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# Linear bijections which preserve the diameter of vector-valued maps

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#### Abstract

We study diameter preserving linear bijections from  $\mathscr{C}(X, V)$  onto  $\mathscr{C}(Y, Z)$ , where X, Y are compact Hausdorff spaces and V, Z are Banach spaces. In particular, assuming that Z is rotund and the extreme points of  $B_{V^*}$  satisfy a certain geometric condition, we prove that there exists a diameter preserving linear bijection from  $\mathscr{C}(X, V)$  onto  $\mathscr{C}(Y, Z)$  if and only if X is homeomorphic to Y and Z is linearly isometric to V. We also consider the case when X and Y are locally compact, noncompact spaces. © 2007 Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

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## 1. Introduction

A problem related to Banach–Stone theorem is the study of linear bijections between function spaces which preserve the diameter of the range, that is, the seminorm  $\rho(f) = \sup\{||f(x) - f(y)|| : x, y \in X\}$  for  $f \in \mathcal{C}(X, E)$ , being X a compact space and E a Banach space. Such maps are called diameter preserving linear bijections.

Gÿory and Molnár began the study of this problem in [5], followed by González and Uspenkij in [4]. Cabello, in [3] obtains the next result:

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Let X be a compact Hausdorff space, then there exists a diameter preserving linear bijection  $T : \mathscr{C}(X) \to \mathscr{C}(X)$  if and only if there exists a homeomorphism  $\varphi : X \to X$ , a linear functional  $\mu : \mathscr{C}(X) \to \mathbb{K}$ , where  $\mathbb{K}$  is the scalar field, and a scalar z with |z| = 1 and  $\mu(1_X) + z \neq 0$  such that  $Tf = zf \circ \varphi + \mu(f)1_X$  for each  $f \in \mathscr{C}(X)$ .

Recently there have been new results about diameter preserving linear bijections [1,3,4,6]. The linear injections which preserve the diameter of scalar maps are studied in [2].

In this paper we study diameter preserving linear bijections  $T : \mathscr{C}(X, V) \to \mathscr{C}(Y, Z)$ , where X, Y are compact Hausdorff spaces and V, Z are Banach spaces, being Z rotund and satisfying the next geometric condition: for  $z_1^*, z_2^* \in Z^*$ , if  $||z_1^*|| = ||z_2^*|| = 1$  and  $||z_1^* + z_1^*|| = 2$  then  $||z_1^* - z_1^*|| < 1$ . There is a large list of Banach spaces satisfying the conditions required on Z, for instance every rotund Banach space whose dual is rotund as well (the  $L^p$  spaces with 1 , etc.).

In this situation we prove that there exist a homeomorphism  $\varphi : Y \to X$ , a linear, surjective isometry  $G : V \to Z$  and a linear map  $L : \mathscr{C}(X, V) \to Z$  such that if  $f \in \mathscr{C}(X, V)$  and  $y \in Y$  then  $Tf(y) = G(f(\varphi(y))) + L(f)$ .

## 2. Main result

Let *X*, *Y* be compact Hausdorff spaces. Let *V*, *Z* be Banach spaces. We denote by  $Ex(V^*)$  the extreme points of  $V^*$  and  $EN(V^*)$  the set of extreme points of  $B_{V^*}$  which attain the norm.

It is easily seen that  $w^*Cl(Co(EN(V^*))) = B_{V^*}$  so that, if  $v \in V$  then  $||v|| = \sup\{|v^*(v)| : v^* \in EN(V^*)\}$ .

We will denote by  $EN(Z^*)$  the corresponding set of extreme points which attain the norm and by  $\mathscr{C}(X, V)$  and  $\mathscr{C}(Y, Z)$  the spaces of continuous functions with the supremum norm.

In this paper we suppose that Z is rotund and if  $z_1^*, z_2^* \in EN(Z^*)$  and  $||z_1^* + z_2^*|| = 2$  then  $||z_1^* - z_2^*|| < 1$ .

Let  $T : \mathscr{C}(X, V) \to \mathscr{C}(Y, Z)$  be a diameter preserving linear bijection. Let us denote by  $\mathscr{C}_V$  the subspace of constant maps of  $\mathscr{C}(X, V)$  and by  $\mathscr{C}_Z$  the subspace of constant maps of  $\mathscr{C}(Y, Z)$ .

