# BOUNDEDLY COMPLETE BASIC SEQUENCES, $c_0$ -SUBSPACES, AND INJECTIONS OF BANACH SPACES

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#### ABSTRACT

We study the connection between topological properties of subsets of a given Banach space and their images under linear, continuous one-to-one mappings on the one hand and the existence in a given Banach space of either a boundedly complete basic sequence (BCBS) or an isomorphic copy of  $c_o$  ( $c_o$ -subspace) on the other hand. We present criteria for the existence of a BCBS. They are deduced from new characterisations of  $G_{\delta}$ -embeddings which we also present. We obtain a necessary and sufficient condition for separability of a dual Banach space in terms of saturation by BCBS. Criteria for the existence in a Banach space of a  $c_o$ -subspace are also presented. We describe the class of separable Banach spaces which contains either a BCBS or a  $c_o$ -subspace.

## Introduction

The series of striking counterexamples that were constructed recently by Gowers and Maurey [11] and Gowers [12] completely dispersed all hopes of a simple lineartopological structure of infinite-dimensional Banach spaces. The most delicate conjecture:

Every infinite-dimensional Banach space contains either a boundedly complete basic sequence (BCBS) or a subspace isomorphic to the space  $c_o$  ( $c_o$ -subspace)

has been disproved also.

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The main purpose of this paper is to describe the class  $\mathcal{K}$  of separable Banach spaces that contains either a BCBS or a  $c_o$ -subspace. It turned out that the separable Banach space E belonging to the class  $\mathcal{K}$  is equivalent to the existence of an injection  $T: E \to X$  (by injection we mean a linear continuous one-to-one map into some Banach space X with unbounded inverse  $T^{-1}$ ) with special properties. We will be interested in properties of the injections T that are connected with Borelian type of images TA (of some subsets  $A \subset E$ ) both in the whole space Xand in the image TE. Let us note that topological properties of the set TA in the image TE coincide with those of the set A in the X-topology on the space E(by X-topology on the space E we mean the topology that is generated by sets  $T^{-1}(G)$  where G is an open subset of the space X; for example, an X-ball in the space E is the set  $T^{-1}(B)$  where B is some ball in the space X). To distinguish the X-topology and the original norm-topology on the space E, we will denote the latter by E-topology.

The above-mentioned characterization of the class  $\mathcal{K}$  is contained in the following theorem.

THEOREM 7: Let E be a separable Banach space. Then the following assertions are equivalent:

(1)  $E \in \mathcal{K}$ .

(2) There exist an injection  $T: E \to X$  (into some Banach space X) and a nonempty bounded open subset  $A \subset E$  such that either the image TA is of the type  $G_{\delta\sigma}$  in the space X or the image TA is of the type  $G_{\delta}$  in the image TE.

(3) There exist an injection  $T: E \to Y$  (into some Banach space Y) and a nonempty bounded open subset  $B \subset E$  such that either the image TB is of the type  $F_{\sigma}$  in the space Y or the image T(cB) is of the type  $F_{\sigma}$  in the image TE.

We will examine this theorem by two approaches. The treatment from the BCBS is contained in part 1. The main tool here will be the notion of a  $G_{\delta}$ -embedding that was introduced and studied by Bourgain and Rosenthal [1]. We recall that an injection  $T: E \to X$  of the Banach space E into the Banach space X is a  $G_{\delta}$ -embedding iff the image TA of every closed, bounded and separable subset  $A \subset E$  is a  $G_{\delta}$ -set in the space X. Important properties of  $G_{\delta}$ -embeddings were obtained by Ghoussoub and Maurey [9,10]. The papers of Edgar and Wheeler [2] and Rosenthal [18] discuss closely related topics. We will use some ideas from these papers as well as from previous papers of the

author [4-7].

The main results of part 1 are Theorem 1, which gives the characterization of  $G_{\delta}$ -embeddings, and Theorem 2, which gives the most general criterion for the existence of BCBS in a given Banach space (in terms of injections).

The approach to Theorem 7 from a  $c_o$ -subspace is contained in part 2. We will use here a notion of a set of super-first category that was introduced by the author in his paper [8]. The main result of part 2 is Theorem 5, which characterizes Banach spaces that contain a  $c_o$ -subspace.

The short part 3 combines results of parts 1 and 2.

We will assume that all Banach spaces considered are real and infinite dimensional (unless specified otherwise). We use standard Banach space theory notations as can be found in [16], to which we refer the reader for unexplained terminology. By U(E) (S(E)) we denote the unit ball (unit sphere) of the linear normed space E. In part 1,  $T: E \to X$  denotes an injection into the Banach space X.

# 1. Injections and BCBS

Let  $\epsilon: \Sigma \to R_+$  be a map from the set  $\Sigma$  of all ordered finite subsets of the unit sphere S(E) into the set of positive numbers  $R_+$ . We will say that the map  $\epsilon$  is a *T*-regulator of boundedly complete basic sequences (briefly: *T*-RBCBS) iff every sequence  $x_n \subset S(E)$  possessing the following property:

(\*) For every 
$$n = 1, 2, ..., ||Tx_{n+1}|| \le \epsilon(\{x_i\}_1^n)$$

is BCBS.

