# Spectral properties of approximation sequences:

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## Approximate solution to an operator equation

Let  $A \in \mathscr{L}(L^{p}(\mathbb{R}))$ , with  $1 , and an approximate sequence <math>A_n \in \mathscr{L}((L^{p}(\mathbb{R})))$  of A, based on a sequence of projections  $P_n \in \mathscr{L}(L^{p}(\mathbb{R}))$ . A common question is to know whether we can substitute the equation

$$Au = b, \quad u, b \in L^p(\mathbb{R})$$

by the "simpler" ones

$$A_n u_n = P_n b$$

and guarantee that  $u_n$  are unique and converge to the solution of the initial equation.

Stability: The sequence (A<sub>n</sub>) is stable if for n large enough the operators A<sub>n</sub> are invertible and sup ||A<sub>n</sub><sup>-1</sup>|| <∞.</li>

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# Convergence notions

Let 
$$\mathscr{P} = (P_n) := \chi_{[-n,n]}I$$
.  
•  $\mathscr{P}$ -compact operators

 $\begin{aligned} \mathscr{K}(L^{p},\mathscr{P}) &:= \{ K \in \mathscr{L}(L^{p}(\mathbb{R})) : \| K(I-P_{n})\|, \| (I-P_{n})K\| \to 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty \} \} \\ \mathscr{L}(L^{p},\mathscr{P}) &:= \{ A \in \mathscr{L}(L^{p}(\mathbb{R})) : AK, KA \in \mathscr{K}(L^{p},\mathscr{P}), \forall K \in \mathscr{K}(L^{p},\mathscr{P}) \} \\ \bullet \mathscr{P}\text{-} \text{Fredholm operators} \end{aligned}$ 

- $A \in \mathscr{L}(L^p, \mathscr{P})$  is  $\mathscr{P}$ -Fredholm if  $A + \mathscr{K}(L^p, \mathscr{P})$  is invertible in the quotient algebra  $\mathscr{L}(L^p, \mathscr{P})/\mathscr{K}(L^p, \mathscr{P})$ .
- $\mathscr{P}$ -Convergence: A sequence  $(A_n) \subset \mathscr{L}(L^p, \mathscr{P})$  is said to **converge**  $\mathscr{P}$ -strongly to  $A \in \mathscr{L}(L^p(\mathbb{R}))$  if

$$\|K(A_n - A)\|, \|(A_n - A)K\| o 0$$
 as  $n o \infty$ 

for every  $\mathcal{P}$ -compact operators K.

• A sequence  $(A_n) \subset \mathscr{L}(L^p(\mathbb{R}))$  is said to **converge** \*-strongly to  $A \in \mathscr{L}(L^p(\mathbb{R}))$  if

$$s-\lim_{n\to\infty}A_n=A \quad \text{and} \quad s-\lim_{n\to\infty}A_n^*=A^*$$

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## *T*-structured sequences

The set  ${\mathscr F}$  defined by

$$\mathscr{F}:=\{(A_n):\,A_n\in\mathscr{L}(L^p,\mathscr{P}) ext{ and } \sup_n \lVert A_n \rVert <\infty\}$$

is a Banach algebra. Consider the following 3 homomorphisms on  $L^{p}(\mathbb{R})$ :  $(V_{n}u)(x) := u(x - n),$   $(Z_{n}u)(x) := n^{-1/p}u(x/n)$  and  $(U_{t}u)(x) := e^{itx}u(x), t \in \mathbb{R}.$ Let  $\mathscr{F}^{T}$  be the set of all *T*-structured sequences, i.e. all sequences  $\mathbb{A} = (A_{n}) \in \mathscr{F}$  for which the  $\mathscr{P}$ -strong limits

$$\mathbb{W}(\mathbb{A}) := \mathscr{P}_{\substack{\mathsf{n} \to \infty}} \mathsf{Lim} A_n, \quad \mathbb{W}^{\pm}(\mathbb{A}) := \mathscr{P}_{\substack{\mathsf{n} \to \infty}} \mathsf{Lim} V_{\mp n} A_n V_{\pm n},$$

exist and the \*-strong limits

$$\mathsf{H}^{t}(\mathbb{A}) := s - \lim_{n \to \infty} Z_{n}^{-1} U_{t} A_{n} U_{t}^{-1} Z_{n}$$

also exist for every  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , where  $T := \left\{ \left( V_{\mp n} \right), \left( Z_n^{-1} U_t \right), t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ .

