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COPIES OF l_p^n 'S UNIFORMLY IN THE SPACES $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ AND $\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$

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Abstract. We study the presence of copies of l_p^n 's uniformly in the spaces $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ and $\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$. By using Dvoretzky's theorem we deduce that if X is an infinite-dimensional Banach space, then $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ contains $\lambda\sqrt{2}$ -uniformly copies of l_∞^n 's and $\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$ contains λ -uniformly copies of l_2^n 's for all $\lambda > 1$. As an application, we show that if X is an infinite-dimensional Banach space then the spaces $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ and $\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$ are distinct, extending the well-known result that the spaces $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ and $\mathcal{N}(C[0, 1], X)$ are distinct.

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1. INTRODUCTION AND NOTATION

The main purpose of this paper is to study the presence of copies of l_p^n 's uniformly in the spaces $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ and $\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$. Let us fix some notation and concepts used below. The scalar field \mathbb{R} (or \mathbb{C}) is denoted by \mathbb{K} and if $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, then $l_p^n = (\mathbb{K}^n, \|\cdot\|_p)$, where $\|(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)\|_p = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha_i|^p\right)^{1/p}$ if $p < \infty$ and $\|(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)\|_\infty = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |\alpha_i|$. By $(e_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$ we denote the standard unit vectors in \mathbb{K}^n , i.e. $e_i = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$. For $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ we write, as usual, p^* for the conjugate of p , i.e. $1/p + 1/p^* = 1$. If $\alpha = (\alpha_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n} \in \mathbb{K}^n$, $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty$, $M_\alpha: l_p^n \rightarrow l_q^n$ is the multiplication operator, i.e. $M_\alpha((\xi_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n}) := (\alpha_i \xi_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$. By $r_n: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $r_n(t) = (-1)^{[2^n t]}$ we denote the Rademacher functions ($[\cdot]$ denotes the integer part) and $C[0, 1]$ is the space of all scalar-valued continuous functions on $[0, 1]$ under the uniform norm.

Let $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ and $1 < \lambda < \infty$. We say that a Banach space X contains l_p^n 's λ -uniformly or that X contains λ -uniformly copies of l_p^n if for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ there exists a linear operator $J_n: l_p^n \rightarrow X$ such that

$$\|\alpha\|_p \leq \|J_n(\alpha)\|_X \leq \lambda \|\alpha\|_p, \quad \alpha \in l_p^n$$

(see [3], page 260). Let X, Y be Banach spaces and $1 \leq p < \infty$. A linear operator $T: X \rightarrow Y$ is p -summing if there exists a constant $C \geq 0$ such that for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$ the relation $\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|T(x_i)\|^p\right)^{1/p} \leq C \sup_{\|x^*\| \leq 1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x^*(x_i)|^p\right)^{1/p}$ holds and the p -summing norm of T is defined by $\pi_p(T) := \min\{C: C \text{ as above}\}$. We denote by $\Pi_p(X, Y)$ the class of all p -summing operators from X into Y (see [2], [3], [4], [6]). Let X and Y be Banach spaces. If A is a set, the notation $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset A$ means that $x_n \in A$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. A bounded linear operator $T: X \rightarrow Y$ is called nuclear if there exist $(x_n^*)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset X^*$, $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset Y$ such that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|x_n^*\| \|y_n\| < \infty$ and $T(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n^*(x) y_n$ for $x \in X$; such a representation is called a nuclear representation of T and the nuclear norm of T is defined by $\|T\|_{\text{nuc}} := \inf \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|x_n^*\| \|y_n\| \right\}$, where the infimum is taken over all the nuclear representations of T . We denote by $\mathcal{N}(X, Y)$ the space of all nuclear operators from X into Y (see [2], [3], [4], [6]). In [10], Theorem 4.2, it was shown that, if X is an infinite-dimensional Banach space, then $\mathcal{N}(C[0, 1], X) \neq \Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$. As a natural consequence of our results, we recover the folklore result that if X is an infinite dimensional Banach space, then $\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X) \neq \Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$, and hence $\mathcal{N}(C[0, 1], X) \neq \Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$, see Corollary 1.

All notation and terminology, not otherwise explained, are as in [2], [3], [4], [6].

PRELIMINARY RESULTS

The next Lemma is essentially well-known (see [8], Lemma 10).

