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CHARACTERIZATION OF SCALAR-TYPE SPECTRAL OPERATORS

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Much attention is being devoted in literature to the problem of characterization of spectral operators in the Dunford sense [1, 2] since this problem has not yet been solved in a satisfactory way. A characterization in terms of operational calculus (i. e. in terms of a homomorphism of an algebra of functions into the algebra of operators) is a very useful one and permits various generalizations (see e.g. [4, 6]). The main theorem of the present note gives a characterization of spectral operators in terms of this kind. The corollaries of this theorem present generalizations of some criteria known from literature (especially [5]).

Let X be a Banach space, $L(X)$ the algebra of all bounded linear operators in X . If $T \in L(X)$ is an operator $\sigma(T)$ stands for its spectrum. The set of all complex numbers will be denoted by C_1 . We use the notations $R_1 = \{\lambda \mid \lambda \text{ real, } \lambda \in C_1\}$, $K_1 = \{\lambda \mid |\lambda| = 1, \lambda \in C_1\}$.

Let K be a set and A an algebra of complex-valued functions on K . Let $t: A \rightarrow L(X)$ be an homomorphism of A into $L(X)$. The homomorphism t is said to be weakly (K, X) -compact if, for every $x \in X$, the set

$$\{t(f)x \mid f \in A, \sup_{\lambda \in K} |f(\lambda)| \leq 1\}$$

is relatively weakly compact in X .

If K is a topological space (e.g. a subset of C_1), then $C(K)$ will stand for the algebra of all complex bounded continuous functions on K and $B(K)$ will stand for the system of all Borel subsets of K .

We denote by j the identity function on C_1 (i.e. $j(\lambda) = \lambda$ for $\lambda \in C_1$) or, sometimes, its restriction to a subset of C_1 .

A spectral measure is a strongly σ -additive and multiplicative $L(X)$ -valued function E on a σ -algebra of subsets of a set K such that $E(\emptyset) = O$ and $E(K) = I$, where O is the zero operator and I is the identity operator.

An operator $T \in L(X)$ is said to be a scalar-type spectral operator if there exists a spectral measure $E: B(\sigma(T)) \rightarrow L(X)$ such that

$$(1) \quad T = \int f dE.$$

A scalar-type operator T is called pseudohermitian if $\sigma(T) \subset R_1$ and pseudounitary if $\sigma(T) \subset K_1$.

Theorem. *An operator $T \in L(X)$ is a scalar-type spectral operator if and only if there exists a compact space K and a weakly (K, X) -compact*

homomorphism $t : C(K) \rightarrow L(X)$ such that there exists a function $f_0 \in C(K)$ for which $t(f_0) = T$.

Proof. If T is a scalar type spectral operator we put $K = \sigma(T)$ and $t(f) = \int f dE$, $f \in C(\sigma(T))$, where E is the spectral measure from (1). It is known that t is an homomorphism of $C(\sigma(T))$ into $L(X)$. According to [3; VI. 7. 3] the mapping $f \rightarrow t(f)x$ from $C(\sigma(T))$ into X is weakly compact for every $x \in X$. Therefore t is a weakly (K, X) -compact homomorphism.

Now suppose K is a compact space and $t : C(K) \rightarrow L(X)$ a weakly (K, X) -compact homomorphism. By [3; VI. 7. 3], for every $x \in X$, there exists a regular X -valued measure m_x such that $t(f)x = \int f dm_x$, $f \in C(K)$, and $\sup_{\tau \in B(K)} \|m_x(\tau)\| \leq \|t\| \|x\|$. Because $m_x(\tau)$ is determined uniquely by τ , x and depends linearly and continuously on x , for every $\tau \in B(K)$, we may put $F(\tau)x = m_x(\tau)$. Evidently $F(\tau) \in L(X)$, $\tau \in B(K)$. The function $F : B(K) \rightarrow L(X)$ is an operator-valued measure such that $t(f) = \int f dF$ in the sense that $t(f)x = \int f(s) dF(s)x$, for every $x \in X$. It is easy to prove (by passing to limits) that F is multiplicative (see e.g. [7; Lemma 6]). It follows that F is a spectral measure. By hypothesis $T = t(f_0) = \int f_0 dF$. According to [1], T is a scalar-type spectral operator and we have (1) if we define $E(\rho) = F(\{s \mid f_0(s) \in \rho\})$ for $\rho \in B(\sigma(T))$.

