

On ultra-products of some families of composition operators between certain finite dimensional ℓ^p spaces

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ABSTRACT. Let $0 < \sigma < 1$ and $1 < p, r < \infty$ be such that $1/r + (1 - \sigma)/p' = 1$. We show that for every continuous linear map T between Banach spaces E, F such that its restriction to every finite dimensional subspace N of E factorizes through a chain of type

$$\ell^\infty(\Omega_N, \mu_N) \rightarrow \ell^r(\Omega_N, \mu_N) \rightarrow \ell^1(\Omega_N, \mu_N) + \ell^p(\Omega_N, \mu_N)$$

where (Ω_N, μ_N) is a discrete measure space with a finite number of atoms, there is a σ -finite measure space (Ω, μ) such that $T \in \mathcal{L}(E, F'')$ factorizes through the chain of "continuous spaces

$$L^\infty(\Omega, \mu) \rightarrow L^r(\Omega, \mu) \rightarrow L^1(\Omega, \mu) + L^p(\Omega, \mu).$$

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1. Introduction

It is well known (see [2], [3], [10]) that the ultra-product map of a family of maps between finite dimensional spaces ℓ^∞ and ℓ^p is a fundamental tool in the characterization of p -integral operators in the class of infinite dimensional Banach spaces. Matter, in his study of absolutely continuous operators of Niculescu (see [9]) has introduced in [8] the ideal $\mathcal{P}_{p,\sigma}$, ($0 < \sigma < 1, 1 \leq p \leq$

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∞) of (p, σ) -absolutely continuous operators, which is strictly larger than the classical ideal of p -absolutely summing operators. Since $\mathcal{P}_{p, \sigma}$ is a maximal ideal in the sense of Pietsch (see [10]), it is associated with some tensor norm according to the theory developed by Defant and Floret in [2].

We have find in [6] the tensor norm $g_{p, \sigma}$ such that for any Banach spaces E, F the equality $(E \otimes_{g_{p, \sigma}} F)' = \mathcal{P}_{p', \sigma}(F, E')$ holds. The natural problem is the characterization of $g_{p, \sigma}$ -integral operators. To do this, we are in a situation similar to the classical one of p -integral operators, but with a more complicated finite dimensional subjacent factorizations which we explain now:

It is clear that every continuous linear map $T \in \mathcal{L}(E, F)$, E and F Banach spaces, defines canonically a linear map T_M from E into the dual M' of every subspace $M \subset F'$ by

$$\forall x \in E \quad y \in M \quad \langle T_M(x), y \rangle = \langle T(x), y \rangle.$$

On the other hand, it is easy to check that, given a measure space (Ω, μ) , $0 < \sigma < 1$ and $1 < p < \infty$, there is always an inclusion map

$$L^\infty(\mu) \cap L^{p'}(\mu) \subset L^{\frac{p'}{1-\sigma}}(\mu)$$

and hence an inclusion map $J_r^\mu : L^r(\mu) \subset L^1(\mu) + L^p(\mu)$ such that $\|J_r^\mu\| \leq 1$. Then, suppose moreover that T is such that for every finite dimensional subspace $M \subset F'$, the restriction of T_M to every finite dimensional subspace $N \subset E$ factorizes in the way

$$N \longrightarrow \ell^\infty(\Omega_N, \mu_N) \xrightarrow{D_N} \ell^r(\Omega_N, \mu_N) \xrightarrow{J_r^{\mu_N}} \ell^1(\Omega_N, \mu_N) + \ell^p(\Omega_N, \mu_N) \longrightarrow M'$$

where every (Ω_N, μ_N) is a discrete measure space with a finite number of atoms and every D_N is a positive diagonal operator.

Our purpose on this paper is to show that, in this case, there is a σ -finite measure space (Ω, μ) such that $J_F T$ factorizes in the way

$$E \longrightarrow L^\infty(\Omega, \mu) \xrightarrow{B_w} L^r(\Omega, \mu) \xrightarrow{J_r^\mu} L^1(\Omega, \mu) + L^p(\Omega, \mu) \longrightarrow F''$$

where B_w is a diagonal operator. This is a very technical result and applications of it will be given in the forthcoming paper [7].

