

A non-type (D) operator in c_0

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Abstract

Previous examples of non-type (D) maximal monotone operators were restricted to ℓ^1 , L^1 , and Banach spaces containing isometric copies of these spaces. This fact led to the conjecture that non-type (D) operators were restricted to this class of Banach spaces. We present a linear non-type (D) operator in c_0 .

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1 Introduction

Let U, V arbitrary sets. A *point-to-set* (or multivalued) operator $T : U \rightrightarrows V$ is a map $T : U \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(V)$, where $\mathcal{P}(V)$ is the power set of V . Given $T : U \rightrightarrows V$, the *graph* of T is the set

$$\text{Gr}(T) := \{(u, v) \in U \times V \mid v \in T(u)\},$$

the *domain* and the *range* of T are, respectively,

$$\text{dom}(T) := \{u \in U \mid T(u) \neq \emptyset\}, \quad \text{R}(T) := \{v \in V \mid \exists u \in U, v \in T(u)\}$$

and the *inverse* of T is the point-to-set operator $T^{-1} : V \rightrightarrows U$,

$$T^{-1}(v) = \{u \in U \mid v \in T(u)\}.$$

A point-to-set operator $T : U \rightrightarrows V$ is called *point-to-point* if for every $u \in \text{dom}(T)$, $T(u)$ has only one element. Trivially, a point-to-point operator is injective if, and only if, its inverse is also point-to-point.

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Let X be a real Banach space. We use the notation X^* for the topological dual of X . From now on X is identified with its canonical injection into $X^{**} = (X^*)^*$ and the duality product in $X \times X^*$ will be denoted by $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$,

$$\langle x, x^* \rangle = \langle x^*, x \rangle = x^*(x), \quad x \in X, x^* \in X^*.$$

A point-to-set operator $T : X \rightrightarrows X^*$ (respectively $T : X^{**} \rightrightarrows X^*$) is *monotone*, if

$$\langle x - y, x^* - y^* \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall (x, x^*), (y, y^*) \in \text{Gr}(T),$$

(resp. $\langle x^* - y^*, x^{**} - y^{**} \rangle \geq 0, \forall (x^{**}, x^*), (y^{**}, y^*) \in \text{Gr}(T)$), and it is *maximal monotone* if it is monotone and maximal in the family of monotone operators in $X \times X^*$ (resp. $X^{**} \times X^*$) with respect to the order of inclusion of the graphs.

We denote c_0 as the space of real sequences converging to 0 and ℓ^∞ as the space of real bounded sequences, both endowed with the sup-norm

$$\|(x_k)_k\|_\infty = \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} |x_k|,$$

and ℓ^1 as the space of absolutely summable real sequences, endowed with the 1-norm,

$$\|(x_k)_k\|_1 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |x_k|.$$

The dual of c_0 is identified with ℓ^1 in the following sense: for $y \in \ell^1$

$$y(x) = \langle x, y \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i y_i, \quad \forall x \in c_0.$$

Likewise, the dual of ℓ^1 is identified with ℓ^∞ . It is well known that c_0 (as well as ℓ^1, ℓ^∞ , etc.) is a non-reflexive Banach space.

Let X be a *non-reflexive* real Banach space and $T : X \rightrightarrows X^*$ be maximal monotone. Since $X \subset X^{**}$, the point-to-set operator T can also be regarded as an operator from X^{**} to X^* . We denote $\widehat{T} : X^{**} \rightrightarrows X^*$ as the operator such that

$$\text{Gr}(\widehat{T}) = \text{Gr}(T).$$

If $T : X \rightrightarrows X^*$ is maximal monotone then \widehat{T} is (still) trivially monotone but, in general, not maximal monotone. Direct use of the Zorn's Lemma shows that \widehat{T} has a maximal monotone extension. So it is natural to ask if such maximal monotone extension to the bidual is unique. Gossez [5, 6, 7, 8] gave a sufficient condition for uniqueness of such an extension.

