

# FUNCTIONAL CALCULUS

We have seen how to define  $f(A)$  for any function  $f$  when  $A$  is a compact self-adjoint operator.

We want to extend this construction when  $A$  is a general b.d self-adjoint operator:

ULTIMATE GOAL: Define  $f(A)$  when  $f = \chi_{\Sigma}$   
 $\Sigma \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  Borelian subset

In fact it turns out that  $\chi_{\Sigma}(A)$  is  $\perp$  projection which generalizes the orthogonal projections over the space  $\ker(A - \lambda I)$ .

First step:  $f$  continuous

## CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONAL CALCULUS

Thm (cont. func. calc)  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ ,  $A = A^*$

then  $\exists!$   $\Phi: C(\sigma(A)) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H)$

$f \longmapsto \Phi(f) \equiv f(A)$

with these properties:

(1)  $\Phi$  algebraic  $*$ -homomorphism

$$\Phi(fg) = \Phi(f)\Phi(g)$$

$$\Phi(\lambda f + \mu g) = \lambda \Phi(f) + \mu \Phi(g)$$

$$\Phi(1) = I$$

$$\Phi(\bar{f}) = \Phi(f)^*$$

(2) if  $f(\lambda) = \lambda \Rightarrow \Phi(f) = A$

(3)  $\Phi$  is isometric:

$$\forall f \quad \|\Phi(f)\|_{\mathcal{L}(H)} = \sup_{\lambda \in \sigma(A)} |f(\lambda)| = \|f\|_{C(\sigma(A))}$$

(4) spectral mapping  $\sigma(f(A)) = f(\sigma(A))$

(5) if  $Ax = \lambda x \Rightarrow f(A)x = f(\lambda)x$

(6) if  $f \geq 0 \Rightarrow f(A) \geq 0$  (i.e.  $\langle f(A)x, x \rangle \geq 0 \forall x$ )

### Scheme of the proof

1. For any polynomial  $p \in \mathbb{C}[t]$ , define  $p(A) = \sum_{k=1}^n c_k A^k = \sum c_k t^k$

2. For  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ ,  $A = A^*$  prove that

$$\|p(A)\|_{\mathcal{L}(H)} = \sup_{\lambda \in \sigma(A)} |p(\lambda)| = \|p\|_{\mathcal{C}(\sigma(A))}$$

$p \mapsto p(A)$  isometry!

3.  $\sigma(A)$  is a compact set of  $\mathbb{R}$

By Stone-Weierstrass polynomials are dense in  $\mathcal{C}(\sigma(A))$   
 $\mapsto$  define  $f(A) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n(A)$  where  $p_n \rightarrow f$   
and  $(p_n)$  are polynomials

We split the proof in several lemmas

### Lemma (SPECTRAL MAPPING FOR POLYNOMIALS)

Let  $A \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ , then  $\forall p \in \mathbb{C}[t]$  polynomial

$$\sigma(p(A)) = p(\sigma(A)) = \{p(\lambda) : \lambda \in \sigma(A)\}$$

Rem It holds in Borek spec and not self g. op.

proof Fix  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ , consider the polynomial

and denote by  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  the roots of it. Then

$$(a) \quad p(\lambda_i) = \lambda \quad \forall i=1, \dots, n$$

$$(b) \quad p(t) - \lambda = c(t - \lambda_1) \cdots (t - \lambda_n)$$

$$\Rightarrow p(A) - \lambda I = c(A - \lambda_1) \cdots (A - \lambda_n) \quad (\dagger)$$

let  $c \neq 0$  (otherwise  $p(t) \equiv \lambda$  const and claim is trivial)

CLAIM  $\lambda \in \rho(p(A)) \Leftrightarrow \lambda_i \in \rho(A) \quad \forall i$

$\Leftarrow$ ) From  $(\dagger)$ ,  $\prod_z (A - \lambda_z)$  is inv. with bd inverse

so  $p(A) - \lambda$  is inv.  $\rightarrow \lambda \in \rho(p(A))$

$\Rightarrow$ ) BC. assume  $\exists \lambda_i$  so that  $A - \lambda_i$  not invertible.

