

## EXTREME POINTS, EXPOSED POINTS, DIFFERENTIABILITY POINTS IN CL-SPACES

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ABSTRACT. This paper presents a property of geometric and topological nature of Gateaux differentiability points and Fréchet differentiability points of almost CL-spaces. More precisely, if we denote by  $M$  a maximal convex set of the unit sphere of a CL-space  $X$ , and by  $C_M$  the cone generated by  $M$ , then all Gateaux differentiability points of  $X$  are just  $\bigcup \text{n-s}(C_M)$ , and all Fréchet differentiability points of  $X$  are  $\bigcup \text{int}(C_M)$  (where  $\text{n-s}(C_M)$  denotes the non-support points set of  $C_M$ ).

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Speaking of the classification of Banach spaces by convexity, we should mention here that there are two extreme classes: One is the well-known class of uniformly convex spaces, the other is that of “flat spaces” (CL-spaces). The theoretical research of uniformly convex spaces has continued for over 70 years since Clarkson [3] introduced the notion of uniformly convex Banach spaces (see, for instance, [2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 12, 13]). The study of various properties of CL-spaces has also brought mathematicians great attention (see, for instance, [1, 10, 15, 16, 17, 18, 22]).

The notion of a CL-space was first introduced by R. Fullerton [8] in 1960, and a generalized notion of a CL-space (i.e., almost CL-space) was introduced by A. Lima in 1978 [14]. A Banach space is called a (an almost) CL-space provided its closed unit ball is the (closed) absolutely convex hull of each maximal convex set of the unit sphere.

In this note, the letter  $X$  will always be a real Banach space and  $X^*$  its dual. We denote by  $B_X$  and  $S_X$ , the closed unit ball of  $X$  and the unit sphere of  $X$ , respectively. For a convex set  $K \subset X$ ,  $C_K$  stands for the cone generated by  $K$ , that is,  $C_K = \bigcup_{\lambda > 0} \lambda K$ .  $\text{n-s}(K)$  and  $\text{int}(K)$  will represent the set of all non-support points of  $K$  and the interior of  $K$ , respectively. The aim of this note is to study the differentiability property of the norms of almost CL-spaces. As a result, it mainly shows the following theorems.

**Theorem 1.1.** *Suppose that  $X$  is a real almost CL-space, and that  $\mathfrak{S}$  is the set of all maximal convex sets of  $S_X$ . Then*

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- i) The set of all Gateaux differentiability points of the norm is precisely  $\bigcup_{M \in \mathfrak{S}} n\text{-s}(C_M)$ ;  
 ii) The set of all Fréchet differentiability points of the norm is precisely  $\bigcup_{M \in \mathfrak{S}} \text{int}(C_M)$ .

**Corollary.** The set of all Fréchet differentiability points of a real almost CL-space is open.

**Theorem 1.2.** Suppose that  $X$  is a real almost CL-space. Then every extreme point of  $B_X$  is an extreme point of  $B_{X^{**}}$ .

**Theorem 1.3.** Suppose that  $X$  is a separable almost CL-space. Then

- i)  $x^* \in S_{X^*}$  is a  $w^*$ -exposed point of  $B_X$  if and only if  $M \equiv \{x \in B_X : \langle x^*, x \rangle = 1\}$  is a maximal convex set of  $S_X$ . If, in addition,  $X$  is a CL-space and  $B_X$  is the closed convex hull of its extreme points, then  
 ii) every extreme point of  $B_{X^*}$  is a  $w^*$ -exposed point of  $B_{X^*}$ .

## 2. NOTIONS AND PRELIMINARIES

To begin this section, we recall a sequence of definitions which will be used in what follows.

**Definition 2.1** ([20]). Suppose that  $X$  is a Banach space and  $C$  is a non-empty convex set of  $X$ .

- i) A point  $x \in X$  is said to be a support point of  $C$  if there exists  $x^* \in X^*$  with  $x^* \neq 0$  such that

$$\langle x^*, x \rangle = \sup_{y \in C} \langle x^*, y \rangle \equiv \sup_C x^*.$$

In this case,  $x^*$  is called a support functional of  $C$ . We denote by  $n\text{-s}(C)$  the set of all non-support points of  $C$ .

- ii)  $x \in C$  is called an extreme point of  $C$  if  $C \setminus \{x\}$  is again a convex set.