This set forms a closed subalgebra of  $\mathscr{F}$ .

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# *I* <sup>T</sup>-Fredholm sequences

 $\mathscr{F}^{\mathcal{T}}$  contains the ideal

$$\mathscr{J}^{\mathsf{T}} := \{ (\mathsf{K}) + (\mathsf{V}_{\pm n}\mathsf{K}^{-}\mathsf{V}_{\mp}) + (U_t^{-1}Z_n\mathsf{K}^{+}Z_n^{-1}U_t) + (G_n) : \\ \mathsf{K}, \mathsf{K}^{-} \in \mathscr{K}(\mathsf{X}, \mathscr{P}), \, \mathsf{K}^{+} \in \mathscr{K} \text{ and } \|G_n\| \to 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty \}$$

and we say that  $(A_n) \in \mathscr{F}^T$  is a  $\mathscr{J}^T$ -**Fredholm sequence** if  $(A_n) + \mathscr{J}^T$  is invertible in  $\mathscr{F}^T / \mathscr{J}^T$ .

The following theorem is an adaptation of the Silbermann's lifting theorem

#### Theorem

Let  $\mathbb{A} = (A_n) \in \mathscr{F}^T$ . Then  $\mathbb{A}$  is stable if and only if  $\mathbb{A}$  is  $\mathscr{J}^T$ -Fredholm and W( $\mathbb{A}$ ), W<sup>+</sup>( $\mathbb{A}$ ), W<sup>-</sup>( $\mathbb{A}$ ) and H<sup>t</sup>( $\mathbb{A}$ ),  $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ , are invertible.

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#### Definition

Let  $\mathscr{B}$  be a Banach subalgebra of  $\mathscr{F}$  containing  $\mathscr{G} := \{(G_n) : ||G_n|| \to 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty\}.$  $\mathscr{B}$  is a **fractal algebra** if for every strictly increasing sequence *h* of natural numbers and  $\mathscr{B}_h := \{(A_{h_n}) : (A_n) \in \mathscr{B}\},$  there exists a map  $\pi_h : \mathscr{B}_h \to \mathscr{B}/\mathscr{G}$  such that for every  $\mathbb{A} \in \mathscr{B}$ ,

$$\mathbb{A} + \mathscr{G} = \pi_h(\mathbb{A}_h).$$

#### Theorem

[Roch, Silbermann 1996] Let p = 2. If  $\mathscr{B}$  is a unital fractal subalgebra of  $\mathscr{F}$  and  $\mathbb{A} = (A_n) \in \mathscr{B}$  then,

- $\mathbb{A}$  is stable if and only if it possesses a stable subsequence.
- The limit  $\lim ||A_n||$  exists and equals  $||\mathbb{A} + \mathcal{G}||$ .

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## *T*-structured subsequences

Given a strictly increasing sequence h of natural numbers and the associated projections  $P_{h_n} = \chi_{[-h_n,h_n]}I$  we define in analogy the sets

$$\mathscr{F}_h = \{(A_{h_n}) : (A_n) \in \mathscr{F}\},\$$

 $\mathscr{F}_h^T$ ,  $\mathscr{J}_h^T$ , and denote by W( $\mathbb{A}_h$ ), the limit operators of the subsequences  $\mathbb{A}_h := \{A_{h_n}\}$ .

#### Definition

A sequence  $\mathbb{A} = (A_n) \in \mathscr{F}$  is **rich** if every subsequence of  $\mathbb{A}$  has a T-structured subsequence  $\mathbb{A}_h = (A_{h_n})$ , i.e. for every strictly increasing sequence g of natural numbers there exists a subsequence h such that  $\mathbb{A}_h \in \mathscr{F}_h^T$ .

•  $\mathscr{R}^{\mathcal{T}}$  denote the subset of  $\mathscr{F}$  consisting of all rich sequences.

$$\mathscr{F}^{\mathsf{T}} \subset \mathscr{R}^{\mathsf{T}} \subset \mathscr{F}$$

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## Passage from sequences to subsequences

#### Seidel, Silbermann, 2012

A sequence is  $\mathbb{A} \in \mathscr{R}^{T}$  is stable if and only if every *T*-structured subsequence  $\mathbb{A}_{h}$  is stable.

