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# HOMOGENEOUS FUNCTIONS OF REGULAR LINEAR AND BILINEAR OPERATORS<sup>1</sup>

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Using envelope representations explicit formulae for computing  $\hat{\varphi}(T_1, \ldots, T_N)$  for any finite sequence of regular linear or bilinear operators  $T_1, \ldots, T_N$  on vector lattices are derived.

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### 1. Introduction

This paper is a continuation of [5]. We apply the upper envelope representation method (or the quasilinearization method) in vector lattices developed in [4, 5] to the homogeneous functional calculus of linear and bilinear operators. Explicit formulae for computing  $\hat{\varphi}(T_1, \ldots, T_N)$  for any finite sequence of regular linear or bilinear operators  $T_1, \ldots, T_N$  are derived.

For the theory of vector lattices and positive operators we refer to the books [1] and [3]. All vector lattices in this paper are real and Archimedean.

Consider conic sets C and K with  $K \subset C$  and K closed. Let  $\mathscr{H}(C; K)$  denotes the vector lattice of all positively homogeneous functions  $\varphi : C \to \mathbb{R}$  with continuous restriction to K. The expression  $\widehat{\varphi}(x_1, \ldots, x_N)$  can be correctly defined provided that the compatibility condition  $[x_1, \ldots, x_N] \subset K$  is hold, see [5]. Denote by  $\mathscr{H}_{\vee}(\mathbb{R}^N, K)$  and  $\mathscr{H}_{\wedge}(\mathbb{R}^N, K)$  respectively the sets of all lower semicontinuous

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Denote by  $\mathscr{G}_{\vee}(\mathbb{R}^N, K)$  and  $\mathscr{G}_{\wedge}(\mathbb{R}^N, K)$  respectively the sets of all lower semicontinuous gauges  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^N \to \mathbb{R}_+ \cup \{+\infty\}$  and upper semicontinuous co-gauges  $\psi : \mathbb{R}^N \to \mathbb{R}_+ \cup \{-\infty\}$  which are finite and continuous on a fixed cone  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ . Put  $\mathscr{G}_{\vee}(\mathbb{R}^N) := \mathscr{G}_{\vee}(\mathbb{R}^N, \{0\})$  and  $\mathscr{G}_{\wedge}(\mathbb{R}^N) := \mathscr{G}_{\wedge}(\mathbb{R}^N, \{0\})$ . Observe that  $\mathscr{G}_{\vee}(\mathbb{R}^N) \subset \mathscr{H}_{\vee}(\mathbb{R}^N)$  and  $\mathscr{G}_{\wedge}(\mathbb{R}^N) \subset \mathscr{H}_{\wedge}(\mathbb{R}^N)$ , see [4, 5].

Everywhere below E, F, and G denote vector lattices, while  $L^r(E, F)$  and  $BL^r(E, F; G)$ stand for the spaces of regular linear operators from E to F and regular bilinear operator from  $E \times F$  to G, respectively.

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### 2. Functions of Bilinear Operators

A partition of  $x \in E_+$  is any finite sequence  $(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , of elements of  $E_+$  whose sum equals x. Denote by Prt(x) and DPrt(x) the sets of all partitions of x and all partitions with pairwise disjoint terms, respectively.

**2.1. Lemma.** Let E, F, and G be vector lattices,  $b_1, \ldots, b_N \in BL^r(E, F; G)$ , and  $\mathfrak{b} := (b_1, \ldots, b_N)$ . Let  $\varphi \in \mathscr{H}_{\vee}(\mathbb{R}^N)$ ,  $\psi \in \mathscr{H}_{\wedge}(\mathbb{R}^N)$ ,  $\widehat{\varphi}(b_1(x_0, y_0), \ldots, b_N(x_0, y_0))$  and  $\widehat{\psi}(b_1(x_0, y_0), \ldots, b_N(x_0, y_0))$  are well defined in G for all  $0 \leq x_0 \leq x$  and  $0 \leq y_0 \leq y$ . Denote  $\mathfrak{x} := (x_1, \ldots, x_n) \in E^n$  and  $\mathfrak{y} := (y_1, \ldots, y_m) \in F^m$ ,  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then the sets