It can be easily seen that  $\rho([f]) = \sup\{||f(x_1) - f(x_2)|| : x_1, x_2 \in X\}$  is a well defined, complete norm in  $\mathscr{C}(X, V)/\mathscr{C}_V$ , and we have that  $[f_1] = [f_2]$  in  $\mathscr{C}(X, V)/\mathscr{C}_V$  if and only if  $\rho(f_1 - f_2) = 0$ .

Let us consider the map:

$$\overline{T}: (\mathscr{C}(X, V)/\mathscr{C}_V, \rho) \to (\mathscr{C}(Y, Z)/\mathscr{C}_Z, \rho)$$

defined by  $\widehat{T}[f] = [Tf]$ .

 $\widehat{T}$  is a linear, surjective isometry.

In [1] it is proved that the extreme points of the unit ball of  $(\mathscr{C}(Y, Z)/\mathscr{C}_Z, \rho)^*$  are precisely  $z^*(\delta_{y_1} - \delta_{y_2})$  where  $z^*$  is and extreme point of  $B_{Z^*}$  and  $y_1, y_2 \in Y(y_1 \neq y_2)$ . So that, for each,  $z^*$  and  $y_1, y_2 \in Y$  there exist  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  and  $v^* \in Ex(V^*)$  such that  $\widehat{T}^*z^*(\delta_{y_1} - \delta_{y_2}) = v_*((\delta_{x_1} - \delta_{x_2}))$ . It is easily seen that  $z^* \in EN(Z^*)$  if and only if  $v^* \in EN(V^*)$ .

Given  $x_1 \in X$  we can consider  $x, x' \in X$  such that  $x_1 \notin \{x, x'\}$  and given  $v^* \in EN(V^*)$  we have that:

$$\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^*(\delta_x - \delta_{x_1}) = z_1^*(\delta_y - \delta_{y_1}),\\ \widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^*(\delta_{x'} - \delta_{x_1}) = z_2^*(\delta_{y_2} - \delta_{y_3})$$

for  $y, y_1, y_2, y_3 \in Y$  and  $z_1^*, z_2^* \in EN(Z^*)$ .

We obtain that  $\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^*(\delta_x - \delta_{x'}) = z_1^*(\delta_y - \delta_{y_1}) - z_1^*(\delta_{y_2} - \delta_{y_3})$  and necessarily  $z_1^*(\delta_y - \delta_{y_1}) - z_2^*(\delta_{y_2} - \delta_{y_3})$  must be an extreme point of the unit ball of  $(\mathscr{C}(X, Z)/\mathscr{C}_Z, \rho)^*$ , so we can have the next cases:

(a)  $\#(\{y, y_1\} \cap \{y_2, y_3\}) = 2$ , being  $\#(\{y, y_1\} \cap \{y_2, y_3\})$  the cardinal of this set. In this case we have that:

$$\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^{*}(\delta_{x} - \delta_{x_{1}}) = z_{1}^{*}(\delta_{y} - \delta_{y_{1}}),$$
  

$$\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^{*}(\delta_{x'} - \delta_{x_{1}}) = z_{2}^{*}(\delta_{y} - \delta_{y_{1}}).$$

If we consider a map  $f \in \mathscr{C}(X, V)$  such that f(x) = f(x') = v where v is an element of  $S_V$  satisfying that  $v^*(v) = 1$  and  $f(x_1) = 0$ ,  $||f|| = \rho(f) = 1$  we will have that  $z_1^*(Tf(y) - Tf(y_1)) = 1$  and  $z_2^*(Tf(y) - Tf(y_1)) = 1$  so that  $||(Tf(y) - Tf(y_1))|| = 1$  and  $||z_1^* + z_2^*|| = 2$ , but since  $\widehat{T}^{*-1}v^*(\delta x - \delta x') = z_1^*(\delta y - \delta y_1)$  we deduce that  $||z_1^* - z_2^*|| = 1$  and this is a contradiction.