It is obvious that every X-null sequence  $\{x_n\} \subset S(E)$  (i.e. a null-sequence in the X-topology) has a subsequence possessing the property (\*). So existence of T-RBCBS implies: every X-null sequence from a unit sphere has a subsequence which is BCBS.

We will use the following

**PROPOSITION 1:** [17] Let E be a separable Banach space. The following assertions are equivalent:

(1)  $T^*X^*$  is a norming linear manifold.

(2)  $T^{-1}$  belongs to the first Baire class.

(3)  $X - \operatorname{cl} U(E)$  is a bounded subset of the space E.

Remark 1: If  $T^*X^*$  is 1-norming then the unit ball U(E) is X-closed.

The following theorem is the main result of this part.

THEOREM 1: Let  $T: E \to X$  be an injection of the separable Banach space E into the Banach space X such that  $T^{-1}$  is a map of the first Baire class. The following assertions are equivalent:

(1) There exists the bounded subset  $D \subset E$  such that its image TD is a  $G_{\delta}$ -set in X and  $E - \operatorname{cl} D$  contains some E-ball.

(2) There exists a T-RBCBS.

(3) The map T is a  $G_{\delta}$ -embedding.

Proof: Since  $T^{-1}$  is a map of the first Baire class the linear manifold  $T^*X^*$  is norming. Without loss of generality we can assume that  $T^*X^*$  is 1-norming (and therefore (Remark 1) the unit ball U(E) is X-closed) and  $||T|| \leq 1$ .

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). Let  $G = TD = \bigcap_{1}^{\infty} G_n$ , where each set  $G_n$  is an open subset of the space X. Without loss of generality we can assume that  $E - \operatorname{cl} D \supset 2U(E)$  and  $0 \in D$ . Denoting  $D_n = T^{-1}(G_n)$  we have  $D = \bigcap_{1}^{\infty} D_n$ . Since  $T^{-1}$  is a map of the first Baire class, there exists a sequence  $\{g_n\}$  of continuous mappings  $g_n: TE \to E$  such that, for all  $x \in E$ ,  $\lim g_n(Tx) = x$ . Put

$$\omega(g, x, \delta) = \sup \{ \alpha \colon ||x - y|| \le \alpha \Rightarrow ||g(x) - g(y)|| \le \delta \}.$$

Let  $\{\delta_n\}$  be a sequence of positive numbers such that

$$\sum_{1}^{\infty} \delta_n < 1/8, \quad \prod_{1}^{\infty} (1+\delta_n)/(1-2\delta_n) \leq 2.$$

We begin the construction of the map  $\epsilon$  with n = 1. Let  $x_1 \in S(E)$ ; then there exists an element  $\bar{x}_1$  possessing the properties:

(a)  $||x_1 - \bar{x}_1|| < \delta_1$ .

(b) There exists a  $\delta_1$ -net  $\{t_i^1 \bar{x}_1\}_{i=1}^{l_1}$  in the segment  $[-\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_1]$  which is contained in the set  $D_1$ , i.e.

$$\{t_i^1 \bar{x}_1\}_1^{l_1} \subset [-\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_1] \cap D_1$$

(recall that the open set  $D_1$  is dense in the set 2U(E)). Put

$$d(x_1) = d_X(\{Tt_i^1\bar{x}_1\}_1^{l_1}, \partial G_1).$$

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It is evident that there exists a number  $r(x_1)$  such that, for all  $i = 1, 2, ..., l_1$ and  $m \ge r(x_1)$ ,

$$||g_m(T(t_i^1\bar{x}_1)) - t_i^1\bar{x}_1|| < \delta_1.$$

Denote

$$t(x_1) = \min \{ \omega(g_{r(x_1)}, t_i^1 \bar{x}_1, \delta_1) : i = 1, 2, \dots, l_1 \}.$$

Since the linear manifold  $T^*X^*$  is 1-norming, there exists a linear functional  $h_1 \in X^*$  such that  $||T^*h_1|| = 1$  and  $(T^*h_1)(x_1) \ge (1 - \delta_1)$ . Finally, put

$$\epsilon(\{x_1\}) = \min \{ d(x_1), t(x_1) \} \delta_1^2(8 \| h_1 \| \| T \|)^{-1}.$$

Now we will define the map  $\epsilon$  on two-element subsets  $\{x_1, x_2\} \subset S(E)$ . Since the open set  $D_2$  is dense in the ball 2U(E) there exists a vector  $\bar{x}_2$  possessing the properties:

