

**A FACTOR THEOREM FOR LOCALLY CONVEX
DIFFERENTIABILITY SPACES**

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The main result of this paper is that a continuous convex function with domain in a locally convex space factors through a normed space. In a recent paper by Sharp, topological linear spaces are categorised according to the differentiability properties of their continuous convex functions; we show that under suitable conditions the classification is preserved by linear maps. A technique for deducing results for locally convex spaces from Banach space theory is an immediate consequence. Examples are given and Asplund $C(S)$ spaces are characterised.

INTRODUCTION

The classification of Banach spaces according to the differentiability properties of their continuous convex functions began with Asplund [1] in 1968; similar classification theory for topological linear spaces originates in Sharp [13, 14].

The mapping theorems of the first section extend those of Asplund; conditions are given for a mapping to preserve a space's classification. Preserving G_δ sets is unexpectedly difficult; a topological theorem of Ćoban and Kenderov [3] gives a result for Fréchet spaces. We prove the factor theorem: if f is a continuous convex function with a convex open domain in a locally convex space X , then there exists a continuous seminorm p such that f factors through $X_p = X/\ker p$, which is a normed space with the topology induced by p .

The mapping and factor theorems enable us to derive results for X from the spaces X_p . Strongest conclusions can be drawn for "Q-complete" and "bound covering" spaces (these concepts, and those used in the next paragraph, are defined shortly); for S completely regular, we show that $C(S)$ has both of these properties.

Major results are: the set of Fréchet differentiability points of a continuous convex function with domain in a bound covering space is a G_δ set; for a Q-complete space X , MDS and GDS coincide, and if in addition X is bound covering, FMDS, FDS and ASP coincide; with some special conditions, $C(S)$ is a differentiability space if and only if for every compact subset A of S , $C(A)$ is a differentiability space of the same type; hence $C(S)$ is ASP if and only if every compact subset of S is dispersed.

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0. PRELIMINARIES

The term *function* is used for a *real valued* map. For a topological linear space X and an open convex subset D of X , a function f on D is said to be *convex* whenever, for all $x, y \in D$ and for all $t \in [0, 1]$,

$$f(tx + (1-t)y) \leq tf(x) + (1-t)f(y).$$

The continuous dual of a topological linear space X is denoted by X^* ; in this paper all topological spaces are Hausdorff unless otherwise indicated.

Let U be an open subset of X and \mathcal{M} be a *bornology* on X , that is, a class of bounded subsets containing all singletons. A function f on U is \mathcal{M} -*differentiable* at $x \in U$ whenever there exists $u \in X^*$ such that, for all $M \in \mathcal{M}$, for all $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$, such that for all $y \in M$, for all $t : 0 < |t| < \delta$,

$$\left| \frac{f(x+ty) - f(x)}{t} - u(y) \right| < \varepsilon.$$

The function u is uniquely determined by f and x and is denoted by $f'(x)$.

If \mathcal{M} is the class of all *bounded* subsets of X then f is *Fréchet differentiable* at x . This is the weakest of all possible choices for the derivative which coincide, when X is a normed space, with the standard Fréchet derivative. If \mathcal{M} is the class of all *singleton* subsets of X then f is *Gateaux differentiable* at x .

REMARK 0.1. A continuous convex function f is Gateaux differentiable at $x \in D$ if and only if for all $y \in X$,

$$\phi(y) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+ty) - f(x)}{t}$$

exists, that is, ϕ is linear and continuous.

By *gauge* is meant a function g on X with the properties:

- (1) for all $x \in X$, $g(x) \geq 0$;
- (2) for all $x \in X$, for all $t \geq 0$, $g(tx) = tg(x)$; and
- (3) for all $x, y \in X$, $g(x+y) \leq g(x) + g(y)$.

A *generic* set in D contains a dense G_δ subset of D .

A topological linear space, X , will be classified, using the following abbreviations, according to the differentiability properties of a specified class of convex functions on X .

- (1) ASP (WASP): Asplund (Weak Asplund): every continuous convex function with domain a nonempty open convex subset is Fréchet (Gateaux) differentiable on a generic subset of its domain.

