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SOME EQUIVALENT QUASINORMS ON OPERATOR IDEALS

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Some special quasi-norms on the s -number ideals $L_\phi(E, F)$, [5], [6], [11], are considered. The special case of the entropy numbers is also studied.

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1. Introduction Let $T \in L(X)$ be a linear and bounded operator $T : X \rightarrow X$, where X is a Banach space. The sequence of the approximation numbers $(a_n(T))$ is defined as follows:

$$a_n(T) = \inf\{\|T - A\| : A \in L(X) \text{ rank } A < n\}, n = 1, 2, \dots$$

If X is a Hilbert space and $T \in L(X)$ is compact, the sequence $(a_n(T))$ coincides with the sequence $\{\lambda_n(TT^*)^{\frac{1}{2}}\}$, where $\lambda_n(T)$ is the sequence of the eigenvalues of T , ordered in a convenient way [2],[5],[11]. Are also other s -number sequences for an operator $T \in L(X)$, [10], [11]. For example the Kolmogorov numbers $d_n(T) = \inf\{\|Q_N^X T\| : N \subset X \text{ and } \dim N < n, \}$ where Q_N^X is the canonical surjection from X onto X/N .

In the following by $(s_n(T))$ will be denoted an additive s -number sequence ($s_{2n-1}(S + T) \leq s_n(S) + s_n(T)$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$). The approximation and the Kolmogorov numbers are additive. We recall that the sequence $(s_n(T))$ is such that $\|T\| = s_1(T) \geq s_2 \geq \dots \geq 0$. Let l_∞ be the space of all bounded real sequences. For $x \in l_\infty$, $\text{card}(x) = \text{card}\{i \in \mathcal{N} : x_i \neq 0\}$. Let $K \subset l_\infty$ be the set of all sequences x such that: $\text{card}(x) \leq n$ and $x_1 \geq x_2 \geq \dots \geq 0$.

A function $\phi : K \rightarrow R$ is called symmetric norming function [2], [4], [5], [6], [11], if:

$$\phi > 0 \text{ for all } x \neq 0 \tag{1}$$

$$\phi(\alpha x) = \alpha \phi(x), \quad x \in K, \alpha \geq 0 \tag{2}$$

$$\phi(x + y) \leq \phi(x) + \phi(y) \tag{3}$$

$$\phi(1, 0, 0, \dots) = 1 \tag{4}$$

$$\text{If } \sum_1^k x_i \leq \sum_1^k y_i, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, \text{ then } \phi(x) \leq \phi(y). \tag{5}$$

Example of such functions are

$$\phi_\infty(x) = x_1, \phi_1(x) = \sum_1^n x_i; \phi_\omega(x) = \sum_1^n \frac{x_i}{i},$$

[2],[5],[11]. It is known, [3], [11], that for all symmetric norming functions ϕ , the functions $\phi_{(p)} : (x_i) \in K \rightarrow (\Phi(\{x_i^p\}))^{\frac{1}{p}}$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, are also symmetric norming functions.

If $x \in l_\infty$ and $x_1 \geq x_2 \geq \dots \geq 0$, we take

$$\Phi(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Phi(x_1, \dots, x_n, 0, 0, \dots).$$

By means of the symmetric norming function and the sequence $(s_n(T))$, the class $L_\phi(X)$ is defined [5], [10], as follows

$$L_\phi(X) = \{T \in L(X) : \Phi(\{s_n(T)\}) < \infty\}.$$

Because $s_{2n-1}(T_1+T_2) \leq s_n(T_1) + s_n(T_2)$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and $s_n(\alpha T) = |\alpha|s_n(T)$, α being a scalar, from the properties of the function ϕ , it results that $\|T\|_\phi = \Phi(\{s_n(T)\})$ is a quasi-norm.

We remark that, more generally, $s_{m+n-1}(T_1+T_2) \leq s_m(T_1) + s_n(T_2)$, [3],[6],[11].

