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Remark: If for "sufficiently many" z
 $(ze-a)^{-1} \in \langle a \rangle_e$ (closed alg.)
 then for any $f \in \mathcal{H}^1(\langle a \rangle_e)$ and any suitable contour system Γ

$$f(a) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(z) \underbrace{(ze-a)^{-1}}_{\in \langle a \rangle_e} dz \in \langle a \rangle_e$$

Compact & Fredholm Operators

Def] Let X be a Ban space.

$$K(X) = \{ K \in B(X); \overline{K(b_1(X))} \text{ is compact in } X \}$$

 We call elements of $K(X)$ compact operators.

Remark: For $K \in B(X)$, TFAE

- (i) $K \in K(X)$
- (ii) $K(b_1(X))$ is totally bounded: given $\varepsilon > 0 \exists \{x_1, \dots, x_m\} \in b_1(X)$ st

$$K(b_1(X)) \subset \bigcup_{j=1}^m (Kx_j + \varepsilon b_1(X))$$
- (iii) Any sequence $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset b_1(X)$ has that $(Kx_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ admits a converging subsequence (to a point in $\overline{K(b_1(X))}$).

Proposition: $K(X)$ is a closed ideal in $B(X)$.

Proof: Let us see that $K(X)$ is norm-closed. Suppose $(K_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset K(X)$,
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} K_n = K$ in $B(X)$. Given $\varepsilon > 0$, let n be so $\|K_n - K\| < \varepsilon/3$. Find $x_1, \dots, x_m \in b_1(X)$ st

$$\bigcup_{j=1}^m (K_n x_j + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} b_1(X)) \supset K_n(b_1(X))$$

If $x \in b_1(X)$, then there is x_j ($j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$) so that $\|K_n x - K_n x_j\| < \varepsilon/3$

Hence

$$\|Kx - Kx_j\| \leq \underbrace{\|Kx - K_n x\|}_{\leq \|K - K_n\| < \varepsilon/3} + \underbrace{\|K_n x - K_n x_j\|}_{< \varepsilon/3} + \underbrace{\|K_n x_j - Kx_j\|}_{\leq \|K - K_n\| < \varepsilon/3} < \varepsilon.$$

ie $K(b_1(X)) \subset \bigcup_{j=1}^m (Kx_j + \varepsilon b_1(X))$.

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If $K, L \in K(X)$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$, $(x_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset B_r(X)$, then there is a subsequence of $(Kx_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$, $(Lx_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converge. Hence $((K+\alpha L)(x_n))_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges. Finally, if $S \in B(X)$,

$$SK(b, (x)) \subseteq S(\overbrace{K(b, (x))}^{\text{compact}})$$

B compact as S continuous.

$$KS(b, (x)) \subseteq K(\|S\|b, (x)) = \|S\| \underbrace{K(b, (x))}_{\text{pre-compact}}$$

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Remarks:

(i) If Y is another Ban space, $T \in B(X, Y)$, $S \in B(Y, X)$ then for $K \in K(X)$ we have $TKS \in K(Y)$.

(ii) Let

$$\mathcal{F}(X) = \{F \in B(X); \text{rank } F = \dim F(X) \text{ is finite}\}$$

It is clear that

- $\mathcal{F}(X)$ is an ideal in $B(X)$
- $\mathcal{F}(X) \subseteq K(X)$ (Heine-Borel)

Let $A(X) = \overline{\mathcal{F}(X)} \subseteq B(X)$. So $A(X)$ is a closed ideal and $A(X) \subseteq K(X)$. We call elements of $A(X)$ approximable operators.

Dark Fact: Sometimes $A(X) \neq K(X)$

$X = B(H)$ (H Hilbert) does not admit $A(X) = K(X)$.

Def: We say that a Banach space X has approximation property if there exists a net $(F_\nu)_{\nu \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \mathcal{F}(X)$ such that for any compact $\Omega \subset X$,

$$\lim_{\nu \in \mathbb{N}} \sup_{x \in \Omega} \|F_\nu x - x\| = 0.$$

Proposition: If X has approx. property then $A(X) = K(X)$.

