

89. On Normal Approximate Spectrum. IV

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1. Introduction. In our previous notes [3], [5], [6] and [7], we have discussed some properties of the normal approximate spectra of operators on Hilbert space \mathfrak{H} . A complex number λ is an *approximate propervalue* of an operator T on \mathfrak{H} if there is a sequence of unit vectors in \mathfrak{H} such that

$$(*) \quad \|(T - \lambda)x_n\| \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

Then sequence $\{x_n\}$ is called *approximate propervectors* belonging to λ . The set $\pi(T)$ of all approximate propervalues is called the *approximate spectrum* of T . If there is a sequence $\{x_n\}$ of unit vectors for λ and T satisfying (*) and

$$(**) \quad \|(T - \lambda)^*x_n\| \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty),$$

the λ is called a *normal approximate propervalue* of T and $\{x_n\}$ *normal approximate propervectors*. The set $\pi_n(T)$ of all normal approximate propervalues of T is called the *normal approximate spectrum* of T . Some equivalent conditions are discussed in [3], [5] and [7].

In the present note, we shall prove three theorems in terms of the normal approximate spectra in §§ 3–5. In the proofs, we shall use the Berberian representation in [1], which is sketched in § 2.

2. The Berberian representation. Let \mathfrak{B} be the set of all bounded sequences of vectors of \mathfrak{H} . Then \mathfrak{B} is a vector space with respect to the operations:

$$\{x_n\} + \{y_n\} = \{x_n + y_n\}$$

and

$$\alpha\{x_n\} = \{\alpha x_n\}.$$

Let (for a fixed Banach limit Lim)

$$\mathfrak{N} = \{\{x_n\} \in \mathfrak{B}; \text{Lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n | y_n) = 0 \text{ for all } y_n \in \mathfrak{B}\},$$

and let $\mathfrak{B} = \mathfrak{B}/\mathfrak{N}$. Then \mathfrak{B} becomes an inner product space by

$$(\{x_n\} + \mathfrak{N} | \{y_n\} + \mathfrak{N}) = \text{Lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n | y_n).$$

If $x \in \mathfrak{B}$, then $\{x\}$ means the sequence of all whose terms are x .

$$(x' | y') = (x | y)$$

for $x' = \{x\} + \mathfrak{N}$ and $y' = \{y\} + \mathfrak{N}$, so that the mapping $x \rightarrow x'$ is an isometric linear map of \mathfrak{B} onto a closed subspace \mathfrak{B}' of \mathfrak{B} . Let \mathfrak{R} be the

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completion of \mathfrak{B} . Then \mathfrak{R} is an extension of \mathfrak{S} . For an operator T acting on \mathfrak{S} , put

$$T^0(\{x_n\} + \mathfrak{N}) = \{Tx_n\} + \mathfrak{N}.$$

We can extend T^0 on \mathfrak{R} , which will be denoted by T^0 too. The mapping $T \rightarrow T^0$ of $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{S})$ into $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{R})$ will be called the *Berberian representation*. The following theorem is proved in [1].

Theorem A (Berberian). *The Berberian representation is *-isomorphic and isometric. If $T \in \mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{S})$, then*

$$(1) \quad \pi(T) = \pi(T^0) = \sigma_p(T^0),$$

where $\sigma_p(T)$ is the point spectrum of T .

3. Naked point. A point λ of a compact set S in the plane is called a *naked point* of S in the sense of [4] if there are λ_n and r_n such that

- (i) $\{\mu; |\mu - \lambda_n| < r_n\} \subset S^c$,
- (ii) $\lambda_n \rightarrow \lambda \quad (n \rightarrow \infty)$,

and

$$(iii) \quad \frac{|\lambda_n - \lambda|}{r_n} \rightarrow 1 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty),$$

where S^c is the complement of S . The notion of naked points is originally introduced by Sz.-Nagy and Foiaş [12].

