

## Property $(wL)$ and the reciprocal Dunford-Pettis property in projective tensor products

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*Abstract.* A Banach space  $X$  has the reciprocal Dunford-Pettis property (*RDPP*) if every completely continuous operator  $T$  from  $X$  to any Banach space  $Y$  is weakly compact. A Banach space  $X$  has the *RDPP* (resp. property  $(wL)$ ) if every  $L$ -subset of  $X^*$  is relatively weakly compact (resp. weakly precompact). We prove that the projective tensor product  $X \otimes_{\pi} Y$  has property  $(wL)$  when  $X$  has the *RDPP*,  $Y$  has property  $(wL)$ , and  $L(X, Y^*) = K(X, Y^*)$ .

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### 1. Introduction

Throughout this paper  $X, Y, E$ , and  $F$  will denote real Banach spaces. An operator  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  will be a continuous and linear function. The set of all operators from  $X$  to  $Y$  will be denoted by  $L(X, Y)$ , and the compact operators will be denoted by  $K(X, Y)$ .

In this paper we study weak precompactness and relative weak compactness in spaces of compact operators. Our results are organized as follows. First we give sufficient conditions for subsets of  $K(X, Y^*)$  to be weakly precompact and relatively weakly compact. Those results are used to study whether the projective tensor product  $X \otimes_{\pi} Y$  has properties  $(wL)$  and the *RDPP*, when  $X$  and  $Y$  have the respective property.

Finally, we prove that in some cases, if  $X \otimes_{\pi} Y$  has property  $(wL)$ , then  $L(X, Y^*) = K(X, Y^*)$ . Our results generalize some results from [17] and [24].

### 2. Definitions and notations

Our notation and terminology is standard. The unit ball of  $X$  will be denoted by  $B_X$ , and  $X^*$  will denote the continuous linear dual of  $X$ . By an operator we understand any bounded linear mapping between Banach spaces. The set of all operators from  $X$  to  $Y$  will be denoted by  $L(X, Y)$ , and the subspaces of compact, resp. weakly compact operators will be denoted by  $K(X, Y)$ , resp.  $W(X, Y)$ . The operator  $T$  is called *completely continuous* (or *Dunford-Pettis*) if  $T$  maps weakly

convergent sequences to norm convergent sequences. A subset  $S$  of  $X$  is said to be *weakly precompact* provided that every bounded sequence from  $S$  has a weakly Cauchy subsequence [5]. An operator  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  is called *weakly precompact* (or *almost weakly compact*) if  $T(B_X)$  is weakly precompact.

A bounded subset  $A$  of  $X^*$  is called an *L-subset* of  $X^*$  if each weakly null sequence in  $X$  tends to 0 uniformly on  $A$ ; i.e.,

$$\limsup_n \{|x^*(x_n)| : x^* \in A\} = 0.$$

The Banach space  $X$  has the *reciprocal Dunford-Pettis property* (*RDPP*) if every completely continuous operator  $T$  from  $X$  to any Banach space  $Y$  is weakly compact [25, p. 153]. The space  $X$  has the *RDPP* if and only if every  $L$ -subset of  $X^*$  is relatively weakly compact [27]. Banach spaces with property (V) of Pełczyński, in particular reflexive spaces and  $C(K)$  spaces, have the *RDPP* [30]. Emmanuele [20] and Bator [3] showed that  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow X$  if and only if every  $L$ -subset of  $X^*$  is relatively compact. We say that a Banach space  $X$  has *property weak (L)* (*wL*) if every  $L$ -subset of  $X^*$  is weakly precompact. The space  $X$  has the *RDPP* (resp. property (*wL*)) if and only if any operator  $T : Y \rightarrow X^*$  such that  $T^*|_X$  is completely continuous, is weakly compact (resp. weakly precompact) (by Theorem 4.7 of [23]).

The Banach space  $X$  has the *Dunford-Pettis property* (*DPP*) if every weakly compact operator  $T : X \rightarrow Y$  is completely continuous. The survey article by Diestel [14] is an excellent source of information about classical contributions to the study of the *DPP*.

A topological space  $S$  is called *dispersed* (or *scattered*) if every nonempty closed subset of  $S$  has an isolated point. A compact Hausdorff space  $K$  is dispersed if and only if  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow C(K)$  [31].

