

POLYNOMIAL CHARACTERIZATION OF THE COMPACT RANGE PROPERTY

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ABSTRACT. Among other results it is proved that, for a Banach space F and an integer m , the following assertions are equivalent:

- (a) F has the compact range property;
- (b) for every Banach space E , each m -homogeneous Pietsch integral polynomial from E into F is compact;
- (c) every m -homogeneous 1-dominated polynomial from $C([0, 1])$ into F is compact;
- (d) every m -homogeneous polynomial from $L_1([0, 1])$ into F is completely continuous.

A Banach space F is said to have the *compact range property* (CRP, for short) if every F -valued countably additive measure of bounded variation has compact range [15]. Every Banach space with the weak Radon-Nikodým property has the CRP. A dual Banach space has the CRP if and only if its predual contains no copy of l_1 . We refer to [9, 10, 15, 17] for more about the CRP.

We recall the following characterizations of the CRP in terms of (linear bounded) operators:

Theorem 1. *For a Banach space F the following facts are equivalent:*

- (a) F has the CRP;
- (b) for any compact Hausdorff space K , every absolutely summing operator from $C(K)$ into F is compact;
- (c) every absolutely summing operator from $C([0, 1])$ into F is compact;

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- (d) if (Ω, Σ, μ) is a finite measure space then every operator from $L_1(\mu)$ into F is completely continuous;
- (e) every operator from $L_1([0, 1])$ into F is completely continuous;
- (f) for any Banach space E , every Pietsch integral operator from E into F is compact.

The equivalence (a) \iff (e) is stated in [17,7]. The other implications may be seen in [9, 10].

Here we extend this result to the polynomial setting.

Throughout, E and F denote Banach spaces, and B_E stands for the closed unit ball of E . By \mathbf{N} we represent the set of all natural numbers. Given $m \in \mathbf{N}$, we denote by $\mathcal{P}(^m E, F)$ the space of all m -homogeneous (continuous) polynomials from E into F . Recall that to each $P \in \mathcal{P}(^m E, F)$ we can associate a unique symmetric m -linear $\widehat{P} : E \times \cdots \times E \rightarrow F$ so that

$$P(x) = \widehat{P}\left(x, \overset{(m)}{\cdot}, x\right), \quad x \in E.$$

For the general theory of polynomials on Banach spaces, we refer to [8] and [14].

We use the notation $\otimes^m E := E \otimes \cdots \otimes E$ for the m -fold tensor product of E , $\otimes_\varepsilon^m E := E \otimes_\varepsilon \cdots \otimes_\varepsilon E$ for the m -fold injective tensor product of E , and $\otimes_\pi^m E$ for the m -fold projective tensor product of E (see [7] for the theory of tensor products). By $\otimes_s^m E := E \otimes_s \cdots \otimes_s E$ we denote the m -fold symmetric tensor product of E , i.e., the set of all elements $u \in \otimes^m E$ of the form

$$u = \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j x_j \otimes \cdots \otimes x_j, \quad n \in \mathbf{N}, \lambda_j \in \mathbf{K}, x_j \in E, 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

By $\otimes_{\pi,s}^m E$ we denote the closure of $\otimes_s^m E$ in $\otimes_\pi^m E$. For symmetric tensor products, we refer to [11]. For simplicity, we write $\otimes^m x := x \otimes \cdots \otimes x$.

Given $P \in \mathcal{P}(^m E, F)$, let

$$\widetilde{P} : \otimes^m E \longrightarrow F$$

be the linearization of \widehat{P} , defined by

$$\overline{P}\left(\sum_{j=1}^n x_{1j} \otimes \cdots \otimes x_{mj}\right) = \sum_{j=1}^n \widehat{P}(x_{1j}, \dots, x_{mj})$$

where $x_{kj} \in E$ ($1 \leq k \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n$); and let

$$\overline{P} : \otimes_s^m E \longrightarrow F$$

be the linearization of P , given by

$$\overline{P}\left(\sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j x_j \otimes \overset{(m)}{\cdots} \otimes x_j\right) = \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j P(x_j)$$

where $x_j \in E$ ($1 \leq j \leq n$).

