

6.10. REMARK. In general a necessary and sufficient condition for  $\xi(\omega)$  to be cyclic and separating for both  $M$  and  $M_0$  is that  $LR(\omega) = M$ .

Theorem 6.9 shows how far the subset of  $R(M, M_0)$  of its elements dominated by  $\varrho$  can be from being dense in  $R(M, M_0)$ , while this is the case for  $m(\omega)$  in  $(M_*)^+$ .

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### Interpolation of the measure of non-compactness by the real method

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**Abstract.** We investigate the behaviour of the measure of non-compactness of an operator under real interpolation. Our results refer to general Banach couples. An application to the essential spectral radius of interpolated operators is also given.

**Introduction.** In 1960 Krasnosel'skiĭ [11] proved that compactness of an operator can be interpolated between  $L_p$ -spaces. A motivation for this result might have been a remark by S. G. Kreĭn on the interpolation character that certain compactness results for integral operators between  $L_p$ -spaces established by Kantorovich in 1956 seemed to have (see [12], p. 118).

At the beginning of the sixties, with the foundation of abstract interpolation theory, Krasnosel'skiĭ's result led to the investigation of interpolation properties of compact operators between abstract Banach spaces. The main contributions during that period are due to J. L. Lions, J. Peetre, E. Gagliardo, A. Calderón, A. Persson, S. G. Kreĭn, Yu. I. Petunin and K. Hayakawa (see [2] and [16] for precise references).

More recently, the paper [4] by Cobos, Edmunds and Potter opened a new research period in this area, and in 1992, culminating the efforts of several authors (see the paper [6] by Cobos and Peetre for references) M. Cwikel [9] proved that compactness of an operator can be interpolated between any Banach couples by the real method.

In the present paper we investigate the behaviour under real interpolation of the measure of non-compactness, a concept that means more than only continuity but not so much as compactness. Previous results on this

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question have been obtained by Edmunds and Teixeira [15] (see also the monograph by A. Pietsch [14], Prop. 12.1.11 and 12.1.12). These results require the assumption that one of the Banach couples degenerates to a Banach space, i.e.  $A_0 = A_1$  or  $B_0 = B_1$ , or that they are different but the image couple  $(B_0, B_1)$  satisfies a certain approximation condition.

We consider here the case of general couples without assuming any approximation hypothesis on them, and we show that the following logarithmically convex inequality holds:

$$(1) \quad \beta(T : (A_0, A_1)_{\theta, q} \rightarrow (B_0, B_1)_{\theta, q}) \\ \leq c\beta(T : A_0 \rightarrow B_0)^{1-\theta}\beta(T : A_1 \rightarrow B_1)^\theta.$$

In the special case where one restriction of  $T$  is compact, say  $\beta(T : A_0 \rightarrow B_0) = 0$ , we recover Cwikel's compactness theorem. As another application, combining Nussbaum's formula [13] for the essential spectral radius of an operator with inequality (1), we derive an estimate for the essential spectral radius of the interpolated operator that complements previous results of Albrecht [1].

Our techniques are based on the decomposition of the interpolated operator described in [5], Thm. 1.3 (see also [8], Thm. 3.1), and a more refined splitting of the different terms. Those operators that in the compact case were the easiest to deal with require now a very careful study using the construction of the real interpolation method.

We also show the necessity of a constant in inequality (1).

**1. Real interpolation and measure of non-compactness.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be Banach spaces and let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(A, B)$  be a bounded linear operator acting from  $A$  into  $B$ . The (ball) measure of non-compactness of  $T$  is defined by

$$\beta(T) = \inf \left\{ r > 0 : \text{there exists a finite number of elements } b_1, \dots, b_n \in B \right. \\ \left. \text{such that } T(\mathcal{U}_A) \subseteq \bigcup_{j=1}^n \{b_j + r\mathcal{U}_B\} \right\}$$

where  $\mathcal{U}_A$  (resp.  $\mathcal{U}_B$ ) stands for the closed unit ball of  $A$  (resp.  $B$ ).

Clearly,  $\beta(T) \leq \|T\|$ , and  $\beta(T) = 0$  if and only if  $T$  is compact. We refer to [10] and [3] for other properties of this notion.

Let  $\bar{A} = (A_0, A_1)$  be a Banach couple, that is to say, two Banach spaces  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  which are continuously embedded in a common Hausdorff topological vector space. Let  $A_0 + A_1$  be the sum of the spaces and  $A_0 \cap A_1$  their intersection. These spaces become Banach spaces when endowed with the

norms

$$\|a\|_{A_0+A_1} = \inf\{\|a_0\|_{A_0} + \|a_1\|_{A_1} : a = a_0 + a_1, a_j \in A_j\}, \\ \|a\|_{A_0 \cap A_1} = \max\{\|a\|_{A_0}, \|a\|_{A_1}\}.$$

Given any positive number  $t$ , the  $K$ - and the  $J$ -functionals are defined by

$$K(t, a) = K(t, a; A_0, A_1) \\ = \inf\{\|a_0\|_{A_0} + t\|a_1\|_{A_1} : a = a_0 + a_1, a_j \in A_j\}, \quad a \in A_0 + A_1, \\ J(t, a) = J(t, a; A_0, A_1) = \max\{\|a\|_{A_0}, t\|a\|_{A_1}\}, \quad a \in A_0 \cap A_1.$$

Note that for each  $t$ ,  $K(t, \cdot)$  (resp.  $J(t, \cdot)$ ) is a norm on  $A_0 + A_1$  (resp.  $A_0 \cap A_1$ ) equivalent to  $\|\cdot\|_{A_0+A_1}$  (resp.  $\|\cdot\|_{A_0 \cap A_1}$ ).