Lemma 1. *Let $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\alpha = (\alpha_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n} \in \mathbb{K}^n$ and let $U_\alpha^n: C[0, 1] \rightarrow l_p^n$ be the operator defined by $U_\alpha^n(f) = (\alpha_i \int_0^1 f(t) r_i(t) dt)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$. Then:*

- (i) $2^{-1/2} \|\alpha\|_r \leq \|U_\alpha^n\| \leq \pi_2(U_\alpha^n) \leq \|\alpha\|_r$ if $1 \leq p < 2$, where $1/p = 1/2 + 1/r$ and $2^{-1/2} \|\alpha\|_\infty \leq \|U_\alpha^n\| \leq \pi_2(U_\alpha^n) \leq \|\alpha\|_\infty$ if $2 \leq p \leq \infty$.
- (ii) $\pi_1(U_\alpha^n) = \|\alpha\|_p$.

Proof. The representing measure of U_α^n is $G_\alpha^n: \Sigma \rightarrow l_p^n$ defined by $G_\alpha^n(E) := (\alpha_i \int_E r_i(t) dt)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$, where Σ is the σ -algebra of all borelian subsets of $[0, 1]$, see [4],

Theorem 1, page 152. Let $h_\alpha^n: [0, 1] \rightarrow l_p^n$ be given by $h_\alpha^n(t) = (\alpha_i r_i(t))_{1 \leq i \leq n}$ and observe that $G_\alpha^n(E) = \int_E h_\alpha^n(t) dt$ for $E \in \Sigma$ (the Bochner integral).

(i) From [4], Theorem 1, page 152, and Proposition 11, page 4, we have

$$\|U_\alpha^n\| = \|G_\alpha^n\|([0, 1]) = \sup_{\|y^*\| \leq 1} |y^* \circ G_\alpha^n|([0, 1]) = \sup_{\|y^*\| \leq 1} \int_0^1 |\langle y^*, h_\alpha^n(t) \rangle| dt$$

because $(y^* \circ G_\alpha^n)(E) = \int_E \langle y^*, h_\alpha^n(t) \rangle dt$ and $|y^* \circ G_\alpha^n|([0, 1]) = \int_0^1 |\langle y^*, h_\alpha^n(t) \rangle| dt$. However, for any $y^* = (\xi_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n} \in (l_p^n)^* = l_{p^*}^n$ we have $\langle y^*, h_\alpha^n(t) \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i \alpha_i r_i(t)$ and by Khinchin's inequality $2^{-1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i \alpha_i|^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq \int_0^1 |\langle y^*, h_\alpha^n(t) \rangle| dt$, hence $2^{-1/2} \|M_\alpha\| \leq \|G_\alpha^n\|([0, 1])$, where $M_\alpha: l_{p^*}^n \rightarrow l_2^n$ is the multiplication operator. Thus we have shown that $2^{-1/2} \|M_\alpha: l_{p^*}^n \rightarrow l_2^n\| \leq \|U_\alpha^n\|$. Let us note that always $\|U_\alpha^n\| \leq \pi_2(U_\alpha^n)$. Further, $U_\alpha^n: C[0, 1] \xrightarrow{J} L_2[0, 1] \xrightarrow{R} l_2^n \xrightarrow{M_\alpha} l_p^n$ is a factorization of U_α^n , where J is the canonical inclusion and $R(f) = \left(\int_0^1 f(t) r_i(t) dt \right)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$. Since J is 2-summing with $\pi_2(J) = 1$ and $\|R\| = 1$, we deduce that $\pi_2(U_\alpha^n) \leq \|M_\alpha: l_2^n \rightarrow l_p^n\|$. Now, as is well known, $\|M_\alpha: l_{p^*}^n \rightarrow l_2^n\| = \|M_\alpha: l_2^n \rightarrow l_p^n\| = \|\alpha\|_r$ if $1 \leq p < 2$, where $1/p = 1/2 + 1/r$ and $\|M_\alpha: l_{p^*}^n \rightarrow l_2^n\| = \|M_\alpha: l_2^n \rightarrow l_p^n\| = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |\alpha_i| = \|\alpha\|_\infty$ if $2 \leq p \leq \infty$, see [1], page 218, and the proof of (i) is finished.

(ii) From [4], Theorem 3, page 162, $\pi_1(U_\alpha^n) = |G_\alpha^n|([0, 1]) = \int_0^1 \|h_\alpha^n(t)\|_p dt = \|\alpha\|_p$. □

In the sequel the technique named Average of a finite number of elements, introduced in [7], [9] is used to construct a useful kind of operators. Let us now fix some notation and recall this concept.