An operator T is called to satisfy the *condition* (G_1) if

$$(2) \quad \|(T - \lambda)^{-1}\| \leq \frac{1}{\text{dist}(\lambda, \sigma(T))}$$

for every $\lambda \notin \sigma(T)$ where $\sigma(T)$ is the spectrum of T .

In [4], one of the authors proved the following theorem which is an extension of a theorem of Berberian [2]:

Theorem B. *If T is an operator satisfying the condition (G_1) , and if λ is a naked point of the spectrum $\sigma(T)$ and a propervalue of T , then λ is a normal propervalue of T .*

Recently, extending the notion of the condition (G_1) , Saito [10] introduces the following definition:

Definition C. An operator T is called to satisfy *Saito's condition* for X if $\sigma(T) \subset X$ and

$$(3) \quad \|(T - \lambda)^{-1}\| \leq \frac{1}{\text{dist}(\lambda, X)}$$

for every $\lambda \notin X$.

Clearly, Saito's condition includes the condition (G_1) if $X = \sigma(T)$ (also it gives convexoids if X is the convex hull of $\sigma(T)$). The authors express their hearty thanks to Prof. T. Saito who gives us an opportunity to read [10] before publication.

We can prove the following extension of Theorem B without substantial change:

Theorem B'. *Let T be an operator satisfying Saito's condition*

for a closed set X . If λ is a naked point of X and a provalue of T , then λ is a normal provalue of T .

Saito [10] proved the following theorem which is a generalization of Theorem B'. He used the method of unitary dilations. We shall give an alternative proof based on the Berberian representation.

Theorem 1 (Saito). *Let T be an operator satisfying Saito's condition for a closed set X . If λ is a naked point of X and an approximate provalue of T , then λ is a normal approximate provalue.*

Proof. Since the Berberian representation is $*$ -isomorphic and isometric, $\sigma(T^0)$ coincides with $\sigma(T)$, so that T^0 satisfy Saito's condition for X too. Since λ is a provalue of T^0 by Theorem A, Theorem B' implies that λ is a normal provalue of T^0 . Hence there is a unit vector $z \in \mathfrak{R}$ such that $(T^0 - \lambda)z = 0$ and $(T^0 - \lambda)^*z = 0$. Therefore, there is a sequence $\{z^{(m)}\}$ of unit vectors in \mathfrak{B} such that $z^{(m)} \rightarrow z$, and so $(T^0 - \lambda)z^{(m)} \rightarrow 0$ and $(T^0 - \lambda)^*z^{(m)} \rightarrow 0$. Let $z^{(m)} = \{x_n^{(m)}\} + \mathfrak{N}$ with $\|x_n^{(m)}\| = 1$. We have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|(T - \lambda)x_n^{(m)}\| \leq \text{Lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|(T - \lambda)x_n^{(m)}\| = \|(T^0 - \lambda)z^{(m)}\|$$

and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|(T - \lambda)^*x_n^{(m)}\| \leq \text{Lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|(T - \lambda)^*x_n^{(m)}\| = \|(T^0 - \lambda)^*z^{(m)}\|$$

for $m = 1, 2, \dots$. It follows that there exists a subsequence $\{x_n^{(k)}\}$ satisfying (*) and (**), so that $\lambda \in \pi_n(T)$.

4. Šilov boundary. Let A be a function algebra on a compact set X in the plane, that is, A is a Banach algebra of continuous functions on X equipped with the sup-norm which separates points of X and contains the constant functions. If there exists $f \in A$ such that $|f(\mu)| < |f(\lambda)|$ for every $\mu \neq \lambda (\mu \in X)$, then λ is called a *peak point* for A . The set of all peak points is called the *minimal boundary* for A . The closure $\partial_A X$ of the minimal boundary is the *Šilov boundary* for A .

Let X be a compact set in the plane. Let $R(X)$ be the normed algebra of all rational functions with no poles on X equipped with the sup-norm. X is called a *spectral set* for an operator T if $\sigma(T) \subset X$ and $\|f(T)\| \leq \|f\|$ for any $f \in R(X)$, that is, the mapping $f \rightarrow f(T)$ is a contractive operator representation of $R(X)$ (cf. [9]). In the below, the uniform closure of $R(X)$ is denoted by A .

