

## QUASI-NORMED OPERATOR IDEALS ON BANACH SPACES AND INTERPOLATION

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**Abstract.** We prove that applying real methods of interpolation, more exactly the  $K$ -method, to the couples and triples of quasi-normed operator ideals on the Banach space, new operator ideals are obtained. Extending the results of C. Bennett and R. Sharpley (see [1]) from the function spaces to ideals, we present a variant of reiteration theorem for the couples of quasi-normed operator ideals.

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### 1. Introduction

We denote by  $\mathcal{L}$  the class of all linear continuous operators acting between the Banach spaces and by  $\mathcal{L}(E, F)$  those which act from Banach space  $E$  to  $F$ . It is known that  $\mathcal{L}(E, F)$  is a Banach space with the usual operator norm.

Recall (after Pietsch [7]) that a subclass  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{L}$  is an operator ideal on Banach spaces if its components  $\mathcal{A}(E, F) := \mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{L}(E, F)$  satisfy the following conditions:

(O.I.0)  $I_{\mathbf{K}} \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{K})$ , where  $I_{\mathbf{K}}$  is the identity on the scalar field  $\mathbf{K}$ .

(O.I.1) It follows from  $S_1, S_2 \in \mathcal{A}(E, F)$  that  $S_1 + S_2 \in \mathcal{A}(E, F)$ .

(O.I.2)  $T \in \mathcal{L}(X, E)$ ,  $S \in \mathcal{A}(E, F)$ ,  $R \in \mathcal{L}(F, Y)$  then  $RST \in \mathcal{A}(X, Y)$ .

A positive function  $A$  defined on an operator ideal which satisfies the conditions:

(Q.O.I.0)  $A(I_{\mathbf{K}}) = 1$ .

(Q.O.I.1) There exists a constant  $\lambda \geq 1$  such that

$$A(S_1 + S_2) \leq \lambda[A(S_1) + A(S_2)], \text{ for } S_1, S_2 \in \mathcal{A}(E, F).$$

(Q.O.I.2) If  $T \in \mathcal{L}(X, E)$ ,  $S \in \mathcal{A}(E, F)$  and  $R \in \mathcal{L}(F, Y)$  then

$$A(RST) \leq \|R\|A(S)\|T\|$$

will be called a quasi-norm on  $\mathcal{A}$ . It is clear that  $\mathcal{A}(E, F)$  endowed with the quasi-norm  $A$  is a linear topological Hausdorff space. The couple  $(\mathcal{A}, A)$  will be

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called a quasi-normed operator ideal on Banach spaces if, for each pair  $(E, F)$ ,  $\mathcal{A}(E, F)$  is complete.

Recall that a Banach couple  $\bar{X} = (X_1, X_2)$  means two Banach spaces  $X_j$  ( $j = 1, 2$ ) continuously embedded in some linear topological Hausdorff space.

For a Banach couple  $\bar{X}$  we define the spaces  $X_\Delta = X_1 \cap X_2$  and  $X_\Sigma = X_1 + X_2$ , which are Banach spaces with respect to the norms:

$$(1.1) \quad \|x\|_\Delta := \max\{\|x\|_{X_1}, \|x\|_{X_2}\}, \quad (x \in X_\Delta)$$

and

$$(1.2) \quad \|x\|_\Sigma := \inf\{\|x_1\|_{X_1} + \|x_2\|_{X_2} : x = x_1 + x_2, x_i \in X_i\}, \quad (x \in E_\Sigma).$$

For a Banach couple  $\bar{X} = (X_1, X_2)$  and  $t > 0$  we define the functional

$$K(t, a) = K(t, a; \bar{X}) = \inf_{a=a_1+a_2} \{\|a_1\|_{X_1} + t\|a_2\|_{X_2}\}$$

which is an equivalent norm on  $X_\Sigma$ , for every  $t > 0$ , fixed.

Let  $\bar{X} = (X_1, X_2)$  be a given Banach couple. Then a Banach space  $X$  will be called an intermediate space between  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  (or with respect to  $\bar{X}$ ) if  $X_\Delta \hookrightarrow X \hookrightarrow X_\Sigma$ .

