

INTEGRAL AND NUCLEAR OPERATORS ON THE SPACE $C(\Omega, c_0)$

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ABSTRACT. We give necessary and sufficient conditions for a linear and continuous operator on the space $C(\Omega, c_0)$ to be integral and nuclear. Based on this result some examples are given.

1. Introduction. Let Ω be a compact Hausdorff space, let X be a Banach space with dual space X^* , and let $C(\Omega, X)$ stand for the Banach space of continuous X -valued functions on Ω under the uniform norm and denoted by $C(\Omega)$ when X is the scalar field. It is well known that if Y is a Banach space, then any linear and continuous operator $U : C(\Omega, X) \rightarrow Y$ has associated with it a finitely additive vector measure $G : \Sigma_\Omega \rightarrow L(X, Y^{**})$, where Σ_Ω is the σ -field of Borel subsets of Ω , such that

$$y^*U(f) = \int_{\Omega} fdG_{y^*}, \quad f \in C(\Omega, X), \quad y^* \in Y^*,$$

see [3, 4, 8, 9] for more details. The measure G is called the representing measure of U .

Also, for a linear and continuous operator $U : C(\Omega, X) \rightarrow Y$, we can associate in a natural way two linear and continuous operators

$$U^\# : C(\Omega) \longrightarrow L(X, Y) \quad \text{and} \quad U_\# : X \longrightarrow L(C(\Omega), Y)$$

defined by

$$(U^\# \varphi)(x) = U(\varphi \otimes x) \quad \text{and} \quad (U_\# x)(\varphi) = U(\varphi \otimes x)$$

where for $\varphi \in C(\Omega)$, $x \in X$, we define $(\varphi \otimes x)(\omega) = \varphi(\omega)x$, for $\omega \in \Omega$.

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The operator $U^\#$ occurs also in [9, Theorem 1, page 377], where it is denoted by U' .

Swartz in [19] characterized absolutely summing operators U on the space $C(\Omega, X)$ in terms of the representing measure and the operator $U^\#$.

Saab in [17] characterized integral operators U on the space $C(\Omega, X)$ in terms of the representing measure, and later Montgomery-Smith and Saab in [10] presented a characterization of integral operators U on an injective tensor product in terms of the operator $U^\#$.

Partial characterizations of nuclear operators U on the space $C(\Omega, X)$ in terms of the representing measure and the operator $U^\#$ are given in [1, 12, 17, 18], and a partial characterization of Pietsch integral operators U on the space $C(\Omega, X)$ in terms of the representing measure and the operator $U^\#$ is given in [13].

The space $C(\Omega, X)$ is an injective tensor product [5, 8]. In [10], for p -absolutely summing operators, and in [14], for (r, p) -absolutely summing operators, necessary conditions are given for an operator U on an injective tensor product to be p -absolutely summing, respectively (r, p) -absolutely summing, in terms of the operator $U^\#$. By symmetry, these necessary conditions are also true for the operator $U_\#$. We will use in our proofs this corresponding fact for $U_\#$.

We denote by $(As, \|\cdot\|_{as})$, $(I, \|\cdot\|_{int})$, $(\mathcal{N}, \|\cdot\|_{nuc})$ the normed ideal of all absolutely summing, (Grothendieck) integral operators and nuclear operators, respectively. We refer the reader to [5, 7, 8, 11] for details.

If X is a Banach space, a series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$ in X is called a weak Cauchy series if and only if for every $x^* \in X^*$ the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x^*(x_n)|$ is convergent.

We denote by $(e_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ the canonical basis in the Banach space c_0 .

For a vector measure $G : \Sigma \rightarrow X$, where Σ is a σ -field of sets, we denote by $|G|$ the variation measure of G , see [8, 9].

Also, for $\Omega = [0, 1]$ we denote $\mu : \Sigma_\Omega \rightarrow [0, 1]$ the Lebesgue measure, and by $(r_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ the sequence of Rademacher functions. If (S, Σ, ν) is a finite measure space, X is a Banach space and $f : S \rightarrow X$ is a ν -Bochner integrable function, then we denote by $B - \int_{(\cdot)} f d\nu$ the

indefinite Bochner integral. It is always a σ -additive vector measure with finite variation.