Assume it is  $\lambda_1$  (otherwise commute the terms)

so  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \ker(A - \lambda_1) \neq \{0\} \\ \operatorname{Im}(A - \lambda_1) \neq X \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \ker(A - \lambda_2) \cdots (A - \lambda_n)(A - \lambda_1) \neq \{0\} \\ \operatorname{Im}(A - \lambda_1)(A - \lambda_2) \cdots (A - \lambda_n) \neq X \end{array}$

so  $\prod (A - \lambda_i)$  not invertible  $\rightarrow \lambda \in \sigma(p(A)) \downarrow$

By claim we know that

$$\lambda \in \sigma(p(A)) \Leftrightarrow \exists i: \lambda_i \in \sigma(A)$$
$$\stackrel{(\dagger)}{\Leftrightarrow} \lambda \in p(\sigma(A))$$

$$\Rightarrow) \text{ by (a) } \lambda = p(\lambda_i) \text{ and } \lambda_i \in \sigma(A) \Rightarrow \lambda \in p(\sigma(A))$$

$$\Leftarrow) \lambda = p(z) \text{ for some } z \in \sigma(A)$$

$$\text{by (b), } z \in \{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n\} \Rightarrow \exists i: \lambda_i \in \sigma(A) \Rightarrow \lambda \in \sigma(p(A))$$

□

It inherits is isometric property but only in Hilb space and for self adj op.

Lemme  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ ,  $A = A^*$ . Let  $p \in \mathbb{C}[t]$ . Then

$$\| p(A) \|_{\mathcal{L}(H)} = \| p \|_{\mathcal{C}(\sigma(A))}$$

proof let  $p(t) = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k t^k$ . Since  $c_k \in \mathbb{C}$

in general  $p(A)$  not self adjoint and

$$p(A)^* = \sum \bar{c}_k A^k = \bar{p}(A)$$

$$\underbrace{p(A)^* p(A)}_{\text{self adjoint}} = \left( \sum \bar{c}_k A^k \right) \left( \sum c_l A^l \right) = (\bar{p}p)(A)$$

$$\Rightarrow \| p(A) \|_{\mathcal{L}(H)}^2 = \| p(A)^* p(A) \|_{\mathcal{L}(H)}$$

$$\stackrel{(*)}{=} \| (\bar{p}p)(A) \|_{\mathcal{L}(H)}$$

$(\bar{p}p)(A)$  self adjoint  
For  $T$  self adjoint

$$= \rho((\bar{p}p)(A))$$

$$\|T\| = \rho(T)$$

$$= \sup_{\lambda \in \sigma((\bar{p}p)(A))} |\lambda|$$

$$\|p\|_{\mathcal{C}(\sigma(A))}^2$$

spectral mapping

$$\sigma(\bar{p}p)(A) = \bar{p}p(\sigma(A))$$

$$= \sup_{\lambda \in \sigma(A)} |\bar{p}p(\lambda)| = \sup_{\lambda \in \sigma(A)} |p(\lambda)|^2$$

□

proof (cont. func calc)  $\forall p$  polynomial we set

$$\phi(p) = p(A) \quad (\text{hence } \phi(1) = 1(A) = 1 = \mathbb{1})$$

Take  $f \in C(\sigma(A))$ . As  $\sigma(A)$  is compact, by Stone-Weierstrass thm (polynomials are dense in  $C(\sigma(A))$ )  
 $\exists (p_n)_{n \geq 1}$  polynomials with  $\|f - p_n\|_{C(\sigma(A))} \rightarrow 0$

Consider  $(p_n(A))_{n \geq 1}$ : want to prove it is Cauchy seq in  $\mathcal{L}(H)$

$$\begin{aligned} \|p_n(A) - p_m(A)\|_{\mathcal{L}(H)} &= \|(p_n - p_m)(A)\|_{\mathcal{L}(H)} \\ &= \|p_n - p_m\|_{C(\sigma(A))} \xrightarrow{n, m \rightarrow \infty} 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\leadsto (p_n(A))_n$  is Cauchy in  $\mathcal{L}(H)$ ! Pot

$$\phi(f) \equiv f(A) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n(A) \quad (\text{lim in } \mathcal{L}(H))$$

EXERCISE: verify that limit does not depend on approx seq, i.e. if  $q_n \rightarrow f$  then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n(A) = f(A)$

Proof of the properties: (Rec: verify them for polynomials and pass to the limit)

(1)  $*$ -homomorphism: take  $f, g \in C(\sigma(A))$  and show that  $\phi(fg) = \phi(f)\phi(g)$

Approximate with polynomials:  $\begin{matrix} p_n \rightarrow f \\ q_n \rightarrow g \end{matrix}$  in  $C(\sigma(A))$

$\leadsto p_n q_n \rightarrow fg$  in  $C(\sigma(A))$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow p_n(A) q_n(A) &\rightarrow f(A) g(A) && (\text{limit in } \mathcal{L}(H)) \\ (p_n q_n)(A) &\rightarrow (fg)(A) \end{aligned}$$