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $\bar{X} = (X_1, X_2)$  be a Banach couple and  $0 < \theta < 1$ ,  $1 \leq q < \infty$  or  $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ ,  $q = \infty$ . The space

$$\bar{X}_{\theta, q} = (X_1, X_2)_{\theta, q}$$

consists of all elements  $f \in X_1 + X_2$  for which

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

is finite.

**Theorem 1.1.** (T. Holmstedt's (see [1])). Let  $\bar{X} = (X_1, X_2)$  be a Banach couple and the interpolation spaces  $\bar{X}_{\theta_0} = (X_1, X_2)_{\theta_0, q_0}$ ,  $\bar{X}_{\theta_1} = (X_1, X_2)_{\theta_1, q_1}$ , where  $0 < \theta_0 < \theta_1 < 1$  and  $1 \leq q_0, q_1 \leq \infty$ .

Denoting by

$$K(t, f) = K(t, f, X_1, X_2), \quad \bar{K}(t, f) = K(t, f, \bar{X}_{\theta_0}, \bar{X}_{\theta_1})$$

and  $\delta = \theta_1 - \theta_0$ , we have

$$(1.3) \quad \bar{K}(t^\delta, f) \sim \left\{ \int_0^t [s^{-\theta_0} K(s, f)]^{q_0} \frac{ds}{s} \right\}^{1/q_0} + t^\delta \left\{ \int_t^\infty [s^{-\theta_1} K(s, f)]^{q_1} \frac{ds}{s} \right\}^{1/q_1}$$

for any  $f \in \overline{X}_{\theta_0} + \overline{X}_{\theta_1}$  and any  $t > 0$ ; if  $q_0$  or  $q_1$  are infinites the right-hand side of the relation (1.3) will be modified in a suitable way.

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $\overline{X}$  be a given Banach couple and  $X$  an intermediate space with respect to  $\overline{X}$ . Then we say that  $X \in \mathcal{C}_K(\theta, \overline{X})$  if  $K(t, a, \overline{X}) \leq c \cdot t^\theta \|a\|_X$ ,  $a \in X$ .

**Theorem 1.2** Suppose that  $0 < \theta < 1$ . Then:

- (a)  $X \in \mathcal{C}_K(\theta, \overline{X})$  iff  $X_\Delta \hookrightarrow X \hookrightarrow \overline{X}_{\theta, \infty}$ .
- (b)  $X \in \mathcal{C}_K(\theta, \overline{X})$  if  $(X_1, X_2)_{\theta, 1} \hookrightarrow X \hookrightarrow (X_1, X_2)_{\theta, \infty}$ .

Obviously,  $\overline{X}_{\theta, 1} \hookrightarrow \overline{X}_{\theta, p} \hookrightarrow \overline{X}_{\theta, \infty}$ .

**Lemma 1.1.** (G. H. Hardy's). Let  $\psi$  be a measurable non-negative function on  $(0, \infty)$ ,  $-\infty < \lambda < 1$  and  $1 \leq q < \infty$ . Then:

$$\left\{ \int_0^\infty \left( t^\lambda \cdot \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \psi(s) ds \right)^q \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/q} \leq \frac{1}{1-\lambda} \left\{ \int_0^\infty (t^\lambda \psi(t))^q \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/q}$$

and

$$\left\{ \int_0^\infty \left( t^{1-\lambda} \int_t^\infty \psi(s) \frac{ds}{s} \right)^q \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/q} \leq \frac{1}{1-\lambda} \left\{ \int_0^\infty (t^{1-\lambda} \psi(t))^q \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/q}.$$

## 2. Interpolation of operator ideals

Considering two quasi-normed operator ideals on Banach spaces we define a new operator ideal in the following way:

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $(\mathcal{A}, a)$ ,  $(\mathcal{B}, b)$  be two quasi-normed operator ideals on Banach spaces. For  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ,  $0 < \theta < 1$  we define:

$$\mathcal{C}_{\theta, p} := (\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})_{\theta, p}$$

in the following way: for an arbitrary pair of Banach spaces  $(E, F)$

$$\mathcal{C}_{\theta, p}(E, F) := (\mathcal{A}(E, F), \mathcal{B}(E, F))_{\theta, p} =$$

$$= \left\{ T \in \mathcal{A}(E, F) + \mathcal{B}(E, F) \mid \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t, T, \mathcal{A}(E, F), \mathcal{B}(E, F))}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} < \infty \right\},$$

where  $K(t, T, \mathcal{A}(E, F), \mathcal{B}(E, F)) = \inf_{T=T_1+T_2} \{a(T_1) + t \cdot b(T_2)\}$ ,  $t > 0$  (it will be denoted by  $K(t, T)$ ).