Definition 1.1 ([5]). *Gossez's monotone closure (with respect to $X^{**} \times X^*$) of a maximal monotone operator $T : X \rightrightarrows X^*$, is the point-to-set operator $\widetilde{T} : X^{**} \rightrightarrows X^*$ whose graph $\text{Gr}(\widetilde{T})$ is given by*

$$\text{Gr}(\widetilde{T}) = \{(x^{**}, x^*) \in X^{**} \times X^* \mid \langle x^* - y^*, x^{**} - y \rangle \geq 0, \forall (y, y^*) \in T\}.$$

A maximal monotone operator $T : X \rightrightarrows X^*$, is of Gossez type (D) if for any $(x^{**}, x^*) \in \text{Gr}(\widetilde{T})$, there exists a bounded net $\left((x_i, x_i^*) \right)_{i \in I}$ in $\text{Gr}(T)$ which converges to (x^{**}, x^*) in the $\sigma(X^{**}, X^*) \times$ strong topology of $X^{**} \times X^*$.

Gossez proved [8] that a maximal monotone operator $T : X \rightrightarrows X^*$ of type (D) has unique maximal monotone extension to the bidual, namely, its Gossez's monotone closure $\widetilde{T} : X^{**} \rightrightarrows X^*$. Beside this fact, maximal monotone operators of type (D) share many properties with maximal monotone operators defined in reflexive Banach spaces as, for example, convexity of the closure of the domain and convexity of the closure of the range [5].

Gossez gave an example of a non-type (D) operator on ℓ^1 [6]. Later, Fitzpatrick and Phelps gave an example of a non-type (D) on $L^1[0, 1]$ [4]. In [1], Profs. Borwein and Bauschke proved that if a monotone continuous linear operator in a Banach space has a monotone conjugate, then this operator is of type (D), and defined *conjugate monotone spaces* as those Banach spaces X such that the conjugate of any continuous monotone linear operator from X to X^* is monotone as well. Still in [1] it is observed that c_0 , c (convergent real sequences) ℓ^∞ and $L^\infty[0, 1]$ are conjugate monotone spaces while ℓ^1 , $L^1[0, 1]$, $(\ell^\infty)^*$ and $(L^\infty[0, 1])^*$ are not conjugate monotone spaces. These facts led Professor J. M. Borwein to define *Banach spaces of type (D)* as those Banach spaces where every maximal monotone operator is of type (D), and to formulate the following most interesting conjecture [2, §4, question 3]:

- Are any non-reflexive spaces X of type (D)? That is, are there non reflexive spaces on which all maximal monotones on X are type (D). I conjecture 'weakly' that if X contains no copy of $\ell^1(\mathbb{N})$ then X is type (D) as would hold in $X = c_0$.

In this work, we answer negatively such conjecture by giving an example of a non-type (D) operator on c_0 and proving that, for every space which contains a norm-isomorphic (in particular, isometric) copy of c_0 , a non-type (D) operator can be defined.

2 A non-type (D) operator on c_0

Gossez's operator [6] $G : \ell^1 \rightarrow \ell^\infty$ is defined as

$$G(y) = x, \quad x_n = \sum_{i=n+1}^{\infty} y_i - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} y_i, \quad (1)$$

which is linear, continuous, anti-symmetric and, therefore, maximal monotone. This operator will be used to define a non-type (D) maximal monotone operator in c_0 , which was previously defined in [11].

Lemma 2.1. *The operator*

$$T : c_0 \rightrightarrows \ell^1, \quad T(x) = \{y \in \ell^1 \mid -G(y) = x\} \quad (2)$$

is point-to-point in its domain, is maximal monotone and its range is

$$R(T) = \left\{ y \in \ell^1 \mid \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} y_i = 0 \right\}. \quad (3)$$

Proof. Gossez's operator is injective (see the proof of [3, Proposition 3.2]). Hence, by Definition (2), T is point-to-point in its domain. Moreover, direct use of (1) shows that G is linear and $\langle y, G(y) \rangle = 0$ for any $y \in \ell^1$. In particular, T is monotone.

Note that using (1) we have for any $y \in \ell^1$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (G(y))_n = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} y_i.$$

Hence $x = G(y) \in c_0$ if and only if $\sum y_i = 0$ which, in view of definition (2), proves (3).

Suppose that $x \in c_0$, $y \in \ell^1$ and

$$\langle x - x', y - y' \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall (x', y') \in \text{Gr}(T). \quad (4)$$

Define, $u^1 = (-1, 1, 0, 0, \dots)$, $u^2 = (0, -1, 1, 0, 0), \dots$, that is

$$(u^m)_i = \begin{cases} -1, & i = m \\ 1, & i = m + 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots \quad (5)$$

and let

$$v^m = G(u^m), \quad (v^m)_i = \begin{cases} 1, & i = m \text{ or } i = m + 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots \quad (6)$$

where the expression for $(v^m)_i$ follows from (1) and (5).

