

# Study of C-Set in a linear space

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## Abstract

I use the notion of C-Set in a linear space which is a generalization of a convex set. It is branch of functional analysis which deals with some advancements in the theory of linear space and allied topics in functional analysis.

## Introduction

In this paper we have defined C-Set in a linear space which is a generalization of a convex set. It contains 0 element which is not true in case of a convex set. We have established some and several theorems regarding C-Sets

Let  $A$  be a non-empty subset of a Linear space  $L$ . If for  $x, y \in A$ ,  $\alpha x - \beta y \in A$ , where  $0 \leq \alpha$  and  $0 \leq \beta$  and  $\alpha + \beta = 1$ , Then we define  $A$  to be a C-Set.

Choosing  $\alpha = \beta = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $x = y$  then  $\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{2}x = 0 \in A$ . Choosing  $\alpha = 0, \beta = 1$ , we see that  $-y \in A$ . Also, taking  $-y$  in place of  $y$ ,  $\alpha x - \beta(-y) = \alpha x + \beta y \in A$ . Hence a C-Set is also a Convex set.

But as it is clear from the definition, a convex set is not necessarily a C-Set. Thus a C-Set is more general than a convex set Also 0 is an element of every C-Set which is not true in case of a convex set. It is also clear that a non-empty set  $A$  is a C-Set if and only if for  $\alpha \geq 0, \beta \geq 0, \alpha + \beta = 1, \alpha x \pm \beta y \in A$ .

Now, we study some properties of C-Sets.

**Theorem (I)** : Intersection of a family of C-Sets in a linear space  $L$  is also a C-Set.

Proof : Let  $\{A_i\}$  be a family of C-Sets in  $L$ . We will show that  $\bigcap_i A_i$  is also a C-Set.

Let  $x, y \in \bigcap_i A_i$  Then for each  $i, x \in A_i$  and  $y \in A_i$  Let  $0 \leq \alpha, 0 \leq \beta$  and  $\alpha + \beta = 1$  Then  $\alpha x - \beta y \in A_i$  for each  $A_i$

Hence  $\alpha x - \beta y \in \bigcap_i A_i$  Therefore  $\bigcap_i A_i$  is a C-Set.

**Theorem (II) :** Let  $S_1, S_2$  be a C-Sets in a linear space  $L$ . If  $k_1, k_2$  are scalars, then  $k_1S_1 + k_2S_2$  is also a C-Set.

Proof : Let  $z_1, z_2$  be elements of  $k_1S_1 + k_2S_2$ .

Then we can write

$$z_1 = k_1x_1 + k_2y_1 \text{ for some } x_1 \in S_1, y_1 \in S_2$$

$$z_2 = k_1x_2 + k_2y_2 \text{ for some } x_2 \in S_1, y_2 \in S_2$$

Let  $\alpha \geq 0, \beta \geq 0$  and  $\alpha + \beta = 1$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha z_1 - \beta z_2 &= \alpha(k_1x_1 + k_2y_1) - \beta(k_1x_2 + k_2y_2) \\ &= k_1(\alpha x_1 - \beta x_2) + k_2(\alpha y_1 - \beta y_2) \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\alpha x_1 - \beta x_2 \in S_1$ , and  $\alpha y_1 - \beta y_2 \in S_2$

( $S_1, S_2$  being C-Sets),  $\alpha z_1 - \beta z_2$  is an elements of  $k_1S_1 + k_2S_2$

Hence  $k_1S_1 + k_2S_2$  is also a C-Set.

COROLLARY: If  $L$  is a linear space and  $A$  is a C-Set in  $L$  then  $A-A$  is also a C-Set in  $L$ .

**Theorem (III) :** Let  $\{A_i\}$  be a family of C-Sets such that  $A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq A_3 \subseteq A_4 \dots$ , that is,

$\{A_i\}$  is totally ordered by set inclusion, then  $\bigcup_i A_i$  is also a C-Set.

Proof : Let the partial order relation ' $\leq$ ' be symbolized by

$$A_i \leq A_j \Leftrightarrow A_i \subseteq A_j$$

Let  $x, y \in \bigcup_i A_i$ , then there exists  $i, j$  such that  $x \in A_i, y \in A_j$ . Since  $\{A_i\}$  is

totally ordered, We can assume without loss of generality that  $A_i \leq A_j$ .

Hence  $A_i \subseteq A_j$

Thus  $x, y \in A_j$

Let  $\alpha \geq 0, \beta \geq 0$  and  $\alpha + \beta = 1$

Since  $A_j$  is a C-Set.

$$\alpha x - \beta y \in A_j$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha x - \beta y \in \bigcup_i A_i$$

Therefore  $\bigcup_i A_i$  is a C-Set.

**Theorem (IV) :** The family  $P = \{A_i\}$  of all C-Sets of a linear space L which are totally ordered by set inclusion, is a complete lattice.

Proof : Let us define the partial ordering ' $\leq$ ' on  $\{A_i\}$  by

$$A_i \leq A_j \Leftrightarrow A_i \subseteq A_j$$

Then clearly P is a partially ordered set. Also P is a non-empty, for the set  $\{0\}$  is a

C-Set and is contained in any C-Set and hence is in P. Now, if  $A_i$  &  $A_j$  are any two elements of P, then  $A_i \cup A_j$  is the least upper bound and  $A_i \cap A_j$  is the greatest lower bound of the family  $\{A_i, A_j\}$ .

$$\text{Also } A_i \cap A_j \in P$$

$$\text{and } A_i \cup A_j \in P$$

Thus P is a lattice.

Further let Q be any non-empty subfamily of P.

Let  $Q = \{A_{i_\alpha}\}_\alpha$ . Then clearly  $\bigcap_\alpha A_{i_\alpha}$  is the greatest lower bound of Q and  $\bigcap_\alpha A_{i_\alpha} \in P$ . Also  $\bigcup_\alpha A_{i_\alpha}$  is the least upper bound and  $\bigcup_\alpha A_{i_\alpha} \in P$ .

Hence P is a complete lattice.

**Theorem (V) :** Every linear space has a maximal C-Set.

Proof : Let  $P = \{A_i\}$  be the family of all C-Sets of a linear space L. Then  $\{0\} \in P$ . It is also clear that P is a partially ordered set with set inclusion as the partial ordering.

Let Q be any totally ordered subset of P such that

$Q = \{A_{i_\alpha}\}$ . Then we have seen in the proof of theorem (IV) that  $\bigcup_\alpha A_{i_\alpha}$  is the least upper bound of Q and  $\bigcup_\alpha A_{i_\alpha} \in P$ .

Thus every totally ordered subset of P is bounded above. Hence by Zorn's Lemma P has a maximal element.

Thus L has a maximal C-Set.

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