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COMPLEMENTED COPIES OF  $\ell_p$  SPACES IN TENSOR PRODUCTS

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*Abstract.* We give sufficient conditions on Banach spaces  $X$  and  $Y$  so that their projective tensor product  $X \otimes_\pi Y$ , their injective tensor product  $X \otimes_\varepsilon Y$ , or the dual  $(X \otimes_\pi Y)^*$  contain complemented copies of  $\ell_p$ .

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It is proved in [3] that  $C(K_1) \otimes_\pi C(K_2)$  contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_2$  whenever at least one of the spaces  $C(K_i)$  contains an isomorphic copy of  $\ell_1$ , and that  $L_1(\mu_1) \otimes_\varepsilon L_1(\mu_2)$  contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_2$  whenever at least one of the spaces  $L_1(\mu_i)$  does not have the Schur property. Moreover, it is also proved that, if  $X$  contains a copy of  $c_0$ ,  $Y^*$  has the Orlicz property and there exists a surjective operator from  $Y$  onto  $\ell_2$ , then  $X \otimes_\pi Y$  contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_2$ . In the present paper we extend these results, giving new conditions on  $X$  and  $Y$  so that  $X \otimes_\pi Y$ ,  $X \otimes_\varepsilon Y$ , or the dual  $(X \otimes_\pi Y)^*$  contain complemented copies of  $\ell_p$  spaces.

Throughout,  $X$  and  $Y$  denote Banach spaces,  $X^*$  is the dual of  $X$ , and  $B_X$  stands for its closed unit ball. By  $\mathbb{N}$  we represent the set of all natural numbers. The notation  $X \equiv Y$  (respectively,  $X \cong Y$ ) means that  $X$  and  $Y$  are isometrically isomorphic (respectively, isomorphic). By an *operator* from  $X$  into  $Y$  we always mean a bounded linear mapping. We use  $\mathcal{L}(X, Y)$  for the space of all operators from  $X$  into  $Y$ , endowed with the supremum norm, and  $\mathcal{K}(X, Y)$  for the subspace of compact operators.

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Given  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , we denote by  $p^*$  the conjugate index of  $p$  ( $1/p + 1/p^* = 1$ ). Given  $1 \leq r < \infty$ , if a sequence  $(x_n) \subset X$  is *weakly  $r$ -summable*, then there is a positive constant  $C$  such that

$$\|(x_n)_n\|_{w,r} := \sup_{x^* \in B_{X^*}} \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x^*(x_n)|^r \right)^{1/r} \leq C$$

(see [8, page 32]). We denote by  $e_n$  the sequence  $(0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots)$  with 1 in the  $n$ -th position. The sequence  $(e_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is weakly  $r$ -summable in  $\ell_p$  ( $1 < p < \infty$ ), for  $r \geq p^*$ , with  $\|(e_n)_n\|_{w,r} = 1$ .

The following result will be used without explicit mention.

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$  and let  $X$  be a Banach space. The following assertions are equivalent:*

- (a)  $\mathcal{L}(\ell_p, X) \neq \mathcal{K}(\ell_p, X)$ ;
- (b) *there is a weakly  $p^*$ -summable sequence in  $X$  which is not norm null;*
- (c) *there is a normalized weakly  $p^*$ -summable sequence in  $X$ .*

The equivalence (a)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (b) is proved in [4, Corollary 5]. The equivalence (b)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (c) is obvious. Note that in [4, Corollary 5] there is a misprint: instead of  $C_p(X, Y)$ , one should read  $C_{p^*}(X, Y)$ .

By  $X \otimes_{\pi} Y$  (respectively,  $X \otimes_{\varepsilon} Y$ ) we denote the projective (respectively, injective) tensor product of  $X$  and  $Y$ . Recall that  $(X \otimes_{\pi} Y)^* \equiv \mathcal{L}(X, Y^*)$ . We refer to [5] and [9] for the theory of injective and projective tensor products of Banach spaces.

