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# Lorentz-Schatten classes of direct sum of operators

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#### Abstract

In this paper, the relations between Lorentz-Schatten property of the direct sum of operators and Lorentz-Schatten property of its coordinate operators are studied. Then, the results are supported by applications.

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### 1. Introduction

The general theory of singular numbers and operator ideals was given by Pietsch [13,14] and the case of linear compact operators was investigated by Gohberg and Krein [5]. However, the first result in this area can be found in the works of Schmidt [16] and Schatten, von Neumann [15]. They used these concepts in the theory of non-selfadjoint integral equations.

Later on, the main aim of mini-workshop held in Oberwolfach (Germany) was to present and discuss some modern applications of the functional-analytic concepts of s-numbers and operator ideals in areas like numerical analysis, theory of function spaces, signal processing, approximation theory, probability of Banach spaces and statistical learning theory (see [3]).

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space,  $S_{\infty}(\mathcal{H})$  be a class of linear compact operators in  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $s_n(T)$  be the n-th singular numbers of the operator  $T \in S_{\infty}(\mathcal{H})$ . The Lorentz-Schatten operator ideals are defined as

$$S_{p,q}(\mathcal{H}) = \left\{ T \in S_{\infty}(\mathcal{H}) : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_n^q(T) < \infty \right\}, \ 0 < p \le \infty, \ 0 < q < \infty$$

and

$$S_{p,\infty}(\mathcal{H}) = \left\{ T \in S_{\infty}(\mathcal{H}) : \sup_{n \ge 1} n^{\frac{1}{p}} s_n(T) < \infty \right\}, \ 0 < p \le \infty$$

in [1, 13, 14, 17].

Let  $\alpha$  be a positive real number. If  $s_n(T) \sim cn^{-\alpha}$ , c > 0,  $n \to \infty$  for any linear compact operator T in a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ , then for each  $p \in \left(\frac{1}{\alpha}, \infty\right]$  and  $q \in (0, \infty)$ ,  $T \in S_{p,q}(\mathcal{H})$ . In

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this case, the necessary and sufficient condition for the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\frac{q}{p}-1-\alpha q}$  to be convergent is  $p > \frac{1}{\alpha}$ . Moreover, the necessary and sufficient condition for  $T \in S_{p,\infty}(\mathcal{H})$  is  $p \in \left[\frac{1}{\alpha}, \infty\right]$ .

The infinite direct sum of Hilbert spaces and the infinite direct sum of operators have been studied in [4]. Namely, the infinite direct sum of Hilbert spaces  $H_n$ ,  $n \ge 1$  and the infinite direct sum of operators  $A_n$  in  $H_n$ ,  $n \ge 1$  are defined as

$$H = \bigoplus_{n=1}^{\infty} H_n = \left\{ u = (u_n) : u_n \in H_n, \ n \ge 1, \ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|u_n\|_{H_n}^2 < +\infty \right\},$$
$$A = \bigoplus_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n,$$

$$D(A) = \{ u = (u_n) \in H : u_n \in D(A_n), n \ge 1, Au = (A_n u_n) \in H \}.$$
  
Recall that H is a Hilbert space with the norm induced by the inner product

$$(u, v)_H = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (u_n, v_n)_{H_n}, \ u, v \in H.$$

Our aim in this paper is to study the relations between Lorentz-Schatten property of the direct sum of operators and Lorentz-Schatten property of its coordinate operators.

It should be noted that the analogous problems in special cases have been investigated in [8].

The problem of belonging to the Schatten-von Neuman classes of the resolvent operators of the normal extensions of the minimal operator generated by the direct sum of differential-operator expression for first order with suitable operator coefficients in the direct sum of Hilbert spaces in finite interval has been studied in [7].

In [6,9], the same problem for normal and hyponormal extensions of the minimal operators generated by corresponding differential-operator expressions under some conditions to operator coefficients in a finite interval has been investigated.

Later on, some more general Schatten-von Neumann classes of compact operators in Hilbert spaces have been defined and characterized in [10] in terms of Berezin symbols. In [2], the question raised by Nordgren and Rosenthal about the Schatten-von Neumann class membership of operators in standard reproducing kernel Hilbert spaces in terms of their Berezin symbols has been answered.

## 2. Lorentz-Schatten property of block diagonal operator matrices

Let  $H_n$  be a Hilbert space,  $A_n \in L(H_n)$  for  $n \ge 1$  and

$$H = \bigoplus_{n=1}^{\infty} H_n, \ A = \bigoplus_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n.$$

Recall that, in order to  $A \in L(H)$  the necessary and sufficient condition is  $\sup_{n \ge 1} ||A_n|| < \infty$ . Moreover,  $||A|| = \sup_{n \ge 1} ||A_n||$  (see [11]).