Proof: Let $(F_\nu)_{\nu \in \mathbb{N}}$ be as above. Then if $K \in K(X)$, we have

$$\|F_\nu K - K\| = \sup_{x \in B_r(X)} \|(F_\nu K - K)x\| \leq \sup_{y \in K(B_r(X))} \|F_\nu y - y\| \xrightarrow{\nu \in \mathbb{N}} 0.$$

Thus

$$K = \lim_{v \in \mathbb{N}} F_v K \in A(\mathcal{X}).$$

We already saw that $A(\mathcal{X}) \subseteq K(\mathcal{X})$. □

Lemma: If we have a net $(T_v)_{v \in \mathbb{N}} \subset B(\mathcal{X})$, and T in $B(\mathcal{X})$ st.

(a) $M = \sup_{v \in \mathbb{N}} \|T_v\| < \infty$,

(b) $\forall x \in \mathcal{X}, \lim_{v \in \mathbb{N}} \|(T_v - T)x\| = 0$,

then for any compact $\Omega \subseteq \mathcal{X}$,

$$\lim_{v \in \mathbb{N}} \sup_{x \in \Omega} \|(T_v - T)x\| = 0.$$

Remark: If $\mathbb{N} = \mathbb{N}$, then by uniform bdd principle shows (b) \Rightarrow (a).

Proof: Let for each $v \in \mathbb{N}$, $f_v \in C(\Omega)$, $f_v(x) = \|(T_v - T)x\|$. Then

$$\|f_v\|_{\infty} = \sup_{x \in \Omega} f_v(x) = \sup_{x \in \Omega} \|(T_v - T)x\| \leq (M + \|T\|) \sup_{x \in \Omega} \|x\| < \infty$$

(boundedness in $C(\Omega)$)

$\forall x, y \in \Omega$

$$|f_v(x) - f_v(y)| \leq \|(T_v - T)x - (T_v - T)y\| \leq (M + \|T\|) \|x - y\|$$

(equi-Lipschitz \Rightarrow equi-continuity)

Hence, Arzela-Ascoli theorem tells us that $C = \{f_v\}_{v \in \mathbb{N}} \subset C(\Omega)$

is compact. Let π denote the locally convex topology given by semi-norms $\{f \mapsto |f(y)|; y \in \Omega\}$. (Topology of point-wise convergence)

We know that π is Hausdorff, $\pi \subseteq \tau$, thus $\pi|_C = \tau|_C$ (τ norm topology), $\tau|_C = \{U \cap C; U \in \tau\}$ "relativised topology")

Hence

$$\lim_{v \in \mathbb{N}} \sup_{x \in \Omega} |f_v(x)| = \lim_{v \in \mathbb{N}} \|f_v - 0\|_{\infty} = 0$$

as π - $\lim_{v \in \mathbb{N}} f_v = 0$, i.e. $(f_v(x) - 0) \xrightarrow{v \in \mathbb{N}} 0$. □

Corollary: If \mathcal{X} admits a net $(F_\nu)_{\nu \in N} \subset \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{X})$ such that

- $\sup_{\nu \in N} \|F_\nu\| < \infty$, and

- $\lim_{\nu \in N} \|F_\nu x - x\| = 0$,

then \mathcal{X} has approx. property. Hence $A(\mathcal{X}) = K(\mathcal{X})$.

Examples

(i) ℓ^p ($1 \leq p < \infty$), c_0

$$P_n(x_1, x_2, \dots) = (x_1, \dots, x_n, 0, 0, \dots)$$

so $P_n \in \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{X})$, $\mathcal{X} = \ell^p$ or c_0 .

Check that: $\|P_n x - x\| \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$.

(ii) $\ell^p(I)$ ($1 \leq p < \infty$), $|I| > \aleph_0$.

$$\left\{ f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{C}; \sum_{i \in I} |f(i)|^p < \infty \right\}, \quad \sum_{i \in I} |f(i)|^p = \sup_{F \subseteq I, \text{ finite}} \sum_{i \in F} |f(i)|^p.$$

Hence we consider for finite $F \subseteq I$,

$$P_F \sum_{i \in I} |f(i)|^p = \begin{cases} \sum_{i \in F} |f(i)|^p & i \in F \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Let $\mathcal{J} = \{F \subseteq I; \text{finite}\}$, $F_1 \leq F_2 \iff F_1 \subseteq F_2$

and $(P_F)_{F \in \mathcal{J}}$ shows that $\ell^p(I)$ has approximation property.

