

## **SOME RESULTS OF ACCRETIVE OPERATORS AND CONVEX SETS IN 2-PROBABILISTIC NORMED SPACE**

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper we introduce the concept of accretive operators, discuss some properties of resolvents of an accretive operator in 2-probabilistic normed spaces and focusing on the results of convex sets in 2-probabilistic normed spaces.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

An interesting and important generalisation of the notion of metric space was introduced by K.Menger [6] under the name of statistical metric space, which is now called Probabilistic Metric Space. In the same way, in K.Menger [6] proposed the probabilistic concept of distance by replacing the number  $d(p, q)$ , as the distance between points  $p, q$ , by a distribution function  $F_{p,q}$ . This idea led to development of probabilistic analysis. An important family of probabilistic metric spaces is probabilistic normed spaces (briefly, PN-spaces). The concept of probabilistic normed spaces was introduced by Sertnev A. N. in 1963 [8]. The theory of probabilistic normed spaces is important as a generalization of deterministic results of linear normed spaces and also in the study of random operator equations. PN spaces may also provide us a tool to study the geometry of nuclear physics and have applications in quantum particle physics particularly in string and  $\varepsilon^{(\infty)}$  theory. The concept of 2-probabilistic normed spaces is introduced by the authors I. Golet [5] and Kouroush Nourouzi, Fatemeh Lael [2] independently, extended many results in best approximations and compact operators in linear 2 - normed spaces to

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2 - probabilistic normed spaces. In this paper we are discussing the properties of accretive operators and convex sets in 2 - probabilistic normed spaces.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

**Definition 1.** [7] A function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1)$  is said to be a distribution function if it is non decreasing and right continuous with  $\inf_{t \in \mathbb{R}} f(t) = 0$  and  $\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} f(t) = 1$ .

The set of all distribution functions is denoted by  $\mathcal{D}$ .

**Definition 2.** [2] Define the distribution function  $H(t)$  by,

$$H(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } t > 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } t \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

**Definition 3.** [2] A pair  $(X, N)$  is called a Menger's 2- Probabilistic Normed space (briefly Menger's 2-PN space) if  $X$  is a real vector space of  $\dim X > 1$ ,  $N$  is a mapping from  $X \times X$  into  $\mathcal{D}$  (for each  $x \in \mathcal{D}$ , the distribution function  $N(x, y)$  is denoted by  $N_{x,y}$  and  $N_{x,y}(t)$  is the value of  $N_{x,y}$  at  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  ) satisfying conditions

A1:  $N_{x,y}(0) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$

A2:  $N_{x,y}(t) = 1$  for all  $t > 0$  iff  $x$  and  $y$  are linearly dependent.

A3:  $N_{x,y}(t) = N_{y,x}(t)$  for all  $x, y \in X$

A4:  $N_{\alpha x, y}(t) = N_{x,y}(\frac{t}{|\alpha|})$  for all  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R} - \{0\}$  and for all  $x, y \in X$

A5:  $N_{x+y,z}(s+t) \geq \text{Min}\{N_{x,y}(s), N_{y,x}(t)\}$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$  and  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

We call the mapping  $(x, y) \rightarrow N_{x,y}$  a 2-probabilistic norm on  $X$ .

From the axioms (A1) and (A2) of the above definition, it is clear that

$$N_{x,y}(t) = H(t) \text{ iff } x \text{ and } y \text{ are linearly dependent.}$$

**Example 1.** [2] Let  $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  be a 2-normed space. Every 2-norm induces a 2-PN norm on  $X$  as follows:

$$N_{x,y}(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\|x,y\|}, & \text{if } t > 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } t < 0 \end{cases}$$

This 2-probabilistic norm is called the standard 2-PN norm.

**Example 2.** [2] Let  $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  be a 2-normed space. Define

$$N_{x,y}(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } t \leq \|x, y\| \\ 1, & \text{if } \|x, y\| < t \end{cases}$$

where  $x, y \in X$  and  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  then  $(X, N)$  is a 2-PN space.

**Definition 4.** [2] Let  $(X, N)$  be a 2-PN space, and  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence of  $X$ . Then the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is said to be convergent to  $x$  if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N_{x_n-x,z}(t) = 1$  for all  $z \in X$  and  $t > 0$ .