Recall that $P \in \mathcal{P}(^m E, F)$ is *completely continuous* if, for every sequence $(x_n) \subset E$ weakly convergent to x , we have that $(P(x_n))$ converges in norm to $P(x)$; P is *compact* if $P(B_E)$ is relatively compact in F .

Given $1 \leq r < \infty$, a polynomial $P \in \mathcal{P}(^m E, F)$ is *r-dominated* (see, e.g., [12, 13]) if there exists a constant $k > 0$ such that, for all $n \in \mathbf{N}$ and $(x_i)_{i=1}^n \subset E$, we have

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|P(x_i)\|^{r/m}\right)^{m/r} \leq k \sup_{x^* \in B_{E^*}} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x^*(x_i)|^r\right)^{m/r}.$$

For $m = 1$ we obtain the absolutely r -summing operators.

A polynomial $P \in \mathcal{P}(^m E, F)$ is *Pietsch integral* if it can be written in the form

$$P(x) = \int_{B_{E^*}} [x^*(x)]^m d\mathcal{G}(x^*), \quad x \in E$$

where \mathcal{G} is an F -valued regular countably additive Borel measure, of bounded variation, defined on B_{E^*} , where B_{E^*} is endowed with the weak-star topology. A similar definition may be given for the Pietsch integral multilinear mappings (see [1]).

We refer to [6, 7] for the theory of absolutely summing and Pietsch integral operators between Banach spaces.

We first give a characterization of the CRP in terms of polynomials on $L_1(\mu)$ spaces.

Theorem 2. *Given a Banach space F , the following assertions are equivalent:*

- (a) F has the CRP;
- (b) for all $m \in \mathbf{N}$ and any finite measure μ , every m -homogeneous polynomial from $L_1(\mu)$ into F is completely continuous;
- (c) there is $m \in \mathbf{N}$ such that for any finite measure μ , every m -homogeneous polynomial from $L_1(\mu)$ into F is completely continuous;
- (d) there is $m \in \mathbf{N}$ such that every m -homogeneous polynomial from $L_1([0, 1])$ into F is completely continuous.

Proof. (a) \Rightarrow (b). Let $P \in \mathcal{P}(^m L_1(\mu), F)$. Choose a sequence $(f_n) \subset L_1(\mu)$ weakly convergent to some f . By the Dunford-Pettis property of $L_1(\mu)$, the sequence $(\otimes^m f_n)_n$ converges weakly to $\otimes^m f$ in $\otimes_\pi^m L_1(\mu)$ [5, Theorem 16]. Since $\otimes_\pi^m L_1(\mu)$ is an $L_1(\nu)$ space with ν finite, the operator

$$\overline{P} : \otimes_\pi^m L_1(\mu) \longrightarrow F$$

is completely continuous, Theorem 1. Therefore, we have

$$P(f_n) = \overline{P}(\otimes^m f_n) \xrightarrow{\text{norm}} \overline{P}(\otimes^m f) = P(f),$$

so P is completely continuous.

(b) \Rightarrow (c) \Rightarrow (d) are obvious.

(d) \Rightarrow (a). Let $T : L_1([0, 1]) \rightarrow F$ be an operator. Suppose $(f_n) \subset L_1([0, 1])$ is weakly convergent to some f , and $\|Tf_n - Tf\| > 4\varepsilon > 0$. Without loss of generality, we can assume $f \neq 0$. Choose $\varphi \in L_\infty([0, 1])$ with $\varphi(f) = 1$.