Theorem: Let \mathcal{X} be a Banach space, $K \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{X})$. Then TFAE

(i) $K \in K(\mathcal{X})$

(ii) $K^*|_{\overline{b_1(\mathcal{X}^*)}}$ is weak*-norm continuous

(iii) $K^* \in K(\mathcal{X}^*)$

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Let $(f_\alpha) \subset \overline{b_1(\mathcal{X}^*)}$ be a net with

$$f = w^* \lim_{\alpha} f_\alpha \in \overline{b_1(\mathcal{X}^*)}$$

(Banach-Alaoglu tells us ~~that~~ $\overline{b_1(\mathcal{X}^*)}$ compact, hence closed.)

Given $\varepsilon > 0$, let $\{x_1, \dots, x_m\} \subset b_1(\mathcal{X})$ st

$$K(b_1(\mathcal{X})) \subset \bigcup_{j=1}^m \left(x_j + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} b_1(\mathcal{X}) \right).$$

Thus if $x \in b_1(\mathcal{X})$ there is x_j so $\|Kx - Kx_j\| < \varepsilon/2$. Hence for each α

$$|f_\alpha(Kx) - f(Kx)|$$

$$\leq |f_\alpha(Kx) - f_\alpha(Kx_j)| + |f_\alpha(Kx_j) - f(Kx_j)| + |f(Kx_j) - f(Kx)|$$

$$\leq \frac{\epsilon}{3} + (\|K\|+1) |f_\alpha - f| \left(\frac{1}{\|K\|} Kx_j \right) + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \xrightarrow{\alpha} \epsilon$$

ϵ 's?

Thus

$$\|K^* f_\alpha - K^* f\| = \sup_{x \in b_1(\mathcal{X})} |f_\alpha(Kx) - f(Kx)| \xrightarrow{\text{linsup}} \leq \epsilon.$$

Since $\epsilon > 0$ is arbitrary, we see that $\lim_{\alpha} \|K^* f_\alpha - K^* f\| = 0$.

$$(ii) \Rightarrow (i): \quad \overline{K^*(b_1(\mathcal{X}^*))} \subseteq \underbrace{K^*(\overline{b_1(\mathcal{X}^*)})}_{w^* \text{-compact}}$$

(ii) \Rightarrow (i): Let $K: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}^{**}$ be the canonical injection. Notice

$$K^{**} K(\pi)(f) = K(\pi)(K^* f) = K^* f(x) = f(Kx) = K(Kx)(f)$$

so $K^{**} \circ K \circ K = K$ so $K^{**} K(\mathcal{X}) \subseteq K(\mathcal{X})$. Hence $K = K^{-1} \circ K^{**} \circ K$
 so K is compact, as K^{**} by (i) \Rightarrow (ii) \Rightarrow (iii) applied to K^* . \square

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Riesz lemma: Let \mathcal{X} be a Banach space, $\mathcal{Y} \subsetneq \mathcal{X}$ a closed subspace, then if $0 < \epsilon < 1$ there is $x_0 \in b_1(\mathcal{X})$ such that $\text{dist}(x_0, \mathcal{Y}) > 1 - \epsilon$.

Proof: Let $x \in \mathcal{X} \setminus \mathcal{Y}$, define $f: \mathcal{Y} + \mathbb{C}x \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$ by $f(y + \alpha x) = \alpha x$. Then f is linear and $\ker f = \mathcal{Y}$ is closed so f is continuous. Hence there is a Hahn-Banach extension $\tilde{f} \in \mathcal{X}^*$ of f , in particular $\tilde{f} \neq 0$ and $\mathcal{Y} \subseteq \ker(\tilde{f})$. Let x_0 in $b_1(\mathcal{X})$ such that $|\tilde{f}(x_0)| > (1 - \epsilon) \|\tilde{f}\|$.

Then for y in \mathcal{Y}

$$\|y - x_0\| \geq \frac{1}{\|\tilde{f}\|} |\tilde{f}(y - x_0)| > \frac{1}{\|\tilde{f}\|} (1 - \epsilon) \|\tilde{f}\| = (1 - \epsilon). \quad \square$$

Corollary: $\overline{b_1(\mathcal{X})}$ is compact if and only if \mathcal{X} is finite dim
 Hence $\mathcal{I} \in K(\mathcal{X})$ if and only if \mathcal{X} is finite dimensional.