$$\varphi(\mathfrak{b}; x, y) \coloneqq \bigg\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \widehat{\varphi}(b_1(x_i, y_j), \dots, b_N(x_i, y_j)) \colon n, m \in \mathbb{N}, \mathfrak{x} \in \operatorname{Prt}(x), \ \mathfrak{y} \in \operatorname{Prt}(y) \bigg\}, \\ \psi(\mathfrak{b}; x, y) \coloneqq \bigg\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \widehat{\psi}(b_1(x_i, y_j), \dots, b_N(x_i, y_j)) \colon n, m \in \mathbb{N}, \mathfrak{x} \in \operatorname{Prt}(x), \ \mathfrak{y} \in \operatorname{Prt}(y) \bigg\},$$

are upward directed and downward directed, respectively.

 $\triangleleft$  Assume that  $(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$  and  $(x'_1, \ldots, x'_{n'})$  are partitions of x while  $(y_1, \ldots, y_m)$  and  $(y'_1, \ldots, y'_{m'})$  are partitions of y. By The Riesz Decomposition Property of vector lattices there exist finite double sequences  $(u_{i,k})_{i \leq n, k \leq n'}$  in  $E_+$  and  $(v_{j,l})_{j \leq m, l \leq m'}$  in  $F_+$  such that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n'} u_{i,k} = x_i, \quad \sum_{i=1}^n u_{i,k} = x'_k \quad (i := 1, \dots, n, \ k := 1, \dots, n');$$
$$\sum_{l=1}^{m'} v_{j,l} = y_j, \quad \sum_{j=1}^m v_{j,l} = y'_l \quad (j := 1, \dots, m, \ l := 1, \dots, m').$$

In particular,  $(u_{i,k})_{i \leq n, k \leq n'}$  and  $(v_{j,l})_{j \leq m, l \leq m'}$  are partition of x and y, respectively. Taking subadditivity of  $\varphi$  into consideration we obtain

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^{n,m} \widehat{\varphi}(b_1(x_i, y_j), \dots, b_N(x_i, y_j)) = \sum_{i,j=1}^{n,m} \widehat{\varphi}\left(\sum_{k,l=1}^{n',m'} b_1(u_{i,k}, v_{j,l}), \dots, \sum_{k,l=1}^{n',m'} b_N(u_{i,k}, v_{j,l})\right)$$
$$= \sum_{i,j=1}^{n,m} \widehat{\varphi}\left(\sum_{k,l=1}^{n',m'} \left(b_1(u_{i,k}, v_{j,l}), \dots, b_N(u_{i,k}, v_{j,l})\right)\right) \leqslant \sum_{i,j=1}^{n,m} \sum_{k,l=1}^{n',m'} \widehat{\varphi}(b_1(u_{i,k}, v_{j,l}), \dots, b_N(u_{i,k}, v_{j,l})).$$

In a similar way we get

$$\sum_{k,l=1}^{n',m'} \widehat{\varphi} \left( b_1(x'_k, y'_l), \dots, b_N(x'_k, y'_l) \right) \leqslant \sum_{i,j=1}^{n',m'} \sum_{k,l=1}^{n,m} \widehat{\varphi} (b_1(u_{i,k}, v_{j,l}), \dots, b_N(u_{i,k}, v_{j,l})),$$

so that the first set is upward directed. Similarly, the second set is downward directed.  $\triangleright$ 