Let n be a natural number. For $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \in \mathbb{K}^n$ we define the finite system denoted by $\text{Average}(\lambda_i: 1 \leq i \leq n)$ as being the system with 2^n elements obtained by arranging in the lexicographical order of $D_n := \{-1, 1\}^n$ the elements $\varepsilon_1 \lambda_1 + \dots + \varepsilon_n \lambda_n$ for $(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n) \in D_n$. (On $\{-1, 1\}$ we consider the natural order). Thus, as sets we have

$$\text{Average}(\lambda_i: 1 \leq i \leq n) = \{\varepsilon_1 \lambda_1 + \dots + \varepsilon_n \lambda_n: (\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n) \in D_n\}.$$

Let us note that if $(\lambda_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n} \in \mathbb{K}^n$ and $(e_{(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n)})_{(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n) \in D_n}$ are the standard unit vectors in \mathbb{K}^{2^n} ordered in the lexicographical order of D_n , then the following equality in \mathbb{K}^{2^n} holds:

$$(1) \quad \text{Average}(\lambda_i: 1 \leq i \leq n) = \sum_{(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n) \in D_n} (\varepsilon_1 \lambda_1 + \dots + \varepsilon_n \lambda_n) e_{(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n)}.$$

If $1 \leq p < \infty$, by Khinchin's inequality we have

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} A_p \|(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)\|_2 &\leq \left\| \text{Average} \left(\frac{1}{2^{n/p}} \lambda_i : 1 \leq i \leq n \right) \right\|_p \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n) \in D_n} |\varepsilon_1 \lambda_1 + \dots + \varepsilon_n \lambda_n|^p \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq B_p \|(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)\|_2. \end{aligned}$$

Above and in the sequel A_p, B_p are Khinchin's constants (see [3]).

Lemma 2. *Let $1 \leq p < \infty$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\alpha = (\alpha_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n} \in \mathbb{K}^n$ and let $Av_\alpha^n : C[0, 1] \rightarrow l_p^{2^n}$ be the operator defined by*

$$Av_\alpha^n(f) = \text{Average} \left(\frac{\alpha_i}{2^{n/p}} \int_0^1 f(t) r_i(t) dt : 1 \leq i \leq n \right).$$

Then:

- (i) $A_p 2^{-1/2} \|\alpha\|_\infty \leq \pi_2(Av_\alpha^n) \leq B_p \|\alpha\|_\infty$.
- (ii) $A_p \|\alpha\|_2 \leq \pi_1(Av_\alpha^n) \leq B_p \|\alpha\|_2$.

Proof. Let $f \in C[0, 1]$. From the relation (2) we have

$$A_p \|U_\alpha^n(f)\|_2 \leq \|Av_\alpha^n(f)\| \leq B_p \|U_\alpha^n(f)\|_2$$

where $U_\alpha^n : C[0, 1] \rightarrow l_2^n$ is defined by $U_\alpha^n(f) = (\alpha_i \int_0^1 f(t) r_i(t) dt)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$. Thus

$$A_p \pi_2(U_\alpha^n) \leq \pi_2(Av_\alpha^n) \leq B_p \pi_2(U_\alpha^n) \quad \text{and} \quad A_p \pi_1(U_\alpha^n) \leq \pi_1(Av_\alpha^n) \leq B_p \pi_1(U_\alpha^n).$$

The conclusion follows, because in this case, by Lemma 1, $2^{-1/2} \|\alpha\|_\infty \leq \pi_2(U_\alpha^n) \leq \|\alpha\|_\infty$ and $\pi_1(U_\alpha^n) = \|\alpha\|_2$. \square

We need also the second average which we describe next. Let n be a natural number. Let us note that if $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \in \mathbb{K}^n$ then

$$(3) \quad c_{\mathbb{K}} \sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i| \leq \|\text{Average}(\lambda_i : 1 \leq i \leq n)\|_\infty \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i|$$

where $c_{\mathbb{K}} = 1$ if $\mathbb{K} := \mathbb{R}$; $c_{\mathbb{K}} = 1/2$ if $\mathbb{K} := \mathbb{C}$ (in this case consider the real and the imaginary part).

