

The 1st Gelfand-Naimark Thm.

Thm 1. $A = C^*$ -alg, $a \in A$ normal ($aa^* = a^*a$)
then $r(a) = \|a\|$.

Thm 2. $A = C^*$ -alg, $a \in A$ selfadj. ($a^* = a$)
Then $\sigma'_A(a) \subset \mathbb{R}$.

Notation $A_{sa} = \{a \in A : a^* = a\}$.

Cor. 1. $A = C^*$ -alg, $\chi : A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ char. \Rightarrow
 $\Rightarrow \chi$ is a $*$ -char.

Proof. $\forall a \in A_{sa} \sigma'_A(a) \subset \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \sigma'_{\mathbb{C}}(\chi(a)) \subset \mathbb{R}$,
that is, $\chi(a) \in \mathbb{R}$.

$\forall a \in A \ a = b + ic \ (b, c \in A_{sa}) \Rightarrow \chi(b), \chi(c) \in \mathbb{R}$
 $\chi(a^*) = \chi(b - ic) = \chi(b) - i\chi(c) = \overline{\chi(b) + i\chi(c)} =$
 $= \overline{\chi(a)}. \quad \square$

Cor. 2. $A =$ unital C^* -alg, $B \subset A$ closed $*$ -subalg
s.t. $1_A \in B$. Then B is spec. invariant in A

(that is, $\sigma_B(b) = \sigma_A(b) \ \forall b \in B$)

($\Leftrightarrow B \cap A^\times = B^\times$).

Proof Let $b \in B \cap A^\times \Rightarrow b^*b \in B_{sa} \cap A^\times$
 $\Rightarrow \varepsilon_B(b^*b) \subset \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \forall t \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \quad b^*b + it1 \in B^\times$.

$$\underbrace{(b^*b + it1)^{-1}}_{\in B} \rightarrow (b^*b)^{-1} \quad (t \rightarrow 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow (b^*b)^{-1} \in B; \quad \underbrace{(b^*b)^{-1} b^* b}_{\in B} = 1 \quad \Rightarrow$$

$\Rightarrow b$ is left invertible in B .

A similar arg. applied to bb^* shows that b is right invertible in $B \Rightarrow b \in B^\times$. \square
 (exer.)

Thm (Stone-Weierstrass thm)

$X = \text{loc. comp. Hausd. top. space}$, $A \subset C_0(X)$
 a $*$ -subalgebra. Suppose that

(1) A separates the points of X ;

(2) $\forall x \in X \exists f \in A \quad f(x) \neq 0$.

Then A is dense in $C_0(X)$.

Thm (Gelfand, Naimark)

$A = \text{comm. } C^*\text{-alg}$. Then the Gelfand transf.

$\Gamma_A: A \rightarrow C_0(\text{Max } A)$ is an isometric

$*$ -isomorphism.

Proof $\forall a \in A \quad \forall x \in \text{Max} A \cong \hat{A}$

$$\Gamma(a^*)(x) = x(a^*) = \overline{x(a)} = \overline{\Gamma(a)(x)} \Rightarrow$$

$\Rightarrow \Gamma$ is a $*$ -hom. $\Rightarrow \Gamma(A) \subset C_0(\text{Max} A)$ is a $*$ -subalg.

Stone-Weier: $\Rightarrow \Gamma(A)$ is dense in $C_0(\text{Max} A)$

$$\forall a \in A_{sa} \quad \|\Gamma(a)\| = r(a) = \|a\|$$

$$\forall a \in A \quad \|\Gamma(a)\|^2 = \|\Gamma(a)^* \Gamma(a)\| = \|\Gamma(a^*a)\| = \|a^*a\| = \|a\|^2 \Rightarrow \Gamma \text{ is isometric}$$

$\Rightarrow \Gamma$ is an isometric $*$ -isomorphism \square

Def. \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} = categories.

A covariant functor $F: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ is an equivalence $\iff \exists$ a cov. functor $G: \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$

$$\text{s.t. } G \circ F \cong 1_{\mathcal{A}}, \quad F \circ G \cong 1_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

G is a quasi-inverse of F .

