

Arens Regularity of Bilinear Mapping and Reflexivity

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Abstract: Let X , Y and Z be normed spaces. In this article we give a tool to investigate Arens regularity of a bounded bilinear map $f : X \times Y \rightarrow Z$. Also, under some assumptions on f^{****} and f^{r****} , we give some new results to determine reflexivity of the spaces.

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INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

Arens showed in [1] that a bounded bilinear map $f : X \times Y \rightarrow Z$ on normed spaces, has two natural different extensions f^{***}, f^{r****} from $X^{**} \times Y^{**}$ into Z^{**} . When these extensions are equal, f is said to be Arens regular. Throughout the article, we identify a normed space with its canonical image in the second dual.

We denote by X^* the topological dual of a normed space X . We write X^{**} for $(X^*)^*$ and so on. Let X , Y and Z be normed spaces and $f : X \times Y \rightarrow Z$ be a bounded bilinear mapping. The natural extensions of f are as following:

- (i) $f^* : Z^* \times X \rightarrow Y^*$, give by $\langle f^*(z^*, x), y \rangle = \langle z^*, f(x, y) \rangle$ where $x \in X$, $y \in Y$, $z^* \in Z^*$ (f^* is said the adjoint of f).
- (ii) $f^{**} = (f^*)^* : Y^{**} \times Z^* \rightarrow X^*$, give by $\langle f^{**}(y^{**}, z^*), x \rangle = \langle y^{**}, f^*(z^*, x) \rangle$ where $x \in X$, $y^{**} \in Y^{**}$, $z^* \in Z^*$.
- (iii) $f^{****} = (f^{**})^* : X^{**} \times Y^{**} \rightarrow Z^{**}$, give by $\langle f^{****}(x^{**}, y^{**}), z^* \rangle = \langle x^{**}, f^{**}(y^{**}, z^*) \rangle$ where $x^{**} \in X^{**}$, $y^{**} \in Y^{**}$, $z^* \in Z^*$.

Let now $f^r : Y \times X \rightarrow Z$ be the flip of f defined by $f^r(y, x) = f(x, y)$, for every $x \in X$ and $y \in Y$. Then f^r is a bounded bilinear map and it may extends as above to $f^{r****} : Y^{**} \times X^{**} \rightarrow Z^{**}$. In general, the mapping $f^{r****} : X^{**} \times Y^{**} \rightarrow Z^{**}$ is not equal to f^{****} . When these extensions are equal, then f is Arens regular.

One may define similarly the mappings $f^{****} : Z^{**} \times X^{**} \rightarrow Y^{****}$ and $f^{r****} : Y^{****} \times Z^{**} \rightarrow X^{****}$ and the higher rank adjoints. Consider the nets $(x_\alpha) \subseteq X$ and $(y_\beta) \subseteq Y$ converge to $x^{**} \in X^{**}$ and $y^{**} \in Y^{**}$ in the $weak^*$ -topologies, respectively, then

$$f^{****}(x^{**}, y^{**}) = w^* - \lim_\alpha w^* - \lim_\beta f(x_\alpha, y_\beta) \text{ and } f^{r****}(x^{**}, y^{**}) = w^* - \lim_\beta w^* - \lim_\alpha f(x_\alpha, y_\beta)$$

So Arens regularity of f is equivalent to the following

$$\lim_\alpha \lim_\beta \langle z^*, f(x_\alpha, y_\beta) \rangle = \lim_\beta \lim_\alpha \langle z^*, f(x_\alpha, y_\beta) \rangle$$

If the limits exit for each $z^* \in Z^*$. The map f^{****} is the unique extension of f such that $x^{**} \rightarrow f^{****}(x^{**}, y^{**}) : X^{**} \rightarrow Z^{**}$ is $weak^* - weak^*$ continuous for each $y^{**} \in Y^{**}$ and $y^{**} \rightarrow f^{****}(x, y^{**}) : Y^{**} \rightarrow Z^{**}$ is $weak^* - weak^*$ continuous for each $x \in X$. The left topological center of f is defined by

$$Z_1(f) = \{x^{**} \in X^{**} : y^{**} \rightarrow f^{****}(x^{**}, y^{**}) : Y^{**} \rightarrow Z^{**} \text{ is } weak^* - weak^* \text{ continuous}\}.$$

