ALGEBRAIC REFLEXIVITY OF SETS OF BOUNDED LINEAR OPERATORS ON ABSOLUTELY CONTINUOUS FUNCTION SPACES

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Abstract. In this paper we deal with the algebraic reflexivity of sets of bounded linear operators on absolutely continuous vector-valued function spaces. As a consequence, it is shown that the set of all surjective linear isometries, the set of all isometric reflections, and the set of all generalized bi-circular projections on AC[0,1] are algebraically reflexive.

1. Introduction

For arbitrary normed spaces A and B, $\mathscr{L}(A,B)$ stands for the space of all bounded linear operators from A to B. Let $\xi \subseteq \mathscr{L}(A,B)$. We say a map $T \in \mathscr{L}(A,B)$ belongs locally to ξ if T pointwise equals an element of ξ , in other words, if for each $a \in A$ there is a $T_a \in \xi$, possibly depending on a, such that $Ta = T_a a$. The collection ξ is said to be *algebraically reflexive* if ξ contains every T belonging locally to ξ . For more information on this concept we refer to the book by Molnár [18].

One important collection ξ is the set Iso(A, B) of all surjective linear isometries from A onto B. When A = B, we write Iso(A) = Iso(A, A) which, namely, is the isometry group of all surjective linear isometries of A. Investigations on algebraic reflexivity of the group of isometries of spaces of continuous functions were begun by Molnár and Zalar [19]. They proved that the isometry group of the function space C(X) of all continuous complex-valued functions on a compact Hausdorff space X, endowed with the supremum norm $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$, is algebraically reflexive when X is first countable. Motivated by [19], considerable study has been done in this direction. Jarosz and Rao [15] investigated a vector-valued version of this result proving that if X is a first countable compact Hausdorff space and E is a uniformly convex complex Banach space such that Iso(E)is algebraically reflexive, then Iso(C(X, E)) is algebraically reflexive. Moreover, with respect to subsets of the isometry group, Dutta and Rao in [10] studied the algebraic reflexivity of the set of isometric reflections $Iso^2(C(X))$ of C(X), and they proved that for any compact Hausdorff space X, if Iso(C(X)) is algebraically reflexive, then so is $Iso^2(C(X))$. Recently, Jiménez-Vargas et al. in [16] showed that if (X,d) is a compact metric space, then the isometry group and the set of isometric reflections of Lip(X,d) and $lip(X,d^{\alpha})$ ($0 < \alpha < 1$), equipped with the sum norm $\|\cdot\|_{\infty} + L(\cdot)$, are

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algebraically reflexive, where $L(\cdot)$ denotes the Lipschitz constant of a function. Then, a vector-valued version of the results of [16] was established by Botelho and Jamison [3] for the group of surjective linear isometries preserving a constant function on the space Lip(X,E) consisting of all *E*-valued Lipschitz functions on a compact metric space *X* with respect to the norm max{ $\| \cdot \|_{\infty}, L(\cdot)$ }, when is *E* is a strictly convex complex Banach space. Meantime, more recently, Oi [20] investigated the algebraic reflexivity of groups of surjective linear isometries on Lip(X,E) with the sum norm for the case where *E* is C(Y), or $M_n(\mathbb{C})$ (the algebra of all $n \times n$ complex matrices). One can also see related results on the algebraic reflexivity of sets of isometries for various classical spaces of continuous scalar and vector-valued functions in [2, 6, 7, 10, 21].

Motivated by the above results, in this paper we investigate the algebraic reflexivity of the sets of isometries of spaces of absolutely continuous vector-valued functions, endowed with the max norm $\max\{\|\cdot\|_{\infty}, \mathscr{V}(\cdot)\}$, where $\mathscr{V}(\cdot)$ is the total variation of a function.

Another important class of operators has recently received considerable attention, known as generalized bi-circular projections. The notion of generalized bi-circular projection (abbreviated gbp) was introduced in [11]. In the context of function spaces, Botelho and Jamison [4] characterized gbp's on the spaces of vector-valued continuous functions C(X, E) for certain compact Hausdorff spaces X and Banach spaces E. Then in [10], the authors applied this characterization to show that if Iso(C(X)) is algebraically reflexive, then the set of gbp's of C(X) is algebraically reflexive. Further results on the representation and the algebraic reflexivity problem of gbp's on various function spaces can be found in [1, 3, 5, 12] and the references therein. In this paper, Section 3 concerns the description of gbp's on AC(X, E)-spaces which is also essential in our study of the algebraic reflexivity problem for sets of such operators.