**2.2. Lemma.** Let Let E, F, and G be vector lattices with G Dedekind complete and  $\mathscr{B}$  be an order bounded set of regular bilinear operators from  $E \times F$  to G. Then for every  $x \in E_+$  and  $y \in F_+$  we have:

$$(\sup \mathscr{B})(x,y) = \sup \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} b_{k(i,j)}(x_i, y_j) \right\},$$
$$(\inf \mathscr{B})(x,y) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} b_{k(i,j)}(x_i, y_j) \right\},$$

where supremum and infimum are taken over all naturals  $n, m, l \in \mathbb{N}$ , functions  $k : \{1, \ldots, n\} \times \{1, \ldots, m\} \rightarrow \{1, \ldots, l\}$ , partitions  $(x_1, \ldots, x_n) \in \operatorname{Prt}(x)$  and  $(y_1, \ldots, y_m) \in \operatorname{Prt}(y)$ , and arbitrary finite collections  $b_1 \ldots, b_l \in \mathscr{B}$ .

 $\triangleleft$  See [6, Proposition 2.6].  $\triangleright$ 

**2.3. Theorem.** Let E, F, and G be vector lattices with G Dedekind complete,  $b_1, \ldots, b_N \in BL^r(E, F; G)$ , and  $\mathfrak{b} := (b_1, \ldots, b_N)$ . Assume that  $\varphi \in \mathscr{H}_{\vee}(\mathbb{R}^N)$ ,  $\psi \in \mathscr{H}_{\wedge}(\mathbb{R}^N)$ ,  $\widehat{\varphi}(b_1(x_0, y_0), \ldots, b_N(x_0, y_0))$  and  $\widehat{\psi}(b_1(x_0, y_0), \ldots, b_N(x_0, y_0))$  are well defined in G for all  $0 \leq x_0 \leq x$  and  $0 \leq y_0 \leq y$ ,  $\varphi(\mathfrak{b}; x, y)$  is order bonded above, and  $\psi(\mathfrak{b}; x, y)$  is order bounded below for all  $x \in E_+$  and  $y \in F_+$ . Then  $\widehat{\varphi}(b_1, \ldots, b_N)$  and  $\widehat{\psi}(b_1, \ldots, b_N)$  are well defined in  $BL^r(E, F; G)$  and for every  $x \in E_+$  and  $y \in F_+$  the representations

$$\widehat{\varphi}(b_1, \dots, b_N)(x, y) = \sup \varphi(\mathfrak{b}; x, y),$$
$$\widehat{\psi}(b_1, \dots, b_N)(x, y) = \inf \psi(\mathfrak{b}; x, y)$$

hold with supremum over upward directed set and infimum over downward directed set. If E and F have the strong Freudenthal property (or principal projection property) then Prt(x) and Prt(y) may be replaced by DPrt(x) and DPrt(y), respectively.

 $\exists \text{ Denote } b_{\lambda} := \lambda_{1}b_{1} + \dots + \lambda_{N}b_{N} \text{ for } \lambda := (\lambda_{1}, \dots, \lambda_{N}) \in \mathbb{R}^{N} \text{ and observe that if the set } \{b_{\lambda} : \lambda \in \underline{\partial}\varphi\} \text{ is order bounded in } BL^{r}(E, F; G), \text{ then by } [5, \text{ Theorem 4.4}] \ \widehat{\varphi}(b_{1}, \dots, b_{N}) \text{ exists in } BL^{r}(E, F; G) \text{ and the upper envelope representation } \widehat{\varphi}(b_{1}, \dots, b_{N}) = \sup\{b_{\lambda} : \lambda \in \underline{\partial}\varphi\} \text{ holds. Take arbitrary } \lambda^{r} := (\lambda_{1}^{r}, \dots, \lambda_{N}^{r}) \in \underline{\partial}\varphi \ (r := 1, \dots, l), \ k : \{1, \dots, n\} \times \{1, \dots, m\} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, l\}, \ \mathfrak{x} := (x_{1}, \dots, x_{n}) \in \operatorname{Prt}(x), \text{ and } \mathfrak{y} := (y_{1}, \dots, y_{m}) \in \operatorname{Prt}(y). \text{ Making use of Lemma 2.2 and } [5, \text{ Theorem 4.4}] \text{ we deduce:}$ 