(a)  $||x_2 - \bar{x}_2|| < \epsilon(\{x_1\}).$ 

(b) There exists a  $\delta_2$ -net  $\{t_i^2 \bar{x}_2\}_1^{l_2}$  in the segment  $[-\bar{x}_2, \bar{x}_2]$  which is contained in the set  $D_2$  and the set

$$A(x_1, x_2) = \{t_i^1 \bar{x}_1 + t_j^2 \bar{x}_2 \in U(E) : 1 \le i \le l_1, 1 \le j \le l_2\}$$

is also contained in  $D_2$ . Put

$$d(x_1, x_2) = d_X(TA(x_1, x_2), \partial G_2).$$

Let  $r(x_1, x_2)$  be such a number that for all  $m \ge r(x_1, x_2)$  and for all  $x \in A(x_1, x_2)$ ,  $\|g_m(Tx) - x\| < \delta_2$ . Denote

$$t(x_1, x_2) = \min \{ \omega(g_{r(x_1, x_2)}, x, \delta_2) \colon x \in A(x_1, x_2) \}.$$

Since the linear manifold  $T^*X^*$  is 1-norming, there exists a finite subset  $\{h_i\}_1^{m_2} \subset X^*$  such that  $\{T^*h_i\}_1^{m_2} \subset S(E^*)$  and the set

$$\{(T^*h_i)|_{[x_1,x_2]}\}_1^{m_2}$$

is a  $\delta_2$ -net in the ball  $U([x_1, x_2]^*)$ . We denote by [x, y] the linear span of x and y. Finally, put

$$\epsilon(\{x_1, x_2\}) = \min_{1 \le k \le 2} \{ d(\{x_i\}_1^k), t(\{x_i\}_1^k) \} \delta_2^2(8 \|T\| \max \{\|h_i\|: i = 1, \dots, m_2\})^{-1}.$$

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Continuing in such a way we construct the map  $\epsilon: \Sigma \to R_+$ . Now let the sequence  $\{y_i\} \subset S(E)$  satisfy  $||Ty_{n+1}|| \leq \epsilon(\{y_i\}_1^n)$  for all  $n = 1, 2, \ldots$ . We have to prove that  $\{y_i\}$  is a BCBS. At first we will check that  $\{y_i\}$  is a basic sequence. Here we act standardly:

$$\begin{split} \left\|\sum_{1}^{n} a_{i} y_{i}\right\| &\leq (1-\delta_{n})^{-1} \max\left\{\left|T^{*} h_{i}\left(\sum_{1}^{n} a_{i} y_{i}\right)\right| : 1 \leq i \leq m_{n}\right\} \\ &= (1-\delta_{n})^{-1} \max\left\{\left|T^{*} h_{i}\left(\sum_{1}^{n+1} a_{i} y_{i}\right) - T^{*} h_{i}(a_{n+1} y_{n+1})\right| : 1 \leq i \leq m_{n}\right\} \\ &\leq (1-\delta_{n})^{-1} \left(\max\left\{\left\|T^{*} h_{i}\right\|\right\|\sum_{1}^{n+1} a_{i} y_{i}\right\| : 1 \leq i \leq m_{n}\right\} \\ &+ |a_{n+1}| \max\{|h_{i}(T y_{n+1})| : 1 \leq i \leq m_{n}\}), \end{split}$$

but

$$|a_{n+1}| \le \left\|\sum_{1}^{n+1} a_i y_i\right\| + \left\|\sum_{1}^{n} a_i y_i\right\|$$

 $\operatorname{and}$ 

$$|h_i(Ty_{n+1})| \le ||h_i|| ||Ty_{n+1}|| < \delta_n$$

Therefore

$$\left\|\sum_{1}^{n} a_{i} y_{i}\right\| \leq (1-\delta_{n})^{-1} \left(\left\|\sum_{1}^{n+1} a_{i} y_{i}\right\| + \delta_{n} \left(\left\|\sum_{1}^{n+1} a_{i} y_{i}\right\| + \left\|\sum_{1}^{n} a_{i} y_{i}\right\|\right)\right)$$

and we have finally

$$\left\|\sum_{1}^{n} a_{i} y_{i}\right\| \leq (1+\delta_{n})(1-2\delta_{n})^{-1} \left\|\sum_{1}^{n+1} a_{i} y_{i}\right\|$$

Using the inequality

$$\prod_{1}^{\infty} (1+\delta_n)(1-2\delta_n)^{-1} \le 2$$

we get that  $\{y_i\}$  is a basic sequence with basis constant less than 2. By the Krein-Milman-Rutman stability theorem (recall that  $\sum_{1}^{\infty} \delta_n < 1/8$ ) it is easily verified that  $\{\bar{y}_i\}$  ( $\bar{y}_i$  has the same sense with respect to  $y_i$  as  $\bar{x}_i$  has with respect to  $x_i$ ) is a basic sequence which is equivalent to  $\{y_i\}$ . Direct verification shows

that the basis constant of  $\{\bar{y}_i\}$  is less than 5. So it will be enough to check that  $\{\bar{y}_i\}$  is a BCBS. We begin with the weaker property. Namely, let

(1) 
$$\sup\left\{ \left\| \sum_{1}^{n} t_{i_{k}}^{k} \bar{y}_{k} \right\| : n = 1, 2, \ldots \right\} < 1/10.$$