**Definition 5.** [2] Let  $(X, N)$  be a 2-PN space then a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  is said to be a Cauchy sequence if  $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} N_{x_m - x_n, z}(t) = 1$  for all  $z \in X, t > 0$  and  $m > n$ .

**Definition 6.** [2] A 2-PN space is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence in  $X$  is convergent to a point of  $X$ .

A Complete 2-PN space is called 2-Probabilistic Banach space.

**Definition 7.** [2] Let  $(X, N)$  be a 2-PN space,  $E$  be a subset of  $X$  then the closure of  $E$  is  $\bar{E} = \{x \in X; \text{there is a sequence } \{x_n\} \text{ of } E \text{ such that } x_n \rightarrow x\}$ .

We say,  $E$  is sequentially closed if  $E = \bar{E}$ .

**Definition 8.** [1] Let  $E$  be a subset of a real vector space  $X$  then  $E$  is said to be a convex set if  $\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y \in E$  for all  $x, y \in E$  and  $0 < \lambda < 1$ .

**Definition 9.** [2] Let  $(X, N)$  be a 2-PN space, for  $e, x \in X, \alpha \in (0, 1)$  and  $r > 0$  we define the locally ball by,

$$B_{e, \alpha}[x, r] = \{y \in X : N_{x-y, e}(r) \geq \alpha\}$$

**Definition 10.** [2] Let  $(X, N)$  and  $(Y, N')$  be two 2-PN spaces,  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  then a mapping is said to be sequentially continuous if  $x_n \rightarrow x$  implies  $T(x_n) \rightarrow T(x)$ .

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

**3.1. Accretive Operators in 2-PN space.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a 2-PN space and  $A : D(A) \subset X \rightarrow X$  be an operator with domain  $D(A) = \{x \in X; Ax \neq 0\}$  and range  $R(A) = \cup\{Ax; x \in D(A)\}$ . We may identify  $A$  with its graph and the closure of  $A$  with the closure of its graph.

**Definition 11.** : Let  $(X, N)$  be a 2-PN space. An operator  $A : D(A) \subset X \rightarrow X$  is said to be accretive if for every  $z \in D(A)$

$$N_{x-y, z}(t) \geq N_{(x-y)+\lambda(Ax-Ay), z}(t) \text{ for all } x, y \in D(A) \text{ and } \lambda > 0.$$

Throughout this article  $[x, y] \in A$  means  $x, y \in X$  such that  $y = Ax$ .

Let  $A$  be an accretive operator in a 2-PN space  $(X, N)$ . Define the resolvent of  $A$  by  $J_\lambda = (1 + \lambda A)^{-1}$  and the Yosida approximation  $A_\lambda = \frac{1}{\lambda}(I - J_\lambda)$  for every  $\lambda > 0$ . Then  $D(J_\lambda) = R(I + \lambda A), R(J_\lambda) = D(A), D(A_\lambda) = D(J_\lambda)$  for  $t > 0$ .

Next we have some properties of  $J_\lambda$ .

**Lemma 1.** Let  $A$  be an accretive operator in a 2-PN space  $(X, N)$ ,  $J_\lambda$  is single valued and

- (1)  $N_{J_\lambda(x) - J_\lambda(y), z}(t) \geq N_{x-y, z}(t)$
- (2)  $N_{\frac{1}{n}[J_\lambda^n(x) - x], z}(t) \geq N_{J_\lambda(x) - x, z}(t)$

for all  $x, y \in D(J_\lambda), \lambda > 0, z \in X$

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in D(J_\lambda), \lambda > 0, t \in R$ . Suppose  $y_1 = J_\lambda(x), y_2 = J_\lambda(x)$

Since  $A$  is accretive,

$$\begin{aligned} N_{y_1-y_2, z}(t) &\geq N_{(y_1-y_2)+\lambda[\frac{1}{\lambda}(x-y_1)-\frac{1}{\lambda}(x-y_2)], z}(t) \\ &= N_{0, z}(t) = H(t) \text{ for all } z \in X \end{aligned}$$

implies  $y_1 - y_2, z$  are linearly independent for every  $z \in X$

implies  $y_1 - y_2 = 0$  implies  $y_1 = y_2$ .