**Theorem 2.1.**  $\mathcal{C}_{\theta,p}$  is an operator ideal on Banach spaces.

*Proof.* We prove that the three conditions of the definition of ideals are satisfied.

$$(\text{OI.0}) \quad I_{\mathbf{K}} \in \mathcal{C}_{\theta,p}(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{K}).$$

This condition is satisfied because  $I_{\mathbf{K}} \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{K})$  and  $I_{\mathbf{K}} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{K})$ ,  $K(1, I_{\mathbf{K}}) \leq \min(1, t)$  involves

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t, I_{\mathbf{K}})}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} &\leq \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{\min(1, t)}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} = \int_0^1 \left( \frac{t}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} + \int_1^\infty \left( \frac{1}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} = \\ &= \frac{1}{p(1-\theta)} + \frac{1}{p\theta} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

(OI.1) It follows from  $T_1, T_2 \in \mathcal{C}_{\theta,p}(E, F)$  that  $T_1 + T_2 \in \mathcal{C}_{\theta,p}(E, F)$ .

Obviously, we have  $T_1 + T_2 \in \mathcal{A}(E, F) + \mathcal{B}(E, F)$  (being linear spaces) and  $K(t, T_1 + T_2) \leq \lambda_1 \max\left(1, \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}\right) [K(t, T_1) + K(t, T_2)]$  implies

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t, T_1 + T_2)}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} &\leq \left[ \lambda_1 \max\left(1, \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}\right) \right]^p \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t, T_1) + K(t, T_2)}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} \leq \\ &\leq c \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{\max(K(t, T_1), K(t, T_2))}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} < \infty \end{aligned}$$

because  $T_1, T_2 \in \mathcal{C}_{\theta,p}(E, F)$ .

(OI.2) If  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E_0, E)$ ,  $S \in \mathcal{C}_{\theta,p}(E, F)$ ,  $R \in \mathcal{L}(F, F_0)$ , then  $RST \in \mathcal{C}_{\theta,p}(E_0, F_0)$ .

It follows from  $RST \in \mathcal{A}(E_0, F_0) + \mathcal{B}(E_0, F_0)$ , and  $K(t, RST) \leq \|R\|K(t, S)\|T\|$  that

$$\int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t, RST)}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} \leq (\|R\| \cdot \|T\|)^p \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t, S)}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} < \infty.$$

**Theorem 2.2.** The couple  $(\mathcal{C}_{\theta,p}, c_{\theta,p})$ , where  $c_{\theta,p}$  is defined by:

$$c_{\theta,p}(T) := [p\theta(1-\theta)]^{1/p} \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t, T)}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/p}, \quad 1 \leq p < \infty, \quad 0 < \theta < 1,$$

is a quasi-normed operator ideal on Banach spaces.

*Proof.* (QOI.0)  $c_{\theta,p}(I_{\mathbf{K}}) = 1$ .

By definition we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.1) \quad (c_{\theta,p}(I_{\mathbf{K}}))^p &= p\theta(1-\theta) \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t, I_{\mathbf{K}})}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} \leq \\
 &\leq p\theta(1-\theta) \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{\min(1,t)}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} = p\theta(1-\theta) \left[ \int_0^1 \left( \frac{t}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} + \int_1^\infty \left( \frac{1}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} \right] = \\
 &= p\theta(1-\theta) \left[ \frac{1}{p(1-\theta)} + \frac{1}{p\theta} \right] = 1, \text{ so } c_{\theta,p}(I_{\mathbf{K}}) \leq 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $I_{\mathbf{K}} = T_1 + T_2$ , where  $T_1 \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{K})$  and  $T_2 \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{K})$ . Then

$$1 = \|I_{\mathbf{K}}\| = \|T_1 + T_2\| \leq \|T_1\| + \|T_2\| \leq a(T_1) + b(T_2).$$

Taking the infimum after all decompositions of  $I_{\mathbf{K}}$ , we obtain:

$$1 \leq K(1, I_{\mathbf{K}}).$$

But  $K(t, I_{\mathbf{K}}) \geq \min(1, t)K(1, I_{\mathbf{K}}) \geq \min(1, t)$ ; we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.2) \quad c_{\theta,p}(I_{\mathbf{K}}) &= [p\theta(1-\theta)]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t, I_{\mathbf{K}})}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \geq \\
 &\geq [p\theta(1-\theta)]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{\min(1,t)}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

Using (2.1) and (2.2) we obtain  $c_{\theta,p}(I_{\mathbf{K}}) = 1$ .

