# **On regular operators on Banach Lattices**

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**Abstract.** Let  $E$  and  $F$  be Banach lattices and  $X$  and  $Y$  be Banach spaces. A linear operator  $T : E \to F$  is called regular if it is the difference of two positive operators.  $L_r(E, F)$  denotes the vector space of all regular operators from E into F. A continuous linear operator  $T : E \to X$  is called M-weakly compact operator if for every disjoint bounded sequence  $(x_n)$  in E, we have  $\lim_{n\to\infty} ||Tx_n|| = 0$ .  $W_M^r(E, F)$  denotes the regular  $M$ -weakly compact operators from  $E$  into  $F$ . This paper is devoted to the study of regular operators and  $M$ -weakly compact operators on Banach lattices. We show that  $F$ has a b-property if and only if  $L_r(E, F)$  has b-property. Also,  $W_M^r(E, F)$  is a KB-space if and only if  $F$  is a  $KB$ -space.

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# **Operatori regulari pe latice Banach**

**Rezumat.** Fie E și F latice Banach, iar X și Y spații Banach. Operatorul linear  $T : E \to F$ se numeste regular dacă reprezintă diferența a doi operatori pozitivi.  $L_r(E, F)$  este spatiul vectorial al operatorilor regulari din  $E$  în  $F$ . Operatorul linear și continuu  $T : E \to X$ se numește operator M-slab compact dacă pentru orice șiruri mărginite și disjuncte  $(x_n)$ din E, urmează că  $\lim_{n\to\infty} ||Tx_n|| = 0$ .  $W_M^r(E, F)$  reprezintă operatorii regulari M-slab compacți din  $E$  în  $F$ . Lucrarea este dedicată studiului operatorilor regulari și operatorilor  $M$ -slab compacti pe latice Banach. Se demonstrează că  $F$  posedă b-proprietate dacă și numai dacă  $L_r(E, F)$  are b-proprietate. La fel,  $W_M^r(E, F)$  este  $KB$ -spațiu dacă și numai dacă  $F$  este  $KB$ -spațiu.

Cuvinte-cheie: latice Banach, operatori regulari, operatori M-slab compacți, norma continue de ordine.

#### 1. Introduction

Let X be a Banach space and E be a Banach lattice.  $E^+$  denotes the positive cone of E. That is,  $E^+ = \{x : 0 \le x\}$ . We denote  $E^{\sim}$  by the set of all order bounded linear functionals on E, and  $E^{\sim}$  by the set of all second order dual of E, [\[7\]](#page-3-0). By X' we denote the set of all continuous linear functionals on  $X$ . Since  $E$  is a Banach lattice, order dual and continuous dual coincide [\[1,](#page-3-1) [5\]](#page-3-2).

A set  $[x, y] = \{z \in E : x \le z \le y\}$  in a Banach lattice E is called an order interval. Let A be a subset of E. The set A is called order bounded if  $A \subseteq [x, y]$  for some  $x, y \in E$ . A is called a b-order bounded if A is an order bounded in the second order dual  $E''$  of E.

A Banach lattice is said to have b-property if every b-order bounded set is an order bounded set in  $E$  [\[2,](#page-3-3) [3\]](#page-3-4). Order dual of a Banach lattice has b-property. The space  $C(K)$ of all continuous real valued functions defined on a compact Hausdorff space  $K$  has b-property.

A Banach lattice  $E$  is called a  $KB$ -space if every positive increasing norm bounded sequence in  $E$  converges. A Banach lattice  $E$  is a  $KB$  space if and only if it has an order continuous norm and with property (b) [\[2\]](#page-3-3). Reflexive Banach lattice, AL spaces are examples of KB spaces. There are a lot of  $KB$  spaces in Banach lattices[\[1,](#page-3-1) [5\]](#page-3-2).

A Banach lattice E is said to have an order continuous norm if  $x_n \downarrow 0$  in E implies  $|| x_n || \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . For example, Banach space  $c_0$  of all sequences converging to zero has an order continuous norm. Let E be a Banach lattice. E' is a KB space if and only if  $E$  has an order continuous norm.

A Banach lattice  $E$  is called Dedekind complete if every non empty subset of  $E$ , which is bounded from above, has a supremum. Alternatively, every non empty subset of  $E$ , which is bounded from below, has an infimum.

### 2. KB space of M-weakly compact operators

**Definition 2.1.**  $[1, 5]$  Let X be a Banach space and E be a Banach lattice. A continuous linear operator  $T : X \to E$  is called *L*-weakly compact if  $T(ball(X))$  is an *L*-weakly compact set. A subset A of E is called L-weakly compact if  $|| x_n || \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for every disjoint sequence  $(x_n)$  in the solid hull of A, where  $ball(X)$  denotes the clesed unit ball of  $X$ .

By  $W_L(E, F)$  we denote the set of all L-weakly compact operators.

**Definition 2.2.** ([\[1,](#page-3-1) [5\]](#page-3-2)) A continuous linear operator  $T : E \rightarrow X$  is called M-weakly compact if  $\lim_{n\to\infty}$  ||  $Tx_n$  ||= 0 for every disjoint sequence  $(x_n)$  in the closed unit ball of  $E$ .