For any undefined notion from Banach Space Theory, we refer to [7] or [8].

In what follows,  $\Pi_r(X, Y)$  denotes the space of all absolutely  $r$ -summing operators from  $X$  into  $Y$ .

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be Banach spaces such that  $\mathcal{L}(X, Y^*) = \Pi_r(X, Y^*)$ , for  $1 < r < \infty$ . Suppose that  $\mathcal{L}(\ell_{r^*}, X) \neq \mathcal{K}(\ell_{r^*}, X)$  and  $\mathcal{L}(\ell_r, Y^*) \neq \mathcal{K}(\ell_r, Y^*)$ . Then  $X \otimes_{\pi} Y$  contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_{r^*}$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $(x_n) \subset X$  (respectively,  $(y_n^*) \subset Y^*$ ) be normalized weakly  $r$ -summable (respectively, weakly  $r^*$ -summable) sequences. We can assume that they are basic. There is a sequence  $(x_n^*) \subset X^*$  such that  $\|x_n^*\| \leq M$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ) and  $x_m^*(x_n) = \delta_{mn}$ . The argument used in the proof of [11, Theorem 12] yields a sequence  $(y_n) \subset Y$  such that  $\|y_n\| \leq K$  and  $y_m^*(y_n) = \delta_{mn}$ .

Let  $I: \ell_{r^*} \rightarrow X \otimes_{\pi} Y$  be the linear mapping given by  $I(e_n) = x_n \otimes y_n$ . We show that  $I$  is well-defined and continuous. Indeed, given  $a = (a_n) \in \ell_{r^*}$ , we have for

$k, m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{n=k}^m a_n x_n \otimes y_n \right\|_{\pi} &= \sup_{T \in B_{\mathcal{L}(X, Y^*)}} \left| \sum_{n=k}^m a_n \langle T(x_n), y_n \rangle \right| \\ &\leq K \left( \sum_{n=k}^m |a_n|^{r^*} \right)^{1/r^*} \sup_{T \in B_{\mathcal{L}(X, Y^*)}} \left( \sum_{n=k}^m \|T(x_n)\|^r \right)^{1/r}, \end{aligned}$$

where we have used Hölder's inequality. Since every  $T \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y^*)$  is absolutely  $r$ -summing, we have

$$I(a) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n x_n \otimes y_n \in X \otimes_{\pi} Y.$$

Thanks to the Open Mapping Theorem, there is a positive constant  $C$  independent of  $T$  such that the absolutely  $r$ -summing norm  $\pi_r(T)$  of  $T$  satisfies

$$\pi_r(T) \leq C \|T\|_{\mathcal{L}(X, Y^*)},$$

so we have

$$\|I(a)\|_{\pi} = \left\| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n x_n \otimes y_n \right\|_{\pi} \leq KC \|a\|_{r^*} \|(x_n)_n\|_{w, r},$$

and  $I$  is continuous.

Now let  $R: X \otimes_{\pi} Y \rightarrow \ell_{r^*}$  be the linear mapping given by

$$R(x \otimes y) = (x_n^*(x) y_n^*(y))_{n=1}^{\infty} \quad (x \in X, y \in Y).$$

Note that  $R$  is well-defined since

$$\left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_n^*(x) y_n^*(y)|^{r^*} \right)^{1/r^*} \leq M \|x\| \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |y_n^*(y)|^{r^*} \right)^{1/r^*} \leq M \|x\| \|y\| \|(y_n^*)_n\|_{w, r^*}.$$

Let  $u \in X \otimes Y$  and let  $\sum_{i=1}^m x_i \otimes y_i$  be one of its representations. Then

$$(1) \quad \|R(u)\| = \left\| \left( \sum_{i=1}^m x_n^*(x_i) y_n^*(y_i) \right)_{n=1}^{\infty} \right\| = \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \sum_{i=1}^m x_n^*(x_i) y_n^*(y_i) \right|^{r^*} \right)^{1/r^*}.$$

