

A SHORT INTRODUCTION TO BANACH LATTICES AND POSITIVE OPERATORS

In this chapter we give a brief introduction to Banach lattices and positive operators. Most results of this chapter can be found, e.g., in [26], [1] or [21].

1.1 BANACH LATTICES

A non empty set M with a relation \leq is said to be an *ordered set* if the following conditions are satisfied.

- i) $x \leq x$ for every $x \in M$,
- ii) $x \leq y$ and $y \leq x$ implies $x = y$, and
- iii) $x \leq y$ and $y \leq z$ implies $x \leq z$.

Let A be a subset of an ordered set M . The element $x \in M$ (resp. $z \in M$) is called an *upper bound* (*lower bound* resp.) of A if $y \leq x$ for all $y \in A$ (resp. $z \leq y$ for all $y \in A$). Moreover, if there is an upper bound (resp. lower bound) of A , then A is said *bounded from above* (*bounded from below* resp.). If A is bounded from above and from below, then A is called *order bounded*. Let $x, y \in M$ such that $x \leq y$. We denote by

$$[x, y] := \{z \in M : x \leq z \leq y\}$$

the *order interval* between x and y . It is obvious that a subset A is order bounded if and only if it is contained in some order interval.

Definition 1.1.1 A real vector space E which is ordered by some order relation \leq is called a vector lattice if any two elements $x, y \in E$ have a least upper bound denoted by $x \vee y = \sup(x, y)$ and a greatest lower bound denoted by $x \wedge y = \inf(x, y)$ and the following properties are satisfied.

(L1) $x \leq y$ implies $x + z \leq y + z$ for all $x, y, z \in E$,

(L2) $0 \leq x$ implies $0 \leq tx$ for all $x \in E$ and $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$.

Let E be a vector lattice. We denote by $E_+ := \{x \in E : 0 \leq x\}$ the positive cone of E . For $x \in E$ let

$$x^+ := x \vee 0, x^- := (-x) \vee 0, \text{ and } |x| := x \vee (-x)$$

be the positive part, the negative part, and the absolute value of x , respectively. Two elements $x, y \in E$ are called orthogonal (or lattice disjoint) (denoted by $x \perp y$) if $|x| \wedge |y| = 0$.

For a vector lattice E we have the following properties (cf. [26, Proposition II.1.4, Corollary II.1.1 and II.1.2] or [21, Theorem 1.1.1]).

Proposition 1.1.2 For all $x, y, z \in E$ and $a \in \mathbb{R}$ the following assertions are satisfied.

$$\begin{aligned} (i) \quad & x + y = (x \vee y) + (x \wedge y), \\ & x \vee y = -(-x) \wedge (-y), \\ & (x \vee y) + z = (x + z) \vee (y + z), \\ & \text{and } (x \wedge y) + z = (x + z) \wedge (y + z). \end{aligned}$$

$$(ii) \quad x = x^+ - x^-.$$

$$(iii) \quad |x| = x^+ + x^-, |ax| = |a||x|, \text{ and } |x + y| \leq |x| + |y|.$$

(iv) $x^+ \perp x^-$ and the decomposition of x into the difference of two orthogonal positive elements is unique.

$$(v) \quad x \leq y \text{ is equivalent to } x^+ \leq y^+ \text{ and } y^- \leq x^-.$$

(vi) $x \perp y$ is equivalent to $|x| \vee |y| = |x| + |y|$. In this case we have $|x + y| = |x| + |y|$.

$$(vii) \quad (x \vee y) \wedge z = (x \wedge z) \vee (y \wedge z) \text{ and } (x \wedge y) \vee z = (x \vee z) \wedge (y \vee z).$$

(viii) For all $x, y, z \in E_+$ we have $(x + y) \wedge z \leq (x \wedge z) + (y \wedge z)$.

$$(ix) \quad |x - y| = (x \vee y) - (x \wedge y), \text{ and } |x - y| = |(x \vee z) - (y \vee z)| + |(x \wedge z) - (y \wedge z)|.$$

A norm on a vector lattice E is called a lattice norm if

$$|x| \leq |y| \text{ implies } \|x\| \leq \|y\| \quad \text{for } x, y \in E.$$

Definition 1.1.3 A Banach lattice is a real Banach space E endowed with an ordering \leq such that (E, \leq) is a vector lattice and the norm on E is a lattice norm.

