

## D-NORM AND ITS ISOMETRIES ON $c_0$ SPACES

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*Abstract.* In this paper, based on the notion of *diameter*, we consider a natural preorder on  $c_0(I)$  which is said “diametric majorization”. Then by using this notion we define a norm on  $c_0(I)$ , where  $I$  is assumed to be an infinite set. This norm is equivalent to  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$  and is said “d-norm”. Finally, the structures of all bounded linear operators on  $c_0(I)$  preserving diametric majorization and also isometries under the d-norm are both determined. We also give the relation between this isometries and isometries under the usual norm.

### 1. Introduction and preliminaries

Recently, many authors have discussed some various properties and structures of isometries on Banach spaces [5, 8]. For the collections of results in the topics of isometries we refer the reader to the monographs [3, 4].

In the following we point out to some important preliminaries.

**DEFINITION 1.1.** Let  $I$  be an infinite set (equipped with the discrete topology). The point  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  is called the limit of  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and is denoted by  $\lim_{i \in I} f(i) = x_0$  (or more briefly  $\lim f = x_0$ ) if for each neighborhood  $V$  of  $x_0$  there exists a finite set  $F \subseteq I$  such that  $f(i) \in V$ , for all  $i \in I \setminus F$ .

It is easily verified that if  $\lim f = x_0$ , then the set  $\{i \in I; f(i) \neq x_0\}$  is at most a countable set. We will use the notation  $c_0(I)$  for the set of all function  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $\lim f = 0$ . It is easily verified that every  $f \in c_0(I)$  is bounded and  $c_0(I)$  is a Banach space with the norm defined by  $\|f\|_\infty = \sup_{i \in I} |f(i)|$ . Each  $f \in c_0(I)$  can be represented by  $\sum_{i \in I} f(i)e_i$ , where  $e_i : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined as  $e_i(j) = \delta_{ij}$ , the Kronecker delta.

For a subset  $C$  of a metric space  $(X, d)$  the diameter of  $C$  is denoted by  $\text{diam}(C)$  and is defined as

$$\text{diam}(C) := \sup\{d(x, y); x, y \in X\}.$$

For a function  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , to simplify notations, we use  $\text{diam}(f)$ ,  $\inf(f)$ , and  $\sup(f)$ , instead of  $\text{diam}(\text{Im}(f))$ ,  $\inf_{i \in I}\{f(i)\}$  and  $\sup_{i \in I}\{f(i)\}$ , respectively. Also, the notation  $\text{co}(f)$  will be used for the convex combination of the set  $\text{Im}(f) := \{f(i); i \in I\}$ .

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The idea of majorization is defined in various forms and on different spaces of finite and infinite dimension, such as  $\mathbb{R}^n, M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R}), \ell^p(I), \ell^1(I)^+, \ell_\infty, c_0, c$  and etc. See for examples [1, 2, 6, 7, 9]. In this paper, on the basis of the notion of  $\text{diam}(f)$ , we define a relation on  $c_0(I)$ , that is said to be the diametric majorization. Moreover, we define a norm on  $c_0(I)$ , where  $I$  is assumed to be an infinite set, that is equivalent to  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$  and discuss on the properties and characterization of all isometries under this norm. All bounded linear operators  $T : c_0(I) \rightarrow c_0(I)$  which preserve diametric majorization, and their relations between this isometries are also determined.

## 2. Main results

Diametric majorization defines a relation on  $c_0(I)$  that compares the distance occurred between the values of  $\inf(f)$  and  $\sup(f)$ . More precisely,

DEFINITION 2.1. For  $f, g \in c_0(I)$  we say that  $f$  is diametrically majorized by  $g$  and is denoted by  $f \prec_d g$ , whenever  $\text{diam}(f) \leq \text{diam}(g)$ .

The comparison under the relation diametric majorization for any arbitrary two elements is possible, i.e., for  $f, g \in c_0(I)$  we have either  $f \prec_d g$  or  $g \prec_d f$ .

DEFINITION 2.2. For  $f \in c_0(I)$  define  $\|f\|_d := \text{diam}(f)$  and it is called the d-norm.