Let us check that the series  $\Sigma t_{i_k}^k \bar{y}_k$  converges. We have

$$||T\bar{y}_k|| \le ||T(y_k - \bar{y}_k)|| + ||Ty_k|| \le (1 + ||T||)\epsilon(\{y_i\}_1^{k-1}) < 2\delta_{k-1}$$

and from (1) we get  $|t_{i_k}^k| \leq 1, k = 1, 2, \ldots$  So the series  $\Sigma t_{i_k} T \bar{y}_k$  converges. Put  $x_o = \Sigma t_{i_k}^k T \bar{y}_k$ . Let us show that for all  $n = 1, 2, \ldots, x_o \in G_n$ . We have

$$\begin{split} & \left\|\sum_{n+1}^{\infty} t_{i_k}^k T \bar{y}_k\right\| \le \sum_{n+1}^{\infty} \|T \bar{y}_k\| \le (1 + \|T\|) \sum_{n+1}^{\infty} \epsilon(\{y_i\}_1^{k-1}) \\ & \le 2 \sum_{n+1}^{\infty} \delta_{k-1} d(\{y_i\}_1^{k-1}) \le 2d(\{y_i\}_1^n) \sum_{1}^{\infty} \delta_k \le d(\{y_i\}_1^n)/4 \end{split}$$

Since  $\Sigma_1^n t_{i_k}^k \bar{y}_k \in U(E)$ , and by the definition of  $d(\{y_i\}_1^n)$ , we get that  $x_o \in G_n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \ldots$  So  $x_o \in \bigcap_1^\infty G_n \subset TE$  and therefore  $\lim g_n(x_o)$  exists. Denoting  $r_n = r(\{y_i\}_1^n)$  we have:

$$\begin{split} \|g_{r_{n}}(x_{o}) - \sum_{1}^{n} t_{i_{k}}^{k} \bar{y}_{k} \| \\ &= \|g_{r_{n}} \left( \sum_{1}^{\infty} t_{i_{k}}^{k} T \bar{y}_{k} \right) - g_{r_{n}} \left( \sum_{1}^{n} t_{i_{k}}^{k} T \bar{y}_{k} \right) + g_{r_{n}} \left( \sum_{1}^{n} t_{i_{k}}^{k} T \bar{y}_{k} \right) - \sum_{1}^{n} t_{i_{k}}^{k} \bar{y}_{k} \| \\ &\leq \|g_{r_{n}} \left( \sum_{1}^{n} t_{i_{k}}^{k} T \bar{y}_{k} + \sum_{n+1}^{\infty} t_{i_{k}}^{k} T \bar{y}_{k} \right) - g_{r_{n}} \left( \sum_{1}^{n} t_{i_{k}}^{k} T \bar{y}_{k} \right) \| \\ &+ \|g_{r_{n}} \left( \sum_{1}^{n} t_{i_{k}}^{k} T \bar{y}_{k} \right) - \sum_{1}^{n} t_{i_{k}}^{k} \bar{y}_{k} \|. \end{split}$$

But

$$\begin{split} & \left\|\sum_{n+1}^{\infty} t_{i_k}^k T \bar{y}_k\right\| \le \sum_{n+1}^{\infty} \|T \bar{y}_k\| \le 2 \sum_{n+1}^{\infty} \epsilon(\{y_i\}_1^{k-1}) \\ & \le 2t(\{y_i\}_1^n) \sum_{1}^{\infty} \delta_k \le 1/4\omega \left(g_{r_n}, \sum_{1}^n t_{i_k}^k T \bar{y}_k, \delta_n\right) \end{split}$$

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and therefore

$$\left\|g_{r_n}(x_o)-\sum_{1}^{n}t_{i_k}^k\bar{y}_k\right\|<2\delta_n.$$

Now it is easily seen that the series  $\sum t_{i_k}^k \bar{y}_k$  converges. Finally let  $\sup\{\|\sum_{i_k}^n p_k \bar{y}_k\|: n = 1, 2, ...\} \leq 1/20$ . Then  $\sup|p_k| < 1/2$  and hence, for each integer k, there exists a number  $t_{i_k}^k$  such that  $|p_k - t_{i_k}^k| \leq \delta_k$ . Thus

$$\sup \left\| \sum_{1}^{n} t_{i_{k}}^{k} \bar{y}_{k} \right\| \leq 1/4$$

and, as proved above, the series  $\Sigma t_{i_k}^k \bar{y}_k$  (and hence also  $\Sigma p_k \bar{y}_k$ ) converges. This completes the proof of implication  $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3). It is evident that for every sequence  $\{x_i\} \subset S(E)$  the series  $\Sigma \epsilon(\{x_i\}_1^n)$  converges. To prove (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) assume the contrary, i.e. T is not  $G_{\delta}$ -embedding. Then from [9] there exist a number  $\delta > 0$  and a sequence  $\{y_i\} \subset U(E)$  such that  $||y_i - y_j|| \geq \delta, i \neq j$ , but the sequence  $\{Ty_i\}$  is dense in itself. Put  $x_1 = y_1, e_o = x_1/||x_1||$  and choose an element  $y_{n_2}$  such that

$$||Ty_1 - Ty_{n_2}|| < \delta \epsilon(\{e_o\}).$$

Put  $x_2 = y_{n_2}, e_{11} = (x_1 - x_2)/||x_1 - x_2||$ . Then

(2) 
$$||Tx_1 - Tx_2|| < \delta \epsilon(\{e_o\}), ||Te_{11}|| < \epsilon(\{e_o\}).$$