- (2) **FDS (GDS):** Fréchet (Gateaux) Differentiability Space: every continuous convex function with domain a nonempty open convex subset is Fréchet (Gateaux) differentiable on a dense subset of its domain.
- (3) **FMDS (MDS):** Fréchet Minkowski Differentiability Space (Minkowski Differentiability Space): every continuous gauge on the space is Fréchet (Gateaux) differentiable on a dense subset.
- (4) We will add “[gen]” to FMDS or MDS to indicate that the differentiability occurs on a generic set.
- (5) We will add “[s]” to any of the above to indicate that the set of differentiability points is a G_δ set.

The classes are not necessarily distinct. For Banach spaces, GDS and MDS are equivalent ([11, 6.6]); ASP and FDS are also equivalent because the set of points of Fréchet differentiability of a continuous convex function with domain in a Banach space is a G_δ set ([11, 1.25]).

A map $T: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be *bound covering* whenever the following condition holds: for every bounded subset B of Y there exists a bounded subset A of X such that $T[A] \supset B$.

A linear bound covering map of a locally convex space onto a normed space is open; a linear open map of a normed space onto a normed space is bound covering. If T is continuous, linear and onto, and X and Y are Banach spaces, then T is bound covering, however this is not necessarily true even for Fréchet spaces X and Y . (See [8, Ex. 22I].)

1. MAPPING THEOREMS

Suppose that X and Y are locally convex spaces, that $T: X \rightarrow Y$ is a linear, continuous, onto map and that f is a continuous convex function with domain in Y . It follows from the definitions and 0.1 that f is Gateaux differentiable at $T(x)$ if and only if $f \circ T$ is Gateaux differentiable at x and that if f is Fréchet differentiable at $T(x)$ then $f \circ T$ is Fréchet differentiable at x . If T is also bound covering, then f is Fréchet differentiable at $T(x)$ if and only if $f \circ T$ is Fréchet differentiable at x .

THEOREM 1.1. *Let X and Y be locally convex spaces, and T a continuous, linear, onto map.*

- (1) *If X is GDS (MDS) then so is Y .*
- (2) *Suppose also that T is bound covering. If X is FDS (FMDS) then so is Y .*

PROOF: Let f be continuous and convex on a nonempty open convex subset U of Y . Then $f \circ T$ is continuous and convex on $D = T^{-1}[U]$; D is nonempty, open and convex.

If X is GDS then the set G of Gateaux differentiability points of $f \circ T$ is dense in D . Since T is continuous, $T[G]$, which is the set of Gateaux differentiability points of f , is dense in U .

The FDS, MDS and FMDS proofs are similar. \square

The WASP and ASP cases are in general more difficult and stronger hypotheses are placed on X . In the proof of 1.3 the following theorem of Čoban and Kenderov [3, Theorem 2.2] is used.

THEOREM 1.2. *Let $F: X \rightarrow Y$ be a continuous and open single valued mapping from the regular topological space X onto the regular space Y . Let there exist a completely metrisable dense subset Z of X . Then a G_δ set $Q \subset Z$ exists such that the restriction of F on Q is a homeomorphism and $F[Q]$ is a dense and G_δ subset of Y .*

THEOREM 1.3. *Let X be a Fréchet space, Y a regular linear space, and let $T: X \rightarrow Y$ be continuous, linear, open and onto.*

- (1) *If X is WASP (MDS[gen]) then so is Y .*
- (2) *Suppose T is also bound covering. If X is ASP (FMDS[gen]) then so is Y .*

PROOF: We prove the ASP case, the others are similar. Suppose that f , U and D are as in 1.1. If X is ASP, then there exists a set of Fréchet differentiability points G of $f \circ T$ which is dense and G_δ in D . It follows that G is metrisable with a complete metric (Mazurkiewicz's Theorem [4, XIV, 8.3]). From 1.2, there exists a subset G' of G such that $T[G']$ is dense and G_δ in U . Since T is bound covering, $T[G']$ is contained in the set of Fréchet differentiability points of f in U . \square

If Y is a Fréchet space then any continuous, linear, onto map T is open ([15, Theorem 1 of 11.2]).

2. FACTOR THEOREM

If X is a locally convex space, its topology may be defined by a family P of seminorms; this topology is the weakest that makes each seminorm continuous. The p -balls, $\{B_p(\varepsilon) : p \in P, \varepsilon > 0\}$, where

$$B_p(\varepsilon) = \{x \in X : p(x) < \varepsilon\},$$

form a subbase of neighbourhoods at the origin. For a fixed p , these balls give a seminorm topology on X : p -open and p -continuous mean open and continuous with respect to this (not necessarily Hausdorff) topology.

