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# NONEXPANSIVE MAPPINGS AND EXPANSIVE MAPPINGS ON THE UNIT SPHERES OF SOME *F*-SPACES

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#### Abstract

This paper gives a characterization of nonexpansive mappings from the unit sphere of  $\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)$  onto the unit sphere of  $\ell^{\beta}(\Delta)$  where  $0 < \beta \leq 1$ . By this result, we prove that such mappings are in fact isometries and give an affirmative answer to Tingley's problem in  $\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)$  spaces. We also show that the same result holds for expansive mappings between unit spheres of  $\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)$  spaces without the surjectivity assumption.

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#### **1. Introduction**

A mapping V between two metric spaces  $(X, d_X)$  and  $(Y, d_Y)$  is called nonexpansive if it is a 1-Lipschitz map. That is,

$$d_Y(V(x), V(y)) \le d_X(x, y) \quad \forall x, y \in X.$$
(1.1)

The mapping V is called an isometry if equality holds in (1.1) for all  $x, y \in X$ , and it is called expansive if ' $\leq$ ' is replaced by the inverse inequality ' $\geq$ '.

By a direct compactness argument or by Freudenthal and Hurewicz's result [9], every nonexpansive map from a compact metric space onto itself must be an isometry. This does not always hold with the assumption of compactness replaced by boundedness in infinite-dimensional metric linear spaces. For example, a map  $T: B(\ell^p) \rightarrow B(\ell^p)$  defined by  $T(\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3, \ldots, \xi_n, \ldots) = (\xi_2, \xi_3, \ldots, \xi_n, \ldots)$  for all  $\{\xi_n\}_{n\geq 1}$  in  $B(\ell^p)$  where  $B(\ell^p)$  denotes the unit ball of  $\ell^p$  and 0 is such a $nonexpansive but not isometric map from <math>B(\ell^p)$  onto itself. However, what interests us is such maps defined only on the unit sphere, which can be connected with the isometric extension problem raised by Tingley in [12] and described as follows.

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Let E and F be normed spaces with unit spheres S(E) and S(F), respectively. Suppose that  $V_0: S(E) \rightarrow S(F)$  is an onto isometry. Is there a linear isometry  $V: E \rightarrow F$  such that  $V|_{S(E)} = V_0$ ?

In recent years, Ding and his students have been working on this topic and have obtained many important results (see [1–7, 10, 13, 15]).

Ding [2] showed that every onto nonexpansive map between unit spheres of Hilbert spaces is an isometry and answered Tingley's problem affirmatively for Hilbert spaces. In recent work [11], the author proved that the only nonexpansive mappings from the unit sphere of  $\mathcal{L}^{\infty}(\Gamma)$ -type spaces (including  $c_{00}$ , c,  $\ell^{\infty}$ ) onto the unit sphere of  $\mathcal{L}^{\infty}(\Delta)$  are those arising from a bijection between  $\Delta$  and  $\Gamma$  and a sign pattern. This result yields the fact that such maps are isometries and an affirmative answer to Tingley's problem for  $\mathcal{L}^{\infty}(\Gamma)$ -type spaces. A similar result for  $\ell^{p}(\Gamma)$  spaces where 1 can be obtained by combining the main result in [3] with that of [8]. For the case <math>p = 1, Wang [14] established that every expansive map T from  $S(\ell^{1}(\Gamma))$  onto  $S(\ell^{1}(\Delta))$  with an additional condition  $\bigcup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \text{supp } T(e_{\gamma}) = \Delta$  is an isometry and can be linearly and isometrically extended to  $\ell^{1}(\Gamma)$ . In this paper, we extend these results to F-spaces  $\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)$  where  $0 < \beta \leq 1$ , and in the  $\ell^{1}(\Gamma)$  case we point out that the condition  $\bigcup_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \text{supp } T(e_{\gamma}) = \Delta$  in [14] can be removed.

Throughout this paper, we consider spaces over the real field. Given a nonempty index set  $\Gamma$ , for every  $0 < \beta \le 1$ , the space

$$\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma) = \left\{ x = \{\xi_{\gamma}\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma} : \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} |\xi_{\gamma}|^{\beta} < \infty \right\}$$

is known as an *F*-space with an *F*-norm  $||x|| = \sum |\xi_{\gamma}|^{\beta}$ . As usual, for every  $x = \{\xi_{\gamma}\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \in \ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)$ , supp  $x = \{\gamma \in \Gamma : \xi_{\gamma} \neq 0\}$  and  $S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))$  denotes the unit sphere of  $\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)$ .

