

$$L^1(G) \hookrightarrow M(G)$$
$$f \mapsto f \cdot (\text{Haar})$$

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Approximate identities

(Λ, \leq) poset

Def (Λ, \leq) is directed if $\forall \lambda, \mu \in \Lambda \exists \nu \in \Lambda$ s.t. $\lambda \leq \nu, \mu \leq \nu$.

Examples (1) (\mathbb{N}, \leq)

(2) $X = \text{top space}, x \in X$.

$\Lambda = \{ \text{neighborhoods of } x \}$.

(Λ, \supset) is a dir. poset.

X = top space.

Def A net in X is a map $x: \Lambda \rightarrow X$, where Λ is a dir. poset.
(= Haupfahn $\in \text{HausCts}$)

Notation $x_\lambda = x(\lambda)$ $x = (x_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$.

Def (x_λ) converges to $x \in X$ ($x_\lambda \xrightarrow{\Lambda} x$; $\lim_\Lambda x_\lambda = x$) if
 \forall nbhd $U \ni x \exists \lambda_0 \in \Lambda$ st. $\forall \lambda > \lambda_0, x_\lambda \in U$.

Example Λ = the poset from Ex(2)

$\forall U \in \Lambda$ choose $x_U \in U$. $x_U \rightarrow x$.

$A = \text{normed alg.}$

Def An approximate identity (a.i.) in A is a net (e_λ) in A
s.t. $\forall a \in A \quad a e_\lambda \rightarrow a, \quad e_\lambda a \rightarrow a.$

Def (1) An a.i. $(e_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$ is sequential if $\Lambda = \mathbb{N}$ with the
standard order.

(2) $(e_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$ is a bounded appr. id. if $\exists C > 0$ s.t.
 $\|e_\lambda\| \leq C \quad \forall \lambda.$

(b.a.i. = bounded a.i.)

Example 1 $A = C_0 = C_0(\mathbb{N}) = \{x = (x_n) \in \mathbb{C}^{\mathbb{N}} : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0\}$.

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad e_n = (\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_n, 0, 0, \dots) \in A \quad \|e_n\| = 1.$

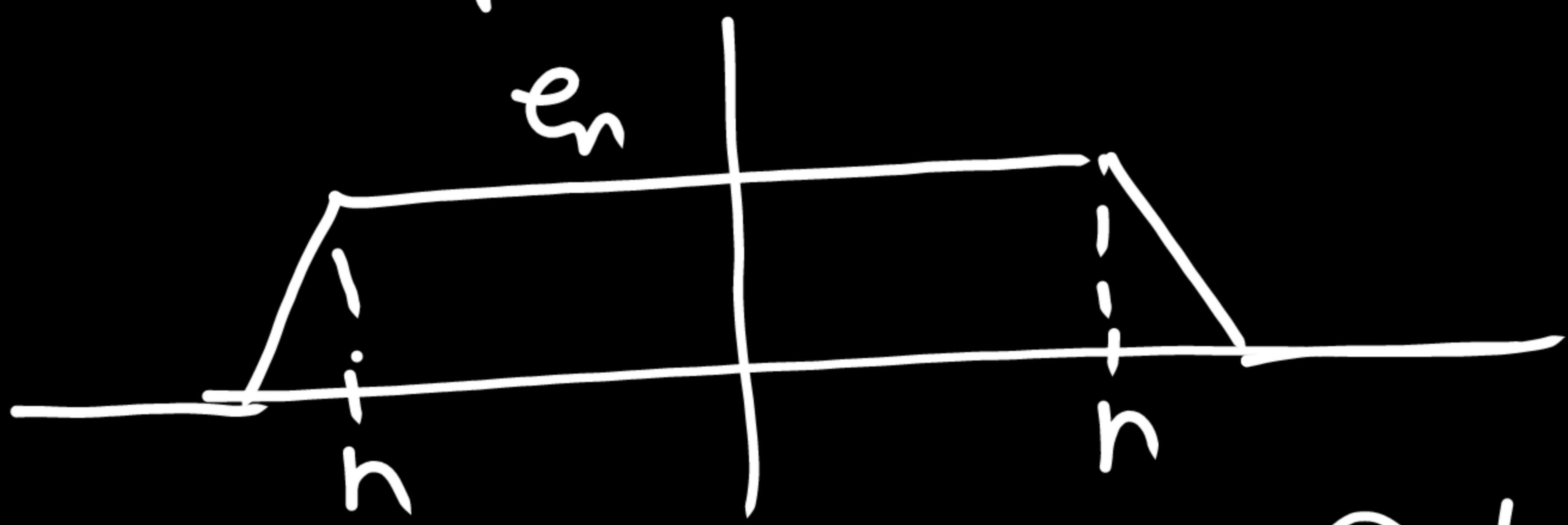
$\forall a \in A$
 $\|a - ae_n\| = \sup_{k > n} |a_k| \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow (e_n)$ is a b.a.i in A .