Using density of the sequence  $\{Ty_i\}$  in itself again we choose an element  $y_{n_3}$  such that  $||Tx_1 - Ty_{n_3}|| < \delta \epsilon(\{e_o, e_{11}\})$ . Put  $x_3 = y_{n_3}$  and  $e_{21} = (x_1 - x_3)/||x_1 - x_3||$ . Then

(3) 
$$||Tx_1 - Tx_3|| < \delta \epsilon(\{e_o, e_{11}\}), ||Te_{21}|| < \epsilon(\{e_o, e_{11}\}).$$

Let  $y_{n_4}$  be such an element that  $||Tx_2 - Ty_{n_4}|| < \delta \epsilon(\{e_o, e_{11}, e_{21}\})$ . Denoting  $x_4 = y_{n_4}, e_{22} = (x_2 - x_4)/||x_2 - x_4||$  we obtain

(4) 
$$||Tx_2 - Tx_4|| < \delta\epsilon(\{e_o, e_{11}, e_{21}\}), ||Te_{22}|| < \epsilon(\{e_o, e_{11}, e_{21}\}).$$

The sequence  $\{e_o, e_{ij}\}$  will be constructed in this way. By condition (2) of the theorem,  $\{e_o, e_{ij}\}$  is BCBS. Let  $\{z_i\}$  be the sequence  $\{e_o, e_{ij}\}$  that is numerated

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by one index and put  $Y = [z_i]_1^{\infty}$ . We shall show that  $T|_Y$  is a  $G_{\delta}$ -embedding. Let us introduce the new norm

$$|||y||| = \sup \left\|\sum_{1}^{n} a_i z_i\right\|, \quad y = \sum a_i z_i$$

in Y which is equivalent to the original one. Denote by  $V = \{y \in Y : |||y||| \le 1\}$ the unit ball in the new norm. We will show that the image TV is closed in the space X. Put

$$u_m = \sum a_i^m z_i \in V, \quad m = 1, 2, \dots, \quad \lim T u_m = v.$$

Without loss of generality we can assume that for all i = 1, 2, ... there exists  $\lim a_i^m = a_i$ . It is evident that  $\sup ||\Sigma_1^n a_i z_i|| \leq 1$ . Since  $\{z_i\}$  is a BCBS series  $\sum a_i z_i$  converges to some element u. Hence  $u = \sum a_i z_i \in V$ . Fix  $\epsilon$  and choose a number n such that  $\sum_{n+1}^{\infty} \epsilon(\{z_i\}_1^{k-1}) < \epsilon/16$ . There exists a number m such that, for all i = 1, ..., n,  $|a_i^m - a_i| < \epsilon/(4n||T||)$ . We have:

$$||Tu_m - Tu|| \le \left\|\sum_{i=1}^n (a_i^m - a_i)Tz_i\right\| + \left\|\sum_{n+1}^\infty (a_i^m - a_i)Tz_i\right\| < \epsilon.$$

Hence  $\lim Tu_m = Tu, u \in V, v = Tu$  and therefore  $v \in TV$ . Thus  $T|_Y$  is a semi-embedding and, since Y is separable, T is a  $G_{\delta}$ -embedding. But the image  $\{Tx_i\}$  of  $\delta$ -separated sequence  $\{x_i\} \subset U(Y)$  (remember that  $\{x_i\} \subset \{y_i\}$ ) is dense in itself (see (2), (3), (4)). This is impossible [9]. So implication (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) is proved.

Implication  $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$  is evident. The proof of the theorem is completed.

Remark 2: If an injection  $T: E \to X$  of a separable Banach space E into a Banach space X is a  $G_{\delta}$ -embedding, then  $T^{-1}$  belongs to the first Baire class (see [1, 6]).

Remark 3: We do not use the separability of the space E in the proof of implication  $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$ .

The following theorem gives the most general (in terms of injections) criterion for the existence of BCBS in a given separable Banach space without the assumption that  $T^{-1}$  belongs to the first Baire class.

THEOREM 2: Let  $T: E \to X$  be an injection of a separable Banach space E into a Banach space X. If there exists a bounded subset  $D \subset E$  which is dense in some ball of the space E and whose image TD is a  $G_{\delta}$ -set in the space X, then  $E \supset BCBS$ .