Proof: (\Leftarrow) Heine-Borel

(\Rightarrow) Induction: find family $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset B_r(\mathcal{X})$ such that $\|x_n - x_m\| \geq \frac{1}{2}$ for $n \neq m$. \square

Key Lemma (for structure of compact operators):

Let \mathcal{X} be a Banach space and $K \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{X})$. Suppose that there exist closed subspaces

$$Y_0 \subsetneq Y_1 \subsetneq Y_2 \subsetneq \dots$$

and scalars $(\alpha_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ such that

$$(\alpha_n I - K)Y_n \subset Y_{n-1}, \quad n \geq 1.$$

Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0.$$

Proof: If not, then by dropping to a subsequence we may assume

$$\inf_{n \in \mathbb{N}} |\alpha_n| = \varepsilon > 0.$$

We use the Riesz Lemma to find, for each n , $x_n \in Y_n$ st

$$(*) \quad \text{dist}(x_n, Y_{n-1}) \geq \frac{1}{2}.$$

Then

$$y_n = (\alpha_n I - K)x_n \in Y_{n-1} \subset Y_n$$

so $Kx_n = \alpha_n x_n - y_n \in Y_n$. If $m < n$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|Kx_n - Kx_m\| &= \|\alpha_n x_n - y_n - Kx_m\| \\ &= |\alpha_n| \left\| x_n - \frac{1}{\alpha_n} (y_n + Kx_m) \right\| \\ &\quad \underbrace{\in Y_{n-1}}_{\in Y_m \subset Y_{n-1}} \end{aligned}$$

$$(*) \quad \geq \frac{|\alpha_n|}{2} \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} > 0$$

Hence $(Kx_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ admits no Cauchy subsequence, violating assumption that $K \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{X})$. \square

Remarks:

(i) If $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is compact with $\Omega^\circ \neq \emptyset$. Then $|\partial\Omega| = c$. Indeed, if $z \in \Omega^\circ$ let $\text{for } \theta \in [0, 2\pi]$,

$$r_\theta = \inf \{ r > 0; z + re^{i\theta} \notin \Omega \}.$$

Then $\{z + r_\theta e^{i\theta}; \theta \in [0, 2\pi]\} \subseteq \partial\Omega$.

(ii) If $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{X})$, $\{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n\} \subseteq \sigma_p(T)$, $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j, i \neq j$, and

$$x_i \in \ker(\lambda_i I - T) \setminus \{0\},$$

then $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ is linearly independent.

Theorem (Structure of compact operators):

Let \mathcal{X} be an infinite dimensional Banach space, $K \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{X})$.

(i) If $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, then each "generalized eigenspace"

$$\ker((\lambda I - K)^n), \quad n \geq 1$$

is finite dimensional and there exists n_λ such that

$$\ker(\lambda I - K)^n = \ker(\lambda I - K)^{n_\lambda}, \quad n \geq n_\lambda.$$

(ii) $\sigma(K) = \sigma_p(K) \cup \{0\}$. Furthermore, $\sigma_p(K) = \{\lambda_1, \dots\}$ (finite or infinite, if $\neq \emptyset$) with

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_n = 0$$

if infinite.

Proof: First, observe that

$$(*) \quad \ker(\lambda I - K) \subseteq \ker(\lambda I - K)^2 \subseteq \dots$$

Let $n_1 = 1$, and for $k \in \mathbb{N}$ let

$$n_{k+1} = \min \{ n \in \mathbb{N}; \ker(\lambda I - K)^{n_k} \neq \ker(\lambda I - K)^n \}.$$

(If $(*)$ stabilizes at a finite stage we stop, if not we define n_k .)

Let $\mathcal{Y}_0 = \{0\}$, $\mathcal{Y}_k = \ker(\lambda I - K)^{n_k}$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$ so

$$\mathcal{Y}_0 \subsetneq \mathcal{Y}_1 \subsetneq \dots \quad \text{and} \quad (\lambda I - K)\mathcal{Y}_k \subseteq \mathcal{Y}_{k-1}.$$

According to the Key Lemma, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda = 0$. But $\lambda \neq 0$. So we get

n_λ as promised.

Now, if $\dim(\lambda I - K)^{n_\lambda} = \infty$, then using n_k 's and \mathcal{Y}_k 's as above, there is k so that $\dim \mathcal{Y}_k = \infty$ while $\dim \mathcal{Y}_{k-1} < \infty$. Let $\{x_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathcal{Y}_k \setminus \mathcal{Y}_{k-1}$ be linearly independent. Let $V_0 = \mathcal{Y}_{k-1}$, $V_1 = \mathcal{Y}_{k-1} \cup \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$, $V_n = \mathcal{Y}_{k-1} \cup \text{span}\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$. So

$$V_0 \not\subseteq V_1 \not\subseteq \dots \quad \text{and} \quad (\lambda I - K)V_n \subseteq (\lambda I - K)Y_k \\ \subseteq Y_{k-1} = V_0 \subseteq V_{n-1} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Again, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda = 0$, by key lemma, contradicting that $\lambda \neq 0$.