Our notation is standard. If E is a Banach space, B_E will be the closed unit ball of E , E' the topological dual Banach space and J_E the natural embedding of E into its bi-dual E'' . Sometimes, to call attention on the norm of the involved Banach space E , we shall write $\|\cdot\|_E$. Given $p \in [1, \infty]$, a measure space $(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$ and a measurable non null everywhere real function g , we denote by $L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, g, \mu)$ (or simply $L^p(g, \mu)$ if there is no risk of confusion) the Banach space of classes of functions f such that fg belongs to the Lebesgue space $L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$, provided with the norm $\|f\| = \|fg\|_{L^p(\mu)}$.

From now on, *in all the paper*, σ and p will be real numbers such that $0 < \sigma < 1$ and $1 < p < \infty$. Given such numbers, $r \in]1, \infty[$ will be always the real number such that $1/r + (1 - \sigma)/p' = 1$. *All Banach spaces of this paper will be*

defined over the field of real numbers since we shall use results of the theory of Banach lattices (see [1] for questions concerning this topic).

Given a compatible couple (A_0, A_1) of Banach spaces (i.e. two Banach spaces which are vector subspaces of a larger vector space E), the spaces $A_0 + A_1$ and $A_0 \cap A_1$ will be always endowed with its canonical norms

$$\|x\|_{A_0+A_1} = \inf \{ \|a\|_{A_0} + \|b\|_{A_1} \mid x = a + b, a \in A_0, b \in A_1 \}$$

and

$$\|x\|_{A_0 \cap A_1} = \max \{ \|x\|_{A_0}, \|x\|_{A_1} \}$$

respectively.

2. On ultra-products of some factorizations

We refer the reader to [4] for definitions and basic results about ultra-products of Banach spaces. Let D be an index set and \mathcal{D} a non-trivial ultrafilter on D . Given a family $\{A_d \mid d \in D\}$ of Banach spaces, $(A_d)_{\mathcal{D}}$ will denote its ultra-product by \mathcal{D} and $(x_d)_{\mathcal{D}}$ will be the class of $(x_d) \in \prod_{d \in D} A_d$ in $(A_d)_{\mathcal{D}}$. Analogously, if we have a family of maps $\{T_d \in \mathcal{L}(A_d, F_d), d \in D\}$ in such a way that $\sup_{d \in D} \|T_d\| < \infty$, we denote by $(T_d)_{\mathcal{D}} \in \mathcal{L}((A_d)_{\mathcal{D}}, (F_d)_{\mathcal{D}})$ the canonical ultra-product linear map. If every $A_d, d \in D$ is a Banach lattice, $(A_d)_{\mathcal{D}}$ has a canonical order which makes it a Banach lattice.

Suppose now that for every $d \in D$ we have the chain of Banach spaces and continuous mappings

$$A_{\infty}^d \xrightarrow{T_d} A_r^d \xrightarrow{J_r^{\mu_d}} A_1^d + A_p^d$$

where $A_i^d = l^i(\Omega_d, \mu_d), i = 1, r, p, \infty$ for some atomic measure space (Ω_d, μ_d) and T_d is a positive operator such that $\sup_{d \in D} \|T_d\| < \infty$. We put $\mathcal{U}_i = (A_i^d)_{\mathcal{D}}$ for every $i = 1, r, p, \infty$. Now, the map $(T_d)_{\mathcal{D}} : \mathcal{U}_{\infty} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_r$ is well defined.

The ultra-products $\mathcal{S} = (A_1^d + A_p^d)_{\mathcal{D}}$ and $\mathcal{U}_i, i = 1, p, r$, are Banach lattices under its canonical order. For $i = 1, p$ and $d \in D$, let $J_i^d : A_i^d \rightarrow A_1^d + A_p^d$ be the canonical map. The ultra-product maps $J_i = (J_i^d)_{\mathcal{D}} : \mathcal{U}_i \rightarrow \mathcal{S}, i = 1, p$ and $J_r := (J_r^{\mu_d})_{\mathcal{D}} : \mathcal{U}_r \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ are well defined lattice homomorphisms. In this situation, the main technical problem is that every J_i can not be an injective map. To overpass this inconvenient we need to work with quotient spaces which makes more involved the argumentation.

Each kernel $Ker(J_i), i = 1, p, r$ is a closed ideal in \mathcal{U}_i . Let H_i be the quotient Banach lattice of \mathcal{U}_i by $Ker(J_i), K_i \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{U}_i, H_i)$ the canonical quotient map and \bar{J}_i the canonical injective positive map from H_i into \mathcal{S} . We put $E_i = \bar{J}_i(H_i)$ provided with the topology of H_i . It is easy to check that E_i is an abstract L^1 -space and \bar{J}_i is an order isomorphism onto the sublattice E_i of \mathcal{S} .