Notation

CUC^*

objects: comm. unital C^* -algebras

morphisms: (cont.) unital

$*$ -homomorphisms.

Prop $\text{Comp}^{\text{op}} \xrightleftharpoons[\text{Max}]{C} \text{CVC}^*$

are equivalences of categories;

$$C \circ \text{Max} \xrightarrow[\cong]{\cong} 1_{\text{CVC}^*};$$

$$\text{Max} \circ C \xrightarrow[\cong]{\cong} 1_{\text{Comp}^{\text{op}}}$$

Notation. $A = C^*$ -alg, $S \subset A$.

$$C_A^*(S) = \bigcap \{ B \subset A : B \text{ is a } C^*\text{-subalg, } B \supset S \}$$

is the C^* -subalg of A generated by S .

Observe:

$$(1) C_A^*(S) = \overline{\text{span}} \{ a_1 \dots a_n : a_i \in S \cup S^*, n \in \mathbb{N} \}$$

(2) A is unital, $a \in A$ normal

$$\Rightarrow C_A^*(a, 1) = \overline{\{ p(a, a^*) : p \in \mathbb{C}[x, y] \}}$$

If $a = a^*$, then

$$C_A^*(a, 1) = \overline{\{ p(a) : p \in \mathbb{C}[x] \}}$$

Prop. $A, B = C^*$ -alg, $\varphi: A \rightarrow B$ injective $*$ -hom

$\Rightarrow \varphi$ is isometric.

Proof. We may assume that A, B unital,

$$\varphi(1_A) = 1_B.$$

It suff. to show that $\|\varphi(a)\| = \|a\| \quad \forall a \in A_{sa}$.

(see the pf of the G-N thm)

$$\forall a \in A_{sa} \quad \text{let } A_1 = C_A^*(a, 1), \quad B_1 = C_B^*(\varphi(a), 1)$$

We want: $\varphi: A_1 \rightarrow B_1$ is isometric.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{||S} & & \text{||S} \\ C(X) & & C(Y) \end{array}$$

We have $\varphi = f^*$, where $f: Y \rightarrow X$ is cont.

φ is inj. $\implies f$ is surj.

$$\|\varphi(a)\| = \|a \circ f\| = \sup_{y \in Y} |a(f(y))| = \sup_{x \in X} |a(x)| = \|a\|.$$

□

Continuous functional calculus

A = unital Banach $*$ -alg, $a \in A$ normal

$K \subset \mathbb{C}$ compact; $t: K \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$ inclusion map.

Def. A continuous functional calculus for a

on K is a cont. ^{unital} $*$ -hom. $\gamma_a: C(K) \rightarrow A$

s.t. $\gamma_a(t) = a$.

Prop. If $\gamma_a \exists$, then it is unique.

Proof. St-Weier. \Rightarrow the subalg of $C(K)$ gener by $1, t, \bar{t}$ is dense in $C(K)$ \square

Prop. If $\gamma_a \exists$, then $\sigma(a) \subset K$.

Proof. $\sigma(a) = \sigma(\gamma_a(t)) \subset \sigma_{C(K)}(t) = K$ \square

Exer. Construct a unital Ban. \ast -alg A and a normal el. $a \in A$ s.t. γ_a never exists.

Thm. $A =$ unital C^* -alg, $a \in A$ normal
 $\Rightarrow \forall$ compact $K \subset \mathbb{C}$ s.t. $K \supset \sigma(a) \exists$ a unique
cont. func. calc. $\gamma_a: C(K) \rightarrow A$

Moreover, if $K = \sigma(a)$, then γ_a is an isometric
 \ast -isom onto $C_A^*(a, 1)$.