Let  $1 \leq q \leq \infty$  and  $0 < \theta < 1$ . The real interpolation space  $\bar{A}_{\theta, q} = (A_0, A_1)_{\theta, q}$  consists of all  $a \in A_0 + A_1$  which have a finite norm

$$\|a\|_{\theta, q} = \begin{cases} \left( \int_0^\infty (t^{-\theta} K(t, a))^q \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/q} & \text{if } 1 \leq q < \infty, \\ \sup_{t>0} \{t^{-\theta} K(t, a)\} & \text{if } q = \infty \end{cases}$$

(see [2] and [16] for properties of these spaces).

Let  $(B_0, B_1)$  be another Banach couple and let  $T$  be a linear operator mapping  $A_0 + A_1$  into  $B_0 + B_1$  such that its restrictions to  $A_j$  are continuous mappings from  $A_j$  into  $B_j$  with norm  $M_j$  ( $j = 0, 1$ ). Then it is well known that  $T$  maps  $(A_0, A_1)_{\theta, q}$  continuously into  $(B_0, B_1)_{\theta, q}$  with norm

$$(2) \quad \|T\|_{\theta, q} \leq \|T\|_{A_0, B_0}^{1-\theta} \|T\|_{A_1, B_1}^\theta.$$

Let  $\beta_0(T)$ ,  $\beta_1(T)$  and  $\beta_{\theta, q}(T)$  be the measures of non-compactness of  $T$  as a mapping from  $A_0$  to  $B_0$ ,  $A_1$  to  $B_1$  and  $(A_0, A_1)_{\theta, q}$  into  $(B_0, B_1)_{\theta, q}$ , respectively. It is natural to wonder if a similar formula to (2) holds for the measure of non-compactness, i.e. if

$$(2') \quad \beta_{\theta, q}(T) \leq \beta_0(T)^{1-\theta} \beta_1(T)^\theta.$$

The following example shows that (2') can only be true in general with an additional constant.

**EXAMPLE 1.1.** We work with the spaces  $\ell_p$  of  $p$ -summable sequences. Take  $(A_0, A_1) = (\ell_1, \ell_1)$ ,  $(B_0, B_1) = (\ell_1, \ell_\infty)$  and choose  $T = I$  the identity operator,  $I\xi = \xi$ .

It is easy to check that

$$\beta_0(I) = \beta(I : \ell_1 \rightarrow \ell_1) = 1.$$

On the other hand, according to [3], (3.5.17),

$$\beta_1(I) = \beta(I : \ell_1 \rightarrow \ell_\infty) = 1/2.$$

Take  $\theta \in (0, 1)$  close enough to 1 so that

$$\theta^{1-\theta} 2^\theta > 1,$$

and put  $1/q = 1 - \theta$ . We compute the interpolation norm on  $\ell_1 = (\ell_1, \ell_1)_{\theta, q}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \|\xi\|_{\theta, q} &= \left( \int_0^\infty (t^{-\theta} K(t, \xi; \ell_1, \ell_1))^q \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/q} \\ &= \left( \int_0^\infty (t^{-\theta} \min\{1, t\} \|\xi\|_{\ell_1})^q \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/q} \\ &= \left( \int_0^1 t^{(1-\theta)q} \frac{dt}{t} + \int_1^\infty t^{-\theta q} \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/q} \|\xi\|_{\ell_1} = \theta^{-(1-\theta)} \|\xi\|_{\ell_1}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the identity map  $I : \ell_1 \rightarrow (\ell_1, \ell_1)_{\theta, q}$  has norm  $\theta^{-(1-\theta)}$ .

Next we estimate the norm of  $I$  acting from  $\ell_q = (\ell_1, \ell_\infty)_{\theta, q}$  (endowed with the interpolation norm) into  $\ell_q$ . Using the fact that

$$K(t, \xi; \ell_1, \ell_\infty) = \int_0^t \xi^*(s) ds$$

where  $\xi^*$  is the non-increasing rearrangement of  $\xi$  on  $(0, \infty)$ , we derive that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\xi\|_{\ell_q} &= \left( \int_0^\infty (\xi^*(t))^q dt \right)^{1/q} = \left( \int_0^\infty (t^{-\theta} t \xi^*(t))^q \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq \left( \int_0^\infty \left( t^{-\theta} \int_0^t \xi^*(s) ds \right)^q \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/q} \\ &= \left( \int_0^\infty (t^{-\theta} K(t, \xi; \ell_1, \ell_\infty))^q \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/q} = \|\xi\|_{\theta, q}. \end{aligned}$$

Since we can factorize  $I : \ell_1 \rightarrow \ell_q$  by means of the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (\ell_1, \ell_1)_{\theta, q} & \xrightarrow{I} & (\ell_1, \ell_\infty)_{\theta, q} \\ \uparrow I & & \downarrow I \\ \ell_1 & & \ell_q \end{array}$$

if (2') were true then we would obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \beta(I : \ell_1 \rightarrow \ell_q) &\leq \|I : \ell_1 \rightarrow (\ell_1, \ell_1)_{\theta, q}\| \beta_{\theta, q}(I) \|I : (\ell_1, \ell_\infty)_{\theta, q} \rightarrow \ell_q\| \\ &\leq \theta^{-(1-\theta)} \beta_0(I)^{1-\theta} \beta_1(I)^\theta \leq \theta^{-(1-\theta)} 2^{-\theta} < 1 \end{aligned}$$

by our choice of  $\theta$ . Take  $\theta^{-(1-\theta)} 2^{-\theta} < s < 1$ . Then there would exist finitely many vectors  $\xi_r = (\xi_r^n) \in \ell_q$ ,  $r = 1, \dots, m$ , such that

$$(3) \quad \mathcal{U}_{\ell_1} = I(\mathcal{U}_{\ell_1}) \subseteq \bigcup_{r=1}^m \{\xi_r + s \ell_{\ell_q}\}.$$

Let  $e_j$  be the sequence which is zero at all coordinates but the  $j$ th where it is 1. It follows from (3) that there is a subsequence  $(n')$  of  $\mathbb{N}$  and some  $r$ , say  $r = 1$ , such that

$$\|\xi_1 - e_{n'}\|_{\ell_q} \leq s \quad \text{for all } n'.$$

Consequently,

$$0 < 1 - s \leq \xi_{n'}^1, \quad \text{for all } n',$$

which contradicts that  $\xi_1 \in \ell_q$ .