For every $((x_i^d)) \in \prod_{d \in D} A_r^d$ we define $((y_i^d))$ and $((z_i^d))$ in $\prod_{d \in D} A_r^d$ such that for every $d \in D$ and every $i \in \Omega_d, y_i^d := x_i^d$ if $x_i^d \leq 1, y_i^d := 0$ if $x_i^d > 1, z_i^d := 0$

if $x_i^d < 1$ and $z_i^d := x_i^d$ if $x_i^d \geq 1$. Since $1 < r < p$ we have $((y_i^d)) \in \Pi_{d \in D} A_p^d$ and $((z_i^d)) \in \Pi_{d \in D} A_1^d$. Now we define

$$P_1(((x_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}}) = \bar{J}_p K_p(((y_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}}) \quad \text{and} \quad P_2(((x_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}}) = \bar{J}_1 K_1(((z_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}}).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{J}_r K_r(((x_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}}) &= \bar{J}_r K_r(((y_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}}) + \bar{J}_r K_r(((z_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}}) \\ &= P_1(((x_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}}) + P_2(((x_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}}) \in E_1 + E_p \end{aligned}$$

and for every $((x_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}}$ in the open unit ball of \mathcal{U}_r we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\bar{J}_r K_r(((x_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}})\|_{E_1 + E_p} &\leq \|\bar{J}_r K_r(((y_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}})\|_{E_p} + \|\bar{J}_r K_r(((z_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}})\|_{E_1} \\ &\leq \|\bar{J}_r K_r(((x_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}})\|_{\mathcal{U}_r}^{\frac{r}{p}} + \|\bar{J}_r K_r(((x_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}})\|_{\mathcal{U}_r}^r \leq 2. \end{aligned}$$

In consequence, since E_r and $E_1 + E_p$ are subsets of \mathcal{S} , there is a continuous inclusion $E_r \subset E_1 + E_p$. Clearly, E_r is a sublattice of $E_1 + E_p$ and \bar{J}_r is an order isomorphism.

Lemma 1. *Suppose $E_r \neq \{0\}$. Then $E_1 \cap E_p \neq \{0\}$.*

Proof. Clearly, the diagram (arrows without characters are inclusion maps)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{U}_r & \xrightarrow{J_r} & \mathcal{S} \\ \bar{J}_r K_r \downarrow & & \uparrow \\ E_r & \xrightarrow{\quad} & E_1 + E_p \end{array}$$

is commutative by definition of the involved mappings. Let $0 \neq w_0 := ((w_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}} \in E_r \subset E_1 + E_p$. Put $y := P_1(w_0) \in E_p$ and $z := P_2(w_0) \in E_1$. Then $w_0 = y + z$ and hence $y \neq 0$ or $z \neq 0$. Suppose $y \neq 0$. Then there is $\varepsilon > 0$ such that, for every representation $y = u + v$ with $u \in E_1, v \in E_p$, we have $\varepsilon < \|u\|_{E_1} + \|v\|_{E_p}$. Since $r < p$ we obtain

$$\sup_{d \in D} \sum_{i \in \Omega_d} |y_i^d|^{p^2} \leq \sup_{d \in D} \sum_{i \in \Omega_d} |y_i^d|^p \leq \sup_{d \in D} \sum_{i \in \Omega_d} |y_i^d|^r \leq \sup_{d \in D} \sum_{i \in \Omega_d} |w_i^d|^r < \infty.$$

Hence

$$\bar{J}_r K_r(((|y_i^d|^p))_{\mathcal{D}}) = \bar{J}_1 K_1(((|y_i^d|^p))_{\mathcal{D}}) = \bar{J}_p K_p(((|y_i^d|^p))_{\mathcal{D}}) \in E_1 \cap E_p.$$

Now, if $f := ((f_i^d)) \in ((|y_i^d|^p))_{\mathcal{D}}$ in the ultra-product \mathcal{U}_1 , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon^p < \|y\|_{E_p}^p &\leq \lim_{\mathcal{D}} \sum_{i \in \Omega_d} |y_i^d|^p \mu_i^d \leq \lim_{\mathcal{D}} \left(\sum_{i \in \Omega_d} \left| |y_i^d|^p - f_i^d \right| \mu_i^d \right) + \lim_{\mathcal{D}} \sum_{i \in \Omega_d} |f_i^d| \mu_i^d \\ &= \|((|y_i^d|^p))_{\mathcal{D}} - f\|_{\mathcal{U}_1} + \|f\|_{\mathcal{U}_1} = \|f\|_{\mathcal{U}_1}. \end{aligned}$$