Other identities proved similarly

[ in general: properties true for polynomials, they stay true by taking limits thanks to continuity property ]

$$(2) \quad f(t) = t \in \mathcal{P}(T) \Rightarrow \phi(t) = A \text{ by def.}$$

$$(3) \quad \|f(A)\|_{\mathcal{L}(H)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|p_n(A)\|_{\mathcal{L}(H)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|p_n\|_{C(\sigma(A))}$$

with  $p_n$  polynomials with  $p_n \rightarrow f$  in  $C(\sigma(A))$

$$(4) \quad \sigma(f(A)) = f(\sigma(A))$$

$$(5) \quad \text{we show } \rho(f(A)) \supseteq (f(\sigma(A)))^c$$

so take  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\lambda \notin \underbrace{\{f(t) : t \in \sigma(A)\}}_{\text{compact}}$

$$\text{Define } g(t) = \frac{1}{f(t) - \lambda} \in C(\sigma(A))$$

By the prop. of func' calcs  $g(A)$  is LL op

$$g(A)(f(A) - \lambda) = [g(f - \lambda)](A) = [1](A) = \mathbb{1}$$

$$(f(A) - \lambda)g(A) \sim$$

$\leadsto g(A)$  is the inverse of  $f(A) - \lambda \leadsto \lambda \in \rho(f(A))$

(2) let  $\lambda \in f(\sigma(A))$ , so  $\lambda = f(\mu)$  with  $\mu \in \sigma(A)$

take  $p_n \rightarrow f$  in  $C(\sigma(A))$

then  $p_n(A) - p_n(\mu)\mathbb{1} \rightarrow f(A) - f(\mu)\mathbb{1}$  in  $\mathcal{L}(H)$

CLAIM:  $p_n(A) - p_n(\mu)I$  is not invertible  $\forall \mu$

$\leadsto$   $f(A) - f(\mu)I$  is not invertible (inv. ops form an open set)  $\leadsto$   $f(\mu) \in \sigma(f(A))$

proof of claim:  $\sigma(p_n(A)) = p_n(\sigma(A))$

$$\mu \in \sigma(A) \Rightarrow p_n(\mu) \in p_n(\sigma(A)) = \sigma(p_n(A))$$

$$(5) Ax = \lambda x \Rightarrow f(A)x = f(\lambda)x$$

True for polynomials:  $p(A)x = \sum c_k A^k x = \sum c_k \lambda^k x = p(\lambda)x$

Then take  $p_n \Rightarrow f$  in  $C(\sigma(A))$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} p_n(A)x & = & p_n(\lambda)x \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ f(A)x & & f(\lambda)x \end{array} \quad \forall x$$

$$(b) f \geq 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{f} \geq 0 \text{ and } \sqrt{f} \in C(\sigma(A))$$

Hence  $\sqrt{f}$  is a polynomial

$B := (\sqrt{f})(A)$  it is self-adjoint and

$$B^2 = (\sqrt{f})(A)(\sqrt{f})(A) = (\sqrt{f}\sqrt{f})(A) = f(A)$$

$$\leadsto (f(A)x, x) = (B^2 x, x) = (Bx, Bx) = \|Bx\|^2 \geq 0$$

uniqueness Assume that  $\sqrt{f}$  is another functional calculus fulfilling the same properties.

then  $\psi(1) = 1$   
 $\psi(p) = A$  for  $p(t) = t$

By the  $\psi$ -homomorphism prop,  $\forall p \in \mathbb{C}[t]$

$$\psi(p) = p(A) = \phi(A)$$

↪ by our def of  $\phi$

Any 2 cont. func. calcs must coincide on polynomials  
 But polynomials are dense  $\rightarrow$  they coincide everywhere:  
 $f \in C(\sigma(A))$ ,  $p_n \rightarrow f$

$$\| \psi(f) - \psi(p_n) \|_{L(H)} = \| \psi(f - p_n) \|_{L(H)} = \| f - p_n \|_{C(\sigma(A))}$$

$$\| \psi(f) - \phi(p_n) \|_{L(H)}$$

Hence  $\phi(p_n) \rightarrow \psi(f)$   
 $\phi(p_n) \rightarrow \phi(f)$

□

Cor 1  $A \geq 0$ ,  $A = A^*$ , then  $\exists B = B^*$  st.

$$B^2 = A \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad B = \sqrt{A}$$

proof  $A \geq 0 \Rightarrow \sigma(A) \subseteq [0, +\infty)$

so  $f(t) = \sqrt{t} \in C(\sigma(A))$

Define  $B = f(A)$ , it fulfills  $B^2 = f^2(A) = A$  □

Cor 2  $A = A^*$ ,  $\lambda \notin \sigma(A) \Rightarrow \|(A - \lambda)^{-1}\| = \frac{1}{\text{dist}(\lambda, \sigma(A))}$

proof  $\lambda \notin \sigma(A) \Rightarrow g(t) = \frac{1}{t - \lambda} \in C(\sigma(A))$  and  $g(t)(t - \lambda) = 1$   
 $\Rightarrow g(A)(A - \lambda) = (A - \lambda)g(A) = 1 \Rightarrow g(A) = (A - \lambda)^{-1}$ , then use (3) □



