# PROPERTIES OF INTERSECTION IN THE GEOMETRY OF SEQUENCES IN BANACH SPACES

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#### ABSTRACT:

We consider properties of sequences in a Banach space through the geometrical behaviour of the closed linear spans of their subsequences. We study new families of intersection properties, generalizing the results of Courage-Davis, Plans, and Reves.

We end with a table showing the structure of a sequence by means of its intersection properties. This table, in our opinion, closes the study of "finite" intersection properties of a sequence.

#### INTRODUCTION

Let B denote an infinite-dimensional Banach space, N the set of natural numbers, and [-] "closed linear span".

In the sequel we shall consider *complete* ([ ] ] = B) sequences in B.

**Definition:** A sequence  $f = (a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  in a Banach space B verifies the *intersection* property relative to a certain condition C, if  $[a_s; s \in S] \cap [a_t; t \in T] = [a_h; h \in S \cap T]$ , provided that  $S,T \subset N$  are restricted to the fixed condition C. Denote it by i. p. (C).

The idea of obtaining properties of a sequence by means of intersection properties of the closed linear spans of its subsequences began with Plans  $|P|_1$  and Courage-Davis |C-D| who independently characterized M-bases by means of an i. p.

Later on, Plans and Reyes | P-R|, | R| gave a classification of sequences through intersection properties.

We consider new conditions on the pair (S,T) examining the sets S,T,  $S \cup T$ ,  $S \cap T$ , S - T and T - S, and conclude with a table of characterizations, that, we think, gives a complete outlook of them and closes the problem of finite i.p.

**Remark:** — By "finite" i.p. we understand those expressed by  $[a_s; s \in S_1 \cap ... \cap S_k] = [a_s; s \in S_1] \cap ... \cap [a_s; s \in S_k]$ , with the family  $(S_i)_{i=1}^k$  restricted to some fixed condition C.

(It is easy to relate them with properties where only two indices appear). The "infinite" intersection properties are quite different (see  $|I|_1$ ).

#### 1. DEFINITIONS AND PREVIOUS RESULTS.

Let  $\int = (a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a complete sequence in B. Given  $S \subset \mathbb{N}$ , call

$$W_S = [a_s; s \in S] \quad (W_\phi = \{0\})$$

and

$$W_{S}^{*} = \bigcap_{k \notin S} W_{N-\{k\}}.$$

We say that  $S \in \sigma_1$  if S is finite,  $S \in \sigma_2$  if N-S is finite, and  $S \in \sigma_3$  if S and N-S are both infinite.

We associate to  $\int$ , in a natural way, the following closed subspaces: *Kernel* of  $\int$ :

$$K(f) = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} [a_n, a_{n+1}, a_{n+2}, \ldots],$$

equivalently,  $K(f) = \bigcap_{S \in \sigma_2} W_S$ .

Strict kernel of ∫:

$$K_s(f) = \bigcap_{S \in \sigma_3} W_S$$
.

Let 
$$M_{\int} = \{ n \epsilon N; a_n \epsilon W_{N-\{n\}} \}$$
.

**Definition:**  $\[ \]$  has absorbent kernel (respectively absorbent strict kernel) if  $W_{M_{\[ \]}} \subset K(\[ \])$  (respectively  $W_{M_{\[ \]}} \subset K_s(\[ \])$ ).

Theorem 1.1: (See | P-R | and | R |)

- (i)  $\int$  has absorbent kernel if and only if it verifies  $W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$  for every  $S, T \in \sigma_2$ .
- (ii)  $\int$  has absorbent strict kernel if and only if it verifies  $W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$  for every  $S \epsilon \sigma_2$  and  $T \epsilon \sigma_3$ .