Then, taking the infimum over f we obtain $\varepsilon^p < \|y\|_{E_p}^p \leq \|K_1((|y_i^d|^p))_{\mathcal{D}}\|_{H_1}$. Since \bar{J}_1 is injective, we have $0 \neq \bar{J}_r K_r((|y_i^d|^p))_{\mathcal{D}}$. Analogously, if $z \neq 0$, there is $\varepsilon > 0$ such that, for every representation $z = u + v$ with $u \in E_1, v \in E_p$, we have $\varepsilon < \|u\|_{E_1} + \|v\|_{E_p}$. Now we have

$$\sup_{d \in D} \sum_{i \in \Omega_d} |z_i^d|^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \sup_{d \in D} \sum_{i \in \Omega_d} |z_i^d| \leq \sup_{d \in D} \sum_{i \in \Omega_d} |z_i^d|^r \leq \sup_{d \in D} \sum_{i \in \Omega_d} |w_i^d|^r < \infty.$$

Hence

$$\bar{J}_r K_r((|z_i^d|^{\frac{1}{p}}))_{\mathcal{D}} = \bar{J}_1 K_1((|z_i^d|^{\frac{1}{p}}))_{\mathcal{D}} = \bar{J}_p K_p((|z_i^d|^{\frac{1}{p}}))_{\mathcal{D}} \in E_1 \cap E_p.$$

Now, if $f := ((f_i^d)) \in ((|z_i^d|^{\frac{1}{p}}))_{\mathcal{D}}$ in the ultra-product \mathcal{U}_p , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{p}} < \|z\|_{E_1} &\leq \lim_{\mathcal{D}} \left(\sum_{i \in \Omega_d} |z_i^d| \mu_i^d \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\leq \lim_{\mathcal{D}} \left(\sum_{i \in \Omega_d} \left| |z_i^d|^{\frac{1}{p}} - f_i^d \right|^p \mu_i^d \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} + \lim_{\mathcal{D}} \left(\sum_{i \in \Omega_d} |f_i^d|^p \mu_i^d \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &= \|((|z_i^d|^{\frac{1}{p}}))_{\mathcal{D}} - f\|_{\mathcal{U}_p} + \|f\|_{\mathcal{U}_p} = \|f\|_{\mathcal{U}_p}. \end{aligned}$$

Then, taking the infimum over f we obtain $\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{p}} < \|y\|_{E_p}^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \|K_p((|y_i^d|^{\frac{1}{p}}))_{\mathcal{D}}\|_{H_p}$. Since \bar{J}_p is injective, we have $0 \neq \bar{J}_r K_r((|z_i^d|^{\frac{1}{p}}))_{\mathcal{D}}$. Consequently $E_1 \cap E_p \neq \{0\}$. \(\square\)

Let E_0 be the closure of $E_1 \cap E_p$ in $E_1 + E_p$. Clearly E_0 is a closed sublattice of $E_1 + E_p$.

Lemma 2. *The norm of $E_1 + E_p$ is order continuous in E_0 .*

Proof. Let $x \in E_1 \cap E_p$ be the supremum of an increasing non negative net $\{x_\alpha, \alpha \in A\}$ in $E_1 \cap E_p$. We have

$$\|x - x_\alpha\|_{E_1 + E_p} \leq \|x - x_\alpha\|_{E_1}.$$

Since E_1 is an abstract L -space, it has order continuous norm. Then $\lim_{\alpha} x_\alpha = x$ in $E_1 + E_p$. By a result of Luxemburg, (see theorem 12.10 in [1]), E_0 has order continuous norm. \(\square\)

Lemma 3. *Suppose $J_r(T_d)_{\mathcal{D}} \neq 0$. There is a set $\mathcal{E} \subset E_1 \cap E_p \cap E_r$ which is a maximal system of pairwise disjoint elements in E_0 and hence also in E_r .*

Proof. Since E_0 has order continuous norm (lemma 2), there is a topological vector space \mathcal{F} of measurable real functions defined on some measure space (Ω, Σ, ν) and a continuous order isomorphism $\Psi : E_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$ when \mathcal{F} is provided with its canonical order. (See for instance section 1 of Pisier's paper [11] for the detailed construction of Ψ).