# Spectral measure

BOREL  $\sigma$ -ALGEBRA: smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra containing open sets  
 $\sigma$ -algebra:  $\Rightarrow$  closed under complement  
 $\Rightarrow$  " " countable union & intersection

$A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ ,  $A = A^*$ , by cont. funct. calculus  
 we have a map

$$\begin{aligned} C(\sigma(A)) &\longrightarrow \mathcal{L}(H) \\ f &\longmapsto f(A) \end{aligned}$$

Now fix  $x \in H$  and consider the map

$$\begin{aligned} l_x : C(\sigma(A), \mathbb{R}) &\longrightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ f &\longmapsto \langle f(A)x, x \rangle \end{aligned}$$

- This map is
- well defined:  $f \text{ real} \Rightarrow f(A) = f(A)^* \Rightarrow \langle f(A)x, x \rangle \in \mathbb{R}$
  - linear:  $l_x(\alpha f_1 + \beta f_2) = \alpha l_x(f_1) + \beta l_x(f_2)$
  - continuous:  $|l_x(f)| \leq \|f(A)\|_{\mathcal{L}(H)} \|x\|^2 \leq \|f\|_{C(\sigma(A))} \|x\|^2$
  - positive:  $\langle f(A)x, x \rangle \geq 0$  for  $f \geq 0$ .  
 $\hookrightarrow$  i.e.  $l_x(f) \geq 0$  for  $f \geq 0$

So  $\forall x \in H$ ,  $l_x \in C(\sigma(A); \mathbb{R})^*$  and positive.

Can we identify this functional?

Thm (Riesz-Markov thm) let  $X$  be a compact Hausdorff space, then  $\forall$  positive linear functional  $l$  on  $C(X; \mathbb{R})$  there is a unique Radon measure (real-valued, positive) on the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra of  $X$  for which

$$l(f) = \int_X f d\mu \quad \forall f \in C(X; \mathbb{R})$$

Proof [RS, Thm N. 14]

RADON:  $\Rightarrow \mu(K) < +\infty \quad \forall K$  compact  
 $\Rightarrow$  OUTER REGULAR:  $\forall E \in \text{Borel}$ ,  $\mu(E) = \inf_{U \supseteq E, U \text{ open}} \mu(U)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  INNER REGULAR  $\forall E \in \text{Borel}$ ,  $\mu(E) < \infty$ :  $\mu(E) = \sup_{K \subseteq E, K \text{ compact}} \mu(K)$

Application:  $\forall x \in H, \exists!$  Borel measure  $\mu_x$  on  $(\sigma(A), \text{Bor}(\sigma(A)))$  s.t.

$$L_x(f) = \langle f(A)x, x \rangle = \int_{\sigma(A)} f(\lambda) d\mu_x(\lambda), \quad \forall f \in C(\sigma(A); \mathbb{R})$$

Def  $\mu_x$  is the spectral measure of  $A$  associated to  $x$

Rem(1)  $\mu_x(\sigma(A)) = \int 1 \cdot d\mu_x(A) = \langle 1(A)x, x \rangle = \|x\|^2$

$\Rightarrow \mu_x$  is finite  $\sigma(A)$  measure with total mass  $\|x\|^2$

$$(2) \quad \langle f(A)ax, ax \rangle = |a|^2 \langle f(A)x, x \rangle = |a|^2 \int f(\lambda) d\mu_x(\lambda)$$

$$\parallel \int f(\lambda) d\mu_{ax}$$

$\forall f \in C(\sigma(A); \mathbb{R})$

By the uniqueness of spectral measure:  $|a|^2 \mu_x = \mu_{ax}$

EXAMPLES: (1)  $A = A^*$ , let  $x$  be eigenvector:  $Ax = \lambda x$ . Then

$$\langle f(A)x, x \rangle = \langle f(\lambda)x, x \rangle = f(\lambda) \|x\|^2 \quad \forall f \in C(\sigma(A))$$

$$\parallel \int f(\lambda) d\mu_x \Rightarrow \mu_x = \delta_\lambda \|x\|^2 \quad (\text{pure point measure})$$

(2)  $L^2([0,1])$ ,  $(Au)(t) = t u(t)$ , we know  $\sigma(A) = [0,1]$   
 What is  $\mu_u$  for  $u \in L^2([0,1])$ ?

$p_n \rightarrow f$  in  $C(\sigma(A))$

$$f(A)u = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n(A)u = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n(t)u = f(t)u$$

$$\langle f(A)u, u \rangle = \int f(t) |u(t)|^2 dt$$

$$\parallel \int f(\lambda) d\mu_u \Rightarrow \mu_u = |u(t)|^2 dt \quad (\text{multiplication op by } f(t) \text{ as with respect to Lebesgue})$$

EXERCISE: (1)  $H$  separable Hilbert space,  $T = T^*$  compact  
 given  $x \in H$ , compute  $\mu_x$

(2)  $L^2([0,1])$ ,  $T = M_g$  multiplication op by  $g \in C^0([0,1]; \mathbb{R})$   
 compute  $\mu_u$  for  $u \in L^2$ .