(QOI.1) There exists a constant  $\lambda \geq 1$  such that

$$c_{\theta,p}(T_1 + T_2) \leq \lambda[c_{\theta,p}(T_1) + c_{\theta,p}(T_2)]$$

for every  $T_1, T_2 \in C_{\theta,p}(E, F)$ .

Because  $(\mathcal{A}, a), (\mathcal{B}, b)$  are two quasi-normed operator ideals, there are  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \geq 1$  so that

$$a(T_1 + T_2) \leq \lambda_1[a(T_1) + a(T_2)]$$

and

$$b(T_1 + T_2) \leq \lambda_2[b(T_1) + b(T_2)].$$

But

$$c_{\theta,p}(T_1 + T_2) = [p\theta(1-\theta)]^{1/p} \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t, T_1 + T_2)}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/p}.$$

Let  $T_1 = S_1 + R_1$ ,  $T_2 = S_2 + R_2$ , where  $S_i \in \mathcal{A}(E, F)$ ,  $R_i \in \mathcal{B}(E, F)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Then:

$$\begin{aligned} K(t, T_1 + T_2) &\leq a(S_1 + S_2) + tb(R_1 + R_2) \leq \lambda_1[a(S_1) + a(S_2)] + t\lambda_2[b(R_1) + b(R_2)] = \\ &= \lambda_1 \left\{ \left[ a(S_1) + t \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} b(R_1) \right] + \left[ a(S_2) + t \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} b(R_2) \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

and passing to infimum for all decompositions of  $T_1, T_2$ , we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} K(t, T_1 + T_2) &\leq \lambda_1 \left[ K\left(\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}t, T_1\right) + K\left(\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}t, T_2\right) \right] \leq \\ &\leq \lambda_1 \max\left(1, \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}\right) [K(t, T_1) + K(t, T_2)]. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} c_{\theta,p}(T_1 + T_2) &\leq \\ &\leq [p\theta(1 - \theta)]^{1/p} \left\{ \int_0^\infty \left( \lambda_1 \max\left(1, \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}\right) \right)^p \left( \frac{K(t, T_1) + K(t, T_2)}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/p} \end{aligned}$$

and applying Minkowski's inequality, we have

$$c_{\theta,p}(T_1 + T_2) \leq \lambda_1 \max\left(1, \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}\right) [c_{\theta,p}(T_1) + c_{\theta,p}(T_2)],$$

where  $\lambda = \lambda_1 \max\left(1, \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}\right) \geq 1$ .

(QOI.2) Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E_0, E)$ ,  $S \in \mathcal{C}_{\theta,p}(E, F)$ ,  $R \in \mathcal{L}(F, F_0)$ .

$$\text{Then } c_{\theta,p}(RST) = [p\theta(1 - \theta)]^{1/p} \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t, RST)}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/p}.$$

But  $K(t, RST) \leq a(RS_1 T) + tb(RS_2 T) \leq \|R\|a(S_1)\|T\| + t\|R\|b(S_2)\|T\|$  for  $S = S_1 + S_2$ ,  $S_1 \in \mathcal{A}(E, F)$ ,  $S_2 \in \mathcal{B}(E, F)$ .

So

$$K(t, RST) \leq \|R\|(a(S_1) + tb(S_2))\|T\|$$

and by passing to infimum for all decompositions of  $S$ , it follows

$$K(t, RST) \leq \|R\| \cdot K(t, S)\|T\|$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} c_{\theta,p}(RST) &\leq [p\theta(1 - \theta)]^{1/p} \|R\| \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t, S)}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/p} \|T\| = \\ &= \|R\| c_{\theta,p}(S) \cdot \|T\| \end{aligned}$$

and the proof is complete.