On the other hand, the element $u = ((u_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}} \in \mathcal{U}_{\infty}$ such that $u_i^d = 1$ for every $d \in D$ and $i \in \Omega$, is a strong unit in \mathcal{U}_{∞} . Then $(T_d)_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathcal{U}_{\infty})$ is contained in the band generated by $w := (T_d)_{\mathcal{D}}(u)$ in \mathcal{U}_r . Let $w_0 := J_r(w) \in E_1 + E_p$. Since $J_r(T_d)_{\mathcal{D}} \neq 0$, necessarily we have $0 \neq w_0$. By lemma 1, $E_1 \cap E_p \neq \{0\}$. By Zorn's lemma, there is a maximal system $\mathcal{E} = \{e_v | v \in \mathcal{V}\}$ of pairwise disjoint vectors in $E_1 \cap E_p$ such that $0 < \|e_v\|_{E_p} < 1$.

Let us see that every $z \in E_1 \cap E_p$ is the sum of a series $z = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$ (in the topology of E_0) with every x_n in the band $e_{v_n}^{\perp\perp}$ generated in E_0 by some $e_{v_n} \in \mathcal{E}$. By Zorn's lemma, there is a set \mathcal{E}' such that $\mathcal{E} \cup \mathcal{E}'$ is a maximal set of pairwise disjoint elements in the order continuous lattice E_0 (lemma 2). Then, by a well known result of Kakutani (see proposition 1.a.9 in [5]), there are sequences $(v_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathcal{E}$ and $(w_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathcal{E}'$ such that $z = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n$ with every $x_n \in e_{v_n}^{\perp\perp}$ and $y_n \in e_{w_n}^{\perp\perp}$. Then $\Psi(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \Psi(x_n) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \Psi(y_n)$ and hence $|\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \Psi(y_n)| \leq |\Psi(z)|$ and $|\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n| \leq |z|$. In consequence $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n \in E_1 \cap E_p$ and $z - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \in E_1 \cap E_p$. Moreover,

$$\left| z - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \right| \wedge e_v = \left| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n \right| \wedge e_v \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |y_n| \wedge e_v = 0$$

for all $e_v \in \mathcal{E}$. Hence $z = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$.

Now, suppose there is $z \in E_0$ such that $z \wedge e_v = 0$ for every $v \in \mathcal{V}$. Then $\Psi(z) \wedge \Psi(e_v) = 0$ for all $v \in \mathcal{V}$. On the other hand there is a sequence $(z_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset E_1 \cap E_p$ such that $z = \lim_n z_n$ in E_0 . Hence $\Psi(z) = \lim_n \Psi(z_n)$ in \mathcal{F} . By the result of last paragraph, for every z_n , $n \in \mathbb{N}$, there is a sequence $(v_{kn})_{k=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathcal{V}$ such that $z_n = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_{v_{kn}}$ in E_0 . In consequence, if we put $\Omega_v = \{t \in \Omega \mid \Psi(e_v)(t) \neq 0\}$, it follows that $\Psi(z_n) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \Psi(x_{v_{kn}})$ is null on a measurable set $\Omega \setminus (\cup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \Omega_{v_{kn}})$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and hence we have that $\Psi(z)$ is null on a measurable set $\Omega \setminus (\cup_{h \in \mathbb{N}} \Omega_{v_h})$ for some sequence $(v_h)_{h=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathcal{V}$. But $\Psi(z)$ is also null on Ω_v for all $v \in \mathcal{V}$ since $\Psi(z) \wedge \Psi(e_v) = 0$. Then $\Psi(z) = 0$, $z = 0$ and \mathcal{E} is maximal in E_0 .

Finally, let us see that $\mathcal{E} \subset E_r$. Given $e_v \in \mathcal{E} \subset E_1 \cap E_p$, we can write $e_v = ((e_i^d))_{\mathcal{D}}$ such that

$$\alpha := \sup \left\{ \sup_{d \in D} \sum_{i \in \Omega_d} |e_i^d| \mu_i, \sup_{d \in D} \sum_{i \in \Omega_d} |e_i^d|^p \mu_i \right\} < \infty.$$