It is known that if  $A_n \in S_{\infty}(H_n)$  for  $n \ge 1$ , then the necessary and sufficient condition for  $A \in S_{\infty}(H)$  is  $\lim_{n \to \infty} ||A_n|| = 0$  (see [12]).

The following result on singular numbers of the operator  $A \in S_{\infty}(H)$ 

$$\{s_m(A): m \ge 1\} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \{s_m(A_n): m \ge 1\}$$

can be found in [8].

Throughout this paper, for the simplicity we assume that:

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(1) for any  $n, k \ge 1$  with  $n \ne k$ ,  $\{s_m(A_n) : m \ge 1\} \cap \{s_m(A_k) : m \ge 1\} = \emptyset$  or  $\{0\}$ ; (2) for any  $n \ge 1$  in the sequence  $(s_m(A_n))$ , if for some k > 1,  $s_k(A_n) > 0$ , then  $s_k(A_n) < s_{k-1}(A_n)$ .

**Proposition 2.1.** For  $n \ge 1$  there is a strongly increasing sequence  $k_m^{(n)} : \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{N}$  such that  $s_{k_m^{(n)}}(A) = s_m(A_n)$  holds for  $m \ge 1$  and  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} \left\{k_m^{(n)}\right\} = \mathbb{N}$ . Moreover, it is clear that  $k_m^{(n)} \ge m$  for  $n, m \ge 1$ .

Indeed, in the Hilbert space  $H = \bigoplus_{n=1}^{\infty} H_n = l_2(\mathbb{R})$ , where  $H_n = (\mathbb{R}, |\cdot|)$ , consider the following infinite matrices with reel entries in forms

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & & & & \\ & a_2 & & & \\ & & a_3 & & 0 \\ & & & \ddots & & \\ & 0 & & a_n & \\ & & & & \ddots & \end{pmatrix} : H \to H$$

and

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & & & & \\ & b_2 & & & & \\ & & b_3 & & 0 & \\ & & & \ddots & & & \\ & 0 & & & b_n & & \\ & & & & & \ddots & \end{pmatrix} : H \to H,$$

where for any  $n, m \ge 1, n \ne m, a_n \ne a_m, a_n > 0$  and  $b_n = \frac{a_n + a_{n+1}}{2}$  with property  $\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = 0.$ 

In this case,  $A, B \in S_{\infty}(H)$  and the singular numbers of the operators A, B are given in the following forms

$$\{s_m(A_n) : m \ge 1\} = \{a_n : n \ge 1\}, \{s_m(B_n) : m \ge 1\} = \{b_n : n \ge 1\},$$

respectively. Then, by [12] it implies that  $T = A \oplus B \in S_{\infty}(H \oplus H)$  and  $\{s_m(T) : m \ge 1\} = \{a_n, b_n : n \ge 1\}$ . In this case, it is easy to see that

$$k_m^{(1)} = 2m - 1, m \ge 1,$$
  
 $k_m^{(2)} = 2m, m \ge 1.$ 

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $0 < p, q < \infty$ .  $A \in S_{p,q}(H)$  if and only if the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left( k_m^{(n)} \right)^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n)$$

is convergent.

**Proof.** If  $A \in S_{p,q}(H)$ , it is clear that the series

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A)$$

is convergent. From the structure of the set of the singular numbers of the operator A and the important theorem on the convergent of the rearrangement series it is obtained that the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left( k_m^{(n)} \right)^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n)$$

is convergent.

Conversely, if the series in the theorem is convergent, then  $\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A)$ , which is the rearrangement of the above series, is convergent. So,  $A \in S_{p,q}(H)$ .

Now, in Theorem 2.3-2.5, we will investigate the problem of belonging to Lorentz-Schatten classes of its coordinate operators, if the direct sum of operators belongs to Lorentz-Schatten classes.

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $A \in S_{\infty}(H)$  and  $0 . If <math>A \in S_{p,q}(H)$ , then  $A_n \in S_{p,q}(H_n)$  for  $n \ge 1$ .

**Proof.** In the special case 0 , the result has been proved in [8].

In the case of p < q, we have

$$m \le k_m^{(n)}$$
 and  $s_{k_m^{(n)}}(A) = s_m(A_n)$ 

for  $n, m \ge 1$ . Consequently, for  $n \ge 1$  we get

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n) \leq \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(k_m^{(n)}\right)^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n) \\ \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(k_m^{(n)}\right)^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n) \\ = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A) < \infty.$$
  
*n*) for  $n \geq 1$ .