**Definition:** ∫ is *minimal* if it satisfies the following equivalent conditions:

- $(m_1)$   $M_f = \phi$ ,
- $(m_2)$   $W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$  for every  $S \in \sigma_1$  and  $T \in \sigma_2$ ,
- (m<sub>3</sub>) There exists a sequence  $(a_n^*)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  in the Banach space B\*(dual of B), such that  $a_n^*(a_m) = \delta_{nm}$  (Kronecker delta of n,m).

**Definition:**  $\int$  is an *M-basis* (Markusevich basis) of B, if it is minimal and  $K(f) = \{0\}$ , equivalently (see |C-D| and  $|P|_1$ ) if  $W_S \cap W_T = \{0\}$  whenever S and T are disjoint.

**Definition:**  $\int$  is a strong M-basis if  $W_S^* = W_S$ , for every  $S \subset N$ .

#### Theorem 1.2:

The following statements are equivalent for a sequence f:

- (i)  $W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$  for every  $S,T \subset N$ ,
- (ii)  $W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$  for every  $S, T \in \sigma_3$ ,
- (iii) ∫ is a strong M-basis.

Proof: See | P-R | and | R |.

**Remark:** It is clear that Strong M-basis = => M-basis = => minimal = => Absorbent strict kernel = => Absorbent kernel.

The converse implications are not true. (See |S|).

**Definiton:**  $\int$  is called  $\sigma_1$ -sequence (respectively  $\sigma_2$ -sequence,  $\sigma_3$ -sequence) if it verifies  $W_S^* = W_S$  for every  $S\epsilon\sigma_1$  (r.  $S\epsilon\sigma_2$ ,  $S\epsilon\sigma_3$ ).

## Propositon 1.3:

- (i)  $\int$  is a  $\sigma_1$ -sequence if and only if it is an M-basis.
- (ii)  $\int$  is a  $\sigma_2$ -sequence if and only if it has absorbent kernel.

## **Proof**:

(i) Suppose that  $\int$  is a  $\sigma_1$ -sequence. Let  $S \in \sigma_1$  and  $T \in \sigma_2$ . Then  $W_S \cap W_T = W_S^* \cap W_T \subset W_S^* \cap W_T^* = W_S^* \cap T = W_S \cap T$ , so  $\int$  is minimal. Since  $K(f) \subset W_{\phi}^* = W_{\phi} = \{0\}$ ,  $\int$  is an M-basis.

The converse is obvious.

(ii) Suppose that  $\int$  is a  $\sigma_2$ -sequence. Let  $S, T \in \sigma_2$ . It follows that  $W_S \cap W_T = W_S^* \cap W_T^* = W_{S \cap T}^* = W_{S \cap T}^*$ , so, by 1.1,  $\int$  has absorbent kernel.

For the converse, let  $S \in \sigma_2$ ,  $N-S = \{q_1, \ldots, q_k\}$ .

So 
$$W_S^* = \bigcap_{i=1,...k} W_{N-\{q_i\}} = W_S$$
, by 1.1. Therefore  $\int$  is a  $\sigma_2$ -sequence.

2. CONDITIONS ON SUT.

#### Theorem 2.1:

For  $\int = (a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  in B:

- (i)  $\int \text{verifies } W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$  whenever  $S \cup T \epsilon \sigma_1$  if and only if  $\int$  is a linearly independent set of vectors.
- (ii)  $\int \text{verifies } W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$  whenever  $S \cup T \epsilon \sigma_2$  if and only if  $\int$  is a strong M-basis

#### Proof:

- (i) It is obvious.
- (ii) Suppose  $W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$  whenever  $S \cup T \epsilon \sigma_2$ .

Let  $P,R \subset N$  and consider  $P_1$ ,  $R_1 \subset N$  such that  $P_1 \cup R_1 \in \sigma_2$  and  $P_1 \cap R_1 = P \cap R$ . We have

 $W_{P \cap R} \subset W_{P} \cap W_{R} \subset W_{P_{1}} \cap W_{R_{1}} = W_{P_{1} \cap R_{1}} = W_{P \cap R}$ , so f is a strong M-basis

The converse is obvious.  $\square$ 

**Definition:** Given a property H on sequences, we say that a sequence  $\int = (a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is almost-H if every subsequence  $(a_s)_{s \in \mathbb{S}}$ , with  $S \in \sigma_3$ , verifies H, in the Banach subspace  $[a_s; s \in S]$ .

