

On Extensions of Commutative Banach Algebras

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Introduction

In this note, all algebra will mean a commutative complex algebra with identity.

Lemma1. If $T: A^n \rightarrow A^m$ is an A-module homomorphism then T is bounded as a linear mapping of Banach spaces.

proof) Let (t_{ij}) be the matrix of T in the standard bases on A^n and A^m

and let $M = \max (\|t_{ij}\|)$.

since $\|T_x\| = \sum_{j=1}^n \|t_{1j}x_j + \dots + t_{mj}x_j\|$ for each

$$x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in A^n$$

We get that $\|T_x\| = \sum_{ij} \|t_{ij}\| \|x_j\| \leq \sum_{j=1}^n m M \|x_j\|$

and hence $\|T_x\| \leq m M \|x\|$

Therefore T is bounded and T is continuous

Theorem2. Let A be a Banach algebra and B a faithful A-algebra finitely generated and projective as an A-module.

Then B is a Banach algebra.

proof) Since B is a faithful A-algebra and finitely generated, B is integral over A.

There exist elements b_1, \dots, b_n in B that generate B as an A-algebra, and each b_i satisfies a monic polynomial $f_i(x)$ in

$A[X]$ of degree d_i .

Put

$$B_0 = A \text{ and } B_i = B_{i-1}(x)/(f_i(x)) \text{ for } i=1, \dots, n$$

If B_{i-1} is normed so that it is a Banach algebra, then we can extend this norm to B_i so that it is a Banach algebra isometric to B_{i-1} .

We see that every Banach norm on A extends to a Banach norm on B_n , where B_n is isometric (as a Banach A-module) to

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$$A^d (d = d_1 \cdot d_2 \cdots d_n)$$

Thus we have an A-algebra homomorphism $f : B_n \rightarrow B$.

Since B is projective, the kernel of f is a direct summand of B_n .

Thus if we define norm B by using the quotient seminorm, this seminorm is actually a norm making B a Banach algebra.

Main Theorems

If B is an integral extension of A, then it is well known that an ideal M in A is a maximal ideal in A if and only if there is a maximal ideal N in B such that $M = N \cap A$.

From this it easily follows that $R(A) = R(B) \cap A$, where $R(A)$ denotes the radical of A.

For an extension B of a Banach algebra A, define the mapping by

$$\Pi_A^B : M(B) \rightarrow M(A) \quad \Pi_A^B(\phi) = \phi|_A \text{ for each } \phi \in M(B).$$

clearly, Π_A^B is continuous mapping with respect to the Gelfand topology.

Lemma 3. If B is an integral extension of A,

then Π_A^B is onto and $\hat{a} \rightarrow \Pi_A^B(\hat{a})$ is an isomorphism of \hat{A} into \hat{B} . Thus B is an integral extension of A.

proof)

For $\phi \in M(A)$, Put $M = \phi^{-1}(0)$.

Since M is a maximal ideal in A, there exists a maximal ideal N in B such that $N \cap A = M$.

Let ψ denote the canonical projection of B onto B/A .

If $a \in A$, then $a = \phi(a)\psi(e)$ and thus there is an element $m \in M$ such that $a = \phi(a) + m$. hence we have

$$\psi(a) = \phi(a)\psi(e) \text{ and } \psi(A) = c\psi(e).$$

Since B is integral over A, B/A is integral over $\psi(A)$ so that $B/A = \psi(A) = c\psi(e)$.

If put $\phi(b) = \lambda_b\psi(e)$, we have $\phi \in M(B)$, $\phi|_A = \Pi_A^B(\phi) = \phi$ and $\phi^{-1}(0) = N$.

Hence Π_A^B is onto.

Since A separates points of $M(A)$, it follows immediately from Π_A^B is onto.

For a polynomial

$$\beta(x) = \sum \beta_i x^i \in A(x), \text{ put } \beta_\phi(x) = \sum \phi(B_i)x^i.$$

Theorem 4. If B is an integral extension of A, then $M(A)$ is compact if and only if $M(B)$ is compact.

proof) Suppose $M(A)$ is compact.

Let $\| \cdot \|_*$ denotes the sup norm over

$M(A)$. Then $\|a\|_* < +\infty$ for each $a \in A$

we show that every element of B has a bounded transform.

$$\text{Let } b \in B, \text{ and } \beta(x) = x^n + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \beta_i x^i$$

be any monic polynomial over A such that

$\beta(b) = 0$. if $t > 0$ is any positive number satisfying $t^n \geq \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \|\beta_i\|_* t^i$, then for

$$\tilde{\phi} \in M(B), \quad |\tilde{\phi}(b)| \leq t \text{ for all } \tilde{\phi} \in M(B),$$

and B is a normed algebra with respect to sup norm so that $M(B)$ is compact in the Gelfand topology.

From now on B will denote a finitely generated projective extension of a fixed Banach algebra A.

If $\phi \in M(B)$, $\Pi_A^B(\psi) = \phi$ and $m_\psi = \text{Ker}\phi$.

then we define the multiplicity $m(\psi)$ of ψ as the complex dimension of $e(B/m_\psi B)$, where e is the idempotent element of $B/m_\psi B$ such that the support of e is $\{\psi\}$.

If $\alpha(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i x^i \in A(x)$ and $\phi \in M(A)$,

we set $Z(\alpha_\phi) = \{ \lambda \in C \mid \alpha_\phi(\lambda) = 0 \}$.

If $\alpha(x)$ is monic we write

$A_\phi = A(x)/(\alpha(x))$ and Π_ϕ for the projection of $M(A_\phi)$ onto $M(A)$.

we recall the a finitely generated projective module M is said to be have a well-defined rank n if for any prime ideal p of A the localized module M_p . Conversely, since Π_A^B is continuous and onto, hold.

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