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^{n,m} b_{\lambda^{k(i,j)}}(x_i, y_j) = \sum_{i,j=1}^{n,m} \sum_{s=1}^{N} \lambda_s^{k(i,j)} b_s(x_i, y_j) \leqslant \sum_{i,j=1}^{n,m} \widehat{\varphi}(b_1(x_i, y_j), \dots, b_N(x_i, y_j)) \leqslant a,$$

where a is an upper bound of  $\varphi(\mathfrak{b}; x, y)$ . Passing to supremum over all  $(\lambda^1, \ldots, \lambda^l)$ , k,  $\mathfrak{x}$ , and  $\mathfrak{y}$  and taking [5, Theorem 4.4] into account we get that  $\widehat{\varphi}(b_1, \ldots, b_N)$  is well defined and  $\widehat{\varphi}(b_1, \ldots, b_N)(x, y) \leq \varphi(\mathfrak{b}; x, y)$ . Surely, in above reasoning we could take  $(x_1, \ldots, x_n) \in$ DPrt(x) provided that E has the principal projection property.

Conversely, let f(x, y) stands for the right-hand side of the first equality. Observe that if  $(\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_n) \in \underline{\partial}\varphi$  and  $u \in E_+, v \in F_+$ , then by [5, Theorem 4.4] we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^{N} \lambda_k b_k(u, v) = \Big(\sum_{k=1}^{N} \lambda_k b_k\Big)(u, v) \leqslant \widehat{\varphi}(b_1, \dots, b_N)(u, v)$$

and again  $\widehat{\varphi}(b_1(u, v), \dots, b_N(u, v)) \leq \widehat{\varphi}(b_1, \dots, b_N)(u, v)$  by [5, Theorem 4.4]. Now, given  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  in  $\operatorname{Prt}(x)$  or  $\operatorname{DPrt}(x)$  and  $(y_1, \dots, y_n)$  in  $\operatorname{Prt}(y)$  or  $\operatorname{DPrt}(y)$ , we can estimate

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^{n,m} \widehat{\varphi}(b_1(x_i, y_j), \dots, b_N(x_i, y_j)) \leqslant \sum_{i,j=1}^{n,m} \widehat{\varphi}(b_1, \dots, b_N)(x_i, y_j) \leqslant \widehat{\varphi}(b_1, \dots, b_N)(x, y)$$

and thus  $f(x, y) \leq \widehat{\varphi}(b_1, \ldots, b_N)(x, y)$ . Thus the first equality is hold true. By Lemma 2.1 the supremum on the right-hand side of the required formula is taken over upward directed set.

The second representation is proved in a similar way.  $\triangleright$ 

**2.4. Corollary.** Let  $E, F, G, \varphi, \psi, b_1, \ldots, b_N$  be the same as in 2.1,  $\overline{b} := \widehat{\varphi}(b_1, \ldots, b_N)$  and  $\underline{b} := \widehat{\psi}(b_1, \ldots, b_N)$ . Assume that, in addition, E = F has the strong Freudenthal property and  $b_1, \ldots, b_N$  are orthosymmetric. Then for every  $x \in E$  the representations

$$\overline{b}(x,x) = \sup \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \varphi(b_1(x_i, |x|), \dots, b_N(x_i, |x|)) : (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathrm{DPrt}(|x|) \right\},\$$
  
$$\underline{b}(x,x) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \psi(b_1(x_i, |x|), \dots, b_N(x_i, |x|)) : (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathrm{DPrt}(|x|) \right\},\$$

hold with supremum and infimum over upward and downward directed sets, respectively.