Consider now the operator  $T \in \mathcal{L}(Y^*, X)$  defined by

$$T(y^*) = \sum_{i=1}^m y^*(y_i) x_i \quad (y^* \in Y^*).$$

Clearly,  $T$  is nuclear and its nuclear norm satisfies

$$\|T\|_N \leq \sum_{i=1}^m \|x_i\| \|y_i\|.$$

For every index  $n$ , we have

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^m x_n^*(x_i) y_n^*(y_i) \right| = |\langle T(y_n^*), x_n^* \rangle| \leq M \|T(y_n^*)\|.$$

Then, from (1), using the fact that  $T$  is also absolutely  $r^*$ -summing, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \|R(u)\| &\leq M \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|T(y_n^*)\|^{r^*} \right)^{1/r^*} \\ &\leq M \pi_{r^*}(T) \|(y_n^*)_n\|_{w,r^*} \\ &\leq M \|T\|_N \|(y_n^*)_n\|_{w,r^*} \\ &\leq M \|(y_n^*)_n\|_{w,r^*} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x_i\| \|y_i\|. \end{aligned}$$

Since this holds for every representation of  $u$  as an element of  $X \otimes Y$ , we have  $R(u) \leq M' \|u\|_{\pi}$ . Therefore,  $R$  is continuous. Easily,  $R \circ I$  is the identity map on  $\ell_{r^*}$ , and so  $I \circ R$  is a projection.  $\square$

**Remark 3.** The equality  $\mathcal{L}(X, Y^*) = \Pi_2(X, Y^*)$  holds, for example, when  $X$  is an  $\mathcal{L}_{\infty}$ -space and  $Y^*$  has cotype 2 [8, Theorem 11.14(a)], while the equality  $\mathcal{L}(X, Y^*) = \Pi_r(X, Y^*)$  for  $r > 2$  holds, for example, when  $X$  is an  $\mathcal{L}_{\infty}$ -space and  $Y^*$  has cotype  $q$  ( $2 < q < r$ ) [8, Theorem 11.14(b)]. The disk algebra  $A$  is not an  $\mathcal{L}_{\infty}$ -space [2, page 4], nevertheless, whenever  $Y^*$  has cotype 2, we have  $\mathcal{L}(A, Y^*) = \Pi_2(A, Y^*)$  [2, Corollary 2.8].

A Banach space  $X$  has the *Orlicz property* if the identity operator on  $X$  is absolutely  $(2, 1)$ -summing. Every Banach space with cotype 2 has the Orlicz property (see [10, Definition 5.1] and [8, Corollary 11.17]). The converse is not true [18].

**Theorem 4.** *Suppose that  $X$  has the Orlicz property and contains a normalized weakly  $r$ -summable sequence, for  $1 < r \leq 2$ , and  $Y$  contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_1$ . Then  $X \otimes_{\varepsilon} Y$  contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_{r^*}$ .*

**Proof.** Since  $X \otimes_{\varepsilon} \ell_1$  is complemented in  $X \otimes_{\varepsilon} Y$ , it is enough to prove the result for  $X \otimes_{\varepsilon} \ell_1$ .

Let  $(x_n) \subset X$  be a normalized weakly  $r$ -summable sequence, that can be assumed to be basic. Then there is a sequence  $(x_n^*) \subset X^*$  with  $\|x_n^*\| \leq M$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ), such that  $x_m^*(x_n) = \delta_{mn}$ .

We give a linear mapping  $R: X \otimes \ell_1 \rightarrow \ell_{r^*}$  by

$$R(x \otimes y) = (x_n^*(x)e_n(y))_{n=1}^\infty.$$

Clearly,  $R$  is well-defined.