As a consequence, in the scalar-valued case, we prove that the isometry group, the set of all isometric reflections, and the set of all generalized bi-circular projections on AC[0,1] with respect to either of the natural norms $\max\{\|\cdot\|_{\infty}, \mathscr{V}(\cdot)\}$ and $\|\cdot\|_{\infty} + \mathscr{V}(\cdot)$, are algebraically reflexive.

In the rest of this section, we fix notation and recall some definitions that we shall use in our paper.

Let *X* be a compact subset of the real line \mathbb{R} with at least two points and *E* be a nonzero normed space over the filed \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} . A function $f: X \longrightarrow E$ is called *absolutely continuous* if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \|f(b_i) - f(a_i)\| < \varepsilon,$$

for every finite family of non-overlapping open intervals $\{(a_i, b_i) : i = 1, ..., n\}$ whose extreme points belong to X with $\sum_{i=1}^{n} (b_i - a_i) < \delta$. We denote by AC(X, E) the space of all absolutely continuous *E*-valued functions on X. If not explicitly stated otherwise, AC(X, E) is equipped with the norm

$$||f|| = \max\{||f||_{\infty}, \mathscr{V}(f)\} \ (f \in AC(X, E)),$$

where $||f||_{\infty} = \sup\{||f(x)|| : x \in X\}$ and $\mathscr{V}(f)$ is the total variation of f defined as

$$\mathscr{V}(f) := \sup \big\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \|f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})\| : n \in \mathbb{N}, x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n \in X, x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n \big\}.$$

For the case where *E* is the scalar field \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C} , we shall write AC(X) instead of AC(X,E). Furthermore, given $e \in E$, \hat{e} stands for the function in AC(X,E) which is constantly *e* on *X*.

For each non-empty set, *I* denotes the identity map on it.

We finally recall that a nonzero normed space *E* is said to be *strictly convex* if each point in the unit sphere $\mathscr{S}_E = \{e \in E : ||e|| = 1\}$ is an extreme point of the closed unit ball of *E*. Meantime, one can observe that $||e_1||, ||e_2|| < \max\{||e_1+e_2||, ||e_1-e_2||\}$ for every $e_1, e_2 \in E \setminus \{0\}$.

2. Algebraic reflexivity of sets of isometries on AC(X, E)-spaces

Throughout the rest of this paper, we assume that *X* and *Y* are compact subsets of the real line with at least two points, and *E* and *F* are both strictly convex real normed spaces or both strictly convex complex normed spaces. We denote by $\mathscr{G}(AC(X,E),AC(Y,F))$ the set of all linear isometries from AC(X,E) onto AC(Y,F) such that $T\hat{e}(a) \neq 0$ and $T\hat{e}'(b) \neq 0$ for some $e,e' \in E$, where $a = \min Y$ and $b = \max Y$. According to [14, Theorem 4.1], for a given *T* in $\mathscr{G}(AC(X,E),AC(Y,F))$ there exist a monotonic absolutely continuous homeomorphism $\varphi: Y \longrightarrow X$, and a surjective linear isometry *J* in Iso(E,F) such that

$$Tf(y) = J(f(\varphi(y))) \quad (f \in AC(X, E), y \in Y).$$

Indeed, $\mathscr{G}(AC(X,E),AC(Y,F))$ is the set of all surjective linear isometries of the form of the generalized weighted composition operators (see [14, Remark 4.2]). If X = Yand E = F, we denote this set by $\mathscr{G}(AC(X,E))$. We would like to remark that, by [14, Corollary 4.4], $\mathscr{G}(AC[0,1])$ is the isometry group Iso(AC[0,1]) of all surjective linear isometries acting on AC[0,1].

Meantime, here every linear map $T : AC(X, E) \longrightarrow AC(Y, F)$ which belongs locally to the set $\mathscr{G}(AC(X, E), AC(Y, F))$ is naturally termed as a *local isometry*.

The following theorem provides a precise description of local isometries of spaces of absolutely continuous functions.