Example 2 $A = \ell^1$ with pointwise mult.

$\Rightarrow (e_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is an unbounded a.i.

Exer ℓ^1 does not have a b.a.i.

Example 3. $A = C_0(\mathbb{R})$



(e_n) is a b.a.i. in $C_0(\mathbb{R})$.

Example 4. $A = C_0(X)$ (X = loc comp. Hausd. space).

$\Delta = \{K \subset X : K \text{ is comp}\}$. (Δ, \subset) is a dir. poset.

$\forall K \in \Delta$ choose $e_K \in C_0(X)$ st. $e_K|_K = 1$, $\|e_K\| \leq 1$

Exer: $(e_K)_{K \in \Delta}$ is a bal in $C_0(X)$.

Exer. $C_0(X)$ has a sequential b.a.i. $\iff X$ is σ -comp

Example 5. $A = \mathcal{K}(H)$ (H = Hilb-space)

$\Delta = \{L \subset H : L \text{ is a fin-dim vec subspace}\}.$

(Δ, \subset) is a dir. poset

$\forall L \in \Delta$ let P_L = the orth proj. onto L .

Exer. $(P_L)_{L \in \Delta}$ is a b.a.i. in $\mathcal{K}(H)$.

Exer. $\mathcal{K}(H)$ has a sequential b.a.i. $\iff H$ is separable

Example 6.

(1) $(A, \text{zero mult})$ does not have an a.i.

(2) $A = \{f \in C^1[0,1] : f(0) = 0\}$ does not have an a.i.

Prop/exer. A = normed alg, (e_λ) is a bdd net in A .

Suppose $S \subset A$ generates a dense subalg of A

and $e_\lambda a \rightarrow a$, $a \in S$. Then (e_λ) is a bai in A

$G = \text{loc. comp group (2nd countable)}$ $M = \text{Haar meas}$

$\beta = \text{a base of rel. compact symm. nbhds of } e \in G.$

$\forall V \in \beta \text{ choose } u_v \in L^1(G) \text{ s.t.}$

$$(1) \quad u_v \geq 0;$$

$$(2) \quad u_v|_{G \setminus V} = 0;$$

$$(3) \quad \int_G u_v dM = 1$$

Def A net $(u_v)_{V \in \beta}$ satisfying (1)-(3) is a Dirac net
in $L^1(G)$ (δ -spugnas manifabrewo)

Example $u_V = \frac{\chi_V}{\|\chi_V\|_1}$.

