

A CLASS OF OPERATORS FROM A BANACH LATTICE INTO A BANACH SPACE

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ABSTRACT:

In this paper we study a class of operators from a Banach lattice X into a Banach space B . These operators map positive sequences in weak- 1^p -spaces with values in X into sequences in 1^q -spaces with values in B . We obtain some different characterizations of them and we consider, in particular, the case $X = 1^r$.

The present paper is devoted to the study of certain class of operators from a Banach lattice X into a Banach space B . These operators map positive sequences in weak- 1^p -spaces with values in X into sequences in 1^q -spaces with values in B . They are near the (p, q) -absolutely summing operators $\Pi_{pq}(X, B)$ [4] and also the operators of type $\leq (p, q)$ defined by Maurey [7].

We shall obtain different characterizations of such operators and we shall study them for sequence Banach lattices. Finally we shall relate this operators to the Orlicz property on a Banach lattice.

Throughout this paper X will denote a Banach lattice and B a Banach space. Given x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n in X and $1 \leq p < \infty$ we shall use the following notations

$$(1) \ w_p(x_i) = \sup_{\|\xi\|_{X^*} \leq 1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\langle \xi, x_i \rangle|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

$$(2) \ w_p^+(x_i) = \sup_{\|\xi\|_{X^*} \leq 1, \xi \geq 0} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \langle \xi, |x_i| \rangle^p \right)^{1/p}$$

$$(3) \ 1^p(B) = \{ (x_n) \subset B : \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|x_n\|^p \right)^{1/p} < +\infty \}$$

$$(4) \ 1^p[B] = \{(x_n) \subset B : w_p(x_n) < +\infty\}$$

$$(5) \ 1^p_+[X] = \{(x_n) \subset X : w_p^+(x_n) < +\infty\}$$

All this terminology enables us to introduce the following.

DEFINITION 1. Let $1 \leq p, q < \infty$. An operator $T: X \rightarrow B$ is said to be positive (p, q) -summing if there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that for every $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \geq 0$ in X we have

$$(6) \ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|Tx_i\|_B^p \right)^{1/p} \leq C w_q(x_i)$$

For $q < p = \infty$,

$$(6') \ \sup_{1 \leq i \leq n} \|Tx_i\|_B \leq C w_q(x_i)$$

We shall denote by $\Lambda_{p,q}(X, B)$ (or $\Lambda_p(X, B)$ if $p = q$) the space of such operators. This becomes a Banach space with the norm $\|\cdot\|_{\Lambda_{p,q}}$ given by the infimum of the constants verifying (6) or (6').

Observe that $\Lambda_{\infty, q}(X, B) = L(X, B)$ for all $1 \leq q < \infty$.

The positive $(1, 1)$ -summing operators are already known. They are called order summing or cone absolutely summing [10].

PROPOSITION 1. Let $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty$.

(a) If $p < q$ then $\Lambda_{p,q}(X, B) = \{0\}$.

(b) If $q \geq r$ then $\Lambda_{p,q}(X, B) \subseteq \Lambda_{p,r}(X, B)$.

(c) If $p \leq r$ and $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{s} = \frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{r}$ then

$$\Lambda_{p,q}(X, B) \subseteq \Lambda_{r,s}(X, B) \text{ (In particular } \Lambda_p(X, B) \subseteq \Lambda_r(X, B) \text{ if } p \leq r).$$

(d) If $X_2 \xrightarrow{S} X_1 \xrightarrow{T} B_1 \xrightarrow{R} B_2$, $S \geq 0$ and $T \in \Lambda_{p,q}(X_1, B)$ then $T \cdot S \in \Lambda_{p,q}(X_2, B_1)$ and $R \cdot T \in \Lambda_{p,q}(X_1, B_2)$.

(e) If $X_1 \subseteq X_2$ (for $x \in X_1$, $\|x\|_{X_2} \leq \|x\|_{X_1}$) and $\bar{X}_1 = X_2$ (X_1 dense in X_2) then $\Lambda_{p,q}(X_2, B) \subseteq \Lambda_{p,q}(X_1, B)$.