For $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \in \mathbb{K}^n$ let us denote the 2^n elements of the set $\text{Average}(\lambda_i : 1 \leq i \leq n)$ by $\{\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_{2^n}\}$ and apply the same procedure; we define

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Saverage}(\lambda_i : 1 \leq i \leq n) &:= \text{Average}(\beta_i : 1 \leq i \leq 2^n) \\ &= \{\varepsilon_1 \beta_1 + \dots + \varepsilon_{2^n} \beta_{2^n} : (\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_{2^n}) \in D_{2^n}\} \subset \mathbb{K}^{2^{2^n}}. \end{aligned}$$

From the relation (3) we have

$$\frac{c_{\mathbb{K}}}{2^n} \|(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{2^n})\|_1 \leq \frac{1}{2^n} \|\text{Saverage}(\lambda_i: 1 \leq i \leq n)\|_{\infty} \leq \frac{1}{2^n} \|(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{2^n})\|_1$$

and since by Khinchin's inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \|(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)\|_2 &\leq \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{i=1}^{2^n} |\beta_i| = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n) \in D_n} |\varepsilon_1 \lambda_1 + \dots + \varepsilon_n \lambda_n| \\ &\leq \|(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)\|_2 \end{aligned}$$

we get

$$(4) \quad \frac{c_{\mathbb{K}}}{\sqrt{2}} \|(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)\|_2 \leq \frac{1}{2^n} \|\text{Saverage}(\lambda_i: 1 \leq i \leq n)\|_{\infty} \leq \|(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)\|_2.$$

Lemma 3. (a) Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\alpha = (\alpha_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n} \in \mathbb{K}^n$ and let $Av_{\alpha}^n: C[0, 1] \rightarrow l_{\infty}^{2^n}$ be the operator defined by

$$Av_{\alpha}^n(f) = \text{Average} \left(\alpha_i \int_0^1 f(t) r_i(t) dt: 1 \leq i \leq n \right).$$

Then:

$$(i) \quad c_{\mathbb{K}} 2^{-1/2} \|\alpha\|_2 \leq \pi_2(Av_{\alpha}^n) \leq \|\alpha\|_2.$$

$$(ii) \quad c_{\mathbb{K}} \|\alpha\|_1 \leq \pi_1(Av_{\alpha}^n) \leq \|\alpha\|_1.$$

(b) Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\alpha = (\alpha_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n} \in \mathbb{K}^n$ and let $\text{Sav}_{\alpha}^n: C[0, 1] \rightarrow l_{\infty}^{2^{2^n}}$ be the operator defined by

$$\text{Sav}_{\alpha}^n(f) := \text{Saverage} \left(\frac{1}{2^n} \alpha_i \int_0^1 f(t) r_i(t) dt: 1 \leq i \leq n \right).$$

Then:

$$(i) \quad c_{\mathbb{K}} 2^{-1} \|\alpha\|_{\infty} \leq \pi_2(\text{Sav}_{\alpha}^n) \leq \|\alpha\|_{\infty}.$$

$$(ii) \quad c_{\mathbb{K}} 2^{-1/2} \|\alpha\|_2 \leq \pi_1(\text{Sav}_{\alpha}^n) \leq \|\alpha\|_2.$$

Proof. (a) Let $f \in C[0, 1]$. From the relation (3) we have

$$c_{\mathbb{K}} \|U_{\alpha}^n(f)\|_1 \leq \|Av_{\alpha}^n(f)\|_{\infty} \leq \|U_{\alpha}^n(f)\|_1$$

where $U_{\alpha}^n: C[0, 1] \rightarrow l_1^n$ is defined by $U_{\alpha}^n(f) = (\alpha_i \int_0^1 f(t) r_i(t) dt)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$. Thus, easily,

$$c_{\mathbb{K}} \pi_2(U_{\alpha}^n) \leq \pi_2(Av_{\alpha}^n) \leq \pi_2(U_{\alpha}^n) \quad \text{and} \quad c_{\mathbb{K}} \pi_1(U_{\alpha}^n) \leq \pi_2(Av_{\alpha}^n) \leq \pi_1(U_{\alpha}^n).$$

The conclusion follows, because in this case, by Lemma 1, $2^{-1/2}\|\alpha\|_2 \leq \pi_2(U_\alpha^n) \leq \|\alpha\|_2$ and $\pi_1(U_\alpha^n) = \|\alpha\|_1$.