We next show that indeed

$$(2'') \quad \beta_{\theta, q}(T) \leq c \beta_0(T)^{1-\theta} \beta_1(T)^\theta.$$

To this end, in what follows we endow  $(B_0, B_1)_{\theta, q}$  with the discrete  $K$ -norm

$$\|b\|_{\theta, q; K} = \left( \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} (2^{-\theta m} K(2^m, b; B_0, B_1))^q \right)^{1/q}$$

(the sum should be replaced by the supremum if  $q = \infty$ ), and we equip  $(A_0, A_1)_{\theta, q}$  with the discrete  $J$ -norm

$$\|a\|_{\theta, q; J} = \inf \left\{ \left( \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} (2^{-\theta m} J(2^m, u_m; A_0, A_1))^q \right)^{1/q} : a = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} u_m, (u_m) \subset A_0 \cap A_1 \right\}.$$

It is known (see [2] or [16]) that both norms are equivalent to  $\|\cdot\|_{\theta, q}$ . Moreover,

$$\|\cdot\|_{\theta, q; K} \leq \frac{1}{3 - 2^\theta - 2^{1-\theta}} \|\cdot\|_{\theta, q; J}.$$

For these discrete norms the interpolation property (2) still holds but with the additional constant  $\delta = 2^\theta (3 - 2^\theta - 2^{1-\theta})^{-1}$ . More precisely,

$$\|T\|_{\theta, q; d} = \|T\|_{(\bar{A}_{\theta, q}, \|\cdot\|_{\theta, q; J}), (\bar{B}_{\theta, q}, \|\cdot\|_{\theta, q; K})} \leq \delta \|T\|_{A_0, B_0}^{1-\theta} \|T\|_{A_1, B_1}^\theta.$$

In the sequel, we denote by  $\beta_{\theta, q}(T)$  the measure of non-compactness of  $T : (A_0, A_1)_{\theta, q} \rightarrow (B_0, B_1)_{\theta, q}$  computed by using the discrete norms.

Given any sequence  $(W_m)$  of Banach spaces and any sequence  $(\lambda_m)$  of non-negative numbers, we write  $\ell_q(\lambda_m W_m)$  for the vector-valued  $\ell_q$  space, that is to say,

$$\begin{aligned} \ell_q(\lambda_m W_m) &= \left\{ w = (w_m) : w_m \in W_m \text{ and} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \|w\|_{\ell_q(\lambda_m W_m)} = \left( \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} (\lambda_m \|w_m\|_{W_m})^q \right)^{1/q} < \infty \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Put

$$G_m = (A_0 \cap A_1, J(2^m, \cdot; A_0, A_1)), \quad m \in \mathbb{Z},$$

and

$$F_m = (B_0 + B_1, K(2^m, \cdot; B_0, B_1)), \quad m \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Vector-valued spaces generated by the sequences  $(G_m)$  and  $(F_m)$  will be of special interest for us.

**THEOREM 1.2.** *Let  $(A_0, A_1)$  and  $(B_0, B_1)$  be Banach couples and let  $T$  be a linear operator such that  $T : A_0 \rightarrow B_0$  and  $T : A_1 \rightarrow B_1$  are bounded. Then for any  $1 \leq q \leq \infty$  and  $0 < \theta < 1$  we have*

$$\beta_{\theta,q}(T) \leq 16\delta\beta_0(T)^{1-\theta}\beta_1(T)^\theta$$

where  $\delta = 2^\theta(3 - 2^\theta - 2^{1-\theta})^{-1}$ .

*Proof.* Consider the operator  $\pi(u_m) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} u_m$ . Clearly,

$$\pi : \ell_1(G_m) \rightarrow A_0 \quad \text{and} \quad \pi : \ell_1(2^{-m}G_m) \rightarrow A_1$$

are bounded with norms  $\leq 1$ . Moreover, since the norm of  $(A_0, A_1)_{\theta,q}$  is the discrete  $J$ -norm,

$$\pi : \ell_q(2^{-\theta m}G_m) \rightarrow (A_0, A_1)_{\theta,q}$$

is a metric surjection.

Let now  $j$  be the operator that associates with any  $b \in B_0 + B_1$  the constant sequence  $j(b) = (\dots, b, b, b, \dots)$ . The restrictions

$$j : B_0 \rightarrow \ell_\infty(F_m) \quad \text{and} \quad j : B_1 \rightarrow \ell_\infty(2^{-m}F_m)$$

are bounded with norms  $\leq 1$ . Moreover,

$$j : (B_0, B_1)_{\theta,q} \rightarrow \ell_q(2^{-\theta m}F_m)$$

is a metric injection (recall that  $(B_0, B_1)_{\theta,q}$  is equipped with the discrete  $K$ -norm).

