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ABSOLUTELY-p-SUMMING OPERATORS IN  $\ell_r$ -SPACES I

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The purpose of this paper is to give a uniform presentation of all known results about absolutely-p-summing operators in  $\ell_r$ -spaces.

### § 1. ABSOLUTELY-p-SUMMING OPERATORS (cf. [11]).

Let E and F be Banach spaces. We denote by  $\mathcal{L}(E,F)$  the set of all bounded linear operators from E into F. An operator  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E,F)$  is called absolutely -p-summing ( $1 \leq p < \infty$ ) if there exists a constant  $\sigma \geq 0$  such that for every finite set of elements  $x_1, \dots, x_m \in E$  the inequality

$$\left\{ \sum_i \|Tx_i\|^p \right\}^{1/p} \leq \sigma \sup_{\|a\| \leq 1} \left\{ \sum_i |\langle x_i, a \rangle|^p \right\}^{1/p}$$

holds. The set  $\ell_p(E,F)$  of all absolutely-p-summing operators  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E,F)$  is a Banach space with norm defined by

$$\pi_p(T) := \inf \sigma .$$

It is convenient to put

$$\ell_\infty(E,F) := \mathcal{L}(E,F) \quad \text{and} \quad \pi_\infty(T) := \|T\| .$$

If  $1 \leq p \leq q < \infty$  then

$$\ell_p(E,F) \subset \ell_q(E,F) \quad \text{and} \quad \pi_p(T) \geq \pi_q(T) .$$

### § 2. THE $\ell_r$ -SPACES (cf. [8]).

In the following let  $l_r^n$  be the Banach space of all n-dimensional real vectors  $x = (\xi_i)$  with the norm

$$\|x\|_r := \left\{ \sum_i |\xi_i|^r \right\}^{1/r} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq r < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \|x\|_\infty := \sup_i |\xi_i| .$$

A real Banach space E is called an  $\ell_r$ -space if for every finite set of elements  $x_1, \dots, x_m \in E$  there exist operators  $A \in \mathcal{L}(E, l_r^n)$  and  $X \in \mathcal{L}(l_r^n, E)$

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such that

$$\|x_i - X A x_i\| \leq 1 \text{ for } i=1, \dots, m \quad \text{and} \quad \|X\| \|A\| \leq c_E ,$$

where the constant  $c_E \geq 1$  depends only on  $E$ . We note that our definition is a slightly weaker than the definition of J. Lindenstrauss and A. Pełczyński.

All function spaces  $L_r(S, \Sigma, \mu)$  are of type  $\ell_r$ . The operators  $A$  and  $X$  can be constructed as follows. Given  $x_1, \dots, x_m \in L_r(S, \Sigma, \mu)$  we find step functions  $x_1^0, \dots, x_m^0 \in L_r(S, \Sigma, \mu)$  such that  $\|x_i - x_i^0\|_r \leq 1/2$ . Then there exist disjoint subsets  $S_1, \dots, S_n \in \Sigma$  with  $\mu(S_i) > 0$  such that the step functions  $x_1^0, \dots, x_m^0$  are linear combinations of the corresponding characteristic functions  $f_1, \dots, f_n$ . Now we define the operators  $A$  and  $X$  by

$$A x := (\mu(S_k)^{-1/r'} \int_S x(s) f_k(s) d\mu(s))$$

and

$$X(\xi_k) := \sum_k \xi_k \mu(S_k)^{-1/r} f_k .$$

Then we have

$$\|A\| = \|X\| = 1$$

and since  $X A f_k = f_k$  the estimate

$$\|x_i - X A x_i\| \leq \|x_i - x_i^0\| + \|X A x_i^0 - X A x_i\| \leq 1$$

holds.

Now we show that it is possible to reduce the considerations of absolutely- $p$ -summing operators in  $\ell_r$ -spaces to finite dimensional  $l_r^n$ -spaces.

