

## A CHARACTERIZATION OF $l$ - $l$ MATRICES

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**ABSTRACT.** Another proof is given of a known characterization of infinite matrices that preserve absolutely summable sequences where the entries of the matrices are continuous linear functions from a Fréchet space into a Fréchet space. In addition, another characterization is obtained using the adjoint matrix.

**1. Introduction.** Throughout this paper  $E$  and  $F$  will be Fréchet spaces, i.e. complete metrizable locally convex spaces, whose topologies are generated by the sequences of seminorms  $\{p_i\}$  and  $\{q_i\}$  respectively. A sequence,  $\{x_i\}$ , in  $E$  is called absolutely summable if for every  $p_j$ ,  $\sum_i p_j(x_i)$  is convergent. The vector space of all such sequences will be denoted by  $l^1[E]$ . It follows that  $l^1[E]$  is a Fréchet space with topology generated by  $\{P_i\}$  where

$$P_i(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p_i(x_n).$$

In fact,  $l^1[E]$  is then an  $FK$ -subspace of the space of all sequences in  $E$  as defined in [1], i.e. the coordinate functions are continuous from  $l^1[E]$  into  $E$ .

Let the infinite matrix  $A=(A_{nk})$  have entries which are continuous linear maps from  $E$  into  $F$ . If  $x=\{x_k\}$  is any sequence in  $E$  such that  $\sum_k A_{nk}(x_k)$  is convergent for each  $n$ , then we say that  $y=Ax$  where  $y_n=\sum_k A_{nk}(x_k)$  for  $n=1, 2, \dots$ . In a recent paper [5], B. Wood has characterized matrices that carry elements of  $l^1[E]$  into  $l^1[F]$  and termed such matrices  $l$ - $l$ . In this article we offer a different proof of Wood's characterization and obtain another by introducing the adjoint concept.

**2. Results.** Let the infinite matrix  $A$  be as in the introduction. We will say that (\*) holds if and only if

(\*) for each bounded set  $M_\alpha$  in  $E$  and for each fixed  $j$  there exists  $K_{\alpha,j}$  such that  $\sum_{n=1}^m q_j(A_{nr}(x)) \leq K_{\alpha,j}$  for all  $m$ , all  $r$  and all  $x$  in  $M_\alpha$ .

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Before continuing we pause to mention that the  $FK$  space of all sequences in  $F$  will be denoted here by  $s(F)$ . (In [1] we called it  $F(s)$ .) Moreover, any matrix map between  $FK$  spaces is continuous. In addition, for any positive integer  $n$ , we define  $I_n: E \rightarrow l^1[E]$  by  $I_n(x)$  is that sequence with  $x$  in the  $n$ th position and zero elsewhere. It is clear that  $I_n$  is continuous and linear.

**THEOREM 2.1.** *Let  $A: l^1[E] \rightarrow s(F)$ . Then  $A$  is  $l$ - $l$  if and only if (\*) holds.*

**PROOF.** Let  $A$  be  $l$ - $l$  and let  $M_\alpha$  be a bounded subset of  $E$ . Thus for each positive integer  $i$  there exists a positive  $\alpha_i$  such that  $p_i(x) \leq \alpha_i$  for all  $x$  in  $M_\alpha$ . Let

$$U_\alpha = \{x \in l^1[E]: P_i(x) \leq \alpha_i, i \in N\}$$

where  $N$  denotes the positive integers. Then  $U_\alpha$  is a bounded subset of  $l^1[E]$ , and for any  $n$  and any  $x \in M_\alpha$ ,  $I_n(x) \in U_\alpha$ . Since  $A$  is continuous into  $l^1[F]$ ,  $A[U_\alpha]$  is a bounded subset of  $l^1[F]$ . So for any fixed  $j$ , there exists  $K_{\alpha,j}$  such that  $Q_j(y) \leq K_{\alpha,j}$  for all  $y$  in  $A[U_\alpha]$ . In particular,  $Q_j(A(I_p(x))) \leq K_{\alpha,j}$  for all  $p$  and all  $x$  in  $M_\alpha$ . We thus have

$$\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} q_j(A_{rp}(x)) \leq K_{\alpha,j} \quad \text{for all } p, \text{ all } x \in M_\alpha.$$

Then

$$\sum_{r=1}^m q_j(A_{rp}(x)) \leq K_{\alpha,j} \quad \text{for all } p, \text{ all } x \in M_\alpha \text{ and all } m,$$

i.e. (\*) holds.