Therefore, there exists  $[x_1, y_1], [x_2, y_2] \in A$  such that  $x_1 + \lambda y_1 = x_2 + \lambda y_2$  then  $J_\lambda(x) = x_1, J_\lambda(y) = x_2$ .

(i) Since  $A$  is accretive,

$$\begin{aligned} N_{J_\lambda(x)-J_\lambda(y), z}(t) &= N_{x_1-x_2, z}(t) \\ &\geq N_{[(x_1-x_2)+\lambda(y_1-y_2)], z}(t) \\ &= N_{[(x_1+\lambda y_1)-(x_2+\lambda y_2)], z}(t) \\ &= N_{x-y, z}(t) \text{ for every } z \in X \end{aligned}$$

(ii) We have,

$$\begin{aligned} &N_{\frac{1}{n}[J_\lambda^n(x)-x], z}(t) \\ &= N_{J_\lambda^n(x)-x, z}(nt) \\ &= N_{[J_\lambda^n(x)-J_\lambda^{n-1}(x)+J_\lambda^{n-1}(x)-x], z}[t + (n-1)t] \\ &= \text{Min}\{N_{[J_\lambda^n(x)-J_\lambda^{n-1}(x)], z}(t), N_{[J_\lambda^{n-1}(x)-x], z}[(n-1)t]\} \\ &\geq \text{Min}\{N_{[J_\lambda^n(x)-J_\lambda^{n-1}(x)], z}(t), \text{Min}\{N_{[J_\lambda^{n-1}(x)-J_\lambda^{n-2}(x)], z}(t), N_{[J_\lambda^{n-2}(x)-x], z}[(n-2)t]\}\} \\ &\geq \text{Min}\{N_{[J_\lambda^n(x)-x], z}(t), \text{Min}\{N_{[J_\lambda(x)-x], z}(t) \dots\} \text{Min}\{N_{[J_\lambda(x)-x], z}(t) \dots\}\}\} \text{ [by (i)]} \\ &\geq N_{J_\lambda^n(x)-x, z}(t) \text{ for every } z \in X \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

□

**Definition 12.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a 2-PN space. An operator  $A : D(A) \subset X \rightarrow X$  is said to be  $m$ -accretive if  $R(I + \lambda A) = X$  for  $\lambda > 0$ .

An operator  $A : D(A) \subset X \rightarrow X$  and  $B : D(B) \subset X \rightarrow X$  be two operators then  $B$  is said to be an extension of  $A$  if  $D(A) \subset D(B)$  and  $Ax = Bx$  for every  $x \in D(A)$ , denote it by  $A \subset B$ .

**Definition 13.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a 2-PN space. An operator  $A : D(A) \subset X \rightarrow X$  is said to be a maximal accretive operator in  $X$  if  $A$  is an accretive operator in  $X$  and for every accretive operator  $B$  of  $X$  with  $A \subset B$  then  $A = B$ .

**Theorem 1.** Let  $(X, N)$  be a 2-PN space. If  $A$  is an  $m$ -accretive operator in  $X$  then  $A$  is a maximal accretive operator.

*Proof.* Let B be an accretive operator with  $A \subset B$ . Let  $\lambda > 0$  and  $[x, y] \in B$ .

Since A is m- accretive we have  $x + \lambda y \in R(I + \lambda A)$  implies there exists  $[x_1, y_1] \in A$  such that  $x + \lambda y = x_1 + \lambda y_1$

Since B is accretive and  $[x_1, y_1] \in B$  we have,

$$\begin{aligned} N_{x-x_1, z}(t) &\geq N_{(x-x_1)+\lambda(Bx-Bx_1), z}(t) \\ &= N_{(x-x_1)+\lambda(y-y_1), z}(t) \\ &= N_{(x+\lambda y)-(x_1+\lambda y_1), z}(t) = N_{0, z}(t) \text{ for every } z \in X \\ &= H(t) \text{ for every } z \in X \end{aligned}$$

implies  $x - x_1 = 0$  implies  $x = x_1$

Therefore  $y = y_1$  implies  $[x, y] \in A$ . So  $A=B$ .