But $r < p$ from definition of r . Then, putting

$$\Omega_d^1 = \{i \in \Omega_d \mid |e_i^d| \geq 1\} \quad \text{and} \quad \Omega_d^2 = \{i \in \Omega_d \mid |e_i^d| < 1\}$$

we have

$$\sup_{d \in D} \sum_{i \in \Omega_d} |e_i^d|^r \mu_i \leq \sup_{d \in D} \left(\sum_{i \in \Omega_d^1} |e_i^d|^p \mu_i + \sum_{i \in \Omega_d^2} |e_i^d| \mu_i \right) \leq 2\alpha$$

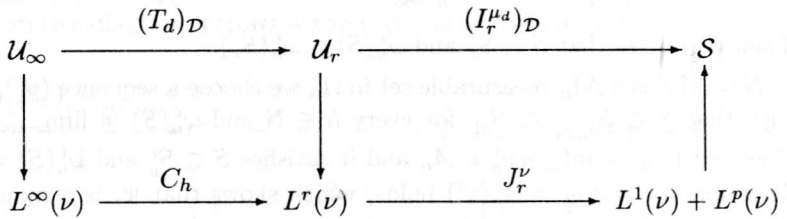
and hence $e_v \in E_r$. As above, since $E_r \subset E_0$ we get that \mathcal{E} must be maximal in E_r too. ✓

Once again by the quoted result of Kakutani ([5], Proposition 1.a.9) and by Lemma 2, there is a set $\mathcal{V}_0 = \{v_n, n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset \mathcal{V}$ such that $w_0 = \sum_{n=1}^\infty x_{v_n}$ in E_0 with every x_{v_n} in the band generated by e_{v_n} in $E_1 + E_p$. For every $i = 1, p, r$ we define the *complemented* subspaces

$$G_i = \{z \in E_i \mid |z| \wedge e_v = 0 \ \forall v \notin \mathcal{V}_0\}.$$

Now we can state the main theorem of this paper:

Theorem 4. *Suppose $1 < p < \infty$. Then there are a σ -finite measure space $(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, \nu)$, a multiplication operator C_h and suitable operators for the following vertical arrows, such that the diagram*



is commutative.

Proof. Fix $v_n \in \mathcal{V}_0$ and let $i = 1, r, p$. Let $B_i(e_{v_n})$ be the band generated by e_{v_n} in E_i . Let \mathcal{A}_n be the boolean algebra \mathcal{A}_n of the components of e_{v_n} in E_0

$$\mathcal{A}_n := \{x \in E_0 \mid x \wedge (e_{v_n} - x) = 0\}.$$

By lemma 2 and theorems 12.9 and 3.15 in [1], \mathcal{A}_n is Dedekind complete and by the Stone representation theorem, it is isomorphic to the boolean algebra \mathcal{O}_n of the clopen sets of a separated compact extremally disconnected topological space Ω_n . Since $e_{v_n} \in E_1 \cap E_r \cap E_p$, we have $\mathcal{A}_n \subset B_i(e_{v_n})$ and we can define the following set of functions on \mathcal{O}_n : if $x \in \mathcal{A}_n$ and S_x is its image in \mathcal{O}_n , we put

$$\omega_n^i(S_x) = \|\bar{J}_i^{-1}(x)\|_{H_i}^i.$$

As H_i is an abstract L^i -space, ω_n^i is a finitely additive measure on \mathcal{O}_n and hence a measure, Ω_n being extremally disconnected. By the Carathéodory extension procedure we get an other measure ω_n^{i*} , $i = 1, r, p$, which is a measure (again denoted by ω_n^i) when restricted to the σ -algebra \mathcal{M}_n^i of ω_n^{i*} -measurable sets of Ω_n . Considering the σ -algebra $\mathcal{M}_n = \mathcal{M}_n^1 \cap \mathcal{M}_n^r \cap \mathcal{M}_n^p$, every ω_n^i , $i = 1, r, p$ is a measure on \mathcal{M}_n and $\omega_n^i(\Omega) = \|\bar{J}_i^{-1}(e_{v_n})\|_{H_i}^i < \infty$. It is easy to see that the map

$$\Psi_i \left(\sum_{h=1}^k \alpha_h x_h \right) = \sum_{h=1}^k \alpha_h \chi_{S_{x_h}}$$

$z \in \mathcal{A}_n$, is a well defined isometry from

$$\mathcal{F}_n := \left\{ \sum_{h=1}^k \alpha_h x_h \mid \alpha_h \in \mathbb{R}, x_h \in \mathcal{A}_n, x_h \wedge x_j = 0, h \neq j; h, j = 1, \dots, k, k \in \mathbb{N} \right\}$$

(with the induced topology of G_i) into the linear span of measurable characteristic functions of $L^i(\Omega_n, \mathcal{M}_n, \omega_n^i)$. Let us see that Ψ_i can be extended to an isometric lattice homomorphism (again denoted by Ψ_i) from $B_i(e_{v_n})$ onto $L^i(\Omega_n, \mathcal{M}_n, \omega_n^i)$.

