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CORRECTION TO THE PAPER "BOUNDED LINEAR OPERATOR IN PROBABILISTIC NORMED SPACES"



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Abstract

We show that Theorem 2.4 of a recent paper by I.H. Jebril and R.I.M. Ali is incorrect.

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The purpose of this note is to show, by means of an appropriate counterexample, that Theorem 2.4 of the recent paper [2] is incorrect.

In [2], a linear operator T from the PN space (V, ν, τ, τ^*) to the PN space $(V, \mu, \sigma, \sigma^*)$ is said to be strongly B-bounded if there exists a constant h>0 such that, for every $p\in V$ and for every x>0,

$$\mu_{Tp}(hx) \ge \nu_p(x)$$

and, similarly, T is said to be strongly C-bounded if there exists a constant $h \in (0,1)$ such that, for every $p \in V$ and for every x > 0,

$$\nu_p(x) > 1 - x \Longrightarrow \mu_{Tp}(hx) > 1 - hx.$$

Theorem 2.4 of [2] asserts that if T is strongly B—bounded and μ_{Tp} is strictly increasing on [0, 1], then T is strongly C—bounded. To show that this is not so,



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consider the simple PN space generated by the real line $\mathbb R$ with its usual norm and the distribution function G given by G(x)=x/(1+x), so that for any p in $\mathbb R$ and any $x\geq 0$, $\nu_p(x)=x/(x+|p|)$. This space is a Menger space under M and therefore a PN space in the sense of Šerstnev [1]. Now let $T:\mathbb R\to\mathbb R$ be the linear map defined by Tp=2p and note that ν_{2p} is strictly increasing on [0,1]. Then if h>2,

$$\nu_{Tp}(hx) = \frac{hx}{hx + 2|p|} \ge \frac{hx}{hx + h|p|} = \nu_p(x),$$

whence T is strongly B-bounded. (Note that this holds in any simple PN space.) But for x=1/2 and p=1/4, we have $\nu_p(x)=2/3>1/2=1-x$, whereas, for any h in (0,1), $\nu_{2p}(hx)=h/(1+h)<1-h/2=1-hx$, so that T is not strongly C-bounded.



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