Hence A is a maximal accretive operator.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.** *Let A be an accretive operator in a 2-PN space  $(X, N)$  and let  $(u, v) \in X \times X$  then A is maximal accretive in X iff  $N_{(x-u), z}(t) \geq N_{(x-u)+\lambda(y-v), z}(t)$  for every  $[x, y] \in A, z \in X$  and  $\lambda > 0$  implies  $[u, v] \in A$*

*Proof.* Let A be a maximal accretive operator in X. Put  $T = A \cup [u, v]$

Suppose  $N_{(x-u), z}(t) \geq N_{(x-u)+\lambda(y-v), z}(t)$  for every  $[x, y] \in A, z \in X$  and  $\lambda > 0$

then T is accretive in X and  $A \subset T$  implies  $[u, v] \in A$

Conversly, Suppose that if A is accretive operator in X and

$N_{(x-u), z}(t) \geq N_{(x-u)+\lambda(y-v), z}(t)$  for every  $[x, y] \in A, z \in X$  and  $\lambda > 0$  implies  $[u, v] \in A$

Let B be accretive in X with  $A \subset B$  and  $[x_1, y_1] \in B$

Since Bis accretive in X, we have for every  $[x, y] \in A, z \in X$  and  $\lambda > 0$  with

$$N_{x-x_1, z}(t) \geq N_{(x-x_1)+\lambda(Bx-Bx_1), z}(t) = N_{(x-x_1)+\lambda(y-y_1), z}(t)$$

implies  $[x_1, y_1] \in A$ . Therefore  $B \subset A$ . So  $A = B$ .

Hence A is maximal accretive in X.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.** *Let A be an accretive operator in a 2-PN space  $(X, N)$  then the closure  $\bar{A}$  of A is accretive.*

*Proof.* Let  $[x_1, y_1], [x_2, y_2] \in \bar{A}$  then there exists sequences  $\{[x_n, y_n]\}, \{[x_m, y_m]\}$  in A such that  $x_n \rightarrow x_1; y_n \rightarrow y_1; x_m \rightarrow x_2; y_m \rightarrow y_2$  and  $\lambda > 0$ .

Since A is accretive we have,

$$\begin{aligned} N_{x_n-x_m, z}(t) &\geq N_{(x_n-x_m)+\lambda(Ax_n-Ax_m), z}(t) \text{ for every } z \in X \\ &= N_{(x_n-x_m)+\lambda(y_n-y_m), z}(t) \text{ for every } z \in X \end{aligned}$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty, N_{x_1-x_2, z}(t) \geq N_{(x_1-x_2)+\lambda(y_1-y_2), z}(t)$  for every  $z \in X$

implies  $\bar{A}$  is accretive in X.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.** *Let A be a maximal accretive operator in a 2-PN space  $(X, N)$  then A is sequentially closed.*

*Proof.* For all  $x_n, y_n \in D(A)$ , Let  $\{[x_n, y_n]\}$  in  $A$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow u, y_n \rightarrow v$  and  $\lambda > 0$

Since  $A$  is accretive in  $X$  and  $[x, y] \in A$

implies  $N_{x-x_n, z}(t) \geq N_{(x-x_n)+\lambda(y-y_n), z}(t)$  for every  $z \in X$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  we have  $N_{x-u, z}(t) \geq N_{(x-u)+\lambda(y-v), z}(t)$  for every  $z \in X$

Therefore, by Lemma (2)  $[u, v] \in A$ . Hence  $A$  is sequentially closed.  $\square$

**Corollary 1.** *If  $A$  is an  $m$ -maximal accretive operator in a 2-PN space  $(X, N)$  then  $A$  is sequentially closed.*

*Proof.* We have an  $m$ -accretive operator  $A$  in  $X$  is a maximal accretive operator in  $X$ . Hence by Theorem (3),  $A$  is sequentially closed.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.** *Let  $(X, N)$  be a complete 2-PN space. Let  $A$  be a sequentially continuous accretive operator on  $X$ . If  $A$  is closed then  $R(I + \lambda A)$  is closed for  $\lambda > 0$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\{z_n\}$  be a sequence in  $R(I + \lambda A)$  with  $z_n \rightarrow z'$  in  $X$  then  $\{z_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ .

$\{z_n\} \in R(I + \lambda A)$  implies there exists  $[x_n, y_n] \in A$  such that  $z_n = x_n + \lambda y_n$  implies  $J_\lambda(z_n) = x_n$

Therefore for every  $t \in R$  and  $z \in X$ ,

$N_{x_n-x_m, z}(t) = N_{J_\lambda(z_n)-J_\lambda(z_m), z}(t) \geq N_{z_n-z_m, z}(t)$

implies  $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} N_{x_n-x_m, z}(t) = H(t) = 1$  for every  $t > 0$

implies  $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} N_{x_n-x_m, z}(t) = 1$  for every  $t > 0$  and  $z \in X$

Therefore  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ .

Since  $X$  is complete, there exists  $x \in X$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x$  and

$y_n = \frac{1}{\lambda}(z_n - x_n)$

implies  $y_n \rightarrow \frac{1}{\lambda}(z' - x)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

Since  $Ax_n = y_n$  and  $A$  is sequentially continuous,  $Ax = \frac{1}{\lambda}(z' - x)$

implies  $z' = x + \lambda Ax \in R(I + \lambda A)$ . Hence  $R(I + \lambda A)$  is closed for  $\lambda > 0$ .  $\square$

**3.2. Convex sets in 2-PN space.** In this section we are discussing about some properties of convex sets in 2-PN spaces.

**Theorem 5.** *Every open ball in a 2-PN space  $(X, N)$  is Convex.*

*Proof.* We have the locally ball is  $B_{e, \alpha}[x, r] = \{y \in X : N_{x-y, e}(r) \geq \alpha\}$

Let  $x \in X, r \in (0, 1), e \in X$

Choose  $z, y \in$  and  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$  then  $N_{x-z, e}(r) \geq \alpha, N_{x-y, e}(r) \geq \alpha$

We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
N_{x-[\lambda y+(1-\lambda)z],e}(r) &= N_{x-[\lambda y+(1-\lambda)z],e}([\lambda+(1-\lambda)]r) \\
&= N_{\lambda(x-y)+(1-\lambda)(x-z),e}([\lambda+(1-\lambda)]r) \\
&\geq \text{Min}\{N_{\lambda(x-y),e}(\lambda r), N_{(1-\lambda)(x-z),e}((1-\lambda)r)\} \\
&= \text{Min}\{N_{(x-y),e}(r), N_{(x-z),e}(r)\} \\
&\geq \text{Min}\{\alpha, \alpha\} = \alpha
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\lambda y + (1 - \lambda)z \in B_{e,\alpha}[x, r]$  for all  $z, y \in B_{e,\alpha}[x, r]$

So, every locally ball in a 2-PN space is Convex  $\square$

**Theorem 6.** *The closure of a closed convex set in a 2-PN space  $(X, N)$  is convex*

*Proof.* Let  $E$  be a closed convex set in a 2-PN space  $(X, N)$  then we have to prove that  $\bar{E}$  is convex.

Let  $x, y \in \bar{E}$  then there exists sequences  $\{x_n\}, \{y_n\} \in E$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x$  and  $y_n \rightarrow y$

Since,  $\{x_n\}, \{y_n\} \in E$  and  $E$  is convex implies  $\lambda x_n + (1 - \lambda)y_n \in E$  for all  $0 < \lambda < 1$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  we get  $\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y \in E$ . The facts  $\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y \in E$  and  $E = \bar{E}$  imply  $\bar{E}$  is convex.  $\square$

**Definition 14.** *Let  $E$  be a subset of a 2-PN space  $(X, N)$  then an element  $x \in E$  is called a interior point of  $E$  if there are  $r > 0, e \in X$  such that  $B_{e,\alpha}[x, r] \subseteq E$ .*

*The set of all interior points of  $E$  is denoted by  $\text{int}(E)$ .*

**Definition 15.** *A subset  $E$  of a 2-PN space  $(X, N)$  is said to be open if  $E = \text{int}(E)$ .*

For any two points  $x, y$  in the real vector space  $X$  denote,

$$(x, y) = \{\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y; \lambda \in (0, 1)\}$$

**Theorem 7.** *Let  $E$  be a convex subset of a 2-PN space  $(X, N)$ . Let  $a \in E$  and  $x$  is an interior point of  $E$  then every point in  $(a, x) = \{\lambda a + (1 - \lambda)x; \lambda \in (0, 1)\}$  is an interior point of  $E$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $u \in (a, x)$  then  $u = \lambda x + (1 - \lambda)a$  for some  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$

Since  $x$  is an interior point of  $E$  then there exists  $r_0 > 0, e \in X$  and  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  such that  $B_{e,\alpha}[x, r_0] \subseteq E$ .