All notations and notions used and not defined in this paper can be found in [7, 8].

In the sequel we will use the following well-known result, [5, 7].

Fact. *If X is a Banach space, then $As(c_0, X) = I(c_0, X) = \mathcal{N}(c_0, X)$.*

More precisely, $T \in As(c_0, X)$ if and only if $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \|T(e_n)\| < \infty$, and in this case

$$\|T\|_{as} = \|T\|_{int} = \|T\|_{nuc} = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \|T(e_n)\|.$$

The main result and examples. In the following theorem, which is the main result of our paper, we present a characterization of both integral and nuclear operators on the space $C(\Omega, c_0)$.

Theorem 1. *Let Ω be a compact Hausdorff space, X a Banach space and $U : C(\Omega, c_0) \rightarrow X$ a linear and continuous operator. Suppose that the representing measure G takes its values in $L(c_0, X) \subseteq L(c_0, X^{**})$, and let $G_{e_n} : \Sigma_\Omega \rightarrow X$ be defined by $G_{e_n}(E) = G(E)(e_n)$, for $n \in \mathbf{N}$.*

(a) *The following assertions are equivalent:*

- (i) *U is absolutely summing.*
- (ii) *U is integral.*
- (iii) *For each $n \in \mathbf{N}$, we have*

$$U_\#(e_n) \in As(C(\Omega), X)$$

and

$$\sum_{n=1}^\infty \|U_\#(e_n)\|_{as} < \infty.$$

(iv) *For each $n \in \mathbf{N}$, the set function G_{e_n} has bounded variation and $\sum_{n=1}^\infty |G_{e_n}|(\Omega) < \infty$.*

(v) $G : \Sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{N}(c_0, X)$ has bounded variation with respect to the nuclear norm.

In addition,

$$\|U\|_{\text{int}} = \|U\|_{\text{as}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|U_{\#}(e_n)\|_{\text{as}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |G_{e_n}|(\Omega) = |G|_{\text{nuc}}(\Omega).$$

(b) The following assertions are equivalent:

(i) U is nuclear.

(ii) U is integral and $U_{\#}(e_n) \in \mathcal{N}(C(\Omega), X)$ for every $n \in \mathbf{N}$.

(iii) U is integral and $U_{\#}(\xi) \in \mathcal{N}(C(\Omega), X)$ for every $\xi \in c_0$.

In addition, $\|U\|_{\text{nuc}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|U_{\#}(e_n)\|_{\text{nuc}} = |G|_{\text{nuc}}(\Omega)$.

Proof. (a) (i) \Rightarrow (iii). If U is absolutely summing, then by [10, Theorem 3.1] or [14, Theorem 1], $U_{\#} : c_0 \rightarrow \text{As}(C(\Omega), X)$ is absolutely summing and $\|U_{\#}\|_{\text{as}} \leq \|U\|_{\text{as}}$. This implies, in particular, that $U_{\#}(e_n) \in \text{As}(C(\Omega), X)$ for each $n \in \mathbf{N}$ and by the Fact, $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|U_{\#}(e_n)\|_{\text{as}} \leq \|U_{\#}\|_{\text{as}}$, i.e., (iii) holds.

(iii) \Rightarrow (iv). For each $n \in \mathbf{N}$, the representing measure of $U_{\#}(e_n)$ is G_{e_n} and $\|U_{\#}(e_n)\|_{\text{as}} = |G_{e_n}|(\Omega)$, [8, Theorem 3, page 162]. Hence, (iv) follows from (iii).

(iv) \Rightarrow (i). For $E \in \Sigma_{\Omega}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|G(E)(e_n)\| &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|G_{e_n}(E)\| \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |G_{e_n}|(E) \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |G_{e_n}|(\Omega) < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

By the above Fact, $G(E) \in \text{As}(c_0, X)$ and

$$\|G(E)\|_{\text{nuc}} = \|G(E)\|_{\text{as}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|G_{e_n}(E)\|, \quad E \in \Sigma_{\Omega}.$$

From this and (iv) we obtain that $G : \Sigma_{\Omega} \rightarrow \text{As}(c_0, X)$ has bounded variation and $|G|_{\text{nuc}}(E) = |G|_{\text{as}}(E) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |G_{e_n}|(E)$ for any $E \in \Sigma_{\Omega}$.