**Definition 2.2** ([20]). Suppose that  $X$  is a Banach space and  $C$  is a non-empty convex set of  $X$ .

- i)  $x_0 \in C$  is said to be an exposed point of  $C$  provided that there exists  $x^* \in X^* \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $\langle x^*, x_0 \rangle > \langle x^*, y \rangle$  for all  $y \neq x_0$  in  $C$ . In this case, the functional  $x^*$  is called an exposing functional of  $C$  and exposing  $C$  at  $x_0$ .

- ii) We say that  $x_0 \in C$  is a strongly exposed point of  $C$  if there is an  $x^* \in X^* \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $\langle x^*, x_n \rangle \rightarrow \sup_C x^*$  implies  $x_n \rightarrow x_0$  whenever  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $C$ . In this case,  $x^*$  is said to be a strongly exposing functional of  $C$  and strongly exposing  $C$  at  $x_0$ .

- iii) In particular, if  $C \subset X^*$ , we can analogously define a  $w^*$ -exposed point and a  $w^*$ -strongly exposed point of  $C$ , respectively, with the functional  $x^*$  coming from  $X$  rather than  $X^{**}$  in i) and ii), respectively.

**Definition 2.3** ([20]). Suppose that  $f$  is a continuous convex function on a non-empty convex open set  $D$  of a Banach space  $X$ .

- i) The subdifferential mapping  $\partial f : D \rightarrow 2^{X^*}$  is defined by  $\partial f(x) = \{x^* \in X^* : f(y) - f(x) \geq \langle x^*, y - x \rangle, \text{ for all } y \in D\}$ .  
 ii) We say that  $f$  is Gateaux differentiable at  $x$  if  $\partial f$  is single-valued at  $x$ , i.e.,  $\partial f \equiv x^*$  is a singleton. In this case, we call the functional  $x^*$  the Gateaux derivative of  $f$  at  $x$ , and we denote it by  $d_G f(x) = x^*$ .

iii) We say that  $f$  is Fréchet differentiable at  $x$  if  $\partial f$  is single-valued and norm-to-norm upper semi-continuous at  $x$ . In this case, we call  $\partial f \equiv x^*$  the Fréchet derivative of  $f$  at  $x$  and denote it by  $d_F f(x) = x^*$ .

The following properties are classical (see, for instance, [20]).

**Proposition 2.4.** *Suppose that  $f$  is a continuous convex function defined on a non-empty open subset of a Banach space  $X$ . Then the following statements are equivalent.*

- i)  $f$  is Fréchet differentiable at  $x \in D$ .
- ii) There exists a selection  $\varphi$  for  $\partial f$  which is norm-to-norm continuous at  $x$ .
- iii) Every selection of  $\partial f$  is norm-to-norm continuous at  $x$ .

**Proposition 2.5.** *Suppose that  $X$  is a Banach space and  $x \in X$ . Then*

- i)  $\partial \|x\| = \{x^* \in B_{X^*} : \langle x^*, x \rangle = \|x\|\}$ .
- ii) The norm  $\|\cdot\|$  is Gateaux differentiable at  $x$  with  $d_G f(x) = x^*$  if and only if  $x^*$  is a  $w^*$ -exposed point of  $B_{X^*}$  and is exposed by  $x$ .
- iii) The norm  $\|\cdot\|$  is Fréchet differentiable at  $x$  with  $d_F f(x) = x^*$  if and only if  $x^*$  is a  $w^*$ -strongly exposed point of  $B_{X^*}$  and is strongly exposed by  $x$ .

**Proposition 2.6** ([24]). *Suppose that  $C$  is a closed convex set with  $n\text{-}s(C) \neq \emptyset$  of a Banach space  $X$ . Then for every continuous convex function  $f$  defined on an open convex set  $D$  with  $D \supset C$ ,*

- i)  $\partial f(x) = \partial(f_C)(x)$  for every  $x \in n\text{-}s(C)$ ;
- ii)  $f_C$  is Gateaux differentiable at  $x \in n\text{-}s(C)$  if and only if there exists a selection  $\varphi$  of  $\partial f_C$  which is norm-to- $*$  continuous at  $x$ , where  $f_C$  denotes the function  $f$  restricted to  $C$ .