The Banach-Mazur distance  $d(E, F)$  between two isomorphic Banach spaces  $E$  and  $F$  is defined by  $\inf(\|T\|\|T^{-1}\|)$ , where the infimum is taken over all isomorphisms  $T$  from  $E$  onto  $F$ . A Banach space  $E$  is called an  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ -space (resp.  $\mathcal{L}_1$ -space) [9, p. 7] if there is a  $\lambda \geq 1$  so that every finite dimensional subspace of  $E$  is contained in another subspace  $N$  with  $d(N, \ell_\infty^n) \leq \lambda$  (resp.  $d(N, \ell_1^n) \leq \lambda$ ) for some integer  $n$ . Complemented subspaces of  $C(K)$  spaces (resp.  $L_1(\mu)$  spaces) are  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ -spaces (resp.  $\mathcal{L}_1$ -spaces) [9, Proposition 1.26]. The dual of an  $\mathcal{L}_1$ -space (resp.  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ -space) is an  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ -space (resp.  $\mathcal{L}_1$ -space) [9, Proposition 1.27]. The  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ -spaces,  $\mathcal{L}_1$ -spaces, and their duals have the *DPP* [9, Corollary 1.30].

### 3. Weakly precompact subsets of spaces of compact operators

We begin by giving sufficient conditions for a subset of  $K(X, Y)$  to be weakly precompact and relatively weakly compact. We recall that the dual weak operator topology ( $w'$ ) on  $L(X, Y)$  is defined by the functionals  $T \mapsto x^{**}T^*(y^*)$ ,  $x^{**} \in X^{**}$ ,  $y^* \in Y^*$  [26]. In Corollary 3 of [26] it is shown that if  $(T_n)$  is a sequence of compact operators such that  $T_n \rightarrow T$  ( $w'$ ), where  $T$  is a compact operator, then  $T_n \rightarrow T$  weakly.

If  $H$  is a subset of  $K(X, Y)$ ,  $x \in X$ ,  $y^* \in Y^*$ , and  $x^{**} \in X^{**}$ , let  $H(x) = \{Tx : T \in H\}$ ,  $H^*(y^*) = \{T^*y^* : T \in H\}$ , and  $H^{**}(x^{**}) = \{T^{**}x^{**} : T \in H\}$ .

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $H$  be a bounded subset of  $K(X, Y)$  such that*

- (i)  $H(x)$  is weakly precompact for each  $x \in X$ , and
- (ii)  $H^*(y^*)$  is relatively weakly compact for each  $y^* \in Y^*$ .

*Then  $H$  is weakly precompact.*

PROOF: Let  $(T_n)$  be a sequence in  $H$ . Let  $S$  be the closed linear span of  $\{T_n^*y^* : y^* \in Y^*, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . The compactness of each  $T_n$  implies that  $S$  is a separable subspace of  $X^*$ . Let  $X_0$  be a countable subset of  $X$  that separates points of  $S$ . Let  $(x_k)$  be a sequence in  $X$  so that  $X_0 = \{x_k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . By hypotheses,  $\{T_n x_k : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is weakly precompact for each  $k$ . By diagonalization, we may assume that  $(T_{n_i})$  is a subsequence of  $(T_n)$  so that  $(T_{n_i} x_k)_i$  is weakly Cauchy for each  $k$ . Without loss of generality, we assume that  $(T_n x)$  is weakly Cauchy for each  $x \in X_0$ .

For fixed  $y^* \in Y^*$ , the sequence  $(T_n^*y^*)$  must have a weakly convergent subsequence. Suppose that  $z_1^*$  and  $z_2^*$  are two weak sequential cluster points of the sequence  $(T_n^*y^*)$ . Then  $z_1^*, z_2^* \in S$ . Suppose that  $T_{k(n)}^*y^* \xrightarrow{w} z_1^*$ ,  $T_{p(n)}^*y^* \xrightarrow{w} z_2^*$ . For each  $x \in X_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle z_1^*, x \rangle &= \lim_n \langle T_{k(n)}^*y^*, x \rangle = \lim_n \langle y^*, T_{k(n)}x \rangle \\ &= \lim_n \langle y^*, T_n x \rangle = \lim_n \langle y^*, T_{p(n)}x \rangle \\ &= \lim_n \langle T_{p(n)}^*y^*, x \rangle = \langle z_2^*, x \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $z_1^* = z_2^*$ , since  $X_0$  separates points of  $S$ . Then  $(T_n^*y^*)$  is weakly convergent for all  $y^* \in Y^*$ . Thus  $(T_n)$  is Cauchy in the  $(w')$  topology on  $K(X, Y)$ . Hence for any two subsequences  $(A_n)$  and  $(B_n)$  of  $(T_n)$ ,  $(A_n - B_n) \rightarrow 0$   $(w')$ . By Corollary 3 of [26],  $(A_n - B_n) \rightarrow 0$  weakly; thus  $(T_n)$  is weakly Cauchy in  $K(X, Y)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.** *Let  $H$  be a bounded subset of  $K(X, Y)$  such that*

- (i)  $H^*(y^*)$  is weakly precompact for each  $y^* \in Y^*$ , and
- (ii)  $H^{**}(x^{**})$  is relatively weakly compact for each  $x^{**} \in X^{**}$ .