Since $f^{r****} : X^{**} \times Y^{**} \rightarrow Z^{**}$ is the unique extension of f such that the map $y^{**} \rightarrow f^{r****}(x^{**}, y^{**}) : Y^{**} \rightarrow Z^{**}$ is $weak^* - weak^*$ continuous for each $x^{**} \in X^{**}$, we can set

$$Z_1(f) = \{x^{**} \in X^{**} : f^{****}(x^{**}, y^{**}) = f^{r****}(x^{**}, y^{**}), (y^{**} \in Y^{**})\}.$$

The right topological center of f may therefore be defined as

$$Z_r(f) = \{y^{**} \in Y^{**} : x^{**} \rightarrow f^{r****}(x^{**}, y^{**}) : X^{**} \rightarrow Z^{**} \text{ is } weak^* - weak^* \text{ continuous}\}.$$

Again since the map $x^{**} \rightarrow f^{****}(x^{**}, y^{**}) : X^{**} \rightarrow Z^{**}$ is $weak^* - weak^*$ continuous for each $y^{**} \in Y^{**}$, we have

$$Z_r(f) = \{y^{**} \in Y^{**} : f^{****}(x^{**}, y^{**}) = f^{r****}(x^{**}, y^{**}), (x^{**} \in X^{**})\}.$$

A bounded bilinear mapping f is Arens regular if and only if $Z_l(f) = X^{**}$ or equivalently $Z_r(f) = Y^{**}$. It is clear that $X \subseteq Z_l(f)$. If $X = Z_l(f)$ then the map f is said to be left strongly irregular. Also $Y \subseteq Z_r(f)$ and if $Y = Z_r(f)$ then the map f is said to be right strongly irregular. A bounded bilinear mapping $f: X \times Y \rightarrow Z$ is said to factor if it is onto.

Investigate Arens regularity of bounded bilinear maps

S. Mohammadzadeh and Vishki H.R proved in [6] acriterion concerning to the regularity of a bounded bilinear map. They showed that f is Arens regular if and only if $f^{****}(Z^*, X^{**}) \subseteq Y^*$. In the section we provide the same conditions of Arens regularity. First, we give a similar lemma to the [6, Theorem 2.1].

Lemma 2.1. For a bounded bilinear map f from $X \times Y$ into Z the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) f is Arens regular;
- (ii) $f^{r*****} = f^{*****}$;
- (iii) $f^{****} = f^{r*****}$.

Proof. If (i) hold then f^r is Arens regular. Therefore $f^{r****} = f^{****}$. For every $x^{**} \in X^{**}, y^{**} \in Y^{**}$ and $z^{***} \in Z^{***}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f^{r*****}(y^{**}, z^{***}), x^{**} \rangle &= \langle f^{r****}(z^{***}, y^{**}), x^{**} \rangle = \langle z^{***}, f^{r****}(y^{**}, x^{**}) \rangle \\ &= \langle z^{***}, f^{****}(y^{**}, x^{**}) \rangle = \langle z^{***}, f^{****}(x^{**}, y^{**}) \rangle \\ &= \langle f^{****}(z^{***}, x^{**}), y^{**} \rangle = \langle f^{*****}(y^{**}, z^{***}), x^{**} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $f^{r*****} = f^{*****}$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) Let $x^{**} \in X^{**}, y^{**} \in Y^{**}$ and $z^{***} \in Z^{***}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f^{r*****r}(z^{***}, x^{**}), y^{**} \rangle &= \langle f^{r*****}(x^{**}, z^{***}), y^{**} \rangle = \langle x^{**}, f^{r*****}(z^{***}, y^{**}) \rangle \\ &= \langle x^{**}, f^{r*****r}(y^{**}, z^{***}) \rangle = \langle x^{**}, f^{*****}(y^{**}, z^{***}) \rangle \\ &= \langle f^{****}(z^{***}, x^{**}), y^{**} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

(iii) \Rightarrow (i) Let $f^{****} = f^{r*****}$. For every $x^{**} \in X^{**}, y^{**} \in Y^{**}$ and $z^* \in Z^*$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f^{r****r}(x^{**}, y^{**}), z^* \rangle &= \langle f^{r****}(y^{**}, x^{**}), z^* \rangle = \langle f^{r****}(z^*, y^{**}), x^{**} \rangle \\ &= \langle f^{r*****}(x^{**}, z^*), y^{**} \rangle = \langle f^{r*****r}(z^*, x^{**}), y^{**} \rangle \\ &= \langle f^{****}(z^*, x^{**}), y^{**} \rangle = \langle f^{****}(x^{**}, y^{**}), z^* \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that f is Arens regular and this completes the proof ■

Theorem 2.2. Bounded bilinear map f from $X \times Y$ into Z is Arens regular if and only if $f^{r*****r}(Y^{**}, Z^*) \subseteq X^*$.