It is easily verified that the d-norm is a norm on  $c_0(I)$ , if and only if  $I$  is an infinite set. Moreover, since  $\|\cdot\|_\infty \leq \|\cdot\|_d \leq 2\|\cdot\|_\infty$ , this norm is a complete norm and is equivalent to the infinity norm. Also, notice that  $\|f\|_d$  is equal to the length of (the interval)  $\text{co}(f)$ , that is  $\sup(f) - \inf(f)$ .

A bounded linear operator  $T : c_0(I) \rightarrow c_0(I)$  is called a diametric majorization preserver if  $f \prec_d g$  implies  $Tf \prec_d Tg$ , for all  $f \in c_0(I)$ . The set of all such operators is denoted by  $\mathcal{P}_d$ . Also,  $T$  is said to be a diameter preserving isometry or (for short) d-isometry if  $T$  is an isometry, when  $c_0(I)$  is equipped with the d-norm. The set of all d-isometries on  $c_0(I)$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{I}_d$ .

The next theorem gives the relation between  $\mathcal{I}_d$  and  $\mathcal{P}_d$ .

THEOREM 2.3. *The following statements are equivalent for a bounded linear operator  $T : c_0(I) \rightarrow c_0(I)$ .*

- (i)  $T$  preserves diametric majorization.
- (ii)  $T$  is a scalar multiple of a d-isometry.

*Proof.* (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii). Suppose that  $T \in \mathcal{P}_d$ . For each  $f, g \in c_0(I)$  with  $\|f\|_d = \|g\|_d \neq 0$ , we have  $\|Tf\|_d = \|Tg\|_d$ . Hence  $\|T \frac{f}{\|f\|_d}\|_d = \|T \frac{g}{\|g\|_d}\|_d$ . Thus the value  $c := \|T \frac{f}{\|f\|_d}\|_d$  is constant, independent of chosen  $f \in c_0(I)$  (with  $\|f\|_d \neq 0$ ). Now let

$f \in c_0(I)$ . If  $\|f\|_d = 0$ , then  $f \prec_d 0$ , which implies  $Tf \prec_d 0$ . Therefore,  $\|Tf\|_d = 0$ . So, we have obviously

$$\|Tf\|_d = c \|f\|_d. \tag{1}$$

Now if  $\|f\|_d \neq 0$ , then

$$\|Tf\|_d = \|f\|_d \cdot \|T \frac{f}{\|f\|_d}\|_d = c \|f\|_d. \tag{2}$$

The conclusion follows by using (1), (2), and considering two cases:  $c = 0$  and  $c \neq 0$ . (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i). It is evident.  $\square$

Theorem 2.3 formulates that the structure of the elements in  $\mathcal{P}_d$  on  $c_0(I)$  is directly related to the structure of d-isometries. For this reason we shall focus on d-isometries on  $c_0(I)$ .

LEMMA 2.4. *Let  $T \in \mathcal{I}_d$  and  $i_0 \in I$ . Then*

$$-1 \leq \sum_{j \in I^-} Te_j(i_0) \leq 0 \leq \sum_{j \in I^+} Te_j(i_0) \leq 1,$$

where  $I^- := \{j \in I; Te_j(i_0) < 0\}$  and  $I^+ := \{j \in I; Te_j(i_0) > 0\}$ .

*Proof.* To prove  $0 \leq \sum_{j \in I^+} Te_j(i_0) \leq 1$ , it is sufficient to show that for each finite subset  $F \subseteq I^+$ , we have  $0 \leq \sum_{j \in F} Te_j(i_0) \leq 1$ . So, we assume that  $F \subseteq I^+$ . Take  $f := \sum_{j \in F} e_j$ . Since  $\|f\|_d = 1$  and  $T \in \mathcal{I}_d$  then  $\|Tf\|_d = 1$ . Also we have  $Tf(i_0) \geq 0$ , because  $Te_j(i_0) \geq 0$  for all  $j \in I^+$ . Now if  $Tf(i_0) > 1$ , then by using the fact that 0 is a limit point of  $\text{Im}(f)$ , we have  $1 = \|Tf\|_d = \sup(Tf) - \inf(Tf) \geq Tf(i_0) - 0 = Tf(i_0) > 1$ , which leads to a contradiction. So,  $Tf(i_0) \in [0, 1]$ . A similar arguments shows  $-1 \leq \sum_{j \in I^-} Te_j(i_0) \leq 0$ .  $\square$

The next result concerns the limits of  $(\inf Te_j)_{j \in I}$  and  $(\sup Te_j)_{j \in I}$ .