THEOREM 2.1. Let $T : AC(X, E) \longrightarrow AC(Y, F)$ be a local isometry. Then there exist a monotonic absolutely continuous homeomorphism $\varphi : Y \longrightarrow X$, and a linear isometry $J : E \longrightarrow F$ belonging locally to Iso(E, F) such that

$$Tf(y) = J(f(\varphi(y))) \quad (f \in AC(X, E), y \in Y).$$

Furthermore, T is surjective if and only if J is surjective.

Proof. First notice that *T* preserves the supremum norm. To see this, let $f \in AC(X,E)$. Since *T* is a local isometry, there exists a $T_f \in \mathscr{G}(AC(X,E),AC(Y,F))$ such that $Tf = T_f f$. Hence, from the representation of T_f , it is inferred that $||T_f f||_{\infty} = ||f||_{\infty}$, which immediately yields $||Tf||_{\infty} = ||f||_{\infty}$. Now, since AC(X,E) (resp. AC(Y,F)) is uniformly dense in C(X,E) (resp. C(Y,F)) (see [13, Lemma 1] and [17, Corollary 1.2]), we can extend *T* to a linear isometry from C(X,E) to C(Y,F), which we keep denoting by *T*. Hence by [8], there exist a nonempty subset Y_0 of *Y*, a continuous surjective map $\varphi: Y_0 \longrightarrow X$, a function ω from Y_0 to $\mathscr{L}(E,F)$ such that

$$Tf(y) = \omega(y)(f(\varphi(y))) \quad (f \in AC(X, E), y \in Y_0).$$

Next, we claim that ω is a constant function. Let $e \in E$. Since *T* is a local isometry, there is a surjective linear isometry $T_{\hat{e}}$ in the set $\mathscr{G}(AC(X,E),AC(Y,F))$ such that $T\hat{e} = T_{\hat{e}}\hat{e}$. According to [14, Theorem 4.1], there exist a monotonic absolutely continuous homeomorphism $\varphi_{\hat{e}}: Y \longrightarrow X$, and a surjective linear isometry $J_{\hat{e}}: E \longrightarrow F$ such that

$$T_{\hat{e}}f(y) = J_{\hat{e}}(f(\varphi_{\hat{e}}(y))) \quad (f \in AC(X, E), y \in Y).$$

Hence letting $f = \hat{e}$, from the above relations, it follows that $\omega(y)(e) = J_{\hat{e}}(e)$ for all $y \in Y_0$. This discussion implies that $\omega(y) = \omega(y')$ for all $y, y' \in Y_0$. Therefore, ω is a constant function, as claimed.

Now, we set $J := \omega(y)$ for some $y \in Y_0$. Note that the above argument shows that for each $e \in E$ we have $J(e) = \omega(y)(e) = J_{\hat{e}}(e)$, which says that J belongs locally to Iso(E, F).

We now assert that $Y_0 = Y$. For this purpose, take $e \in \mathscr{S}_E$ and define f(x) = (x - a + 1)e for all $x \in X$, where $a = \min X$. Since *T* is a local isometry, there exist a monotonic absolutely continuous homeomorphism $\varphi_f : Y \longrightarrow X$, and $J_f \in \text{Iso}(E, F)$ such that

$$J(f(\boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathbf{y}))) = Tf(\mathbf{y}) = J_f(f(\boldsymbol{\varphi}_f(\mathbf{y}))) \quad (\mathbf{y} \in Y_0).$$

Hence we get

$$J((\varphi(\mathbf{y})-\mathbf{a}+1)e)=J_f((\varphi_f(\mathbf{y})-\mathbf{a}+1)e) \ (\mathbf{y}\in Y_0),$$

and consequently,

$$\|(\varphi(y) - a + 1)J(e)\| = \|(\varphi_f(y) - a + 1)J_f(e)\| \ (y \in Y_0).$$

Since J and J_f are isometries, we infer that $\varphi(y) - a + 1 = \varphi_f(y) - a + 1$, whence

$$\varphi(y) = \varphi_f(y) \quad (y \in Y_0). \quad (\star)$$

Suppose, on the contrary, that there is a point $y_0 \in Y \setminus Y_0$. Set $x_0 = \varphi_f(y_0)$. Since φ is surjective, there exists a point y in Y_0 such that $x_0 = \varphi(y)$. Now from (\star) we have $\varphi_f(y) = x_0$, and so $\varphi_f(y) = \varphi_f(y_0)$, which contradicts the injectivity of φ_f . Hence, we conclude that $Y_0 = Y$.