If the inverse mapping  $T^{-1}$  belongs to the first Baire class, then by Proof: Theorem 1,  $E \supset BCBS$ . Suppose that  $T^{-1}$  does not belong to the first Baire class. Hence, by Proposition 1, the set  $X - \operatorname{cl} U(E)$  is unbounded. Denote  $V = \operatorname{cl} TU(E)$  and, by Z, the Banach space  $\operatorname{lin} V$  with the set V as the unit ball. Let  $T_1: E \to Z, T_2: Z \to X$  be natural embeddings. Since the set  $X - \operatorname{cl} U(E)$ is unbounded, it follows that  $T_1$  is not an isomorphic embedding. We will show that the inverse mapping  $T_1^{-1}$  belongs to the first Baire class, or equivalently (by Proposition 1):  $Z - \operatorname{cl} U(E)$  is bounded in the space E. Without loss of generality we may assume that  $E - \operatorname{cl} D \supset U(E)$ . By the conditions of the theorem, there exists a sequence  $\{G_n\}$  of open subsets of the space X such that  $TD = \bigcap G_n$ . Denote  $D_n = T^{-1}(G_n)$  and let  $y_o \in Z - \operatorname{cl} U(E), y = 1/2y_o$ . It is evident that y belongs to the algebraic interior of the set  $Z - \operatorname{cl} U(E)$ . Hence there exists a number  $\gamma > 0$  such that  $y + \gamma U(E) \subset Z - \operatorname{cl} U(E)$ . We will consider two cases. (1) For every  $\delta \in (0, \gamma), D \cap (y + \delta U(E)) \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $y \in E - \operatorname{cl} D$  and therefore

$$\sup\{\|y_{o}\|: y_{o} \in Z - \operatorname{cl} U(E)\} \le 2 \sup\{\|z\|: z \in E - \operatorname{cl} D\}.$$

(2) There exists  $\delta \in (0, \gamma), D \cap (y + \delta U(E)) = \emptyset$ .

Then by  $D = \bigcap D_k$  we have  $(y + \delta U(E)) \subset \bigcup cD_k$ . By the Baire category theorem, there exist a number m and an E-ball  $W \subset y + \delta U(E)$  such that  $cD_m \supset W$ . Since the set  $cD_m$  is X-closed, we obtain

$$(5) X - \operatorname{cl} W \subset cD_m.$$

On the other hand,

$$W \subset y + \gamma U(E) \subset Z - \operatorname{cl} U(E) \subset Z - \operatorname{cl} D$$

hence  $(X - \operatorname{cl} W) \cap D \neq \emptyset$  (the set  $X - \operatorname{cl} W$  is a Z-ball in the space E and therefore it is a Z-neighborhood for every point from the algebraic interior of the set W). We have obtained the contradiction to (5).

Thus the set  $Z - \operatorname{cl} U(E)$  is bounded and, by Proposition 1, inverse mapping  $T_1^{-1}$  belongs to the first Baire class. But  $T_1D = \cap T_2^{-1}(G_n)$  and every set  $T_2^{-1}(G_n)$  is open in the space Z. So by Theorem 1 (applied to the injection  $T_1: E \to Z$ ),  $E \supset BCBS$ . The proof is completed.

The following corollary is a consequence of Theorem 2 and the Baire category theorem.

COROLLARY 1: Let  $T: E \to X$  be an injection of a separable Banach space E into a Banach space X such that the image TU(E) of the unit ball U(E) of the space E is a  $G_{\delta\sigma}$ -set in the space X. Then  $E \supset BCBS$ .

Remark 4: The restriction on the Borel type of the image TU(E) cannot be weakened (if we want to say anything about the space E) because for every injection  $T: E \to X$  with the inverse from the first Baire class, for any separable Banach space E, the image TU(E) is an  $F_{\sigma\delta}$ -set in X [7].

Now we pass to the characterization of separability of the dual space  $E^*$  in terms of the saturation by BCBS.

Let  $W: \Sigma \to \mathcal{B}$  be a map of the set of all ordered finite subsets of the unit sphere  $S(E^*)$  into the set  $\mathcal{B}$  of all  $w^*$ -neighborhoods of zero in the unit ball  $U(E^*)$ . We will say that the map W is a  $w^*$ -regulator of boundedly complete basic sequences (briefly:  $w^*$ -RBCBS) if and only if every sequence  $\{f_n\} \subset S(E^*)$ possessing the property:

(\*\*) For all 
$$n = 1, 2, ..., f_{n+1} \in W(\{f_i\}_1^n)$$

is BCBS.

It is obvious that every  $w^*$ -null sequence  $\{f_n\} \subset S(E^*)$  has a subsequence possessing the property (\*\*). Let us note that according to the well-known result of Johnson and Rosenthal [13] every  $w^*$ -null sequence from the unit sphere of a separable dual space has a BCB subsequence. Thus the following theorem strengthens the result of Johnson and Rosenthal bringing it to a necessary and sufficient condition.

**THEOREM 3:** Let E be a separable Banach space. The following assertions are equivalent:

(1) The dual space  $E^*$  is separable.