It is obvious that $\|T\|_\phi \geq 0$ and $\|\alpha T\|_\phi = |\alpha| \|T\|_\phi$. The relation $\|T_1+T_2\|_\phi \leq 2(\|T_1\|_\phi + \|T_2\|_\phi)$ results from the properties (2), (3), (5) of the functions ϕ and the fact that

$$\sum_1^k s_n(T_1+T_2) \leq 2 \sum_1^k (s_n(T_1) + s_n(T_2)), k = 1, 2, \dots$$

The last inequality is a simple consequence of the relation $s_{2n-1}(T_1+T_2) \leq s_n(T_1) + s_n(T_2)$ since

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_1^k s_n(T_1+T_2) &\leq \sum_1^{2k} s_n(T_1+T_2) = \sum_1^k s_{2n-1}(T_1+T_2) + \sum_1^k s_{2n}(T_1+T_2) \leq \\ &\leq 2 \sum_1^k s_{2n-1}(T_1+T_2). \end{aligned}$$

If X is a Hilbert space, $\|T\|_\phi$ is a norm [2], [3], [6]. The study for the case of Banach spaces is made in [5], [10], [11]. In the following we present some equivalent quasinorms on $L_\phi(X)$.

2. Equivalent quasi-norms on $L_\phi(X)$

Firstly we present some well-known results,[6],[11]:

Proposition 1.1 *The quasi-norm $\|T\|_\phi^+ = \Phi(\{s_{2n-1}(T)\})$ is equivalent with $\|T\|_\phi$.*

The equivalence results from the fact that:

$$\sum_1^k s_{2n-1}(T) \leq \sum_1^k s_n(T) \leq 2 \sum_1^k s_{2n-1}(T), k = 1, 2, \dots; T \in L(X).$$

The left inequality is a consequence of the fact that $(s_n(T))$ is decreasing and the right inequality is presented above.

Proposition 1.2. *The quasinorm $\|T\|_{\phi(p)}$ is a equivalent with $\|T\|_{\phi(p)}^\nabla = \phi_{(p)}(\{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n s_i(T)\})$, $1 < p < \infty$.*

This is a consequence of the Hardy's inequality, namely:

$$\sum_{n=1}^k s_n^p(T) \leq \sum_1^k \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n s_i(T)^p \right) \leq \left(\frac{p}{p-1} \right)^p \sum_{n=1}^k s_n^p(T), 1 < p < \infty$$

and the properties of the functions Φ .

Now we generalize these results as follows:

Proposition 1.3 *The quasinorm $\|T\|_\Phi^* = \Phi(s_{nk-(k-1)}(T))$ is equivalent with $\|T\|_\phi$, for all $k \geq 2$.*

Proof. For $k = 2$ we obtain proposition 1.1. For all $k \geq 3$, because $(s_n(T))$ is decreasing, we can write:

$$\sum_{n=1}^r s_{(n-1)k+1}(T) \leq \sum_1^r s_n(T) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{rk} s_n(T) =$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^r \sum_{i=(n-1)k+1}^{nk} s_i(T) \leq k \sum_{n=1}^r s_{(n-1)k+1}(T), r = 1, 2, \dots$$

By using the properties (2) and (5) of the functions Φ , we obtain

$$\|T\|_{\Phi}^* \leq \|T\|_{\Phi} \leq k \|T\|_{\Phi}^*.$$

Theorem 1.4 *If the sequence (α_n) is such that $\alpha_1 \geq \dots \geq \alpha_n \geq \dots > 0$ and $\lim \alpha_n \neq 0$, then the quasinorm $\|T\|_{\phi_{(p)}}$ is equivalent with $\|T\|_{\phi_{(p)}}^{\circ} = \Phi_{(p)}\left(\left\{\frac{1}{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i s_i(T)\right\}\right)$, $1 < p < \infty$.*

Proof. Since the sequences (α_i) and $(s_i(T))$ are decreasing it results that

$$\frac{1}{n\alpha_1} n\alpha_n s_n(T) = \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_1} s_n(T) \leq \frac{1}{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i s_i(T) \leq \frac{1}{n\alpha_n} \alpha_1 \sum_{i=1}^n s_i(T).$$

