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• Calkin algebra

 $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$: alg of bounded ops. on \mathcal{H} $\mathcal{K}(\mathcal{H})$: subalg of cpt. ops.

(closure of fin. rank ops.)

Calkin algebra $\mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{H}) = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}) / \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{H})$

$$= \{ [T] : T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}), [T] = [T'] \text{ iff } T - T' \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{H}) \}$$

$$[T] \cdot [T'] = [TT'], [T] + [T'] = [T + T']$$
Rem. This is a C^* -alg for $[T]^* = [T^*]$

$$\|[T]\| = \min_{[T'] = [T]} \|T'\| = \min_{S \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{H})} \|T + S\|$$

satisfies $\|[T]^* [T]\| = \|[T]\|^2$ Lem. $M, N \subset \mathcal{H}$ closed subsp. $\dim N < \infty$ $\Rightarrow M + N$ is closed in \mathcal{H} Proof What we use: unit ball \mathcal{N}_1 is cpt.Step 1 we may assume $M \cap N = 0$. \therefore Replace N by $N \cap M^\perp$.Step 2. If $u_n \in M, v_n \in N$ s.t. $u_n + v_n \rightarrow w$ ($n \rightarrow \infty$), then $(v_n)_n$ bdd.• Otherwise choose subseq. $v_{n_1}, v_{n_2}, \dots, \|v_{n_k}\| \rightarrow \infty$ By cptness of $\mathcal{N}_1, \frac{v_{n_k}}{\|v_{n_k}\|}$ has conv.subseq. $z = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{v_{m_j}}{\|v_{m_j}\|}, \|z\| = 1$.

$$u_{m_j} + v_{m_j} \rightarrow w \quad \text{so} \quad \frac{1}{\|v_{m_j}\|} (u_{m_j} + v_{m_j}) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{Then } \frac{u_{m_j}}{\|v_{m_j}\|} \rightarrow -z \quad \text{i.e.} \quad z \in M \cap N$$

contradiction. (to $M \cap N = 0$)

Step 3. $w \in M + N$.

∵ We know $\|v_n\| \leq R$ for some $R > 0$

By cptness of $N_R \exists$ subseq. $(v_{n_k})_k$

$$v_{n_k} \rightarrow v_\infty \in N_R$$

$$u_{n_k} + v_{n_k} \rightarrow w \Rightarrow v_{n_k} \rightarrow w - v_\infty$$

$$M \text{ closed} \Rightarrow w - v_\infty \in M$$

$$\Rightarrow w = (w - v_\infty) + v_\infty \in M + N \quad \square$$

Thm (Atkinson) $T: H \rightarrow H$ is Fredholm

$$\Leftrightarrow [T] \in \mathcal{Q}(H) \text{ is invertible.}$$

Proof \Leftarrow :

$$\text{Step 1 } \exists A \in \mathcal{L}(H), B \in \mathcal{K}(H) \text{ s.t. } AT = I + B$$

$$\because [T] \text{ invertible} \Rightarrow \exists A \text{ s.t. } [A] \cdot [T] = [I]$$

$$\Rightarrow AT - I \in \mathcal{K}(H)$$

Step 2 $\dim \text{Ker } T < \infty$

$$\because T u = 0 \Rightarrow (I + B) u = 0 \Rightarrow u = -B u \in \text{Ran } B$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Ker } T = \text{Ran } \underbrace{P_{\text{Ker } T} B}_{\text{orth. prj}} \text{ } \overset{\text{cpt}}{\text{cpt}}$$

open map by open map thm

$$P_{\text{Ker } T} B (H_1) \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{contains an open ball} \\ \text{has norm cpt closure} \end{array} \right.$$

open ball has norm cpt closure \Leftrightarrow fin. dim

Step 3 $\text{Ker } T^* < \infty$.

$\therefore A' T^* = I + B'$ from invertibility of $[T]^*$.

Step 4

Take C finite rank w/ $\|B - C\| < \frac{1}{2}$

$\Rightarrow T \text{ Ker } C$ is closed

$\therefore T|_{\text{Ker } C}$ is bounded below

Suppose $u \in \text{Ker } C$

$$\|A\| \cdot \|T u\| \geq \|A T u\| = \|(I + B) u\|$$

$$= \|\underbrace{(I + C)}_u u + (B - C) u\| \geq \|u\| - \|(B - C) u\| > \frac{1}{2} \|u\|$$

Step 5 $\text{Ran } T$ is closed

$$\therefore \text{Ran } T = T(\text{Ker } C) + T(\text{Ker } C^\perp)$$

$\text{Ker } C^\perp$ is fin. dim. (same as rank C)

\leadsto Lem. is applicable.

\Rightarrow :

Step 1 $T_0 = T|_{(\text{Ker } T)^\perp} : (\text{Ker } T)^\perp \rightarrow \text{Ran } T$
is invertible.

\therefore Bijective map between Banach sp.

\Rightarrow inverse is bdd. (open mapping thm)

Step 2 Define $A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ by

$$A u = T_0^{-1} v \quad \text{for } u = v + w$$

$$v \in \text{Ran } T, w \in (\text{Ran } T)^\perp$$

Then $[A] = [T]^{-1}$ in $\mathcal{Q}(H)$

$$\therefore AT = I - \underbrace{P_{\text{Ker } T}}_{\substack{\leftarrow \\ \text{finite rank proj} \rightarrow}}, \quad TA = I - \underbrace{P_{(\text{Ran } T)^\perp}}_{\substack{\leftarrow \\ \text{finite rank proj} \rightarrow}}$$

Cor. (of last step)

$$\text{Ind}(T) = \underbrace{\text{Tr}(I - TA)}_{P_{\text{Ker } T}} - \underbrace{\text{Tr}(I - AT)}_{P_{\text{Ker } T}}$$

Prop. Suppose $Q \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ also satisfies

$$QT - I, \quad TQ - I \quad \text{finite rank}$$

Then $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} Q - A \text{ fin. rk} \\ \text{Ind } T = \text{Tr}(I - TQ) - \text{Tr}(I - QT) \end{array} \right.$

Proof. Step 1 $Q - A$ fin. rk.

$$\therefore (Q - A) = \underbrace{(Q - A)TA}_{\text{diff. of fin. rk} \rightarrow \text{fin. rk}} + \underbrace{(Q - A)(I - TA)}_{\text{fin. rk}}$$

Step 2 $\text{Ind } T = \dots$

$$\therefore \text{Tr}(TF - FT) = 0 \quad \text{for } \text{rk } F < \infty$$

Cor. $\forall F$ fin. $\text{Ind}(T + F) = \text{Ind}(T)$

$$\therefore (T + F)A - I, \quad A(T + F) - I \quad \text{fin. rk.}$$

Fact. We can repl. above by " $F \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{H})$ "