Proof.

- (a) It is sufficient to take $x_n = n^{-1/p}x$ for some positive x in X to get a contradiction.
- (b) It is clear since $l^r[X] \subset l^q[X]$ for $q \geq r$.
- (c) The argument used by Kwapien [4] can be reproduced in our case to prove the statement.
- (d) It is straightforward to show $R \cdot T \in \Lambda_{pq}(X_1, B_2)$. To see that $T \cdot S \in \Lambda_{pq}(X_2, B_1)$ let us notice that if $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \geq 0$ and $S \geq 0$ then

$$w_q(Sx_i) = \sup_{\|\xi\|_{X_1^*} \leq 1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\langle \xi, Sx_i \rangle|^q \right)^{1/q} = \|S^*\| \sup_{\|\xi\|_{X_1^*} \leq 1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \left| \langle \frac{S^*\xi}{\|S^*\|}, x_i \rangle \right|^q \right)^{1/q} \leq \|S\| \cdot w_q(x_i).$$

- (e) It is obvious since if $\xi \in X_2^*$ and $\|\xi\|_{X_2^*} \leq 1$ then $\xi \in X_1^*$ and $\|\xi\|_{X_1^*} \leq 1$.

PROPOSITION 2. Let $1 \leq q \leq q' \leq \infty$. The following statements are equivalent

- (a) $T \in \Lambda_{pq}(X, B)$.
- (b) There exists a constant $C > 0$ such that for every $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \geq 0$ in X we have

$$(7) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|Tx_i\|_B^p \right)^{1/p} \leq C \sup_{\sum \alpha_i^q = 1} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i x_i \right\|_X \quad (1 < q \leq \infty)$$

$$(7') \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|Tx_i\|_B^p \right)^{1/p} \leq C \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right\|_X \quad q = 1$$

- (c) T maps positive sequences (x_n) in $l^q[X]$ in sequences (Tx_n) in $l^p(B)$.
- (d) $\hat{T} : l^q_+[X] \rightarrow l^p(B)$, defined by $\hat{T}(x_n) = (Tx_n)$, is continuous.

Proof. We shall show the equivalence of each statement with (a).

- (a) \Leftrightarrow (b) It follows from the following fact: For $1 < q \leq \infty, \frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{q'} = 1$

$$w_q(x_i) = \sup_{\|\xi\|_{X^*} \leq 1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\langle \xi, x_i \rangle|^q \right)^{1/q} =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sup_{\|\xi\|_{X^*} \leq 1} \sup_{\sum \alpha_i^q = 1} \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \langle \xi, \alpha_i x_i \rangle \right| = \\
&= \sup_{\sum \alpha_i^{q'} = 1} \sup_{\|\xi\|_{X^*} \leq 1} \left| \langle \xi, \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i x_i \rangle \right| = \\
&= \sup_{\sum \alpha_i^{q'} = 1} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i x_i \right\|_X
\end{aligned}$$

For $q = 1$ and $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \geq 0$ then $w_1(x_i) = \|\sum x_i\|_X$ ([10]).

(a) \Leftrightarrow (c). The direct implication is obvious. To see the converse let us suppose for every C these exist $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{N(C)} \geq 0$ such that

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^{N(C)} \|Tx_i\|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq C w_q(x_i)$$

Let us take $C = n \cdot 2^n$, then there will be $x_1^n, x_2^n, \dots, x_{m_n}^n \geq 0$ verifying

$$w_q(x_i^n) \leq 1/2^n \text{ and } \left(\sum_{i=1}^{m_n} \|Tx_i^n\|^p \right)^{1/p} \geq n. \text{ By considering the sequence}$$

$x_1^1, x_2^1, \dots, x_{m_1}^1, x_1^2, \dots, x_{m_2}^2, \dots$ we have that this positive sequence belongs to $1^q[X]$ and its image does belong to $1^p(B)$.