LEMMA 2.5. *Let  $T \in \mathcal{I}_d$ ,  $j_0 \in I$ , and  $\lambda := \sup Te_{j_0}$ . Then*

$$\lambda = \lim_{j \in I} \lambda_j, \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda - 1 = \lim_{j \in I} \eta_j,$$

where  $\lambda_j := \sup Te_j$ , and  $\eta_j := \inf Te_j$ .

*Proof.* Because  $\|Te_{j_0}\|_d = 1$ , it follows that  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ . By replacing  $-T$  by  $T$  (if necessary), we may assume that  $0 < \lambda \leq 1$ . Since  $\lambda = \sup Te_{j_0} > 0$ , we have  $\lambda = \max Te_{j_0}$ . So, there exists  $i_1 \in I$  with  $Te_{j_0}(i_1) = \lambda$ . Now let  $0 < \varepsilon < \lambda$  is arbitrary. Then  $\inf Te_{j_0} = \lambda - 1$  and therefore there is  $i_2 \in I$  such that

$$Te_{j_0}(i_2) \in [\lambda - 1, \lambda - 1 + \varepsilon).$$

Assume that  $\varepsilon_0 := \min\{\varepsilon, 1 - \varepsilon\}$ . Since  $\lim_{i \in I} Te_{j_0}(i) = 0$ , there exists a finite subset  $F \subseteq I$  such that

$$\forall i \in I \setminus F, \quad |Te_{j_0}(i)| < \frac{\varepsilon_0}{2}.$$

It is easy to see that  $i_1 \in F$ . Moreover, without loss of generality, we may assume that  $i_1 \in F$ .

Since  $F$  is a finite set, there is a finite set  $G \subseteq I$  such that

$$\forall j \in I \setminus G, \forall i \in F \quad |Te_j(i)| < \frac{\epsilon_0}{2}.$$

Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda - 1 - \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} &\leq Te_{j_0}(i_2) + Te_j(i_2) \leq (\lambda - 1 + \epsilon) + \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \\ &\leq \lambda - \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \leq Te_{j_0}(i_1) + Te_j(i_1) \leq \lambda + \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} + \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $j \in I \setminus G$  be a fixed element. According to the previous relations, if there exists  $i \in I$  such that

$$Te_{j_0}(i) + Te_j(i) > \lambda + \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} + \epsilon,$$

or

$$Te_{j_0}(i) + Te_j(i) < \lambda - 1 - \frac{\epsilon_0}{2},$$

then we have  $1 = \|Te_{j_0} + Te_j\|_d > 1$ . This contradiction implies that for all  $i \in I$

$$\lambda - 1 - \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \leq Te_{j_0}(i) + Te_j(i) \leq \lambda + \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} + \epsilon,$$

or

$$\lambda - 1 - \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} - Te_{j_0}(i) \leq Te_j(i) \leq \lambda + \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} + \epsilon - Te_{j_0}(i).$$

So, if  $i \in I \setminus F$ , then

$$\lambda - 1 - \epsilon \leq \lambda - 1 - \epsilon_0 \leq Te_j(i) \leq \lambda + \epsilon_0 + \epsilon \leq \lambda + 2\epsilon, \tag{3}$$

and if  $i \in F$ , then

$$\frac{-\epsilon}{2} \leq Te_j(i) \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2}. \tag{4}$$

By using (3) and (4) we have

$$\lambda - 1 - \epsilon \leq \min \left\{ \lambda - 1 - \epsilon, \frac{-\epsilon}{2} \right\} \leq \inf Te_j \leq \sup Te_j \leq \max \left\{ \lambda + 2\epsilon, \frac{\epsilon}{2} \right\} \leq \lambda + 2\epsilon.$$