- (b)  $\#(\{y, y_1\} \cap \{y_2, y_3\}) = 0$ . In this case we have that  $\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^*(\delta_x \delta_{x'}) = z_1^*(\delta_y \delta_{y_1}) z_2^*(\delta_{y_2} \delta_{y_3})$  but this element cannot be an extreme point of the unit ball of  $(\mathscr{C}(Y, Z) / \mathscr{C}_Z, \rho)^*$ .
- (c)  $\#(\{y, y_1\} \cap \{y_2, y_3\}) = 1$ . In this case we have different possibilities: (c-1)  $y = y_2$ . We have that  $y \neq y_1, y_2 \neq y_1, y \neq y_3$  and

$$\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}(\delta_x - \delta_{x'}) = z_1^*(\delta_y - \delta_{y_1}) - z_2^*(\delta_y - \delta_{y_3}).$$

This element will be an extreme point if and only if  $z_1^* = z_2^*$  so we will have

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^{*}(\delta_{x}-\delta_{x'}) &= z_{1}^{*}(\delta_{y_{3}}-\delta_{y_{1}}), \\ \widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^{*}(\delta_{x}-\delta_{x_{1}}) &= z_{1}^{*}(\delta_{y}-\delta_{y_{1}}), \\ \widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^{*}(\delta_{x'}-\delta_{x_{1}}) &= z_{1}^{*}(\delta_{y}-\delta_{y_{3}}). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $x'' \notin \{x, x', x_1\}$ . There exist  $z_3^* \in EN(Z^*)$  and  $y_0, y'_0 \in Y$  such that:

$$\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^*(\delta_{x''}-\delta_{x_1})=z_3^*(\delta_{y_0}-\delta_{y_0}').$$

Necessarily,  $\#(\{y_0, y'_0\} \cap \{y, y_1\}) = 1$  and  $\#(\{y_0, y'_0\} \cap \{y, y_3\}) = 1$ . It is not possible that  $y_0 = y_1$  and  $y'_0 = y_3$  because in this case we will have:

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^*(\delta_x - \delta_{x'}) &= z_1^*(\delta_{y_3} - \delta_{y_1}), \\ \widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^*(\delta_x - \delta_{x''}) &= z_1^*(\delta_y - \delta_{y_1}) - z_3^*(\delta_{y_1} - \delta_{y_3}), \end{aligned}$$

and we deduce that:  $z_3^* = -z_1^*$  and

$$\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^*(\delta_x-\delta_{x''})=z_1^*(\delta_{y_3}-\delta_{y_1}).$$

and this contradicts the injectivity of  $\widehat{T}^*$ .

If  $y_0 = y$  then

$$\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^{*}(\delta_{x''}-\delta_{x})=z_{3}^{*}(\delta_{y_{0}}-\delta_{y})-z_{1}^{*}(\delta_{y}-\delta_{y_{1}}),$$

and we deduce that  $z_1^* = z_3^*$  and

$$\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^*(\delta_{x''}-\delta_{x_1})=z_1^*(\delta_y-\delta_{y_0'})$$

If  $y'_0 = y_0$ , then

$$\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^{*}(\delta_{x''}-\delta_{x_{1}})=z_{3}^{*}(\delta_{y_{0}}-\delta_{y}),$$

and we obtain that

$$\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^*(\delta_{x''}-\delta_{x_1})=z_3^*(\delta_{y_0}-\delta_y)-z_1^*(\delta_y-\delta_{y_1}),$$

and we deduce that  $z_1^* = -z_3^*$  and

$$\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^*(\delta_{x''}-\delta_{x_1})=z_1^*(\delta_y-\delta_{y_0}).$$

So that, given  $v^* \in EN(V^*)$  and  $x_1 \in X$ , if  $y = y_2$ , we can deduce that there exists  $z^* \in$  $EN(Z^*)$  such that for each  $x'' \in X \setminus \{x_1\}$ , there exists  $y'' \in Y \setminus \{y\}$  such that  $\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}} v^* (\delta_{x''} - \delta_{x''})$  $b_{x_1} = z^* (\delta_y - \delta_{y''}) = (-z)^* (\delta_{y''} - \delta_y).$ In other cases:  $y = y_3$ ,  $y_1 = y_2$ ,  $y_1 = y_3$  we obtain analogously the same result.