### 2. Main results

LEMMA 2.1. Let  $x, y \in \ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)$ . Then

$$||x + y|| = ||x|| + ||y||$$

*if and only if* supp  $x \cap$  supp  $y = \emptyset$  *for*  $0 < \beta < 1$  *and*  $x \cdot y \ge 0$  *for*  $\beta = 1$ , *where*  $x \cdot y \ge 0$  *means*  $x(\gamma) \cdot y(\gamma) \ge 0$  *for every*  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ .

**PROOF.** The proof in the case of  $\beta = 1$  is trivial. For  $0 < \beta < 1$ , observe that the function  $f(t) = t^{\beta}$  is strictly concave on  $(0, \infty)$ . It follows that

$$|\xi + \eta|^{\beta} \le |\xi|^{\beta} + |\eta|^{\beta}$$

for all  $\xi$ ,  $\eta \in \mathbb{R}$  and equality holds if and only if  $\xi \cdot \eta = 0$ . The desired result is easily obtained from this.

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LEMMA 2.2. Let  $x \in S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))$ . Then for every  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,

$$\max\{\|x + e_{\gamma}\|, \|x - e_{\gamma}\|\} \ge 2^{\beta}.$$

**PROOF.** As ||x|| = 1, it is easy to see that

$$\max\{\|x + e_{\gamma}\|, \|x - e_{\gamma}\|\} = (|x(\gamma)| + 1)^{\beta} + 1 - |x(\gamma)|^{\beta}.$$

Since the function  $\varphi(t) = (1 + t)^{\beta} - t^{\beta}$  is decreasing on  $[0, \infty)$ , it follows that

$$(|x(\gamma)|+1)^{\beta}+1-|x(\gamma)|^{\beta}=1+\varphi(|x(\gamma)|)\geq 1+\varphi(1)=2^{\beta},$$

which completes the proof.

**LEMMA** 2.3. Let  $T : S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)) \to S(\ell^{\beta}(\Delta))$  be a nonexpansive map. For each  $\delta \in \Delta$ , if  $\pm e_{\delta} \in T(S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)))$ , then there is a unique  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and a sign  $\theta_{\delta}$  such that

$$T(\pm e_{\gamma}) = \pm \theta_{\delta} e_{\delta}.$$

**PROOF.** The hypothesis  $\pm e_{\delta} \in T(S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)))$  ensures that there exist  $x, y \in S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))$  such that  $T(x) = e_{\delta}$  and  $T(y) = -e_{\delta}$ . We first claim that x and y are dependent, that is,

$$x = -y$$
.

Assume that the claim is not true. Define a map  $f : [0, 1] \to S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))$  by

$$f(\lambda) = \frac{(1-\lambda)x + \lambda y}{\|(1-\lambda)x + \lambda y\|^{1/\beta}}$$

It is clear that  $\{f(\lambda) : \lambda \in [0, 1]\}$  is a connected path from x to y. Hence the map

$$\phi(\lambda) = \|T(f(\lambda)) + e_{\delta}\| - \|T(f(\lambda)) - e_{\delta}\|$$

is continuous on [0, 1]. Since  $\phi(0) = 2^{\beta}$  and  $\phi(1) = -2^{\beta}$ , we can find  $\lambda_0 \in (0, 1)$  such that  $\phi(\lambda_0) = 0$ , that is,

$$||T(f(\lambda_0)) + e_{\delta}|| = ||T(f(\lambda_0)) - e_{\delta}||.$$

The definition of the norm in  $\ell^{\beta}(\Delta)$  yields  $T(f(\lambda_0))(\delta) = 0$ , and thus

$$||T(f(\lambda_0)) + e_{\delta}|| = ||T(f(\lambda_0)) - e_{\delta}|| = 2.$$

This shows that

$$||f(\lambda_0) - y|| = ||f(\lambda_0) - x|| = 2.$$

By Lemma 2.1 we get that for  $0 < \beta < 1$ , supp  $f(\lambda_0) \cap (\text{supp } x \cup \text{supp } y) = \emptyset$  and for  $\beta = 1$ ,  $f(\lambda_0) \cdot x \leq 0$  and  $f(\lambda_0) \cdot y \leq 0$ . This is impossible by the definition of f. Therefore the claim is proved.