Now, by Swartz's theorem [19] or by a more general result [15, Theorem 2], it follows that U is absolutely summing and, moreover,

$$\|U\|_{\text{as}} = |G|_{\text{as}}(\Omega) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |G_{e_n}|(\Omega).$$

(i) \Rightarrow (v). It follows from Swartz's theorem [19] and the above Fact.

(v) \Rightarrow (ii). Apply Saab's theorem [17, Theorem 3].

(ii) \Rightarrow (i). This is true in general and is known [5, 7, 11].

We also have the equality from the statement.

We remark that $|G|_{\text{nuc}}(E) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |G_{e_n}|(E)$ for all $E \in \Sigma_{\Omega}$. This follows since (iv) \Rightarrow (i) yields

$$|G|_{\text{nuc}}(\Omega \setminus E) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |G_{e_n}|(\Omega \setminus E), \quad E \in \Sigma_{\Omega},$$

and then use $|G|_{\text{nuc}}(\Omega) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |G_{e_n}|(\Omega)$.

(b) (i) \Rightarrow (iii). Follows from the ideal property of nuclear operators and the obvious relation that for any $\xi \in c_0$ we have $U_{\#}(\xi) = U\sigma_{\xi}$, where $\sigma_{\xi} : C(\Omega) \rightarrow C(\Omega, c_0)$ is defined by $\sigma_{\xi}(\varphi) = \varphi \otimes \xi$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (ii). This is trivial.

(ii) \Rightarrow (i). We will prove that in this case there is a $|G|_{\text{nuc}}$ -Bochner integrable function $h : \Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{N}(c_0, X)$ such that

$$G(E) = B - \int_E h d|G|_{\text{nuc}}, \quad E \in \Sigma_{\Omega},$$

which then assures, by [1, Theorem III. 4], as it is cited in [18] or [12, Theorem 1] or [18, Theorem 5], that U is nuclear.

Indeed, since for each $n \in \mathbf{N}$ we suppose that $U_{\#}(e_n) \in \mathcal{N}(C(\Omega), X)$, it follows that there is a $|G_{e_n}|$ -Bochner integrable function $\varphi_n : \Omega \rightarrow X$ such that $G_{e_n}(E) = B - \int_E \varphi_n d|G_{e_n}|$, for $E \in \Sigma_{\Omega}$ [8, Theorem 4, page 173]. Because U is integral, (a) implies that $|G_{e_n}| \ll |G|_{\text{nuc}}$ and, hence, there is a $|G_{e_n}|$ -integrable function $h_n : \Omega \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that $|G_{e_n}|(E) = \int_E h_n d|G|_{\text{nuc}}$ for $E \in \Sigma_{\Omega}$. Then $G_{e_n}(E) =$

$B - \int_E h_n \varphi_n d|G|_{\text{nuc}}$ for $E \in \Sigma_\Omega$ and $|G_{e_n}|(E) = \int_E \|\varphi_n\| h_n d|G|_{\text{nuc}}$ for all $n \in \mathbf{N}$ and $E \in \Sigma_\Omega$. Hence, by (a), it follows that

$$|G|_{\text{nuc}}(E) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |G_{e_n}|(E) = \int_E \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|\varphi_n\| h_n \right) d|G|_{\text{nuc}}, \quad E \in \Sigma_\Omega.$$

Then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|\varphi_n\| h_n = 1$ for $|G|_{\text{nuc}}$ -almost everywhere $\omega \in \Omega$, which implies that the function $h : \Omega \rightarrow L(c_0, X)$ defined by

$$h(\omega)(\xi) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \langle \xi, e_n \rangle \varphi_n(\omega) h_n(\omega), \quad \omega \in \Omega, \quad \xi \in c_0,$$

takes $|G|_{\text{nuc}}$ -almost everywhere value in $L(c_0, X)$; without loss of generality, we can suppose that h takes all its values in $L(c_0, X)$.