That is, we have that given  $v^* \in EN(V^*)$  and  $x_1 \in X$  there exists  $z^* \in EN(Z^*)$  and  $y_1 \in Y$ such that, for each  $x \in X \setminus \{x_1\}$  there exists  $y \in Y \setminus \{y_1\}$  (we will denote it by t(x), and  $y_1 = t(x_1)$ ) such that:

$$\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^*\left(\delta_x-\delta_{x_1}\right)=z^*\left(\delta_y-\delta_{y_1}\right).$$

If  $x' \in X \setminus \{x, x_1\}$ , since

$$\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^*(\delta_x-\delta_{x_1})=z^*(\delta_{t(x)}-\delta_{t(x_1)}),$$

and

$$\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^*(\delta_{x'}-\delta_{x_1})=z^*(\delta_{t(x')}-\delta_{t(x_1)}),$$

we obtain that

$$\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}}v^*(\delta_x-\delta_{x'})=z^*(\delta_{t(x)}-\delta_{t(x')}).$$

We have that t is a bijection and we will denote by  $\varphi$  the inverse map,  $\varphi: Y \to X$ . We will prove that the map t does not depend on  $v^*$ . Suppose that:

$$\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}} z_1^* (\delta_{y_1} - \delta_{y_2}) = v_1^* (\delta_{x_1} - \delta_{x_2}),$$
  

$$\widehat{T}^{*^{-1}} z_2^* (\delta_{y_1} - \delta_{y_2}) = v_2^* (\delta_{x_3} - \delta_{x_4}).$$

We have the next cases:

(i)  $\{x_1, x_2\} \cap \{x_3, x_4\} = \emptyset$ , where  $z_1^* \neq z_2^*$ . In this case  $v_1^* \neq v_2^*$ . Let  $v_1, v_2 \in S_X$  such that  $v_1^*(v_1) = v_2^*(v_2) = 1$  and let  $f_1, f_2 \in \mathscr{C}(X, V)$  such that support  $f_1 \cap$  support  $f_2 = \emptyset$ ,  $||f_1|| = ||f_2|| = 1$ ;  $f_1(x_1) = v_1$ ,  $f_1(x_2) = -v_1$ ,  $f_2(x_3) = v_2$ ,  $f_2(x_4) = -v_2$ ,  $\rho(f_1) = \rho(f_2) = 2$ ,  $\rho(f_1 + f_2) \leq 2$  and  $\rho(f_1 - f_2) \leq 2$ . We have that  $z_1^*(Tf_1(y_1) - Tf_1(y_2)) = 2$  and  $||Tf_1(y_1) - Tf_1(y_2)|| = 2$ . Analogously  $||Tf_2(y_1) - Tf_2(y_2)|| = 2$  and we have that:

$$\begin{aligned} 4 &= 2\|Tf_1(y_1) - Tf_1(y_2)\| \\ &= \|T(f_1 + f_2)(y_1) - T(f_1 + f_2)(y_2) + T(f_1 - f_2)(y_1) - T(f_1 - f_2)(y_2)\| \\ &\leqslant \|T(f_1 + f_2)(y_1) - T(f_1 + f_2)(y_2)\| + \|T(f_1 - f_2)(y_1) - T(f_1 - f_2)(y_2)\| \leqslant 4. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\rho(f_1 + f_2) \leq 2$  and  $\rho(f_1 - f_2) \leq 2$  we deduce that, if

$$z_1 = Tf_1(y_1) + Tf_2(y_1) - Tf_1(y_2) - Tf_2(y_2),$$
  

$$z_2 = Tf_1(y_1) - Tf_2(y_2) - Tf_1(y_2) + Tf(y_2),$$

then  $||z_1|| = ||z_2|| = 2$  and  $||z_1 + z_2|| = 4$ ,  $||z_1 - z_2|| = 4$  which contradicts the fact that Z is rotund.