Let $S = \bigcup_{h=1}^{\infty} S_{x_h}$ with $x_h \in \mathcal{A}_n$ and $x_h \leq_{h+1} \leq e_{v_n}$ for every $h \in \mathbb{N}$. Then there exists $x = \sup_{h \in \mathbb{N}} x_h \in \mathcal{A}_n$. By the order continuity of the norm in E_i we have

$$\omega_n^i(S) = \lim_{h \rightarrow \infty} \omega_n^i(S_{x_h}) = \lim_{h \rightarrow \infty} \|\bar{J}_i^{-1}(x_h)\|_{H_i}^i = \|\bar{J}_i^{-1}(x)\|_{H_i}^i = \omega_n^i(S_x).$$

Then we obtain that $S \subset S_x$ and $\omega_n^i(S) = \omega_n^i(S_x)$.

Now, if S is a \mathcal{M}_n -measurable set in Ω_n we choose a sequence $(y_h^i)_{h=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathcal{A}_n$ such that $S \subset S_{y_{h+1}^i} \subset S_{y_h^i}$ for every $h \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\omega_n^i(S) = \lim_{h \rightarrow \infty} \omega_n^i(S_{y_h^i})$. Then exists $y^i = \inf_{h \in \mathbb{N}} y_h^i \in \mathcal{A}_n$ and it satisfies $S \subset S_{y^i}$ and $\omega_n^i(S) = \omega_n^i(S_{y^i})$. Therefore $\chi_S = \chi_{S_{y^i}} = \Psi_i(y^i)$ holds, which shows that Ψ_i is a map onto the linear span of measurable characteristic functions of $L^i(\Omega_n, \mathcal{M}_n, \omega_n^i)$. Since this set and \mathcal{F}_n are dense in $L^i(\Omega_n, \mathcal{M}_n, \omega_n^i)$ and $B_i(e_{v_n})$ respectively (by the Freudenthal's spectral theorem, see for instance theorem 6.8 in [1]), we get the announced isometry.

Now, we define $\Omega := \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \Omega_n$ and the σ -algebra \mathcal{M} and the measure ω^i in \mathcal{M} such that

$$\mathcal{M} = \{M \subset \Omega \mid M \cap \Omega_n \in \mathcal{M}_n\} \quad \text{and} \quad \omega^i(M) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \omega_n^i(M \cap \Omega_n) \quad \forall M \in \mathcal{M}$$

Now it is easy to show that Ψ_i can be extended to an isometric and lattice isomorphism (again denoted by Ψ_i) from $G_i, i = 1, r, p$, onto $L^i(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, \omega^i)$. Hence there is a natural isometric order isomorphism Ψ from $G_1 + G_p$ onto $L^1(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, \omega^1) + L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, \omega^p) \subset \mathcal{B}(\Omega, \mathcal{M})$, the space of measurable scalar functions on Ω .

Next we define in \mathcal{M} the σ -finite measure $\omega = \omega^r + \omega^1 + \omega^p$. Every $\omega^i, i = r, 1, p$ is absolutely continuous with respect to ω . By the Radon-Nikodym theorem, there is a measurable function g_i such that

$$\omega^i(A) = \int_A g_i d\omega \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{M}$$

and

$$\int_{\Omega} |f|^i d\omega^i = \int_{\Omega} |f|^i g_i d\omega \quad \forall f \in L^i(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, \omega^i)$$