If  $\sup Te_j < \lambda - \epsilon$ , then  $\sup Te_j - \inf Te_j < 1$ , which contradicts because  $\sup Te_j - \inf Te_j = 1$ . Therefore,

$$\lambda - \epsilon \leq \lambda_j = \sup Te_j \leq \lambda + 2\epsilon.$$

A similar argument shows

$$\lambda - 1 - \epsilon \leq \eta_j = \inf Te_j \leq \lambda - 1 + 2\epsilon.$$

Thus, we proved that

$$\forall 0 < \epsilon < \lambda, \exists G \subseteq I (\text{finite set}) \text{ s.t. } \forall j \in I \setminus G \quad |\lambda_j - \lambda| \leq 2\epsilon, \quad |\eta_j - (\lambda - 1)| \leq 2\epsilon,$$

i.e.  $\lambda = \lim_{j \in I} \lambda_j$  and  $\lambda - 1 = \lim_{j \in I} \eta_j$ .  $\square$

REMARK 2.6. Let  $T \in \mathcal{S}_d$ . Then the value of  $\inf Te_j$  is independent of  $j$  because according to the previous lemma

$$\sup Te_{j_1} = \lim_{j \in I} (\sup Te_j) = \sup Te_{j_2},$$

holds for each  $j_1, j_2 \in I$ . A similar argument also holds for  $\inf Te_j$ .

THEOREM 2.7. *Suppose that  $T \in \mathcal{S}_d$ . Then one of the following conditions hold.*

- (i) *For each  $j \in I$ ,  $\inf Te_j = -1$  and  $\sup Te_j = 0$ ; or*
- (ii) *For each  $j \in I$ ,  $\inf Te_j = 0$  and  $\sup Te_j = 1$ .*

*Proof.* By the previous remark the value of  $\lambda := \sup Te_j$  is constant. It is clear that  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ . To show that  $\lambda = 0$  or  $\lambda = 1$ , suppose on the contrary  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ . Since  $\inf Te_j = \lambda - 1 < 0 < \lambda = \sup Te_j$ , we conclude that  $\lambda - 1 = \min Te_j = Te_{j_0}(i_1)$  and  $\lambda = \max Te_j = Te_{j_0}(i_2)$ , for some  $i_1, i_2 \in I$ . Now for each  $0 < \varepsilon < \min\{\lambda, 1 - \lambda\}$ , there exists a finite set  $F \subseteq I$  such that  $|Te_{j_0}(i)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$  for all  $i \in I \setminus F$ . It is clear that  $i_1, i_2 \in F$ . Moreover, there exists a finite set  $G \subseteq I$  such that for all  $i \in F$ , and  $j \in I \setminus G$ , we have  $|Te_j(i)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ , because  $F$  is finite and  $\lim_{j \in I} Te_j(i) = 0$  for all  $i \in F$ . Suppose that  $j \in I \setminus G$ . Then we have

$$a_1 := Te_{j_0}(i_1) - Te_j(i_1) = (\lambda - 1) - Te_j(i_1) \in \text{Im}(Te_{j_0} - Te_j), \tag{5}$$

and

$$a_2 := Te_{j_0}(i_2) - Te_j(i_2) = \lambda - Te_j(i_2) \in \text{Im}(Te_{j_0} - Te_j). \tag{6}$$

Now, there exist  $i_3, i_4 \in I$  with  $Te_j(i_3) = \lambda - 1$  and  $Te_j(i_4) = \lambda$ , since  $\min Te_j = \lambda - 1$  and  $\max Te_j = \lambda$ . It is clear that  $i_3, i_4 \in I \setminus F$ . Also we have

$$\forall i \in F, \quad |Te_j(i)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} < \min\{\lambda, 1 - \lambda\}.$$

Hence  $Te_j(i) \notin \{\lambda, \lambda - 1\}$ , and we also have

$$a_3 := Te_{j_0}(i_3) - Te_j(i_3) = Te_{j_0}(i_3) - \lambda \in \text{Im}(Te_{j_0} - Te_j), \tag{7}$$

and

$$a_4 := Te_{j_0}(i_4) - Te_j(i_4) = Te_{j_0}(i_4) - \lambda \in \text{Im}(Te_{j_0} - Te_j). \tag{8}$$