Hence,  $A_n \in S_{p,q}(H_n)$  for  $n \ge 1$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $0 < q < p < \infty$  and for  $n \ge 1$ ,  $\sup_{m \ge 1} \left(\frac{k_m^{(n)}}{m}\right) \le \gamma < \infty$ . If  $A \in S_{p,q}(H)$ , then  $A_n \in S_{p,q}(H_n)$  for  $n \ge 1$ .

**Proof.** Under the assumptions in the theorem, we have

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{m}{k_m^{(n)}}\right)^{\frac{q}{p}-1} \left(k_m^{(n)}\right)^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n)$$

$$\leq \sup_{m\geq 1} \left(\frac{k_m^{(n)}}{m}\right)^{1-\frac{q}{p}} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(k_m^{(n)}\right)^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n)$$

$$\leq \gamma^{1-\frac{q}{p}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(k_m^{(n)}\right)^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n)$$

$$= \gamma^{1-\frac{q}{p}} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} j^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_j^q(A) < \infty.$$

Therefore,  $A_n \in S_{p,q}(H_n)$  for  $n \ge 1$ .

Now, we will investigate the case of  $q = \infty$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $0 . If <math>A \in S_{p,\infty}(H)$ , then  $A_n \in S_{p,\infty}(H_n)$  for  $n \ge 1$ .

**Proof.** Since  $A \in S_{p,\infty}(H)$ , we have  $\sup_{m \ge 1} m^{\frac{1}{p}} s_m(A) < \infty$ . Hence,  $\sup_{m \ge 1} \left(k_m^{(n)}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} s_m(A_n) < \infty$ . On the other hand, we get

$$\sup_{m \ge 1} m^{\frac{1}{p}} s_m(A_n) = \sup_{m \ge 1} \left( k_m^{(n)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} s_m(A_n) \left( \frac{m}{k_m^{(n)}} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$
$$\leq \sup_{m \ge 1} \left( k_m^{(n)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} s_m(A_n) < \infty.$$

Then,  $A_n \in S_{p,\infty}(H_n)$  for  $n \ge 1$ .

Now, in Theorem 2.6-2.8, we will investigate the problem of belonging to Lorentz-Schatten classes of the direct sum of operators, if its coordinate operators belong to Lorentz-Schatten classes.

**Theorem 2.6.** Let  $0 < q \leq p < \infty$ . If  $A_n \in S_{p,q}(H_n)$  for  $n \geq 1$  and the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n)$  is convergent, then  $A \in S_{p,q}(H)$ .

**Proof.** For  $0 < q \le p < \infty$ , we have

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(k_m^{(n)}\right)^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_{k_m^{(n)}}^q(A)$$
$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{k_m^{(n)}}{m}\right)^{\frac{q}{p}-1} m^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n)$$
$$\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n) < \infty.$$

This completes the proof.

**Theorem 2.7.** Let  $0 , for <math>n \ge 1$   $\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n) \le \beta_n < \infty$ ,  $\sup_{m\ge 1} \left(\frac{k_m^{(n)}}{m}\right) \le \gamma_n < \infty$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \gamma_n^{\frac{q}{p}-1} \beta_n < \infty$ . If  $A_n \in S_{p,q}(H_n)$  for  $n \ge 1$ , then  $A \in S_{p,q}(H)$ .

**Proof.** The validity of this claim is clear from the following inequality

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(k_m^{(n)}\right)^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_{k_m^{(n)}}^q(A)$$
$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{k_m^{(n)}}{m}\right)^{\frac{q}{p}-1} m^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n)$$
$$\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\sup_{m \ge 1} \left(\frac{k_m^{(n)}}{m}\right)\right)^{\frac{q}{p}-1} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n)$$
$$\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \gamma_n^{\frac{q}{p}-1} \beta_n.$$

Now, we will investigate in the case of  $q = \infty$ .

**Theorem 2.8.** Let  $0 , for <math>n \ge 1$   $\alpha_n = \sup_{m \ge 1} \left(\frac{k_m^{(n)}}{m}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty$ ,  $\gamma_n = \sup_{m \ge 1} m^{\frac{1}{p}} s_m(A_n)$ and  $\sup_{n \ge 1} \alpha_n \gamma_n < \infty$ . If  $A_n \in S_{p,\infty}(H_n)$  for  $n \ge 1$ , then  $A \in S_{p,\infty}(H)$ .