(b) Let $f \in C[0, 1]$. From the relation (4) we have

$$\frac{c_{\mathbb{K}}}{\sqrt{2}}\|U_\alpha^n(f)\|_2 \leq \|\text{Sav}_\alpha^n(f)\|_\infty \leq \|U_\alpha^n(f)\|_2$$

where $U_\alpha^n: C[0, 1] \rightarrow l_2^n$ is defined by $U_\alpha^n(f) = (\alpha_i \int_0^1 f(t)r_i(t) dt)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$. Thus

$$\frac{c_{\mathbb{K}}}{\sqrt{2}}\pi_2(U_\alpha^n) \leq \pi_2(\text{Sav}_\alpha^n) \leq \pi_2(U_\alpha^n); \quad \frac{c_{\mathbb{K}}}{\sqrt{2}}\pi_1(U_\alpha^n) \leq \pi_1(\text{Sav}_\alpha^n) \leq \pi_1(U_\alpha^n).$$

The conclusion follows, because in this case, by Lemma 1, $2^{-1/2}\|\alpha\|_\infty \leq \pi_2(U_\alpha^n) \leq \|\alpha\|_\infty$ and $\pi_1(U_\alpha^n) = \|\alpha\|_2$. \square

THE RESULTS

In the next theorem, which is the main result of this paper, we show how the local structure of the spaces $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ and $\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$ depends on the local structure of X .

Theorem 4. *Let $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, $1 < \lambda < \infty$ and let X be a Banach space which contains l_p^n 's λ -uniformly. Then:*

- (i) *For $1 \leq p < 2$, $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ contains $\lambda\sqrt{2}$ -uniformly copies of l_r^n 's where $1/p = 1/2 + 1/r$.*
- (ii) *For $2 \leq p \leq \infty$, $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ contains $\lambda\sqrt{2}$ -uniformly copies of l_∞^n 's.*
- (iii) *For $1 \leq p < \infty$, $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ contains $\lambda B_p \sqrt{2}/A_p$ -uniformly copies of l_∞^n 's.*
- (iv) *$\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$ contains λ -uniformly copies of l_p^n 's.*
- (v) *For $1 \leq p < \infty$, $\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$ contains $\lambda B_p/A_p$ -uniformly copies of l_2^n 's.*
- (vi) *For $1 \leq p < \infty$, the spaces $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ and $\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$ are distinct; in particular, $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X) \neq \mathcal{N}(C[0, 1], X)$.*

Proof. (i), (ii) and (iv). Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ be arbitrary. By hypothesis there exists a bounded linear operator $J_n: l_p^n \rightarrow X$ such that

$$(5) \quad \|\alpha\|_p \leq \|J_n(\alpha)\|_X \leq \lambda\|\alpha\|_p, \quad \alpha \in l_p^n.$$

Let us define $A_n: \mathbb{K}^n \rightarrow L(C[0, 1], X)$ by $A_n(\alpha) = J_n \circ U_\alpha^n$, where $U_\alpha^n: C[0, 1] \rightarrow l_p^n$ is the operator from Lemma 1. Though not needed in the sequel, let us note that if $\alpha = (\alpha_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n} \in \mathbb{K}^n$ and $f \in C[0, 1]$ then

$$A_n(\alpha)(f) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \left(\int_0^1 f(t)r_i(t) dt \right) J_n(e_i).$$

Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}^n$. For every $f \in C[0, 1]$ by (5) we have

$$\|U_\alpha^n(f)\|_p \leq \| [A_n(\alpha)](f) \|_X = \| J_n(U_\alpha^n(f)) \|_X \leq \lambda \| U_\alpha^n(f) \|_p$$

and by the definition of p -summing operators we deduce that

$$(6) \quad \pi_2(U_\alpha^n) \leq \pi_2(A_n(\alpha)) \leq \lambda \pi_2(U_\alpha^n) \quad \text{and} \quad \pi_1(U_\alpha^n) \leq \pi_1(A_n(\alpha)) \leq \lambda \pi_1(U_\alpha^n).$$

From (6) and Lemma 1 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|\alpha\|_r &\leq \pi_2(\sqrt{2}A_n(\alpha)) \leq \lambda\sqrt{2}\|\alpha\|_r & \text{if } 1 \leq p < 2, \text{ where } \frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{r}, \\ \|\alpha\|_\infty &\leq \pi_2(\sqrt{2}A_n(\alpha)) \leq \lambda\sqrt{2}\|\alpha\|_\infty & \text{if } 2 \leq p < \infty, \\ \|\alpha\|_p &\leq \pi_1(A_n(\alpha)) \leq \lambda\|\alpha\|_p, \end{aligned}$$

which ends the proof of (i), (ii) and (iv).