(iii) Let us first show that $\sigma_{ap}(K) \subseteq \sigma_p(K) \cup \{0\}$. If $\lambda \in \sigma_{ap}(K) \setminus \{0\}$ then there is a sequence $(x_n)_{n=1}^\infty \subset X$, $\|x_n\|=1$ such that $(\lambda I - K)x_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$.

Since $K \in \mathcal{K}(X)$, by dropping to a subsequence, we may assume that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Kx_n = y$ exists. Then

$$\|\lambda x_n - y\| = \|(\lambda I - K)x_n\| + \|Kx_n - y\| \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

so

$$K\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}y\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Kx_n = y,$$

that is,

$$K(y) = \lambda y.$$

Thus $\lambda \in \sigma_p(K)$.

Now suppose

$$\{\lambda_n\}_{n=1}^\infty \subseteq \partial\sigma(K) \setminus \{0\} \subseteq \sigma_{ap}(K) \setminus \{0\} \subseteq \sigma_p(K),$$

with $\lambda_k \neq \lambda_l$, $k \neq l$. Let $Y_0 = \{0\}$,

$$Y_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \ker(\lambda_k I - K)$$

(finite dimensional, hence closed). By remark (ii),

$$Y_0 \subsetneq Y_1 \subsetneq \dots$$

and

$$(\lambda_n I - K)Y_n \subseteq Y_{n-1} \quad \text{for } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Then the key lemma tells us that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_n = 0$. Hence

$$\partial\sigma(K) \subseteq \{0\} \cup \underbrace{\bigcup_{n=1}^\infty (\partial\sigma(K) \setminus \{0\})}_{\text{finite}} \quad \text{countable}$$

Thus by remark (i), $\sigma(K)^c = \emptyset$. So $\sigma(K) = \partial\sigma(K)$. ■

Corollary: (Fredholm Alternative) $K \in \mathcal{K}(X)$

If X is a Banach space, $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ then TFAE:

(i) $\lambda I - K \in GL(X)$

(ii) $\ker(\lambda I - K) = \{0\}$

(iii) $\lambda I - K$ is surjective. \iff $\lambda I - K$ bdd below

(Exercise)

Example:

(i) If $K \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{X})$, we do not ^{necessarily} expect $0 \in \sigma_p(K)$.

$$K: \ell^p \rightarrow \ell^p \quad (1 \leq p < \infty)$$

$$K(x_1, \dots) = (x_1, \frac{1}{2}x_2, \frac{1}{3}x_3, \dots)$$

$$K_n(x_1, \dots) = (x_1, \dots, \frac{1}{n}x_n, 0, 0, \dots)$$

$$\|K_n - K\| \leq \frac{1}{n} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0, \quad K_n \in \mathcal{F}(\ell^p)$$

So $0 \in \sigma(K)$.

$$\sigma(K) = \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \cup \{0\}$$

and $\|Kx\|_p > 0$, $x \in \ell^p \setminus \{0\}$ so $0 \notin \sigma_p(K)$.(ii) $K: \ell^p \rightarrow \ell^p$ ($1 \leq p < \infty$)

$$K(x_1, \dots) = (0, x_1, \frac{1}{2}x_2, \frac{1}{3}x_3, \dots)$$

Similarly as above, $K \in \mathcal{K}(\ell^p)$.

$$K^n(x_1, \dots) = (0, \dots, 0, \frac{1}{n!}x_1, \dots, \frac{(k-1)!}{(n+k-1)!}x_k, \dots)$$

$$\frac{1}{n!} \geq \frac{(k-1)!}{(n+k-1)!} \quad (\text{check}) \quad \text{so } \|K^n\| \leq \frac{1}{n!} \quad (\text{check})$$

$$r(K) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|K^n\|^{1/n} \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(n!)^{1/n}} = 0$$

and hence $\sigma(K) = \{0\}$. Notice $\|Kx\|_p > 0$ if $x \neq 0$. Hence $\sigma_p(K) = \emptyset$.