Direct use of (5), (6) and (2) shows that $T(-\lambda v^m) = \lambda u^m$ for $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ and $m = 1, 2, \dots$. Therefore, for any $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, $m = 1, 2, \dots$

$$\langle x + \lambda v^m, y - \lambda u^m \rangle \geq 0$$

which is equivalent to

$$\langle x, y \rangle + \lambda[\langle v^m, y \rangle - \langle x, u^m \rangle] \geq 0.$$

Since the above inequality holds for any λ ,

$$\langle x, u^m \rangle = \langle v^m, y \rangle, \quad m = 1, 2, \dots$$

which, in view of (5), (6) is equivalent to

$$x_{m+1} - x_m = y_{m+1} + y_m, \quad m = 1, 2, \dots \quad (7)$$

Adding the above equality for $m = i, i + 1, \dots, j$ we conclude that

$$x_{j+1} = x_i + y_i + 2 \sum_{k=i+1}^j y_k + y_{j+1}, \quad i < j.$$

Using the assumptions $x \in c_0$, $y \in \ell^1$ and taking the limit $j \rightarrow \infty$ in the above equation, we conclude that

$$x_i = - \left[y_i + 2 \sum_{k=i+1}^{\infty} y_k \right] = - \left[G(y)_i + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} y_k \right]. \quad (8)$$

From (4) with $x' = 0$ and $y' = 0$, $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i y_i \geq 0$. Substituting into this the expression for x_i obtained in (8), we obtain

$$- \left[\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} y_k \right]^2 \geq 0. \quad (9)$$

Combining (8) and (9) we conclude that $x = -G(y)$. Hence $(x, y) \in \text{Gr}(T)$, which proves the maximal monotonicity of T . \square

Proposition 2.2. *The operator $T : c_0 \rightrightarrows \ell^1$ defined in Lemma 2.1 has infinitely many maximal monotone extensions to $\ell^\infty \rightrightarrows \ell^1$. In particular, T is non-type (D).*

Proof. Let

$$e = (1, 1, 1, \dots)$$

We claim that

$$\langle -G(y) + \alpha e - x', y - y' \rangle = \alpha \langle y, e \rangle, \quad \forall (x', y') \in \text{Gr}(T), y \in \ell^1, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (10)$$

To prove this claim, first use (2) and (1) to conclude that $x' = -G(y')$ and

$$\langle -G(y) - x', y - y' \rangle = \langle G(y' - y), y - y' \rangle = 0$$

As $y' \in R(T)$, using (3) we have $\langle e, y' \rangle = 0$, which combined with the above equation yields (10).

Take $\tilde{y} \in \ell^1$ such that $\langle \tilde{y}, e \rangle > 0$ and define

$$x^\tau = -G(\tau \tilde{y}) + \frac{1}{\tau} e, \quad 0 < \tau < \infty.$$

In view of (10),

$$(x^\tau, \tau \tilde{y}) \in \text{Gr}(\tilde{T}), \quad 0 < \tau < \infty.$$

Therefore, for each $\tau \in (0, \infty)$ there exists a maximal monotone extension $T_\tau : \ell^\infty \rightrightarrows \ell^1$ of T such that

$$(x^\tau, \tau \tilde{y}) \in G(T_\tau).$$

However, these extensions are distinct because if $\tau, \tau' \in (0, \infty)$ and $\tau \neq \tau'$ then

$$\langle x^\tau - x^{\tau'}, \tau \tilde{y} - \tau' \tilde{y} \rangle = (\tau - \tau')(1/\tau - 1/\tau') \langle \tilde{y}, e \rangle < 0.$$

\square

3 Other spaces with non-type (D) operators

In this section we will prove that if a Banach spaces contains a closed subspace which is norm-isomorphic to c_0 , then there exists non-type (D) maximal monotone operators in this space. We begin with an auxiliary result.

