

*INTERPOLATION AND EXTENSION
OF LIPSCHITZ-HÖLDER MAPS ON C_p SPACES*

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1. Introduction. A map F from a subset D of a metric space (X, d_1) to a metric space (Y, d_2) is said to be *Lipschitz continuous of order α* and belong to the class $\text{Lip}(D, Y, \alpha)$ provided

$$d_2(Fx_1, Fx_2) \leq [d_1(x_1, x_2)]^\alpha \quad \text{for } x_1, x_2 \in D.$$

The statement that " $e(X, Y, \alpha)$ holds" means that, for arbitrary $D \subset X$, every element of $\text{Lip}(D, Y, \alpha)$ can be extended to a map in $\text{Lip}(X, Y, \alpha)$.

Recently, interpolation theorems have been used in [1], [4] and [7] to prove extension theorems about Lipschitz-Hölder maps on function spaces. In this paper, a similar type interpolation theorem is proved which can then be applied to the C_p spaces defined below.

Let H be a Hilbert space and T a compact operator on H . Then $|T|$ is defined to be the unique positive square root of TT^* which is also compact. Now, let $\mu_1 \geq \mu_2 \geq \dots \geq 0$ be the eigenvalues of $|T|$; then for $1 \leq p < \infty$ we define

$$\|T\|_p = \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu_n^p \right)^{1/p}.$$

The space C_p consists of all compact operators T such that $\|T\|_p$ is finite. The number $\|T\|_\infty$ will be the operator norm of T . For $p = 1$, the space is sometimes called the *trace class* or the *nuclear operators*. For details concerning the C_p spaces, see [2], [3] or [6].

2. Main results. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be Hilbert spaces and $P = (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n)$ an n -tuple of real numbers with $1 \leq p_k \leq \infty$. Define $\oplus C_{p_k}(X_k)$ to be the linear space of all vectors $T = (T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n)$, $T_k \in C_{p_k}(X_k)$, with the usual coordinate-wise addition and scalar multiplication. In this space, introduce the norm

$$\|T\|_{p,r} = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^n \|T_k\|_{p_k}^r \lambda_k \right\}^{1/r},$$

where $1 \leq r < \infty$ and $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$ is an n -tuple of positive weights.

In case $r = \infty$, write

$$\|T\|_{P,\infty} = \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \|T_k\|_{p_k}.$$

Denote by $C_{P,r}(\lambda)$ the set of T such that $\|T\|_{P,r}$ is finite. If $P' = (p'_1, p'_2, \dots, p'_n)$, where $1/p_k + 1/p'_k = 1$, then for $S \in C_{P',r}(\lambda)$

$$L(T) = \text{tr } ST = \sum_{k=1}^n (\text{tr } S_k T_k) \lambda_k$$

defines a bounded linear functional on $C_{P,r}$. Here tr denotes the trace of the operator. For $T \in C_{P,r}(\lambda)$,

$$(2.1) \quad \|T\|_{P,r} = \sup |\text{tr } ST|,$$

where the supremum is taken over all finite-dimensional vectors belonging to $C_{P,r}$ (cf. [2], p. 1098). A vector in $C_{P,r}$ is finite dimensional provided each component has finite-dimensional range.

Suppose Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_m is another collection of Hilbert spaces, $\eta = (\eta_1, \dots, \eta_m)$ with $\eta_j \geq 0$ and $Q = (q_1, q_2, \dots, q_m)$, $1 \leq q_i \leq \infty$. Define $C_{Q,s}(\eta)$ in a similar manner and consider linear maps taking finite-dimensional vectors of $C_{P,r}$ into the finite-dimensional vectors of $C_{Q,s}$.

THEOREM 2.1. *Suppose $1 \leq P_i, Q_i \leq \infty$, $1 \leq r_i, s_i \leq \infty$, $i = 1, 2$, and $1/P = (1-t)/P_1 + t/P_2$, $1/Q = (1-t)/Q_1 + t/Q_2$, $1/r = (1-t)/r_1 + t/r_2$, $1/s = (1-t)/s_1 + t/s_2$. Let L be a bounded linear operator taking the finite-dimensional operators in C_{P_i, r_i} into the finite-dimensional operators in C_{Q_i, s_i} , $i = 1, 2$, with bounds M_1 and M_2 , respectively. Then L takes $C_{P,r}$ into $C_{Q,s}$ and*

$$\|L(T)\|_{Q,s} \leq M_1^{1-t} M_2^t \|T\|_{P,r} \quad \text{for } T \in C_{P,r}.$$

