definition

A Banach space Y satisfies Lindenstrauss property B if NA(Z, Y) is dense in  $\mathcal{L}(Z, Y)$  for any Banach space Z.

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## Gowers' counterexample

## Theorem (Gowers (1990))

For any  $1 , the space <math>\ell_p$  does not satisfy property B. In particular,  $NA(d_*(w, 1), \ell_p)$  is not dense in  $\mathcal{L}(d_*(w, 1), \ell_p)$ .

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