We then have the following diagram of bounded operators:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \ell_1(G_m) & \xrightarrow{\pi} & A_0 & \xrightarrow{T} & B_0 & \xrightarrow{j} & \ell_\infty(F_m) \\ \ell_1(2^{-m}G_m) & \xrightarrow{\pi} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{T} & B_1 & \xrightarrow{j} & \ell_\infty(2^{-m}F_m) \\ \hline \ell_q(2^{-\theta m}G_m) & \xrightarrow{\pi} & (A_0, A_1)_{\theta,q} & \xrightarrow{T} & (B_0, B_1)_{\theta,q} & \xrightarrow{j} & \ell_q(2^{-\theta m}F_m) \end{array}$$

Write  $\widehat{T} = jT\pi$ . Properties of  $\pi$  and  $j$  yield that

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_0(\widehat{T}) &= \beta(\widehat{T} : \ell_1(G_m) \rightarrow \ell_\infty(F_m)) \\ &\leq \|\pi : \ell_1(G_m) \rightarrow A_0\| \|\beta(T : A_0 \rightarrow B_0)\| \|j : B_0 \rightarrow \ell_\infty(F_m)\| \\ &\leq \beta(T : A_0 \rightarrow B_0) = \beta_0(T). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $\beta_1(\widehat{T}) \leq \beta_1(T)$ , while

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{\theta,q}(T) &= \beta(T : (A_0, A_1)_{\theta,q} \rightarrow (B_0, B_1)_{\theta,q}) \\ &\leq 2\beta(jT : (A_0, A_1)_{\theta,q} \rightarrow \ell_q(2^{-\theta m}F_m)) \\ &= 2\beta(\widehat{T} : \ell_q(2^{-\theta m}G_m) \rightarrow \ell_q(2^{-\theta m}F_m)). \end{aligned}$$

Put, for simplicity,  $\beta(\widehat{T}) = \beta(\widehat{T} : \ell_q(2^{-\theta m}G_m) \rightarrow \ell_q(2^{-\theta m}F_m))$ . In order to establish the theorem it suffices to show that

$$(4) \quad \beta(\widehat{T}) \leq 8\delta\beta_0(T)^{1-\theta}\beta_1(T)^\theta.$$

Given any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , define operators  $P_n, Q_n^+, Q_n^-$  on the Banach couple  $(\ell_1(G_m), \ell_1(2^{-m}G_m))$  by

$$\begin{aligned} P_n(u_m) &= (\dots, 0, 0, u_{-n}, u_{-n+1}, \dots, u_{n-1}, u_n, 0, 0, \dots), \\ Q_n^+(u_m) &= (\dots, 0, 0, u_{n+1}, u_{n+2}, \dots), \\ Q_n^-(u_m) &= (\dots, u_{-n-2}, u_{-n-1}, 0, 0, \dots). \end{aligned}$$

It is not hard to check that these operators satisfy the following conditions:

(I) The identity operator on  $\ell_1(G_m) + \ell_1(2^{-m}G_m)$  can be decomposed as  $I = P_n + Q_n^+ + Q_n^-$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$

(II) The operators are uniformly bounded, i.e.

$$\|P_n : \ell_1(G_m) \rightarrow \ell_1(G_m)\| = \|P_n : \ell_1(2^{-m}G_m) \rightarrow \ell_1(2^{-m}G_m)\| = 1$$

and similarly for  $Q_n^+$  and  $Q_n^-$ .

(III) We have

$$\|Q_n^+ : \ell_1(G_m) \rightarrow \ell_1(2^{-m}G_m)\| = 2^{-(n+1)} = \|Q_n^- : \ell_1(2^{-m}G_m) \rightarrow \ell_1(G_m)\|.$$

On the couple  $(\ell_\infty(F_m), \ell_\infty(2^{-m}F_m))$  we can define analogous operators that satisfy the corresponding versions of (I), (II) and (III). We call them  $R_n, S_n^+, S_n^-$ .

In order to estimate  $\beta(\widehat{T})$  we decompose  $\widehat{T}$  by using (I) as

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{T} &= \widehat{T}(P_n + Q_n^+ + Q_n^-) = \widehat{T}P_n + (R_n + S_n^+ + S_n^-)\widehat{T}(Q_n^+ + Q_n^-) \\ &= \widehat{T}P_n + R_n\widehat{T}(Q_n^+ + Q_n^-) + S_n^+\widehat{T}Q_n^- + S_n^-\widehat{T}Q_n^+ + S_n^+\widehat{T}Q_n^+ + S_n^-\widehat{T}Q_n^-. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \beta(\widehat{T}) &\leq \beta(S_n^+\widehat{T}Q_n^-) + \beta(S_n^-\widehat{T}Q_n^+) + \beta(S_n^+\widehat{T}Q_n^+) \\ &\quad + \beta(S_n^-\widehat{T}Q_n^-) + \beta(\widehat{T}P_n) + \beta(R_n\widehat{T}(Q_n^+ + Q_n^-)). \end{aligned}$$

Here all operators act from  $\ell_q(2^{-\theta m}G_m)$  into  $\ell_q(2^{-\theta m}F_m)$ .

To proceed with these terms, we recall that the following interpolation formulae hold with equivalence of norms:

$$\begin{aligned} \ell_q(2^{-\theta m}G_m) &= (\ell_1(G_m), \ell_1(2^{-m}G_m))_{\theta,q}, \\ \ell_q(2^{-\theta m}F_m) &= (\ell_\infty(F_m), \ell_\infty(2^{-m}F_m))_{\theta,q}. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, writing down for the case of couples the arguments given in [7], Thm. 3.1, one can verify that the inclusions

$$\ell_q(2^{-\theta m} G_m) \hookrightarrow ((\ell_1(G_m), \ell_1(2^{-m} G_m))_{\theta, q}, \|\cdot\|_{\theta, q; J})$$

and

$$((\ell_\infty(F_m), \ell_\infty(2^{-m} F_m))_{\theta, q}, \|\cdot\|_{\theta, q; K}) \hookrightarrow \ell_q(2^{-\theta m} F_m)$$

have norm less than or equal to 1. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \beta(S_n^+ \widehat{T} Q_n^-) &\leq \beta_{\theta, q}(S_n^+ \widehat{T} Q_n^-) \leq \|S_n^+ \widehat{T} Q_n^-\|_{\theta, q; d} \\ &\leq \delta \|S_n^+ \widehat{T} Q_n^-\|_0^{1-\theta} \|S_n^+ \widehat{T} Q_n^-\|_1^\theta. \end{aligned}$$