(iii) and (v). Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ be arbitrary. By hypothesis there exists a bounded linear operator $J_{2^n}: l_p^{2^n} \rightarrow X$ such that

$$(7) \quad \|\xi\|_p \leq \|J_{2^n}(\xi)\|_X \leq \lambda\|\xi\|_p, \quad \xi \in l_p^{2^n}.$$

We define $Av_n: \mathbb{K}^n \rightarrow L(C[0, 1], X)$ by $Av_n(\alpha) = J_{2^n} \circ Av_\alpha^n$, where $Av_\alpha^n: C[0, 1] \rightarrow l_p^{2^n}$ is the operator from Lemma 2. Again, though not needed in the sequel, let us note that if $\alpha = (\alpha_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n} \in \mathbb{K}^n$ and $f \in C[0, 1]$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} [Av_n(\alpha)](f) &= \frac{1}{2^{n/p}} \sum_{(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n) \in D_n} \left(\varepsilon_1 \alpha_1 \int_0^1 f(t) r_1(t) dt + \dots \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \varepsilon_n \alpha_n \int_0^1 f(t) r_n(t) dt \right) J_{2^n}(e_{(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n)}). \end{aligned}$$

Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}^n$. For every $f \in C[0, 1]$ by (7) we have

$$\|Av_\alpha^n(f)\|_p \leq \| [Av_n(\alpha)](f) \|_X = \| J_{2^n}(Av_\alpha^n(f)) \|_X \leq \lambda \| Av_\alpha^n(f) \|_p$$

and by the definition of p -summing operators we deduce that

$$(8) \quad \pi_2(Av_\alpha^n) \leq \pi_2(Av_n(\alpha)) \leq \lambda \pi_2(Av_\alpha^n) \quad \text{and} \quad \pi_1(Av_\alpha^n) \leq \pi_1(Av_n(\alpha)) \leq \lambda \pi_1(Av_\alpha^n).$$

Since by Lemma 2

$$\frac{A_p}{\sqrt{2}} \|\alpha\|_\infty \leq \pi_2(Av_n(\alpha)) \leq B_p \|\alpha\|_\infty \quad \text{and} \quad A_p \|\alpha\|_2 \leq \pi_1(Av_n(\alpha)) \leq B_p \|\alpha\|_2,$$

from (8) we obtain

$$\|\alpha\|_\infty \leq \pi_2\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{A_p}Av_n(\alpha)\right) \leq \frac{\lambda B_p \sqrt{2}}{A_p}\|\alpha\|_\infty; \quad \|\alpha\|_2 \leq \pi_1\left(\frac{Av_n(\alpha)}{A_p}\right) \leq \frac{\lambda B_p}{A_p}\|\alpha\|_2,$$

which ends the proof of (iii) and (v).

(vi) If $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X) = \Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$, then by the open mapping theorem it follows that there exists $C > 0$ such that $\pi_1(T) \leq C\pi_2(T)$ for all $T \in \Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$. In particular, $\pi_1(A_n(\alpha)) \leq C\pi_2(A_n(\alpha))$ for all natural numbers n and all $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}^n$. By (i), (ii) and (iv) for all natural numbers n and all $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}^n$ we have $\|\alpha\|_p \leq C\|\alpha\|_r$ if $1 \leq p < 2$, where $1/p = 1/2 + 1/r$, or $\|\alpha\|_p \leq C\|\alpha\|_\infty$ if $2 \leq p < \infty$. Taking

$$\alpha = \underbrace{(1, \dots, 1)}_{n\text{-times}}$$

we get that for all natural numbers n we have $n \leq C^2$ if $1 \leq p < 2$, or $n \leq C^p$ if $2 \leq p < \infty$, which is impossible. Let us note that a contradiction can be obtained if we use (iii) or (v). If $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X) = \mathcal{N}(C[0, 1], X)$ then, since $\mathcal{N}(C[0, 1], X) \subseteq \Pi_1(C[0, 1], X) \subseteq \Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$, it follows that $\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X) = \Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$, which as we have shown above is impossible. \square

As a natural consequence of Theorem 4, we recover the folklore result that if X is an infinite-dimensional Banach space then the spaces $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ and $\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$ are distinct. This extends the well-known result that the spaces $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ and $\mathcal{N}(C[0, 1], X)$ are distinct, see [10], Theorem 4.2.

Corollary 5. *Let X be an infinite dimensional Banach space. Then:*

- (i) $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ contains $\lambda\sqrt{2}$ -uniformly copies of l_∞^n 's for all $\lambda > 1$.
- (ii) $\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$ contains λ -uniformly copies of l_2^m 's for all $\lambda > 1$.
- (iii) The spaces $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ and $\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$ are distinct; in particular, $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X) \neq \mathcal{N}(C[0, 1], X)$.