Proof. Let $y^{**} \in Y^{**}$ and $z^* \in Z^*$ be arbitrary. If f is Arens regular Then $f^{r*****r} = f^{*****}$ Therefore

$$f^{r*****r}(y^{**}, z^*) = f^{*****}(y^{**}, z^*) = f^{*****}|_{Y^{**} \times Z^*}(y^{**}, z^*) = f^{**}(y^{**}, z^*) \in X^*.$$

Conversely, suppose $f^{r*****r}(Y^{**}, Z^*) \subseteq X^*$ and let $(x_\alpha) \subseteq X$ and $(y_\beta) \subseteq Y$ be two nets that are converge to x^{**} and y^{**} in the weak*-topologies, respectively. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f^{r*****r}(x^{**}, y^{**}), z^* \rangle &= \langle f^{r****}(y^{**}, x^{**}), z^* \rangle = \langle f^{r****}(z^*, y^{**}), x^{**} \rangle \\ &= \lim_\alpha \langle f^{r****}(z^*, y^{**}), x_\alpha \rangle = \lim_\alpha \langle z^*, f^{r****}(y^{**}, x_\alpha) \rangle \\ &= \lim_\alpha \langle y^{**}, f^{r**}(x_\alpha, z^*) \rangle = \limlim_{\alpha \beta} \langle f^{r**}(x_\alpha, z^*), y_\beta \rangle \\ &= \limlim_{\alpha \beta} \langle x_\alpha, f^{r*}(z^*, y_\beta) \rangle = \limlim_{\alpha \beta} \langle z^*, f^r(y_\beta, x_\alpha) \rangle \\ &= \limlim_{\alpha \beta} \langle f(x_\alpha, y_\beta), z^* \rangle = \langle f^{****}(x^{**}, y^{**}), z^* \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Therefore f is Arens regular and this completes the proof ■

Corollary 2.3. For a bounded bilinear map $f: X \times Y \rightarrow Z$, the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) $f^{r*****r}(Y^{**}, Z^{***}) \subseteq X^*$;
- (ii) f and f^* are Arens regular;
- (iii) $f^{*r*****} = f^{r*****}$.

Proof. The implication (i) \Rightarrow (ii) follows from the fact that $f^{r*****r}(Y^{**}, Z^*) \subseteq f^{r*****r}(Y^{**}, Z^{***}) \subseteq X^*$. Now Theorem 2.2 implies the Arens regularity of f , or equivalently $f^{*****r} = f^{*****}$. From which

$$(f^{*r})^{r*****r}(Z^{***}, Y^{**}) = f^{*****r}(Z^{***}, Y^{**}) = f^{r*****}(Z^{***}, Y^{**}) = f^{r*****r}(Y^{**}, Z^{***}) \subseteq X^*$$

Therefore the Arens regularity of f^{*r} follows again by Theorem 2.2. Thus f^* is Arens regular.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) If f is Arens regular. Then

$$f^{***} = f^{r***r} \Rightarrow f^{****} = f^{r***r*} \quad (2-1)$$

Now if f^* is Arens regular. Then we have

$$f^{****} = f^{*r***r} \quad (2-2)$$

The equalities (2-1) and (2-2) together establish the assertion.

(iii) \Rightarrow (i) First we show that $f^{r***r} = f^{*r***r}$. For every $x^{**} \in X^{**}, y^{**} \in Y^{**}$ and $z^{***} \in Z^{***}$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f^{r***r}(y^{**}, z^{***}), x^{**} \rangle &= \langle f^{r***r}(z^{***}, y^{**}), x^{**} \rangle = \langle z^{***}, f^{r***r}(y^{**}, x^{**}) \rangle \\ &= \langle z^{***}, f^{*r***r}(x^{**}, y^{**}) \rangle = \langle f^{*r***r}(z^{***}, x^{**}), y^{**} \rangle \\ &= \langle f^{*r***r}(z^{***}, x^{**}), y^{**} \rangle = \langle f^{*r***r}(x^{**}, z^{***}), y^{**} \rangle \\ &= \langle x^{**}, f^{*r***r}(z^{***}, y^{**}) \rangle = \langle f^{*r***r}(y^{**}, z^{***}), x^{**} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

As $f^{*r***r}(Y^{**}, Z^{***})$ lies in X^* thus $f^{r***r}(Y^{**}, Z^{***}) \subseteq X^*$ and the proof ■

Theorem 2.4. Let X and A be normed spaces and $g : X \times A \rightarrow X$ is a bounded bilinear map. If $g^{***} : X^{**} \times A^{**} \rightarrow X^{**}$ factor and g^* is Arens regular. Then g is Arens regular.