*Then  $H$  is weakly precompact.*

PROOF: Suppose  $H$  satisfies the hypotheses. Consider the subset  $H^*$  of  $K(Y^*, X^*)$ . By Theorem 1,  $H^*$  is weakly precompact. Let  $(T_n)$  be a sequence in  $H$ . Without loss of generality, we can assume that  $(T_n^*)$  is weakly Cauchy. Hence  $(T_n^*y^*)$  is weakly Cauchy for each  $y^* \in Y^*$ . Therefore  $(T_n)$  is Cauchy in the  $(w')$  topology on  $K(X, Y)$ . As in the proof of Theorem 1,  $(T_n)$  is weakly Cauchy.  $\square$

The following theorem generalizes Theorem 4.9 of [24].

**Theorem 3.** *Suppose that  $L(X, Y) = K(X, Y)$ . Let  $H$  be a bounded subset of  $K(X, Y)$  such that*

- (i)  $H(x)$  is relatively weakly compact for each  $x \in X$ , and

(ii)  $H^*(y^*)$  is relatively weakly compact for each  $y^* \in Y^*$ .

Then  $H$  is relatively weakly compact.

PROOF: Let  $(T_n)$  be a sequence in  $H$ . By Theorem 1,  $H$  is weakly precompact. Without loss of generality, assume that  $(T_n)$  is weakly Cauchy. For each  $x \in X$ , the sequence  $(T_n x)$  has a weakly convergent subsequence and is weakly Cauchy, thus is weakly convergent to  $Tx$ , say. Similarly, for each  $y^* \in Y^*$ , the sequence  $(T_n^* y^*)$  has a weakly convergent subsequence and is weakly Cauchy, thus is weakly convergent.

Clearly, the assignment  $X \ni x \mapsto Tx$  is linear and bounded. Hence  $T \in L(X, Y)$ . For all  $y^* \in Y^*$ ,  $x \in X$ ,  $\lim_n \langle T_n^* y^*, x \rangle = \lim_n \langle y^*, T_n x \rangle = \langle T^* y^*, x \rangle$ . Then  $T_n^* y^* \xrightarrow{w^*} T^* y^*$ . Since  $(T_n^* y^*)$  is weakly convergent,  $T_n^* y^* \xrightarrow{w} T^* y^*$ . Hence  $T_n \rightarrow T$  in the  $(w')$  topology of  $K(X, Y)$ . By Corollary 3 of [26],  $T_n \rightarrow T$  weakly, and  $H$  is relatively weakly compact.  $\square$

**Remark.** If  $L(X, Y) = K(X, Y)$ , then a subset  $H$  of  $K(X, Y)$  is relatively weakly compact if and only if conditions (i) and (ii) of the previous theorem hold.

**Corollary 4** ([26, Corollary 2]). *If  $X$  and  $Y$  are reflexive and  $L(X, Y) = K(X, Y)$ , then  $K(X, Y)$  is reflexive.*

PROOF: Let  $H$  be the unit ball of  $L(X, Y) = K(X, Y)$ . Since  $X$  and  $Y$  are reflexive,  $H(x)$  and  $H^*(y^*)$  are relatively weakly compact for all  $x \in X$  and  $y^* \in Y^*$ . By Theorem 3,  $H$  is relatively weakly compact, and thus  $K(X, Y)$  is reflexive.  $\square$

#### 4. Property $(wL)$ and the $RDPP$ in projective tensor products

In this section we consider the property  $(wL)$  and the  $RDPP$  in the projective tensor product  $X \otimes_\pi Y$ . We begin by noting that there are examples of Banach spaces  $X$  and  $Y$  such that  $X \otimes_\pi Y$  has property  $RDPP$ . If  $1 < q' < p < \infty$ , then  $L(\ell_p, \ell_{q'}) = K(\ell_p, \ell_{q'})$  ([33]). Let  $q$  be the conjugate of  $q'$ . By [26, Corollary 2],  $L(\ell_p, \ell_{q'}) \simeq (\ell_p \otimes_\pi \ell_q)^*$  is reflexive. Then  $\ell_p \otimes_\pi \ell_q$  is reflexive, and thus has the  $RDPP$ . Thus the spaces  $X = \ell_p$  and  $Y = \ell_q$  are as desired.

**Observation 1.** If  $X$  is an infinite dimensional space with the Schur property, then  $X$  does not have property  $(wL)$ .

Since  $\ell_1 \hookrightarrow X$ ,  $\ell_1 \hookrightarrow X^*$  ([13], p.211). All bounded subsets of  $X^*$  are  $L$ -subsets, and thus there are  $L$ -subsets of  $X^*$  which fail to be weakly precompact.