(a) \Leftrightarrow (d). It follows from the next simple fact:

$$\text{For } (x_n) \geq 0, w_q(x_n) = w_q^+(x_n).$$

Obviously d) implies a). Now let us suppose $T \in \Lambda_{pq}(X, B)$ and $(x_n) \in 1_+^p[X]$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|Tx_i\|^p \right)^{1/p} &\leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|Tx_i^+\|^p \right)^{1/p} + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|Tx_i^-\|^p \right)^{1/p} = \\
&\leq C w_q(x_i^+) + C w_q(x_i^-) \leq 2C w_q^+(x_i).
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\|\hat{T}(x_n)\|_{1^p(B)} \leq 2C w_q^+(x_n)$. #

Remark. By condition (b) we notice that a Banach lattice satisfy a lower p -estimate [6] if and only if the identity I belongs to $\Lambda_{p,1}(X, X)$.

This is the first connection of these spaces with some classical spaces. Another operators very related to these are the (p,q) -absolutely summing operators (cf. [4], [3]), as easily follows from both definitions. Let us recall another concept quite similar to these above. The (p,q) -concave operators, called in [7] operators of "type mixte" $\leq (p,q)$.

An operator $T \in L(X,B)$ is said to be (p,q) -concave if there exists a constant C such that for every x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n in X we have

$$(8) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|Tx_i\|_B^p \right)^{1/p} \leq C \left\| \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_X$$

where $\left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^q \right)^{1/q}$ is the element in X given by $\sup_{\sum \alpha_i^{q'} \leq 1} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i x_i$.

We shall denote by $\mathcal{C}_{pq}(X,B)$ the espace of (p,q) -concave operators endowed with the usual norm $\| \cdot \|_{\mathcal{C}_{pq}}$ given by the infimum of the constants verifying (8).

With all this terminology we have

PROPOSITION 3. For $1 \leq q \leq p \leq \infty$

$$\Pi_{pq}(X,B) \subseteq \Lambda_{pq}(X,B) \subseteq \mathcal{C}_{pq}(X,B).$$

Proof. The first inclusion is obvious and the second one is a simple consequence of Prop. 2 (d) and the fact that $\left\| \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^q \right)^{1/q} \right\| \geq w_q^+(x_i)$ as it can be seen by using the homogeneous calculus on lattices [6]. #

In general the inclusions are strict as it will be shown later, but for $q = 1$ we have the following.

PROPOSITION 4.

- (a) $\Lambda_{p1}(X,B) = \mathcal{C}_{p1}(X,B)$
- (b) $\Lambda_{p1}(X,B) \subseteq \mathcal{C}_{q1}(X,B)$ for all $q > p$.

Proof. It is immedate since for $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \geq 0$ then

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i| \right\|_X = \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right\|_X = w_1(x_i).$$

Now a result of Maurey [7] shows $\mathcal{C}_{p1}(X,B) \subset \mathcal{C}_{q1}(X,B)$ if $q > p$ and then (b) follows from (a). #

There is a way of using operators in Λ_{pq} to deduce something about Π_{pq} and C_{pq} as the following result shows.

PROPOSITION 5.

- (a) $T \in \Pi_{p1}(X, B)$ if and only if for every operator S in $L(c_0, X)$, $T \cdot S \in \Lambda_{p1}(c_0, B)$ and $\|T \cdot S\|_{\Lambda_{p1}} \leq C \cdot \|S\|$.
- (b) $T \in \Lambda_{p1}(X, B)$ if and only if for every positive operator S in $L(c_0, X)$, $T \cdot S \in \Lambda_{p1}(c_0, B)$ and $\|T \cdot S\|_{\Lambda_{p1}} \leq C \cdot \|S\|$.
- (c) $T \in C_{pq}(X, B)$ if and only if for every positive operator S in $L(C(\Omega), X)$ for a compact space Ω , $T \cdot S \in \Lambda_{pq}(C(\Omega), B)$ and $\|T \cdot S\|_{\Lambda_{pq}} \leq C \cdot \|S\|$.