Then, for all $\omega \in \Omega$ and $n \in \mathbf{N}$, we have $h(\omega)(e_n) = \varphi_n(\omega) h_n(\omega)$, which by the above Fact, implies that h takes its values in $\mathcal{N}(c_0, X)$ and

$$\|h(\omega)\|_{\text{nuc}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|\varphi_n(\omega)\| h_n(\omega).$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} \|h(\omega)\|_{\text{nuc}} d|G|_{\text{nuc}}(\omega) &= \int_{\Omega} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|\varphi_n\| h_n \right) d|G|_{\text{nuc}} \\ &= |G|_{\text{nuc}}(\Omega) < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Since $h : \Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{N}(c_0, X)$ is obviously $|G|_{\text{nuc}}$ -Bochner measurable, it follows that h is $|G|_{\text{nuc}}$ -Bochner integrable.

Now, if $F(E) = B - \int_E h d|G|_{\text{nuc}}$, then by the Hille theorem [8, page 47], for any $\xi = (\xi_n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}} \in c_0$ and $E \in \Sigma_\Omega$, we have

$$F(E)(\xi) = B - \int_E h(\omega)(\xi) d|G|_{\text{nuc}}(\omega)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} F(E)(\xi) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \xi_n \left(B - \int_E \varphi_n(\omega) h_n(\omega) d|G|_{\text{nuc}}(\omega) \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \xi_n G_{e_n}(E) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \xi_n G(E)(e_n) = G(E)(\xi). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $G(E) = B - \int_E h d|G|_{\text{nuc}}$ for all $E \in \Sigma_\Omega$, and the proof is finished. \square

If X^* and Y have the Radon-Nikodym property and Y is complemented in its bidual, then the space $\mathcal{N}(X, Y)$ has the Radon-Nikodym property, (see [13, Corollary 5] for this result or [2, Theorem 7] for the more general normed ideal of operators, but in [2], under some approximation hypotheses). In the examples which we present the space $\mathcal{N}(X, Y)$ (in our situation $\mathcal{N}(c_0, Y)$) does not a priori have the Radon-Nikodym property.

As applications of Theorem 1, we now present some relevant examples.

Example 2. (i) Let $a = (a_n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}} \in l_\infty$, and $U : C([0, 1], c_0) \rightarrow c_0(C[0, 1])$ be the operator defined by

$$(Uf)(x) = \left(a_n \int_0^x \langle f(t), e_n \rangle dt \right)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}, \quad x \in [0, 1].$$

Then U is integral if and only if $a \in l_1$, while U is nuclear if and only if $a = 0$.

(ii) Let $a = (a_n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}} \in l_\infty$ and $U : C([0, 1], c_0) \rightarrow c_0(L_1[0, 1])$ be the operator defined by

$$(Uf)(x) = \left(a_n \int_0^x \langle f(t), e_n \rangle dt \right)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}, \quad x \in [0, 1].$$

Then U is integral if and only if U is nuclear if and only if $a \in l_1$.

(iii) Let $\sum_{n=1}^\infty x_n$ be a weak Cauchy series in a Banach space X and $U : C[0, 1], c_0 \rightarrow X$ the operator defined by

$$U(f) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \left(\int_0^1 r_n(t) \langle f(t), e_n \rangle dt \right) x_n.$$

Then U is integral if and only if it is nuclear if and only if the series $\sum_{n=1}^\infty x_n$ is absolutely convergent.

Proof. (i) Let $\Omega = [0, 1]$. The representing measure of U is

$$G(E)(\xi)(t) = \left(a_n \langle \xi, e_n \rangle \mu \left(E \cap [0, t] \right) \right)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}, \\ \xi \in c_0, \quad E \in \Sigma_\Omega, \quad t \in [0, 1].$$

Then

$$\|G_{e_n}(E)\| = \sup_{t \in [0, 1]} |a_n| \mu \left(E \cap [0, t] \right) = |a_n| \mu(E), \quad E \in \Sigma_\Omega,$$

and thus

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |G_{e_n}|([0, 1]) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|.$$

The statement follows from Theorem 1 (a).