For a Banach lattice E the following properties hold (cf. [26, Proposition II.5.2] or [21, Proposition 1.1.6]).

Proposition 1.1.4 *Let E be a Banach lattice. Then,*

- (a) *the lattice operations are continuous,*
- (b) *the positive cone E_+ is closed, and*
- (c) *order intervals are closed and bounded.*

• **Sublattices, solids, bands and ideals**

A vector subspace F of a vector lattice E is a *vector sublattice* if and only if the following are satisfied.

- (1) $|x| \in F$ for all $x \in F$,
- (2) $x^+ \in F$ or $x^- \in F$ for all $x \in F$.

A subset S of a vector lattice E is called *solid* if $x \in S$, $|y| \leq |x|$ implies $y \in S$. Thus a norm on a vector lattice is a lattice norm if and only if its unit ball is solid. A solid linear subspace is called an *ideal*. Ideals are automatically vector sublattices since $|x \vee y| \leq |x| + |y|$. One can see that a subspace I of a Banach lattice E is an ideal if and only if

$$x \in I \text{ implies } |x| \in I \text{ and } 0 \leq y \leq x \in I \text{ implies } y \in I.$$

Consequently, a vector sublattice F is an ideal in E if $x \in F$ and $0 \leq y \leq x$ imply $y \in F$. A subspace $B \subseteq E$ is a *band* in E if B is an ideal in E and $\sup(M)$ is contained in B whenever M is contained in B and has an upper bound (supremum) in E . Since the notion of sublattice, ideal, band are invariant under the formation of arbitrary intersections, there exists, for any subset M of E , a uniquely determined smallest sublattice (ideal, band) of E containing M . This will be called the sublattice (ideal, band) generated by M .

Next, we summarize all properties which we will need in the sequel (cf. [21, Proposition 1.1.5, 1.2.3 and 1.2.5]).

Proposition 1.1.5 *If E is a Banach lattice, then the following properties hold.*

- (i) *If I_1, I_2 are ideals of E , then $I_1 + I_2$ is an ideal and if furthermore I_1 and I_2 are closed, then $I_1 + I_2$ is also a closed ideal.*
- (ii) *The closure of every solid subset of E is solid.*
- (iii) *The closure of every sublattice of E is a sublattice.*
- (iv) *The closure of every ideal of E is an ideal.*
- (v) *Every band in E is closed.*

(vi) For every non-empty subset $A \subset E$, the ideal generated by A is given by

$$I(A) = \bigcup \{n[-y, y] : n \in \mathbb{N}, y = |x_1| \vee \dots \vee |x_r|, x_1, \dots, x_r \in A\}.$$

(vii) For every $x \in E_+$, the ideal generated by $\{x\}$ is

$$E_x = \bigcup \{n[-x, x] : n \in \mathbb{N}\}.$$

Example 1.1.6 1. If $E = L^p(\Omega, \mu)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, where μ is σ -finite, then the closed ideals in E are characterized as follows: A subspace I of E is a closed ideal if and only if there exists a measurable subset Y of Ω such that

$$I = \{\psi \in E : \psi(x) = 0 \text{ a.e. } x \in Y\}.$$

2. If $E = C_0(X)$, where X is a locally compact topological space, then a subspace J of E is a closed ideal if and only if there is a closed subset A of X such that

$$J = \{\varphi \in E : \varphi(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in A\}.$$

Let E be a Banach lattice. If $E_e = E$ holds for some $e \in E_+$, then e is called an *order unit*. If $\overline{E_e} = E$, then $e \in E_+$ is called a *quasi interior point* of E_+ . It follows that e is an order unit of E if and only if e is an interior point of E_+ . Quasi interior points of the positive cone exist, for example, in every separable Banach lattice.

Example 1.1.7 1. If $E = C(K)$, K compact, then the function constant $\mathbb{1}_K$ equal to 1 is an order unit. In fact, for every $f \in E$, there is $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\|f\|_\infty \leq n$. Hence, $|f(s)| \leq n\mathbb{1}_K(s)$ for all $s \in K$. This implies $f \in n[-\mathbb{1}_K, \mathbb{1}_K]$.

2. If $E = L^p(\mu)$ with σ -finite measure μ and $1 \leq p < \infty$, then the quasi interior points of E_+ coincide with the μ -a.e. strictly positive functions, while E_+ does not contain any interior point.