Proposition : The following statements are equivalent :

(1) There exists a constant  $c_{rs,pq} > 0$  such that

$$\pi_p(T) \leq c_{rs,pq} \pi_q(T) \quad \text{for all } T \in \mathcal{L}(l_r^n, l_s^n) \text{ and } n = 1, 2, \dots .$$

(2) For every  $\mathcal{L}_r$ -space  $L_r$  and every  $\mathcal{L}_s$ -space  $L_s$  the inclusion

$$\mathcal{P}_q(L_r, L_s) \subset \mathcal{P}_p(L_r, L_s)$$

holds.

Proof : (1) (2) Let  $T \in \mathcal{P}_q(E, F)$  and  $x_1, \dots, x_m \in E$ . Then for all  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exist  $A \in \mathcal{L}(E, l_r^n)$ ,  $X \in \mathcal{L}(l_r^n, E)$ ,  $B \in \mathcal{L}(F, l_s^n)$ , and  $Y \in \mathcal{L}(l_s^n, F)$  such that

$$\|x_i - X A x_i\| \leq \varepsilon, \quad \|T x_i - Y B T x_i\| \leq \varepsilon, \quad \|X\| \|A\| \leq c_E, \quad \text{and} \quad \|Y\| \|B\| \leq c_F.$$

Then

$$\|T x_i\| \leq \|T x_i - Y B T x_i\| + \|Y B T x_i - Y B T X A x_i\| + \|Y B T X A x_i\|$$

$$\leq \varepsilon(1 + c_F \|T\|) + \|Y B T X A x_i\| ,$$

$$\left\{ \sum_i \|Y B T X A x_i\|^p \right\}^{1/p} \leq \pi_p(Y B T X A) \sup_{\|a\| \leq 1} \left\{ \sum_i |\langle x_i, a \rangle|^p \right\}^{1/p} ,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_p(Y B T X A) &\leq \|Y\| \pi_p(B T X) \|A\| \leq c_{rs,pq} \|Y\| \pi_q(B T X) \|A\| \\ &\leq c_{rs,pq} \|Y\| \|B\| \pi_q(T) \|X\| \|A\| \leq c_{rs,pq} c_E c_F \pi_q(T) . \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$\left\{ \sum_i \|T x_i\|^p \right\}^{1/p} \leq \varepsilon(1 + c_F \|T\|)^m + c_{rs,pq} c_E c_F \pi_q(T) \sup_{\|a\| \leq 1} \left\{ \sum_i |\langle x_i, a \rangle|^p \right\}^{1/p} .$$

If  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ , we obtain

$$\pi_p(T) \leq c_{rs,pq} c_E c_F \pi_q(T) \quad \text{and} \quad T \in \mathcal{P}_p(E, F) .$$

(2)  $\rightarrow$  (1). Since the sequence space  $l_r$ , resp.  $l_s$ , is of type  $\ell_r$ , resp.  $\ell_s$ , we have

$$\mathcal{P}_q(l_r, l_s) \subset \mathcal{P}_p(l_r, l_s) .$$

Consequently, by the closed graph theorem there exists a constant  $c_{rs, pq} > 0$  such that

$$\pi_p(T) \leq c_{rs, pq} \pi_q(T) \quad \text{for all } T \in \mathcal{P}_q(l_r, l_s) .$$

Let us consider the operators

$$Q_n(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n, \dots) := (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)$$

and

$$J_n(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) := (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n, 0, \dots) .$$

Then for every  $T \in \mathcal{L}(l_r^n, l_s^n)$  since  $T = Q_n(J_n T Q_n) J_n$  we have

$$\pi_p(T) \leq \pi_p(J_n T Q_n) \leq c_{rs, pq} \pi_q(J_n T Q_n) \leq c_{rs, pq} \pi_q(T) .$$

### § 3. HISTORICAL REMARKS.

The first result about absolutely-p-summing operators in  $\ell_r$ -spaces goes back to A. Grothendieck [5] who showed in 1956 that all bounded linear operators from an  $\ell_1$ -space into an  $\ell_2$ -space are absolutely-1-summing. A simplified proof of this important results was given by J. Lindenstrauss and A. Pełczyński [8].