Since property  $(wL)$  is inherited by quotients, it follows that if  $X$  has property  $(wL)$ , then  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow X$ , and  $c_0 \not\hookrightarrow X^*$  [6].

**Observation 2.** If  $T : Y \rightarrow X^*$  be an operator such that  $T^*|_X$  is compact, then  $T$  is compact. To see this, let  $T : Y \rightarrow X^*$  be an operator such that  $T^*|_X$  is compact. Let  $S = T^*|_X$ . Suppose  $x^{**} \in B_{X^{**}}$  and choose a net  $(x_\alpha)$  in  $B_X$  which is  $w^*$ -convergent to  $x^{**}$ . Then  $(T^* x_\alpha) \xrightarrow{w^*} T^* x^{**}$ . Now,  $(T^* x_\alpha) \subseteq S(B_X)$ , which is a relatively compact set. Then  $(T^* x_\alpha) \rightarrow T^* x^{**}$ . Hence  $T^*(B_{X^{**}}) \subseteq \overline{S(B_X)}$ ,

which is relatively compact. Therefore  $T^*(B_{X^{**}})$  is relatively compact, and thus  $T$  is compact. It follows that if  $L(X, Y^*) = K(X, Y^*)$ , then  $L(Y, X^*) = K(Y, X^*)$ .

The following lemma is known [8]; we include proof for the convenience of the reader.

**Lemma 5.** *Suppose that every operator  $T : X \rightarrow Y^*$  is completely continuous. If  $(x_n)$  is a weakly null sequence in  $X$  and  $(y_n)$  is a bounded sequence in  $Y$ , then  $(x_n \otimes y_n)$  is weakly null in  $X \otimes_\pi Y$ .*

PROOF: Suppose that  $(x_n)$  is weakly null and  $\|y_n\| \leq M$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $T \in L(X, Y^*) \simeq (X \otimes_\pi Y)^*$  ([15, p. 230]). Since  $T$  is completely continuous,

$$|\langle T, x_n \otimes y_n \rangle| \leq M \|Tx_n\| \rightarrow 0.$$

□

**Theorem 6.** (i) *Suppose that  $X$  has the RDPP,  $Y$  has property  $(wL)$ , and  $L(X, Y^*) = K(X, Y^*)$ . Then  $X \otimes_\pi Y$  has property  $(wL)$ .*

(ii) *Suppose that  $X$  has property  $(wL)$ ,  $Y$  has the RDPP, and  $L(X, Y^*) = K(X, Y^*)$ . Then  $X \otimes_\pi Y$  has property  $(wL)$ .*

PROOF: (i) We will use Theorem 1. Let  $H$  be an  $L$ -subset of  $(X \otimes_\pi Y)^* \simeq L(X, Y^*) = K(X, Y^*)$ . We will verify the conditions (i) and (ii) of this theorem. Let  $(T_n)$  be a sequence in  $H$  and let  $y^{**} \in Y^{**}$ . We will show that  $\{T_n^* y^{**} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is an  $L$ -subset of  $X^*$ . Suppose that  $(x_n)$  is weakly null in  $X$ . For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$|\langle T_n^* y^{**}, x_n \rangle| = |\langle y^{**}, T_n x_n \rangle| \leq \|y^{**}\| \|T_n x_n\|.$$

We show that  $\|T_n x_n\| \rightarrow 0$ . Suppose that  $\|T_n x_n\| \not\rightarrow 0$ . Without loss of generality we assume that  $|\langle T_n x_n, y_n \rangle| > \epsilon$  for some sequence  $(y_n)$  in  $B_Y$  and some  $\epsilon > 0$ . Since  $\{T_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is an  $L$ -set and  $(x_n \otimes y_n)$  is weakly null in  $X \otimes_\pi Y$  (by Lemma 5),  $\sup_m |\langle T_m, x_n \otimes y_n \rangle| \rightarrow 0$ , and so  $|\langle T_n, x_n \otimes y_n \rangle| = |\langle T_n x_n, y_n \rangle| \rightarrow 0$ . This contradiction shows that  $\|T_n x_n\| \rightarrow 0$ . Hence  $\{T_n^* y^{**} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is an  $L$ -subset of  $X^*$ . Therefore this subset is relatively weakly compact [27]. This verifies (ii) of Theorem 1.

It remains to verify (i) of Theorem 1. Let  $x \in X$ . We show that  $\{T_n x : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is an  $L$ -subset of  $Y^*$ . Let  $(y_n)$  be a weakly null sequence in  $Y$ . For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$|\langle T_n x, y_n \rangle| = |\langle x, T_n^* y_n \rangle| \leq \|x\| \|T_n^* y_n\|.$$

An argument similar to the one above shows that  $\|T_n^* y_n\| \rightarrow 0$ . Thus  $\{T_n x : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is an  $L$ -subset of  $Y^*$ , hence weakly precompact, for all  $x \in X$ . We thus verified (i) of Theorem 1. By Theorem 1,  $(T_n)$  has a weakly Cauchy subsequence. We proved that  $H$  is weakly precompact.