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We next show that supp x is a singleton. If this does not hold, then there is a  $\gamma_1 \in \Gamma$  satisfying  $0 < |x(\gamma_1)| < 1$ . Write  $x_1 = x - 2x(\gamma_1)e_{\gamma_1}$ . Then by the claim

$$\|T(x_1) - e_{\delta}\| = \|T(x_1) - T(x)\| \le \|x_1 - x\| = 2^{\beta} |x(\gamma_1)|^{\beta} < 2^{\beta},$$
  
$$\|T(x_1) + e_{\delta}\| = \|T(x_1) - T(-x)\| \le \|x_1 + x\| = 2^{\beta} (1 - |x(\gamma_1)|^{\beta}) < 2^{\beta}.$$

This contradicts Lemma 2.2 and therefore supp x is a singleton.

Let  $\{\gamma\} = \text{supp } x$  and  $\theta_{\delta} = x(\gamma)$ . Noticing that the uniqueness of  $\gamma$  is easily obtained from the claim, this completes the proof.

We are now ready to present one of our main results.

THEOREM 2.4. Let  $T : S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)) \to S(\ell^{\beta}(\Delta))$  be a surjective nonexpansive map. Then T is an isometry and there is a family of signs  $\{\theta_{\delta}\}_{\delta \in \Delta}$  and a bijection  $\sigma : \Delta \to \Gamma$ such that, for any element  $x \in S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))$ ,

$$T(x)(\delta) = \theta_{\delta} x(\sigma(\delta)) \quad \forall \delta \in \Delta.$$
(2.1)

**PROOF.** It is evident that *T* is an isometry if there is a family of signs  $\{\theta_{\delta}\}_{\delta \in \Delta}$  and a bijection  $\sigma : \Delta \to \Gamma$  such that (2.1) holds. Thus it suffices to prove this. By Lemma 2.3 we can define  $\sigma : \Delta \to \Gamma$  and  $\{\theta_{\delta}\}_{\delta \in \Delta}$  such that

$$T(\pm e_{\sigma(\delta)}) = \pm \theta_{\delta} e_{\delta} \quad \forall \delta \in \Delta.$$
(2.2)

It is obvious that  $\sigma$  is injective. To see that  $\sigma$  is surjective and that (2.1) holds, for every  $y = \sum \eta_{\delta} e_{\delta} \in S(\ell^{\beta}(\Delta))$ , take  $x = \sum \xi_{\gamma} e_{\gamma} \in S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))$  such that T(x) = y. For any  $\delta \in \Delta$  with  $\xi_{\sigma(\delta)} \neq 0$ ,

$$\|y - \operatorname{sign}(\xi_{\sigma(\delta)})\theta_{\delta}e_{\delta}\| = |\eta_{\delta} - \operatorname{sign}(\xi_{\sigma(\delta)})\theta_{\delta}|^{\beta} + 1 - |\eta_{\delta}|^{\beta}$$

On the other hand, clearly,

$$\|x - \operatorname{sign}(\xi_{\sigma(\delta)})e_{\sigma(\delta)}\| = (1 - |\xi_{\sigma(\delta)}|)^{\beta} + 1 - |\xi_{\sigma(\delta)}|^{\beta}.$$

The fact that T is nonexpansive and (2.2) then give

$$(1 - |\eta_{\delta}|)^{\beta} - |\eta_{\delta}|^{\beta} \le |\eta_{\delta} - \operatorname{sign}(\xi_{\sigma(\delta)})\theta_{\delta}|^{\beta} - |\eta_{\delta}|^{\beta} \le (1 - |\xi_{\sigma(\delta)}|)^{\beta} - |\xi_{\sigma(\delta)}|^{\beta}.$$

$$(2.3)$$

Noticing that  $\phi(t) = (1-t)^{\beta} - t^{\beta}$  is decreasing on [0, 1], we see that

$$|\eta_{\delta}| \ge |\xi_{\sigma(\delta)}|. \tag{2.4}$$

Thus if supp  $x \subset \sigma(\Delta)$ , then by (2.4),

$$1 = \sum_{\delta \in \Delta} |\xi_{\sigma(\delta)}| \le \sum_{\delta \in \Delta} |\eta_{\delta}| = 1.$$