Given  $\sum_{i=1}^m x_i \otimes y_i \in X \otimes \ell_1$ , we define the operator  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\ell_\infty, X)$  by

$$T(y^*) = \sum_{i=1}^m y^*(y_i)x_i \quad (y^* \in \ell_\infty).$$

Then

$$\|T\| = \left\| \sum_{i=1}^m x_i \otimes y_i \right\|_\varepsilon$$

[5, Examples 4.2]. Moreover, as in the proof of Theorem 2, since  $r^* \geq 2$ , we obtain

$$\left\| R\left(\sum_{i=1}^m x_i \otimes y_i\right) \right\|_{r^*} = \left( \sum_{n=1}^\infty |\langle T(e_n), x_n^* \rangle|^{r^*} \right)^{1/r^*} \leq M \left( \sum_{n=1}^\infty \|T(e_n)\|^2 \right)^{1/2}.$$

Since  $X$  has the Orlicz property, the identity map on  $X$  is absolutely  $(2, 1)$ -summing. So there is a positive constant  $C$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \sum_{n=1}^\infty \|T(e_n)\|^2 \right)^{1/2} &\leq C \sup_{x^* \in B_{X^*}} \left( \sum_{n=1}^\infty |\langle x^*, T(e_n) \rangle| \right) \\ &\leq K \sup_{x^* \in B_{X^*}} \|T^*(x^*)\| \\ &= K \|T\| \\ &= K \left\| \sum_{i=1}^m x_i \otimes y_i \right\|_\varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

where we have used the Closed Graph Theorem as in [7, page 44]. Therefore,

$$\left\| R\left(\sum_{i=1}^m x_i \otimes y_i\right) \right\|_{r^*} \leq MK \left\| \sum_{i=1}^m x_i \otimes y_i \right\|_\varepsilon$$

and then  $R$  is continuous with respect to the injective norm.

Define the linear mapping  $I: \ell_{r^*} \rightarrow X \otimes_\varepsilon \ell_1$  by  $I(e_n) = x_n \otimes e_n$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ). We show that  $I$  is well-defined and continuous. Indeed, given  $a = (a_n) \in \ell_{r^*}$ , by Hölder's inequality, we have for  $k, m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{n=k}^m a_n x_n \otimes e_n \right\|_\varepsilon &= \sup_{\substack{x^* \in B_{X^*} \\ y^* \in B_{\ell_\infty}}} \left| \sum_{n=k}^m a_n x^*(x_n) y^*(e_n) \right| \\ &\leq \left( \sum_{n=k}^m |a_n|^{r^*} \right)^{1/r^*} \sup_{\substack{x^* \in B_{X^*} \\ y^* \in B_{\ell_\infty}}} \left( \sum_{n=k}^m |x^*(x_n) y^*(e_n)|^r \right)^{1/r}, \end{aligned}$$

and, since  $(x_n)$  is weakly  $r$ -summable, this implies that

$$I(a) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n x_n \otimes e_n \in X \otimes_\varepsilon \ell_1.$$

Using again the fact that  $(x_n)$  is weakly  $r$ -summable, we have:

$$\|I(a)\|_\varepsilon \leq \|a\|_{r^*} \sup_{\substack{x^* \in B_{X^*} \\ y^* \in B_{\ell_\infty}}} \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x^*(x_n) y^*(e_n)|^r \right)^{1/r} = \|a\|_{r^*} \|(x_n)_n\|_{w,r},$$

so  $I$  is continuous. Easily,  $R(I(e_n)) = e_n$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ), and the proof is complete.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.** *Let  $X$  be a Banach space with finite cotype  $q \geq 2$  containing a normalized weakly  $q^*$ -summable sequence. Let  $Y$  be a Banach space containing a complemented copy of  $\ell_1$ . Then  $X \otimes_\varepsilon Y$  contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_q$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $X \otimes_\varepsilon \ell_1$  is complemented in  $X \otimes_\varepsilon Y$ , it is enough to consider  $Y = \ell_1$ . If  $q = 2$ , the result is true by Theorem 4, since  $X$  has the Orlicz property. Suppose  $q > 2$ . Let  $(x_n) \subset X$  be a normalized weakly  $q^*$ -summable sequence, which can be assumed to be basic. Then there is a bounded sequence  $(x_n^*) \subset X^*$  such that  $x_m^*(x_n) = \delta_{mn}$ . Now let  $R: X \otimes_\varepsilon \ell_1 \rightarrow \ell_q$  be the linear mapping given by