If p is a continuous seminorm on a locally convex space X , denote by X_p the space $X/\ker p$ with the topology given by the norm induced by p . The canonical map $\pi_p: X \rightarrow X_p$ is continuous, linear and onto; X_p has the quotient topology if and only if π_p is open. If X and X_p are complete, π_p is open ([15, 11.2 Lemma 2]); if X is fully complete X_p is a Banach space if and only if π_p is open. Fully complete [12, VI, 2] is also known as "Ptak" or "B-complete"; Fréchet spaces are fully complete.

If p and q are continuous seminorms on a locally convex space X , define $p \prec q$ and $q \succ p$ to mean, there exists $k > 0$ such that, for all $x \in X$,

$$p(x) \leq kq(x)$$

and define $p \asymp q$ to mean that

$$p \prec q \text{ and } q \prec p.$$

Then " \asymp " is an equivalence relation on the continuous seminorms (p and q are said to be *equivalent seminorms* if $p \asymp q$); " \prec " is a partial order on the equivalence classes. Since $p \asymp q$ if and only if there exist $k, k' > 0$ such that, for all $x \in X$,

$$kp(x) \leq q(x) \leq k'p(x),$$

in this case, $\ker p = \ker q$; $X_p = X_q$ and $\pi_p = \pi_q$. Also

$$k'B_p(\varepsilon) \subset B_q(\varepsilon) \subset kB_p(\varepsilon),$$

so p and q can be used interchangeably in a family of seminorms giving the topology on X . The meanings of p -open and q -open then coincide as do p -continuous and q -continuous.

The topology of a locally convex space may be defined by a family of \asymp equivalence classes: take one or more representatives of each class and take the weakest topology that makes each of these seminorms continuous; the topology is independent of the choice of representatives and the quotients X_p , and maps π_p , depend only on the equivalence class. Also, kp is a continuous seminorm whenever p is, and $\max\{p, q\}$ defined by

$$\max\{p, q\}(x) = \max\{p(x), q(x)\}$$

is a continuous seminorm whenever p and q are, so we can always assume that a family of \asymp equivalence classes of seminorms which generate the topology on X is directed by \prec .

In this paper, *defining family* will mean a family of \asymp equivalence classes of seminorms which form a directed set under the \prec partial order: if P is a defining family, we shall abuse notation and write $p \in P$ to mean that p is a seminorm representing an equivalence class of P .

LEMMA 2.1.

- (1) Suppose that X is a locally convex space, D a convex open subset of X and f a continuous convex function on D . If, for a convex open balanced neighbourhood U of 0 , and $M > 0$,

$$(*) \quad f[x + U] - f(x) \subset (-M, M)$$

then, for all $\alpha \in [0, 1]$,

$$f[x + \alpha U] - f(x) \subset \alpha(-M, M).$$

- (2) Suppose that X is a linear space, W a linear subspace of X , f is convex on a nonempty convex subset U of X , $x \in X$, and $x + W \subset U$. If f is bounded above on $x + W$ then f is constant on $x + W$.

PROOF: For (1), by convexity of f , for all $\alpha \in [0, 1]$,

$$(**) \quad -\alpha(f(x - u) - f(x)) \leq f(x + \alpha u) - f(x) \leq \alpha(f(x + u) - f(x))$$

and the result follows from (*).

For (2), there exists $m \in \mathbb{R}$ such that for all $w \in W$,

$$f(x + w) \leq m.$$

Let $r > 1$, replace α by $\frac{1}{r}$ in (**) and let $u = rw$: for all $w \in W$,

$$-(m - f(x)) \leq r(f(x + w) - f(x)) \leq (m - f(x)).$$

If $f(x + w) - f(x) \neq 0$, taking r sufficiently large provides a contradiction. \square

FACTOR THEOREM 2.2. Let X be a locally convex space with a defining family P . Let D be a nonempty open convex subset of X , and let f be a convex function on D continuous at $x_0 \in D$. Then there exists $q \in P$ such that for all $p \succ q$,

- (1) D is p -open and
- (2) f is p -continuous on D .

Further, for each p , $D_p = \pi_p[D]$ is an open convex subset of X_p and there exists a continuous convex function f_p on D_p such that

$$f = f_p \circ \pi_p.$$

PROOF: Since D is open and $x_0 \in D$, there is a $p_1 \in P$ and an $\varepsilon_1 > 0$ such that $B_{p_1}(x_0, \varepsilon_1) \subset D$, (where $B_{p_1}(x_0, \varepsilon_1)$ denotes $x_0 + B_{p_1}(\varepsilon_1)$).