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As a result,

$$|\eta_{\delta}| = |\xi_{\sigma(\delta)}| \tag{2.5}$$

and inequality (2.3) turning out to be an equality obviously implies that

$$\operatorname{sign}(\eta_{\delta}) = \operatorname{sign}(\xi_{\sigma(\delta)})\theta_{\delta}.$$
 (2.6)

Since Equations (2.5) and (2.6) have already established that (2.1) holds for all  $x \in S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))$  satisfying supp  $x \subset \sigma(\Delta)$ , to finish the proof we only need to show that  $\sigma$  is surjective. Suppose to the contrary that there is a  $\gamma_0 \in \Gamma \setminus \sigma(\Delta)$ . Choose  $\delta_0 \in \text{supp } T(e_{\gamma_0})$  and put

$$x_0^{\pm} = \frac{1}{2^{1/\beta}} e_{\gamma_0} \pm \frac{1}{2^{1/\beta}} e_{\sigma(\delta_0)}$$
 and  $\eta_{\delta_0}^{\pm} = T(x_0^{\pm})(\delta_0).$ 

It is easy to see from Lemma 2.3 that supp  $T(x_0^+)$  cannot be a singleton. Thus we can let  $\delta_1 \in \text{supp } T(x_0^+)$  satisfy  $\delta_1 \neq \delta_0$ . Then write

$$\eta_{\delta_1} = T(x_0^+)(\delta_1)$$
 and  $x_1 = \frac{1}{2^{1/\beta}} e_{\sigma(\delta_0)} - \frac{1}{2^{1/\beta}} \operatorname{sign}(\eta_{\delta_1}) \theta_{\delta_1} e_{\sigma(\delta_1)}.$ 

Note from the above argument that

$$T(x_1) = \frac{1}{2^{1/\beta}} \theta_{\delta_0} e_{\delta_0} - \frac{1}{2^{1/\beta}} \operatorname{sign}(\eta_{\delta_1}) e_{\delta_1}.$$

It follows that

$$\begin{split} 1 &= \|x_0^+ - x_1\| \ge \|T(x_0^+) - T(x_1)\| \\ &\ge \left|\eta_{\delta_0}^+ - \frac{1}{2^{1/\beta}}\theta_{\delta_0}\right|^\beta + \left|\eta_{\delta_1} + \frac{1}{2^{1/\beta}}\operatorname{sign}(\eta_{\delta_1})\right|^\beta \\ &> \left|\eta_{\delta_0}^+ - \frac{1}{2^{1/\beta}}\theta_{\delta_0}\right|^\beta + \frac{1}{2}. \end{split}$$

Thus  $\operatorname{sign}(\eta_{\delta_0}^+) = \theta_{\delta_0}$ . Similarly, we can also obtain  $\operatorname{sign}(\eta_{\delta_0}^-) = -\theta_{\delta_0}$ . By (2.4), we have  $|\eta_{\delta_0}^{\pm}| \ge (1/2)^{1/\beta}$  and observe that

$$2^{\beta-1} = \|x_0^+ - x_0^-\| \ge \|T(x_0^+) - T(x_0^-)\| \\ \ge |\eta_{\delta_0}^+ - \eta_{\delta_0}^-|^\beta = (|\eta_{\delta_0}^+| + |\eta_{\delta_0}^-|)^\beta.$$
(2.7)

Consequently,

$$\eta_{\delta_0}^+ = \frac{1}{2^{1/\beta}} \theta_{\delta_0} \quad \text{and} \quad \eta_{\delta_0}^- = -\frac{1}{2^{1/\beta}} \theta_{\delta_0}.$$
 (2.8)

Moreover, this and the inequality becoming an equality in (2.7) imply that

$$T(x_0^+)(\delta) = T(x_0^-)(\delta) \quad \forall \delta \neq \delta_0.$$
(2.9)

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Now using the same technique as in Lemma 2.3, we define

$$\phi(\lambda) = \|T(f(\lambda)) - T(x_0^+)\| - \|T(f(\lambda)) - T(x_0^-)\|$$

for all  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$  where  $f(\lambda) = ((1 - \lambda)x_0^+ + \lambda x_0^-)/(||(1 - \lambda)x_0^+ + \lambda x_0^-||^{1/\beta})$ . Since  $\phi$  is continuous on [0, 1] and  $\phi(0)\phi(1) < 0$ , there is a  $\lambda_0 \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$||T(f(\lambda_0)) - T(x_0^+)|| = ||T(f(\lambda_0)) - T(x_0^-)||.$$