**Remark:** Almost properties on a sequence f have been studied in  $|I|_2$ , and the structure induced in the sequence f is given in terms of "unitarian position", improving the result in Theorem 4.1 of |R|.

#### Theorem 2.2.

 $\int$  verifies  $W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$  whenever  $S \cup T \epsilon \sigma_3$  if and only if it is almost-strong M-basis.

**Proof:** It is analogous to 2.1 (ii).

3. CONDITIONS ON S∩T.

Let  $\int = (a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a complete sequence in B.

#### Theorem 3.1:

- (i)  $\int \text{verifies } W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T} \text{ whenever } S \cap T \epsilon \sigma_1 \text{ if and only if } f \text{ is an M-basis.}$
- (ii)  $\int \text{verifies } W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$  whenever  $S \cap T \in \sigma_2$  if and only if  $\int$  has absorbent kernel.

#### **Proof**:

- (i) It is analogous to the characterization of M-bases given in  $|P|_1$  or |C-D|.
- (ii) If  $S \cap T \epsilon \sigma_2$ , then  $S, T \epsilon \sigma_2$  and conversely. Apply now 1.1.  $\square$

#### Lemma 3.2:

Let f be a sequence having absorbent kernel. Then, for every  $R\epsilon\sigma_1\cup\sigma_3$  there exist  $R_1$ ,  $R_2\epsilon\sigma_3$ ,  $R_1\cap R_2=R$ , such that  $W_R^*=W_{R_1}\cap W_{R_2}$ .

**Proof:** It is a strengthening of Proposition 5.1 in | R|.

#### Theorem 3.3.

 $\int = (a_n)_{n \in N} \text{ verifies } W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T} \text{ whenever } S \cap T \epsilon \sigma_3 \text{ if and only if it is a } \sigma_3 - \text{sequence.}$ 

#### Proof:

===>) If  $\int$  verifies  $W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$  whenever  $S \cap T \epsilon \sigma_3$ , by 1.1 it has absorbent strict kernel, and therefore, absorbent kernel.

Let  $R\epsilon\sigma_3$ . By 3.2 take  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  such that  $W_R^* = W_{R_1} \cap W_{R_2}$ .

By hypothesis,  $W_{R_1} \cap W_{R_2} = W_{R_1 \cap R_2} = W_R$ . Thus,  $\int$  is a  $\sigma_3$ -sequence.

< = = =) Given S $\cap$ T $\epsilon \sigma_3$ , it follows that

$$W_S \cap W_T \subset W_S^* \cap W_T^* = W_{S \cap T}^*.$$

But, by hypothesis,  $W_{S \cap T}^* = W_{S \cap T}$ .  $\square$ 

#### 4. CONDITIONS ON S-T AND T-S.

Consider now sequences  $\int = (a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  verifying intersection properties according to the cardinality (in terms of  $\sigma_1$ ,  $\sigma_2$ ,  $\sigma_3$ ) of the sets S, T, S $\cap$ T, S-T and T-S.

There are four main cases. (The remaining cases can be dealt with by means of these, or using the scheme in |R|).

Case 1:  $W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$  for every  $S, T \in \sigma_3$  such that S - T,  $T - S \in \sigma_3$  and  $S \cap T \in \sigma_1$ .

Case 2:  $W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$  for every  $S, T \in \sigma_3$  such that  $S - T, T - S \in \sigma_1$  and  $S \cap T \in \sigma_3$ .

Case 3:  $W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$  for every  $S, T \in \sigma_3$  such that  $S - T \in \sigma_1$  and  $T - S, S \cap T \in \sigma_3$ .