## (2) There exists a $w^*$ -RBCBS.

Proof: (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). Let  $A: l_2 \to E$  be some compact operator from the separable Hilbert space  $l_2$  into the space E with dense range. Denote  $T = A^*: E^* \to l_2$ . Then T is a semi-embedding (the image of the unit ball is closed) and, by separability of the space  $E^*$ , it follows that T is a  $G_{\delta}$ -embedding [1]. Now assertion (2) follows from Theorem 1 ((3)  $\Rightarrow$  (2)) since  $w^*$ -topology on the unit ball  $U(E^*)$  coincides with the  $l_2$ -topology.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$ . Let T be the operator introduced above. With the help of Theorem 1  $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$  it is easily verified that T is a  $G_{\delta}$ -embedding (recall that the notion of  $G_{\delta}$ -embedding is separable defined). We will prove that every  $w^*$ -compact subset  $K \subset U(E^*)$  is w<sup>\*</sup>-huskable (i.e. for every  $\epsilon > 0$  and every w<sup>\*</sup>-open subset D possessing the property  $D \cap K \neq \emptyset$  there exists a w<sup>\*</sup>-open subset  $D_1 \subset D$  such that  $D_1 \cap K \neq \emptyset$  and diam $(D_1 \cap K) < \epsilon$ ). Let  $\{f_i\}$  be a countable  $w^*$ -dense subset of the set K (the space E is separable) and D be an  $w^*$ -open subset of the space  $E^*$  such that  $D \cap K \neq \emptyset$ . Denote  $K_1 = \|.\| - \operatorname{cl} \{f_i\}_1^\infty$  and  $K_2 = \|.\| - \operatorname{cl} (K_1 \cap D)$ . So  $K_2$  is a non-empty (by  $w^*$ -density of the set  $K_1$  in the set K and by  $K \cap D \neq \emptyset$ ) separable bounded closed subset as well as  $K_1$ . Since T is a  $G_{\delta}$ -embedding there exists [9] a point of continuity of the map  $T^{-1}|_{TK_2}$ . Hence by compactness of the operator T there exists a point  $g \in K_2$  and  $w^*$ -open neighborhood  $D_1$  of g such that  $D_1 \cap K_2 \neq \emptyset$  and diam $(D_1 \cap K_2) < \epsilon$ . As the set  $K_1 \cap D$  is dense in the set  $K_2$ , there exists an element  $g_1 \in (K_1 \cap D) \cap D_1$ . Denoting  $D_2 = D \cap D_1$ we get  $D_2 \cap K_1 \neq \emptyset$ . Since  $K_1 \cap D_2 = (K_1 \cap D) \cap D_1 \subset K_2$  and  $D_2 \subset D$ , then  $K_1 \cap D_2 \subset K_2 \cap D_1$  and by diam $(K_2 \cap D_1) < \epsilon$  we have diam $(K_1 \cap D_2) < \epsilon$ . It is clear that diam $(w^* - \operatorname{cl}(K_1 \cap D_2)) < \epsilon$  also. But  $w^* - \operatorname{cl}(K_1 \cap D_2) \supset (K \cap D_2)$ by  $w^*$ -density of the set  $K \cap D_2$ . Thus, diam $(K \cap D_2) < \epsilon$ . So we have proved that every  $w^*$ -compact subset of the dual space  $E^*$  is  $w^*$ -huskable. By the result of Kenderov [14] the space  $E^*$  possesses the RN-property. But the space E is separable, therefore by a result of Stegall [19] the space  $E^*$  is separable too. The proof is completed.

# 2. Injections and $c_o$ -subspaces

Let  $T: E \to X$  be an injection of a Banach space E into a topological vector space X. We will say [8] that a subset  $C \subset E$  is of the super-first category if and only if it can be covered by a countable union of X-closed and E-nowhere dense

sets. We will use the following theorem [8].

THEOREM 4: Let a Banach space E allow an injection  $T: E \to X$  in some Hausdorff topological vector space X such that there exists a closed bounded solid (i.e. with non-empty interior) subset  $A \subset E$  with the boundary  $\partial A$  of super-first category. Then  $E \supset c_o$ . Conversely, if a separable Banach space E contains a  $c_o$ -subspace, then there exist an injection  $T: E \to X$  (into some Banach space X) even with  $T^{-1}$  from the first Baire class and an equivalent norm |||.||| on the space E such that the unit sphere S(E, |||.|||) (i.e. the boundary of the unit ball) is of super-first category.

The following theorem is based on Theorem 4.

THEOREM 5: Let  $T: E \to X$  be an injection of a Banach space E into a Hausdorff topological vector space X. Let there exist a non-empty open bounded subset  $G \subset E$  and a subset  $C \subset G$  (possibly empty) of the super-first category such that the set  $G \setminus C$  is a  $G_{\delta}$ -set in the X-topology in the closure  $E - \operatorname{cl} G$ . Then  $E \supset c_o$ .

Proof: Denote  $A = E - \operatorname{cl} G$ . By the conditions of the theorem,  $G \smallsetminus C = \bigcap G_n$ where each subset  $G_n \subset A$  is X-open in A. Hence  $A \smallsetminus (G \smallsetminus C) = (A \smallsetminus G) \bigcup C = \bigcup V_n$ , where each subset  $V_n \subset A$  is X-closed in A. Since G is an open subset of the space E, it follows that  $\partial A = A \smallsetminus G$  and therefore  $\partial A \subset \bigcup V_n$ . It is clear that each subset  $V_n$  is X-closed in the set A and nowhere dense  $(V_n$  is norm-closed and  $V_n \subset \partial A \cup C$ ). To complete the proof it remains to apply Theorem 4.