Let us come back to the def. of spectral measure

$$\langle f(A)x, x \rangle = \int_{\sigma(A)} f(\lambda) d\mu_x(\lambda) \quad \forall f \in C(\sigma(A); \mathbb{R})$$

$\hookrightarrow$  this is a quadratic form

linear in  $\pm$  comp.  
 cons. lin in the other

From a quadratic form, we can define a sesquilinear form by polarization

$$\langle f(A)x, y \rangle = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \langle f(A)(x+y), x+y \rangle - \langle f(A)(x-y), x-y \rangle - i \langle f(A)(x-iy), x-iy \rangle + i \langle f(A)(x+iy), x+iy \rangle \right]$$

(check it!)  $= \frac{1}{4} \left[ \int f(\lambda) (d\mu_{x+y} - d\mu_{x-y} - i d\mu_{x-iy} + i d\mu_{x+iy}) \right]$

$$= \int f(\lambda) d\mu_{x,y}$$

where  $\mu_{x,y} := \frac{1}{4} \left[ \mu_{x+y} - \mu_{x-y} - i \mu_{x-iy} + i \mu_{x+iy} \right]$

$\mu_{x,y}$  is a complex - Boel measure

$\mu$ : Boel  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\rightarrow \mathbb{C}$   
 $\sigma$ -additive:  $\mu \left( \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n \right) = \sum \mu(M_n)$   
 $\forall (M_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  pairwise disjoint

Rem 1  $\odot$   $\mu_{x,y}$  is finite

$\odot$   $\overline{\mu_{x,y}} = \mu_{y,x}$

} from  $\langle f(A)x, y \rangle$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \begin{array}{l} x \rightarrow \mu_{x,y} \text{ is linear} \\ y \rightarrow \mu_{x,y} \text{ is conjugate linear} \end{array} \quad \Bigg\} \quad \int f(\lambda) d\mu_{x,y}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \mu_{x,x} = \mu_x$$

Rem 2 splitting  $f: \sigma(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  as  $\operatorname{Re} f + i \operatorname{Im} f$ , we  
 have  $\int f(\lambda) d\mu_{x,y} = \int \operatorname{Re} f(\lambda) d\mu_{x,y} + i \int \operatorname{Im} f(\lambda) d\mu_{x,y}$  holds  $\forall f \in C(\sigma(A); \mathbb{C})$

KEY OBSERVATION!  $\int f(\lambda) d\mu_{x,y}$  it is defined on

$$\mathcal{B}_b(\sigma(A)) := \left\{ f: \sigma(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : \begin{array}{l} \text{Borel measurable} \\ \text{bounded; } \sup_{\lambda \in \sigma(A)} |f(\lambda)| < \infty \end{array} \right\}$$

In fact just note that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{\sigma(A)} f(\lambda) d\mu_{x,y} \right| &\leq \frac{1}{4} \left[ \int |f(\lambda)| d\mu_{x+y} + \int |f(\lambda)| d\mu_{x-y} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int |f(\lambda)| d\mu_{x-iy} + \int |f(\lambda)| d\mu_{x+iy} \right] \\ &\leq \sup_{\lambda \in J} |f(\lambda)| \frac{1}{4} \left[ \|x+y\|^2 + \|x-y\|^2 + \|x-iy\|^2 + \|x+iy\|^2 \right] \\ &\leq 4 \sup_J |f(\lambda)| (\|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2) < +\infty \end{aligned}$$

So we define  $\forall f \in \mathcal{B}_b(\sigma(A))$

$$B_f(x,y) := \int_{\sigma(A)} f(\lambda) d\mu_{x,y}(\lambda)$$

lem Clearly we can define  $B_f$  for a function  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  with the same definition.

BUT  $B_f$  depends only on the values of  $f|_{\sigma(A)}$

Similarly, given a Borel set  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , we can put

$$\mu_{x,y}(E) := \mu_{x,y}(E \cap \sigma(A))$$

Lemma  $B_f: H \times H \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a bounded sesquilinear form

If  $f$  is real valued,  $B_f$  fulfills  $B_f(x,y) = \overline{B_f(y,x)}$

proof  $\odot$   $x \mapsto B_f(x,y)$  linear  
 $y \mapsto B_f(x,y)$  conj. linear.