If U is nuclear then, by Theorem 1 (b), for each $n \in \mathbf{N}$ the operator $U_{\#}(e_n) : C[0, 1] \rightarrow c_0(C[0, 1])$ is nuclear and, by the ideal property of nuclear operators, it follows that $p_n U_{\#}(e_n) : C[0, 1] \rightarrow C[0, 1]$ is nuclear (where p_n are the canonical projections in $c_0(C[0, 1])$). Observe, for each $n \in \mathbf{N}$, that

$$(p_n U_{\#}(e_n))(\varphi)(x) = a_n \int_0^x \varphi(t) dt, \quad \varphi \in C[0, 1], \quad x \in [0, 1].$$

Since the Volterra operator $V : C[0, 1] \rightarrow C[0, 1]$ defined by $(V\varphi)(x) = \int_0^x \varphi(t) dt$ is not nuclear [8, page 73], it follows that $a_n = 0$.

(ii) Argue as in (i) and use the fact that the Volterra operator $V : C[0, 1] \rightarrow L_1[0, 1]$ defined by $(V\varphi)(x) = \int_0^x \varphi(t) dt$ is nuclear [8, page 78].

(iii) Let $f \in C([0, 1], c_0)$. Then $\langle f(t), e_n \rangle \rightarrow 0$ and $|\langle f(t), e_n \rangle| \leq \|f\|$ for $t \in [0, 1]$. From the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem it follows that $\int_0^1 r_n(t) \langle f(t), e_n \rangle dt \rightarrow 0$ and, since $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$ is a weak Cauchy series in X , it follows that U is well defined [6, Theorem 6, page 44]. The representing measure of U is

$$G(E)(\xi) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \langle \xi, e_n \rangle \left(\int_E r_n(t) dt \right) x_n, \quad E \in \Sigma_\Omega.$$

Then $G_{e_n}(E) = (\int_E r_n(t) dt)x_n$ and $|G_{e_n}|([0, 1]) = \|x_n\| \int_0^1 |r_n(t)| dt$. We now apply Theorem 1 (a) and (b) to obtain the statement.

Example 3. (i) Let $\Omega = [0, 1]$, $(\varphi_n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}} \subset L_1([0, 1], l_1)$ be such that $\sup_{n \in \mathbf{N}} \|\varphi_n(t)\|_{l_1} < \infty$ for all $t \in [0, 1]$ and $\int_E \langle \xi, \varphi_n(t) \rangle dt \rightarrow 0$ for $E \in \Sigma_\Omega$ and $\xi \in c_0$. Let $U : C([0, 1], c_0) \rightarrow c_0$ be the operator defined by

$$U(f) = \left(\int_0^1 \langle f(t), \varphi_n(t) \rangle dt \right)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}.$$

Then U is nuclear if and only if $\varphi_n(t) \rightarrow 0$ weak* for μ -almost everywhere $t \in [0, 1]$ and the function $h = (h_k)_{k \in \mathbf{N}}$ belongs to $L_1([0, 1], l_1)$, where $h_k(t) = \sup_{n \in \mathbf{N}} |\langle e_k, \varphi_n(t) \rangle|$.

(ii) Let $\mathcal{M} = (\alpha_{nk})_{n,k \in \mathbf{N}}$ be a regular method of summability and $U : C([0, 1], c_0) \rightarrow c_0$ the operator defined by

$$U(f) = \left(\sum_{k=1}^\infty \alpha_{nk} \int_0^1 \langle f(t), e_k \rangle r_k(t) dt \right)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}.$$

Then U is integral if and only if U is nuclear if and only if the series $\sum_{k=1}^\infty (\sup_{n \in \mathbf{N}} |\alpha_{nk}|)$ is convergent.