Case 4:  $W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$  for every  $S, T \in \sigma_3$  such that S - T, T - S and  $S \cap T \in \sigma_3$ .

**Definition:**  $\int$  is called *M-basoidic* (see  $|P|_2$  and  $|T|_1$ ) if it can be represented by  $\int = \{b_1, \ldots, b_k\} \cup \int_1$ , where  $\int_1 = (b_{k+n})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is an M-basis,  $[b_1, \ldots, b_k] \subseteq [\int_1]$ , and  $[b_1, \ldots, b_k] \cap (W_S + W_{N-(S \cup \{1, \ldots, k\})}) = \{0\}$ , for every  $S \subseteq N - \{1, \ldots, k\}$ ,  $S \in \sigma_3$ .

It is not difficult to see that the intersection property in Case 1 is equivalent to the following:  $W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$ , for every disjoint S,  $T \in \sigma_3$ , but this property characterizes the M-basoidic sequences (see  $|P|_2$  and  $|T|_1$ ).

With respect to cases 2 and 3 it is straightforward to see that they characterize, respectively, the sequences almost—"with absorbent kernel" and almost—"with absorbent strict kernel".

We study now Case 4.

#### Lemma 4.1:

Let  $f = (a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a complete sequence in B, and  $x \in B$ .

Then, there exist  $S, T \in \sigma_3$  (which depend on x) such that  $x = x_1 + x_2$ , with  $x_1 \in W_S$  and  $x_2 \in W_T$ .

**Proof:** See  $|T|_2$ .

#### Lemma 4.2:

Let  $\int = (a_n)_{n \in N}$  be a sequence verifying  $W_S \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$ , for every  $S, T \in \sigma_3$  such that S-T, T-S and  $S \cap T \in \sigma_3$ . (I)

Then, for every  $S \in \sigma_3$ ,  $W_S \cap W_{N-S} \subseteq K_s(f)$ .

## Proof:

Let  $Se\sigma_3$  and  $x \in W_S \cap W_{N-S}$ . Fix  $Re\sigma_3$ . We can find  $R_1 \in \sigma_3$  such that  $S \cup R_1$  and  $(N-S) \cup R_1 \in \sigma_3$ , with  $R_1 \subseteq R$ . So, we have  $x \in W_{S \cup R_1} \cap W_{(N-S) \cup R_1} = W_{R_1} \subseteq W_R$  (for every  $Re\sigma_3$ )

Therefore  $x \in K_{\epsilon}(f)$ .  $\square$ 

#### Lemma 4.3:

If  $\int =(a_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  verifies (I), then it has absorbent strict kernel.

#### Proof:

Suppose, for instance,  $a_1 \in W_{N-\left\{1\right\}}$ . By 4.1 we can find  $S, T \in \sigma_3$ ,  $S, T \subseteq N-\left\{1\right\}$  such that  $a_1 = u + v$ , with  $u \in W_S$ ,  $v \in W_T$ .

The following possibilities arise:

(a)  $S \cap T$ , S - T and  $T - S \in \sigma_3$ .

Then  $a_1 - u \in W_{S \cup \{1\}} \cap W_T = W_{S \cap T}$ , and thus  $a_1 \in W_S$ . On the other hand, since  $1 \not\in S$ ,  $a_1 \in W_{N-S}$ . So, by 4.2,  $a_1 \in K_s(f)$ . (b)  $S-T\epsilon\sigma_1$ ,  $S\cap T$  and  $T-S\epsilon\sigma_3$ . Then  $S\cup T\epsilon\sigma_3$  and  $a_1 \in W_{S\cup T}$ .

Since  $1 \notin S \cup T$ , it follows that  $a_1 \in W_{N-(S \cup T)}$ , so by 4.2,  $a_1 \in K_s(f)$ .