**Proposition 2.7** ([11]). *Suppose that  $X$  is a separable space, and  $D$  is a non-empty closed convex set of  $X$ . Then  $n\text{-}s(D) \neq \emptyset$  if and only if  $D$  is not contained in a closed hyperplane.*

**Proposition 2.8** ([21]). *Let  $X$  be a Banach space and let  $x_0 \in B_X$  be such that  $|x^*(x_0)| = 1$  for all  $x^* \in \text{ext}B_{X^*}$ . The  $|\tau(x_0)| = 1$  for all  $\tau \in \text{ext}B_{X^{**}}$ .*

### 3. PROOF OF THE THEOREMS

Now, we are ready to prove the theorems presented in section 1, and we also restate and renumber them as follows.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Suppose that  $X$  is a real almost CL-space, and that  $\mathfrak{S}$  is the set of all maximal convex sets of  $S_X$ . Then*

- i) *The set of all Gateaux differentiability points of the norm is precisely  $\bigcup_{M \in \mathfrak{S}} n\text{-}s(C_M)$ .*
- ii) *The set of all Fréchet differentiability points of the norm is precisely  $\bigcup_{M \in \mathfrak{S}} \text{int}(C_M)$ .*

*Proof.* Note that every point  $x \in X$  with  $x \neq 0$  is lying in a cone  $C_M$  generated by some maximal convex set  $M$  of  $S_X$ . Then, it suffices to characterize the Gateaux (Fréchet) differentiability points contained in  $C_M$  for every maximal convex set  $M$  of  $S_X$ . So, let us fix a maximal convex set  $M$  of  $S_X$ . We observe that by the Hahn-Banach and Krein-Milman theorems, there is an extreme point  $x_0^* \in B_{X^*}$  such that  $M = \{x \in B_X : \langle x_0^*, x \rangle = 1\}$ , and thus,  $\langle x_0^*, x \rangle = \|x\|$  for every  $x \in C_M$ .

This implies that  $\varphi : C_M \rightarrow X^*$  defined by  $\varphi(x) = x_0^*$  for every  $x \in C_M$ , is a selection for  $\partial\|\cdot\|$  restricted to  $C_M$ , which is clearly norm-to-norm continuous.

i) Suppose that  $x_0 \in n\text{-s}(C_M)$ . Then, it follows from Proposition 2.6 that  $x_0$  is a Gateaux differentiability point of the norm.

Conversely, suppose that  $x_0 \in C_M$  is a Gateaux differentiability point. We can assume  $\|x_0\| = 1$ . Let  $x_0^* = d_G \|x_0\|$ . Then it is a  $w^*$ -exposed point of  $B_{X^*}$  and exposed by  $x_0$ . Now we assert that  $M = \{x \in B_X : \langle x_0^*, x \rangle = 1\}$ . Otherwise, there is an extreme point  $e^*$  of  $B_{X^*}$  with  $e^* \neq x_0^*$  such that  $\langle e^*, x \rangle = 1$  for all  $x \in M$ . Therefore  $e^* \in \partial\|x_0\| = x_0^*$ . If  $x_0 \notin n\text{-s}(C_M)$ , then there exists  $x^* \in S_{X^*}$  such that  $\langle x^*, x_0 \rangle = \sup_{C_M} x^*$ . Note that  $C_M$  is a cone and note both  $0$  and  $2x_0$  are in  $C_M$ . We obtain that  $\langle x^*, x_0 \rangle = 0$  and  $\langle x^*, x \rangle \leq 0$  for all  $x \in C_M$ . Thus  $\|x_0^* + \lambda x^*\| > 1$  for all  $\lambda > 0$ . (Otherwise,

$$1 \geq \|x_0^* + \lambda x^*\| \geq \langle x_0^* + \lambda x^*, x_0 \rangle = 1,$$

which in turn tells us  $x_0^* + \lambda x^* \in \partial\|x_0\| = x_0^*$ .) Now, fix  $0 < \lambda < 1$ . The density of  $co(M \cup -M)$  in  $B_X$  further says that there exists  $z \in M \cup -M$  such that  $\langle x_0^* + \lambda x^*, z \rangle > 1$ . But this is impossible since

$$\langle x_0^* + \lambda x^*, z \rangle \leq \langle x_0, z \rangle \leq 1 \quad \text{if } z \in M$$

and

$$\langle x_0^* + \lambda x^*, z \rangle \leq -1 + \lambda < 0 \quad \text{if } z \in -M.$$

ii) By Proposition 2.5, it is easy to show that all points in  $\text{int}(C_M)$  are Fréchet differentiability points of the norm since  $\varphi$  is norm-to-norm continuous.