Proof. In explanation of the notation, $1/P = (1-t)/P_1 + t/P_2$ means $P = (p_1, \dots, p_n)$, $P_1 = (p_{11}, p_{12}, \dots, p_{1n})$, $P_2 = (p_{21}, \dots, p_{2n})$ and $1/p_k = (1-t)/p_{1k} + t/p_{2k}$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

It follows from (2.1) that all we have to show is that

$$(2.2) \quad |\text{tr } L(T)S| \leq M_1^{1-t} M_2^t$$

for finite-dimensional operators T and S satisfying $\|T\|_{P,r} = 1$ and $\|S\|_{Q,s} = 1$. Choose such a T and S and write $T_k = |T_k| U_k$, $S_k = |S_k| V_k$, where U_k and V_k are partial isometries obtained from the polar decomposition. If an operator H has the canonical representation

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda_i(\cdot, \varphi_i) \varphi_i,$$

then by H^{\sharp} we mean the operator

$$H^{\sharp} = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda_i^{\sharp}(\cdot, \varphi_i) \varphi_i.$$

Let $\alpha_k(z) = (1-z)/p_{1k} + z/p_{2k}$, $1 \leq k \leq n$, $\beta_k(z) = (1-z)/q_{1k} + z/q_{2k}$, $\beta'_k(z) = (1-z)/q'_{1k} + z/q'_{2k}$, $\gamma(z) = (1-z)/r_1 + z/r_2$, $\delta(z) = (1-z)/s_1 + z/s_2$, and $\delta'(z) = (1-z)/s'_1 + z/s'_2$. Define

$$F_k(z) = \begin{cases} \| |T_k| \|_{p_k}^{r\gamma(z) - p_k \alpha_k(z)} |T_k|^{p_k \alpha_k(z)} U_k, & p_k \neq \infty, \\ \| |T_k| \|_p^{r\gamma(z) - 1} T_k, & p_k = \infty, \end{cases}$$

and

$$G_k(z) = \begin{cases} \| |S_k| \|_{q_k}^{s'\delta'(z) - q'_k \beta'_k} |S_k|^{q'_k (z)(1 - \beta_k(z))} V_k, & q_k \neq 1, \\ \| |S_k| \|_{q'_k}^{s'\delta'(z) - 1} S_k, & q_k = 1. \end{cases}$$

Let $F(z) = (F_1(z), F_2(z), \dots, F_n(z))$, $G(z) = (G_1(z), \dots, G_m(z))$; then, for $z = t$, $F(t) = T$ and $G(t) = S$.

Finally, define

$$\Phi(z) = \sum_{k=1}^m \operatorname{tr} [(LF(z))_k G_k(z)] \eta_k.$$

Since $L(F)(z)_k$ and $G_k(z)$ are finite dimensional, it follows that $\Phi(z)$ is a holomorphic function on the strip $0 \leq \operatorname{Re} z \leq 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} \|F(1+iy)\|_{P_2, r_2}^{r_2} &= \sum_{k=1}^n \|F_k(1+iy)\|_{p_{2k}}^{r_2} \lambda_k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \| |T_k| \|_{p_k}^{(r/r_2 - p_k/p_{2k})r_2} \| |T_k|^{p_k/p_{2k}} \|_{p_{2k}}^{r_2} \lambda_k = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Similar computations show that $\|F(iy)\|_{P_1, r_1} = 1$ and $\|G(1+iy)\|_{Q'_2, s'_2}^{s'_2} = \|G(iy)\|_{Q'_1, s'_1}^{s'_1} = 1$.

These combine to imply

$$\begin{aligned} |\Phi(iy)| &= |\operatorname{tr} [L(F)(iy)G(iy)]| \\ &\leq \|LF(iy)\|_{Q_1, s_1} \|G(iy)\|_{Q'_1, s'_1} \\ &\leq M_1 \|F(iy)\|_{P_1, r_1} \|G(iy)\|_{Q'_1, s'_1} = M_1 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$|\Phi(1+iy)| \leq M_2 \|F(1+iy)\|_{P_2, r_2} \|G(1+iy)\|_{Q'_2, s'_2} = M_2.$$

Thus applying the "three line theorem" we obtain (2.2).