- (c) S-T, T-S $\epsilon \sigma_1$ ; S $\cap$ T $\epsilon \sigma_3$ . It is similar to (b).
- (d) S-T, T-S $\epsilon \sigma_3$ ; S $\cap$ T $\epsilon \sigma_1$ .

Then 
$$\mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{S}} = \mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{S} - \mathbf{T}} + \mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{S} \cap \mathbf{T}}$$
 and  $\mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{T}} = \mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{T} - \mathbf{S}} + \mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{S} \cap \mathbf{T}}$ 

Take  $a \in W_{S-T}$ ,  $b \in W_{S \cap T}$  and  $c \in W_{T-S}$  such that  $a_1 = a + b + c$ .

We have 
$$a_1 - a \in W_T \cap W_{\{1\} \cup (S-T)}$$
. So, by 4.2,  $a_1 - a \in K_s(f) \subseteq W_{S-T}$ .

Therefore  $a_1 \in W_{S-T}$ .

On the other hand  $a_1 \ \varepsilon \ W_{\left\{1\right\} \cup (T-S)},$  so we conclude that  $a_1 \ \varepsilon \ K_s(f).$ 

Consequently, ∫ has absorbent strict kernel. □

#### Theorem 4.4:

A sequence  $\int = (a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  verifies (I) if and only if it is a  $\sigma_3$ -sequence.

**Proof:** It follows from 1.1, 3.3 and 4.3.

5. Structure of  $\sigma_3$  –sequences.

We consider now some properties of the kernel and strict kernel of a complete sequence f, which characterize f as a  $\sigma_3$ -sequence.

### Lemma 5.1:

For a sequence  $\int = (a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ ,

$$\mathtt{K}(\mathfrak{f})\,\subset\,\bigcup_{\mathrm{F}\,\boldsymbol{\epsilon}\sigma_3}\,\,(\mathtt{W}_{\mathrm{F}}\!\cap\!\mathtt{W}_{\mathrm{N-F}})$$

Proof: See | P-R |.

## Corollary 5.2:

Let 
$$\textbf{f}=(\textbf{a}_n)_{n\in N}$$
 be a  $\sigma_3-sequence. Then  $K(\textbf{f})=K_s(\textbf{f}).$$ 

**Proof:** It is a consequence of 4.2 and 5.1.

## Lemma 5.3:

An M-basis  $\int = (a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a strong M-basis if and only if it verifies (I).

**Proof:** It follows from 1.2, 3.1, 3.3 and 4.4.

#### Proposition 5.4:

Let  $f = (a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a  $\sigma_3$ -sequence. Consider, in the Banach space B/K(f), the set  $f_{K(f)} = \{a_k + K(f); a_k \notin K(f)\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ . Then we have

- (i) If  $\int_{K(f)}$  is finite, it is a linearly independent set in B/K(f),
- (ii) If  $\int_{K(f)}$  is infinite, it is a strong M-basis in B/K(f).

#### Proof:

- (i) It follows from the fact of  $\int$  having absorbent kernel.
- (ii) Since  $\int$  has absorbent kernel,  $\int -K(\int)$  is a minimal sequence, and  $\int_{K(\int)}$  is an M-basis.

Let  $\int_{K(f)} = \{a_{q_n} + K(f)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  and take S,Te $\sigma_3$  such that S-T, T-S and S\cap Te\sigma\_3.

Let  $x \in B$ , we have, applying (I)

$$\begin{split} &x+K(f)\,\epsilon\,[a_{q_S}+K(f);s\epsilon S]\cap[a_{q_f}+K(f);t\epsilon T]<==>\\ &<==>x\,\epsilon\,[\,\{a_{q_S};s\epsilon S\}\,,K(f)]\cap[\,\{a_{q_f};t\epsilon T\}\,,K(f)]=\ (*)\\ &=[a_{q_h};h\epsilon S\cap T]<==>x+K(f)\,\epsilon\,[a_{q_h}+K(f);h\epsilon S\cap T].\ (**)\\ &So\,\int_{K(f)}is\,also\,strong.\ \Box \end{split}$$

#### Theorem 5.5:

 $\int = (a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a  $\sigma_3$ -sequence if and only if it verifies the conditions

- (i)  $K(f) = K_s(f)$  and
- (ii) The set  $\int_{K(f)}$  is a) linearly independent, if finite,
  - b) A strong M-basis in B/K(f), if infinite.