If $\lim \alpha_i = \alpha \neq 0$ we obtain:

$$\frac{\alpha}{\alpha_1} s_n(T) \leq \frac{1}{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i s_i(T) \leq \frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n s_i(T) \right).$$

From the Hardy's inequality we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^k \left(\frac{\alpha}{\alpha_1} s_n(T) \right)^p &\leq \sum_{n=1}^k \left(\frac{1}{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i s_i(T) \right)^p \leq \sum_{n=1}^k \left(\frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha} \right)^p \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n s_i(T) \right)^p \leq \\ &\leq \left(\frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha} \right)^p \left(\frac{p}{p-1} \right)^p \sum_{i=1}^k s_i^p(T), \quad 1 < p < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

From the properties of the functions Φ it results

$$\frac{\alpha}{\alpha_1} \|T\|_{\phi_{(p)}} \leq \|T\|_{\phi_{(p)}}^{\circ} \leq \frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha} \frac{p}{p-1} \|T\|_{\phi_{(p)}}, \text{ i. e., } \|T\|_{\phi_{(p)}} \text{ is equivalent with } \|T\|_{\phi_{(p)}}^{\circ}.$$

Remark. For the particular case, $\alpha_n = \frac{1}{n}$, we obtain the proposition 1.2 and if Φ is $\Phi_1 : (s_n(T)) \rightarrow \sum s_n(T)$ we obtain the results from [7].

The following result will be of great interest for applications. We remark that, for all ϕ , the function $\bar{\Phi} : (x_i) \in K \rightarrow \Phi(\{\epsilon_i x_i\})$ is also a symmetric norming function, if $1 = \epsilon_1 \geq \epsilon_2 \geq \dots \geq 0$, [11].

Theorem 1.3 *The quasi-norm $\|\bar{T}\|_{\bar{\Phi}} = \bar{\Phi}(\{s_{nr}(T)\})$ is equivalent with $\|T\|_{\bar{\Phi}}$, $r \geq 2$ if exists a constant c such that $\epsilon_{nr} \leq \frac{c}{n^{r-1}} \epsilon_n$, $\forall n \in N$.*

Proof. Firstly we remark that

$$\sum_1^k \epsilon_n s_{nr}(T) \leq \sum_1^k \epsilon_n s_n(T), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots,$$

because $(s_n(T))$ is decreasing.

Let now $j \in N$ such that $j^r \leq k < (j+1)^r$. Then we can write:

$$\sum_1^k \epsilon_n s_n(T) \leq \sum_1^j (2^r - 1) n^{r-1} \epsilon_{nr} s_{nr}(T) \leq c(2^r - 1) \sum_1^k \epsilon_n s_{nr}(T).$$

From the properties (2), (5) of the functions ϕ , we obtain:

$$\Phi(\epsilon_n s_{nr}(T)) \leq \Phi(\epsilon_n s_n(T)) \leq c(2^r - 1) \Phi(\epsilon_n s_{nr}(T)).$$

Hence $\|\bar{T}\|_{\bar{\Phi}} \leq \|T\|_{\bar{\Phi}} \leq c(2^r - 1) \|\bar{T}\|_{\bar{\Phi}}$.

3. The special case of $L_{\infty, q, \gamma}(X)$ The class

$$L_{\infty, q, \gamma}(X) = \left\{ T : \left(\sum_1^{\infty} [(1 + \log n)^{\gamma} s_n(T)]^q \cdot n^{-1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} < \infty \right\}$$

has been studied in [2], [11], $0 < q < \infty$, $-\frac{1}{q} < \gamma < \infty$. It is simple to prove that

$$\| T \|_{\infty, q, \gamma} = \left(\sum_1^{\infty} [(1 + \log n)^{\gamma} s_n(T)]^q n^{-1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

is a quasi-norm on $L_{\infty, q, \gamma}(X)$.