Lemma 3.1. *Let X, Ω be real Banach space, and suppose that $A : X \rightarrow \Omega$ is a linear norm-isomorphism from X onto a closed subspace of Ω . For $T : X \rightrightarrows X^*$ define*

$$T_A : \Omega \rightrightarrows \Omega^*, \quad \text{Gr}(T_A) = \{(w, w^*) \in \Omega \times \Omega^* \mid \exists (x, x^*) \in \text{Gr}(T), w = A(x), x^* = A'(w^*)\}, \quad (11)$$

where $A' : \Omega^* \rightarrow X^*$ is the adjoint (or conjugate) of A , that is $A'(w^*) = w^* \circ A$. Then the application

$$\text{Gr}(T_A) \rightarrow \text{Gr}(T), \quad (w, w^*) \mapsto (A^{-1}(w), A'(w^*)) \quad (12)$$

maps $\text{Gr}(T_A)$ onto $\text{Gr}(T)$ and, if T is maximal monotone, then T_A is also maximal monotone.

Proof. We claim that for any $x^* \in X^*$, there exists $w^* \in \Omega^*$ such that $A'(w^*) = x^*$, that is

$$(A')^{-1}(\{x^*\}) \neq \emptyset \quad \forall x^* \in X^*. \quad (13)$$

For proving this claim, note that $A^{-1} : R(A) \rightarrow X$ is a continuous linear map. Therefore, $\xi^* = x^* \circ A^{-1}$ is a continuous linear functional defined in $R(A)$. Using the Hahn-Banach Theorem we conclude that there exists $w^* \in \Omega^*$ which extends ξ^* . To end the proof of the claim, note that as w^* and ξ^* coincides in $R(A)$, $w^* \circ A = \xi^* \circ A = x^*$ and so, $A'(w^*) = x^*$.

Direct use of (11) and (13) shows that the application defined in (12) maps $\text{Gr}(T_A)$ onto $\text{Gr}(T)$.

Now assume that T is maximal monotone. To prove that T_A is monotone, note that if $w_1^* \in T_A(w_1)$ and $w_2^* \in T_A(w_2)$ then, by definition (11), there exist $x_1, x_2 \in X$ and $x_1^*, x_2^* \in X^*$ such that

$$w_i = A(x_i), \quad A'(w_i^*) = w_i^* \circ A = x_i^* \in T(x_i), \quad i = 1, 2.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \langle w_1 - w_2, w_1^* - w_2^* \rangle &= \langle A(x_1) - A(x_2), w_1^* - w_2^* \rangle \\ &= \langle A(x_1 - x_2), w_1^* - w_2^* \rangle \\ &= \langle x_1 - x_2, A'(w_1^* - w_2^*) \rangle = \langle x_1 - x_2, x_1^* - x_2^* \rangle \geq 0, \end{aligned}$$

where the last inequality follows from the monotonicity of T . Hence, T_A is monotone.

To prove that T_A is maximal monotone, suppose that $(w_0, w_0^*) \in \Omega \times \Omega^*$ is in monotone relation with any point in $\text{Gr}(T_A)$, that is,

$$\langle w_0 - w, w_0^* - w^* \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall (w, w^*) \in \text{Gr}(T_A) \quad (14)$$

Suppose that $w_0 \notin R(A)$. Take $(\bar{w}, \bar{w}^*) \in \text{Gr}(T_A)$ and let $(\bar{x}, \bar{x}^*) = (A^{-1}(\bar{w}), A'(\bar{w}^*)) \in \text{Gr}(T)$. Since $\bar{w} \in R(A)$, $w_0 - \bar{w} \notin R(A)$ and using the Hahn-Banach theorem (and the assumption of $R(A)$ being closed) we conclude that there exists $\bar{u}^* \in \Omega^*$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle w, \bar{u}^* \rangle &= 0, \quad \forall w \in R(A), \\ \langle w_0 - \bar{w}, \bar{u}^* \rangle &> \langle w_0 - \bar{w}, w_0^* - \bar{w}^* \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\bar{u}^* \in \ker(A')$,

$$A'(\bar{w}^* + \bar{u}^*) = A'(\bar{w}^*) = \bar{x}^* \in T(\bar{x}),$$

so $\bar{w}^* + \bar{u}^* \in T_A(A(\bar{x})) = T_A(\bar{w})$, implying

$$\langle w_0 - \bar{w}, w_0^* - (\bar{w}^* + \bar{u}^*) \rangle < 0$$

in contradiction with (14). Therefore, $w_0 \in R(A)$. Now define

$$x_0 = A^{-1}(w_0), \quad x_0^* = A'(w_0^*) = w_0^* \circ A. \quad (15)$$

If $(x, x^*) \in \text{Gr}(T)$, then there exists $w^* \in (A')^{-1}(x^*)$ and, by the definition of T_A , $(Ax, w^*) \in \text{Gr}(T_A)$. Therefore, by (14)