(ii) If  $L(X, Y^*) = K(X, Y^*)$ , then  $L(Y, X^*) = K(Y, X^*)$  (by Observation 2). By (i),  $Y \otimes_\pi X$  has property  $(wL)$ . Since  $X \otimes_\pi Y$  is isometrically isomorphic to  $Y \otimes_\pi X$ ,  $X \otimes_\pi Y$  has property  $(wL)$ . □

**Theorem 7.** *Suppose that  $X$  and  $Y$  have the RDPP and  $L(X, Y^*) = K(X, Y^*)$ . Then  $X \otimes_\pi Y$  has the RDPP.*

PROOF: Let  $H$  be an  $L$ -subset of  $(X \otimes_\pi Y)^* \simeq L(X, Y^*) = K(X, Y^*)$  and let  $(T_n)$  be a sequence in  $H$ . The proof of Theorem 6 shows that  $\{T_n x : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is an  $L$ -subset of  $Y^*$ , and thus relatively weakly compact by [27]. Similarly,  $\{T_n^* y^{**} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is an  $L$ -subset of  $X^*$ , thus relatively weakly compact. Then, by Theorem 3,  $(T_n)$  has a weakly convergent subsequence.  $\square$

Theorem 7 contains Corollary 4 of [17]. The assumptions that  $X^*$  and  $Y^*$  are weakly sequentially complete in Corollary 4 of [17] are superfluous.

**Corollary 8.** *Suppose that  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow X$ ,  $Y$  has the RDPP (resp. property  $(wL)$ ), and  $L(X, Y^*) = K(X, Y^*)$ . Then  $X \otimes_\pi Y$  has the RDPP (resp. property  $(wL)$ ).*

PROOF: If  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow X$ , then every  $L$ -subset of  $X^*$  is relatively compact [20], [3]. If  $Y$  has the RDPP (resp. property  $(wL)$ ), then  $X \otimes_\pi Y$  has the RDPP (resp. property  $(wL)$ ), by Theorem 7 (resp. Theorem 6 (i)).  $\square$

The RDPP case of the previous result was proved in Theorem 3 of [17]. In Theorem 11 we show that if  $X \otimes_\pi Y$  has the RDPP (resp. property  $(wL)$ ), then either  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow X$  or  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow Y$ . Thus, in Theorems 6 and 7 we can suppose without loss of generality that either  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow X$  or  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow Y$ . Hence Theorem 7 is equivalent to Theorem 3 of [17].

**Corollary 9.** (i) *Suppose that  $X$  is a closed subspace of an order continuous Banach lattice and  $X$  has property  $(wL)$ . If  $Y$  has the RDPP (resp. property  $(wL)$ ) and  $L(X, Y^*) = K(X, Y^*)$ , then  $X \otimes_\pi Y$  has the RDPP (resp. property  $(wL)$ ).*

(ii) *Suppose that  $X$  is a Banach space with property  $(wV^*)$  and  $X$  has property  $(wL)$ . If  $Y$  has the RDPP (resp. property  $(wL)$ ) and  $L(X, Y^*) = K(X, Y^*)$ , then  $X \otimes_\pi Y$  has the RDPP (resp. property  $(wL)$ ).*

PROOF: If  $X$  has property  $(wL)$ , then  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow X$  (by Observation 1).

(i) Since  $X$  is a subspace of a Banach lattice,  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow X$  [36]. Apply Corollary 8.

(ii) Since  $X$  has property  $(wV^*)$ ,  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow X$  [7]. Apply Corollary 8.  $\square$

Corollary 9(i) contains Corollary 5 of [17]. The fact that properties RDPP and  $(wL)$  are inherited by quotients, immediately implies the following result, which contains Corollary 6 of [17].

**Corollary 10.** *Suppose that  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow E^*$  and  $F$  has property RDPP (resp. property  $(wL)$ ). If  $L(E^*, F^*) = K(E^*, F^*)$ , then the space  $N_1(E, F)$  of all nuclear operators from  $E$  to  $F$  has the RDPP (resp. property  $(wL)$ ).*

PROOF: It is known that  $N_1(E, F)$  is a quotient of  $E^* \otimes_\pi F$  [34, p.41]. Apply Corollary 8.  $\square$

**Theorem 11.** *Suppose that  $L(E, F^*) = K(E, F^*)$ . The following statements are equivalent:*

- (i)  $E$  and  $F$  have the  $RDPP$  (resp. property  $(wL)$ ) and either  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow E$  or  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow F$ .
- (ii)  $E \otimes_\pi F$  has the  $RDPP$  (resp. property  $(wL)$ ).