Proof. Let g^{***} factor. Thus for every $x^{**} \in X^{**}$ there exists $y^{**} \in X^{**}$ and $b^{**} \in A^{**}$ such that $x^{**} = g^{***}(y^{**}, b^{**})$. Suppose that $a^* \in A^*$ and $(a_\alpha) \subseteq A, (b_\beta) \subseteq A$ and $(y_\gamma) \subseteq X$ be bounded nets *weak**-converging to a^*, b^* and y^* respectively. For every $x^* \in X^*$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle g^{r***r}(x^*, a^*), x^* \rangle &= \langle g^{r***r}(a^*, x^*), x^* \rangle = \langle g^{r***r}(x^*, a^*), x^* \rangle \\ &= \langle g^{r***r}(x^*, a^*), g^{***}(y^{**}, b^{**}) \rangle = \langle g^{r***r}(x^*, a^*), y^{**} \rangle, b^{**} \rangle \\ &= \langle g^{*r***r}(g^{r***r}(x^*, a^*), y^{**}), b^{**} \rangle = \lim_{\beta} \langle g^{*r***r}(g^{r***r}(x^*, a^*), y^{**}), b_{\beta} \rangle \\ &= \lim_{\beta} \langle g^{*r***r}(y^{**}, g^{r***r}(x^*, a^*)), b_{\beta} \rangle = \lim_{\beta} \langle y^{**}, g^{*r***r}(g^{r***r}(x^*, a^*), b_{\beta}) \rangle \\ &= \lim_{\beta} \lim_{\gamma} \langle g^{*r***r}(g^{r***r}(x^*, a^*), b_{\beta}), y_{\gamma} \rangle = \lim_{\beta} \lim_{\gamma} \langle g^{r***r}(x^*, a^*), g^{*r***r}(b_{\beta}, y_{\gamma}) \rangle \\ &= \lim_{\beta} \lim_{\gamma} \langle x^*, g^{r***r}(a^*, g^{*r***r}(b_{\beta}, y_{\gamma})) \rangle = \lim_{\beta} \lim_{\gamma} \langle a^*, g^{*r***r}(g^{*r***r}(b_{\beta}, y_{\gamma}), x^*) \rangle \\ &= \lim_{\beta} \lim_{\gamma} \lim_{\alpha} \langle g^{*r***r}(g^{*r***r}(b_{\beta}, y_{\gamma}), x^*), a_{\alpha} \rangle = \lim_{\beta} \lim_{\gamma} \lim_{\alpha} \langle g^{*r***r}(b_{\beta}, y_{\gamma}), g^{*r***r}(x^*, a_{\alpha}) \rangle \\ &= \lim_{\beta} \lim_{\gamma} \lim_{\alpha} \langle b_{\beta}, g^{*r***r}(y_{\gamma}, g^{*r***r}(x^*, a_{\alpha})) \rangle = \lim_{\beta} \lim_{\gamma} \lim_{\alpha} \langle g^*(g^{*r***r}(x^*, a_{\alpha}), y_{\gamma}), b_{\beta} \rangle \\ &= \lim_{\beta} \lim_{\gamma} \lim_{\alpha} \langle g^{*r***r}(x^*, a_{\alpha}), g(y_{\gamma}, b_{\beta}) \rangle = \lim_{\beta} \lim_{\gamma} \lim_{\alpha} \langle x^*, g^r(a_{\alpha}, g(y_{\gamma}, b_{\beta})) \rangle \\ &= \lim_{\beta} \lim_{\gamma} \lim_{\alpha} \langle x^*, g(g(y_{\gamma}, b_{\beta}), a_{\alpha}) \rangle = \lim_{\beta} \lim_{\gamma} \lim_{\alpha} \langle g^*(x^*, g(y_{\gamma}, b_{\beta})), a_{\alpha} \rangle \\ &= \lim_{\beta} \lim_{\gamma} \langle a^*, g^*(x^*, g(y_{\gamma}, b_{\beta})) \rangle = \lim_{\beta} \lim_{\gamma} \langle g^{**}(a^*, x^*), g(y_{\gamma}, b_{\beta}) \rangle \\ &= \lim_{\beta} \lim_{\gamma} \langle g^*(g^{**}(a^*, x^*), y_{\gamma}), b_{\beta} \rangle = \lim_{\beta} \lim_{\gamma} \langle g^{**}(b_{\beta}, g^{**}(a^*, x^*)), y_{\gamma} \rangle \\ &= \lim_{\beta} \langle y^{**}, g^{**}(b_{\beta}, g^{**}(a^*, x^*)) \rangle = \lim_{\beta} \langle g^{***}(y^{**}, b_{\beta}), g^{**}(a^*, x^*) \rangle \\ &= \lim_{\beta} \langle g^{**}(a^*, x^*), g^{***}(y^{**}, b_{\beta}) \rangle = \lim_{\beta} \langle g^{***}(g^{**}(a^*, x^*), y^{**}), b_{\beta} \rangle \\ &= \langle g^{***}(g^{**}(a^*, x^*), y^{**}), b^{**} \rangle = \langle g^{**}(a^*, x^*), g^{***}(y^{**}, b^{**}) \rangle \\ &= \langle g^{**}(a^*, x^*), x^* \rangle = \langle g^{***}(x^*, a^*), x^* \rangle \end{aligned}$$