By  $W_M(E, F)$  we denote the set of all M-weakly compact operators from a Banach lattice  $E$  into a Banach lattice  $F$ . If  $F$  is a Dedekind complete Banach lattice, then it is a Banach lattice. We denote the linear span of the positive operators in  $W_M(E, F)$  by  $W_M^r(E, F)$ . If F is a Dedekind complete Banach lattice, then  $W_M^r(E, F)$  is a Dedekind complete Banach lattice under the regular norm.

Adjoint of an M-weakly compact operator is an L-weakly compact and adjoint of an L-weakly compact operator is an M-weakly compact. Every L-weakly compact and M-weakly compact operators are weakly compact.

**Definition 2.3.** A Banach lattice  $E$  is called an AL space if the norm

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\parallel x + y \parallel = \parallel x \parallel + \parallel y \parallel
$$

holds for every  $x, y \in E$ .

A linear operator T from a E Banach lattice to a Banach lattice  $F$  is called regular if it is the difference of two positive operators from E into F. By  $L_r(E, F)$  we denote the vector space of all regular operators from  $E$  into  $F$ , [\[6\]](#page-3-5). Every positive linear operator from a Banach lattice E into a Banach lattice F is continuous. By  $L(E, F)$  we denote the vector space of all linear continuous operators from  $E$  into  $F$ .

A linear operator  $T$  from a Banach lattice  $E$  into a Banach lattice  $F$  is called order bounded if it sends an order bounded set in E to an order bounded set in F.  $L_b(E, F)$ denotes the vector space of all order bounded linear operators from  $E$  into  $F$ . The following inclusions hold:  $L_r(E, F) \subseteq L_b(E, F) \subseteq L(E, F)$ .

Let  $T \in L_r(E, F)$ . The regular operator norm of T is given by

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||T|| = inf{||S|| : |T| \le S \text{ for } 0 \le S \in L_r(E, F)}.
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**Theorem 2.1.** *(*[\[2,](#page-3-3) [3\]](#page-3-4)*)* Let E, F be Banach lattices with F Dedekind complete. Then,  $L_r(E, F)$  has b-property if and only if F has b-property.

**Proof.** Take a sequence  $(x_n)$  in F with the property  $x_n \uparrow y$  in F''. Let us choose  $0 \neq f \in E'$ . We define the map  $\psi : F \to L_r(E, F)$ ,  $\psi(y) = f \otimes y$ , which is given by  $(f \otimes y)(x) = f(x)y$  for all  $x \in E$ .  $\psi(x_n)$  is b-order bounded in  $L_r(E, F)$ . So, there is a  $T \in L_r(E, F)$  such that  $0 \le f \otimes x_n \le T$ . There is an  $x \in E$  such that  $0 \le x_n \le T(x)$  in  $F$ . It means  $F$  has b-property.

Suppose that F has b-property. Assume that  $(T_n)$  in  $L_r(E, F)$  such that  $0 \leq T_n \uparrow T$ in  $L_r(E, F)''$ . Let us choose  $0 \neq x \in E^+$ . We define a map  $\varphi : F' \to L_r(E, F)'$  which is defined by  $\varphi(f)T = f(Tx)$  for  $T \in L_r(E, F)$ . This mapping is one-one and positive. From here, for every  $x \in E^+$ , we have that  $T_n(x)$  is b-order bounded in F. That is,  $T_n(x)$  is order bounded in F. By Kantorovich lemma, we extend the mapping defined by  $T(x) = sup\{T_n(x) : n = 1, 2, 3, ...\}$ . Therefore,  $L_r(E, F)$  has b-property.

Let E be a Banach lattice. By  $E^a$ , we denote the maximal ideal space on which the norm is order continuous. Equivalently,

 $E^a = \{x : any \text{ monotone sequence } (x_n) \text{ in } [0, |x|] \text{ converges} \}.$ 

**Theorem 2.2.** ([\[4\]](#page-3-6)) Let E, F be Banach lattices with  $(E')^a \neq \{0\}$ . Then,  $W_M^r(E, F)$  has *order continuous norm if and only if has an order continuous norm.*

Let X and Y be Banach spaces and  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  be a continuous linear operator. The adjoint operator T' of T is defined from Y' into X' by  $T'(f)(x) = f(Tx)$  for every  $f \in Y'$ and for every  $x \in X$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $E, F$  be Banach lattices. Then,  $W_M^r(E, F)$  has b-property if and only *if has b-property.*

**Proof.** Proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 2.4. So, it is omitted.

**Theorem 2.4.** Let E, F be Banach lattices. Then,  $W_M^r(E, F)$  is a KB space if and only if *is a KB space.*

**Proof.** It is proved this result by using the fact that a Banach lattice is a  $KB$  space if and only if it has an order continuous norm and it has b-property [\[2\]](#page-3-3).

 $W_L^r(E, F)$  denotes the vector space of all regular L-weakly compact operators. It is a Banach lattice.

**Theorem 2.5.** Let E, F be Banach lattices and  $(E')^a \neq \{0\}$  and  $F^a \neq \{0\}$ . Then, the *following claims are equivalent:*

 $(i)$   $W_L^r(E, F)$  has order continuous norm.

- *(ii)* ′ *has order continuous norm.*
- (*iii*)  $W_M^r(F', E')$  is a KB space.

**Proof.** Proof is done by using [\[4\]](#page-3-6).

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