(ii)  $\#(\{x_1, x_2\} \cap \{x_3, x_4\}) = 1$ . Suppose that

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{T}^* z_1^* (\delta_{y_1} - \delta_{y_2}) &= v_1^* (\delta_{x_2} - \delta_{x_1}), \\ \widehat{T}^* z_2^* (\delta_{y_1} - \delta_{y_2}) &= v_2^* (\delta_{x_3} - \delta_{x_1}). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $g_1 : X \to [-1, 1]$  be a continuous map such that  $g_1(x_2) = 1$  and  $g_1(x_1) = -1$  and let  $f_1 : X \to V$  be a map defined by  $f_1(x) = g_1(x)v_1$  where  $v_1 \in \mathscr{S}_V$  and  $v_1^*(v_1) = 1$ . Let  $g_2 : X \to [0, 1]$  a continuous map such that  $g_2(x_3) = 1$ ,  $g_2(x_1) = 0$  and support  $g_1 \cap$  support  $g_2 = \emptyset$ . Let  $f_2 : X \to V$  a map defined by  $f_2(x) = g_2(x)v_2$  where  $v_2 \in \mathscr{S}_V$  and  $v_2^*(v_2) = 1$ .

We have that  $\|f_1\| = \|f_2\| = 1$ ,  $\rho(f_1) = 2$  and  $\rho(f_2) = 1$ . It is easily seen that  $\rho(f_1 + f_2) \leq 2$  and  $\rho(f_1 - f_2) \leq 2$ . We have that

$$z_1^*(Tf_1(y_1) - Tf_1(y_2)) = v_1^*(f_1(x_2) - f_1(x_1)) = 2,$$

and since  $\rho(Tf_1) = 2$  we obtain that

$$\|Tf_1(y_1) - Tf_1(y_2)\| = 2, \text{ and}$$
  
$$z_2^*(Tf_2(y_1) - Tf_2(y_2)) = v_2^*(f_2(x_3) - f_2(x_1)) = 1,$$

so that  $||Tf_2(y_1) - Tf_2(y_2)|| \ge 1$  and we have that

 $4 = 2\|Tf_1(y_1) - Tf_2(y_2)\|$ 

$$= \|T(f_1 + f_2)(y_1) - T(f_1 - f_2)(y_2)\|$$
  
$$\leq \|T(f_1 + f_2)(y_1) - T(f_1 + f_2)(y_2)\| + \|T(f_1 - f_2)(y_1) - T(f_1 - f_2)(y_2)\| \leq 4,$$

so that if

$$z_1 = T(f_1 + f_2)(y_1) - T(f_1 + f_2)(y_2),$$
  

$$z_2 = T(f_1 - f_2)(y_1) - T(f_1 - f_2)(y_2),$$

then  $||z_1|| = ||z_2|| = 2$ ,  $||z_1 + z_2|| = 4$  and  $||z_1 - z_2|| \ge 2$  and this is a contradiction with the fact that Z is rotund.

So, necessarily  $\{x_1, x_2\} = \{x_3, x_4\}.$ 

We have proved that there exist a bijection  $F : EN(Z^*) \to EN(V^*)$  and a bijection  $\varphi : Y \to X$  such that if  $z^* \in EN(Z)$  and  $y_1, y_2 \in Y$  then:

$$T^*z^*(\delta_{y_1}-\delta_{y_2})=F(z^*)(\delta_{\varphi(y_1)}-\delta_{\varphi(y_2)}).$$

We will prove now that  $\varphi$  is a homeomorphism.

We suppose that  $(y_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in I}$  is a net in *Y* such that  $\lim_{\alpha \in I} y_{\alpha} = y_0$ . Given  $z^* \in EN(Z^*)$  and  $y_1 \in Y$ ,  $y_1 \neq y_0$  we have that

 $w^* \lim z^* (\delta_{y_\alpha} - \delta_{y_1}) = z^* (\delta_{y_0} - \delta_{y_1}),$ 

and we obtain that

$$T^{*}z^{*}(\delta_{y_{0}} - \delta_{y_{1}}) = w^{*}\lim T^{*}z^{*}(\delta_{y_{\alpha}} - \delta_{y_{1}}) = w^{*}\lim F(z^{*})(\delta_{\varphi(y_{\alpha})} - \delta_{\varphi(y_{1})})$$
$$= F(z^{*})(\delta_{\varphi(y_{0})} - \delta_{\varphi(y_{1})})$$

for each  $z^* \in EN(Z^*)$ , so that  $\lim \varphi(y_\alpha) = \varphi(y_0)$ .