Proof. (i) By hypothesis, it is clear that U is well defined and that the representing measure of U is

$$G(E)(\xi) = \left(\int_E \langle \xi, \varphi_k(t) \rangle dt \right)_{k \in \mathbf{N}}, \quad E \in \Sigma_\Omega, \quad \xi \in c_0.$$

Suppose that U is nuclear. Then, by Theorem 1 (b), for any $\xi \in c_0$ the operator $U_\#(\xi) : C[0, 1] \rightarrow c_0$ defined by $U_\#(\xi)(f) = (\int_0^1 \langle \xi, \varphi_n(t) \rangle f(t) dt)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$ is nuclear. Using [16, Proposition 3 (iv)], it follows that $\langle \xi, \varphi_n(t) \rangle \rightarrow 0$ for μ -almost everywhere $t \in [0, 1]$ and

$$\|U_\#(\xi)\|_{\text{nuc}} = \int_0^1 h_\xi(t) dt, \quad \text{where } h_\xi(t) = \sup_{n \in \mathbf{N}} |\langle \xi, \varphi_n(t) \rangle|.$$

We observe that the exceptional set typically depends on $\xi \in c_0$ but, since c_0 is separable, it follows that the exceptional set is independent

of ξ , i.e., there is an $A \in \Sigma_\Omega$ such that $\mu([0, 1] \setminus A) = 0$ and $\varphi_n(t) \rightarrow 0$ weak* for any $t \in A$.

In particular,

$$\|U_\#(e_k)\|_{\text{nuc}} = \int_0^1 h_k(t) dt \quad \text{with} \quad h_k(t) = \sup_{n \in \mathbf{N}} |\langle e_k, \varphi_n(t) \rangle|.$$

Since U is nuclear, by Theorem 1 (a) we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^\infty \|U_\#(e_k)\|_{\text{nuc}} = \|U\|_{\text{nuc}} \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \sum_{k=1}^\infty \int_0^1 h_k(t) dt = \|U\|_{\text{nuc}}.$$

Hence, $h = (h_k)_{k \in \mathbf{N}} \in L_1([0, 1], l_1)$.

For the converse we observe that, for each $k \in \mathbf{N}$, we have $\langle e_k, \varphi_n(t) \rangle \rightarrow 0$ for μ -almost everywhere $t \in [0, 1]$ and the function h_k is integrable. Thus, by [16, Proposition 3(iv)], it follows that the operator $U_\#(e_k)$ is nuclear and, in addition, $\|U_\#(e_k)\|_{\text{nuc}} = \int_0^1 h_k(t) dt$. Using now the fact that $h = (h_k)_{k \in \mathbf{N}} \in L_1([0, 1], l_1)$ the proof is completed by Theorem 1 (b).

(ii) Recall that if $\mathcal{M} = (\alpha_{nk})$ is an infinite real matrix and

$$(x_k)_{k \in \mathbf{N}} \longrightarrow \left(\sum_{k=1}^\infty \alpha_{nk} x_k \right)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$$

is its formal action on the space of all sequences of scalars, then $\mathcal{M} = (\alpha_{nk})$ is called a regular method of summability if its action on convergent sequences produces convergent sequences with preservation of limits. As is well known, a matrix $\mathcal{M} = (\alpha_{nk})$ is a regular method of summability if and only if

- a) $\sup_{n \in \mathbf{N}} \sum_{k=1}^\infty |\alpha_{nk}| < \infty$,
- b) for each $k \in \mathbf{N}$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_{nk} = 0$,
- c) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^\infty \alpha_{nk} = 1$.

Let $\varphi_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow c_0^* = l_1$ be defined by

$$\varphi_n(t)(\xi) = \sum_{k=1}^\infty \alpha_{nk} \langle \xi, e_k \rangle r_k(t)$$

and observe that

$$U(f) = \left(\int_0^1 \langle f(t), \varphi_n(t) \rangle dt \right)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}.$$

Then $U_{\#}(e_k) = \lambda_k \otimes \alpha_k$ is a rank one operator, where $\lambda_k(\varphi) = \int_0^1 \varphi(t)r_k(t) dt$ for $\varphi \in C[0, 1]$ and $\alpha_k = (\alpha_{nk})_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$.

Also $\langle e_k, \varphi_n(t) \rangle = \alpha_{nk}r_k(t)$. Hence, $h_k(t) = \sup_{n \in \mathbf{N}} |\langle e_k, \varphi_n(t) \rangle| = \sup_{n \in \mathbf{N}} |\alpha_{nk}|$ and by Theorem 1 (a) and part (i) the statement follows.