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $(\mathcal{A}, a)$ ,  $(\mathcal{B}, b)$ ,  $(\mathcal{C}, c)$  be three quasi-normed operator ideals on Banach spaces. For  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ,  $0 < \theta_1, \theta_2$ ;  $\theta_1 + \theta_2 < 1$ , we define

$$\mathcal{D}_{\theta_1, \theta_2, p} := (\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C})_{\theta_1, \theta_2, p}$$

as follows: for an arbitrary pair of Banach spaces  $(E, F)$ , the component

$$\mathcal{D}_{\theta_1, \theta_2, p}(E, F) := (\mathcal{A}(E, F), \mathcal{B}(E, F), \mathcal{C}(E, F))_{\theta_1, \theta_2, p} =$$

$$= \left\{ T \in \mathcal{A}(E, F) + \mathcal{B}(E, F) + \mathcal{C}(E, F) \mid \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t_1, t_2, T)}{t_1^{\theta_1} t_2^{\theta_2}} \right)^p \frac{dt_1}{t_1} \frac{dt_2}{t_2} < \infty \right\},$$

where

$$K(t_1, t_2, T) = \inf_{T=T_1+T_2+T_3} (a(T_1) + t_1 b(T_2) + t_2 c(T_3)), \quad (t_1, t_2) \in \mathbf{R}_+^2.$$

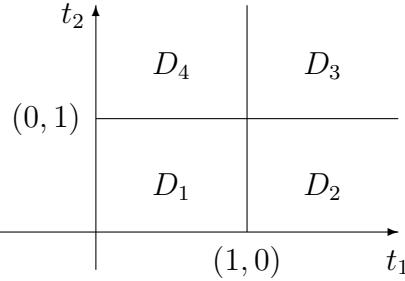
**Theorem 2.3.**  $\mathcal{D}_{\theta_1, \theta_2, p}$  is an operator ideal on Banach spaces.

*Proof.* (OI.0)  $I_{\mathbf{K}} \in \mathcal{D}_{\theta_1, \theta_2, p}(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{K})$ .

Obviously,  $I_{\mathbf{K}} \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{K}) + \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{K}) + \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{K})$

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t_1, t_2, I_{\mathbf{K}})}{t_1^{\theta_1} t_2^{\theta_2}} \right)^p \frac{dt_1}{t_1} \frac{dt_2}{t_2} \leq \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{\min(1, t_1, t_2)}{t_1^{\theta_1} t_2^{\theta_2}} \right)^p \frac{dt_1}{t_1} \frac{dt_2}{t_2} = I.$$

Decomposing  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$  in the following way:



we have:

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \iint_{D_1} \left( \frac{\min(t_1, t_2)}{t_1^{\theta_1} t_2^{\theta_2}} \right)^p \frac{dt_1}{t_1} \frac{dt_2}{t_2} + \iint_{D_2} \left( \frac{t_2}{t_1^{\theta_1} t_2^{\theta_2}} \right)^p \frac{dt_1}{t_1} \frac{dt_2}{t_2} + \\ &+ \iint_{D_3} \left( \frac{1}{t_1^{\theta_1} t_2^{\theta_2}} \right)^p \frac{dt_1}{t_1} \frac{dt_2}{t_2} + \iint_{D_4} \left( \frac{t_1}{t_1^{\theta_1} \cdot t_2^{\theta_2}} \right)^p \frac{dt_1}{t_1} \frac{dt_2}{t_2} = I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4. \end{aligned}$$

$I_1$  is convergent, because it is a Riemann integral

$$I_2 = \int_0^1 t_2^{p-\theta_2 p-1} \left( \int_1^\infty t_1^{-\theta_1 p-1} dt_1 \right) dt_2 = \frac{1}{p^2 \theta_1 (1 - \theta_2)}.$$

Analogously,

$$I_3 = \frac{1}{p^2 \theta_1 \theta_2}; \quad I_4 = \frac{1}{p^2 \theta_2 (1 - \theta_1)}.$$

Decomposing  $D_1$  and computing the integral, we obtain:

$$I_1 = \frac{2 - \theta_1 - \theta_2}{p^2 (1 - \theta_1) (1 - \theta_2) (1 - \theta_1 - \theta_2)}$$

therefore  $I$  is convergent, whence it results that  $I_{\mathbf{K}} \in \mathcal{D}_{\theta_1, \theta_2, p}$ .