• Spaces with order continuous norm

If the norm on E satisfies

$$\|x \vee y\| = \sup(\|x\|, \|y\|) \text{ for } x, y \in E_+$$

then E is called an *AM-space*. The above condition implies that the dual norm satisfies

$$\|x^* + y^*\| = \|x^*\| + \|y^*\| \text{ for } x^*, y^* \in E_+^*.$$

Such spaces are called *AL-spaces*.

Definition 1.1.8 The norm of a Banach lattice E is called *order continuous* if every monotone order bounded sequence of E is convergent.

One can prove the following result (cf. [21, Theorem 2.4.2]).

Proposition 1.1.9 *A Banach lattice E has order continuous norm if and only if every order interval of E is weakly compact.*

As a consequence one obtains the following examples.

Example 1.1.10 *Every reflexive Banach lattice and every L^1 -space has order continuous norm.*

The Banach space dual E^* of a Banach lattice E is a Banach lattice with respect to the ordering \leq defined by

$$0 \leq x^* \text{ if and only if } \langle x, x^* \rangle \geq 0 \text{ for all } x \in E_+.$$

A linear form $x^* \in E^*$ is called *strictly positive* if $\langle x, x^* \rangle > 0$ (notation: $x^* > 0$) for all $0 \not\leq x$ (means $0 \leq x$ and $x \neq 0$). The absolute value of $x^* \in E^*$ being given by

$$\langle x, |x^*| \rangle = \sup\{\langle y, x^* \rangle : |y| \leq x\}, \quad x \in E_+.$$

• Hahn-Banach's theorem

The following results are consequences of the Hahn-Banach theorem.

Proposition 1.1.11 *Let E be a Banach lattice. Then $0 \leq x$ is equivalent to $\langle x, x^* \rangle \geq 0$ for all $x^* \in E_+^*$.*

Proposition 1.1.12 *Let E be a Banach lattice. For each $0 \not\leq x \in E$ there exists $x^* \in E_+^*$ such that $\|x^*\| = 1$ and $\langle x, x^* \rangle = \|x\|$.*

Proposition 1.1.13 *In a Banach lattice E every weakly convergent increasing sequence (x_n) is norm-convergent.*

Proof: Let $A := \{\sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i : n \in \mathbb{N}, a_i \geq 0, a_1 + \dots + a_n = 1\}$ be the convex hull of $\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. By the Hahn-Banach theorem, the norm-closure of A coincide with the weak closure. This implies that $x \in \overline{A}$, where $x := \text{weak} - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$. Thus, for $\varepsilon > 0$ there exist

$$y = a_1 x_1 + \dots + a_n x_n \in A, \quad a_1, \dots, a_n \geq 0, \quad a_1 + \dots + a_n = 1,$$

such that $\|y - x\| < \varepsilon$. Since $x_k \leq x$, it follows that $\|x - x_k\| \leq \|x - y\| < \varepsilon$ for all $k \geq n$. \square

The following lemma will be useful in the proof of Proposition 2.5.3.

Lemma 1.1.14 *Let E be a totally ordered (this means $x \in E \Rightarrow 0 \leq x$ or $x \leq 0$) real Banach lattice. Then $\dim E \leq 1$.*

Proof: Let $e \in E_+$ and $x \in E$. We consider the closed subsets $C_+ := \{\alpha \in \mathbb{R} : \alpha e \geq x\}$ and $C_- := \{\alpha \in \mathbb{R} : \alpha e \leq x\}$ of \mathbb{R} . It is obvious that $C_+ \cup C_- = \mathbb{R}$. Since \mathbb{R} is connected, it follows that $C_+ \cap C_- \neq \emptyset$. Hence there is $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $x = \alpha e$. \square

• **Complexification of real Banach lattices** (cf. [26, II.11])

It is often necessary to consider complex vector spaces (for instance in spectral theory). Therefore, we introduce the concept of a complex Banach lattice.

The complexification of a real Banach lattice E is the complex Banach space $E_{\mathbb{C}}$ whose elements are pairs $(x, y) \in E \times E$, with addition and scalar multiplication defined by $(x_0, y_0) + (x_1, y_1) := (x_0 + x_1, y_0 + y_1)$ and $(a + ib)(x, y) := (ax - by, ay + bx)$, and norm

$$\|(x, y)\| := \left\| \sup_{0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi} (x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta) \right\|.$$

One can show that the above supremum exists in E (cf. [26], p. 134). By identifying $(x, 0) \in E_{\mathbb{C}}$ with $x \in E$, E is isometrically isomorphic to a real linear subspace of $E_{\mathbb{C}}$. We write $0 \leq x \in E_{\mathbb{C}}$ if and only if $x \in E_+$.