Now suppose (\*) holds. Recall that  $l^1 \otimes E$  is densely embedded in  $l^1[E]$  by  $\xi \otimes X \rightarrow \{\xi_i x\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ , see p. 183 of [3]. In the following we will identify  $\xi \otimes x$  with this sequence.

Fix  $\xi \otimes x$  in  $l^1[E]$ . By (\*), for fixed  $p$  in  $N$  there exists  $K_{x,p}$  such that  $\sum_{n=1}^m q_p(A_{nj}(x)) < K_{x,p}$  for all  $m$  and all  $j$ . Fix  $m$  and  $r$  positive integers. Then

$$\sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{n=1}^m |\xi_j| q_p(A_{nj}(x)) \leq \sum_{j=1}^r |\xi_j| \left( \sum_{n=1}^m q_p(A_{nj}(x)) \right) \leq K_{x,p} \|\xi\|_{l_1}.$$

Hence

$$\sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\xi_j| q_p(A_{nj}(x)) \leq K_{x,p} \|\xi\|_{l_1},$$

and also

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\xi_j| q_p(A_{nj}(x)) \leq K_{x,p} \|\xi\|_{l_1}.$$

It follows that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q_p \left( \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \xi_j A_{nj}(x) \right) \leq K_{x,p} \|\xi\|_{l_1},$$

i.e.  $A(\xi \otimes x)$  is in  $l^1[F]$  and so  $A$  carries every element of  $l^1 \otimes E$  into  $l^1[F]$ .

Let  $T$  denote  $A$  restricted to  $l^1 \otimes E$  as embedded in  $l^1[E]$ . We will now show that  $T$  is continuous on  $l^1 \otimes E$  with the topology induced by  $l^1[E]$ . Consider that  $T$  induces the unique bilinear mapping  $\hat{T}: l^1 \times E \rightarrow l^1[F]$  where  $\hat{T}((\xi, x)) = T(\xi \otimes x)$ , see p. 404 of [4]. We then have the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} l^1 \times E & \xrightarrow{\hat{T}} & l^1[F] \\ \downarrow \Phi & \nearrow T & \\ l^1 \otimes_{\Pi} E & & \end{array}$$

Notice that the topology induced on  $l^1 \otimes E$  by  $l^1[E]$  is the projective (or  $\Pi$ ) topology, see p. 183 of [3]. Moreover, by Proposition 43.4, p. 438 of [4],  $T$  is continuous if and only if  $\hat{T}$  is continuous and  $\hat{T}$  is continuous if and only if it is continuous at  $(0, 0)$ .

Let  $(\xi^n, x_n) \rightarrow 0$  in  $l^1 \times E$ . Thus  $\xi^n \rightarrow 0$  in  $l^1$  and  $x_n \rightarrow 0$  in  $E$ . Fix  $p$  in  $N$ . By (\*) there exists  $K_p$ , dependent upon the bounded set  $\{x_n: n \text{ in } N\}$  such that  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} q_p(A_{jr}(x_n)) \leq K_p$  for all  $r$  and all  $n$ . Thus for any  $n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} Q_p(\hat{T}(\xi^n, x_n)) &= \sum_r q_p((\hat{T}(\xi^n, x_n))_r) = \sum_r q_p((T(\xi^n \otimes x_n))_r) \\ &= \sum_r q_p \left( \sum_j A_{rj}(\xi_j^n x_n) \right) \leq \sum_r \sum_j |\xi_j^n| q_p(A_{rj}(x_n)) \\ &= \sum_j |\xi_j^n| \left( \sum_r q_p(A_{rj}(x_n)) \right) \leq K_p \|\xi^n\|_{l_1}. \end{aligned}$$

The latter tends to zero as  $n$  tends to infinity. Thus  $\hat{T}$  is continuous at  $(0, 0)$ , and so  $T$  is continuous on  $l^1 \otimes E$  under the relative topology induced by  $l^1[E]$ .

By continuity we may extend  $T$  to  $T': l^1[E] \rightarrow l^1[F]$ . Since  $T'$  is continuous into  $l^1[F]$ , it is also continuous into  $s(F)$ . Now  $A$  is also continuous into  $s(F)$  and  $A$  agrees with  $T'$  on a dense subset of  $l^1[E]$ . Hence,  $A$  agrees with  $T'$  on  $l^1[E]$  and therefore  $A$  carries  $l^1[E]$  into  $l^1[F]$ .