Conversely, if  $x_0 \notin C_M \setminus \text{int}(C_M)$ , we want to show  $x_0$  is not a Fréchet differentiability point of the norm. We can again assume  $\|x_0\| = 1$ . For every  $r > 0$ , we can find  $x_r \in B(x_0, r) \cap S_X$  with  $x_r \notin M$ . Let  $x_r \in M_r$  for some maximal convex set  $M_r$  of  $S_X$  and  $x_r^*$  be an extreme point of  $B_{X^*}$  such that  $M_r = \{x \in S_X : \langle x_r^*, x \rangle = 1\}$ . Then we have  $\|x_0^* - x_r^*\| = 2$  for all  $r > 0$ . Let  $\varphi$  be a selection of  $\partial\|\cdot\|$  such that  $\varphi(x_r) = x_r^*$  for all  $r > 0$ . It is clear that  $\varphi$  is not norm-to-norm continuous at  $x_0$ , and hence  $x_0$  is not a Fréchet differentiability point.  $\square$

**Corollary.** *The set of all Fréchet differentiability points of a real almost CL-space is open.*

**Theorem 3.2.** *Suppose that  $X$  is a real CL-space. Then every extreme point of  $B_X$  is an extreme point of  $B_{X^{***}}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x_0$  be an extreme point of  $B_X$ . Let  $E$  be the set of those extreme points  $x^* \in B_{X^*}$  satisfying that the convex set  $\{x \in B_X : \langle x^*, x \rangle = 1\}$  is maximal in  $S_X$ . By the definition of a CL-space, it is clear that  $x_0 \in M \cup -M$  for every maximal convex subset  $M$  of  $S_X$  and, therefore,  $|\langle x^*, x_0 \rangle| = 1$  for every  $x^* \in E$ . On the other hand,  $B_{X^*}$  is the  $w^*$ -closed convex hull of  $E$ , and the reversed Krein-Milman theorem gives us that the set of all extreme points of  $B_{X^*}$  is contained in the  $w^*$ -closed hull of  $E$ . Therefore, one has  $|\langle x^*, x_0 \rangle| = 1$  for every extreme point  $x^*$  of  $B_{X^*}$ . Now, Proposition 2.8 gives us that  $|\langle x^{***}, x_0 \rangle| = 1$  for every extreme point  $x^{***}$  of  $B_{X^{***}}$ . It clearly follows that  $x_0$  is an extreme point of  $B_{X^{***}}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.3.** *Suppose that  $X$  is a separable almost CL-space. Then*

*i)  $x^* \in X^*$  is a  $w^*$ -exposed point of  $B_{X^*}$  if and only if  $M \equiv \{x \in B_X : \langle x^*, x \rangle = 1\}$  is a maximal convex set of  $S_X$ . If, in addition,  $X$  is a CL-space and  $B_X$  is the closed convex hull of its extreme points, then*

*ii) every extreme point of  $B_{X^*}$  is a  $w^*$ -exposed point.*

*Proof.* i) Suppose that  $M$  is a maximal convex set of  $S_X$ . Since  $\text{co}(M \cup -M)$  is dense in  $B_X$ , the closed convex set  $D \equiv \overline{\text{co}}(M \cup \{0\}) = \text{co}(M \cup \{0\})$  cannot be contained in a closed hyperplane. Since  $X$  is separable,  $\text{n-s}(D) \neq \emptyset$ . Theorem 3.1 explains that  $x^* \in B_{X^*}$  satisfying  $M = \{x \in B_X : \langle x^*, x \rangle = 1\}$  is a  $w^*$ -exposed point of  $B_{X^*}$ .

Conversely, suppose that  $x_0^*$  is a  $w^*$ -exposed point of  $B_{X^*}$  and exposed by  $x_0 \in S_X$ . Then by Proposition 2.6,  $d_G \|x_0\| = x_0^*$ . Let  $M = \{x \in B_X : \langle x^*, x \rangle = 1\}$ . We extend  $M$  to be a maximal convex set  $\widetilde{M}$  of  $S_X$  and let  $x^* \in B_{X^*}$  such that  $\widetilde{M} = \{x \in B_X : \langle x^*, x \rangle = 1\}$ . Then  $x^* \in \partial \|x_0\| = \{d_G \|x_0\|\}$ , i.e.,  $x^* = x_0^*$  and  $\widetilde{M} = M$ .

ii) By Theorem 3.1 i), it suffices to show that for every extreme point  $x^*$  of  $B_{X^*}$ ,  $C \equiv \bigcup_{\lambda > 0} \lambda M$  has at least one non-support point, where  $M = \{x \in B_X : \langle x^*, x \rangle = 1\}$ . By Theorem 3.2, every extreme point of  $B_X$  is an extreme point of  $B_{X^{**}}$ . Thus,  $|\langle x^*, x \rangle| = 1$  for every extreme point of  $B_X$ . Let  $E^\pm = \{x \text{ is an extreme of point } B_X : \langle x^*, x \rangle = \pm 1\}$ . Then  $\text{co}(E^+ \cup E^-)$  is dense in  $B_X$ . Therefore,  $\text{co}(M \cup -M)$  is dense in  $B_X$ . Thus the closed cone  $C_M$  cannot be contained in a closed hyperplane. Separability of  $X$  implies  $\text{n-s}(C_M) \neq \emptyset$ .  $\square$