Using now the factorization

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \ell_1(G_m) & \xrightarrow{\widehat{T}} & \ell_\infty(F_m) \\ Q_n^- \uparrow & & \downarrow S_n^+ \\ \ell_1(2^{-m} G_m) & & \ell_\infty(2^{-m} F_m) \end{array}$$

and properties (II) and (III), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \beta(S_n^+ \widehat{T} Q_n^-) &\leq \delta \|\widehat{T}\|_0^{1-\theta} (2^{-(n+1)})^\theta \|\widehat{T}\|_0 2^{-(n+1)} \\ &= \delta 2^{-2(n+1)\theta} \|\widehat{T}\|_0 \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

A similar argument shows that also

$$\beta(S_n^- \widehat{T} Q_n^+) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Consider next the case of  $S_n^+ \widehat{T} Q_n^+$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \beta(S_n^+ \widehat{T} Q_n^+) &\leq \beta_{\theta, q}(S_n^+ \widehat{T} Q_n^+) \leq \delta \|S_n^+ \widehat{T} Q_n^+\|_0^{1-\theta} \|S_n^+ \widehat{T} Q_n^+\|_1^\theta \\ &\leq \delta \|\widehat{T} Q_n^+\|_0^{1-\theta} \|S_n^+ \widehat{T} Q_n^+\|_1^\theta. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\|\widehat{T} Q_1^+\|_0 \geq \|\widehat{T} Q_2^+\|_0 \geq \dots \geq 0,$$

there exists  $\lambda \geq 0$  such that  $\|\widehat{T} Q_n^+\|_0 \rightarrow \lambda$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Find vectors  $u_n \in \mathcal{U}_0 = \mathcal{U}_{\ell_1(G_m)}$  such that

$$\|\widehat{T} Q_n^+ u_n\|_{\ell_\infty(F_m)} \rightarrow \lambda \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

On the other hand, given any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there are finitely many vectors  $b_1, \dots, b_s$  in  $B_0$  so that

$$T\pi\mathcal{U}_0 \subseteq \bigcup_{r=1}^s \{b_r + (\beta_0(T) + \varepsilon)\mathcal{U}_{B_0}\}.$$

Hence, for some subsequence  $(n')$  of  $\mathbb{N}$  and some  $r$ , say  $r = 1$ , it follows that

$$T\pi Q_{n'}^+ u_{n'} \in \{b_1 + (\beta_0(T) + \varepsilon)\mathcal{U}_{B_0}\} \quad \text{for all } n'.$$

According to (III), we then get, for any  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} K(2^m, b_1) &\leq \|b_1 - T\pi Q_{n'}^+ u_{n'}\|_{B_0} + 2^m \|T\pi Q_{n'}^+ u_{n'}\|_{B_1} \\ &\leq (\beta_0(T) + \varepsilon) + 2^m \|T\|_1 \|Q_{n'}^+ u_{n'}\|_{\ell_1(2^{-m} G_m)} \\ &\leq (\beta_0(T) + \varepsilon) + 2^{m-n'} \|T\|_1 \rightarrow \beta_0(T) + \varepsilon \quad \text{as } n' \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\|jb_1\|_{\ell_\infty(F_m)} = \sup_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \{K(2^m, b_1)\} \leq \beta_0(T) + \varepsilon$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda &= \lim_{n' \rightarrow \infty} \|\widehat{T} Q_{n'}^+ u_{n'}\|_{\ell_\infty(F_m)} \\ &\leq \sup_{n'} (\|\widehat{T} Q_{n'}^+ u_{n'} - jb_1\|_{\ell_\infty(F_m)} + \|jb_1\|_{\ell_\infty(F_m)}) \leq 2(\beta_0(T) + \varepsilon). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, given any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for  $n \geq N_1$ ,

$$(5) \quad \|\widehat{T} Q_n^+\|_0^{1-\theta} \leq (2\beta_0(T))^{1-\theta} + \varepsilon.$$

We now turn to  $\|S_n^+ \widehat{T} Q_n^+\|_1$ . Given any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , it is easy to see that there exists a finite set  $\{v_r\}_{r=1}^s \subseteq \ell_1(2^{-m} G_m)$ , formed by sequences having only a finite number of non-zero coordinates, so that for any  $v \in \mathcal{U}_1 = \mathcal{U}_{\ell_1(2^{-m} G_m)}$ ,

$$(6) \quad \min_{1 \leq r \leq s} \{\|\widehat{T}v - \widehat{T}v_r\|_{\ell_\infty(2^{-m} F_m)}\} \leq 2\beta_1(T) + \varepsilon.$$

Since  $\{\widehat{T}v_r\}_{r=1}^s \subseteq \ell_\infty(F_m) \cap \ell_\infty(2^{-m} F_m)$ , we deduce from (III) that there is  $N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that if  $n \geq N_2$  then

$$(7) \quad \|S_n^+ \widehat{T}v_r\|_{\ell_\infty(2^{-m} F_m)} \leq \varepsilon \quad \text{for any } r = 1, \dots, s.$$

Inequalities (6), (7) and the fact that  $Q_n^+ \mathcal{U}_1 \subseteq \mathcal{U}_1$  yield that for  $n \geq N_2$  and any  $v \in \mathcal{U}_1$  we may choose  $r \in [1, s]$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} \|S_n^+ \widehat{T} Q_n^+ v\|_{\ell_\infty(2^{-m} F_m)} &\leq \|S_n^+ \widehat{T} Q_n^+ v - S_n^+ \widehat{T}v_r\|_{\ell_\infty(2^{-m} F_m)} \\ &\quad + \|S_n^+ \widehat{T}v_r\|_{\ell_\infty(2^{-m} F_m)} \\ &\leq \|\widehat{T} Q_n^+ v - \widehat{T}v_r\|_{\ell_\infty(2^{-m} F_m)} + \varepsilon \leq 2\beta_1(T) + 2\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

In other words,

$$(8) \quad \|S_n^+ \widehat{T} Q_n^+\|_1 \leq 2\beta_1(T) + 2\varepsilon \quad \text{if } n \geq N_2.$$

From (5) and (8) it follows that for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , choosing  $n$  large enough,

$$\beta(S_n^+ \widehat{T} Q_n^+) \leq 2\delta\beta_0(T)^{1-\theta} \beta_1(T)^\theta + \varepsilon.$$

The term  $\beta(S_n^- \widehat{T} Q_n^-)$  can be estimated similarly.