A complex Banach lattice is an ordered complex Banach space $(E_{\mathbb{C}}, \leq)$ that arises as the complexification of a real Banach lattice E . The underlying real Banach lattice E is called the real part of $E_{\mathbb{C}}$ and is uniquely determined as the closed linear span of all $x \in (E_{\mathbb{C}})_+$.

Instead of the notation (x, y) for elements of $E_{\mathbb{C}}$, we usually write $x + iy$. The complex conjugate of an element $z = x + iy \in E_{\mathbb{C}}$ is the element $\bar{z} = x - iy$. We use also the notation $\Re(z) := x$ for $z = x + iy \in E_{\mathbb{C}}$. The modulus $|\cdot|$ in E extends to $E_{\mathbb{C}}$ by

$$|x + iy| := \sup_{0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi} (x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta).$$

All concepts first introduced for real Banach lattices have a natural extension to complex Banach lattices. A complex Banach lattice has order continuous norm if its real part has.

1.2 POSITIVE OPERATORS

This section is concerned with positive operators and their properties. Let E, F be two complex Banach lattices. A linear operator T from E into F is called *positive* (notation: $T \geq 0$) if $TE_+ \subset F_+$, which is equivalent to

$$|Tx| \leq T|x| \quad \text{for all } x \in E.$$

Every positive linear operator $T : E \rightarrow F$ is continuous (cf. [21, Proposition 1.3.5]). Furthermore,

$$\|T\| = \sup\{\|Tx\| : x \in E_+, \|x\| \leq 1\}.$$

We denote by $\mathcal{L}(E, F)_+$ the set of all positive linear operators from E into F . For positive operators one can prove the following properties.

Proposition 1.2.1 *Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(E, F)_+$. Then the following properties hold.*

- (i) $(Tx)^+ \leq Tx^+$ and $(Tx)^- \leq Tx^-$ for all $x \in E_{\mathbb{R}}$.
- (ii) If $S \in \mathcal{L}(E, F)$ such that $0 \leq S \leq T$ (this means that $0 \leq Sx \leq Tx$ for all $x \in E_+$), then $\|S\| \leq \|T\|$.

Let $(A, D(A))$ be a linear operator on a Banach lattice E . It is a *resolvent positive operator* if there is $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $(\omega, \infty) \subseteq \rho(A)$ and $0 \leq R(\lambda, A)$ for all $\lambda > \omega$. A C_0 -semigroup on E is called *positive* if $0 \leq T(t)$ for all $t \geq 0$. Since

$$R(\lambda, A) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\lambda t} T(t) dt \text{ for } \lambda > \omega_0(A) \text{ and}$$

$$T(t)x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{t} R\left(\frac{n}{t}, A\right) \right)^n x$$

for all $x \in E$ and $t \geq 0$ (cf. [2, Corollary 3.3.6]), it follows that a C_0 -semigroup on a Banach lattice E is positive if and only if its generator is resolvent positive operator.

For resolvent positive operators one has the following result (see [2, Theorem 3.11.8]).

Theorem 1.2.2 *Let E be a Banach lattice with order continuous norm. If A is a resolvent positive operator, then $\overline{D(A)}$ is an ideal in E .*

Proof: Since E is the complexification of a real Banach lattice $E_{\mathbb{R}}$ and $R(\lambda, A)E_{\mathbb{R}} \subseteq E_{\mathbb{R}}$, $\lambda > \omega$, we have $\Re(z) \in \overline{D(A)}$ for $z \in \overline{D(A)}$. Remark that if I is a closed ideal of $E_{\mathbb{R}}$, then $I \oplus iI$ is a closed ideal of E . Therefore we can suppose, without loss of generality, that E is a real Banach lattice. Moreover, we assume $s(A) < 0$, by considering $A - \omega$ instead of A otherwise.

a) Let $0 \leq y \leq R(0, A)x$, $x \in E_+$. We claim that $y \in \overline{D(A)}$. In fact, for $\lambda > 0$ we have

$$0 \leq \lambda R(\lambda, A)y \leq \lambda R(\lambda, A)R(0, A)x = R(0, A)x - R(\lambda, A)x \leq R(0, A)x.$$