$$R(x \otimes y) = (x_n^*(x) e_n(y))_{n=1}^\infty.$$

Clearly,  $R$  is well-defined. Given  $\sum_{i=1}^m x_i \otimes y_i \in X \otimes_\varepsilon \ell_1$ , we define  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\ell_\infty, X)$  as in the proof of Theorem 4. Since  $X$  has cotype  $q > 2$ ,  $T$  is absolutely  $(q, 1)$ -summing and there is a positive constant  $C$  independent of  $T$  such that the absolutely  $(q, 1)$ -summing norm of  $T$  satisfies  $\pi_{(q,1)}(T) \leq C\|T\|$  (see [8, Theorem 11.14(b) and its proof]). So, as in the proof of Theorem 4,  $R$  is continuous.

Let  $I: \ell_q \rightarrow X \otimes_\varepsilon \ell_1$  be the linear mapping given by  $I(e_n) = x_n \otimes e_n$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ). As in the proof of Theorem 4,  $I$  is well-defined and continuous, and  $R(I(e_n)) = e_n$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ), so we are done.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.** *Suppose that  $Y^*$  contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_1$  and  $X^*$  has finite cotype  $q \geq 2$ . Let  $r > q$  if  $q > 2$  and let  $r \geq 2$  if  $q = 2$ . If  $\mathcal{L}(\ell_r, X^*) \neq \mathcal{K}(\ell_r, X^*)$ , then  $(X \otimes_\pi Y)^*$  contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_r$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $\mathcal{L}(X, \ell_1)$  is complemented in  $\mathcal{L}(X, Y^*) \equiv (X \otimes_\pi Y)^*$  (see, for instance, the proof of [11, Theorem 15]), it is enough to prove the statement for  $\mathcal{L}(X, \ell_1)$ . Let  $(x_n^*) \subset X^*$  be a normalized weakly  $r^*$ -summable sequence. We can assume that it is basic. As in the proof of [11, Theorem 12], we can find a sequence  $(x_n) \subset X$  such that  $x_m^*(x_n) = \delta_{mn}$  and  $\|x_n\| \leq M$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ). Let  $j: \ell_1 \rightarrow \ell_r$  be the natural inclusion and let  $R: \mathcal{L}(X, \ell_1) \rightarrow \ell_r$  be given by

$$R(T) = (\langle jT(x_n), e_n \rangle)_{n=1}^\infty.$$

We show that  $R$  is a well-defined operator. Indeed, given  $T \in \mathcal{L}(X, \ell_1)$ , its adjoint  $T^* \in \mathcal{L}(\ell_\infty, X^*)$  is absolutely  $r$ -summing [8, Theorem 11.14]. Moreover, by the Open Mapping Theorem, there is a positive constant  $C$  independent of  $T$  such that  $\pi_r(T^*) \leq C\|T^*\|$ , so

$$\left( \sum_{n=1}^\infty |\langle jT(x_n), e_n \rangle|^r \right)^{1/r} \leq M \left( \sum_{n=1}^\infty \|T^*j^*(e_n)\|^r \right)^{1/r} \leq CM\|T\|.$$

Therefore,  $R$  is well-defined and continuous. Now let  $I: \ell_r \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X, \ell_1)$  be the linear mapping given by

$$I(a)(x) = (x_n^*(x)a_n)_{n=1}^\infty \quad \text{for each } a = (a_n)_n \in \ell_r.$$

Since  $(x_n^*)$  is weakly  $r^*$ -summable, we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^\infty |x_n^*(x)a_n| \leq \|x\| \|a\|_r \|(x_n^*)_n\|_{w, r^*}.$$