PROOF: (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) by Corollary 8.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) Suppose that  $E \otimes_\pi F$  has the  $RDPP$  (resp. property  $(wL)$ ). Then  $E$  and  $F$  have the  $RDPP$  (resp. property  $(wL)$ ), since the  $RDPP$  (resp. property  $(wL)$ ) is inherited by quotients. Suppose  $\ell_1 \hookrightarrow E$  and  $\ell_1 \hookrightarrow F$ . Hence  $L_1 \hookrightarrow E^*$  [29]. Also, the Rademacher functions span  $\ell_2$  inside of  $L_1$ , and thus  $\ell_2 \hookrightarrow E^*$ . Similarly  $\ell_2 \hookrightarrow F^*$ . Then  $c_0 \hookrightarrow K(E, F^*)$  ([16], [22]), a contradiction with Observation 1.  $\square$

The  $RDPP$  case of the previous result was proved in Theorem 8 of [17].

**Observation 3.** If  $\ell_1 \hookrightarrow E$  and  $\ell_1 \hookrightarrow F$ , then  $c_0 \hookrightarrow K(E, F^*)$  ([16], [22]). More generally, if  $\ell_1 \hookrightarrow E$  and  $\ell_p \hookrightarrow F^*$ ,  $p \geq 2$ , then  $c_0 \hookrightarrow K(E, F^*)$  ([16], [22]). Hence  $\ell_1 \xrightarrow{c} E \otimes_\pi F$  [6]. By Observation 1,  $E \otimes_\pi F$  does not have property  $(wL)$ .

**Observation 4.** If  $E^*$  has the Schur property, then  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow E$ . Indeed, if  $\ell_1 \hookrightarrow E$ , then  $L_1 \hookrightarrow E^*$  [29], and  $E^*$  does not have the Schur property.

**Observation 5.** If  $E^*$  has the Schur property and  $F$  has property  $(wL)$ , then  $L(E, F^*) = K(E, F^*)$ . To see this, let  $T : F \rightarrow E^*$  be an operator. Then  $T$  is completely continuous (since  $E^*$  has the Schur property). Therefore  $T^*(B_{E^{**}})$  is an  $L$ -subset of  $F^*$ , thus is weakly precompact. Since  $T^*$  is weakly precompact,  $T$  is weakly precompact, by Corollary 2 of [4]. Then  $T$  is compact. By Observation 2,  $L(E, F^*) = K(E, F^*)$ .

- Corollary 12.**
- (i) Suppose that  $E^*$  has the Schur property and  $F$  has the  $RDPP$  (resp. property  $(wL)$ ). Then  $E \otimes_\pi F$  has the  $RDPP$  (resp. property  $(wL)$ ).
  - (ii) [17, Corollary 10] Suppose that  $E = \ell_p$ , where  $1 < p \leq \infty$ , and  $F = c_0$ . Then  $E \otimes_\pi F$  has the  $RDPP$ .
  - (iii) Suppose that  $E$  is an infinite dimensional  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ -space not containing  $\ell_1$ . If  $F$  has the  $RDPP$  (resp. property  $(wL)$ ), then  $E \otimes_\pi F$  has the  $RDPP$  (resp. property  $(wL)$ ).

PROOF: (i) Since  $E^*$  has the Schur property,  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow E$  (by Observation 4). By Observation 5,  $L(E, F^*) = K(E, F^*)$ . Apply Corollary 8.

(ii) By (i),  $F \otimes_\pi E$ , hence  $E \otimes_\pi F$  has the  $RDPP$ .

(iii) Suppose  $E$  is an infinite dimensional  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ -space not containing  $\ell_1$ . Then  $E$  has the  $DPP$  by Corollary 1.30 of [9]; thus  $E^*$  has the Schur property by Theorem 3 of [14]. Apply (i).  $\square$

The  $RDPP$  case of Corollary 12(i) was proved in Corollary 9 of [17]. Corollary 12(iii) generalizes Corollary 11 of [17]. The hypothesis that  $F^*$  is a subspace of an  $\mathcal{L}_1$ -space in Corollary 11 of [17] is superfluous.

**Corollary 13.** *Suppose that  $E$  and  $F$  have the DPP. The following statements are equivalent:*

- (i)  $E$  and  $F$  have the RDPP (resp. property  $(wL)$ ) and  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow E$  or  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow F$ ;
- (ii)  $E \otimes_\pi F$  has the RDPP (resp. property  $(wL)$ ).