Proof. Since X is infinite-dimensional, by the famous Dvoretzky theorem, see [3], Chapter 19, X contains l_2^m 's λ -uniformly for all $1 < \lambda < \infty$. The statement follows by taking $p = 2$ in Theorem 4. \square

Let us note that for $p = \infty$ in Theorem 4 ((ii) and (iv)) it follows that if $1 < \lambda < \infty$ and X is a Banach space which contains l_∞^n 's λ -uniformly, then $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ contains $\lambda\sqrt{2}$ -uniformly copies of l_∞^n 's and $\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$ contains λ -uniformly copies of l_∞^n 's, so in this case, there is no distinction between these classes.

We prove now a natural completion of Theorem 4. It shows that for $p = \infty$ in Theorem 4 we have also a distinction if we use the first and the second average.

Theorem 6. Let $1 < \lambda < \infty$ and let X be a Banach space which contains l_∞^n 's λ -uniformly. Then:

- (i) $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ contains $\lambda\sqrt{2}$ -uniformly copies of l_2^n 's in the real case ($2\lambda\sqrt{2}$ -uniformly copies of l_2^n 's in the complex case).
- (ii) $\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$ contains λ -uniformly copies of l_1^n 's in the real case (2λ -uniformly copies of l_1^n 's in the complex case).
- (iii) $\Pi_2(C[0, 1], X)$ contains 2λ -uniformly copies of l_∞^n 's in the real case (4λ -uniformly copies of l_∞^n 's in the complex case).
- (iv) $\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$ contains $\lambda\sqrt{2}$ -uniformly copies of l_2^n 's in the real case ($2\lambda\sqrt{2}$ -uniformly copies of l_2^n 's in the complex case).

Proof. (i) and (ii). Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ be arbitrary. By hypothesis there exists a bounded linear operator $J_{2^n}: l_\infty^{2^n} \rightarrow X$ such that

$$(9) \quad \|\xi\|_\infty \leq \|J_{2^n}(\xi)\|_X \leq \lambda\|\xi\|_\infty, \quad \xi \in l_\infty^{2^n}.$$

We define $Av_n: \mathbb{K}^n \rightarrow L(C[0, 1], X)$ by $Av_n(\alpha) = J_{2^n} \circ Av_\alpha^n$, where $Av_\alpha^n: C[0, 1] \rightarrow l_\infty^{2^n}$ is the operator from Lemma 3. Let us note (not used in the sequel) the explicit expression,

$$[Av_n(\alpha)](f) = \sum_{(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n) \in D_n} \left(\varepsilon_1 \alpha_1 \int_0^1 f(t)r_1(t) dt + \dots + \varepsilon_n \alpha_n \int_0^1 f(t)r_n(t) dt \right) J_{2^n}(e_{(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n)})$$

where $\alpha = (\alpha_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n} \in \mathbb{K}^n$ (see also the equality (1)). Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}^n$. For every $f \in C[0, 1]$ by (9) we have

$$\|Av_\alpha^n(f)\|_\infty \leq \|[Av_n(\alpha)](f)\|_X = \|J_{2^n}(Av_\alpha^n(f))\|_X \leq \lambda\|Av_\alpha^n(f)\|_\infty,$$

and by the definition of p -summing operators we deduce that

$$(10) \quad \pi_2(Av_\alpha^n) \leq \pi_2(Av_n(\alpha)) \leq \lambda\pi_2(Av_\alpha^n)$$

and

$$\pi_1(Av_\alpha^n) \leq \pi_1(Av_n(\alpha)) \leq \lambda\pi_1(Av_\alpha^n).$$

Since by Lemma 3

$$\frac{c_{\mathbb{K}}}{\sqrt{2}}\|\alpha\|_2 \leq \pi_2(Av_n(\alpha)) \leq \|\alpha\|_2 \quad \text{and} \quad c_{\mathbb{K}}\|\alpha\|_1 \leq \pi_1(Av_n(\alpha)) \leq \|\alpha\|_1,$$

from (10) we obtain

$$\|\alpha\|_2 \leq \pi_2\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{c_{\mathbb{K}}} Av_n(\alpha)\right) \leq \frac{\lambda\sqrt{2}}{c_{\mathbb{K}}}\|\alpha\|_2 \quad \text{and} \quad \|\alpha\|_1 \leq \pi_1\left(\frac{Av_n(\alpha)}{c_{\mathbb{K}}}\right) \leq \frac{\lambda}{c_{\mathbb{K}}}\|\alpha\|_1$$

which ends the proof of (i) and (ii).