$$\odot \sup_{\|x\| \leq 1} \sup_{\|y\| \leq 1} |B_f(x,y)| \leq 4 \sup_{\lambda \in \sigma(A)} |f(\lambda)| (\|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2) \leq 8 \sup_{\lambda \in \sigma(A)} |f(\lambda)|$$

$$\begin{aligned} \odot f \text{ real: } B_f(x,y) &= \int_{\sigma(A)} f(\lambda) d\mu_{x,y}(\lambda) = \int_{\sigma(A)} f(\lambda) \overline{d\mu_{y,x}(\lambda)} \\ &= \overline{\int_{\sigma(A)} f(\lambda) d\mu_{y,x}(\lambda)} = \overline{B_f(y,x)} \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

We can use Riesz-representation theorem to write a sesquilinear form as a scalar product:

Thm  $B: H \times H \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  sesquilinear, bounded form

$$\text{i.e. } \sup_{\|x\|, \|y\| \leq 1} |B(x, y)| = M < \infty$$

$\Rightarrow \exists ! S \in \mathcal{L}(H)$  s.t.

$$B(x, y) = \langle Sx, y \rangle \quad \forall x, y \in H$$

If  $B$  symmetric ( $B(x, y) = \overline{B(y, x)}$ ), then  $S = S^*$ .

proof  $\forall x \in H$ , the map

$$l_x: H \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ y \mapsto l_x(y) = \overline{B(x, y)} \quad \text{and } l_x(y) \stackrel{||}{=} \overline{B(x, y)}$$

is a linear functional ( $l_x(\alpha y) = \overline{B(x, \alpha y)} = \alpha \overline{B(x, y)}$ )  
bounded: ( $\|l_x\| = \sup_{\|y\| \leq 1} |l_x(y)| \leq \sup_{\|y\| \leq 1} |B(x, y)| \leq M \|x\|$ )

So apply Riesz Thm  $\Rightarrow \exists ! \alpha_x \in H$  with  $\|\alpha_x\| \leq M \|x\|$  (R)

$$l_x(y) = \langle y, \alpha_x \rangle \\ \stackrel{||}{=} \overline{B(x, y)} \quad \left| \Rightarrow B(x, y) = \langle \alpha_x, y \rangle \right.$$

$$\text{Put } S: H \rightarrow H \\ x \mapsto (Sx) := \alpha_x$$

$S$  is linear and bounded (thanks to (R))

$$\Rightarrow B(x, y) = \langle Sx, y \rangle \quad \forall x, y \in H$$

If  $B$  symmetric:  $B(x, y) = \overline{B(y, x)} \quad \forall x, y \in H$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{"} & \text{"} & \\ (Sx, y) & \overline{(Sy, x)} & = (x, Sy) = (S^*x, y) \end{array}$$

$\leadsto S = S^*$

□

We apply Riesz thm to  $B_f$

$\leadsto \exists! A_f \in \mathcal{L}(H)$  st:

$$\langle A_f x, y \rangle = B_f(x, y) = \int_{\sigma(A)} f(\lambda) \, d\mu_{x, y}(\lambda) \quad \forall x, y \in H$$

Rem (1)  $f \mapsto A_f$  is linear es  $\left. \begin{array}{l} f \mapsto B_f \text{ is linear} \\ B_f \mapsto A_f \text{ is unique} \end{array} \right\}$

(2)  $f \in C(\sigma(A))$

$$\langle A_f x, y \rangle = B_f(x, y) = \int_{\sigma(A)} f(\lambda) \, d\mu_{x, y} = \langle f(A)x, y \rangle$$

↓  
defined via cont. functional calculus for  $f|_{\sigma(A)}$

$\leadsto A_f = f(A)$

(3) Clearly  $A_f$  is well defined for any bounded Borel function  $f: J \supseteq \sigma(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  for  $J$  compact, depending only on  $f|_{\sigma(A)}$

## Thm (Bounded Boel funct calculus)

$A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ ,  $A=A^*$ , then  $\exists!$   $\hat{\phi}: \mathbb{B}_b(J) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H)$   
 $f \mapsto \hat{\phi}(f)$

where  $J$  compact <sup>interval</sup>,  $J \ni \sigma(A)$ , st

(1)  $\hat{\phi}$  algebraic  $*$ -homomorphism

$$\hat{\phi}(fg) = \hat{\phi}(f) \hat{\phi}(g)$$

$$\hat{\phi}(\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha \hat{\phi}(f) + \beta \hat{\phi}(g)$$

$$\hat{\phi}(1) = \mathbb{1}$$

$$\hat{\phi}(f^*) = \hat{\phi}(f)^*$$

(2) for  $f(\lambda) = \lambda$ ,  $\hat{\phi}(f) = A$

$$(3) \quad \|\hat{\phi}(f)\|_{\mathcal{L}(H)} \leq \sup_{\lambda \in J} |f(\lambda)|$$

$$(4) \quad \sigma(\hat{\phi}(f)) \subseteq \overline{f(\sigma(A))}$$

(5) If  $Ax = \lambda x \Rightarrow \hat{\phi}(f)x = f(\lambda)x$

(6)  $f \geq 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\phi}(f) \geq 0$