PROOF: (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) Suppose that  $E$  and  $F$  have the DPP and the RDPP (resp. property  $(wL)$ ). Suppose without loss of generality that  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow E$ . Then  $E^*$  has the Schur property by Theorem 3 of [14]. Apply Corollary 12 (i).

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) The proof is the same as the corresponding one in Theorem 11.  $\square$

By Theorem 11 (or Corollary 13), the space  $C(K_1) \otimes_\pi C(K_2)$  has the RDPP if and only if either  $K_1$  or  $K_2$  is dispersed. The spaces  $A$  and  $H^\infty$  have the DPP and property  $(V)$ , hence they have the RDPP, and contain copies of  $\ell_1$  ([10], [11], [12], [35]). Let  $E, F$  be  $A$  or  $H^\infty$ . Then  $E \otimes_\pi F$  does not have property  $(wL)$  (by Observation 3).

**Corollary 14.** *Suppose that  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow E$  and  $F$  has the RDPP (resp. property  $(wL)$ ). If  $F^*$  is complemented in a Banach space  $Z$  which has an unconditional Schauder decomposition  $(Z_n)$ , with  $Z_n$  having the Schur property for each  $n$ , then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (i)  $E \otimes_\pi F$  has the RDPP (resp. property  $(wL)$ );
- (ii)  $L(E, F^*) = K(E, F^*)$ .

PROOF: (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) Suppose  $E \otimes_\pi F$  has the RDPP (resp. property  $(wL)$ ). Since  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow E$  and  $Z_n$  has the Schur property,  $L(E, Z_n) = K(E, Z_n)$  for each  $n$ . If  $L(E, F^*) \neq K(E, F^*)$ , then  $c_0 \hookrightarrow K(E, F^*)$  (by Theorem 1 of [18]), a contradiction.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) Apply Corollary 8.  $\square$

Next we present some results about the necessity of the conditions  $L(E, F^*) = K(E, F^*)$  and  $W(E, F^*) = K(E, F^*)$ .

A Banach space  $X$  has the *approximation property* if for each norm compact subset  $M$  of  $X$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a finite rank operator  $T : X \rightarrow X$  such that  $\|Tx - x\| < \epsilon$  for all  $x \in M$ . If in addition  $T$  can be found with  $\|T\| \leq 1$ , then  $X$  is said to have the *metric approximation property*. For example,  $C(K)$  spaces,  $c_0$ ,  $\ell_p$  for  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ,  $L_p(\mu)$  for any measure  $\mu$  and  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , and their duals have the metric approximation property [15, p. 238], [34].

A separable Banach space  $X$  has an *unconditional compact expansion of the identity (u.c.e.i)* if there is a sequence  $(A_n)$  of compact operators from  $X$  to  $X$  such that  $\sum A_n x$  converges unconditionally to  $x$  for all  $x \in X$  [21]. In this case,  $(A_n)$  is called an (u.c.e.i.) of  $X$ . A sequence  $(X_n)$  of closed subspaces of a Banach space  $X$  is called an *unconditional Schauder decomposition* of  $X$  if every  $x \in X$  has a unique representation of the form  $x = \sum x_n$ , with  $x_n \in X_n$ , for every  $n$ , and the series converges unconditionally [28, p. 48].



The space  $X$  has (Rademacher) *cotype*  $q$  for some  $2 \leq q \leq \infty$  if there is a constant  $C$  such that for every  $n$  and every  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  in  $X$ ,

$$\left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^q \right)^{1/q} \leq C \left( \int_0^1 \|r_i(t)x_i\|^q dt \right)^{1/q},$$

where  $(r_n)$  are the Radamacher functions. A Hilbert space has *cotype* 2 [1, p. 138]. The dual of  $C(K)$ , the space  $M(K)$ , has *cotype* 2 [1, p. 142].

**Theorem 15.** *Assume one of the following conditions holds.*

- (i) *If  $T : E \rightarrow F^*$  is an operator which is not compact, then there is a sequence  $(T_n)$  in  $K(E, F^*)$  such that for each  $x \in E$ , the series  $\sum T_n x$  converges unconditionally to  $Tx$ .*
- (ii) *Either  $E^*$  or  $F^*$  has an (u.c.e.i.).*
- (iii)  *$E$  is an  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ -space and  $F^*$  is a subspace of an  $\mathcal{L}_1$ -space.*
- (iv)  *$E = C(K)$ ,  $K$  a compact Hausdorff space, and  $F^*$  is a space with *cotype* 2.*
- (v)  *$E$  has the DPP and  $\ell_1 \hookrightarrow F$ .*
- (vi)  *$E$  and  $F$  have the DPP.*

*If  $E \otimes_\pi F$  has property  $(wL)$ , then  $L(E, F^*) = K(E, F^*)$ .*

PROOF: Suppose  $E \otimes_\pi F$  has property  $(wL)$ . Then  $E$  and  $F$  have property  $(wL)$ .

