

Random Matrices, Exact Operator spaces, -- (G. Pisier) 9/20

Outline:

1. Operator spaces
2. Exactness
3. Random matrices
4. Grothendieck's Thm.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 E \subset B(H) \\
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 \text{closed subspace} \quad \text{bounded ops} \quad \text{Hilbert space}
 \end{array}$$

We will consider a norm stronger than the operator norm

$$x_j \in E, \alpha_j \in \mathbb{C}, \alpha_j \in B(H)$$

We will take the norm of $\sum \alpha_j \otimes x_j$ as an operator

$$H \otimes_2 H \rightarrow H \otimes_2 H$$

Replace $B(E, F)$ by "CB(E, F)" "completely bounded"

$$\|u\|_{cb} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sup_{\substack{\alpha_j \in B(H) \\ x_j \in E}} \frac{\|\sum \alpha_j \otimes u(x_j)\|}{\|\sum \alpha_j \otimes x_j\|}$$

$$= \sup_{N \geq 1} \sup_{\substack{\alpha_j \in E \\ \alpha_j \in B(l_2^N)}} \frac{\|\sum \alpha_j \otimes u(x_j)\|}{\|\sum \alpha_j \otimes x_j\|}$$

call this $\|\cdot\|_{cb_N}$.

(whereas the usual operator norm is

$$\|u\|_{cb_1} = \|u\| = \sup_{\substack{x_j \in E \\ \alpha_j \in \mathbb{C}}} \frac{\|\sum \alpha_j u(x_j)\|}{\|\sum \alpha_j x_j\|} \quad)$$

2. Exactness

$E \subset B(H)$ is called exact (Kirchberg ~ 90's)

if $\exists C = C_E$ s.t. $\forall F \subset E$, $\dim F < \infty$

$\exists k. \exists \tilde{F} \subset M_k \quad \exists u: F \rightarrow \tilde{F} : \|u\|_{cb} \|u^{-1}\|_{cb} \leq C$

($\begin{smallmatrix} \text{"} \\ k_F \end{smallmatrix}$) $k \times k$ matrices

(example: $K(H)$ = compact operators)

3. Random matrices (Hagerup Thorjungen)

$Y^{(N)}_1, Y^{(N)}_2, \dots$, iid Gaussian $N \times N$ matrices.

$Y^{(N)}(i,j) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} g_{ij}$ $\leftarrow$ stand. gaussian.

Thm (HT): $\forall E$ exact, $\forall x_1, \dots, x_n \in E$

$$(*) \quad \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \sum Y_j^{(N)} \otimes x_j \right\| \stackrel{\text{a.s.}}{\leq} C_E (\|x\|_R + \|x\|_C)$$

$$\leq C_E \cdot 2 \max(\|x\|_R, \|x\|_C)$$

where $\|x\|_R = \|(\sum x_j x_j^*)^{1/2}\|$, $\|x\|_C = \|(\sum x_j^* x_j)^{1/2}\|$.

(note: from free probability, we get $\|\sum c_j \otimes x_j\|$ in the limit, where c_j is standard free Gaussian).

Examples: $R = \overline{\text{span}} [e_{ij}, j \geq 1]$, $C = \overline{\text{span}} [e_{ii}, i \geq 1]$
 $R \subset B(l_2)$ $C \subset B(l_2)$

If $x_j \in B(H)$ then

$$\left\| \sum x_j \otimes e_{ij} \right\| = \|x\|_R, \quad \left\| \sum x_j^* \otimes e_{ii} \right\| = \|x\|_C$$

Easy to see that R and C are exact (they embed into $K(H)$).

Example: ← "Operator Hilbert space"

$$OH = \text{Span}[e_j] \subset B(\mathcal{H}) \quad (\mathcal{H} \text{ can be } \ell_2)$$

$$\text{with } \|\sum a_j \otimes e_j\| = \|\sum a_j \otimes \bar{a}_j\|^{1/2}$$

This is not exact, but the finite-dimensional version OH_n has $C_{OH_n} \sim n^{1/4}$.

Example:

$$\|\sum a_j \otimes e_j\| = \sup_{\|u_j\| \leq 1} \|\sum a_j \otimes u_j\|$$

This is the operator space analogue of ℓ_1 .

Finite dim version has $C_E \sim \sqrt{n}$. (This is the worst possible).

Proof of $(*)$:

By routine concentration arguments, it suffices to prove that

$$(**) \quad \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \|E\| \leq \|Y_j^{(N)} \otimes x_j\| \leq C_E \cdot 2 \max(\|x\|_p, \|x\|_c)$$

Since E is exact, can assume $x_1, \dots, x_n \in M_k$, $k < \infty$.

Claim: $\forall x_j \in M_k, \forall \varepsilon > 0$,

$$\|E\| \leq \|Y_j^{(N)} \otimes x_j\| \leq (1+\varepsilon) \left(2 + \varepsilon(N) + C_E \sqrt{\frac{\log(LN)}{N}} \right) \cdot \max(\|x\|_p, \|x\|_c)$$

where $\varepsilon(N) \rightarrow 0$.

The Claim implies $(**)$ by taking $N \rightarrow \infty$.

To prove the claim, take $p \gg 2$ an even integer.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left(\mathbb{E} \left(\left| \tau_N \otimes \tau_k \right| \sum Y_j^{(N)} \otimes x_j \right)^p \right)^{1/p} \\
 & \quad \text{normalized trace} \quad \leq \underbrace{\left(\mathbb{E} \tau_N \mid Y^{(N)} \mid \right)^{1/p}}_{\text{"}} \max \left(\|x\|_2, \|x\|_c \right) \\
 & \quad \left(\mathbb{E} \|Y\|_{L^p(\tau_N)}^p \right)^{1/p} \leftarrow \text{ordinary, well-known Gaussian stuff.} \\
 & \quad \Rightarrow B_p^{(N)} \leq 2 + \varepsilon(N) + \sqrt{\frac{p}{N}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\mathbb{E} \left\| \sum Y_j^{(N)} \otimes x_j \right\| \leq (Nk)^{1/p} \cdot (I)_p$$

If $p = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \log(Nk)$ then $(Nk)^{1/p} \sim 1 + \varepsilon$, so

$$(Nk)^{1/p} B_p^{(N)} \leq (1 + \varepsilon) \left[2 + \varepsilon(N) + \sqrt{\frac{\log(kN)}{N}} \right]$$

Def: E is called subexponential if $\exists c' = c'_E$ s.t.

$\forall F, \dim F < \infty, \forall N \exists k = k_F(N) \exists \tilde{F} \subset M_k$
 $\exists u_N: F \rightarrow \tilde{F}$ such that

$$\|u_N\|_{cb} \cdot \|u_N^*\|_{cbN} \leq c'$$

$$\text{and } \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\log k_F(N))/N}{N} = 0$$

Example: exact $\Rightarrow$ subexponential because $k_F(N) \leq k_F$.
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 (only known)

Thm: (*) holds for subexponential E also.

Non-examples: OH and a.s. ℓ are not subexponential.

Connections to Grothendieck's Thm: see slides.