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \langle w_0 - A(x), w_0^* - w^* \rangle \\ &= \langle A(x_0) - A(x), w_0^* - w^* \rangle \\ &= \langle x_0 - x, A'(w_0^*) - A'(w^*) \rangle = \langle x_0 - x, x_0^* - x^* \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, using the maximal monotonicity of T , we conclude that

$$(x_0, A'(w_0^*)) = (x_0, x_0^*) \in \text{Gr}(T),$$

which, in view of (15) and the definition of T_A , shows that $(w_0, w_0^*) \in \text{Gr}(T_A)$. Altogether, we proved that T_A is maximal monotone. \square

Lemma 3.2. *Let X, Ω be real Banach space, and suppose that $A : X \rightarrow \Omega$ is a linear norm-isomorphism from X onto a closed subspace of Ω . Let $T : X \rightrightarrows X^*$ be a maximal monotone operator and define $T_A : \Omega \rightrightarrows \Omega^*$ as in Lemma 3.1, that is,*

$$\text{Gr}(T_A) = \{(w, w^*) \in \Omega \times \Omega^* \mid \exists (x, x^*) \in \text{Gr}(T), w = A(x), x^* = A'(w^*)\}.$$

If T_A is of type (D) on $\Omega \times \Omega^$ then T is of type (D) on $X \times X^*$.*

Proof. Suppose that $(\hat{x}^*, \hat{x}^{**}) \in X^* \times X^{**}$. Using (13) we can find $\hat{w}^* \in (A')^{-1}(\hat{x}^*)$. Using the first part of Lemma 3.1 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \inf_{(x, x^*) \in \text{Gr}(T)} \langle \hat{x}^* - x^*, \hat{x}^{**} - x \rangle &= \inf_{(w, w^*) \in \text{Gr}(T_A)} \langle \hat{x}^* - A'(w^*), \hat{x}^{**} - A^{-1}(w) \rangle \\ &= \inf_{(w, w^*) \in \text{Gr}(T_A)} \langle A'(\hat{w}^*) - A'(w^*), \hat{x}^{**} - A^{-1}(w) \rangle \\ &= \inf_{(w, w^*) \in \text{Gr}(T_A)} \langle \hat{w}^* - w^*, A''(\hat{x}^{**}) - A(A^{-1}(w)) \rangle \\ &= \inf_{(w, w^*) \in \text{Gr}(T_A)} \langle \hat{w}^* - w^*, A''(\hat{x}^{**}) - w \rangle \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

where the last inequality follows from the assumption of T_A being of type (D) and [9]. Since $(\widehat{x}^*, \widehat{x}^{**})$ is a generic element of $X^* \times X^{**}$, in view of the above result and [10, eq. (5) and Theorem 4.4, item 1] we conclude that T is also of type (D). \square

Using Lemmas 3.1 and 3.2, we obtain the following Theorem.

Theorem 3.3. *Let X be a Banach space such that there exists a non-type (D) maximal monotone operator $T : X \rightrightarrows X^*$, and let Ω be another Banach space. If there exists a linear map $A : X \rightarrow \Omega$ such that A is a norm-isomorphism from X onto a closed subspace of Ω , then there exists a non-type (D) maximal monotone operator $S : \Omega \rightrightarrows \Omega^*$.*

Proof. Define $T_A : \Omega \rightrightarrows \Omega^*$ as in lemmas 3.1, 3.2. Using Lemma 3.1 we conclude that T_A is maximal monotone. If T_A is of type (D), then by Lemma 3.2 T is also of type (D), in contradiction with the assumptions of the theorem. Therefore T_A is a maximal monotone non-type (D) operator. \square

Using Proposition 2.2 and Theorem 3.3, we have the following Corollary.

Corollary 3.4. *Any real Banach space Ω which contains a norm-isomorphic copy of c_0 has a non-type (D) maximal monotone operator.*

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