From Proposition 1.1.3 it follows that $[0, R(0, A)x]$ is weakly compact. Hence, there is $z \in E$ such that $z = \text{weak} - \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \lambda R(\lambda, A)y$. In particular, $z \in \overline{D(A)}$ (because $\overline{D(A)} = \overline{D(A)}^{\text{weak}}$). Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{weak} - \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} (R(0, A)y - R(\lambda, A)y) &= \text{weak} - \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \lambda R(\lambda, A)R(0, A)y \\ &= R(0, A)z. \end{aligned}$$

Since $0 \leq R(\lambda, A)y \leq \frac{1}{\lambda} R(0, A)x$, we have $R(0, A)y = R(0, A)z$ and hence $y = z$.

b) Let $y \in \overline{D(A)}$. Then there is $(y_n) \subseteq D(A)$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y$. Moreover, there exists $x_n \in E$ with $y_n = R(0, A)x_n$ and then $0 \leq |y_n| \leq R(0, A)|x_n|$. Now **a)** implies that $|y_n| \in \overline{D(A)}$ and hence $|y| \in \overline{D(A)}$.

c) Let $0 \leq y \leq x \in \overline{D(A)}$. Let $(x_n) \in D(A)$ with $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$. From **b**) we have $|x_n| \in \overline{D(A)}$. On the other hand,

$$y \wedge |x_n| \leq |x_n| = |R(0, A)Ax_n| \leq R(0, A)|Ax_n|$$

and **a**) implies that $y \wedge |x_n| \in \overline{D(A)}$. Hence,

$$y = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y \wedge |x_n| \in \overline{D(A)}.$$

□

Positive operators on $C(K)$ with $T\mathbb{I}_K = \mathbb{I}_K$ are contraction operators (cf. [22, B.III. Lemma 2.1]).

Lemma 1.2.3 *Suppose that K is compact and $T : C(K) \rightarrow C(K)$ is a linear operator satisfying $T\mathbb{I}_K = \mathbb{I}_K$. Then $0 \leq T$ if and only if $\|T\| \leq 1$.*

Proof: If $0 \leq T$, then

$$\|Tf\| \leq T\|f\| \leq T(\|f\|_\infty \mathbb{I}_K) = \|f\|_\infty \mathbb{I}_K.$$

Hence $\|T\| \leq 1$.

To prove the converse, we first observe that

$$-\mathbb{I}_K \leq f \leq \mathbb{I}_K \Leftrightarrow \|f - ir\mathbb{I}_K\|_\infty \leq \rho_r := \sqrt{1 + r^2} \text{ for all } r \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (1.1)$$

Let $f \in C(K)$ with $0 \leq f \leq 2\mathbb{I}_K$. Then $-\mathbb{I}_K \leq f - \mathbb{I}_K \leq \mathbb{I}_K$. By (1.1) we have $\|f - \mathbb{I}_K - ir\mathbb{I}_K\|_\infty \leq \rho_r$ for all $r \in \mathbb{R}$. Since $T\mathbb{I}_K = \mathbb{I}_K$ and $\|T\| \leq 1$, $\|Tf - \mathbb{I}_K - ir\mathbb{I}_K\|_\infty \leq \rho_r$ for all $r \in \mathbb{R}$. So by (1.1) we obtain $-\mathbb{I}_K \leq Tf - \mathbb{I}_K \leq \mathbb{I}_K$. This implies $0 \leq Tf \leq 2\mathbb{I}_K$. □

• Lattice homomorphism and signum operators

Let E, F be two Banach lattices and $T \in \mathcal{L}(E, F)$. It is called *lattice homomorphism* if one of the following equivalent conditions is satisfied (cf. [21, Proposition 1.3.11]).

- (a) $T(x \vee y) = Tx \vee Ty$ and $T(x \wedge y) = Tx \wedge Ty$ for all $x, y \in E$.
- (b) $|Tx| = T|x|$, $x \in E$.
- (c) $Tx^+ \wedge Tx^- = 0$, $x \in E$.

The following result, due to Kakutani, shows that for every $e \in E_+$ the generated ideal satisfies $E_e \cong C(K)$ for some compact K . Here, E_e is equipped with the norm $\|x\|_e := \inf\{\lambda > 0 : x \in \lambda[-e, e]\}$, $x \in E_e$ (cf. [21, Theorem 2.1.3]).