 $\triangleleft$  It is sufficient to check the first formula. We can assume  $x \in E_+$ . Denote by g(x) the right-hand side of the desired equality. From Theorem 2.3 we have  $g(x) \leq \widehat{\varphi}(b_1, \ldots, b_N)(x, x)$ . To prove the reverse inequality take two disjoint partitions of x, say  $\mathfrak{x}' := (x'_1, \ldots, x'_l)$  and  $\mathfrak{x}'' := (x''_1, \ldots, x''_n)$ , and let  $(x_1, \ldots, x_n) \in \mathrm{DPrt}(x)$  be their common refinement. Since  $b_1, \ldots, b_N$  are orthosymmetric we deduce

$$\sum_{r,s=1}^{l,m} \widehat{\varphi}(b_1(x'_r, x''_s), \dots, b_N(x'_r, x''_s))$$
  
=  $\sum_{i=1}^n \widehat{\varphi}(b_1(x_i, x_i), \dots, b_N(x_i, x_i)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \widehat{\varphi}(b_1(x_i, x), \dots, b_N(x_i, x)).$ 

Passing to supremum over all  $\mathfrak{x}'$  and  $\mathfrak{x}''$  we get the desired inequality.  $\triangleright$ 

# 3. Functions of Linear Operators

The above machinery is applicable to the calculus of order bounded operators.

**3.1. Theorem.** Let E and F be vector lattices with F Dedekind complete,  $T_1, \ldots, T_N \in L^r(E, F)$ , and  $\mathfrak{T} := (T_1, \ldots, T_N)$ . Let  $\varphi \in \mathscr{H}_{\vee}(\mathbb{R}^N)$ ,  $\psi \in \mathscr{H}_{\wedge}(\mathbb{R}^N)$ ,  $\widehat{\varphi}(T_1x_0, \ldots, T_Nx_0)$  and  $\widehat{\psi}(T_1x_0, \ldots, T_Nx_0)$  are well defined in F for all  $0 \leq x_0 \leq x$ . If for every  $x \in E_+$  the sets

$$\varphi(\mathfrak{T};x) = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{n} \widehat{\varphi}(T_1 x_k, \dots, T_N x_k) : (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \operatorname{Prt}(x) \right\},\$$
$$\psi(\mathfrak{T};x) = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{n} \widehat{\psi}(T_1 x_k, \dots, T_N x_k) : (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \operatorname{Prt}(x) \right\}$$

are order bounded from above and from below respectively, then  $\widehat{\varphi}(T_1, \ldots, T_N)$  and  $\widehat{\psi}(T_1, \ldots, T_N)$  exist in  $L^r(E, F)$ , and the representations

$$\widehat{\varphi}(T_1, \dots, T_N) x = \sup \varphi(\mathfrak{T}; x),$$
$$\widehat{\psi}(T_1, \dots, T_N) x = \inf \psi(\mathfrak{T}; y)$$

hold with supremum over upward directed set and infimum over downward directed set. If E has the principal projection property then Prt(x) may be replaced by DPrt(x).

 $\triangleleft$  Follows immediately from 2.3.  $\triangleright$ 

**3.2.** REMARK. (1) Assume that  $E, F, T_1, \ldots, T_N, \varphi$ , and  $\psi$  are the same as in [4, Theorem

5.2]. Then  $\widehat{\varphi}(T_1, \ldots, T_N) x \ge \widehat{\varphi}(T_1 x, \ldots, T_N x)$  and  $\widehat{\psi}(T_1, \ldots, T_N) x \le \widehat{\psi}(T_1 x, \ldots, T_N x)$  for all  $x \in E_+$ . In particular, if  $\mathbb{R}^N_+ \subset \operatorname{dom}(\varphi) \cap \operatorname{dom}(\psi)$  and  $\widehat{\varphi}(T_1 x, \ldots, T_N x) \ge \widehat{\psi}(T_1 x, \ldots, T_N x)$  for all  $x \in E_+$ , then  $\widehat{\varphi}(T_1, \ldots, T_N) \ge \widehat{\psi}(T_1, \ldots, T_N)$ .