For the remaining two terms our arguments are based on the construction of the real interpolation method. We start with  $\beta(\widehat{T}P_n)$ . Let  $\ell_q^{2n+1}$  be  $\mathbb{R}^{2n+1}$

with the  $q$ -norm. Since  $\ell_q^{2n+1}$  is finite-dimensional, given any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is a finite set  $\{\mu_r\}_{r=1}^s \subseteq \mathcal{U}_{\ell_q^{2n+1}}$  such that for any  $\lambda \in \mathcal{U}_{\ell_q^{2n+1}}$ ,

$$\min_{1 \leq r \leq s} \{\|\lambda - \mu_r\|_{\ell_q^{2n+1}}\} \leq \varepsilon.$$

Take any  $k_i > \beta_i(T)$  ( $i = 0, 1$ ), and find  $\nu \in \mathbb{Z}$  so that  $2^{\nu-1} < k_1/k_0 \leq 2^\nu$ . Given any  $u = (u_m) \in \mathcal{U}_{\ell_q(2^{-\theta m} G_m)}$ , since

$$\begin{aligned} & \|(2^{-\theta(-n)} J(2^{-n}, u_{-n}), \dots, 2^{-\theta 0} J(2^0, u_0), \dots, (2^{-\theta n} J(2^n, u_n))\|_{\ell_q^{2n+1}} \\ & \leq \left( \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} (2^{-\theta m} J(2^m, u_m))^q \right)^{1/q} \leq 1, \end{aligned}$$

we can find  $r \in [1, s]$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} & 2^{-\theta} 2^{-\theta(m-\nu)} \left( \frac{k_1}{k_0} \right)^{-\theta} J \left( 2^{m-\nu} \frac{k_1}{k_0}, u_m \right) \\ & \leq 2^{-\theta} 2^{-\theta(m-\nu)} 2^{-\theta\nu+\theta} J(2^{m-\nu+\nu}, u_m) = 2^{-\theta m} J(2^m, u_m) \leq \mu_m^r + \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

for any  $m = -n, \dots, n$ , where  $\mu_r = (\mu_{-n}^r, \dots, \mu_n^r)$ . That is to say,

$$\max \left\{ 2^{-\theta} 2^{-\theta(m-\nu)} \left( \frac{k_1}{k_0} \right)^{-\theta} \|u_m\|_{A_0}, 2^{-\theta} 2^{(1-\theta)(m-\nu)} \left( \frac{k_1}{k_0} \right)^{1-\theta} \|u_m\|_{A_1} \right\} \leq \mu_m^r + \varepsilon$$

for some  $r \in [1, s]$  and any  $m = -n, \dots, n$ . Then, according to the definition of  $\beta_i(T)$ , we can pick finite sets  $\{b_{m,j}^i\} \subseteq B_i$ ,  $i = 0, 1$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, h$ , where  $h$  depends on  $i$ , such that

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{1 \leq j \leq h} \{\|Tu_m - b_{m,j}^i\|_{B_i}\} & \leq k_i (\mu_m^r + \varepsilon) 2^\theta 2^{-(i-\theta)(m-\nu)} \left( \frac{k_1}{k_0} \right)^{\theta-i} \\ & = 2^\theta 2^{-(i-\theta)(m-\nu)} k_0^{1-\theta} k_1^\theta (\mu_m^r + \varepsilon) \end{aligned}$$

with the same  $r$  for  $m = -n, \dots, n$ . Put

$$\psi_{m,r}^i = 2^\theta 2^{-(i-\theta)(m-\nu)} k_0^{1-\theta} k_1^\theta (\mu_m^r + \varepsilon),$$

and for any  $j, g$  and  $r$ , choose

$$d_{m,p} \in \{b_{m,j}^0 + \psi_{m,r}^0 \mathcal{U}_{B_0}\} \cap \{b_{m,g}^1 + \psi_{m,r}^1 \mathcal{U}_{B_1}\}$$

provided the intersection is not void. The number of the  $d_{m,p}$ 's may change with  $m$ , say it is  $w = w(m)$ , but it is finite. All  $d_{m,p}$ 's belong to  $B_0 \cap B_1$  and, by construction, given any  $u = (u_m) \in \mathcal{U}_{\ell_q(2^{-\theta m} G_m)}$  there are some  $r \in [1, s]$  and some  $\{d_{m,p}\}_{m=-n}^n$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} J(2^{m-\nu}, Tu_m - d_{m,p}) & = \max\{\|Tu_m - d_{m,p}\|_{B_0}, 2^{m-\nu} \|Tu_m - d_{m,p}\|_{B_1}\} \\ & \leq \max\{2\psi_{m,r}^0, 2^{m-\nu} 2\psi_{m,r}^1\} = 2\psi_{m,r}^0 \end{aligned}$$

where  $m = -n, \dots, n$ .