Remark 4: If E is separable and U(E) is closed in the X-topology then the condition: " $(G \ C)$  is a  $G_{\delta}$ -set in X-topology in the set  $E - \operatorname{cl} G$ " is equivalent to the following one: " $(G \ C)$  is a  $G_{\delta}$ -set in X-topology in the whole space E".

Before stating the corollary we introduce some notation. For subsets B and C of a Banach space E we will denote by

$$\delta(B,C) = \sup\{d(x,C): x \in B\}$$

the deviation of the set B from the set C.

COROLLARY 2: Let  $T: E \to X$  be an injection of a Banach space E into a Hausdorff topological vector space X. Suppose that there exists a closed bounded

subset  $A \subset E$  possessing the property:  $\partial A \subset \bigcup V_n$ ,  $A \supset \bigcup V_n \neq \emptyset$  where each subset  $V_n$  is an X-closed subset of the set A and  $\lim \delta(V_n, \partial A) = 0$ . Then  $E \supset c_o$ . Proof: Denote  $G = A \supset \bigcup V_n$ . It is clear that the subset  $G \subset A$  is a  $G_{\delta}$ -set in Xtopology on A. We will show that G is an open subset of the space E. Let  $x \in G$ . It is evident that  $x \in (intA)$  (intA is the interior of the set A in E-topology) and therefore there exists a number r > 0 such that  $x + 2rU(E) \subset (intA)$ . Since for every  $y + rU(E), d(y, \partial A) \ge r$  and  $\lim \delta(V_n, \partial A) = 0$ , it follows that there exists an integer m such that for every n > m,  $V_n \cap (x + rU(E)) = \emptyset$ . Denoting  $\delta = \min \{1/2d(x, V_n), 1/2r: 1 \le n \le m\}$  we get  $x + \delta U(E) \subset G$ . Application of Theorem 5 ( $C = \emptyset$ ) completes the proof.

In connection with Theorem 5 it is interesting to consider the class  $\mathcal{A}$  of all separable Banach spaces possessing the property:  $E \in \mathcal{A}$  if and only if there exists an open bounded subset  $G \subset E$  which is a  $G_{\delta}$ -set in the space E in the weak topology.

**PROPOSITION 2:** A separable Banach space E belongs to the class  $\mathcal{A}$  if and only if there exists an open bounded subset  $G \subset E$  which is a  $G_{\delta}$ -set in the set  $\|.\| - \operatorname{cl} G$  in w-topology.

**Proof:** The proof follows from the observation:  $E \setminus (\|.\| - \operatorname{cl} G)$  is an open subset of the separable Banach space E and hence it can be covered by a countable union of closed (both in norm and weak topologies) balls.

Since the property  $E \in \mathcal{A}$  is a hereditary one for subspaces of the space E, the next corollary follows from Theorem 5 ( $C = \emptyset$ ).

COROLLARY 3: Each Banach space from the class  $\mathcal{A}$  contains an isomorphic copy of the space  $c_o$  hereditarily.

Let us note that the class  $\mathcal{A}$  is polar (but not opposite) to the class of Polish spaces [2, 18].

Remember that a Banach space is called polyhedral [15] if and only if the unit ball of every finite-dimensional subspace is a polyhedron.

**PROPOSITION 3:** Every separable polyhedral Banach space belongs to the class A.

**Proof:** According to [3] a separable polyhedral Banach space E possesses a countable boundary, i.e. there exists a sequence  $\{f_i\} \subset S(E^*)$  of linear functionals such that, for every  $x \in E$ , there exists functional  $f_j$  for which  $f_j(x) = ||x||$ .

Let G = (intU(E)); then  $G = \cap \{x \in E: f_i(x) < 1\}$  and therefore G is a  $G_{\delta}$ -set in the space E in the w-topology.

We conclude this section by the following

Problem: Is the property  $E \in \mathcal{A}$  inherited by quotient spaces of the space E? What about polyhedral space E?

## 3. Resume

Theorem 7 is a consequence of the results of previous sections (Theorem 2, Theorem 4, Theorem 5  $(C = \emptyset)$ ) and the following result of the author [5].

THEOREM 6: Let a separable Banach space E contain a BCBS. Then there exists a non-isomorphic semi-embedding  $T: E \to X$  into some Banach space X.

THEOREM 7: Let E be a separable Banach space. Then the following assertions are equivalent:

(1)  $E \in \mathcal{K}$ 

(2) There exist an injection  $T: E \to X$  (into some Banach space X) and a non-empty bounded open subset  $A \subset E$  such that either the image TA is of the type  $G_{\delta\sigma}$  in the space X or the image TA is of the type  $G_{\delta}$  in the image TE.

(3) There exist an injection  $T: E \to Y$  (into some Banach space Y) and a nonempty bounded open subset  $B \subset E$  such that either the image TB is of the type  $F_{\sigma}$  in the space Y or the image T(cB) is of the type  $F_{\sigma}$  in the image TE.

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