(iii) and (iv). Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ be arbitrary. By hypothesis there exists a bounded linear operator $J_{2^{2^n}} : l_{\infty}^{2^{2^n}} \rightarrow X$ such that

$$(11) \quad \|\xi\|_{\infty} \leq \|J_{2^{2^n}}(\xi)\|_X \leq \lambda\|\xi\|_{\infty}, \quad \xi \in l_{\infty}^{2^{2^n}}.$$

We define $\text{Sav}_n : \mathbb{K}^n \rightarrow L(C[0, 1], X)$ by $\text{Sav}_n(\alpha) = J_{2^{2^n}} \circ \text{Sav}_{\alpha}^n$ where $\text{Sav}_{\alpha}^n : C[0, 1] \rightarrow l_{\infty}^{2^{2^n}}$ is the operator from Lemma 3. We leave for the interested reader to write the explicit expression for $[\text{Sav}_n(\alpha)](f)$, which again is not used in the sequel. Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}^n$. For every $f \in C[0, 1]$ by (11) we have

$$\|\text{Sav}_{\alpha}^n(f)\|_{\infty} \leq \|[\text{Sav}_n(\alpha)](f)\|_X = \|J_{2^{2^n}}(\text{Sav}_{\alpha}^n(f))\|_X \leq \lambda\|\text{Sav}_{\alpha}^n(f)\|_{\infty}$$

and by the definition of p -summing operators we deduce that

$$(12) \quad \pi_2(\text{Sav}_{\alpha}^n) \leq \pi_2(\text{Sav}_n(\alpha)) \leq \lambda\pi_2(\text{Sav}_{\alpha}^n)$$

and

$$\pi_1(\text{Sav}_{\alpha}^n) \leq \pi_1(\text{Sav}_n(\alpha)) \leq \lambda\pi_1(\text{Sav}_{\alpha}^n).$$

Since by Lemma 3

$$\frac{c_{\mathbb{K}}}{2}\|\alpha\|_{\infty} \leq \pi_2(\text{Sav}_n(\alpha)) \leq \|\alpha\|_{\infty} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{c_{\mathbb{K}}}{\sqrt{2}}\|\alpha\|_2 \leq \pi_1(\text{Sav}_n(\alpha)) \leq \|\alpha\|_2,$$

from (12) we obtain

$$\|\alpha\|_{\infty} \leq \pi_2\left(\frac{2}{c_{\mathbb{K}}}\text{Sav}_n(\alpha)\right) \leq \frac{2\lambda}{c_{\mathbb{K}}}\|\alpha\|_{\infty} \quad \text{and} \quad \|\alpha\|_2 \leq \pi_1\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}\text{Sav}_n(\alpha)}{c_{\mathbb{K}}}\right) \leq \frac{\lambda\sqrt{2}}{c_{\mathbb{K}}}\|\alpha\|_2,$$

which ends the proof of (iii) and (iv). □

In [5] was shown that the space $\Pi_1(C[0, 1], X)$ can be identified with the so called space $l_1^{\text{tree}}(X)$; we refer the reader to the paper [5] for the definition of this space and more details. From Theorems 4, 6 and Corollary 5 we get

Corollary 7. (a) Let $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, $1 < \lambda < \infty$ and let X be a Banach space which contains l_p^n 's λ -uniformly. Then:

- (i) $l_1^{\text{tree}}(X)$ contains λ -uniformly copies of l_p^n 's.
 - (ii) For $1 \leq p < \infty$, $l_1^{\text{tree}}(X)$ contains $\lambda B_p/A_p$ -uniformly copies of l_2^n 's.
- (b) Let $1 < \lambda < \infty$ and let X be a Banach space which contains l_∞^n 's λ -uniformly.

Then:

- (i) $l_1^{\text{tree}}(X)$ contains $\lambda\sqrt{2}$ -uniformly copies of l_1^n 's in the real case ($2\lambda\sqrt{2}$ -uniformly copies of l_1^n 's in the complex case).
 - (ii) $l_1^{\text{tree}}(X)$ contains λ -uniformly copies of l_2^n 's in the real case (2λ -uniformly copies of l_2^n 's in the complex case).
- (c) Let X be an infinite dimensional Banach space. Then $l_1^{\text{tree}}(X)$ contains λ -uniformly copies of l_2^n 's for all $\lambda > 1$.

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