Denote by  $D$  the collection of all sums  $\sum_{m=-n}^n d_{m,p}$  where  $p \in [1, w(m)]$ . Then  $D$  is a finite subset of  $(B_0, B_1)_{\theta, q}$  such that for any  $u \in \mathcal{U}_{\ell_q(2^{-\theta m} G_m)}$  there exists some  $\sum_{m=-n}^n d_{m,p} \in D$  with

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| T\pi P_n u - \sum_{m=-n}^n d_{m,p} \right\|_{\theta, q; K} \\ & = \left\| \sum_{m=-n}^n (Tu_m - d_{m,p}) \right\|_{\theta, q; K} \\ & \leq \frac{\delta}{2^\theta} \left\| \sum_{m=-n}^n (Tu_m - d_{m,p}) \right\|_{\theta, q; J} \\ & \leq \frac{\delta}{2^\theta} \left( \sum_{m=-n}^n (2^{-\theta(m-\nu)} J(2^{m-\nu}, Tu_m - d_{m,p}))^q \right)^{1/q} \\ & \leq \frac{\delta}{2^\theta} 2 \cdot 2^\theta k_0^{1-\theta} k_1^\theta \left( \sum_{m=-n}^n (\mu_m^r + \varepsilon)^q \right)^{1/q} \leq 2\delta k_0^{1-\theta} k_1^\theta (1 + (2n+1)^{1/q} \varepsilon). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$\beta(\widehat{TP}_n) \leq \beta(T\pi P_n : \ell_q(2^{-\theta m} G_m) \rightarrow (B_0, B_1)_{\theta, q}) \leq 2\delta \beta_0(T)^{1-\theta} \beta_1(T)^\theta.$$

Finally, for  $\beta(R_n \widehat{T}(Q_n^+ + Q_n^-))$ , we note that

$$\begin{aligned} \beta(R_n \widehat{T}(Q_n^+ + Q_n^-)) & = \beta(R_n j T\pi(Q_n^+ + Q_n^-)) \\ & \leq \beta(R_n j T : (A_0, A_1)_{\theta, q} \rightarrow \ell_q(2^{-\theta m} F_m)). \end{aligned}$$

Let again  $k_i > \beta_i(T)$  ( $i = 0, 1$ ), take  $\nu \in \mathbb{Z}$  satisfying  $2^{\nu-1} < k_1/k_0 \leq 2^\nu$ , and given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , find  $\{\mu_r\}_{r=1}^s \subseteq \mathcal{U}_{\ell_q^{2n+1}}$  so that for any  $\lambda \in \mathcal{U}_{\ell_q^{2n+1}}$ ,

$$\min_{1 \leq r \leq s} \{\|\lambda - \mu_r\|_{\ell_q^{2n+1}}\} \leq \varepsilon.$$

For  $a \in \mathcal{U}_{(A_0, A_1)_{\theta, q}}$ , since

$$\left( \sum_{m=-n}^n (2^{-\theta(m+\nu)} K(2^{m+\nu}, a))^q \right)^{1/q} \leq \|a\|_{\theta, q; K} \leq 2^{-\theta} \delta \|a\|_{\theta, q; J} \leq 2^{-\theta} \delta,$$

there is some  $r \in [1, s]$  with

$$2^{-\theta(m+\nu)} K(2^{m+\nu}, a) \leq 2^{-\theta} \delta (\mu_m^r + \varepsilon), \quad m = -n, \dots, n.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} K \left( 2^m \frac{k_1}{k_0}, a \right) & \leq K(2^{m+\nu}, a) \leq 2^{\theta(m+\nu)} 2^{-\theta} \delta (\mu_m^r + \varepsilon) \\ & < \delta \left( 2^m \frac{k_1}{k_0} \right)^\theta (\mu_m^r + \varepsilon), \quad m = -n, \dots, n. \end{aligned}$$

Using now the definition of the  $K$ -functional, we can find decompositions

$$a = a_m^0 + a_m^1, \quad a_m^i \in A_i \quad (i = 0, 1), \quad m = -n, \dots, n.$$

such that

$$\|a_m^0\|_{A_0} + 2^m \frac{k_1}{k_0} \|a_m^1\|_{A_1} \leq \delta \left( 2^m \frac{k_1}{k_0} \right)^\theta (\mu_m^r + \varepsilon).$$

Then, by our choice of  $k_i > \beta_i(T)$  ( $i = 0, 1$ ), there are finite sets  $\{b_{m,j}^i\}_{j=1}^h \subseteq B_i$  so that

$$\min_{1 \leq j \leq h} \{\|T a_m^i - b_{m,j}^i\|_{B_i}\} \leq \delta 2^{m(\theta-i)} k_0^{1-\theta} k_1^\theta (\mu_m^r + \varepsilon)$$

Write  $W$  for the collection of all vector-valued sequences  $z_w = (z_m^w)$  defined by

$$z_m^w = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } m \notin [-n, n], \\ b_{m,j}^0 + b_{m,g}^1 & \text{if } -n \leq m \leq n, \end{cases}$$

where  $j$  and  $g$  run over their domains. Then  $W$  is a finite subset of  $\ell_q(2^{-\theta m} F_m)$  and given any  $a \in \mathcal{U}_{(A_0, A_1)_{\theta, q}}$ , if we choose  $z_w \in W$  so that  $z_m^w = b_{m,j}^0 + b_{m,g}^1$  ( $m = -n, \dots, n$ ) with

$$\begin{aligned} \|T a_m^0 - b_{m,j}^0\|_{B_0} &\leq \delta 2^{m\theta} k_0^{1-\theta} k_1^\theta (\mu_m^r + \varepsilon), \\ \|T a_m^1 - b_{m,g}^1\|_{B_1} &\leq \delta 2^{m(\theta-1)} k_0^{1-\theta} k_1^\theta (\mu_m^r + \varepsilon), \end{aligned}$$