Let  $f, f' \in \mathscr{C}(X, V)$  and let  $y_1, y_2 \in Y$ . If  $f(\varphi(y_1)) - f(\varphi(y_2)) = f'(\varphi(y_1)) - f'(\varphi(y_2))$ then for each  $z^* \in EN(z^*)$  we have

$$T^* z^* (\delta_{y_1} - \delta_{y_2}) f = F(z^*) (\delta_{\varphi(y_1)} - \delta_{\varphi(y_2)}) f = F(Z^*) (\delta_{\varphi(y_1)} - \delta_{\varphi(y_2)}) f'$$
  
=  $T z^* (\delta_{y_1} - \delta_{y_2}) f',$ 

and we deduce that

$$Tf(y_1) - Tf(y_2) = Tf'(y_1) - Tf'(y_2).$$

Given  $y, y_1 \in Y$  we define  $G: V \to Z$  by  $G(v) = Tf(y) - Tf(y_1)$  if  $f(y) - f(y_1) = v$ . For each  $z^* \in EN(Z^*)$  we have that  $z^*(G(v)) = z^*(Tf(y) - Tf(y_1)) = F(z^*)(f(y) - f(y_1))$  so that G is a linear, surjective isometry such that  $G^*(z^*) = F(z^*)$  if  $z^* \in EN(Z^*)$ .

It is easily seen that G does not depend on y,  $y_1 \in Y$ , so that, for each  $f \in \mathscr{C}(X, V)$  and each  $y, y_1 \in Y$  we have that  $Tf(y) - Tf(y_1) = G(f(\varphi(y_1)) - f(\varphi(y_1)))$ .

We can define the map  $\phi : \mathscr{C}(X, V) \to \mathscr{C}(Y, Z)$  by  $\phi(f)(y) = G(f(\varphi(y)))$  and we have that  $\phi$  is a diameter preserving, linear, bijective isometry.

Now we consider the map  $\widehat{\phi}: \mathscr{C}(X, V)/\mathscr{C}_V \to \mathscr{C}(Y, Z)/\mathscr{C}_Z$  defined by  $\widehat{\phi}[f] = [\phi f]$ .

If  $f \in \mathscr{C}(X, V)$  and  $\widehat{\phi}[f] \neq \widehat{T}[f]$ , then  $\rho(\phi f - Tf) \neq 0$ , so that, there exist  $y_1, y_2 \in Y$  such that  $(\phi f - Tf)(y_1) - (\phi f - Tf)(y_2) \neq 0$  and this is not possible, because  $\phi f(y_1) - \phi f(y_2) = Tf(y_1) - Tf(y_2) = G(f(\varphi(t_1)) - f(\varphi(t_2)))$ , so that, there exists  $z \in Z$  which we denote by Lf such that, if  $f \in \mathscr{C}(X, V)$  and  $y \in Y$  then:  $Tf(y) = G(f(\varphi(y))) + L(f)$ .

Evidently *L* is a linear map from  $\mathscr{C}(X, V)$  onto *Z* which is continuous if and only if *T* is. With the last arguments we have proved the next.

**Theorem 1.** Let X, Y be two compact Hausdorff spaces and let V, Z be two Banach spaces such that Z is rotund and satisfies that if  $z_1^*, z_2^* \in EN(Z^*)$  and  $||z_1^* + z_2^*|| = 2$  then  $||z_1^* - z_2^*|| < 1$ . There exists a diameter preserving linear bijection  $T : \mathcal{C}(X, V) \to \mathcal{C}(Y, Z)$  if and only if X is homeomorphic to Y and V is linearly isometric to Z. In this situation there exist a homeomorphism  $\varphi : Y \to X$ , a linear, surjective isometry  $G : V \to Z$  and a linear map  $L : \mathcal{C}(X, V) \to Z$  such that if  $f \in \mathcal{C}(X, V)$  and  $y \in Y$  then  $Tf(y) = G(f(\varphi(y))) + L(f)$ .

**Remark 1.** If X, Y are locally compact, non-compact spaces and we consider the spaces  $\mathscr{C}_0(X, V), \mathscr{C}_0(Y, Z)$ , we can deduce a similar result because  $\mathscr{C}_0(X, V)$  is linearly isometric to  $\mathscr{C}(\gamma X, V)/C$  (where  $\gamma X$  is the Alexandroff compactification of X and C is the subspace of constant functions of  $\mathscr{C}(\gamma X, V)$ ).

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