In [8], the following theorem is proved:

Theorem D (Lebow). *If S is a spectral set for an operator T , and if $\lambda \in \sigma_p(T)$ belongs to the minimal boundary for A , then λ is a normal provalue.*

We shall extend Theorem D into the following theorem:

Theorem 2. *If S is a spectral set for T and $\lambda \in \pi(T) \cap \partial_A S$, then $\lambda \in \pi_n(T)$.*

Proof. Suppose that λ belongs to the minimal boundary for A . Then λ is a propervalue of T^0 by Theorem A, and by Theorem D λ is a normal propervalue of T^0 because S is a spectral set for T^0 too. Hence $\lambda \in \pi_n(T)$ as in the proof of Theorem 1.

Since $\pi_n(T)$ is closed as in [7] and the minimal boundary is dense in $\partial_A S$, we have $\pi(T) \cap \partial_A S \subset \pi_n(T)$.

5. Convex spectral set. The following theorem is a corollary of a theorem of Sz.-Nagy and Foias [12].

Theorem E. *If S is a convex spectral set for an operator T and if $\lambda \in \sigma_p(T)$ is in the (natural) boundary ∂S of S , then λ is a normal propervalue.*

Proof. Since S is convex, every $\lambda \in \partial S$ is a naked point, so that λ is a normal propervalue by a theorem of Sz.-Nagy and Foias [12].

We shall extend Theorem E by the use of the Berberian representation as follows:

Theorem 3. *If S is a convex spectral set for an operator T and $\lambda \in \pi(T) \cap \partial S$, then $\lambda \in \pi_n(T)$.*

Proof. Since the Berberian representation is $*$ -isomorphic and isometric, S is a spectral set for T^0 , and λ is a propervalue by Theorem A, so that λ is a normal propervalue of T^0 by Theorem E. Hence $\lambda \in \pi_n(T)$ as in the proof of Theorem 1.

6. An appendix. It is well-known

$$(4) \quad \sigma(ST) \setminus \{0\} = \sigma(TS) \setminus \{0\}$$

for every operators S and T . However, we can not replace σ by π_n in (4):

Proposition. *There are operators S and T such that S is invertible and*

$$(5) \quad \pi_n(T) \setminus \{0\} \neq \pi_n(S^{-1}TS) \setminus \{0\}.$$

Proof. Put

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad R = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then T and R are similar by

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

which is clearly invertible and $TS = SR$. We have

$$\sigma(T) = \{0, 1\}, \quad \sigma(R) = \pi_n(R) = \{0, 1\},$$

$$T \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

On the other hand, we have

$$T^* \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad T^* \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

so that $\pi_n(T)$ is empty. Hence (5) is proved.

The above example, due to Prof. H. Choda who improves our original construction, has another application. Let \mathcal{S} be the set of all operators with non-void normal approximate spectra which is the uniform closure of the set \mathcal{R}_1 of all operators having one-dimensional reducing subspaces as proved by Stampfli [11]. Then $R \in \mathcal{R}_1 \subset \mathcal{S}$ and $T = SRS^{-1} \notin \mathcal{S}$, so that we have

Corollary. \mathcal{S} is not invariant under similarity.

Remark. Prof. H. Choda also pointed out, Proposition follows from a theorem of Wogen [13] which states that a factor of type I is generated by an operator which is similar to an hermitean operator. In the above example, T generates the algebra of all 2×2 matrices as C^* -algebra which is a factor of type I_2 . Hence $\pi_n(T)$ is empty by the reciprocity of the characters and the normal approximate spectrum proved in [3] and [7].

Added in proof. Sa Ge Lee (Notice A.M.S., **19**, pp. A-185-186 (1972)) announced that he obtained independently a series of similar results to our I-V.

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