It follows that  $I$  is a well-defined operator. Moreover,

$$I(e_m)(x_n) = (x_k^*(x_n)\delta_{mk})_{k=1}^\infty = x_m^*(x_n)e_m = \delta_{mn}e_m,$$

so

$$R(I(e_m)) = (\langle j(I(e_m)(x_n)), e_n \rangle)_{n=1}^\infty = (\langle \delta_{mn}e_m, e_n \rangle)_{n=1}^\infty = e_m,$$

and  $I \circ R$  is a projection. □

**Remark 7.** Under the hypotheses of Theorem 6, the space  $\mathcal{K}(X, Y^*)$  contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_r$ .



Indeed, since  $\mathcal{K}(X, \ell_1)$  is complemented in  $\mathcal{K}(X, Y^*)$ , it is enough to show that the range of  $I$  is contained in  $\mathcal{K}(X, \ell_1)$ . Given  $a = (a_n) \in \ell_r$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\left( \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} |a_n|^r \right)^{1/r} < \frac{\varepsilon}{\|(x_n^*)\|_{w,r^*}}.$$

Hence, by Hölder's inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{x \in B_X} \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} |x_n^*(x)a_n| &\leq \left( \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} |a_n|^r \right)^{1/r} \sup_{x \in B_X} \left( \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} |x_n^*(x)|^{r^*} \right)^{1/r^*} \\ &< \frac{\varepsilon}{\|(x_n^*)\|_{w,r^*}} \cdot \|(x_n^*)\|_{w,r^*} = \varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

so  $I(a)(B_X)$  is relatively compact in  $\ell_1$ .

The following result improves [11, Corollary 16].

**Corollary 8.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be infinite-dimensional  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ -spaces such that at least one of them contains a copy of  $\ell_1$ . Then  $(X \otimes_\pi Y)^*$  contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_2$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $X$  contains a copy of  $\ell_1$ . Then there is a surjective operator  $q: X \rightarrow \ell_2$  [8, Corollary 4.16]. The operator  $q^*: \ell_2 \rightarrow X^*$  is not compact. Since  $X$  is an  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ -space,  $X^*$  is an  $\mathcal{L}_1$ -space [14, Theorem III(a)] and then has cotype 2 [8, Corollary 11.7(a)]. Since  $Y$  is an infinite-dimensional  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ -space,  $Y^*$  contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_1$  [13, Proposition 7.3]. Then it is enough to apply Theorem 6.  $\square$

**Corollary 9.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be infinite-dimensional  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ -spaces. Assume that  $Y$  is separable and  $Y^* \not\cong \ell_1$ . Then  $(X \otimes_\pi Y)^*$  contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_2$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $Y$  is an infinite-dimensional separable  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ -space and  $Y^* \not\cong \ell_1$ , then  $Y^* \cong C[0, 1]^*$  [1, Theorem 3.1]. Therefore,

$$(X \otimes_\pi Y)^* \cong \mathcal{L}(X, C[0, 1]^*) \equiv (X \otimes_\pi C[0, 1])^*,$$

and it is enough to apply Corollary 8.  $\square$

**Corollary 10.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be infinite-dimensional separable  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ -spaces. Then the following assertions are equivalent:*

- (a)  $X^* \cong Y^* \cong \ell_1$ ;
- (b)  $(X \otimes_\pi Y)^*$  has the Dunford-Pettis property;
- (c)  $(X \otimes_\pi Y)^*$  contains no complemented copy of  $\ell_2$ .