(7)  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  seq in  $\mathbb{B}_b(J)$  st  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sup_{\lambda \in J} |f_n(\lambda)| \leq M \quad \forall n \\ f_n(\lambda) \rightarrow f(\lambda) \quad \forall \lambda \end{array} \right.$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\phi}(f_n)x \rightarrow \hat{\phi}(f)x \quad \forall x \in H$$

i.e.  $\hat{\phi}(f_n) \rightarrow \hat{\phi}(f)$  strongly (not uniformly)



proof (1) exercise, but we prove  $\hat{\Phi}(fg) = \hat{\Phi}(f) \hat{\Phi}(g)$

preliminary observation: If  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1}$  with  $\left| \begin{array}{l} \sup_{\lambda \in J} |f(\lambda)| \leq M \\ f_n \rightarrow f \text{ pointwise everywhere} \end{array} \right.$

$$\rightarrow \langle \hat{\Phi}(f_n) x, y \rangle = \int_{\sigma(A)} f_n(\lambda) d\mu_{x,y} \rightarrow \int_{\sigma(A)} f(\lambda) d\mu_{x,y} = \langle \hat{\Phi}(f) x, y \rangle$$

by Lebesgue's dominated conv. theorem.

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\Phi}(f_n) \rightarrow \hat{\Phi}(f) \quad (\#)$$

Next we need a lemma from measure theory

Lemma  $K \subset \mathbb{R}$  compact, set  $\mathcal{B}_b(K)$  bounded Borel-measurable functions. Let

$U \subseteq \mathcal{B}_b(K)$  st.

(i)  $U \supseteq C(K)$

(ii)  $U$  closed under "bounded pointwise convergence", i.e.

$$(f_n)_n \subseteq U, \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} f_n(\lambda) \rightarrow f(\lambda) \quad \forall \lambda \in K \\ \sup_{\lambda \in K} |f_n(\lambda)| \leq M \quad \forall n \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow f \in U$$

$$\Rightarrow U = \mathcal{B}_b(K)$$

proof exercise [Werner, Lemma VII.1.5]

Back to prove  $\hat{\Phi}(fg) = \hat{\Phi}(f) \hat{\Phi}(g) \quad (\#\#)$

Tricky limit procedure: If  $f, g \in C(\mathcal{J})$ ,  $\hat{\phi}(f) = f(A)$   
and we have (\*)

If  $g \in C(\mathcal{J})$ , set  $U = \{ f \in \mathcal{B}_b(\mathcal{J}) : \hat{\phi}(fg) = \hat{\phi}(f)\hat{\phi}(g) \}$

then  $U \supset C(\mathcal{J})$ . We show  $U$  is closed  
under "b.p.c.", take  $(f_n)_{n \geq 1} \subset U$ ,  $\begin{cases} \sup_n \|f_n(A)\| \leq M \\ f_n \rightarrow f \text{ pointwise} \end{cases}$

$$\langle \hat{\phi}(f_n) \hat{\phi}(g) x, y \rangle \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{(*)} \langle \hat{\phi}(f) \hat{\phi}(g) x, y \rangle$$

$\|f_n \in U$

$$\langle \hat{\phi}(f_n g) x, y \rangle \xrightarrow{(*)} \langle \hat{\phi}(fg) x, y \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\phi}(fg) = \hat{\phi}(f) \hat{\phi}(g) \Rightarrow f \in U$$

Lemma  $\Rightarrow U = \mathcal{B}_b(\mathcal{J})$

Finally take  $f \in \mathcal{B}_b(\mathcal{J})$ , put

$$V = \{ g \in \mathcal{B}_b(\mathcal{J}) : \hat{\phi}(fg) = \hat{\phi}(f) \hat{\phi}(g) \}$$

We just proved  $V \supset C(\mathcal{J})$ . Again one shows that  
 $V$  closed under "b.p.c."  $\Rightarrow V = \mathcal{B}_b(\mathcal{J})$ .

$$(2) f(A) = A \in C(\mathcal{J}) \Rightarrow \hat{\phi}(f) = f(A) = A$$

(by continuous f.c.c.c.)

(3)  $f$  real  $\Rightarrow f(A)$  self adjoint

$$\|f(A)\| = \sup_{\|x\| \leq 1} |\langle f(A)x, x \rangle| \leq \sup_{\lambda \in \sigma(f(A))} |\lambda|$$

f complex:  $\|\hat{\phi}(f)\|^2 = \|\hat{\phi}(f)^* \hat{\phi}(f)\| = \|\hat{\phi}(\bar{f}) \hat{\phi}(f)\|$

(4) ~ (b) exercise  $\|\hat{\phi}(1_{H^2})\|$

(7)  $\begin{cases} f_n \rightarrow 0 & \text{pointwise} \\ \|f_n\|_\infty < M & \forall n \end{cases}$   $\sup |f_n|^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{\phi}(f_n)\|^2 &= \langle \hat{\phi}(f_n) x, \hat{\phi}(f_n) x \rangle \\ &= \langle \hat{\phi}(f_n)^* \hat{\phi}(f_n) x, x \rangle \\ &= \langle \hat{\phi}(|f_n|^2) x, x \rangle \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

by Lebesgue dom. conv. theorem.   
 uniqueness  $\psi$  another func. calc.