It should be noted, as observed in the above part, $\varphi = \varphi_f$, and in consequence, φ is a monotonic absolutely continuous homeomorphism. Therefore, *T* is of the form mentioned in the statement.

Furthermore, by [14, Theorem 4.1], it is immediately seen that T is surjective if and only if J is surjective. \Box

Here we determine the structure of isometric reflections of absolutely continuous function spaces. First let us recall that an *isometric reflection* of a normed space E is a linear isometry $T: E \longrightarrow E$ satisfying $T^2 = I$. Clearly, any isometric reflection is surjective. Let $Iso^2(E)$ be the set of all isometric reflections of E.

It should be noted that isometric reflections of AC(X, E) are not necessarily weighted composition operators. For instance, let $X = Y = \{1,2\}$ and define $T : AC(X) \longrightarrow AC(Y)$ by Tf(1) = f(1) and Tf(2) = f(1) - f(2). It is easy to check that T is an isometric reflection which is not a weighted composition operator. However, as the following theorem shows, an isometric reflection of AC(X, E) is a weighted composition operator if and only if it belongs to $\mathcal{G}(AC(X, E))$.

Before stating the next theorem, let us denote by $\mathscr{G}^2(AC(X,E))$ the set of all isometric reflections of AC(X,E) which belong to $\mathscr{G}(AC(X,E))$. In fact, $\mathscr{G}^2(AC(X,E)) = \{T \in \mathscr{G}(AC(X,E)) : T^2 = I\}$.

THEOREM 2.2. (1) $T \in \mathscr{G}^2(AC(X, E))$ if and only if there exist a monotonic absolutely continuous homeomorphism $\varphi: X \longrightarrow X$ with $\varphi^2 = I$, and $J \in Iso^2(E)$ such that $Tf(x) = J(f(\varphi(x)))$ for all $f \in AC(X, E)$ and $x \in X$.

In particular, $T \in \mathscr{G}^2(AC(X))$ if and only if there exist a monotonic absolutely continuous homeomorphism of X with $\varphi^2 = I$, and $\lambda \in \{1, -1\}$ such that $Tf(x) = \lambda f(\varphi(x))$ for all $f \in AC(X)$ and $x \in X$.

(2) If *T* belongs locally to $\mathscr{G}^2(AC(X, E))$, then there exist a monotonic absolutely continuous homeomorphism $\varphi : X \longrightarrow X$ with $\varphi^2 = I$, and a linear isometry $J : E \longrightarrow E$ belonging locally to $Iso^2(E)$ such that $Tf(x) = J(f(\varphi(x)))$ for all $f \in AC(X, E)$ and $x \in X$. Furthermore, *T* is surjective if and only if *J* is surjective.

Proof.

(1) To prove the "only if" part, let $T \in \mathscr{G}^2(AC(X, E))$. According to [14, Theorem 4.1], there exist a monotonic absolutely continuous homeomorphism $\varphi: X \longrightarrow X$, and $J \in \text{Iso}(E)$ such that

$$Tf(x) = J(f(\varphi(x))) \quad (f \in AC(X, E), x \in X).$$

For any $e \in E$ we have

$$e = T^2 \hat{e}(x) = T(T\hat{e})(x) = J^2(e) \ (x \in X),$$

which yields $J^2 = I$. Now, fix a norm one vector $e \in E$ and define f(x) = xe $(x \in X)$. Then we get

$$xe = f(x) = (T^2f)(x) = T(Tf)(x) = J((Tf)(\varphi(x))) = J^2(f(\varphi^2(x))) = \varphi^2(x)e$$

(x \in X).

Hence $\varphi^2(x) = x$ for al $x \in X$, as claimed. Moreover, taking into account [14, Theorem 4.1], it is easy to obtain the "if" part.

(2) From the proof of Theorem 2.1 and the above part (1), one can derive immediately the result. □

Thanks to the above theorems, we can easily deduce our results on the algebraic reflexivity of the sets of isometries of absolutely continuous function spaces as follows.

THEOREM 2.3. (1) If Iso(E, F) is algebraically reflexive, then $\mathscr{G}(AC(X, E), AC(Y, F))$ is algebraically reflexive. In particular, the group $\mathscr{G}(AC(X))$ and the group of all unital surjective linear isometries of AC(X) are algebraically reflexive.