Proof. We may assume that $K = \sigma(a)$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C(K) & \xrightarrow{\text{restr.}} & C(\sigma(a)) & \xrightarrow{\gamma_a} & A \\ & & \searrow \gamma_a & \nearrow & \\ & & & & \end{array}$$

Let $B = C_A^*(a, 1)$. B is a comm. C^* -alg;

$$\sigma_B(a) = \sigma_A(a) \quad (\text{Spec Invariance})$$

Let $\varphi: \text{Max} B \rightarrow \sigma(a)$, $\varphi(x) = \hat{a}(x)$

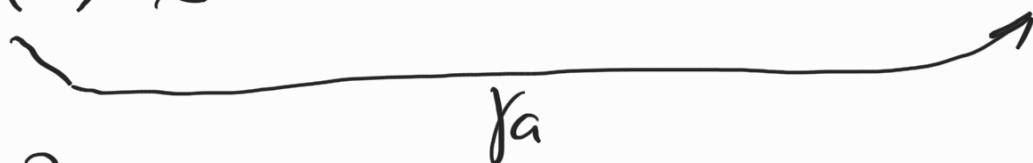
By the properties of \hat{a} , φ is surjective.

If $x_1, x_2 \in \text{Max} B$, $\varphi(x_1) = \varphi(x_2) \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow x_1(a) = x_2(a) \Rightarrow x_1(a^*) = x_2(a^*) \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2.$$

$\Rightarrow \varphi$ is bijective $\Rightarrow \varphi$ is a homeo. (by comp.)

$$C(\sigma(a)) \xrightarrow[\cong]{\varphi^*} C(\text{Max} B) \xrightarrow[\cong]{\Gamma_B^{-1}} B \hookrightarrow A$$



$$\gamma_a(t) \stackrel{?}{=} a \iff \Gamma_B^{-1}(\varphi^*(t)) \stackrel{?}{=} a \iff \varphi^*(t) \stackrel{?}{=} \hat{a}$$

$t \circ \varphi$ Ok. \square

Observe (1) $f \in \mathbb{C}[x] \Rightarrow \gamma_a(f|_{\mathbb{K}}) = f(a)$.

(2) $f \in \mathbb{C}[x, y]$. Define $\tilde{f}: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by $\tilde{f}(z) = f(z, \bar{z})$.

$$\text{Then } \gamma_a(\tilde{f}|_{\mathbb{K}}) = f(a, a^*) = \tilde{f}(a)$$

Notation. $\forall f \in C(\sigma(a)) \quad f(a) = \gamma_a(f)$

Thm. (Spectral Mapping Thm)

$A = \text{unital } C^*\text{-alg}$, $a \in A$ normal.

$$\forall f \in C(\sigma(a)) \quad \sigma(f(a)) = f(\sigma(a))$$

Proof. $\sigma_A(f(a)) = \sigma_A(\gamma_a(f)) = \sigma_B(\gamma_a(f)) =$
 (where $B = C_A^*(a, 1)$) $= \sigma_{C(\sigma(a))}(f)$
 $= f(\sigma(a)). \quad \square$

Thm (Superposition property).

$$f \in C(\sigma(a)), g \in C(\sigma(f(a))) \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow g(f(a)) = (g \circ f)(a)$$

Proof Consider $\gamma: C(\sigma(f(a))) \rightarrow A,$

$$\gamma(g) = (g \circ f)(a).$$

γ is a unital $*$ -hom, $\gamma(t) = (t \circ f)(a) = f(a)$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma = \gamma f(a). \quad \square.$$

Example/exer 1. $A = C(X); a \in A; f \in C(\sigma(a))$

$$\Rightarrow f(a) = f \circ a.$$

Example/exer 2. $(X, \mu) = \overset{\sigma\text{-fin.}}{\text{measure space}},$

$\varphi \in L^\infty(X, \mu); M_\varphi \in \mathcal{B}(L^2(X, \mu)), \psi \mapsto \varphi\psi.$

$$\Rightarrow \forall f \in C(\sigma(M_\varphi)) \quad f(M_\varphi) = M_{f \circ \varphi}.$$

Nonunital case

$A = C^*\text{-alg}$, $a \in A$ normal; $A \subset A_+$.
 $f \in C(\sigma'_A(a))$ $f(a) \in A_+$. $0 \in \sigma'_A(a)$

Exer. $f(a) \in A \iff f(0) = 0$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C(\sigma'_A(a)) & \xrightarrow{\gamma} & A_+ \\ \cup & & \cup \\ I_0 & \xrightarrow{\gamma} & A \end{array}$$