Remark. If the sequence $\{(1 + \log n)^{\alpha} \cdot n^{-1}\}$ is decreasing, the function

$$\tilde{\phi} : (s_n(T)) \rightarrow \left(\sum_1^{\infty} [(1 + \log n)^{\gamma} s_n(T)]^q n^{-1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

is a symmetric norming function, $1 \leq q < \infty$, and hence the class $L_{\infty, q, \gamma}(X)$ is a special case of $L_{\phi}(X)$. For $\alpha = 0$ we obtain the class

$$L_{\phi_{\omega(q)}}(X) = \left\{ T : \left(\sum_1^{\infty} \frac{s_n^q(T)}{n} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} < \infty \right\}.$$

Here we present some quasi-norms equivalent with $\| T \|_{\infty, q, \gamma}$ for all q, γ , $0 < q < \infty$, $-\frac{1}{q} < \gamma < \infty$.

Theorem 2.1 The quasi-norm $\| T \|_{\infty, q, \gamma}^+ = \left(\sum [(1 + \log n)]^{\gamma} s_{n^k}(T)]^q \cdot n^{-1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$ is equivalent with $\| T \|_{\infty, q, \gamma}$.

Proof. Because $s_n(T)$ is decreasing it results that $\| T \|_{\infty, q, \gamma}^+ \leq \| T \|_{\infty, q, \gamma}$.

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} \| T \|_{\infty, q, \gamma} &= \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=n^k}^{(n+1)^k-1} [(1 + \log i)^{\gamma} s_i(T)]^q i^{-1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq \\ &\leq \left(\sum_1^{\infty} (2^k - 1) n^{k-1} [\max\{(1 + \log n^k)^{\gamma}, (1 + \log(n+1)^k)^{\gamma}\} s_{n^k}(T)]^q \cdot n^{-k} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq \\ &\leq (2^k - 1) \left(\sum_1^{\infty} c(\gamma, q, k) (1 + \log n)^{\alpha q} s_{n^k}^q(T) \cdot n^{-1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} = \tilde{c}(\gamma, q, k) \| T \|_{\infty, q, \gamma}^+. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\| T \|_{\infty, q, \gamma}^+ \leq \| T \|_{\infty, q, \gamma} \leq \tilde{c}(\gamma, q, k) \| T \|_{\infty, q, \gamma}^+.$$

Now we denote $\alpha_n(T) = s_{2^{n-1}}(T)$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, [6], [10] and we consider the class

$$\tilde{L}_{r, q}(X) = \left\{ T \in L(X) : \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(n^{\frac{1}{r}} \alpha_n(T) \right)^q \cdot n^{-1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} < \infty \right\},$$

with the quasi-norm

$$\| T \|_{r, q}^* = \left(\sum \left(n^{\frac{1}{r}} \alpha_n(T) \right)^q \cdot n^{-1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}, 0 < r, q < \infty.$$

Theorem 2.2 The quasi-norm $\| T \|_{r, q}^*$ is equivalent with $\| T \|_{\infty, q, \gamma}$ if $\gamma = \frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{q}$.

Proof. We consider $\log_2 n$ and we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|T\|_{\infty, q, r} &= \left(\sum_1^{\infty} [(1 + \log n)^\gamma s_n(T)]^q n^{-1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} = \\
 &= \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=2^{n-1}}^{2^n-1} [(1 + \log k)^\gamma s_k(T)]^q k^{-1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq \\
 &\leq \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\max\{(1 + \log 2^{n-1})^\gamma, (1 + \log 2^n)^\gamma\} \cdot s_{2^{n-1}}(T))^q \cdot 2^{1-n} 2^{n-1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} = \\
 &= \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\max\{n^\gamma, (n+1)^\gamma\} \cdot \alpha_n(T))^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq c_1(\gamma, q) \left(\sum_1^{\infty} (n^\gamma \alpha_n(T))^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} = \\
 &= c_1(\gamma, q) \left(\sum_1^{\infty} \left(n^{\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{q}} \alpha_n(T) \right)^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} = c_1(\gamma, q) \|T\|_{r, q}^*.
 \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|T\|_{\infty, q, \gamma} &\geq \left(s_1^q(T) + \sum_1^{\infty} (\min\{(1 + \log 2^{n-1})^\gamma, (1 + \log 2^n)^\gamma\} s_{2^n}(T))^q \cdot 2^{-n} \cdot 2^{n-2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} = \\
 &= \left(s_1^q(T) + \sum_1^{\infty} (\min\{n^\gamma, (n+1)^\gamma\} \alpha_{n+1}(T))^q \cdot 2^{-2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} = \\
 &\left(\alpha_1^q(T) + \sum_1^{\infty} (\min\{n^\gamma, (n+1)^\gamma\} \alpha_{n+1}(T))^q \frac{1}{4} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \geq \\
 &\geq c(\gamma, q) \|T\|_{r, q}^*.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$c(\gamma, q) \|T\|_{r, q}^* \leq \|T\|_{\infty, q, \gamma} \leq c_1(\gamma, q) \|T\|_{r, q}^*.$$