(OI.1) Let  $S, T \in \mathcal{D}_{\theta_1, \theta_2, p}(E, F)$ . We prove that  $S + T \in \mathcal{D}_{\theta_1, \theta_2, p}(E, F)$ . Obviously,  $S + T \in \mathcal{A}(E, F) + \mathcal{B}(E, F) + \mathcal{C}(E, F)$ . Let  $S = S_1 + S_2 + S_3$ ,  $T = T_1 + T_2 + T_3$

$$\begin{aligned} K(t_1, t_2, S + T) &\leq a(S_1 + T_1) + t_1 b(S_2 + T_2) + t_2 c(S_3 + T_3) \leq \\ &\leq \lambda_1 [a(S_1) + a(T_1)] + t_1 \lambda_2 [b(S_2) + b(T_2)] + t_2 \lambda_3 [c(S_3) + c(T_3)] = \\ &= [\lambda_1 a(S_1) + t_1 \lambda_2 b(S_2) + t_3 \lambda_3 c(S_3)] + [\lambda_1 a(T_1) + t_1 \lambda_2 b(T_2) + t_2 \lambda_3 c(T_3)] = \\ &= \lambda_1 \left\{ \left[ a(S_1) + t_1 \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} b(S_2) + t_2 \frac{\lambda_3}{\lambda_1} c(S_3) \right] + \left[ a(T_1) + t_1 \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} b(T_2) + t_2 \frac{\lambda_3}{\lambda_1} c(T_3) \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

whence it results:

$$\begin{aligned} K(t_1, t_2, S + T) &\leq \lambda_1 \left[ K \left( \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} t_1, \frac{\lambda_3}{\lambda_1} t_2, S \right) + K \left( \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} t_1, \frac{\lambda_3}{\lambda_1} t_2, T \right) \right] \leq \\ &\leq \lambda_1 \max \left( 1, \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}, \frac{\lambda_3}{\lambda_1} \right) [K(t_1, t_2, S) + K(t_1, t_2, T)] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t_1, t_2, S + T)}{t_1^{\theta_1} t_2^{\theta_2}} \right)^p \frac{dt_1}{t_1} \frac{dt_2}{t_2} \leq \\ &\leq c \cdot \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{\max(K(t_1, t_2, S), K(t_1, t_2, T))}{t_1^{\theta_1} t_2^{\theta_2}} \right)^p \frac{dt_1}{t_1} \frac{dt_2}{t_2} \end{aligned}$$

which is finite. Therefore  $S + T \in \mathcal{D}_{\theta_1, \theta_2, p}(E, F)$ .

(OI.2) If  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E_0, F)$ ,  $S \in \mathcal{D}_{\theta_1, \theta_2, p}(E, F)$ ,  $R \in \mathcal{L}(F, F_0)$ , then

$$RST \in \mathcal{A}(E_0, F_0) + \mathcal{B}(E_0, F_0) + \mathcal{C}(E_0, F_0),$$

and

$$K(t_1, t_2, RST) \leq \|R\|K(t_1, t_2, S)\|T\|$$

involves

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t_1, t_2, RST)}{t_1^{\theta_1} t_2^{\theta_2}} \right)^p \frac{dt_1}{t_1} \frac{dt_2}{t_2} \leq \|R\|^p \cdot \|T\|^p \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t_1, t_2, S)}{t_1^{\theta_1} t_2^{\theta_2}} \right)^p \frac{dt_1}{t_1} \frac{dt_2}{t_2} < \infty.$$

Whence it results  $RST \in \mathcal{D}_{\theta_1, \theta_2, p}(E_0, F_0)$ .