(2) If $Iso^2(E)$ is algebraically reflexive, then so is $\mathscr{G}^2(AC(X,E))$. In particular, $\mathscr{G}^2(AC(X))$ is algebraically reflexive.

Proof.

- (1) It is a direct consequence of Theorem 2.1.
- (2) Assume that *T* belongs locally to $\mathscr{G}^2(AC(X, E))$. By Theorem 2.2(2), there exist a monotonic absolutely continuous homeomorphism $\varphi : X \longrightarrow X$ with $\varphi^2 = I$, and a linear isometry $J : E \longrightarrow E$ belonging locally to $\operatorname{Iso}^2(E)$ such that $Tf(x) = J(f(\varphi(x)))$ for all $f \in AC(X, E)$ and $x \in X$. Since $\operatorname{Iso}^2(E)$ is algebraically reflexive, *J* is surjective, which again taking into account Theorem 2.2(2), yields the surjectivity of *T*. Therefore, $T \in \mathscr{G}^2(AC(X, E))$, by Theorem 2.2(1). \Box

COROLLARY 2.4. Iso (AC[0,1]) and Iso²(AC[0,1]) are algebraically reflexive.

Proof. From [14, Corollary 4.4], $Iso(AC[0,1]) = \mathscr{G}(AC[0,1])$ and $Iso^2(AC[0,1]) =$

 $\mathscr{G}^2(AC[0,1])$. Now the result is obtained by Theorem 2.3. \Box

REMARK 2.5. The above result holds when AC[0,1] is equipped with the norm $\|\cdot\|_{\infty} + \mathscr{V}(\cdot)$. Indeed, from [9, Theorem 2.7] we deduce that the isometry group of $(AC[0,1], \|\cdot\|_{\infty} + \mathscr{V}(\cdot))$ coincide with $\mathscr{G}(AC[0,1])$, and so the claim follows immediately from Corollary 2.4.

3. Algebraic reflexivity of generalized bi-circular projections on AC(X, E)-spaces

DEFINITION 3.1. For a normed space E, a linear projection $P: E \longrightarrow E$ is said to be generalized bi-circular projection (gbp) if $T = P + \lambda(I - P)$ is an isometry for some unimodular scalar λ not equal to one. Note that if E is a real normed space, generalized bi-circular projections are those projections P such that P - (I - P) = 2P - I is an isometry. It is clear that if P is a gbp, then so is its complementary projection I - P. Meantime, it is an easy consequence of the definition that T must be a surjective linear isometry (see [11, Lemma 1.1]). Hence the characterization of the surjective linear isometries of E is the key tool to study such operators.

Here by $\mathscr{GBP}(AC(X,E))$ we mean the set of all generalized bi-circular projections of AC(X,E) for which there exists a unimodular scalar $\lambda \neq 1$ such that $T = P + \lambda(I-P) \in \mathscr{G}(AC(X,E))$.

THEOREM 3.2. For a strictly convex complex normed space E, $P \in \mathscr{GBP}(AC(X,E))$ if and only if one of the following statements holds:

- (i) $P = \frac{I+T}{2}$ for a unique $T \in \mathscr{G}^2(AC(X, E))$.
- (ii) There exists a gbp P_0 on E such that $Pf(x) = P_0((f(x)))$ for all $f \in AC(X, E)$ and $x \in X$.

Meantime, for a strictly convex real normed space E, $P \in \mathcal{GBP}(AC(X,E))$ *if and only if (i) holds.*

Proof. We prove this theorem by arguments similar to the proof [3, Theorem 3.2]. Let *E* be a strictly convex complex normed space and $P \in \mathcal{GBP}(AC(X,E))$. Hence there exists a scalar $\lambda \in \mathbb{T} \setminus \{1\}$ such that $T = P + \lambda(I - P)$ belongs to $\mathcal{G}(AC(X,E))$. It is easy to check that $T^2 - (\lambda + 1)T + \lambda I = 0$ (see, e.g., [11, Lemma 1.1]). We consider two cases as follows:

Case 1. $\lambda = -1$. In this case, from the above relations it follows easily that $P = \frac{I+T}{2}$ and $T^2 = I$, as stated in item (i).