Example 4. Let $\Omega = [0, 1]$ and $(h_n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}} \subset L_{\infty}[0, 1]$ be such that

$$M = \sup_{n \in \mathbf{N}} \|h_n\|_{\infty} < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \int_E h_n(t) dt \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for} \quad E \in \Sigma_{\Omega}.$$

Let $(x_n^*)_{n \in \mathbf{N}} \subset c_0^* = l_1$ be a bounded sequence such that, for some $x \in c_0$, we have $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x_n^*(x)| > 0$ and $T : c_0 \rightarrow l_{\infty}$ defined by $T(x) = (x_n^*(x))_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$ is nuclear.

Let $U : C([0, 1], c_0) \rightarrow c_0$ be the operator defined by

$$U(f) = \left(\int_0^1 x_n^*(f(t)) h_n(t) dt \right)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}.$$

Then

- (a) U is integral.
- (b) U is nuclear if and only if $h_n(t) \rightarrow 0$ for μ -almost everywhere $t \in [0, 1]$.

Proof. (a) For $\varphi_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow l_1 = c_0^*$ defined by

$$\varphi_n(t)(x) = x_n^*(x) h_n(t), \quad t \in [0, 1], \quad x \in c_0,$$

we observe that the conditions in Example 3 (i) are satisfied.

The representing measure of U is $G(E)(x) = (x_n^*(x) \int_E h_n(t) dt)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$.

We show that $G : \Sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{N}(c_0, c_0)$ has bounded variation with respect to the nuclear norm. By Saab's theorem [17, Theorem 3], or Theorem 1(a), U will then be integral.

Indeed, for each $E \in \Sigma$ we have $G(E) = S_E T$, where $S_E : l_\infty \rightarrow c_0$ is the multiplication operator defined by $S_E((\alpha_n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}) = (\alpha_n \int_E h_n(t) dt)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$.

Since $T : c_0 \rightarrow l_\infty$ is nuclear, it follows that $G(E) \in \mathcal{N}(c_0, c_0)$ and

$$\|G(E)\|_{\text{nuc}} \leq \|T\|_{\text{nuc}} \|S_E\|,$$

i.e.,

$$\|G(E)\|_{\text{nuc}} \leq \|T\|_{\text{nuc}} \|F(E)\|,$$

where $F(E) = \sup_{n \in \mathbf{N}} |\int_E h_n(t) dt|$, for $E \in \Sigma_\Omega$.

Because $\|F(E)\| \leq M \mu(E)$ for $E \in \Sigma_\Omega$, it follows that $G : \Sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{N}(c_0, c_0)$ has bounded variation with respect to the nuclear norm.

(b) If U is a nuclear operator, then, by Example 3 (i), it follows that for μ -almost everywhere $t \in [0, 1]$ we have $\varphi_n(t) \rightarrow 0$ weak*. Let $A \in \Sigma$ be such that $\mu([0, 1] \setminus A) = 0$ and for all $t \in A$ and any $x \in c_0$ we have $x_n^*(x)h_n(t) \rightarrow 0$. Since, by hypothesis, there is an $x \in c_0$ such that $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x_n^*(x)| > 0$, we deduce that $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} |h_n(t)| = 0$.

For the converse, observe that from $h_n \rightarrow 0$, μ -almost everywhere, it follows that $\varphi_n(t) \rightarrow 0$ weak* for μ -almost everywhere $t \in [0, 1]$. Also

$$h_k(t) = \sup_{n \in \mathbf{N}} |\langle e_k, \varphi_n(t) \rangle| \leq M \|T(e_k)\|, \quad \text{for } t \in [0, 1], \quad k \in \mathbf{N}.$$

Since T is nuclear (by the Fact), it follows that $(h_k)_{k \in \mathbf{N}} \in L_1([0, 1], l_1)$, and we can use Example 3 (i) to deduce that U is nuclear.

A concrete situation for Example 4 is the following one.

For a nonzero $(\lambda_n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}} \in l_1$, let $x_n^* \in c_0^*$ be defined by

$$x_n^*(x_1, x_2, \dots) = \lambda_1 x_1 + \lambda_2 x_2 + \dots + \lambda_n x_n, \quad (x_1, x_2, \dots) \in c_0.$$

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