On idempotents & invariant subspaces

Let \mathcal{X} be a Banach space, $E = E^2 \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{X})$, $\mathcal{E} = \text{ran } E$.(i) \mathcal{E} is closed. Indeed, if $x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ex_n$ then

$$Ex = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E^2 x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E x_n = x$$

so $x = Ex \in \mathcal{E}$.(ii) \mathcal{E} is invariant for T in $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{X})$, if $T(\mathcal{E}) \subseteq \mathcal{E}$.Notice: \mathcal{E} is invariant for T if and only if $TE = ETE$.(iii) \mathcal{E} is reducing for T in $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{X})$ if there exists a closed complement: $\mathcal{E}' \subseteq \mathcal{X}$ closed so $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{E} + \mathcal{E}'$ and $\mathcal{E} \cap \mathcal{E}' = \{0\}$, for which $T(\mathcal{E}) \subseteq \mathcal{E}$ and $T(\mathcal{E}') \subseteq \mathcal{E}'$.

$E = E^2$ is reducing for T if $TE = ETE$ and

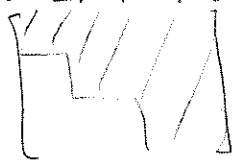
$$\mathcal{E} T(I-E) = (I-E)T(I-E).$$

Notice: $T(I-E) = (I-E)T$

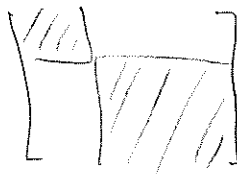
$$\begin{aligned} T - TE &= T - ET - TE + ETE \\ \Rightarrow ET &= ETE \end{aligned}$$

Hence E is reducing for T if and only if $ET = TE$.

Picture: In matrices



invariance



reducing

Recall: $a \in A$ (unital Ban alg)

$$\sigma(a) = \sigma_1 \cup \sigma_2 \quad (\text{disconnection})$$

$$U \supset \sigma_1 \text{ open, } \sigma_2 \subset (\mathbb{C} \setminus U)^c$$

Riesz idempotent $e_1 = \mathcal{I}_U(a)$

$$\sigma(e_1 a) = \sigma_1 \cup \{0\}$$

Relative spectrum at $e_1 = e_1^2$

$$\sigma_{e_1}(e_1 a) = \sigma_1$$

Proposition: If $K \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{X})$, $\lambda \in \sigma(K) \setminus \{0\} \subseteq \sigma_p(K)$, then $\ker(\lambda I - K)^{n_\lambda}$ is reducing for K . In fact $\ker(\lambda I - K)^{n_\lambda} = \text{ran } E_\lambda$, E_λ Riesz idempotent associated to $\{\lambda\}$ in $\sigma(K)$.

Proof: First $E_\lambda K = K E_\lambda$. Let $\mathcal{E}_\lambda = \text{ran } E_\lambda$. First

$$\sigma(E_\lambda K|_{\mathcal{E}_\lambda}) = \sigma_{E_\lambda}(E_\lambda K) = \{\lambda\}$$

Also, since $K \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{X})$, $E_\lambda K|_{\mathcal{E}_\lambda}$ is compact and hence on finite-dim subspace space (0 not in spectrum).

$$E_\lambda K|_{\mathcal{E}_\lambda} = \lambda I_{\mathcal{E}_\lambda} + N, \quad N^{\dim \mathcal{E}_\lambda} = 0 \quad (\text{Jordan form})$$

In fact,

$$N = (E_\lambda - E_\lambda K)|_{\mathcal{E}_\lambda}$$

so $E_\lambda K = \lambda E_\lambda - (\lambda E_\lambda - E_\lambda K)$ where
 $(\lambda E_\lambda - E_\lambda K)^{\dim E_\lambda} \cong N^{\dim E_\lambda} = 0$.

If $n \geq \dim E_\lambda$, then

$$(\lambda I - K)^n E_\lambda = (\lambda E_\lambda - E_\lambda K)^n = 0$$

Thus $\text{ran } E_\lambda \subseteq \ker (\lambda I - K)^n$.

Now, let $E'_\lambda = \text{ran}(I - E_\lambda)$. Since

$$\sigma((I - E_\lambda)K|_{E'_\lambda}) = \sigma((I - E_\lambda)K) = \sigma(K) \setminus \{\lambda\}$$

We have $\lambda I_{E'_\lambda} - \underbrace{K|_{E'_\lambda}}_{(I - E_\lambda)K|_{E'_\lambda}} \in GL(E'_\lambda)$

$$(I - E_\lambda)K|_{E'_\lambda}$$

Hence

$$\ker(\lambda I - K)^n \cap E'_\lambda = \{0\}$$

Since $E_\lambda \cap E'_\lambda = \{0\}$,

$$E_\lambda + E'_\lambda = \overline{\text{span}\{(I - E_\lambda)(x) = x\}} = X$$

We see that $\ker(\lambda I - K)^n = E_\lambda$.