it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} &\|R_n j T a - z_w\|_{\ell_q(2^{-\theta m} F_m)} \\ &= \left( \sum_{m=-n}^n (2^{-\theta m} K(2^m, T a_m^0 - b_{m,j}^0 + T a_m^1 - b_{m,g}^1))^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq 2\delta k_0^{1-\theta} k_1^\theta \left( \sum_{m=-n}^n (\mu_m^r + \varepsilon)^q \right)^{1/q} \leq 2\delta k_0^{1-\theta} k_1^\theta (1 + (2n+1)^{1/q} \varepsilon). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\beta(R_n j T : (A_0, A_1)_{\theta, q} \rightarrow \ell_q(2^{-\theta m} F_m)) \leq 2\delta \beta_0(T)^{1-\theta} \beta_1(T)^\theta,$$

and so

$$\beta(R_n \widehat{T}(Q_n^+ + Q_n^-)) \leq 2\delta \beta_0(T)^{1-\theta} \beta_1(T)^\theta.$$

In conclusion,

$$\beta(\widehat{T}) \leq 8\delta \beta_0(T)^{1-\theta} \beta_1(T)^\theta.$$

This proves (4) and completes the proof. ■

The theorem shows the deviation from compactness that the interpolated operator may have. As a special case, taking  $\beta_0(T) = 0$ , we recover Cwikel's compactness theorem mentioned in the Introduction.

We close the paper with an application to spectral theory. Let  $A$  be a complex Banach space, let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(A, A)$  and let  $\text{sp}_e(T)$  be the *essential spectrum* of  $T$ , that is to say, the collection of all complex numbers  $\lambda$  satisfying at least one of the following conditions:

- (i) the range of  $T - \lambda I$  is not closed;
- (ii)  $\lambda$  is a limit point of the spectrum of  $T$ ;
- (iii)  $\bigcup_{r=1}^{\infty} \text{Ker}(T - \lambda I)^r$  is infinite-dimensional.

The *essential spectral radius* is defined by

$$r_e(T) = \sup\{|\lambda| : \lambda \in \text{sp}_e(T)\}$$

(see [13], [10] and [3] for more details on these notions).

**COROLLARY 1.3.** *Let  $(A_0, A_1)$  be a (complex) Banach couple and let  $T$  be a linear operator such that its restrictions  $T : A_i \rightarrow A_i$  are bounded ( $i = 0, 1$ ). Then for any  $0 < \theta < 1$  and  $1 \leq q \leq \infty$ ,*

$$r_e(T : (A_0, A_1)_{\theta, q} \rightarrow (A_0, A_1)_{\theta, q}) \leq r_e(T : A_0 \rightarrow A_0)^{1-\theta} r_e(T : A_1 \rightarrow A_1)^\theta.$$

**PROOF.** According to a result of Nussbaum [13], Thm. 1, the essential spectral radius can be expressed in terms of the measure of non-compactness by the formula

$$r_e(T) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta(T^n)^{1/n}.$$

Hence, using Theorem 1.2, we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} r_e(T : (A_0, A_1)_{\theta, q} \rightarrow (A_0, A_1)_{\theta, q}) \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c^{1/n} \beta(T^n : A_0 \rightarrow A_0)^{(1-\theta)/n} \beta(T^n : A_1 \rightarrow A_1)^{\theta/n} \\ &= r_e(T : A_0 \rightarrow A_0)^{1-\theta} r_e(T : A_1 \rightarrow A_1)^\theta. \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

Note that the inequality for the essential spectral radius holds without any additional constant, and it does not depend on the norm chosen in  $(A_0, A_1)_{\theta, q}$ .

In the case  $1 \leq q < \infty$ , where  $A_0 \cap A_1$  is dense in  $(A_0, A_1)_{\theta, q}$ , Corollary 1.3 was established by Albrecht in [1] using different techniques.

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## Tail and moment estimates for some types of chaos

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**Abstract.** Let  $X_i$  be a sequence of independent symmetric real random variables with logarithmically concave tails. We consider a variable  $X = \sum_{i \neq j} a_{i,j} X_i X_j$ , where  $a_{i,j}$  are real numbers. We derive approximate formulas for the tails and moments of  $X$  and of its decoupled version, which are exact up to some universal constants.

**Definitions and notation.** Let  $X_i, X'_j$  be two independent sequences of independent symmetric random variables with logarithmically concave tails, i.e. the functions  $N_i, N'_j : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  defined by

$$N_i(t) = -\ln P(|X_i| \geq t) \quad \text{and} \quad N'_j(t) = -\ln P(|X'_j| \geq t)$$

are convex. Since it is only a matter of normalization we may and will assume that for all  $i$  and  $j$ ,

$$(1) \quad \inf\{t : N_i(t) \geq 1\} = \inf\{t : N'_j(t) \geq 1\} = 1.$$

Define the functions  $\widehat{N}_i$  by

$$\widehat{N}_i(t) = \begin{cases} t^2 & \text{for } |t| \leq 1, \\ N_i(|t|) & \text{for } |t| > 1. \end{cases}$$

For sequences  $(a_i)$  of real numbers and  $p > 0$  we put

$$\|(a_i)\|_{\mathcal{N}, p} = \sup \left\{ \sum a_i b_i : \sum \widehat{N}_i(b_i) \leq p \right\}$$

and

$$\|(a_i)\|_p = \left( \sum a_i^p \right)^{1/p}.$$

In a similar way we define  $\widehat{N}'_j$  and  $\|(a_j)\|_{\mathcal{N}', p}$ .

For matrices  $(a_{i,j})$  and  $p > 0$  we define

$$\|(a_{i,j})\|_{\mathcal{N}, \mathcal{N}', p} = \sup \left\{ \sum a_{i,j} b_i c_j : \sum \widehat{N}_i(b_i) \leq p, \sum \widehat{N}'_j(c_j) \leq p \right\}.$$

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