As a consequence of the previous theorem and the lifting theorem:

Let  $\mathbb{A} \in \mathscr{R}^{T}$ . Then,  $\mathbb{A}$  is stable if and only if every *T*-structured subsequence  $\mathbb{A}_{h}$  has a  $\mathscr{J}^{T}$ -Fredholm subsequence and  $W(\mathbb{A}_{h})$ ,  $W^{+}(\mathbb{A}_{h})$ ,  $W^{-}(\mathbb{A}_{h})$  and  $H^{t}(\mathbb{A})$ ,  $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ , are invertible.

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# Function algebras

Closed subalgebras of  $L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$ :

- BUC the algebra of bounded and uniformly continuous functions on  $\mathbb R$
- $L_0^{\infty}$  the algebra of functions with which possesses finite limit at  $\pm \infty$ .
- $PC^{\lambda}$  the algebra of continuous functions with one-sided limits at  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$
- PC the algebra generated by all  $PC^{\lambda}$  with  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- $SO^{\lambda}$  the algebra of continuous functions on  $\dot{\mathbb{R}} \setminus \{\lambda\}$  and slowly oscillating at  $\lambda \in \dot{\mathbb{R}}$ , i.e.

$$\lim_{x \to +0} \operatorname{osc}(f, \lambda + ([-x, -rx] \cup [rx, x])) = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$$
$$\lim_{x \to +\infty} \operatorname{osc}(f, [-x, -rx] \cup [rx, x]) = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad \lambda = \infty$$

for every  $r \in ]0,1[$ , where  $\operatorname{osc}(f,I) := \operatorname{essup}\{|f(t) - f(s)| : t, s \in I\}.$ 

• SO - the algebra generated by all  $SO^{\lambda}$  with  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ .

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## **Convolution operators**:

For  $b \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$  and F being the Fourier transform, the *convolution* operator on  $L^{2}(\mathbb{R})$ , is defined by:

$$W^0(b):=F^{-1}bF,$$

If the operator  $W^0(b)$  on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}) \cap L^2(\mathbb{R})$  admits a linear bounded extension to  $L^p(\mathbb{R})$  then it is also called a convolution operator and *b* is called a *Fourier multiplier*. The set of all multipliers on  $L^p(\mathbb{R})$ 

$$M^{p} := \{ b \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}) : W^{0}(b) \in \mathscr{L}(L^{p}(\mathbb{R})) \}$$

with the norm  $\|b\|_{M^p} := \|W^0(b)\|_{\mathscr{L}(L^p(\mathbb{R}))}$  forms a Banach algebra. For  $p \in (1,\infty) \setminus \{2\}$ , let  $M^{}$  denote the set of all multipliers  $b \in M^p$  for which there exists a  $\delta > 0$  (depending on b) such that  $b \in M^r$  for all  $r \in (p-\delta, p+\delta)$ . Also set  $M^{<2>} := M^2 = L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$ . Furthermore, for a subalgebra  $\mathscr{B} \subset L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$  let  $\mathscr{B}_p$  denote the closure in  $M^p$  of  $\mathscr{B} \cap M^{}$ .

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# An algebra $\mathscr{A}$ of convolution type operators

Let  $\mathscr{A}$  be the smallest closed subalgebra of  $\mathscr{L}(L^{p}(\mathbb{R}))$  which contains:

- All operators of multiplication aI, with  $a \in alg(L_0^{\infty}, PC, SO)$
- All convolution operators  $W^0(b)$  with  $b \in [alg(BUC, PC^{\lambda}, SO)]_{\rho}$  $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$
- All  $\mathscr{P}$ -compact operators

Let  $\mathscr{F}_{\mathscr{A}}$  denote the smallest closed subalgebra of  $\mathscr{F}$  containing all finite sections

$$(P_nAP_n+(I-P_n)), A \in \mathscr{A}.$$

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## Approximation sequences to operators in $\mathscr{A}$

#### Theorem

Let  $\mathbb{A} \in \mathscr{F}_{\mathscr{A}}$ .  $\mathbb{A}$  is stable if and only if for every T-structured subsequence  $\mathbb{A}_h$ , the operators  $W(\mathbb{A}_h)$ ,  $W^+(\mathbb{A}_h)$ ,  $W^-(\mathbb{A}_h)$  and  $H^t(\mathbb{A}_h)$ ,  $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ , are invertible.

#### **Remarks:** For p = 2

(1) Every *T*-structured subsequence belongs to a fractal algebra (2) Results on the index, asymptotic behaviour of condition numbers and convergence of pseudospectrum are also obtained for  $\mathscr{F}_{\mathscr{A}}$ .

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