#### 4. FINAL REMARKS

*Remark 4.1.* Without a separability assumption on  $X$ , Theorem 3.3 no longer holds. For example, for any uncountable set  $\Gamma$ ,  $\ell^1(\Gamma)$  is a CL-space and with the RNP (hence the KMP), but for every maximal convex set  $M$  of  $S_{\ell^1(\Gamma)}$ ,  $\text{n-s}(C_M) = \emptyset$ , since there are no  $w^*$ -exposed points of  $B_{\ell^\infty(\Gamma)}$ .

*Remark 4.2.* Assume  $X$  is a (an almost) CL-space. Applying the results of this note, maximal convex sets of  $S_X$  and differentiability points of  $X$  can be easily obtained. Now we give some examples as follows.

**Example 4.2.1.** It is well known that  $\{\pm \delta_t : t \in [a, b]\}$  is just the set of all  $w^*$ -exposed points of  $X^*$  for  $X = C[a, b]$ . Thus every maximal convex set  $M$  of  $S_X$  has the following form:

$$M \equiv M_t = \{x \in B_X : x(t) = 1\}$$

or

$$M \equiv M_t = \{x \in B_X : x(t) = -1\}$$

for some  $t \in [a, b]$ . Therefore

$$\text{n-s}(C_{M_t}) = \bigcup_{\lambda > 0} \lambda \{x \in S_X : 1 = x(t) > x(s), \text{ for all } s \neq t\}$$

or

$$\text{n-s}(C_{M_t}) = \bigcup_{\lambda > 0} \lambda \{x \in S_X : 1 = x(t) < x(s), \text{ for all } s \neq t\}.$$

Since  $\text{int}(C_{M_t}) = \emptyset$ ,  $C_{[a, b]}$  does not admit a Fréchet differentiability point.

**Example 4.2.2.** Assume  $X = \ell^1$ . Then all  $w^*$ -exposed points of  $B_{X^*}$  are just  $\{(\sigma_i)_{i=1}^\infty : \sigma_i = \pm 1\}$ . Thus, for every maximal convex set  $M$  of  $S_X$ ,

$$\text{n-s}(C_M) = \bigcup_{\lambda > 0} \lambda \{x \in M : x(i) \neq 0, \text{ for all } i \in N\}$$

**Example 4.2.3.** Assume  $X = c_0$ . Then  $\{\pm e_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is the set of all  $w^*$ -exposed points of  $B_{X^*}$ . Note  $c_0$  is an Asplund space. There exists a  $w^*$ -strongly exposed point of  $B_{X^*}$  (of course, contained in  $\{\pm e_n\}$ ), which implies that  $\{\pm e_n\}$  are  $w^*$ -strongly exposed points of  $B_{X^*}$ . Therefore, every Gateaux differentiability point is a Fréchet differentiability point in  $c_0$ , and they form a dense open set.

*Remark 4.3.* Some questions are have arisen naturally. Theorem 3.2 explains that every extreme point of  $B_X$  is an extreme point of  $B_{X^{**}}$  if  $X$  is a CL-space.

**Problem 4.4.1.** Is this true for every almost CL-space?

Theorem 3.3 tells us that if  $X$  is a separable CL-space and  $B_X$  is the closed convex hull of its extreme points, then every extreme point of  $B_{X^*}$  is a  $w^*$ -exposed point.

**Problem 4.4.2.** Whether Theorem 3.3 still holds without the assumption that  $B_X$  is the closed convex hull of its extreme points.

**Problem 4.4.3.** Whether every  $w^*$ -exposed point of  $B_X$  is a  $w^*$ -strongly exposed point in an Asplund CL-space.

**Problem 4.4.4.** Assume  $X$  is an almost CL-space or a CL-space. If  $X$  is an Asplund space, whether every extreme point of  $B_{X^*}$  is an exposed point, a  $w^*$ -exposed point, a strongly exposed point or a  $w^*$ -strongly exposed point.

**Problem 4.4.5.** Assume  $X$  is a (an almost) CL-space. Whether every extreme point of  $B_X$  is an exposed point or a strongly exposed point if  $X$  has the *RNP*.

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