We define the function

$$d_{\theta_1, \theta_2, p} : \mathcal{D}_{\theta_1, \theta_2, p} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}_+$$

by

$$(2.3) \quad d_{\theta_1, \theta_2, p}(T) := \left( \lambda \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t_1, t_2, T)}{t_1^{\theta_1} t_2^{\theta_2}} \right)^p \frac{dt_1}{t_1} \frac{dt_2}{t_2} \right)^{1/p},$$

where  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ,  $0 < \theta_1, \theta_2$ ;  $\theta_1 + \theta_2 < 1$ , and

$$\lambda = \left( \frac{1 - \theta_1 - \theta_2 + \theta_1 \theta_2}{(p^2 \theta_1 \theta_2 (1 - \theta_1)(1 - \theta_2)(1 - \theta_1 - \theta_2))} \right)^{-1}.$$

**Theorem 2.4.** *The couple  $(\mathcal{D}_{\theta_1, \theta_2, p}, d_{\theta_1, \theta_2, p})$ , where  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ,  $0 < \theta_1, \theta_2$ ;  $\theta_1 + \theta_2 < 1$ , is a quasi-normed operator ideal on Banach spaces.*

*Proof.* It is shown that the function defined by (2.3) satisfies the three conditions of the definition of quasi-norm.

**Remark.** The results obtained in Theorems 2.2, 2.4 can be extended to the  $n$ -operator ideals on Banach spaces, with a suitable change of the constant that appears in the definition of quasinorm.

**Theorem 2.5.** *The reiteration theorem). Let  $(\mathcal{A}, a), (\mathcal{B}, b)$  be two quasi-normed operator ideals on Banach spaces, and  $\mathcal{C}_{\theta_0, p_0} = (\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})_{\theta_0, p_0}$ ,  $\mathcal{C}_{\theta_1, p_1} = (\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})_{\theta_1, p_1}$ , where  $0 < \theta_i < 1$ ,  $1 \leq p_i < \infty$ , ( $i = 0, 1$ ). Then:*

$$(\mathcal{C}_{\theta_0, p_0}, \mathcal{C}_{\theta_1, p_1})_{\eta, p} = \mathcal{C}_{\theta, p},$$

with equivalent norms, where  $\theta = (1 - \eta)\theta_0 + \eta\theta_1$ ,  $0 < \eta < 1$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .

*Proof.* We remark that the ideal  $\mathcal{C}_{\theta_0, p_0}$  is of class  $\mathcal{C}(\theta_0, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  (namely for any pair of Banach spaces  $(E, F)$ , the component  $\mathcal{C}_{\theta_0, p_0}(E, F) \in \mathcal{C}(\theta_0, \mathcal{A}(E, F), \mathcal{B}(E, F))$ , and  $\mathcal{C}_{\theta_1, p_1} \in \mathcal{C}(\theta_1, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ .

Let  $T \in (\mathcal{C}_{\theta_0, p_0}; \mathcal{C}_{\theta_1, p_1})_{\eta, p}(E, F)$ . Then

$$\int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(s, T, \mathcal{C}_{\theta_0, p_0}, \mathcal{C}_{\theta_1, p_1})}{s^\eta} \right)^p \frac{ds}{s} < \infty.$$

If  $T = T_0 + T_1$ ,  $T_0 \in \mathcal{A}(E, F)$ ,  $T_1 \in \mathcal{B}(E, F)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} K(t, T, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) &\leq K(t, T_0, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) + K(t, T_1, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \leq \\ &\leq c[t^{\theta_0} c_{\theta_0, p_0}(T_0) + t^{\theta_1} c_{\theta_1, p_1}(T_1)] = ct^{\theta_0}[c_{\theta_0, p_0}(T_0) + t^{\theta_1 - \theta_0} c_{\theta_1, p_1}(T_1)] \leq \\ &\leq c \cdot t^{\theta_0} K(t^{\theta_1 - \theta_0}, T, \mathcal{C}_{\theta_0, p_0}, \mathcal{C}_{\theta_1, p_1}). \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} c_{\theta, p}(T) &= c \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{K(t, T, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})}{t^\theta} \right)^p \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/p} \leq \\ &\leq c' \left( \int_0^\infty (t^{-(\theta - \theta_0)} K(t^{\theta_1 - \theta_0}, T, \mathcal{C}_{\theta_0, p_0}, \mathcal{C}_{\theta_1, p_1}))^p \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/p} = \\ &= c'' \left( \int_0^\infty [s^{-\eta} K(s, T, \mathcal{C}_{\theta_0, p_0}, \mathcal{C}_{\theta_1, p_1})]^p \frac{ds}{s} \right)^{1/p} = c'' \cdot c_{\eta, p}(T) < \infty \end{aligned}$$

where  $s = t^{\theta_1 - \theta_0}$  and  $\eta = \frac{\theta - \theta_0}{\theta_1 - \theta_0}$ .