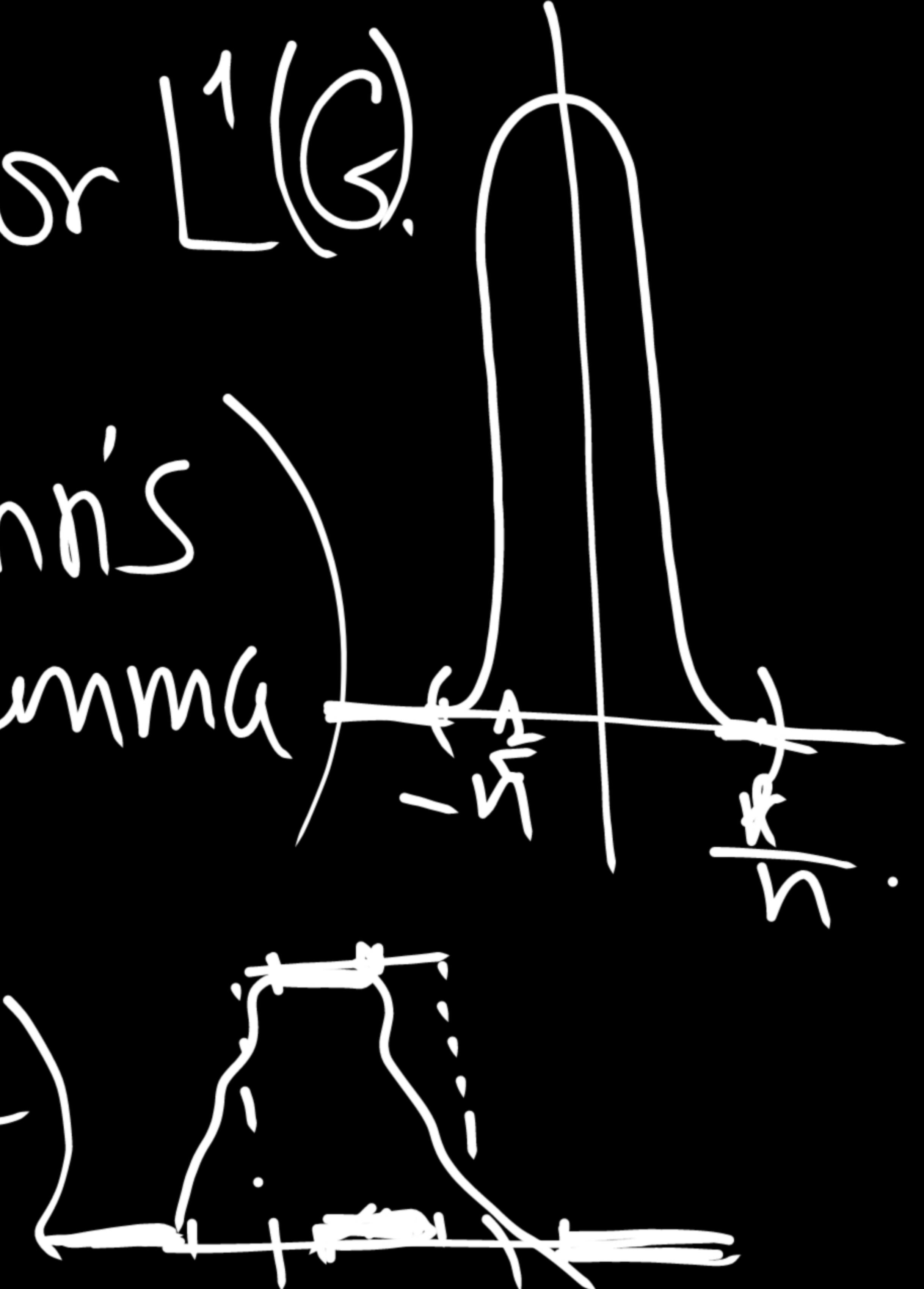
Rem. \exists a Dirac net in $C_c(G)$. (Urysohn's lemma).

Prop Any Dirac net in $L^1(G)$ is a b.a.i. for $L^1(G)$.

Proof: $C_c(G)$ is dense in $L^1(G)$ (Urysohn's lemma)

Hence it suff to show that

$u_V * f \rightarrow f$ and $f * u_V \rightarrow f \quad \forall f \in C_c(G)$



We may assume that $\exists V_0 \in \beta$ s.t. $V \subset V_0 \forall V \in \beta$.

$$(u_v * f - f)(x) = \int u_v(y) (f(y^{-1}x) - f(x)) d\mu(y).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_v * f - f\|_1 &= \int \left| \int u_v(y) (f(y^{-1}x) - f(x)) d\mu(y) \right| d\mu(x) \leq \\ &\leq \int \int |u_v(y)| |f(y^{-1}x) - f(x)| d\mu(x) d\mu(y) = \\ &= \int_V u_v(y) \|L_y f - f\|_1 d\mu(y) \leq \sup_{y \in V} \|L_y f - f\|_1. \end{aligned}$$

Exer. $\exists C > 0$ s.t. $\forall y \in V_0 \quad \|L_y f - f\|_1 \leq C \|L_y f - f\|_\infty$.

Hence $(*) \leq C \sup_{y \in V} \|L_y f - f\|_\infty \rightarrow 0$ by the uniform continuity of f .
 $f * u_v \rightarrow f$: exer. □

Spectral theory in Ban. algebras (a survey)

A = unital algebra

$A^\times = \{a \in A : a \text{ is invertible}\}$ (mult. group of A)

Def. The spectrum of $a \in A$ is

$$\sigma_A(a) = \sigma(a) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : a - \lambda \notin A^\times\}.$$

Example 1. $A = \mathbb{C}$ $\sigma_{\mathbb{C}}(\lambda) = \{\lambda\}$.