We now turn to a study of the adjoint matrix. If  $A$  is an infinite matrix,  $A = (A_{ij})$ , with each  $A_{ij}$  a continuous linear map from  $E$  into  $F$ , then let  $A^* = (A_{ji}^*)$  where  $A_{ji}^*$  is the adjoint of  $A_{ji}$ .

Recall that the dual of  $l^1[E]$  can be identified with a space of sequences, namely the set of all equicontinuous sequences of continuous linear functionals on  $E$ , see p. 180 of [3]. In the following we shall use this identification.

**LEMMA 2.2.** *Let  $A$  be 1-1. Then  $A^*$  represents the adjoint of the operator defined by  $A$ , call it  $T_A$ , in the sense that given any  $f = \{f_n\}$  in the dual of  $l^1[E]$  and given any  $x = \{x_n\}$  in  $l^1[E]$ , we have*

$$\langle x, T_A^* f \rangle = \sum_j \left\langle x_j, \sum_n A_{nj}^* f_n \right\rangle = \sum_j \langle x_j, (A^* f)_j \rangle$$

where  $\sum_n A_{nj}^* f_n$  is convergent in the  $w^*$ -topology on  $E'$ , the dual of  $E$ .

**PROOF.** We will first show that  $\sum_n A_{nj}^* f_n$  is pointwise convergent and consequently, by the Banach-Steinhaus closure theorem, is a continuous linear functional on  $E$ . Fix  $j$  and fix  $x$  in  $E$ . Since  $I_j x$  is in  $l^1[E]$ , we have

$$\langle A(I_j x), f \rangle = \sum_n \langle A_{nj}(x), f_n \rangle = \sum_n \langle x, A_{nj}^* f_n \rangle.$$

For any fixed  $m$ , define  $U_m: l^1[E] \rightarrow l^1[E]$  by  $U_m(x) = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m, 0, 0, 0, \dots\}$ . It is easy to see that  $U_m(x) \rightarrow x$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$  for each  $x$  in  $l^1[E]$ . Fix  $x = \{x_n\}$  in  $l^1[E]$  and consider

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x, T_A^* f \rangle &= \lim_m \langle U_m x, T_A^* f \rangle = \lim_m \langle A(U_m x), f \rangle \\ &= \lim_m \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\langle \sum_{j=1}^m A_{nj} x_j, f_n \right\rangle \\ &= \lim_m \lim_p \sum_{n=1}^p \sum_{j=1}^m \langle A_{nj} x_j, f_n \rangle \\ &= \lim_m \lim_p \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{n=1}^p \langle A_{nj} x_j, f_n \rangle \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \langle x_j, A_{nj}^* f_n \rangle = \sum_j \left\langle x_j, \sum_n A_{nj}^* f_n \right\rangle \\ &= \sum_j \langle x_j, (A^* f)_j \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

As a corollary to the previous lemma one obtains the fact that

$$\sum_j \sum_n \langle x_j, A_{nj}^* f_n \rangle = \sum_n \sum_j \langle x_j, A_{nj}^* f_n \rangle$$

by computing  $\langle Ax, f \rangle$ .

Before continuing we pause to note that if  $X$  is a locally convex, sequentially complete linear topological space then a subset of the dual space is strongly bounded if and only if it is  $w^*$ -bounded, see 18.5 of [2].

**THEOREM 2.3.** *Let  $A: l^1[E] \rightarrow s(F)$ . Then  $A$  is *l-l* if and only if for every  $f = \{f_k\}$  in  $(l^1[F])'$ , the collection  $\{\sum_{p=1}^m A_{pj}^* f_p : m \text{ and } j \text{ positive integers}\}$  is  $w^*$ -bounded, i.e. bounded in  $w(E', E)$ .*

**PROOF.** Let  $A$  be *l-l* and fix  $f = \{f_k\}$  in  $(l^1[F])'$ . By the lemma,  $A^*$  is the adjoint of  $A$  and so  $A^*$  is  $w^*$ -continuous. Since  $U_m f \rightarrow f$  in the  $w^*$ -topology of  $(l^1[F])'$ ,  $A^*(U_m f) \rightarrow A^* f$  in the  $w^*$ -topology of  $(l^1[E])'$ . In particular,  $\{A^*(U_m f)\}_{m=1}^\infty$  is  $w^*$ -bounded in  $(l^1[E])'$ . Since  $l^1[E]$  is sequentially complete, it is also strongly bounded. Fix  $x$  in  $E$ . Then  $\{I_j(x) : j \text{ a positive integer}\}$  is a bounded subset of  $l^1[E]$ . Thus there is a positive  $M$  such that  $|(A^*(U_m f))(I_j(x))| \leq M$  for all  $m$  and all  $j$ . It follows that  $|\sum_{p=1}^m A_{pj}^* f_p(x)| \leq M$  for all  $m$  and all  $j$  so the collection mentioned in the theorem is  $w^*$ -bounded.