It follows that  $T \in (\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})_{\theta, p}$  and so

$$(\mathcal{C}_{\theta_0, p_0}, \mathcal{C}_{\theta_1, p_1})_{\eta, p} \hookrightarrow (\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})_{\theta, p}.$$

In order to prove the converse inclusion, we remark that for an arbitrary Banach couple  $\overline{X} = (X_0, X_1)$  we have

$$(2.4) \quad \overline{X}_{\theta_j, 1} \hookrightarrow \overline{X}_{\theta_j, q_j} \hookrightarrow \overline{X}_{\theta_j, \infty}, \quad (j = \overline{0, 1})$$

and

$$\|x\|_{\theta_j, q_j} \leq c \cdot \|x\|_{\theta_j, 1}.$$

We intend to show that

$$c_{\eta, p}(T) \leq c \cdot c_{\theta, p}(T).$$

Using the first inclusion of the relation (2.4) and Holmstedt's theorem for  $q_0 = q_1 = 1$  and  $\delta = \theta_1 - \theta_0$ , we have:

$$\overline{K}(t^\delta, T) = K(t^\delta, T, (\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})_{\theta_0, q_0}, (\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})_{\theta_1, q_1}) \leq c \cdot K(t^\delta, T, (\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})_{\theta_0, 1}, (\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})_{\theta_1, 1}) \leq$$

$$\leq c \left\{ \int_0^t [s^{-\theta_0} \cdot K(s, T, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})] \frac{ds}{s} + t^\delta \int_t^\infty [s^{-\theta_1} K(s, T, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})] \frac{ds}{s} \right\}$$

for any  $T \in (\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})_{\theta_0, q_0} + (\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})_{\theta_1, q_1}$  and any  $t > 0$ .

Using the above inequality, making the change of the variable  $t = s^\delta$  and applying Minkowski's inequality, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \int_0^\infty [t^{-\eta} \bar{K}(t, T)]^p \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/p} = c' \left( \int_0^\infty [t^{-\eta\delta} \bar{K}(t^\delta, T)]^p \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/p} \leq \\ & \leq c'' \left\{ \left( \int_0^\infty \left[ t^{-\eta\delta} \int_0^t s^{-\theta_0} K(s, T) \frac{ds}{s} \right]^p \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/p} + \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left( \int_0^\infty \left[ t^{\delta(1-\eta)} \int_t^\infty s^{-\theta_1} K(s, T) \frac{ds}{s} \right]^p \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/p} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Applying Hardy's inequalities for the two integrals of the right side, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \left( \int_0^\infty \left[ t^{-\eta\delta} \int_0^t s^{-\theta_0} K(s, T) \frac{ds}{s} \right]^p \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/p} = \\ &= \left( \int_0^\infty \left[ t^{-\eta\delta+1} \cdot \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t s^{-\theta_0} K(s, T) \frac{ds}{s} \right]^p \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/p} \leq \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\eta\delta} \left\{ \int_0^\infty (t^{1-\eta(\theta_1-\theta_0)} \cdot t^{-\theta_0-1} \cdot K(t, T))^p \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/p} = c' \left\{ \int_0^\infty (t^{-\theta} K(t, T))^p \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/p} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\theta = (1 - \eta)\theta_0 + \eta\theta_1$ .

Analogously,

$$I_2 = \left( \int_0^\infty \left[ t^{\delta(1-\eta)} \int_t^\infty s^{-\theta_1} K(s, T) \frac{ds}{s} \right]^p \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/p} \leq c'' \left\{ \int_0^\infty (t^{-\theta} K(t, T))^p \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/p}.$$

Therefore:

$$c_{\eta, p}(T) = \left( \int_0^\infty [t^{-\eta} \bar{K}(t, T)]^p \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/p} \leq c \left\{ \int_0^\infty [t^{-\theta} K(t, T)]^p \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/p} = c \cdot c_{\theta, p}(T).$$

It follows that

$$(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})_{\theta, p} \hookrightarrow (\mathcal{C}_{\theta_0, p_0}, \mathcal{C}_{\theta_1, p_1})_{\eta, p}$$

and the theorem is proved.

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