Since f is continuous at x_0 , there is a $p_2 \in P$ and an $\varepsilon_2 > 0$ such that $f[B_{p_2}(x_0, \varepsilon_2)] \subset f(x_0) + (-1, 1)$.

Let $q \succ p_1$ and $q \succ p_2$. Then for $p \succ q$ there is an $\varepsilon > 0$ such that

$$B_p(x_0, \varepsilon) \subset D$$

and

$$(*) \quad f[B_p(x_0, \varepsilon)] \subset f(x_0) + (-1, 1).$$

Let $x \in D$. Since D is open, there is a $t > 0$ such that

$$z = (1+t)x - tx_0 \in D$$

that is

$$x = \frac{1}{1+t}z + \frac{t}{1+t}x_0$$

Let $u \in B_p(x, t/(1+t)\varepsilon)$. Then $u = x + t/(1+t)w$ for some $w \in B_p(0, \varepsilon)$, so that $x_0 + w \in B_p(x_0, \varepsilon) \subset D$. So

$$u = \frac{1}{1+t}z + \frac{t}{1+t}(x_0 + w)$$

is a convex linear combination of points of D and so, since D is convex, $u \in D$.

Thus for each $x \in D$ there is a $t > 0$ such that $B_p(x, t/(1+t)\varepsilon) \subset D$, so D is p -open.

Since f is convex on D , if $u \in B_p(x, t/(1+t)\varepsilon)$

$$\begin{aligned} f(u) &= f\left(\frac{1}{1+t}z + \frac{t}{1+t}(x_0 + w)\right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{1+t}f(z) + \frac{t}{1+t}f(x_0 + w) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{1+t}f(z) + \frac{t}{1+t}(f(x_0) + 1) \end{aligned}$$

(from $(*)$). It follows that f is bounded above on $B_p(x, t/(1+t)\varepsilon)$ and since f is convex, there exists $M > 0$ such that

$$f\left[x + B_p\left(0, \frac{t}{1+t}\varepsilon\right)\right] \subset f(x) + (-M, M).$$

From Lemma 2.1 (1) for each $\alpha \in (0, 1)$

$$(**) \quad f\left[x + \alpha B_p\left(0, \frac{t}{1+t}\varepsilon\right)\right] \subset f(x) + \alpha(-M, M).$$

To prove that f is p -continuous on D it suffices to show that for any $r > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$, such that

$$f[x + B_p(0, \delta)] \subset f(x) + (-r, r).$$

This is easily obtained from (**): let $r' = \min\{r, M\}$, $\alpha = \frac{r'}{M}$ and $\delta = \frac{r'}{M} \frac{\epsilon}{1+\epsilon}$.

Since $\ker p \subset B_p(0, \epsilon)$, $f[x + \ker p]$ is bounded which implies, from Lemma 2.1 (2), that f is constant on $x + \ker p$, so $f_p : D_p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is well defined by

$$f_p(x + \ker p) = f(x)$$

and $f = f_p \circ \pi_p$.

The function f_p is continuous, because f is p -continuous, and convex. D_p is open, because D is p -open, and is clearly convex. □

REMARK. It is easy to see that Theorem 2.2 holds for gauges, that is, if f is a gauge on X then so is each f_p on X_p .

DEFINITIONS. A locally convex space is said to be *bound covering* if there exists a defining family P such that for all $p \in P$, π_p is bound covering, and *Q-complete* (for “quotient complete”) if there exists a defining family P such that for all $p \in P$, X_p is complete.

If X is bound covering or Q-complete, we will assume that the defining family we use has the appropriate property. A large class of spaces with these properties is given in 3.6.

A complete bound covering space is Q-complete: if X is bound covering each $\pi_p : X \rightarrow X_p$ is bound covering and open, since X_p is normed; this means that X_p has the quotient topology and so, since X is complete, is a Banach space.

Theorems 1.1 and 1.3 can be used to transfer differentiability space properties from X to each X_p .

THEOREM 2.3. *Let X be a locally convex space and P a defining family for X . Again, for $p \in P$, π_p denotes the canonical map from X to X_p .*

- (1) *If X is GDS (MDS) then for all $p \in P$, so is X_p .*
- (2) *Suppose for some $p \in P$, π_p is bound covering. If X is FDS (FMDS), then so is X_p .*
- (3) *If X is a Q-complete Fréchet space which is WASP (MDS[gen]) then so is every X_p .*
- (4) *If X is a bound covering Fréchet space which is ASP (FMDS[gen]) then so is every X_p .*

In 2.3 (3) the Q-completeness ensures that each π_p is open.