In 1967, A. Pełczyński [9] and A. Pietsch [11] proved that the absolutely-p-summing operators in Hilbert spaces coincide with the Hilbert-Schmidt operators. This proof used Chintchin's inequality for Rademacher functions. Finally, D.J.H. Garling [3] determined the exact value of the  $\pi_p$ -norm of diagonal operators in  $l_2$ .

Important progress was made in 1969, when L. Schwartz [13], [14], [15] remarked, in his theory of  $p$ -radonifying operators, that it is possible to use in place of Rademacher functions general sequences of independant and equidistributed random variables. By his method S. Kwapien [7] and P. Saphar [12] proved the fundamental theorems on absolutely- $p$ -summing operators in  $\ell_p$ -spaces.

#### § 4. A PROBABILITY LEMMA.

For  $1 \leq s \leq 2$  let  $\mu_s$  be the probability measure on the real line which is uniquely determined by its characteristic function

$$e^{-|\alpha|^s} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{i\alpha\beta} d\mu_s(\beta) .$$

If  $1 \leq s < 2$  and  $1 \leq p < s$  or if  $s = 2$  and  $1 \leq p < \infty$  then the moments

$$c_{sp} := \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\beta|^p d\mu_s(\beta) \right\}^{1/p} > 0$$

exist (cf. [4]).

Let  $\mu_s^n$  be the  $n$ -dimensional product measure of  $\mu_s$  then the following probability lemma holds. It was used in functional analysis at first by J. Bretagnolle, D. Dacunha-Castelle and J.D. Krivine [1].

Lemma : If  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  then

$$\left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |<y, b>|^p d\mu_s^n(b) \right\}^{1/p} = c_{sp} \|y\|_s .$$

Proof : We consider on the probability space  $[\mathbb{R}^n, \mu_s^n]$  the independant random variables

$$f_i(b) := \beta_i \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n .$$

Then

$$\hat{f}_i(\alpha) = e^{-|\alpha|^s} ,$$

where  $\hat{f}_i$  is the characteristic function of  $f_i$ .

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Consequently, the random variable

$$f(b) := \langle y, b \rangle = \sum_i \eta_i f_i(b)$$

has the characteristic function

$$f(\alpha) = e^{-\|y\|_s^s |\alpha|^s}.$$

The same characteristic function corresponds to the random variable

$$\varphi(\beta) := \|y\|_s \beta$$

which is defined on the probability space  $[\mathbb{R}, \mu_s]$ .

Therefore, the two random variables  $f$  and  $\varphi$  are equidistributed and we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\langle y, b \rangle|^p d\mu_s^n(b) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\beta|^p d\mu_s(\beta) \|y\|_s^p.$$

### § 5. ABSOLUTELY-p-SUMMING OPERATORS IN $l_r^n$ -SPACES.

We begin the central part of this paper with some few lemmata.

Lemma 1 : Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E, l_s^n)$ . If  $1 < s < 2$  and  $1 \leq p < s$  or if  $s = 2$  and  $1 \leq p < \infty$  then

$$\pi_p(T) \leq c_{sp}^{-1} \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|T' b\|^p d\mu_s^n(b) \right\}^{1/p}.$$

Proof : It follows from the probability lemma that if  $x_1, \dots, x_m \in E$  then

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ \sum_i \|T x_i\|_s^p \right\}^{1/p} &= c_{sp}^{-1} \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \sum_i |\langle T x_i, b \rangle|^p d\mu_s^n(b) \right\}^{1/p} \\ &\leq c_{sp}^{-1} \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|T' b\|^p d\mu_s^n(b) \right\}^{1/p} \sup_{\|a\| \leq 1} \left\{ \sum_i |\langle x_i, a \rangle|^p \right\}^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 2 : Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(l_s^n, F)$ . If  $1 < s < 2$  and  $1 \leq p \leq s$  or if  $s = 2$  and  $1 \leq p < \infty$  then

$$c_{sp}^{-1} \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|T x\|^p d\mu_s^n(x) \right\}^{1/p} \leq \pi_p(T) .$$