Relations (5)–(8) imply  $a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 \in \text{Im}(Te_{j_0} - Te_j)$  and furthermore,

$$a_1 = \lambda - 1 - Te_j(i_1) \leq \lambda - 1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\lambda - \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \leq \lambda - Te_j(i_2) = a_2.$$

So we have  $a_1 \leq a_2$ . A similar method implies  $a_3 \leq a_4$ . Thus

$$\text{co}(Te_{j_0} - Te_j) \subseteq \left[ \min \left( \lambda - 1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}, -\lambda - \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right), \max \left( \lambda + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}, 1 - \lambda + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right) \right] \tag{9}$$

Now if  $\lambda \leq 1 - \lambda$ , then the length of the interval

$$\left[ \min \left( \lambda - 1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}, -\lambda - \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right), \max \left( \lambda + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}, 1 - \lambda + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right) \right],$$

used in the previous relation, is equal to  $2 - 2\lambda + \varepsilon$ . So, according to (9) we have

$$2 = \|Te_{j_0} - Te_j\|_d \leq 2 - 2\lambda + \varepsilon.$$

Thus  $\lambda \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ , which contradicts the choice  $\varepsilon$ , since  $\varepsilon$  was selected such that  $0 < \varepsilon < \min\{\lambda, 1 - \lambda\}$ . In the case  $\lambda \geq 1 - \lambda$ , using again (9), we obtain  $2 = \|Te_{j_0} - Te_j\|_d \leq 2\lambda + \varepsilon$ . This case also contradicts the choice of  $\varepsilon$ .  $\square$

In the following theorem, we obtain the structure of diameter preserving isometries on  $c_0(I)$ .

**THEOREM 2.8.** *Suppose that  $T : c_0(I) \rightarrow c_0(I)$  is a bounded linear operator. Then  $T \in \mathcal{I}_d$  if and only if one of the following conditions hold.*

- (i) *For each  $j \in I$ ,  $\min Te_j = 0$  and  $\max Te_j = 1$ , and for each  $i \in I$ ,  $0 \leq \sum_{k \in I} Te_k(i) \leq 1$ ;  
or*
- (ii) *For each  $j \in I$ ,  $\min Te_j = -1$  and  $\max Te_j = 0$ , and for each  $i \in I$ ,  $-1 \leq \sum_{k \in I} Te_k(i) \leq 0$ .*

*Proof.* Using Theorem 2.7 for the constant value  $\lambda := \sup Te_j$ , we have  $\lambda = 0$ , or  $\lambda = 1$ . By replacing  $-T$  by  $T$ , we may assume that  $\lambda = 1$ . So,  $\inf Te_j = 0$  and  $\sup Te_j = 1$ , for all  $j \in I$ . Now suppose  $j_0 \in I$ . Since  $Te_{j_0} \in c_0(I)$  and  $\sup Te_{j_0} > 0$ , the value of  $\max Te_{j_0}$  exists and  $\max Te_{j_0} = \sup Te_{j_0} = 1$ .

A similar argument for  $j_1 \neq j_0$ , leads to  $\max Te_{j_1} = 1$ . Thus there exists  $i_1 \in I$  with  $Te_{j_1}(i_1) = 1$ . On the other hand  $0 \leq Te_{j_0}(i_1) \leq 1$ . If  $Te_{j_0}(i_1) > 0$ , then

$$1 < Te_{j_0}(i_1) + Te_{j_1}(i_1) \leq \sum_{j \in I^+} Te_j(i_1),$$

which contradicts to Lemma 2.4. Thus  $Te_{j_0}(i_1) = 0$ , and therefore  $\min Te_{j_0}$  exists and is equal to 0. On the other hand,

$$\min Te_k = 0 \leq Te_k(i) \leq \max Te_k = 1.$$

Thus using Lemma 2.4, again we have

$$0 \leq \sum_{k \in I} Te_k(i) = \sum_{k \in I^+} Te_k(i) \leq 1.$$

Conversely, suppose that (i) satisfies and  $f = (f_j)_{j \in I} \in c_0(I)$ . For each  $j_0 \in I$ , there is  $i_0 \in I$  such that  $Te_{j_0}(i_0) = 1$  because  $\max Te_{j_0} = 1$ . So, we can imply that  $Te_j(i_0) = 0$  for all  $j \neq j_0$  since  $\sum_{j \in I} Te_j(i_0) = 1$ ,  $0 \leq Te_j(i_0) \leq 1$ , and  $Te_{j_0}(i_0) = 1$ . Therefore