Theorem 1.2.4 *Let $e \in E_+$ and take E_e the ideal generated by e . Let $B := \{x^* \in (E_e)_+^* : \langle e, x^* \rangle = 1\}$ and $K = \text{ex}(B)$ the set of all extreme points of B . Then K is $\sigma(E^*, E)$ -compact and the mapping $U_e : E_e \ni x \mapsto f_x \in C(K)$; $f_x(x^*) = \langle x, x^* \rangle$, $x^* \in K$, is an isometric lattice isomorphism.*

If $|h|$ is a quasi interior point of E_+ , then $E_{|h|}$ is a dense subspace of E isomorphic to a space $C(K)$. Consider the lattice isomorphism $U_{|h|}$ from Kakutani's theorem. Let $\tilde{h} := U_{|h|}h$. Then, $|\tilde{h}| = U_{|h|}|h| = \mathbb{1}_K$. Consider the operator

$$\tilde{S}_0 : C(K) \rightarrow C(K); f \mapsto (\text{sign}\tilde{h})f := \frac{\tilde{h}}{|\tilde{h}|}f = \tilde{h}f,$$

and put $S_h := U_{|h|}^{-1}\tilde{S}_0U_{|h|}$. Then S_h is a linear mapping from $E_{|h|}$ into itself satisfying

- (i) $S_h\bar{h} = |h|$,
- (ii) $|S_hx| \leq |x|$ for every $x \in E_{|h|}$,
- (iii) $S_hx = 0$ for every $x \in E_{|h|}$ orthogonal to h .

Since (ii) implies the continuity of S_h for the norm induced by E and $\overline{E_{|h|}} = E$, S_h can be uniquely extended to E . This extension will be also denoted by S_h and is called *signum operator* with respect to h .

We now give the following auxiliary result which we need in Section 2.5. See [22, B.III. Lemma 2.3] for a similar result.

Lemma 1.2.5 *Let $T, R \in \mathcal{L}(E)$ and assume that $|h|$ is a quasi interior point of E_+ . Suppose we have $Rh = h$, $T|h| = |h|$, and $|Rx| \leq T|x|$ for all $x \in E$. Then $T = S_h^{-1}RS_h$.*

Proof: It follows from $|Rx| \leq T|x|$, $x \in E$, that T is a positive operator. Since $T|h| = |h|$, $E_{|h|}$ is T - and R -invariant. Consider the operators $\tilde{T} := U_{|h|}TU_{|h|}^{-1}$, $\tilde{R} := U_{|h|}RU_{|h|}^{-1}$, and put $\tilde{h} := U_{|h|}h$. We then have

$$\tilde{R}\tilde{h} = \tilde{h}, \tilde{T}\mathbb{1}_K = \mathbb{1}_K, |\tilde{R}f| \leq \tilde{T}|f| \text{ for all } f \in C(K). \quad (1.2)$$

Define $T_1 := M_{\tilde{h}}^{-1}\tilde{R}M_{\tilde{h}}$, where $M_{\tilde{h}}$ is the multiplication operator by \tilde{h} on $C(K)$. By (1.2) we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_1\mathbb{1}_K &= \mathbb{1}_K \quad \text{and} \\ |T_1f| &= |M_{\tilde{h}}^{-1}\tilde{R}M_{\tilde{h}}f| = |\tilde{R}M_{\tilde{h}}f| \leq \tilde{T}|M_{\tilde{h}}f| = \tilde{T}|f| \end{aligned} \quad (1.3)$$

for all $f \in C(K)$. Hence $\|T_1\| \leq \|\tilde{T}\| = \|\tilde{T}\mathbb{1}_K\|_\infty = 1$. So by Lemma 1.2.3, T_1 is a positive operator and (1.3) implies that $0 \leq T_1 \leq \tilde{T}$. Therefore, $\|\tilde{T} - T_1\| = \|(\tilde{T} - T_1)\mathbb{1}_K\|_\infty = 0$. Since $|\tilde{h}| = |U_{|h|}h| = U_{|h|}|h| = \mathbb{1}_K$, it follows that $\tilde{S}_0 = M_{\tilde{h}}$. Thus, $S_h = U_{|h|}^{-1}M_{\tilde{h}}U_{|h|}$ and $T_1 = \tilde{T}$ implies that $T = S_h^{-1}RS_h$. \square