Proof : The main theorem of absolutely-p-summing operators (cf. [8], [11]) implies that there exists a measure  $\mu$  on the closed unit ball  $U_s^n$  of  $l_s^n$  such that

$$\|T x\| \leq \left\{ \int_{U_s^n} |<x, a>|^p d\mu(a) \right\}^{1/p} \text{ for all } x \in E \text{ and } \mu(U_s^n)^{1/p} = \pi_p(T) .$$

Therefore, it follows from the probability lemma that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}} \|T x\|^p d\mu_s^n(x) \right\}^{1/p} &\leq \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_{U_s^n} |<x, a>|^p d\mu(a) d\mu_s^n(x) \right\}^{1/p} \\ &\leq \int_{U_s^n} c_{sp}^p \|a\|_s^p d\mu(a) \}^{1/p} \\ &\leq c_{sp} \pi_p(T) . \end{aligned}$$

Now we obtain the following lemma, which was proved by S. Kwapien [7], immediately.

Lemma 3 : Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E, l_s^n)$ . If  $1 < s < 2$  and  $1 \leq p \leq q \leq s$  or if  $s = 2$  and  $1 \leq p \leq q < \infty$  then

$$\pi_p(T) \leq c_{sq} c_{sp}^{-1} \pi_q(T') .$$

In particular,

$$\pi_p(T) \leq \pi_p(T') .$$

Proof : Applying lemma 1 to  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E, l_s^n)$  and lemma 2 to  $T' \in \mathcal{L}(l_s^n, E')$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_p(T) &\leq c_{sp}^{-1} \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|T' b\|^p d\mu_s^n(b) \right\}^{1/p} \\ &\leq c_{sp}^{-1} \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|T' b\|^q d\mu_s^n(b) \right\}^{1/q} \leq c_{sq} c_{sp}^{-1} \pi_q(T') , \end{aligned}$$

Remark (of C. Sunyack) : Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(l_s^n, l_s^n)$ . Then by lemma 3

$$\pi_p(T) = \pi_p(T') ,$$

and from the inequality in the proof of lemma 3 we obtain the equality

$$\pi_p(T) = c_{sp}^{-1} \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|T' b\|^p d\mu_s^n(b) \right\}^{1/p} = c_{sp}^{-1} \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|Tx\|^p d\mu_s^n(x) \right\}^{1/p} .$$

In particular, if  $I_n$  is the identity operator of the Hilbert space  $l_2^n$  then (cf. [3])

$$\pi_p(I_n) = \left( \frac{\Gamma(\frac{n+p}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{n}{2})} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{1+p}{2})} \right)^{1/p} .$$

The next lemma was proved by J.S. Cohen [2] and P. Saphar [12].

Lemma 4 : Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E, l_s^n)$ . Then

$$\pi_s(T) \leq \pi_s(T') .$$

Proof : If  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  are the usual unit vectors we have

$$\|Tx\|_s = \left\{ \sum_k |\langle Tx, e_k \rangle|^s \right\}^{1/s} = \left\{ \sum_k |\langle x, T'e_k \rangle|^s \right\}^{1/s}$$

and

$$\left\{ \sum_k \|T'e_k\|^s \right\}^{1/s} \leq \pi_s(T') \sup_{\|y\|_s \leq 1} \left\{ \sum_k |\langle y, e_k \rangle|^s \right\}^{1/s} = \pi_s(T') .$$

Consequently, if  $x_1, \dots, x_m \in E$  then

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ \sum_i \|Tx_i\|_s^s \right\}^{1/s} &= \left\{ \sum_{ik} |\langle x_i, T'e_k \rangle|^s \right\}^{1/s} \\ &\leq \left\{ \sum_k \|T'e_k\|^s \right\}^{1/s} \sup_{\|a\| \leq 1} \left\{ \sum_i |\langle x_i, a \rangle|^s \right\}^{1/s} \\ &\leq \pi_s(T') \sup_{\|a\| \leq 1} \left\{ \sum_i |\langle x_i, a \rangle|^s \right\}^{1/s} . \end{aligned}$$

The proofs of the following propositions are obtained by different combinations of lemma 3 and 4.