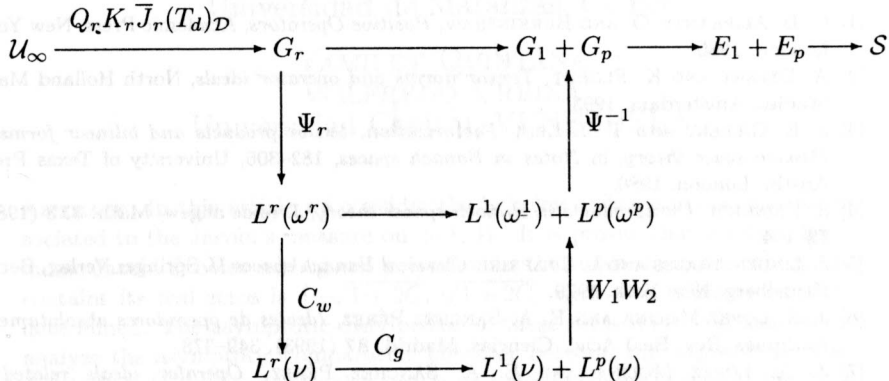
and hence for every $i = r, 1, p$, the identity on $L^i(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, \omega^i)$ is an isometry onto the space $L^i(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, g_i^{1/i}, \omega)$. Consider the measure $\nu = (g_1^p/g_p)^{1/(p-1)} \cdot \omega$ on (Ω, \mathcal{M}) , which is σ -finite again as it is easily checked. Let

$$W_1 : L^1(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, g_1, \omega) + L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, g_p^{1/p}, \omega) \rightarrow L^1(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, \omega^1) + L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, \omega^p)$$

be the identity map and let

$$W_2 : L^1(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, \nu) + L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, \nu) \rightarrow L^1(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, g_1, \omega) + L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, g_p^{1/p}, \omega)$$

be such that $W_2(f) = f(g_1^p/g_p)^{1/(p-1)}(1/g_1)$. Straightforward calculations show that W_1 and W_2 are isometric maps. Now consider the multiplication operators C_w and C_g where $w = g_r^{1/r}(g_1^p/g_p)^{-1/r(p-1)}$ and $g = w^{-1}(g_p/g_1)^{1/(p-1)} = g_r^{-1/r}g_1^\sigma g_p^{(1-\sigma)/p}$. C_w is an isometry from $L^r(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, \omega^r)$ onto $L^r(\Omega, \mathcal{M}, \nu)$. Let Q_r be a continuous projection from E_r onto G_r . We have the commutative diagram (arrows without character means natural inclusions)



Given $\varepsilon > 0$, put $A := \{t \in \Omega \mid |g(t)| > (1+\varepsilon)\|C_g\|\}$ and suppose that $\nu(A) > 0$. The transposed map $C'_g : L^\infty(\nu) \cap L^{p'}(\nu) \rightarrow L^{r'}(\nu)$ verifies

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1 + \varepsilon)\|C_g\| \|f\chi_A\|_{L^{r'}(\nu)} &\leq \|gf\chi_A\|_{L^\infty(\nu) \cap L^{p'}(\nu)} \\
 &\leq \|C'_g\| \|f\chi_A\|_{L^\infty(\nu) \cap L^{p'}(\nu)}
 \end{aligned}$$

for all $f \in L^\infty(\nu) \cap L^{p'}(\nu)$. Since we have the inclusion map $L^\infty(A, \nu) \cap L^{p'}(A, \nu) \subset L^{r'}(A, \nu)$ with norm less or equal than 1, there must be $(1 + \varepsilon)\|C_g\| \leq \|C_g\|$ which is a contradiction. Then $|g(t)| \leq \|C_g\|$ ν -everywhere and $g \in L^\infty(\nu)$. As the map $C_w \Psi_r Q_r K_r \bar{J}_r (T_d) \mathcal{D}$ is positive, it is enough to apply 7.3 and 18.9 of [2] (Maurey's factorization theorem) to get the result. \square

Theorem 5. *Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(E, F)$ be such that for every finite dimensional subspace $M \subset F'$, the restriction of T_M to every finite dimensional subspace*

$N \subset E$ factorizes in the way

$$N \longrightarrow \ell^\infty(\Omega_N, \mu_N) \xrightarrow{D_N} \ell^r(\Omega_N, \mu_N) \xrightarrow{J_r^\mu} \ell^1(\Omega_N, \mu_N) + \ell^p(\Omega_N, \mu_N) \longrightarrow M'$$

where every (Ω_N, μ_N) is a discrete measure space with a finite number of atoms and every D_N is a positive diagonal operator. Then there is a σ -finite measure space (Ω, μ) such that J_{FT} factorizes in the way

$$E \longrightarrow L^\infty(\Omega, \mu) \xrightarrow{B_w} L^r(\Omega, \mu) \xrightarrow{J_r^\mu} L^1(\Omega, \mu) + L^p(\Omega, \mu) \longrightarrow F''$$

where B_w is a diagonal operator.

Proof. The proof goes along the same lines than in the classical case of p -integral operators but using our theorem 4. See [3] for the detailed proof. \square

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