Corollary: In the notation above, $(\lambda I - K)(E'_\lambda)$ is closed.

Recall: A finite dimensional subspace $F \subseteq X$ (Banach space) automatically has a closed complement.

$$\text{i.e. } E \in \mathcal{B}(X), E = E^2, F = \text{ran } E$$

Lemma: Let X be a Banach space, X_0 be a closed subspace.

(i) If F is a finite dimensional, then $F + X_0$ is closed

(ii) If X/X_0 is finite dimensional, then there exists finite dimensional

$$F \subseteq X \text{ such that } X = X_0 + F.$$

(iii) $(X/X_0)^* \cong X_0^\perp$ isometrically.

Proof: We let $Q: X \rightarrow X/X_0$ be the quotient map $Qx = x + X_0$.

Note $\|Q\| \leq 1$.

(i) $Q(F) \subseteq X/X_0$ is finite dimensional, ~~is~~ ^{hence} closed and

$$F + X_0 = Q^{-1}(Q(F)) \subseteq X.$$

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(ii) Let $\{x_1 + X_0, \dots, x_n + X_0\}$ be a basis for X/X_0 , and

$$F = \text{span}\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}.$$

$F + X_0 = Q^{-1}(\mathbb{R}(X/X_0)) = X$, and $F \cap X_0 = \{0\}$, by the fact we used a basis.

(iii) $Q(b_1(X)) = b_1(X/X_0)$ (check)

If $f \in (X/X_0)^*$ we have

$$\|Q^*f\| = \sup_{x \in b_1(X)} \|f(Qx)\|$$

$$= \sup_{x + X_0 \in b_1(X/X_0)} \|f(x + X_0)\| = \|f\|$$

so $Q^*: (X/X_0)^* \rightarrow X^*$ is an isometry, hence with closed range.

By kernel-annihilator formulas

$$\text{ran } Q^* = (\ker Q)^\perp = X_0^\perp. \quad \blacksquare$$

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Def Let X be an infinite dimensional Banach space. An operator $T \in \mathcal{B}(X)$ is called Fredholm, written $T \in \text{Fred}(X)$, if

- $\text{null}(T) = \dim \ker T < \infty$;
- $\text{ran } T$ closed;
- $\dim(X/\text{ran } T) < \infty$.

Notice

$$\dim(X/\text{ran } T) = \dim((X/\text{ran } T)^*) = \dim((\text{ran } T)^\perp) = \dim(\ker T^*) = \text{null}(T^*)$$

Notes:

(i) $S \in GL(X) \Rightarrow S^* \in GL(X^*)$. Hence $\text{null}(S) = 0 = \text{null}(S^*)$. Also $\text{ran } S = X$ is closed. Hence $GL(X) \subseteq \text{Fred}(X)$

(ii) $S \in GL(X)$, $T \in \text{Fred}(X)$. Then $ST, TS \in \text{Fred}(X)$. This is because S is a homeomorphism on X .

(iii) If $T \in \mathcal{B}(X)$ for which $\text{ran } T$ is closed then $T: X \rightarrow \text{ran } T$ is open (open mapping theorem). In particular, if $K \in \mathcal{K}(X)$ with $\text{ran } K$ closed, then $K \in \mathcal{F}(X)$, i.e. f.d. range. However, then $\text{null}(K) = \infty$ (see f.d. subspaces E of X , $\dim(E \cap \ker K) \leq \dim \text{ran } K$ and we may use arbitrarily high dimension E)
Hence $\mathcal{K}(X) \cap \text{Fred}(X) = \emptyset$ (if X is infinite dimensional).

Proposition: Let $K \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{X})$, \mathcal{X} Banach space.

(i) If $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, then $\lambda I - K \in \text{Fred}(\mathcal{X})$

(ii) If $S \in GL(\mathcal{X})$, then $S + K \in \text{Fred}(\mathcal{X})$.

compact perturbation of an invertible.