Let $P : L_1([0, 1]) \rightarrow F$ be the polynomial given by

$$P(g) := (\varphi(g))^{m-1} Tg \quad (g \in L_1([0, 1])).$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \|P(f_n) - P(f)\| &= \|(\varphi(f_n))^{m-1}Tf_n - (\varphi(f))^{m-1}Tf\| \\ &\geq \|(\varphi(f_n))^{m-1}Tf_n - (\varphi(f_n))^{m-1}Tf\| \\ &\quad - \|(\varphi(f_n))^{m-1}Tf - (\varphi(f))^{m-1}Tf\| \\ &= |\varphi(f_n)|^{m-1} \cdot \|Tf_n - Tf\| \\ &\quad - \left| (\varphi(f_n))^{m-1} - (\varphi(f))^{m-1} \right| \cdot \|Tf\| \\ &> \frac{1}{2} \cdot 4\varepsilon - \varepsilon = \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

for n large enough, which contradicts (d). \square

We now give the characterization of the CRP in terms of polynomials on $C(K)$ spaces.

Theorem 3. *Given a Banach space F , the following assertions are equivalent:*

- (a) F has the CRP;
- (b) for all $m \in \mathbf{N}$ and any Banach space E , every m -homogeneous Pietsch integral polynomial from E into F is compact;
- (c) for all $m \in \mathbf{N}$, every m -homogeneous Pietsch integral polynomial from a $C(K)$ space into F is compact;
- (d) for all $m \in \mathbf{N}$, every m -homogeneous 1-dominated polynomial from a $C(K)$ space into F is compact;
- (e) there is $m \in \mathbf{N}$ such that every m -homogeneous 1-dominated polynomial from a $C(K)$ space into F is compact;
- (f) there is $m \in \mathbf{N}$ such that every m -homogeneous 1-dominated polynomial from $C([0, 1])$ into F is compact.

Proof. (a) \Rightarrow (b). Let $P \in \mathcal{P}(^m E, F)$ be Pietsch integral. By [1], so is \widehat{P} . By [18], the operator

$$\overline{\widehat{P}} : \otimes_{\varepsilon}^m E \longrightarrow F$$

is well-defined and Pietsch integral. By Theorem 1, $\overline{\widehat{P}}$ is compact. Letting $i : \otimes_{\pi, s}^m E \rightarrow \otimes_{\varepsilon}^m E$ be the natural inclusion, we have that $\overline{\widehat{P}} \circ i$

is compact. Since $\overline{P} \circ i$ is the linearization of P , we conclude that P is compact [16, Lemma 4.1].

(b) \Rightarrow (c) and (d) \Rightarrow (e) \Rightarrow (f) are obvious.

(c) \Rightarrow (d) is clear, since every 1-dominated polynomial on a $C(K)$ space is Pietsch integral [4].

(f) \Rightarrow (a). Let $T : C([0, 1]) \rightarrow F$ be an absolutely summing operator. For each $1 \leq i \leq m - 1$ there are operators

$$j_i : \otimes_{\pi, s}^i C([0, 1]) \longrightarrow \otimes_{\pi, s}^{i+1} C([0, 1])$$

and

$$\pi_i : \otimes_{\pi, s}^{i+1} C([0, 1]) \longrightarrow \otimes_{\pi, s}^i C([0, 1])$$

such that $\pi_i \circ j_i$ is the identity map on $\otimes_{\pi, s}^i C([0, 1])$ (see [2, p. 168]).

Consider the polynomial

$$P := T \circ \pi_1 \circ \cdots \circ \pi_{m-1} \circ \delta_m : C([0, 1]) \longrightarrow F$$

where $\delta_m : C([0, 1]) \rightarrow \otimes_{\pi, s}^m C([0, 1])$ is the polynomial given by $\delta_m(f) := \otimes^m f$. Then P is 1-dominated (see details in [3], p. 910). Hence, by (f), P is compact. Since

$$T \circ \pi_1 \circ \cdots \circ \pi_{m-1} : \otimes_{\pi, s}^m C([0, 1]) \longrightarrow F$$

is the linearization of P , it is compact as well [16, Lemma 4.1]. Therefore, the operator

$$T = T \circ \pi_1 \circ \cdots \circ \pi_{m-1} \circ j_{m-1} \circ \cdots \circ j_1$$

is compact and, by Theorem 1, we conclude that F has the CRP. \square

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