(2) Assume that  $\varphi \in \mathscr{H}(C; [\mathfrak{x}])$  and  $\varphi(0, t_2, \ldots, t_N) = 0$  for all  $(t_1, \ldots, t_N) \in \operatorname{dom}(\varphi)$ . Then evidently  $\widehat{\varphi}(x_1, \ldots, x_N) \in \{x_1\}^{\perp \perp}$  provided that  $[\mathfrak{x}] \subset \operatorname{dom}(\varphi)$ . This simple observation together with [4, Theorem 5.2] enables one to attack the nonlinear majorization problem for wider variety of majorants  $\widehat{\varphi}(T_1, \ldots, T_N)$ , cp. [2].

**3.3.** Let *E* and *F* be vector lattices with *E* relatively uniformly complete and *F* Dedekind complete. Then for  $T_1, \ldots, T_N \in L^r_+(E, F)$ ,  $x_1, \ldots, x_N \in E_+$ , and  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_N \in \mathbb{R}_+$  with  $\alpha_1 + \cdots + \alpha_N = 1$  we have

$$(T_1^{\alpha_1}\dots T_N^{\alpha_N})(x_1^{\alpha_1}\dots x_N^{\alpha_N}) \leqslant (T_1x_1)^{\alpha_1}\dots (T_Nx_N)^{\alpha_N}.$$

The reverse inequality holds provided that  $\alpha_1 + \cdots + \alpha_N = 1, (-1)^k (1 - \alpha_1 - \cdots - \alpha_k) \alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_k \ge 0$  $0 \ (k := 1, \ldots, N - 1), \text{ and } x_i \gg 0, \ f(x_i) \gg 0 \text{ for all } i \text{ with } \alpha_i < 0.$ 

 $\triangleleft$  Apply [4, Corollary 6.7] with  $K = \mathbb{R}^N_+$ , C = 1,  $\varphi_0(t) = \varphi_1(t) = \varphi_2(t) = t_1^{\alpha_1} \dots t_N^{\alpha_N}$ .

**3.4. Theorem.** Let E and F be vector lattices with F Dedekind complete and  $T_1, \ldots, T_N \in L^r_+(E, F)$ . Suppose that  $\varphi \in \mathscr{G}_{\vee}(\mathbb{R}^N, \mathbb{R}^N_+)$  and  $\psi \in \mathscr{G}_{\wedge}(\mathbb{R}^N, \mathbb{R}^N_+)$  are increasing and  $[T_1, \ldots, T_N] \subset \operatorname{dom}(\varphi) \cap \operatorname{dom}(\psi)$ . Then for every  $x \in E_+$  the representations hold

$$\widehat{\varphi}(T_1,\ldots,T_N)x = \sup\left\{\sum_{k=1}^N T_k x_k : x_1,\ldots,x_N \in E_+, \ \widehat{\varphi^\circ}(x_1,\ldots,x_N) \leqslant x\right\},\\ \widehat{\psi}(T_1,\ldots,T_N)x = \inf\left\{\sum_{k=1}^N T_k x_k : x_1,\ldots,x_N \in E_+, \ \widehat{\psi_\circ}(x_1,\ldots,x_N) \geqslant x\right\},$$

with supremum over upward directed set and infimum over downward directed set.

 $\triangleleft$  Suppose that  $\widehat{\varphi}(T_1, \ldots, T_N)$  exists and  $x \in E_+$ . If  $x_1, \ldots, x_N \in E_+$  and  $\widehat{\varphi}^{\circ}(x_1, \ldots, x_N) \leq x$ , then making use of the Bipolar Theorem, positivity of  $\widehat{\varphi}(T_1, \ldots, T_N)$ , and [4, Corollary 6.8] we deduce

$$\sum_{k=1}^{N} T_k x_k \leqslant \widehat{\varphi}(T_1, \dots, T_N)(\widehat{\varphi^{\circ}}(x_1, \dots, x_N)) \leqslant \widehat{\varphi}(T_1, \dots, T_N) x.$$