Proposition 1 : Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(l_r^n, l_s^n)$ . If  $2 < r < \infty$ ,  $1 \leq s < 2$ , and  $1 \leq p < r'$  then

$$\pi_1(T) \leq c_{r',p} c_{r',1}^{-1} \pi_p(T) .$$

Proof : Applying lemma 3 to  $T' \in \mathcal{L}(l_s^n, l_r^n)$  we obtain

$$\pi_1(T') \leq c_{r',p} c_{r',1}^{-1} \pi_p(T) .$$

On the other hand by lemma 3 in the case  $1 < s < 2$ , and by lemma 4 in the case  $s = 1$ ,

$$\pi_1(T) \leq \pi_1(T') .$$

Theorem 1 (P. Saphar [12]) : Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(l_r^n, F)$ . If  $2 < r < \infty$  and  $1 \leq p < r'$  then

$$\pi_1(T) \leq c_{r',p} c_{r',1}^{-1} \pi_p(T) .$$

Proof : Without loss of generality we may assume that the Banach space  $F$  has the extension property. Consequently (cf. [10]), for all  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a factorization

$$T : l_r^n \xrightarrow{A} l_\infty^m \xrightarrow{D} l_p^m \xrightarrow{Y} F$$

such that

$$\|A\| \leq 1, \|Y\| \leq 1, \text{ and } \pi_p(D) \leq \pi_p(T) + \varepsilon .$$

Now it follows by proposition 1 that

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_1(T) &\leq \|Y\| \pi_1(DA) \leq c_{r',p} c_{r',1}^{-1} \pi_p(DA) \\ &\leq c_{r',p} c_{r',1}^{-1} [\pi_p(T) + \varepsilon] . \end{aligned}$$

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Proposition 2 (S. Kwapien [7]) : Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(l_r^n, l_2^n)$ . If  $1 < r \leq \infty$  then

$$\pi_1(T) \leq c_{2r}, c_{21}^{-1} \pi_{r'}(T) .$$

Proof : Applying lemma 3 to  $T \in \mathcal{L}(l_r^n, l_2^n)$  and lemma 4 to  $T' \in \mathcal{L}(l_2^n, l_r^n)$  we obtain

$$\pi_1(T) \leq c_{2r}, c_{21}^{-1} \pi_{r'}(T') \quad \text{and} \quad \pi_{r'}(T') \leq \pi_{r'}(T) .$$

The case  $r = 1$ , which is not dealt with in proposition 2, is identical with the fundamental theorem of A. Grothendieck [5].

Proposition 2<sup>G</sup> : Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(l_1^n, l_2^n)$ . Then

$$\pi_1(T) \leq c_G \|T\| .$$

Remark : If the constant  $c_G$  is the best possible then

$$\pi/2 \leq c_G \leq \sinh \pi/2 .$$

Theorem 2 (S. Kwapien) : Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(l_r^n, F)$ . If  $r = 1$ , resp.  $1 < r \leq 2$ , then

$$\pi_1(T) \leq c_G \pi_2(T), \quad \text{resp.} \quad \pi_1(T) \leq c_{2r}, c_{21}^{-1} \pi_2(T) .$$

Proof : For all  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a factorization

$$T : l_r^n \xrightarrow{A} l_\infty^m \xrightarrow{D} l_2^m \xrightarrow{Y} F$$

such that

$$\|A\| \leq 1, \quad \|Y\| \leq 1, \quad \text{and} \quad \pi_2(D) \leq \pi_2(T) + \varepsilon .$$

Now it follows by proposition 2 that

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_1(T) &\leq \|Y\| \pi_1(DA) \leq c_{2r}, c_{21}^{-1} \pi_{r'}(DA) \\ &\leq c_{2r}, c_{21}^{-1} \pi_2(DA) \leq c_{2r}, c_{21}^{-1} [\pi_2(T) + \varepsilon] . \end{aligned}$$

The proof in the case  $r = 1$  is the same.