It follows that g is Arens regular ■

As an cosequence of this theorem we have the following result:

Corollary 2.5. Let X and A be normed spaces and $g : A \times X \rightarrow X$ is a bounded bilinear map. If $g^{r***r} : A^{**} \times X^{**} \rightarrow X^{**}$ factor and g^{*r} is Arens regular. Then g is Arens regular.

Arens regularity and reflexivity

In this section, we show that with which assumptions left strongly irregular property is equivalent to the right strongly irregular property.

Theorem 3.1. For a bounded bilinear map $f : X \times Y \rightarrow Z$,

- (i) If f^{****} factor then both f and f^{r*} are Arens regular if and only if Y is reflexive.
- (ii) If f^{r****r} factor then both f and f^* are Arens regular if and only if X is reflexive.

Proof. We only give a proof for (ii), A similar proof applies for (i). Let f and f^* are Arens regular by Corollary 2.3 $f^{r****r}(Y^{**}, Z^{***}) \subseteq X^*$. On the other hand f^{r****r} factors, So $f^{r****r}(Y^{**} \times Z^{***}) = X^{***}$. Therefore $X^{***} \subseteq X^*$. Conversely, using [8,2.3] is obvious ■

As an immediate consequence of Theorem 3.1 and [8,2.4], we have the next Corollary.

Corollary 3.2. If one of the two following statement is assumed:

- (i) f and f^* are Arens regular and f^{r****r} factor;
- (ii) f and f^{r*} are Arens regular and f^{****} factor;

Then every adjoint map and every flip map of f is Arens regular.

Corollary 3.3. Let f and f^* are Arens regular and f^{r****r} factor. Then f is left strongly irregular if and only if it is right strongly irregular.

Proof. The follows by applying Theorem 3.1 and [8, Theorem 2.5] ■

If X is reflexive. Then obviously bounded bilinear map f from $X \times Y$ into Z is Arens regular. But from Arens regularity f does not imply the reflexivity of X . The next Theorem, we use the Theorem 2.2 and show that if $f^{r*}(z^*, Y) = X^*$. Then X is reflexive.

Theorem 3.4. Let bounded bilinear map f from $X \times Y$ into Z is Arens regular and let Y is a Banach space. If $f^{r*}(z^*, Y) = X^*$ for some $z^* \in Z^*$. Then X is reflexive.

Proof. Let $h : Y \rightarrow X^*$ define by $h(y) = f^{r*}(z^*, y)$ for every $y \in Y$. Obviously $h^*(x^{**}) = f^{r**}(x^{**}, z^*)$ for every $x^{**} \in X^{**}$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle h^{**}(y^{**}), x^{***} \rangle &= \langle y^{**}, h^*(x^{**}) \rangle = \langle y^{**}, f^{r**}(x^{**}, z^*) \rangle \\ &= \langle f^{r***}(y^{**}, x^{**}), z^* \rangle = \langle f^{r****}(z^*, y^{**}), x^{**} \rangle = \langle f^{r****r}(y^{**}, z^*), x^{**} \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $h^{**}(y^{**}) = f^{r****r}(y^{**}, z^*)$ for every $y^{**} \in Y^{**}$. Now Theorem 2.2 implies that $f^{r****r}(Y^{**}, Z^*) \subseteq X^*$. Since $f^{r*}(z^*, Y) = X^*$ thus h is onto. Therefore h^{**} from Y^{**} into X^{***} is onto. Let $x^{***} \in X^{***}$ so there exists $y^{**} \in Y^{**}$ such that $x^{***} = h^{**}(y^{**}) = f^{r****r}(y^{**}, z^*) \in X^*$. Thus X is reflexive ■

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