Hence by the form of  $T(x_0^{\pm})$  given by (2.8) and (2.9) we see that

$$T(f(\lambda_0))(\delta_0) = 0.$$

So

$$\|f(\lambda_0) - e_{\sigma(\delta_0)}\| \ge \|T(f(\lambda_0)) - T(e_{\sigma(\delta_0)})\| = 2$$

yields  $f(\lambda_0)(\sigma(\delta_0)) = 0$ .

It follows that  $f(\lambda_0) = e_{\gamma_0}$ , that is,  $T(e_{\gamma_0})(\delta_0) = 0$ . This contradicts the choice of  $\delta_0$ . Thus the proof is complete.

**REMARK 2.5**. In the case where dim $(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)) < \infty$ , that is, the cardinality of  $\Gamma$  is finite, the above conclusion that *T* is an isometry cannot be simply obtained by a compactness argument or Freudenthal and Hurewicz's result [9] which states that every nonexpansive map from a totally bounded metric space onto itself must be an isometry since the nonexpansive map is not assumed to be from  $S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))$  onto itself. The statement of Theorem 2.4 remains valid if we consider the quasi-Banach space consisting of the all the points  $x = \{\xi_{\gamma}\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \in \ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)$  with the quasi-norm  $||x||_{\beta} = (\sum |\xi_{\gamma}|^{\beta})^{1/\beta}$  for  $0 < \beta < 1$ .

COROLLARY 2.6. Every surjective nonexpansive mapping  $T : S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)) \to S(\ell^{\beta}(\Delta))$  can be extended to a linear surjective isometry on  $\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)$ .

**REMARK** 2.7. We can see from Lemma 2.3 that the surjection assumption of *T* in Theorem 2.4 and Corollary 2.6 in fact can reduce to  $\{\pm e_{\delta}\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \subset T(S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)))$ . On the other hand, by Theorem 2.4, we have in fact shown that every nonexpansive map *T* from  $S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))$  onto  $S(\ell^{\beta}(\Delta))$  ensures that for every  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , supp  $T(e_{\gamma})$  is a singleton. However, without the assumption of surjectivity or  $\{\pm e_{\delta}\}_{\delta \in \Delta} \subset T(S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)))$  this is not always true. For example, let  $T : S(\ell^{\beta}_{(2)}) \to S(\ell^{\beta}_{(3)})$  be defined by

$$T(\xi_1 e_1 + \xi_2 e_2) = \xi_1 (1/2^{1/\beta} e_1 + 1/2^{1/\beta} e_2) + \xi_2 e_3$$

where  $\{\xi_1, \xi_2\} \subset \mathbb{R}$  satisfies  $|\xi_1|^{\beta} + |\xi_2|^{\beta} = 1$ . Then *T* is an isometry, but  $e_1, e_2 \notin T(S(\ell_{(2)}^{\beta}))$  and supp  $T(e_1) = \{1, 2\}$ . Considering this example, we give a more general result for expansive maps on  $S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))$ .

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THEOREM 2.8. Let T be an expansive map from  $S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))$  to  $S(\ell^{\beta}(\Delta))$  such that  $T(S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))) = S(F)$ , where F is a linear closed subspace of  $\ell^{\beta}(\Delta)$ . Then T is an isometry and can be extended to a linear isometry on  $\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)$ .

**PROOF.** Since  $||T(x) - T(y)|| \ge ||x - y||$  for all  $x, y \in S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))$ , we see that T is injective and its inverse  $T^{-1}$  is nonexpansive. Note that  $T^{-1}(T(e_{\gamma})) = e_{\gamma}$  and  $T^{-1}(T(-e_{\gamma})) = -e_{\gamma}$  holds for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . By the same argument as in Lemma 2.3, we deduce that

$$T(-e_{\gamma}) = -T(e_{\gamma}). \tag{2.10}$$

It follows that, for every  $\gamma_1 \neq \gamma_2$ ,

$$||T(e_{\gamma_1}) + T(e_{\gamma_2})|| \ge ||e_{\gamma_1} + e_{\gamma_2}|| = 2.$$