Remark. If $\gamma = 0$ it results $r = q$ and

$$\|T\|_{\infty, q} = \left(\sum_1^{\infty} \frac{s_n^q(T)}{n} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \sim \|T\|_q^* = \left(\sum \alpha_n^q(T) \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

(see [6]).

4. Applications

If X and Y are normed spaces, and $(X, Y)_{\theta, p}$ is the interpolation space, [1], ($0 < p < \infty$, $\theta \in (0, 1)$), it is known [10] that the ϵ -entropy numbers verify the inequality:

$$\epsilon_{n^2}(T : (X, Y)_{\theta, p} \rightarrow A) \leq 4\epsilon_n(T_0 : X \rightarrow A)^{1-\theta} \epsilon_n(T_1 : Y \rightarrow A)^\theta,$$

where A is an other normed space ($T = T_0 + T_1$.)

By using the Hölder type inequality it results:

Proposition $L_{\overline{\Phi}_{(p_0)}}(X, A) \cap L_{\overline{\Phi}_{(p_1)}}(Y, A) \subset L_{\overline{\Phi}_{(p)}}((X, Y)_{\theta, p}, A)$, for

$$\frac{1}{p} = \frac{1-\theta}{p_0} + \frac{\theta}{p_1}, \quad 0 < p_0 < p_1 < \infty, \quad \epsilon \in (0, \infty).$$

Proof. We recall that $L_{\overline{\Phi}_p}(X, Y) = \{T : \overline{\Phi}_{(p)}(\{\{\epsilon_n(T)\}\})\}$, where ϕ is a symmetric norming function and $\overline{\Phi}_{(p)}$ has been defined above.

Now, since $\|T\|_{\overline{\Phi}_{(p)}} \sim \|\overline{T}\|_{\overline{\Phi}_{(p)}}$, for $r = 2$ (theorem 1.3), we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{\Phi}_{(p)}(\{\{\epsilon_n(T : (X, Y)_{\theta, p} \rightarrow A)\}\}) &\sim \overline{\Phi}_{(p)}(\{\{\epsilon_{n^2}(T : (X, Y)_{\theta, p} \rightarrow A)\}\}) \leq \\ &4\overline{\Phi}_{\left(\frac{p_0}{1-\theta}\right)}(\epsilon_n(T_0 : X \rightarrow A)^{1-\theta})\overline{\Phi}_{\left(\frac{p_1}{\theta}\right)}(\epsilon_n(T_1 : Y \rightarrow A)^\theta) = \\ &4\overline{\Phi}_{(p_0)}(\epsilon_n(T_0 : X \rightarrow A))^{1-\theta} \cdot \overline{\Phi}_{(p_1)}(\epsilon_n(T_1 : Y \rightarrow A))^\theta < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Remark. Recall that the entropy numbers $\epsilon_n(T)$ are defined as follows:

$$\epsilon_n(T) = \inf\{\sigma > 0 : \exists y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n \in Y : TU_X \in \cup_{i=1}^n \{y_i + \sigma U_Y\}\},$$

where $T : X \rightarrow Y$ and $U_X = \{x \in X : \|x\| \leq 1\}$.

By means of these numbers it can define the ideals $L_{\overline{\Phi}_{(p)}}(X, Y)$, as above, only for the functions $\overline{\Phi}_{(p)}$, [10], [11], because the numbers $\epsilon_n(T)$ are not additive in the classical way.

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