To prove the reverse inequality take  $(x_1, \ldots, x_n) \in Prt(x), \ \lambda^k = (\lambda_1^k, \ldots, \lambda_N^k) \in \underline{\partial}\varphi = \{\varphi^{\circ} \leq 1\} \ (k := 1, \ldots, n), \text{ and put } u_i := \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_i^k x_k. \text{ If } \alpha := (\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_N) \in \underline{\partial}\varphi^{\circ} = \{\varphi \leq 1\}, \text{ then } \langle \alpha, \lambda^k \rangle \leq \varphi(\alpha)\varphi^{\circ}(\lambda^k) \leq 1 \text{ and thus}$ 

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i u_i = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i \sum_{k=1}^{n} \lambda_i^k x_k = \sum_{k=1}^{n} \langle \alpha, \lambda^k \rangle x_k \leqslant x.$$

It follows from [5, Theorem 5.4] that  $\widehat{\varphi^{\circ}}(u_1, \ldots, u_N) \leqslant x$ .

Denote  $S(\lambda) := \lambda_1 T_1 + \cdots + \lambda_N T_N$  with  $\lambda := (\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_N)$ . Let f(x) is the right-hand side of the first equality. Then

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} S(\lambda^k)(x_k) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} T_i u_i \leqslant f(x).$$

It remains to observe that  $\varphi(T_1, \ldots, T_N) = \sup\{S(\lambda) : \lambda \in \underline{\partial}\varphi\}$  by [5, Theorem 4.4].  $\triangleright$ 

**3.5.** Proposition. Let E, F, and G be vector lattices with F Dedekind complete,  $R: E \to G$  an order interval preserving operator,  $T: G \to F$  an order continuous lattice homomorphism, and  $\varphi \in \mathscr{H}(C, K)$ . Assume that  $S_1, \ldots, S_N \in L^r(E, F)$  and  $[S_1, \ldots, S_N] \subset K$ . Then  $[S_1 \circ R, \ldots, S_N \circ R] \subset K$  and

$$\widehat{\varphi}(S_1,\ldots,S_N)\circ R=\widehat{\varphi}(S_1\circ R,\ldots,S_N\circ R).$$

If, in addition, G is Dedekind complete, then  $[T \circ S_1, \ldots, T \circ S_N] \subset K$  and

 $T \circ \widehat{\varphi}(S_1, \ldots, S_N) = \widehat{\varphi}(T \circ S_1, \ldots, T \circ S_N).$ 

 $\triangleleft$  Under the indicated hypotheses the operators  $S \mapsto S \circ R$  from  $L^r(G, F)$  to  $L^r(E, F)$ and  $S \mapsto T \circ S$  from  $L^r(E, G)$  to  $L^r(E, F)$  are lattice homomorphisms, see [1, Theorem 7.4 and 7.5]. Therefore, it is sufficient to apply [5, Proposition 2.6].  $\triangleright$ 

**3.6. Proposition.** Let E and F be vector lattices with F Dedekind complete. Assume that  $\varphi \in \mathscr{H}(C, K), S_1, \ldots, S_N \in L^r(E, F)$ , and  $[S_1, \ldots, S_N] \subset K$ . If  $S^*$  denotes the restriction of the order dual S' to  $F_n^{\sim}$ , the order continuous dual of F, then  $[S_1^*, \ldots, S_N^*] \subset K$  and

$$\widehat{\varphi}(S_1,\ldots,S_N)^* = \widehat{\varphi}(S_1^*,\ldots,S_N^*).$$

 $\triangleleft$  By Krengel–Synnatschke Theorem [1, Theorem 5.11] the map  $S \mapsto S^*$  is a lattice homomorphism from  $L^r(E, F)$  into  $L^r(F_n^{\sim}, E^{\sim})$ , see [1, Theorem 7.6]. Thus, we need only to apply [5, Proposition 2.6].  $\triangleright$ 

**3.7. Proposition.** The second formula in Theorem 3.4 and Proposition 3.6 were obtained by A. V. Bukhvalov [2] under some additional restrictions.

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