Now let the condition on  $A^*$  hold. To see that  $A$  is *l-l* we will apply (\*). Fix  $q_r$  over  $F$  and  $M_\alpha$  a bounded subset of  $E$ . Consider that

$$\sum_{n=1}^m q_r(A_{nj}(x)) = \sum_{n=1}^m q_r((A(I_j x))_n) = Q_r(U_m \circ A \circ I_j(x)).$$

Thus we need to show that the set

$$B = \{U_m \circ A \circ I_j(x) : j \text{ and } m \text{ in } N, x \text{ in } M_\alpha\}$$

is bounded in  $l^1[F]$ . Fix  $f$  in the dual of  $l^1[F]$ . Then

$$f(U_m \circ A \circ I_j(x)) = \sum_{p=1}^m f_p(A_{pj}(x)) = \sum_{p=1}^m A_{pj}^* f_p(x).$$

By our hypothesis there is a positive  $M$  such that  $|\sum_{p=1}^m A_{pj}^* f_p(x)| \leq M$  for all  $m$ , all  $j$  and all  $x$  in  $M_\alpha$ . Thus  $B$  is a weakly bounded subset of  $l^1[F]$  and therefore a bounded subset of  $l^1[F]$ . It follows that (\*) holds and  $A$  is *l-l*.

Recall that in the scalar situation, i.e.  $E$  and  $F$  are the scalars and the entries of  $A$  are scalars,  $A$  is *l-l* if and only if the transpose of  $A$  is  $m$ - $m$ , where  $m$  denotes the space of all bounded scalar sequences. An analogue does exist in our case. The following result is easily established.

**LEMMA 2.4.** *Let  $A: m(E) \rightarrow s(F)$ . Then  $A$  is *m-m* if and only if for each bounded set  $M_\alpha$  in  $E$  and each fixed  $j$  there exists  $K_{\alpha,j}$  such that  $q_j(\sum_{k=1}^\infty A_{nk} x_k) \leq K_{\alpha,j}$  for all  $n$  and all  $x_k$  in  $M_\alpha$ .*

**COROLLARY 2.5.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be Banach spaces and let  $A: l^1[X] \rightarrow s(Y)$ . Then  $A$  is  $l$ - $l$  if and only if  $A^*$  is  $m$ - $m$ , i.e.  $A^*: m(Y') \rightarrow m(X')$ .*

**PROOF.** Let  $A$  be  $l$ - $l$  and let  $M_\alpha$  be a bounded subset of  $Y'$ , say  $\|f\| \leq K$  for all  $f$  in  $M_\alpha$ . Fix  $x$  in  $X$  with  $\|x\| \leq 1$ . Since  $A$  is  $l$ - $l$  there exists  $P$  such that  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|A_{kn}(x)\| \leq P$  for all  $n$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_{kn}^* f_k(x) \right| &= \left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k A_{kn}(x) \right| \\ &\leq K \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|A_{kn}(x)\| \leq KP \end{aligned}$$

for all  $f_k$  in  $M_\alpha$  and all  $n$ . Thus for each  $n$ ,  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_{kn}^* f_k$  is pointwise convergent and so is in  $X'$ . Moreover,  $\|\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_{kn}^* f_k\| \leq KP$  for all  $f_k$  in  $M_\alpha$  and all  $n$ . Hence  $A^*$  is  $m$ - $m$ .

Now let  $A^*$  be  $m$ - $m$  and let  $f = \{f_k\} \in m(Y') = (l^1[Y])'$ . Then  $M_\alpha = \{0\} \cup \{f_k: k \text{ a positive integer}\}$  is a bounded subset of  $Y'$ . By the lemma there is a  $K_\alpha$  such that  $\|\sum_{k=1}^m A_{kn}^* f_k\| \leq K_\alpha$  for all  $n$  and all  $m$ . It follows from 2.3 that  $A$  is  $l$ - $l$ .

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