So it is enough to show that  $B_{e,\alpha}[u, \lambda r_0] \subseteq E$  for  $\lambda r_0 \in (0, 1)$ .

Let  $y \in B_{e,\alpha}[u, \lambda r_0]$  then  $N_{(u-y),e}(\lambda r_0) \geq \alpha$

Therefore,  $N_{\lambda^{-1}(y-u),e}(r_0) = N_{(u-y),e}(\lambda r_0) \geq \alpha$

implies  $x + \lambda^{-1}(y - u) \in B_{e,\alpha}[x, r_0]$

Let  $w = x + \lambda^{-1}(y - u)$  then  $\lambda w = \lambda x + (y - u)$   
implies  $y = \lambda(w - x) + u$   
implies  $y = \lambda(w - x) + \lambda x + (1 - \lambda)a$  implies  $y = (1 - \lambda)a + w$  with  $w, a \in E$   
Since  $E$  is convex,  $y = (1 - \lambda)a + w \in E$   
Hence any point in  $(a, x)$  is an interior point of  $E$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.** *Let  $E$  be a convex subset of a 2-PN space  $(X, N)$ . Let  $x$  be an interior point of  $E$  and  $y \in \overline{E}$  then  $(x, y) \subseteq \text{int}(E)$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $x$  is an interior point of  $E$  and  $y \in \overline{E}$  then there exists a sequence  $\{y_n\} \in E$  such that  $y_n \rightarrow y$ .

Let  $z \in (x, y)$  then  $z = \lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y$  for some  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$

Define  $z_n = \lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y_n$

Since  $x$  is an interior point of  $E$  then there exists  $r_0 > 0, e \in X$  and  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  such that  $B_{e,\alpha}[x, r_0] \subseteq E$ .

By Theorem (7),  $B_{e,\alpha}[z_n, \lambda r_0] \subseteq E$  for  $\lambda r_0 \in (0, 1)$  and  $z_n \rightarrow z$ .

Since  $N$  is continuous for the first component,  $z_n \rightarrow z$  means that

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N_{z_n - z, y}(t) = 1$  for  $y \in X$  and  $t > 0$

ie; there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbf{N}$  such that  $z_n \in B_{e,\alpha}[z_n, \lambda r_0]$  for every  $n \geq n_0$

Now  $N_{z_n - z, y}(t) = N_{z - z_n, y}(t)$  and we can say that  $z \in B_{e,\alpha}[z_n, \lambda r_0] \subseteq E$ .

Hence  $(x, y) \subseteq \text{int}(E)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.** *Let  $E$  be a non empty convex subset of a 2-PN space  $(X, N)$  then  $\overline{\text{int}(E)} = \overline{E}$ .*

*Proof.* It is obvious that,  $\overline{\text{int}(E)} \subseteq \overline{E}$ .

Let  $y \in \overline{E}$  and take  $x \in \text{int}(E)$  then by Corollary (2),  $(x, y) \subseteq \text{int}(E)$ .

If  $\lambda_n \in (0, 1)$  with  $\lambda_n \rightarrow 0$  then  $\{\lambda_n x + (1 - \lambda_n)y\}$  is a sequence in  $(x, y)$

Then  $N_{[\lambda_n x + (1 - \lambda_n)y] - y, z}(t) = N_{\lambda_n(x - y), z}(t) = N_{0, z}(t)$  for every  $z \in X$ ,

as  $\lambda_n \rightarrow 0$

ie;  $N_{[\lambda_n x + (1 - \lambda_n)y] - y, z}(t) = H(t)$  implies  $N_{[\lambda_n x + (1 - \lambda_n)y] - y, z}(t) = 1$  for  $t > 0$

implies  $\lambda_n x + (1 - \lambda_n)y \rightarrow y$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

So,  $y \in \overline{\text{int}(E)}$  implies  $\overline{E} \subseteq \overline{\text{int}(E)}$

Hence  $\overline{\text{int}(E)} = \overline{E}$ .  $\square$

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