Example 2. $A = \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(E)$ $\dim E < \infty$.

$\forall T \in A$ $\sigma_A(T) = \{\text{eigenvalues of } T\}$.

Example 3. $A = \mathbb{C}^X$ ($X = \text{a set}$)

$\sigma_A(f) = f(X)$. The same is true for $A = \mathbb{C}(X)$ ($X = \text{top. space}$)

Example 4. $A = \ell^\infty(X)$ (X = a set)

$$g_A(f) = \overline{f(X)}$$

The same is true, for example, for $A = C_b(X)$
(X = a top. space).

Example 5. $A = \bigoplus G$ (G = a fin. abelian group)

$$g_A(f) = \hat{f}(\hat{G})$$

Prop. $\varphi: A \rightarrow B$ unital alg hom. Then

(1) $\varphi(A^\times) \subset B^\times$.

(2) $\sigma_B(\varphi(a)) \subset \sigma_A(a) \quad \forall a \in A$

(3) $\forall a \in A \quad \sigma_B(\varphi(a)) = \sigma_A(a) \iff \varphi(A \setminus A^\times) \subset B \setminus B^\times$.

Cor. A = unital alg, B $\subset A$ subalg, $1_A \in B$.

Then $\forall b \in B \quad \sigma_A(b) \subset \sigma_B(b)$.

Def B is spectrally invariant in A if $\forall b \in B$

$$\sigma_B(b) = \sigma_A(b) \iff B \setminus B^\times \subset A \setminus A^\times$$
$$\iff B \cap A^\times = B^\times.$$

Examples

- (1) $C(X) \subset \mathbb{C}^X$ is spec. inv. (X = a top. space)
- (2) $\ell^\infty(X) \subset \mathbb{C}^X$ is not spec inv (X = an inf. set)
- (3) $\mathcal{B}(E) \subset \text{End}_\mathbb{C}(E)$ is spec. inv. (E = a Ban. space)

Prop (polynomial spectral mapping thm)

$A = \text{unital alg, } a \in A, f \in \mathbb{C}[t]$. Then

$$\boxed{\sigma_A(f(a)) = f(\sigma_A(a)).}$$

unless $\sigma_A(a) = \emptyset$ and $f \in \mathbb{C}1$.

Prop. If $a \in A^\times$, then $\sigma(a^{-1}) = \{\lambda^{-1} : \lambda \in \sigma(a)\}$.

Thm $A = \text{unital Ban. alg.}$. Then

(1) A^\times is open in A . Moreover:

$\forall a \in A$ s.t. $\|a\| < 1$ $1-a \in A^\times$, and

$$(1-a)^{-1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a^n$$



$a \in A^\times$

(2) The map $A^\times \rightarrow A^\times$, $a \mapsto a^{-1}$,
is continuous.

Def. $A = \text{an alg.}$

A character of A is an alg hom. $\chi: A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$.

Observe: if A is unital and $\chi \neq 0$, then $\chi(1) = 1$.

Cor. $A = \text{unital Ban. alg.}$, $\chi: A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ a character

$\Rightarrow \chi$ is cont, and $\|\chi\| \leq 1$

Proof If χ is unbdd or $\|\chi\| > 1$, then $\exists a \in A$
s.t. $|\chi(a)| > \|a\|$. $\Rightarrow \exists b \in A$ s.t. $\|b\| < 1$, $\chi(b) = 1$
($b = a/\chi(a)$)

$\Rightarrow 1-b \in A^X \Rightarrow \chi(1-b) \neq 0$
 $\chi(1-b) = 0$, a contr. \square .

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- (1) $\forall \lambda \in \mathcal{G}_A(a) \quad |\lambda| \leq \|a\|$

(2) $\mathcal{G}_A(a)$ is compact

(3) $\mathcal{G}_A(a) \neq \emptyset$ (if $A \neq 0$)

Thm (Gelfand-Mazur thm)

$A = \mathbb{C}$ Ban. division alg (that is, $A \neq 0$ and all $a \in A \setminus \{0\}$ are invertible)

Then $A \cong \mathbb{C}$.

Proof $\forall a \in A \exists \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ st. $a - \lambda 1 = 0$, that is, $a = \lambda 1$

$\Rightarrow A = \mathbb{C} 1 \cong \mathbb{C}$ \square