Case 2. $\lambda \neq -1$. According to Theorem 2.2, there exist a monotonic absolutely continuous homeomorphism $\varphi: X \longrightarrow X$, and $J \in \text{Iso}(E)$ such that

$$Tf(x) = J(f(\varphi(x))) \quad (f \in AC(X, E), x \in X).$$

We claim that $\varphi = I$. Contrary to what we claim, assume that, there exists an $x_0 \in X$ so that $x_0 \neq \varphi(x_0)$. Clearly, $\varphi^2(x_0) \neq \varphi(x_0)$ since φ is injective. We choose $f \in AC(X, E)$ with $f(\varphi^2(x_0)) = f(x_0) = 0$ and $f(\varphi(x_0)) = e$ for some $e \in \mathscr{S}_E$. Thus from the representation of *T* it follows that

$$T^{2}f(x_{0}) = T(Tf)(x_{0}) = J(Tf(\varphi(x_{0}))) = J^{2}(f(\varphi^{2}(x_{0}))) = 0,$$

on the other side,

$$T^{2}f(x_{0}) = ((\lambda + 1)T - \lambda I)f(x_{0}) = (\lambda + 1)Tf(x_{0}) - \lambda f(x_{0}) = (\lambda + 1)J(f(\varphi(x_{0})))$$

= $(\lambda + 1)J(e) \neq 0.$

This contradiction shows that $\varphi(x) = x$ for each $x \in X$. Therefore, we get

$$Tf(x) = J(f(x)) \quad (f \in AC(X, E), x \in X).$$

Put $P_0 = \frac{J - \lambda I}{1 - \lambda}$. It is easily seen that

$$Pf(x) = \frac{Tf(x) - \lambda f(x)}{1 - \lambda} = \frac{J(f(x)) - \lambda f(x)}{1 - \lambda} = P_0(f(x)) \quad (f \in AC(X, E), x \in X).$$

Notice that P_0 is a projection since $P^2(\hat{e}) = P(\hat{e})$ for all $e \in E$. Moreover, for any $e \in E$ we have $T^2\hat{e} - (\lambda + 1)T\hat{e} + \lambda\hat{e} = 0$, which implies that

$$J^2 - (\lambda + 1)J + \lambda I = 0,$$

and in consequence, taking into account [11, Lemma 1.1], we conclude that P_0 is a gbp on E. Whence P is of the form stated in item (ii).

The converse can be verified by simple computations.

Furthermore, from the above discussion it is clear that for a strictly convex real normed space $E, P \in \mathscr{GBP}(AC(X, E))$ if and only if the statement (i) holds. Below, we state the scalar-valued version of the above theorem.

COROLLARY 3.3. $P \in \mathscr{GBP}(AC(X))$ if and only if there exist a monotonic absolutely continuous homeomorphism $\varphi : X \longrightarrow X$ with $\varphi^2 = I$, and $\lambda \in \{1, -1\}$ such that $Pf(x) = \frac{1}{2}[f(x) + \lambda f(\varphi(x))]$ for all $f \in AC(X)$ and $x \in X$.

Now, taking into account Theorem 3.2, we obtain the following result immediately.

THEOREM 3.4. If Iso(E) or $Iso^2(E)$ is algebraically reflexive, then the set of all gbp's of AC(X, E) described as the average of the identity with an isometric reflection, is algebraically reflexive. In particular, if E is a real normed space, or E is the scalar field then $\mathscr{GBP}(AC(X, E))$ is algebraically reflexive.

Proof. Let *P* belongs locally to $\mathscr{GBP}(AC(X,E))$. Then for any $f \in AC(X,E)$, there is an isometric reflection T_f such that $Pf = \frac{(I+T_f)f}{2}$, which yields $(2P-I)f = T_f f$. Hence we observe that 2P-I belongs locally to $\mathscr{G}^2(AC(X,E))$. If Iso(E) or $Iso^2(E)$ is algebraically reflexive, then 2P-I is surjective by Theorem 2.3. Meantime, from this fact that *P* is a projection, we get $(2P-I)^2 = I$. Consequently, it is deduced that $(2P-I) \in \mathscr{G}^2(AC(X,E))$, and so $P \in \mathscr{GBP}(AC(X,E))$, as desired. Furthermore, the particular case is obtained immediately from Theorem 3.2 and Corollary 3.3. \Box

REMARK 3.5. The set of all gbp's of AC[0,1] equipped with either of the norms $\|\cdot\| \circ r \|\cdot\|_{\infty} + \mathscr{V}(\cdot)$, is algebraically reflexive (combine Remark 2.5 and Theorem 3.4).

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