Remark. Following [3; VI. 7. 6], if X is a weakly (sequentially) complete space, an homomorphism $t : C(K) \rightarrow L(X)$ is weakly (K, X) -compact if and only if it is continuous (in the strong operator topology). For this case the theorem is given in [6].

Corollary 1. *T is a scalar-type spectral operator if and only if there exists a weakly (T, X) -compact homomorphism $t : C(\sigma(T)) \rightarrow L(X)$ such that $t(j) = T$.*

If $K \subset C_1$ is a compact set and $t : C(K) \rightarrow L(X)$ is a weakly (K, X) -compact homomorphism such that $t(j) = T$, then T is a scalar-type spectral operator.

In the sequel we give some corollaries of the theorem in which the criterium of spectrality is given in terms of operational calculus $f \rightarrow f(T)$ defined for holomorphic functions by the means of Cauchy formula [3; VII. 3].

Let $K \subset C_1$ be a compact set and A an algebra of holomorphic functions on K (i.e. for every $f \in A$ there exists an open set $U_f \supset K$ such that f is holomorphic on U_f). If the uniform closure of the algebra consisting of restrictions of functions belonging to A is identical with $C(K)$, then the set K is called an A -set.

Corollary 2. *Let $K \subset C_1$ be a compact set, $T \in L(X)$, $\sigma(T) \subset K$. Let A be an algebra consisting of functions holomorphic on K . Let K be an A -set. The operator T is a scalar-type spectral operator if and only if the ope-*

rational calculus $f \rightarrow f(T)$, $f \in A$, is a weakly (K, X) -compact homomorphism of A into $L(X)$.

Proof. K being an A -set the homomorphism $f \rightarrow f(T)$ can be extended uniquely by continuity on a homomorphism $t: C(K) \rightarrow L(X)$. The set $\{t(f)x \mid f \in C(K), \sup_{\lambda \in K} |f(\lambda)| \leq 1\}$ is a part of the closure of $\{f(T)x \mid f \in A, \sup_{\lambda \in K} |f(\lambda)| \leq 1\}$ and, therefore, by Eberlein-Šmuljan theorem [3; V. 6. 1] it is relatively weakly compact in X .

Let N be the set of all integers and \mathbf{N} the system of all its finite subsets. Denote by P the set of all functions of the form

$$f(\lambda) = \sum_{n \in \nu} a_n \lambda^n$$

where a_n are complex numbers and $\nu \in \mathbf{N}$.

Corollary 3. An operator $T \in L(X)$ is pseudounitary if and only if the homomorphism $f \rightarrow f(T)$ of P into $L(X)$ is weakly (K_1, X) -compact.

Proof. It is known, that K_1 is a P -set.

Denote by Q the algebra of all trigonometric polynomials, i.e. of functions of the type

$$f(\lambda) = \sum_{n \in \nu} a_n e^{in\lambda}$$

where a_n are complex numbers and $\nu \in \mathbf{N}$.

Corollary 4. Let $T \in L(X)$, $\|T\| < \pi$. The operator T is pseudohermitian if and only if the homomorphism $f \rightarrow f(T)$ of the algebra Q into $L(X)$ is weakly (R_1, X) -compact.

Proof. Denote by $\alpha = \|T\|$ and choose β so that $\alpha < \beta < \pi$. The segment $\langle -\beta, \beta \rangle$ is a Q -set and $f(T) = g(T)$ if $f(\lambda) = g(\lambda)$ for $|\lambda| \leq \beta$.

Remarks. 1. If X is a weakly complete space in all corollaries the weak (K, X) -compactness of considered homomorphisms may be replaced by the requirement of its continuity in the uniform-norm topology of respective algebra of functions.

2. If X is a reflexive space (in this case it is also weakly complete), the criterium contained in Corollary 4 presents a simplification of criteria from [5] (Theorem 4). In [5] there is exploited the group e^{itT} , $t \in R_1$, or the algebra of operators generated by this group. Since T is a bounded operator it suffices to consider the subgroup $e^{in\beta T}$, $n \in \mathbf{N}$, where $\beta < \pi/\|T\|$, i.e. to consider the powers of the operator $e^{i\beta T}$.

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