Proposition 3 : Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(l_2^n, l_s^n)$ . If  $1 \leq s \leq p < \infty$  then

$$\pi_s(T) \leq c_{2p} c_{2s}^{-1} \pi_p(T) .$$

Proof : Applying lemma 4 to  $T \in \mathcal{L}(l_2^n, l_s^n)$  and lemma 3 to  $T' \in \mathcal{L}(l_s^n, l_2^n)$  we obtain

$$\pi_s(T) \leq \pi_s(T') \text{ and } \pi_s(T') \leq c_{2p} c_{2s}^{-1} \pi_p(T) .$$

Theorem 3 (S. Kwapien [7]) : Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E, l_s^n)$ . If  $1 \leq s \leq 2$  and  $2 \leq p < \infty$  then

$$\pi_2(T) \leq c_{2p} c_{2s}^{-1} \pi_p(T) .$$

Proof : If  $x_1, \dots, x_m \in E$  we define the operator  $X \in \mathcal{L}(l_2^m, F)$  by

$$X(\xi_i) := \sum_i \xi_i x_i .$$

Then

$$\|X\| = \sup_{\|a\| \leq 1} \left\{ \sum_i |\langle x_i, a \rangle|^2 \right\}^{1/2} .$$

Consequently, by proposition 3 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ \sum_i \|T x_i\|^2 \right\}^{1/2} &= \left\{ \sum_i \|T X e_i\|^2 \right\}^{1/2} \\ &\leq \pi_2(T X) \sup_{\|f\|_2 \leq 1} \left\{ \sum_i |\langle e_i, f \rangle|^2 \right\}^{1/2} \\ &\leq \pi_s(T X) \leq c_{2p} c_{2s}^{-1} \pi_p(T X) \\ &\leq c_{2p} c_{2s}^{-1} \pi_p(T) \sup_{\|a\| \leq 1} \left\{ \sum_i |\langle x_i, a \rangle|^2 \right\}^{1/2} . \end{aligned}$$

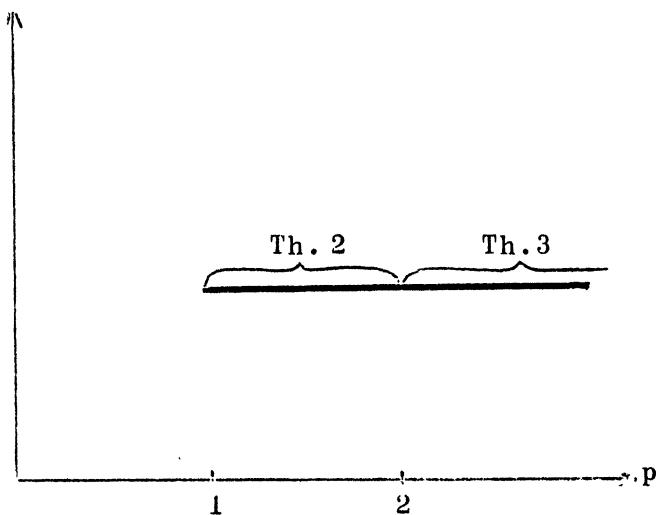
Because of symmetry it seems very probable that we have :

Theorem 4 (CONJECTURE) : Let  $T \in \mathfrak{L}(E, l_s^n)$ . If  $2 < s < p \leq q < \infty$  then, with a constant  $c_{s,pq} > 0$ ,

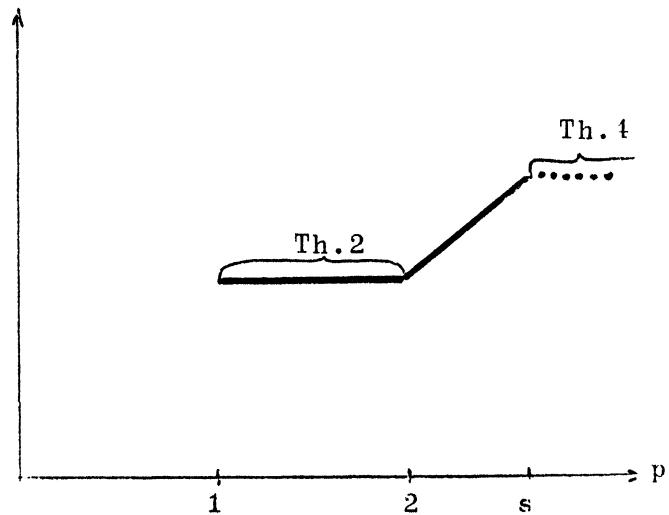
$$\pi_p(T) \leq c_{s,pq} \pi_q(T) .$$

Finally, we illustrate the results in the following diagrams where the ordinate is a symbolic measure of the largeness of  $\rho_p(L_r, L_s)$ .

