# COMPLEX INTERPOLATION AND $l_n^1$ PROPERTY

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**Abstract:** We prove that, for a Banach space, the uniform non- $l_n^1$  property is preserved under Calderon's complex interpolation method.

## Introduction

In this paper we prove that for a Banach space, the *uniform*  $non-l_n^1$  property is preserved under the complex interpolation method introduced by Calderon [2].

Let X a complex Banach space and B(X) its unit ball, that is  $B(X) = \{x \in X : ||x|| \leq 1\}$ . We say that X is uniformly  $non-l_n^1$  if there exists some  $\delta > 0$  such that, for any vectors  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$  in B(X) there exists a choice of signs  $\varepsilon_1, \ldots, \varepsilon_n(\varepsilon_i = 1 \text{ or } -1)$  such that  $\|\sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i x_i\| < n(1-\delta)$  (see [4]).

We say that X is B-convex if it is uniformly  $non-l_n^1$  for some integer n ([1],[4]). For n=2, uniformly  $non-l_n^1$  spaces are also called uniform non-square.

By  $(X_0, X_1)$ , we denote an interpolation pair of complex Banach spaces and by  $X_s$ , (0 < s < 1), the intermediate spaces obtained by Calderon's complex interpolation method. We will indicate, as usually,

by  $\|\cdot\|_0, \|\cdot\|_1, \|\cdot\|_s$ , the norms in  $X_0, X_1, X_s$  respectively. We will use, also, some notation of Calderon's paper, in particular we will indicate by F(X) the set of all functions  $f: S \to X_0 + X_1$  (with  $S = \{z \in C, 0 \le \text{Re } z \le 1\}$ ), continuous in S, analytic in int S, with  $f(j+it) \in K_j$  for j = 0, 1 and with  $f(j+it) \to 0$  as  $|t| \to \infty$ .

#### Main result

**Theorem.** If  $X_0$  or  $X_1$  is uniformly non- $l_n^1$  then  $X_s$  is uniformly non- $l_n^1$  for every  $s \in (0,1)$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that  $X_0$  is uniformly non- $l_n^1$  and, by absurdity, that  $X_s$  is not uniformly non- $l_n^1$ . This means that for every  $\sigma > 0$  there exist  $x_1, \ldots, x_n \in B(X_s)$  such that  $\left\|\frac{1}{n}\sum_i \varepsilon_i x_i\right\| \geq 1-\sigma$  for every choice of  $\varepsilon_i = \pm 1$ . For a fixed  $\eta > 0$  there exist functions  $f_i \in F(X)$  satisfying

$$f_i(s) = \frac{x_i}{1+\eta} = x_i';$$

b) 
$$||f_i|| = \max_{j=0,1} (\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} ||f_i(j+it)||_j) \le 1(i=1,2,\ldots,n).$$

For every choice of  $\varepsilon_i = \pm 1$  we define

$$E_{\varepsilon_1...\varepsilon_n} = \{t \in \mathbb{R} : \|\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i f_i(it)\|_0 < 1 - \delta\}$$

(where  $\delta$  is taken from the definition of uniformly non- $l_n^1$  of  $X_0$ ). We will use the following inequality (see [2] p.117):

$$\lg(\|\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i}\varepsilon_{i}x_{i}'\|_{s}) \leq \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \lg\|\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\varepsilon_{i}f_{i}(it)\|_{0}\mu_{0}(s,t)dt + \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \lg\|\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\varepsilon_{i}f_{i}(1+it)\|_{1}\mu_{1}(s,t)dt$$

where  $\mu_j(s,t)(j=0,1)$  is the Poisson kernel for the strip. In our case we obtain:

$$\lg \frac{1-\sigma}{1+\eta} \leq \int\limits_{E_{\epsilon_1...\epsilon_n}} \lg \|\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i f_i(it)\|_0 \mu_0(s,t) dt +$$

$$+ \int_{E_{\varepsilon_{1}...\varepsilon_{n}}} \lg \lVert \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \varepsilon_{i} f_{i}(it) \rVert_{0} \mu_{0}(s,t) dt +$$

$$+ \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \lg \lVert \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \varepsilon_{i} f_{i}(1+it) \rVert_{1} \mu_{1}(s,t) dt.$$

But since for every  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ :  $\|\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n} \varepsilon_{i}f_{i}(j+it)\|_{j} \leq 1$  (j=0,1), we obtain  $\lg \frac{1-\sigma}{1+\eta} \leq (1-s)|E_{\varepsilon_{1}...\varepsilon_{n}}|\lg(1-\delta)$  (where we set  $|A| = \frac{1}{1-s}\int_{A}\mu_{0}(s,t)dt$ ) that is  $\frac{1-\sigma}{1+\eta} \geq (1-\delta)\exp\{(1-s)|E_{\varepsilon_{1}...\varepsilon_{n}}|\}$  and, being  $\eta > 0$  arbitrary, we obtain  $\sigma \leq 1 - (1-\delta)\exp\{(1-s)|E_{\varepsilon_{1}...\varepsilon_{n}}|\}$ .

If we choose  $\sigma = 1 - (1 - \delta) \exp(\frac{1-s}{2^{n+1}})$  we must have  $|E_{\varepsilon_1...\varepsilon_n}| \le 1/2^{n+1}$ . This implies that  $|\bigcup E_{\varepsilon_1...\varepsilon_n}| \le 1/2$  that is  $(\bigcup E_{\varepsilon_1...\varepsilon_n})^c \ne \emptyset$  (where the union is taken over all choices of signs). But this is a contradiction since  $X_0$  is uniformly non- $l_n^1$ , so our theorem is proved.  $\diamondsuit$  Corollary 1. If  $X_0$  or  $X_1$  is B-convex, then  $X_s$  is B-convex for every  $s \in (0,1)$ .

We also obtain the following result already proved in [3]: Corollary 2. If  $X_0$  or  $X_1$  is uniformly non-square then  $X_s$  is uniformly non-square.

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