Hence

$$||T(e_{\gamma_1}) + T(e_{\gamma_2})|| = ||T(e_{\gamma_1}) - T(e_{\gamma_2})|| = 2,$$

which together with Lemma 2.1 guarantees that

$$\operatorname{supp} T(e_{\gamma_1}) \cap \operatorname{supp} T(e_{\gamma_2}) = \emptyset.$$
(2.11)

Thus  $y = \sum \xi_{\gamma} T(e_{\gamma})$  has norm one for every  $\sum \xi_{\gamma} e_{\gamma} \in S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))$ . Since *F* is a linear closed subspace and  $T(S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))) = S(F)$ , it follows that  $y \in T(S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)))$ . Hence there is an element  $x = \sum \alpha_{\gamma} e_{\gamma} \in S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))$  such that T(x) = y.

For any  $\xi_{\gamma} \neq 0$ , by (2.10) and (2.11) we get

$$||T(x) - \operatorname{sign}(\xi_{\gamma})T(e_{\gamma})|| = (1 - |\xi_{\gamma}|)^{\beta} + 1 - |\xi_{\gamma}|^{\beta}.$$

Furthermore,

$$\|x - \operatorname{sign}(\xi_{\gamma})e_{\gamma}\| = |\operatorname{sign}(\xi_{\gamma}) - \alpha_{\gamma}|^{\beta} + 1 - |\alpha_{\gamma}|^{\beta}.$$

Thus by the fact that T is expansive,

$$|\operatorname{sign}(\xi_{\gamma}) - \alpha_{\gamma}|^{\beta} - |\alpha_{\gamma}|^{\beta} \le (1 - |\xi_{\gamma}|)^{\beta} - |\xi_{\gamma}|^{\beta}.$$
(2.12)

It follows that  $|\alpha_{\gamma}| \ge |\xi_{\gamma}|$ . This yields  $1 = \sum |\alpha_{\gamma}|^{\beta} \ge \sum |\xi_{\gamma}|^{\beta} = 1$ , which combined with (2.12) ensures that for every  $\gamma$ ,  $\alpha_{\gamma} = \xi_{\gamma}$  even if  $\xi_{\gamma} = 0$ . That is,

$$T\left(\sum \xi_{\gamma} e_{\gamma}\right) = \sum \xi_{\gamma} T(e_{\gamma})$$
(2.13)

for every  $\sum \xi_{\gamma} e_{\gamma} \in S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))$ .

Finally, by its property given by (2.13), T is clearly an isometry and the desired extension  $\tilde{T}$  defined by

$$\widetilde{T}\left(\sum \overline{\xi}_{\gamma} e_{\gamma}\right) = \sum \overline{\xi}_{\gamma} T(e_{\gamma}) \quad \forall \sum \overline{\xi}_{\gamma} e_{\gamma} \in \ell^{\beta}(\Gamma).$$

It is plain that  $\widetilde{T}$  is a linear isometry on  $\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma)$  and its restriction to  $S(\ell^{\beta}(\Gamma))$  is just T. The proof is complete. **REMARK** 2.9. If  $\beta = 1$ , then some minor modifications of the previous example give a counterexample showing that there is an expansive map or, to be precise, an isometry between  $S(\ell^1(\Gamma))$  and  $S(\ell^1(\Delta))$  which cannot be linearly extended to the whole space. In fact, let  $T : S(\ell_{(2)}^1) \rightarrow S(\ell_{(3)}^1)$  be defined by

$$T(\xi_1 e_1 + \xi_2 e_2) = \begin{cases} \xi_1(1/4e_1 + 3/4e_2) + \xi_2 e_3 & \text{if } \xi_1 \ge 0, \\ \xi_1(1/2e_1 + 1/2e_2) + \xi_2 e_3 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $\{\xi_1, \xi_2\} \subset \mathbb{R}$  satisfies  $|\xi_1| + |\xi_2| = 1$ . It is easy to check that *T* does not satisfy the condition of Theorem 2.8 since  $-T(S(\ell_{(2)}^1)) \nsubseteq T(S(\ell_{(2)}^1))$ , and that *T* is an isometry which cannot be linearly extended to  $\ell_{(2)}^1$  because it is not even an odd operator.

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