(i) Let  $T : E \rightarrow F^*$  be a noncompact operator. Let  $(T_n)$  be a sequence as in the hypothesis. By the Uniform Boundedness Principle,  $\{\sum_{n \in A} T_n : A \subseteq \mathbb{N}, A \text{ finite}\}$  is bounded in  $K(E, F^*)$ . Then  $\sum T_n$  is wuc and not unconditionally convergent (since  $T$  is noncompact). Hence  $c_0 \hookrightarrow K(E, F^*)$  [6], and we have a contradiction with Observation 1.

(ii) Suppose that  $F^*$  has an (u.c.e.i.)  $(A_n)$ . Then  $A_n : F^* \rightarrow F^*$  is compact for each  $n$  and  $\sum A_n y$  converges unconditionally to  $y$ , for each  $y \in F^*$ . Let  $T : E \rightarrow F^*$  be a noncompact operator. Hence  $\sum A_n T x$  converges unconditionally to  $Tx$  for each  $x \in E$  and  $A_n T \in K(E, F^*)$ . Then  $c_0 \hookrightarrow K(E, F^*)$  (by (i)), a contradiction.

Similarly, if  $E^*$  has an (u.c.e.i.) and  $L(E, F^*) \neq K(E, F^*)$ , then  $c_0 \hookrightarrow K(F, E^*)$ .

Suppose (iii) or (iv) holds. It is known that any operator  $T : E \rightarrow F^*$  is 2-absolutely summing ([32]), hence it factorizes through a Hilbert space. If  $L(E, F^*) \neq K(E, F^*)$ , then  $c_0 \hookrightarrow K(E, F^*)$  (by Remark 3 of [19]), a contradiction.

(v) Suppose that  $E$  has the DPP and  $\ell_1 \hookrightarrow F$ . By Observation 3,  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow E$ . Then  $E^*$  has the Schur property by Theorem 3 of [14]. By Observation 5,  $L(E, F^*) = K(E, F^*)$ .

(vi) Suppose that  $E$  and  $F$  have the DPP. If  $\ell_1 \hookrightarrow F$ , then (v) implies  $L(E, F^*) = K(E, F^*)$ . If  $\ell_1 \not\hookrightarrow F$ , then  $F^*$  has the Schur property [14]. By the proof of Observation 5,  $L(E, F^*) = K(E, F^*)$ . □

By Theorem 15, if one of the hypotheses (i)-(vi) holds and  $L(E, F^*) \neq K(E, F^*)$ , then  $E \otimes_{\pi} F$  does not have property  $(wL)$ . Thus the space  $\ell_p \otimes \ell_{q'}$ , where  $1 < p \leq q' < \infty$  and  $q$  and  $q'$  are conjugate, does not have property  $(wL)$ , since the natural inclusion map  $i : \ell_p \rightarrow \ell_{q'}$  is not compact. Further, the space  $C(K) \otimes_{\pi} \ell_p$ , with  $K$  not dispersed and  $1 < p \leq 2$ , does not have property  $(wL)$ , since  $L(C(K), \ell_q) \neq K(C(K), \ell_q)$  (by Corollary 3.11 of [2]), where  $q$  is the conjugate of  $p$ ,  $2 \leq q < \infty$ .

**Theorem 16.** *Suppose that  $F^*$  is complemented in a Banach space  $Z$  which has an unconditional Schauder decomposition  $(Z_n)$ , and  $W(E, Z_n) = K(E, Z_n)$  for all  $n$ . If  $E \otimes_{\pi} F$  has property  $(wL)$ , then  $W(E, F^*) = K(E, F^*)$ .*

PROOF: Let  $T : E \rightarrow F^*$  be a weakly compact and noncompact operator,  $P_n : Z \rightarrow Z_n$ ,  $P_n(\sum z_i) = z_n$ , and let  $P$  be the projection of  $Z$  onto  $F^*$ . Define  $T_n : E \rightarrow F^*$  by  $T_n x = P P_n T x$ ,  $x \in E$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Note that  $P_n T$  is compact since  $W(E, Z_n) = K(E, Z_n)$ . Then  $T_n$  is compact for each  $n$ . For each  $z \in Z$ ,  $\sum P_n z$  converges unconditionally to  $z$ ; thus  $\sum T_n x$  converges unconditionally to  $T x$  for each  $x \in E$ . Then  $\sum T_n$  is wuc and not unconditionally converging. Hence  $c_0 \hookrightarrow K(E, F^*)$  [6], and we obtain a contradiction.  $\square$

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