CORRECTION TO "THE EXISTENCE OF INVARIANT SUBSPACES"

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The proof of the existence of invariant subspaces announced in this *Bulletin* **70** (1964), 718–721, is false. We now withdraw the announcement and make no statement either for or against the existence of invariant subspaces. We would like to express our thanks to the many people who have read the paper and commented to us on it, and in particular to Dr. P. A. Fillmore of Indiana University, who discovered the gap.

Added in proof. The announced theory of characteristic operator functions is, however, correct and does yield existence theorems for invariant subspaces whenever characteristic operator functions can be suitably factored. It does yield the existence of invariant subspaces for transformations T, which are bounded by 1, when $1-T^*T$ is completely continuous. This result does not seem to have been obtained by other methods.

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ADDENDUM TO *AN EXTENSION OF THE MARCINKIEWICZ INTERPOLATION THEOREM TO LORENTZ SPACES*[1]

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It has been pointed out that A. P. Calderón has proved the main theorem of our paper in the special cases $p, q \geqq 1$ and T a linear operator. He presented this result in several lectures.

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[1] Bull. Amer. Math. Soc. **70** (1964), 803–807.

ADDENDA

There were 196 registrants at the November meeting in Athens, 135 of whom were members of the Society.

Professor Kai Lai Chung's name was inadvertently omitted from the volume index in the November *Bulletin*. It should have been listed under the Invited Addresses, with reference to p. 241.