Proof: (i) If $\lambda \notin \sigma(K)$ then $\lambda I - K \in GL(\mathcal{X}) \subseteq \text{Fred}(\mathcal{X})$. If $\lambda \in \sigma(K)$, hence $\lambda \in \sigma_p(K)$, then $\text{null}(\lambda I - K) < \infty$, by structure theorem for compact operators. Also, $K^k \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{X}_{\lambda}^{k*})$, so $\text{null}(\lambda I - K)^k = \text{null}(\lambda I - K^k) < \infty$. It remains to show that $\text{ran}(\lambda I - K)$ is closed.

Let $E_\lambda = \ker(\lambda I - K)^{n_\lambda}$ (largest) generalized eigenspace. By a prop'n, E_λ is a reducing subspace, hence admits K -invariant complement E'_λ . Let $K'_\lambda \subseteq E'_\lambda$ denote any linear complement to $\ker(\lambda I - K)$.

We have

$$\mathcal{X} = E_\lambda + E'_\lambda, \quad E_\lambda \cap E'_\lambda = \{0\},$$

and

$$E'_\lambda = \ker(\lambda I - K) + K'_\lambda, \quad \ker(\lambda I - K) \cap K'_\lambda = \{0\}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ran}(\lambda I - K) &= \underbrace{(\lambda I - K)(K'_\lambda)}_{\text{f.d.}} + \underbrace{(\lambda I - K)(E'_\lambda)}_{\substack{= \text{ran} \underbrace{E_\lambda (\lambda I - K)|_{E'_\lambda}}_{\in GL(E'_\lambda)}}} \rightarrow \text{closed} \end{aligned}$$

is closed.

(ii) $S + K = -S(I - S^{-1}K)$

$$\underbrace{\underbrace{\quad}_{\text{Fred}}}_{\text{Fred}}$$

We define the Fredholm index of $T \in \text{Fred}(\mathcal{X})$ by

$$\text{ind}_F T = \text{null}(T) - \text{null}(T^*). \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Theorem: If $S \in GL(\mathcal{X})$, $K \in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{X})$, then $\text{ind}_F(S + K) = 0$.

Proof: Let us consider $\lambda I - K$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$. Let $K_\lambda = \ker(\lambda I - K)$ which is finite dimensional, and let \mathcal{F} denote any linear complement of

$\text{ran}(\lambda I - K)$. We let

$d = \min \{ \dim K_\lambda, \dim F \} = \min \{ \text{null}(\lambda I - K), \text{null}(\lambda I_{\mathbb{R}^n} - K^*) \}$.

Let f_1, \dots, f_d be a linearly independent family in K_λ , and ~~let~~ take H-B extensions $\tilde{f}_1, \dots, \tilde{f}_d$. Let e_1, \dots, e_d be a linearly independent subset of F . Let

$$F = \sum_{i=1}^d \tilde{f}_i(\cdot) e_i \in \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{X}) \subseteq \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{X}).$$

Then

$$(\lambda I - K) + F = \lambda I - \underbrace{(K - F)}_{\in \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{X})}$$

is surjective if and only if it is injective, by the Fredholm Alternative. It is injective if and only if $d = \dim K_\lambda$. It is surjective if and only if $d = \dim F$. Hence $\dim K_\lambda = \dim F$, i.e.

$$\text{null}(\lambda I - K) = \text{null}(\lambda I_{\mathbb{R}^n} - K^*).$$

Observe that if $S \in GL(\mathcal{X})$, $T \in \text{Fred}(\mathcal{X})$, then

$$\text{ind}_F(TS) = \text{ind}_F(ST) = \text{ind}_F(T).$$

Hence $S + K = -S(I - S^{-1}K)$ has index 0. ■

Ex: Let $S \in B(\ell^p)$ ($1 \leq p < \infty$) be the unilateral shift

$$S(x_1, \dots) = (0, x_1, x_2, \dots).$$

Then $S^* \in B(\ell^{p'})$ ($\frac{1}{p'} + \frac{1}{p} = 1$) is given by

$$S^*(y_1, \dots) = (y_2, y_3, \dots).$$

S isometry so $\text{ran } S$ is closed and $\text{null}(S) = \{0\}$, $\text{null}(S^*) = 1$ (check).

$S \in \text{Fred}(\ell^p)$ and $\text{ind}_F S = -1 \neq 0$. Hence $\nexists K \in \mathcal{K}(\ell^p)$ such that $S + K \in GL(\ell^p)$.

Note: $\text{ind}_F S^n = -n$ (check)