#### **Proof**:

= = = ) It follows from 5.2 and 5.4.

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 Let S,T $\epsilon \sigma_3$  such that S-T, T-S and S $\cap$ T $\epsilon \sigma_3$ , let x $\epsilon$ B.

$$\begin{split} &x \epsilon \left[ a_s; s \epsilon S \right] \cap \left[ a_t; t \epsilon T \right] <==> x \epsilon \left[ \left\{ a_s; s \epsilon S \right\}, K_s(f) \right] \cap \\ &\cap \left[ \left\{ a_t; t \epsilon T \right\}, K_s(f) \right] <==> x \epsilon \left[ \left\{ a_s; s \epsilon S \right\}, K(f) \right] \cap \\ &\cap \left[ \left\{ a_t, t \epsilon T \right\}, K(f) \right] <==> x + K(f) \epsilon \left[ a_s + K(f); s \epsilon S \right] \cap \\ &\cap \left[ a_t + K(f); t \epsilon T \right] <==> x + K(f) \epsilon \left[ a_h + K(f); h \epsilon S \cap T \right] <==> \\ &<=> x \epsilon \left[ \left\{ a_h; h \epsilon S \cap T \right\}, K(f) \right] = \left[ a_h; h \epsilon S \cap T \right]. \ \Box \end{split}$$

- (\*) Apply here that  $K(\int) = K_s(\int)$ .
- (\*\*) Observe that [-] stands here for closed linear span in  $B/K(\int)$  and also in B.

# 6. TABLE.

We conclude with the following scheme for intersection properties:

$\mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{S}} \cap \mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{T}} = \mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{S}} \cap \mathbf{T}$						
S	Т	S∪T	S∩T	ST	T-S	KIND OF SEQUENCE
_	_	_	_	_	-	strong M-basis
$\sigma_1$		_	_	-	-	minimal
$\sigma_2$	_	_	_	_	_	minimal
$\sigma_3$	_	_	_	_	_	strong M-basis
_	_	$\sigma_1$		_	_	linearly independent
_	_	$\sigma_2$	_	_	_	strong M-basis
_	_	$\sigma_3$	_		_	almost strong M-basis
	-	_	$\sigma_1$	_		M-basis
_	_	_	$\sigma_2$	_	_	absorbent kernel
	_	_	$\sigma_3$	_	_	$\sigma_3$ —sequence
$\sigma_1$	$\sigma_{i}$	_	_	_	_	linearly independent
$\sigma_1$	$\sigma_2$		_	_	_	minimal
$\sigma_1$	$\sigma_3$	_	_	_		almost minimal
$\sigma_2$	$\sigma_2$	_		_	_	absorbent kernel
$\sigma_2$	$\sigma_3$	_	_	_	_	absorbent strict kernel
$\sigma_3$	$\sigma_3$	_	_		_	strong M-basis
$\sigma_3$	$\sigma_3$	_	$\sigma_{i}$	_	_	M-basoidic
$\sigma_3$	$\sigma_3$	_	$\sigma_3$	$\sigma_1$	$\sigma_1$	almost absorbent kernel
$\sigma_3$	$\sigma_3$	_	$\sigma_3$	$\sigma_1$	$\sigma_3$	almost absorbent strict kernel
$\sigma_3$	$\sigma_3$	_	$\sigma_3$	$\sigma_3$	$\sigma_3$	$\sigma_3$ —sequence
	_	$\sigma_3$	$\sigma_1$	_	_	almost M-basis

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