*Proof.* (a)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (b) is proved in [11, Corollary 7];

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (c) is clear;

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (a) follows from Corollary 9. □

**Corollary 11.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be infinite-dimensional  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ -spaces. Then the following assertions are equivalent:*

- (a)  $X$  and  $Y$  contain no copy of  $\ell_1$ ;
- (b)  $(X \otimes_\pi Y)^*$  has the Schur property;
- (c)  $(X \otimes_\pi Y)^*$  has the Dunford-Pettis property;
- (d)  $(X \otimes_\pi Y)^*$  contains no complemented copy of  $\ell_2$ ;
- (e)  $X^* \otimes_\varepsilon Y^*$  has the Schur property;
- (f)  $X^* \otimes_\varepsilon Y^*$  has the Dunford-Pettis property;
- (g)  $X^* \otimes_\varepsilon Y^*$  contains no complemented copy of  $\ell_2$ .

*Proof.* (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b). Since  $X$  and  $Y$  have the Dunford-Pettis property and contain no copy of  $\ell_1$ , their duals  $X^*$  and  $Y^*$  have the Schur property [6, Theorem 3]. By [17, Corollary 3.4], the space  $(X \otimes_\pi Y)^*$  has the Schur property.

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

(d)  $\Rightarrow$  (a) follows from Corollary 8.

(a)  $\Rightarrow$  (e). Since  $X^*$  and  $Y^*$  have the Schur property,  $X^* \otimes_\varepsilon Y^*$  has the Schur property [15].

(e)  $\Rightarrow$  (f)  $\Rightarrow$  (g) are obvious.

(g)  $\Rightarrow$  (a). Suppose that  $Y$  contains a copy of  $\ell_1$ . Then there exists a surjection  $q: Y \rightarrow \ell_2$  [8, Corollary 4.16]. The sequence  $(q^*(e_n))$  is weakly 2-summable in  $Y^*$  and is not norm null. Since  $Y^*$  is an  $\mathcal{L}_1$ -space, it has the Orlicz property. Since  $X$  is an infinite-dimensional  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ -space,  $X^*$  contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_1$ . By Theorem 4,  $X^* \otimes_\varepsilon Y^*$  contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_2$ . □

**Remark 12.**

(a) In the proof of Corollary 11, only the following assumptions on  $X$  and  $Y$  are used:  $X$  and  $Y$  are infinite-dimensional and have the Dunford-Pettis property,  $Y^*$  has the Orlicz property, and  $X^*$  contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_1$ .

(b) If  $X$  and  $Y$  are  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ -spaces and  $X$  contains no copy of  $\ell_1$ , then

$$(X \otimes_\pi Y)^* \equiv X^* \otimes_\varepsilon Y^*.$$

Indeed,  $(X \otimes_{\pi} Y)^* \equiv \mathcal{L}(X, Y^*)$ . Every operator in  $\mathcal{L}(X, Y^*)$  is completely continuous [8, Theorems 3.7 and 2.17] and, since  $X$  contains no copy of  $\ell_1$ , also compact [16, page 377]. By the approximation property of  $X^*$  (or  $Y^*$ ) [5, page 306], we have  $\mathcal{K}(X, Y^*) \equiv X^* \otimes_{\varepsilon} Y^*$  [5, Proposition 5.3].

The following result is proved in [11, Corollary 14]:

**Theorem 13.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be infinite-dimensional  $\mathcal{L}_1$ -spaces. The following assertions are equivalent:*

- (a)  *$X$  and  $Y$  have the Schur property;*
- (b)  *$X \otimes_{\varepsilon} Y$  has the Schur property;*
- (c)  *$X \otimes_{\varepsilon} Y$  has the Dunford-Pettis property.*

We do not know if these assertions are equivalent to:

- (d)  *$X \otimes_{\varepsilon} Y$  contains no complemented copy of  $\ell_2$ .*

As for the dual, it is shown in [12] that, if  $X$  and  $Y$  are infinite-dimensional  $\mathcal{L}_1$ -spaces, then  $(X \otimes_{\varepsilon} Y)^*$  contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_2$ . This was proved independently and by different techniques in [3]. Moreover, its isometric subspace  $X^* \otimes_{\pi} Y^*$  [9, Theorem VIII.3.10] also contains a complemented copy of  $\ell_2$ , by a result of [3] (see the introduction to the present paper).

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