(1)+(2)  $\Rightarrow \psi(p) = \phi(p) \quad \forall p$  polynomial

(3)  $\Rightarrow \psi(f) = \phi(f) \quad \forall f \in C(J)$    
 by Stone-Weierstrass

(7)  $\Rightarrow \psi(f) = \phi(f) \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{B}_b(J)$

Indeed put  $U := \{ f \in \mathcal{B}_b(J) : \psi(f) = \phi(f) \}$

We have proved  $U \supseteq C(J)$    
 take  $(f_n)_n \subset U$  with  $\begin{cases} f_n \rightarrow f & \text{pointwise} \\ \|f_n\|_\infty < C \end{cases}$

Then  $\begin{aligned} \langle \psi(f_n) x, y \rangle &\rightarrow \langle \psi(f) x, y \rangle \\ \langle \phi(f_n) x, y \rangle &\rightarrow \langle \phi(f) x, y \rangle \end{aligned}$

$\Rightarrow f \in U \Rightarrow U = \mathcal{B}_b(J)$  □

# ROAD MAP

$$A = A^* \quad , \quad A \in \mathcal{L}(H)$$

polynomial

$$p(A) = \sum c_k A^k \quad \forall \text{ polynomial}$$
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{SMT: } \sigma(p(A)) = p(\sigma(A)) \\ \|p(A)\| = \|p|_{\sigma(A)}\| \end{array} \right.$$

CONT. FUNC. CALC:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{C}(\sigma(A)) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{L}(H) \\ f & \longmapsto & f(A) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n(A) \end{array}$$

by Stone-Weierstrass  $(p_n)_n$  polynomials,  $p_n \rightarrow f$

Fix  $x \in H$  :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{C}(\sigma(A), \mathbb{R}) & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{R} \\ f & \longmapsto & \langle f(A)x, x \rangle \end{array}$$

This map is linear and continuous:  $\in \mathcal{C}(\sigma(A))^*$

Riesz:  $\exists!$   $\mu_x$  SPECTRAL MEASURE:

$$\langle f(A)x, x \rangle = \int_{\sigma(A)} f(\lambda) d\mu_x(\lambda) \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{C}(\sigma(A))$$

By polarization

$$\langle f(A)x, y \rangle = \int_{\sigma(A)} f(\lambda) d\mu_{x,y}(\lambda) \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{C}(\sigma(A))$$

by polarization

sesquilinear bounded operator

$H$  also makes sense  $\forall f \in \mathcal{B}_b(J)$ ,  $J \supseteq \sigma(A)$   
 $J$  compact

$$\mathcal{B}_g(x, y) := \int_{\sigma(A)} g(\lambda) \downarrow_{\text{norm}}(\lambda) \quad , \quad \forall g \in \mathcal{B}_b(J)$$

Riesz:  $\exists!$   $g(A) = \hat{\phi}(g)$  s.t

$$\mathcal{B}_g(x, y) = \langle g(A)x, y \rangle \quad \forall x, y \quad (\dagger)$$

BOREL FUNC. CALC:

$$\mathcal{B}_b(J) \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}(H)$$

$$g \longmapsto g(A) \quad \text{defined by } (\dagger)$$

indicator function over  $\Omega$

EX take  $g(x) = \mathbb{1}_{\Omega}(x)$  ,  $\Omega \in J$

$$E^{\Lambda}(\Omega) = \mathbb{1}_{\Omega}(A) = \hat{\phi}(\mathbb{1}_{\Omega})$$

$E^{\Lambda}(\Omega)$  is an orthogonal projection:

$$\text{indeed: } E^{\Lambda}(\Omega)^* = \hat{\phi}(\mathbb{1}_{\Omega})^* = \hat{\phi}(\overline{\mathbb{1}_{\Omega}}) = E^{\Lambda}(\Omega)$$

$$E^{\Lambda}(\Omega)^2 = \hat{\phi}(\mathbb{1}_{\Omega}) \hat{\phi}(\mathbb{1}_{\Omega}) = \hat{\phi}(\underbrace{\mathbb{1}_{\Omega}^2}_{\mathbb{1}_{\Omega}}) = E^{\Lambda}(\Omega)$$

Next step: reconstruct  $A$  starting from this projections