This interpolation theorem can be applied to obtain various inequalities in C_p spaces. An example is

COROLLARY 2.1. *Let $2 \leq p < \infty$ and $p' \leq s \leq p$, where $1/p + 1/p' = 1$.*

Then

$$(2.3) \quad \|T_1 - T_2\|_s^p + \|T_1 + T_2\|_s^p \leq 2^{s-1} \{\|T_1\|_s^s + \|T_2\|_s^s\} \quad \text{for } T_1, T_2 \in C_s.$$

Proof. Note that when s is p or p' , we get the usual Clarkson type inequalities obtained in [5].

Define the operator L on pairs of finite-dimensional operators by $L(T_1, T_2) = (T_1 - T_2, T_1 + T_2)$ and let $P_1 = Q_1 = (2, 2)$, $P_2 = Q_2 = (1, 1)$. The inequalities

$$(2.4) \quad \{\|T_1 - T_2\|_2^2 + \|T_1 + T_2\|_2^2\}^{1/2} \leq \sqrt{2} \{\|T_1\|_2^2 + \|T_2\|_2^2\}^{1/2}$$

and

$$(2.5) \quad \max\{\|T_1 - T_2\|_1, \|T_1 + T_2\|_1\} \leq \{\|T_1\|_1 + \|T_2\|_1\}$$

imply $L: C_{P_1, 2} \rightarrow C_{Q_1, 2}$ with $M_1 = \sqrt{2}$ and $L: C_{P_2, 1} \rightarrow C_{Q_2, \infty}$ with $M_2 = 1$. Inequality (2.4) follows from properties of inner products. Choosing t so that $1/p' = (1-t)/2 + t = 1 + t/2$ and applying the interpolation theorem we see that $L: C_{P', p'} \rightarrow C_{P', p}$, where $P' = (p', p')$ and

$$(2.6) \quad \{\|T_1 - T_2\|_{p'}^p + \|T_1 + T_2\|_{p'}^p\}^{1/p} \leq 2^{1/p} \{\|T_1\|_{p'}^{p'} + \|T_2\|_{p'}^{p'}\}^{1/p'}.$$

Setting $P_1 = Q_1 = (2, 2)$, $P_2 = Q_2 = (\infty, \infty)$ and using the inequality

$$(2.7) \quad \max\{\|T_1 - T_2\|_\infty, \|T_1 + T_2\|_\infty\} \leq 2 \max\{\|T_1\|_\infty, \|T_2\|_\infty\},$$

we can apply the interpolation theorem to (2.4) and (2.7) with $1/p = (1-t)/2$ to see that $L: C_{P, p} \rightarrow C_{P, p}$, where $P = (p, p)$ and

$$(2.8) \quad \{\|T_1 - T_2\|_p^p + \|T_1 + T_2\|_p^p\}^{1/p} \leq 2^{1/p'} \{\|T_1\|_p^p + \|T_2\|_p^p\}^{1/p'}.$$

Finally, apply the interpolation theorem to (2.6) and (2.8) with $1/s = (1-t)/p' + t/p$. Then $L: C_{S, s} \rightarrow C_{S, p}$ and (2.3) follows.

Theorem 2.1 can be used in exactly the same manner for the C_p spaces that the interpolation theorem is on L_p spaces in [4] to obtain the following

THEOREM 2.2. *Let H be any Hilbert space and $1 \leq p \leq \infty$. Then $e(C_p, H, \alpha)$ holds provided $\alpha \leq 1/2$ or $2\alpha \leq p \leq 2\alpha/(2\alpha - 1)$ whenever $1/2 \leq \alpha \leq 1$.*

The reflexivity of C_p for $1 < p < \infty$ allows us to use the same techniques as in [7] to prove a similar theorem.

THEOREM 2.3. *Let $1 < p, q < \infty$, then $e(C_p, C_q, \alpha)$ holds provided*

(i) $2\alpha < p \leq 2$ and $p/(p - \alpha) \leq q \leq p/\alpha$

or

(ii) $2 \leq p < 2\alpha/(2\alpha - 1)$ and $aq \leq p/(p - 1)$.

The results could be extended to a larger class of spaces by using Young's functions to define the spaces as in [1].

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