Proof. Parts (a) and (b) can be verified in the same way. We only show part (a). If $T \in \Pi_{p1}(X, B)$ and $S \in L(c_0, X)$ then $T \cdot S \in \Pi_{p1}(c_0, B)$ and of course $T \cdot S \in \Lambda_{p1}(c_0, B)$ and $\|T \cdot S\|_{\Lambda_{p1}} \leq \|T\|_{\Lambda_{p1}} \cdot \|S\|$.

To see the converse, let us take x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n in X and let us consider $S: c_0 \rightarrow X$ defined by $S(\xi_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i \cdot x_i$.

$$\text{Obviously } \|S\| \leq \sup_{\|\xi\|_{X^*} \leq 1} \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle \xi, x_i \rangle|.$$

Now denoting by e_i the basis in c_0 , since $e_i \geq 0$ prop 3 (b) implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|Tx_i\|^p \right)^{1/p} &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|T \cdot Se_i\|_B^p \right)^{1/p} \leq \\ &\leq C \|S\| \cdot \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n e_i \right\|_{c_0} \leq C \cdot \sup_{\|\xi\|_{X^*} \leq 1} \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle \xi, x_i \rangle| \end{aligned}$$

The demonstration of (c) can be done with a slight modification of the argument in page 56, [6]. #

A study of positive p -summing operators $\Lambda_p(X, B)$ when X is a L_p -space was done by the author in [1]. Here we shall deal with 1_p -spaces.

PROPOSITION 6. Let $1 \leq q \leq p \leq \infty$.

- (a) $\Lambda_{pq}(\ell^1, B) = L(\ell^1, B)$.
- (b) $\Lambda_{pq}(c_0, B) = \Pi_{pq}(c_0, B) = C_{pq}(c_0, B)$.

Proof.

- (a) Given T in $L(\ell^1, B)$ and $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \geq 0$ in ℓ^1 we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \|Tx_i\| \leq \|T\| \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|_1 = \|T\| \cdot \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right\|_1$$

So $\Lambda_1(l^1, B) = L(l^1, B)$ and therefore the same for $1 \leq q < p = \infty$.

(b) It is a simple consequence of the following fact:

For $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n \in c_0$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_\infty &= \sup_k \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_{ik}|^q \right)^{1/q} = \\ &= \sup_k \sup_{\sum \alpha_i^{q'} = 1} \left| \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ik} \alpha_i \right| = \\ &= \sup_{\sum \alpha_i^{q'} = 1} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \alpha_i \right\|_\infty = \\ &= \sup_{\|\xi\|_1 \leq 1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\langle \xi, x_i \rangle|^q \right)^{1/q} \end{aligned}$$

The last inequality is obtained by duality $((c_0)^* = l^1)$ and by interchanging the supremums. #

Remark. Kwapien in [4] showed that $\Pi_{r,1}(l^1, l^p) \neq L(l^1, l^p)$ for $r < r(p)$ being $\frac{1}{r(p)} = 1 - \left| \frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{2} \right|$.

So we notice that in general the spaces $\Lambda_{pq}(X, B)$ are larger than $\Pi_{pq}(X, B)$.

PROPOSITION 7. Let $1 < p \leq \infty$ and $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p'} = 1$

$$\Lambda_p(l^{p'}, B) = \Lambda_1(l^{p'}, B) = l^p(B).$$

Proof. We shall prove that

$$l^p(B) \subseteq \Lambda_1(l^{p'}, B) \subseteq \Lambda_p(l^{p'}, B) \subseteq l^p(B).$$

Given a sequence (x_n) belonging to $l^p(B)$, we consider the operator $T: l^{p'} \rightarrow B$ defined by $T(\xi_n) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \xi_n x_n$. Let us take $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_m \geq 0$ in $l^{p'}$ then

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \|T(\xi_i)\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \xi_{in} \|x_n\| =$$

$$= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \xi_{in} \right) \|x_n\| \leq \left(\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \|x_n\|^p \right)^{1/p} \cdot \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i \right\|_{1^{p'}},$$