3. THE INHERITANCE OF NORMED SPACE PROPERTIES

The following lemma highlights some facts which are used in the proof Theorems 3.2 and 3.3.

LEMMA 3.1. *Let X be a locally convex space with a defining family P ; let f be a continuous convex function on D , a nonempty open convex subset of X ; let $G(f)$ be the set of Gateaux (Fréchet) differentiability points of f . For each seminorm $p \in P$, let $D_p = \pi_p[D]$. Let $q \in P$ be such that for all $p \succ q$, $f = f_p \circ \pi_p$ where f_p is a continuous convex function on D_p ; let $G_p(f_p)$ be the set of Gateaux (Fréchet) differentiability points of f_p .*

- (a) *For all $p \succ q$, $G = \pi_p^{-1}[G_p]$.*
- (b) *For all $p \succ q$, $F \supset \pi_p^{-1}[F_p]$.*
- (c) *If X is bound covering, then for all $p \succ q$, $F = \pi_p^{-1}[F_p]$.*
- (d) *If A is a G_δ subset of D_p , then $\pi_p^{-1}[A]$ is a G_δ subset of D .*
- (e) *Let π_p be open. (If X is bound covering, or complete and Q -complete this condition is satisfied.) If A_p is a dense set in D_p then $\pi_p^{-1}[A_p]$ is dense in D .*
- (f) *Let $A \subset D$ and suppose that for all $p \succ q$, there is a dense subset A_p of D_p such that $A \supset \pi_p^{-1}[A_p]$. Then A is dense in D .*

PROOF: Parts (a), (b), and (c) are simple consequences of the remarks at the beginning of Section 1; (d) and (e) are immediate from the definitions. It only remains to establish (f).

Let $x \in D$ and let N be a neighbourhood of x . Then there is a $p \in P$ such that $x + B_p(\epsilon) \subset N$; we may suppose, without loss of generality, that $p \succ q$ and $x + B_p(\epsilon) \subset D$. Since A_p is dense in D_p , $(\pi_p(x) + B(\epsilon)) \cap A_p$ is nonempty (where $B(\epsilon)$ denotes the norm ball of radius ϵ of p in X_p). But

$$\begin{aligned} N \cap A &\supset (x + B_p(\epsilon)) \cap A \\ &\supset \pi_p^{-1}[\pi_p(x) + B(\epsilon)] \cap \pi_p^{-1}[A_p] \\ &= \pi_p^{-1}[(\pi_p(x) + B(\epsilon)) \cap A_p]; \end{aligned}$$

so $N \cap A$ is nonempty and A is dense in D . □

Since Banach spaces are clearly bound covering, Theorem 3.2 is a generalisation of the well known result that the set of Fréchet differentiability points of a continuous convex function with domain in a Banach space is a G_δ set.

THEOREM 3.2. *If f is a continuous convex function on an open convex subset D of a bound covering space, the set of points of Fréchet differentiability F of f is a G_δ set in D .*

PROOF: From Theorem 2.2, there exists $q \in P$ such that $f = f_q \circ \pi_q$ where f_q is a continuous convex function on $D_q = \pi_q[D]$. Since X_q is a normed space, the set F_q of points of Fréchet differentiability of f_q is a G_δ subset of D_q ([5, p.155]), and from 3.1(c) and (d), $F = \pi_q^{-1}[F_q]$ is a G_δ subset of D . \square

In the statements of (2) and (3) of Theorem 3.3 below, “differentiability space” may be replaced by any of the previously defined classes.

THEOREM 3.3.

- (1) *If X is a locally convex space which has a defining family P such that for all $p \in P$, X_p is GDS, MDS, FDS, FMDS, WASP[s] or MDS[s], then so is X .*
- (2) *If X is bound covering, with defining family P such that for all $p \in P$, X_p is a differentiability space, then X is a differentiability space of the same type.*
- (3) *If X is complete and Q-complete, with defining family P such that for all $p \in P$, X_p is a differentiability space other than ASP[s] or FMDS[s], then X is a differentiability space of the same type.*

PROOF: Let f be a continuous convex function on D , a nonempty open convex subset of X . By Theorem 2.2 there is a $q \in P$ such that for all $p \succ q$, $f = f_p \circ \pi_p$ where f_p is a continuous convex function on $D_p = \pi_p[D]$. The theorem then follows from the parts of Lemma 3.1 indicated.