**Proof.** This result is clear from the following relation

$$\sup_{m \ge 1} m^{\frac{1}{p}} s_m(A) = \sup_{n,m \ge 1} \left( k_m^{(n)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} s_{k_m^{(n)}}(A)$$

$$= \sup_{n,m \ge 1} \left( k_m^{(n)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} s_m(A_n)$$

$$\leq \sup_{n \ge 1} \left( \sup_{m \ge 1} \left( \frac{k_m^{(n)}}{m} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \sup_{m \ge 1} m^{\frac{1}{p}} s_m(A_n) \right)$$

$$= \sup_{n \ge 1} \alpha_n \gamma_n < \infty.$$

**Theorem 2.9.** Let  $0 < p_n, q_n < \infty$ ,  $A_n \in S_{p_n,q_n}(H_n)$  for  $n \ge 1$  and  $p = \sup_{\substack{n\ge 1\\n\ge 1}} p_n < \infty$ ,  $q = \sup_{\substack{n\ge 1\\n\ge 1\\convergent.}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(k_m^{(n)}\right)^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n)$  is

**Proof.** From the result in [1], we have  $A_n \in S_{p,q}(H_n)$  for  $n \ge 1$ . Therefore, the validity of this claim is implied by Theorem 2.2.

Remark 2.10. Using this method, the analogous researches for the following operators

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B_1 & & & \\ & 0 & B_2 & & & \\ & & 0 & B_3 & & 0 & \\ & & & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & 0 & & & 0 & B_n & \\ & & & & & \ddots & \ddots & \end{pmatrix} : H = \bigoplus_{n=1}^{\infty} H_n \to H_n$$

and

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & & & \\ C_1 & 0 & & & \\ & C_2 & 0 & & 0 \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & 0 & & C_n & 0 \\ & & & & \ddots & \ddots \end{pmatrix} : H = \bigoplus_{n=1}^{\infty} H_n \to H$$

can be studied.

### 3. Examples

In this section, we provide some examples as applications of our theorems.

**Example 3.1.** In the Hilbert space  $H = \bigoplus_{n=1}^{\infty} H_n = l_2(\mathbb{C})$ , where  $H_n := (\mathbb{C}, |\cdot|), n \ge 1$ , consider the following diagonal infinite matrix with complex entries

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & & & & \\ & a_2 & & & \\ & & a_3 & & 0 \\ & & & \ddots & & \\ & 0 & & a_n & \\ & & & & \ddots & \end{pmatrix} : H \to H$$

under the condition  $|a_n| < r < 1$ ,  $n \ge 1$ . Then,  $\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = 0$ . In this case,  $A \in S_{\infty}(H)$ . If we define  $A_n := a_n$  for  $n \ge 1$ , then  $s_m(A_n) = |\lambda(A_n)| = \{|a_n|, 0\}, m \ge 1$ . Hence, the singular numbers of the operator A are given as

$$\{s_m(A): m \ge 1\} = \{|a_n|: n \ge 1\}.$$

On the other hand, for  $n \ge 1$  and  $0 < q \le p < \infty$  we get

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n) = |a_n|^q.$$

Then,  $A_n \in S_{p,q}(H_n), n \ge 1, 0 < q \le p < \infty$ . Therefore, we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|^q < \infty.$$

Hence, by Theorem 2.6,  $A \in S_{p,q}(H)$ .

**Example 3.2.** Let  $H_n := (\mathbb{C}^2, |\cdot|_2), \ H := \bigoplus_{n=1}^{\infty} H_n = l_2(\mathbb{C}^2), \ A_n = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \alpha^{2n-1} \\ \alpha^{2n} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  for  $n \ge 1, \ 0 < |\alpha| < 1 \text{ and } A = \bigoplus_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n : H \to H.$  Then  $A \in S_{\infty}(H)$  (see [12]). In this case, for  $n \ge 1$  we get  $||A|| = |\alpha|^{2n-1}$ 

$$||A_n|| = |\alpha|^{2n},$$
  
$$\{s_m(A_n) : m \ge 1\} = \{|\alpha|^{2n-1}, |\alpha|^{2n}\}$$

and

$$\{s_m(A) : m \ge 1\} = \{|\alpha|^n : n \ge 1\}.$$

On the other hand, for  $n \ge 1$  and  $0 < q \le p < \infty$  we obtain

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n) = |\alpha|^{(2n-1)q} + 2^{\frac{q}{p}-1} |\alpha|^{2nq} < \infty.$$

Hence,  $A_n \in S_{p,q}(H_n)$ ,  $n \ge 1$ ,  $0 < q \le p < \infty$ . Therefore, we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{\frac{q}{p}-1} s_m^q(A_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( |\alpha|^{(2n-1)q} + 2^{\frac{q}{p}-1} |\alpha|^{2nq} \right) = \frac{|\alpha|^q}{1 - |\alpha|^{2q}} \left( 1 + 2^{\frac{q}{p}-1} |\alpha|^q \right) < \infty.$$
 Hence, by Theorem 2.6.  $A \in S_{\infty}(H)$ 

Hence, by Theorem 2.6,  $A \in S_{p,q}(H)$ .

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