Therefore T belongs to $\Lambda_1(1^{p'}, B)$ and $\|T\|_{\Lambda_1} \leq (\sum \|x_n\|^p)^{1/p}$. Given now an operator T in $\Lambda_p(1^{p'}, B)$ we consider the sequence $T(e_n) = x_n$ being e_n the canonic basis in $1^{p'}$. Let us prove that $(x_n) \in 1^p(B)$

$$\begin{aligned} (\sum \|x_n\|^p)^{1/p} &= (\sum \|T(e_n)\|^p)^{1/p} \leq \\ &\leq \|T\|_{\Lambda_p} \sup_{\|\xi\|_{1^p} \leq 1} (\sum |\langle \xi, e_n \rangle|^p)^{1/p} \leq \|T\|_{\Lambda_p} \quad \# \end{aligned}$$

COROLLARY 1. For $1 \leq p, r \leq 2$ $\Lambda_r(\ell^p, B) = \Lambda_1(\ell^p, B)$.

Denoting by σ_2 the Hilbert-Schmidt operators then we get the following

COROLLARY 2. $\Lambda_1(\ell^2, \ell^2) = \sigma_2$.

Proof. It is obvious since $\Lambda_2(\ell^2, \ell^2) = \sigma_2$ as it can be shown easily.

Remark. For $1 \leq p \leq 2$ $\Lambda_p(1^p, B) = 1^{p'}(B)$.

For p -concave operators we have

$$(9) \quad \mathcal{C}_p(1^p, B) = L(1^p, B) = 1^{p'}[B]$$

Indeed, for T in $L(1^p, B)$ and $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n \in 1^p$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|T\xi_i\|^p \right)^{1/p} &\leq \|T\| \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|\xi_i\|_{1^p}^p \right)^{1/p} = \\ &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_m |\xi_{i,m}|^p \right)^{1/p} = \left\| \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^p \right)^{1/p} \right\|_{1^p} \end{aligned}$$

From this it follows that, in general, $\Lambda_p(X, B)$ is smaller than $\mathcal{C}_p(X, B)$.

In [1] we found a relationship between the Radon-Nikodym property on B and the positive p -summing operators. Here we shall deal with the Orlicz property.

Let us recall that a Banach space B is said to have the Orlicz property if every sequence x_n such that $\sum \|x_n\|^2 < \infty$ is an unconditionally convergent series in B .

PROPOSITION 8. Let X be a Banach lattice. The following statements are equivalent:

- (a) X has the Orlicz property.
- (b) $\Lambda_{2,1}(X,B) = L(X,B)$ for every Banach space B .
- (c) For every Banach lattice Y , every regular operator $T, T:Y \longrightarrow X$ is positive $(2,1)$ -summing.

Proof. This is an easy consequence of Prop. 1 (d) since the identity $I:X \longrightarrow X$ belongs to $\Lambda_{21}(X,X)$ and each regular operator $T = T_1 - T_2$ being T_1 and T_2 positive ones.

In [3] it was shown that $\Pi_2(c_0,X) = L(c_0,X)$ implies the Orlicz property on X , now we are able to approach to the converse.

PROPOSITION 9. If X has the Orlicz property then

- (a) $\Pi_q(c_0,X) = L(c_0,X)$ for all $q > 2$.
- (b) $\Pi_p(X,B) = \Pi_1(X,B)$ for all Banach space B and $1 \leq p < 2$.

Proof. It is sufficient to apply successively Prop. 8(b), 6(b) and 4(b) to solve part (a).

Part (b) is a simple consequence of a Rosenthal's result [9] which assures that $\Pi_q(c_0,X) = L(c_0,X)$ if and only if $\Pi_{q'}(X,B) = \Pi_1(X,B)$ for all Banach space B and $\frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{q'} = 1$. #

As l^p ($1 \leq p \leq 2$) has the Orlicz property, we can prove an analogous result to Corollary 1, proved by Kwapien in [5].

COROLLARY 3. For $1 \leq r < 2$ and $1 \leq p \leq 2$ $\Pi_r(l^p,B) = \Pi_1(l^p,B)$. #

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