$$Tf(i_0) = \sum_{j \in I} Te_j(i_0)f_j = Te_{j_0}(i_0)f_{j_0} = f_{j_0},$$

which implies  $\text{Im}(f) \subseteq \text{Im}(Tf)$ . Thus

$$\|f\|_d \leq \|Tf\|_d. \tag{10}$$

On the other hand, for  $f \in c_0(I)$ ,  $\inf(f) \leq 0 \leq \sup(f)$  since  $I$  is an infinite set. So, we have

$$\inf(f) \leq \inf(f) \sum_{j \in I} T e_j(i) \leq T f(i) = \sum_{j \in I} T e_j(i) f_j \leq \sup(f) \sum_{j \in I} T e_j(i) \leq \sup(f).$$

This implies

$$\|Tf\|_d \leq \|f\|_d. \tag{11}$$

From (10) and (11),  $T$  is a d-isometry. Now, if condition (ii) holds, then the operator  $-T$  satisfies (i). Therefore, the previous part of this proof shows that  $-T$  is a d-isometry. Then  $T$  is also a d-isometry.  $\square$

Note that the previous theorem says that any d-isometry  $T : c_0(I) \rightarrow c_0(I)$  is either positive (i.e.  $Tf \geq 0$ , for all  $f \geq 0$ ) or negative operator (i.e.  $Tf \leq 0$ , for all  $f \geq 0$ ).

The following remark compares the relation between isometries under the usual norm on  $c_0(I)$  and d-isometries.

REMARK 2.9. It can be proved that, the operator  $T : c_0(I) \rightarrow c_0(I)$  is an isometry (in the usual sense), if and only if  $T$  satisfies the following conditions.

- (i) For each  $j \in I$ ,  $\|T e_j\|_\infty = 1$ ,
- (ii) For each  $i \in I$ ,  $\sum_{j \in I} |T e_j(i)| \leq 1$ .

Thus according to Theorem 2.8, every d-isometry  $T : c_0(I) \rightarrow c_0(I)$  is an isometry, but the converse need not be true in general. For example, if  $T : c_0 \rightarrow c_0$ , is defined for each  $f = (f_1, f_2, \dots) \in c_0$  by  $T(f) = (\sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{(-1)^n}{2^n} f_n, f_1, f_2, \dots)$ , then  $T$  is an isometry however,  $T \notin \mathcal{S}_d$ , because  $\|T e_1\|_d = \|(\frac{-1}{2}, 1, 0, 0, \dots)\|_d = \frac{3}{2} \neq 1 = \|e_1\|_d$ .

REMARK 2.10. Let  $I$  be a finite set with  $n$  elements. Lemma 2.4, Theorems 2.7 and 2.8 do not hold. Towards a counterexample for these results we define  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  given by the matrix  $T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Note that  $T$  satisfies:

$$\|Tf\|_d = |(x + 3y) - (2x + 2y)| = |x - y| = \|f\|_d,$$

for each  $f = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , which shows that  $T \in \mathcal{S}_d$ .

In fact, an easy computation shows that if  $n = 1$ , then every linear map belongs to  $\mathcal{P}_d$  and if  $n = 2$ , then  $T \in \mathcal{S}_d$  if and only if  $T$  has the matrix form  $T = \begin{bmatrix} a & b + c \\ a + c & b \end{bmatrix}$ , for some  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ . But for  $n \geq 3$  without being able to characterize  $\mathcal{P}_d$ , we give a

large class of matrices in  $\mathcal{P}_d$ . In fact, if  $\theta : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a linear operator and  $P : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is a permutation, then for  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  which is defined by

$$Tf = \theta(f)\mathbf{e} + \alpha P(f),$$

we have  $T \in \mathcal{P}_d$ , where  $\mathbf{e} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ . This claim can be proved easily.

Remark 2.10 shows a significant difference for the diametric majorization preservers when  $I$  is finite and infinite. More precisely, we give examples of diametric majorization preservers, but a complete characterization for these operators remains open.

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