In (1), (2) and (3), GDS and MDS follow from (a) and (f); FDS and FMDS from (b) and (f); WASP[s] and MDS[s] from (a), (d) and (f).

For (2) and (3), ASP and FMDS[gen] follow from (b), (d) and (e); WASP and MDS[gen] from (a), (d) and (e).

For (2), ASP[s] and FMDS[s] follow from (c), (d) and (e). \square

It is interesting to note that in Theorem 3.3, WASP[s] needs weaker hypotheses than WASP.

Theorem 3.3 permits us to use theorems which are well known for Banach or normed spaces to deduce results for locally convex spaces. In Theorem 3.4, we show that it suffices to test all continuous gauges; “Q-complete” is in fact a superfluous hypothesis but a proof is outside the scope of this paper, since results here are derived from Banach space theory.

THEOREM 3.4. *For a Q-complete space X , MDS and GDS are equivalent; if X is also bound covering, FMDS, FDS and ASP are equivalent.*

PROOF: If X is FMDS, then for all p , so is X_p (2.3 (2)). Since each X_p is a Banach space, each X_p is FDS [5, p.158]. From 3.3 (1) and 3.2, X is ASP.

The MDS proof is similar, using the equivalence of MDS and GDS for Banach spaces [11, 6.6]. \square

THEOREM 3.5. *If X is a bound covering, Q -complete space, with a defining family P such that for all $p \in P$, p is Fréchet differentiable everywhere except on $\ker p$, then X is ASP.*

PROOF: This follows from 3.3 (2) and the fact that if the norm on a Banach space is Fréchet differentiable on $X \setminus \{0\}$ then the space is ASP [5, p.170]. \square

The following example shows that a large class of spaces is both Q -complete and bound covering.

EXAMPLE 3.6. For a completely regular space S , denote by $C(S)$ the space of continuous functions on S with the topology of compact convergence, that is, the topology generated by the family p_A of seminorms, where

$$p_A(x) = \sup_{t \in A} |x(t)|$$

and A ranges over all compact subsets of S . There is no loss of generality in assuming S to be completely regular: for any topological space X there is a completely regular S such that $C(X)$ is linearly isomorphic to $C(S)$ [6, 3.9].

Using [7, p.142 Theorem 11] and the method of proof of the Tietze extension theorem (see for example [4, p.149]), one can show that: if S is a completely regular topological space, A a compact subset of S and $f: A \rightarrow [-c, c]$ a continuous function, then there is a continuous $\tilde{f}: S \rightarrow [-c, c]$ such that $\tilde{f}|_A = f$.

This means that the map $\gamma: C(S)/\ker p_A \rightarrow C(A)$ defined by

$$\gamma(x + \ker p_A) = x|_A$$

is a linear isomorphism, so that we can identify $C(S)_{p_A}$ with $C(A)$. Since A is compact, $C(A)$ with the topology generated by p_A (that is, the sup norm topology) is a Banach space: it follows that $C(S)$ is Q -complete.

Let $M = \{x \in C(S) : (\forall t \in S)(|x(t)| < 1)\}$; M is bounded in X . If B is the unit ball in $C(A)$, the version of the Tietze extension theorem given above implies that $\pi_{p_A}[M] \supset B$. It follows that π_{p_A} is bound covering and $C(S)$ is a bound covering space.

THEOREM 3.7. *For S completely regular, $C(S)$ is a differentiability space if for all compact subsets A of S , $C(A)$ is a differentiability space of the same type. The reverse implication holds except for WASP[s], MDS[s], WASP and MDS[gen]; the last two are true with the additional hypothesis that $C(S)$ be a Fréchet space.*

PROOF: Since $C(S)$ is bound covering, the first part is immediate from 3.3 (2). The converse follows from 2.3, noting that by 3.2, FDS, ASP and ASP[s] coincide, as do FMDS, FMDS[gen] and FMDS[s]. \square

Namioka and Phelps [10] have shown that for S compact, $C(S)$ is ASP if and only if S is dispersed. The following corollary generalises their result.

COROLLARY 3.8. *For S completely regular, $C(S)$ is ASP if and only if every compact subset of S is dispersed.*

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