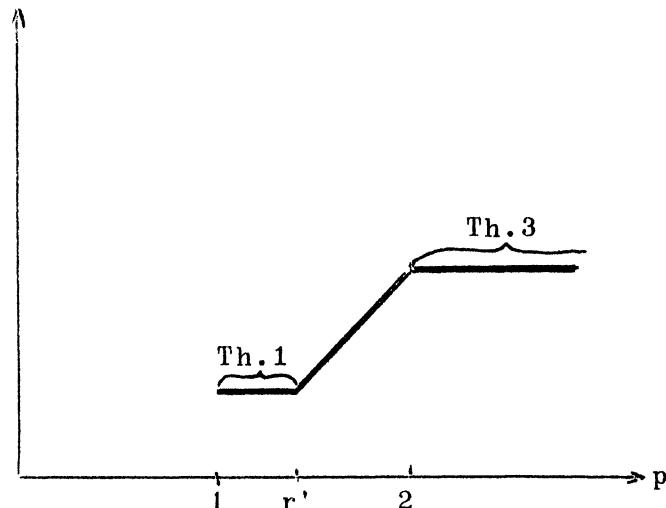
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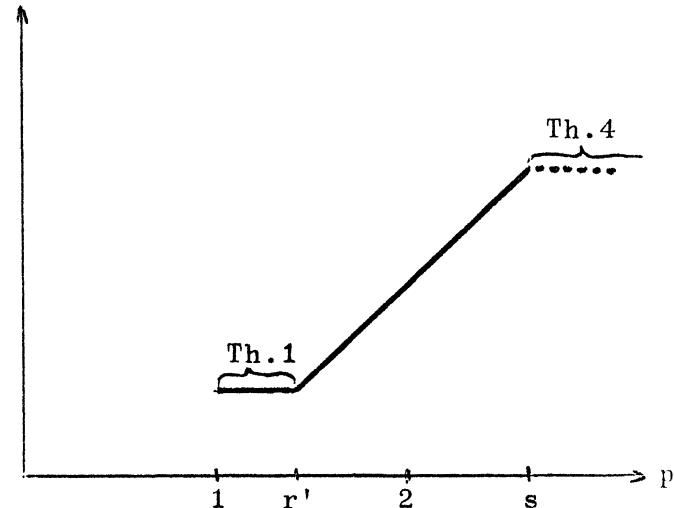
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$$\rho_p(L_r, L_s), \quad 2 \leq r \leq \infty, \quad 1 \leq s \leq 2$$



$$\rho_p(L_r, L_s), \quad 2 \leq r \leq \infty, \quad 2 \leq s \leq \infty$$



Remarks :

- (1) If the spaces  $L_r$  and  $L_s$  are infinite dimensional then " $\nearrow$ " means that  $\rho_p(L_r, L_s)$  is strictly increasing (cf. part II).
- (2)  $\rho_p(L_r, L_s)$  depends continuously on  $p$  if and only if it is constant since B. Maurey proved, assuming approximations property, the following results.
- If  $\rho_p(E, F) = \bigcap_{\varepsilon > 0} \rho_{p+\varepsilon}(E, F)$  then  $\rho_p(E, F) = \rho_{p+\varepsilon}(E, F)$  for  $0 < \varepsilon < \varepsilon_0$ .
- If  $\rho_p(E, F) = \bigcup_{\varepsilon > 0} \rho_{p-\varepsilon}(E, F)$  then  $\rho_p(E, F) = \rho_{p-\varepsilon}(E, F)$  for  $0 < \varepsilon < \varepsilon_0$ .

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